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VOS AWARDED WATERFRONT PARK CONTRACT



A Nature Based Playspace will be one of the key features of the LIVING CITY Waterfront Park project.

Vos Construction and Joinery Pty Ltd has been awarded the contract for the Waterfront Park construction.

The contract is worth \$16,81,297 and was approved at Monday night's Devonport City Council meeting.

The LIVING CITY Waterfront Park site is bounded by Rooke Street, Best Street, Mussel Rock and the Mersey River.

The public open space aims to create an interactive parkland from Rooke Street to the river's edge, based around three main spines, or promenades, providing clear visual lines between the city centre and the river.

The southernmost promenade is elevated over Formby Road and the railway line to the river's edge.

The central and northern promenades are located at ground level and include pedestrian crossings over Formby Road, Rooke Street and Best Street.

Key elements of the Waterfront Park include:

- Nature Based Playspace

- Barbecue shelter and public toilets
- Geo Garden
- Elevated Walkway
- Tasmanian Parkland
- Coastal Promenade
- Geo Walk
- Rotunda
- Bus Shelters
- Civic and Art Axis walkways
- Formby Road and Rooke Street roadworks and;
- Oldaker Street stormwater catchment upgrade.

Following an open expression of interest process, four suitably qualified construction contractors were accepted to progress to the second and final phase of the tender process in June 2019.

Works are scheduled to commence during October 2019 and are likely to be completed by Spring 2021.

COUNCIL UPDATE

COUNCIL APPROVES GRANTS FOR COMMUNITY ORGANISATIONS

Council has approved minor and major grants and rate remissions totalling \$83,789.61 to 18 organisations as part of round one of its 2019-20 Financial Assistance Scheme.

The scheme supports projects, programs and activities developed for the benefit of Devonport's residents and visitors.

Major grants provide \$3,000 to \$25,000 and minor grants provide up to \$3,000 for organisations to deliver programs that enhance the Devonport community through development, community events, community facilities, cultural development, cultural heritage, festivals and events, economic development, sport, recreation and healthy living. Rate remissions provide rate support for local non-profit community organisations to cater for and respond to the needs of Devonport residents.

Thirteen organisations sought funding under the scheme and a further 11 applications were received for rate remission funding.

Donations, individual development grants and in-kind assistance grants are open throughout the year and assessed on a monthly basis.

Successful organisations in round one were –

Major grants

• Devonport Bulls Rugby Union Club/Don Cricket Club	\$20,000
• Cradle Coast Sports & Events	\$10,000
• Mersey Pony Club	\$7,390
• East Devonport Bowls Sporting and Recreation Club Inc.	\$7,300
• Devonport Tennis Club	\$5,000
• Melrose Memorial Hall Controlling Authority	\$4,125
• Devonport Surf Life Saving Club Inc.	\$3,028

Minor grants

• Cradle Coast Triathlon & Multisport Club Inc.	\$1,691*
• Live Well	\$170
• 507 Squadron	\$149

(*Subject to DCC logo on event finishing line chute)

Rate remissions

• Don River Railway	\$9,574.17
• Cancer Council Tasmania	\$3,482.88
• Scouts Australia Tasmanian Branch Mersey District	\$3,472.74
• Mersey Community Care Association Inc	\$3,082.25
• Mersey Rowing Club Inc	\$1,617.91
• Devonport Girl Guides	\$1,447.07
• East Devonport Tennis Club	\$1,154.20
• 1st Spreyton Scouts, Scout Association of Australia	\$1,105.39



DEVONPORT FOOD & WINE SET TO KICK OFF

The month-long festival of food, refreshment and fund - Devonport Food & Wine - will begin on Tuesday featuring 80 events and 35 different venues.

For full program and booking details please visit www.devonportfoodandwine.com.au

LAND DONATION DEFERRED

The Devonport City Council has deferred a decision on a proposal to gift public land at 93-95 Mary Street, East Devonport, to Melaleuca Home for the Aged.

While the land includes the site of the Mary Binks Wetlands, Melaleuca has said it will not build on that part of the property and public access to the wetlands will not be affected by the proposal.

In accordance with Section 178 of the Local Government Act, the proposed donation of the land was advertised twice in The Advocate, letters were sent to neighbouring properties and notices placed on the land.

During the advertising period nine representations were received which covered general, flora, fauna, volunteers, water/ stormwater, limited public land and governance concerns.

Council decided to defer any decision on the matter until the objections had been discussed with Melaleuca.

It will also hold a workshop and site visit as part of its assessment.

A further report will be prepared for a future Council meeting once the discussions and workshop have been held.