



## DEVONPORT CITY COUNCIL

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## WEAVING MILL SITE REZONING ENDORSED



An aerial view of 117 Tasman Street and surrounding area

The Devonport City Council has endorsed the rezoning of the former Australian Weaving Mills site, at 117 Tasman Street, from general industrial and community purpose to general residential, subject to consultation and final approval from the Tasmanian Planning Commission.

The site has an area of 6.688ha fronting Tasman Street and was used for the manufacturing and processing of fabric between 1952 and 2013.

It is surrounded by residential and educational uses with a tertiary education facility, TasTAFE, located on land to the south.

In recent years several attempts have been made to rezone the site but none of the applications

have come to fruition.

Residential expansion options within the Devonport municipality are currently constrained by agricultural, industrial and rural residential land and, therefore, housing growth must be accommodated through infill.

Council was told the proposed amendment provided an opportunity for that to occur at the site, which has good connections to services, employment, recreational facilities and transport networks to ensure the needs of future residents can be met.

The proposed amendment will now be placed on public exhibition for a four-week period.

## CONSULTANT APPOINTED TO CONSIDER SOUND AND LIGHT SHOW OPTIONS



An example of Mandylights previous work when it installed, programmed and maintained a two-month long Christmas experience in the Sydney CBD featuring six illuminated Christmas wreaths controlled remotely.

Council will engage consulting firm Mandylights to investigate opportunities to incorporate a light show into the LIVING CITY Waterfront Precinct.

The Hill PDA report into the economic benefits of LIVING CITY, undertaken in December 2014, identified a lack of regional evening-based activities which attracted overnight visitations and suggested a potential light and/or sound show be considered.

The development of the Waterfront Parkland is seen as an opportune time to investigate sound and lighting options which would add value to the proposed development.

An open tender process was conducted to identify a suitable specialist to work with Council on the project. Mandylights was appointed as the preferred party.

Once the initial design work is complete, Council should have an attractive proposition with which to seek the necessary external funding to complete both the remaining design phases and the implementation of the project.

## BUDGET INFORMATION SESSION

An Information Session on Council's proposed 2019/20 Budget will be held from 5:00 pm on Wednesday, 12 June.

The session - to be held in the Aberdeen Room, parnaple centre, 137 Rooke Street, Devonport - is open to all interested residents and ratepayers.

Council will formally consider the adoption of the 2019/20 Budget at its meeting on Monday, 24 June.

## PUBLIC TOILETS APPROVED FOR MIANDETTA PARK

Public toilet facilities will be constructed at Miandetta Park next financial year.

It follows a petition with 677 signatories being presented to last night's Council meeting.

Earlier this year Council constructed the new playground following a request from the local community.

During a public consultation period for the playground 38 per cent of respondents made a request for additional infrastructure.

Of the 55 individual requests 20 sought toilet facilities, more than double the number for any other individual infrastructure request.

Council was told a two-cubicle layout was considered appropriate for the location.

The potential design could include one accessible cubicle and one ambulant cubicle.

Although usage will be lower than some other public amenities, the playground, surrounding park and other activities in the local area will generate use.

Prior to the installation of the playground, there had been no development of the park for more than a decade as the development and renewal of other recreation areas, including Mersey Bluff and Pioneer Park, had been prioritised.