Circular Head, King Island, Waratah-Wynyard and West Coast Councils have invited submissions from consultants to undertake a joint 25 year community plan for the Murchison region. The Sustainable Murchison 2040 Community Plan is a major initiative proposed for the Councils, which will provide a strategic community plan to inform a coordinated approach for municipal planning in the Murchison region over the next 25 years. The plan will also see all four Councils recognising Burnie as their regional centre, and exploring linkages with the Burnie City Council’s Making Burnie 2030 Plan. All four Mayors are thankful for funding support from the State Government for the project as they recognised the importance of such a project to bring the region together. A detailed request for tender document is available upon request by email to sblanc@warwyn.tas.gov.au or by mail to PO Box 168, Wynyard, 7325 or from Council’s website at www.warwyn.tas.gov.au.

Council recently adopted the Long Term Financial Plan and Strategic Asset Management Plan, which while sounding complicated will ensure that Council is sustainable into the future. As part of Council adopting these plans, we will be ensuring that our services are not only providing value for money, but also that they deliver on the community’s needs. One of the first focus areas as part of this approach will be the provision of footpaths, and with more than 79km of footpaths in our Municipal Area, it is essential we get this right. I look forward to hearing your ideas in the near future.