

Sustainability and Environmental Advisory Panel

AGENDA – 15 APRIL 2025

Sustainability and Environmental Advisory Panel (SEAP)

Date & Time:	15 April 2025 - 5:00pm
Location:	Council Chambers, 21 Saunders Street Wynyard
Council Representatives:	Cr Celisa Edwards (Chair), Cr Andrea Courtney (Deputy Chair)
Members:	Brenton Hosking, Colin Hocking, Fiona Loughran, Hannah Sadler, Ian Ferris, Ian Newman, Peter Lawrence, Robin Krabbe, Wendy Bryant-Bergman
Staff in Attendance:	Daniel Summers, Dana Hicks, Kassandra Steward, Andrew Vocke
Apologies:	
Guest Presenter:	Nil

#	Agenda Item	Time Allocation (mins)	Lead	Action
1.	Welcome	5	Chair	
2.	Confirm Minutes	5	Chair	
3.	Guest Presenter/s: (if applicable)	0	N/A	
4.	Active Actions:	(90)		
	- Ballad Ave	15	Subgroup	Update / Discussion
	- Food Security	15	Subgroup	Update / Discussion
	- Tree & Vegetation Strategy	5	Subgroup	Informational
	- Sisters Beach Road	5	DS	Informational
	- Expanding Focus Areas	15	N/A	Informational / Discussion
	INDICATIVE BREAK TIME	5		
	- School Engagement on Alternative Transport	0	KS	No Discussion
	- Climate Leadership in line with Paris Agreement: Offshore oil & gas exploration position	15	DS / BH / HS	Update / Discussion
	- Draft Urban Stormwater Policy & Guidelines	10	DS	Update / Discussion
	- State of the Environment Report	5	DH	Informational
5.	Non-Active Actions: (from action plan)	0	N/A	No Discussion
6.	Upcoming Meetings - 17 June 2025 at Council Chambers	5	Chair	Informational
7.	New/General Business - Climate Impact in iCEP	5 10	Chair BH	Discussion/For Next Meeting Discussion
8.	Closure	5	Chair	

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4 ACTIVE ACTIONS – FOR DISCUSSION:

Action Item	Source	Action Record	Responsibility	Status Update	Desired Meeting Outcome
<p>R:= recommendation</p> <p>Ballad Ave: Suggest land use options for Council land. R: The Ballad Avenue property be used to enhance the natural values and habitat area of the adjacent riparian zone of the Inglis River</p>	Council Request (relates to action plan)	<p>05/23: first raised. 02/24: recommendation raised at SEAP meeting. 03/24: recommendation made to Council and endorsed.</p>	<p>I. Ferris P. Lawrence B. Hocking F. Loughran I. Newman C. Hocking H. Sadler D. Hicks</p>	<p>Final adjustments being made to draft plan, lifecycle table complete. Completed document to be circulated to group soon before being presented to councillors.</p>	Update / Discussion
<p>Food Security: Investigate opportunities to develop a food policy. R: Identify and facilitate mapping of food security based partnerships. R: Develop a food security policy and plan for the future of the community, incorporating community education on food security.</p>	Action Plan Focus Area 1.1	<p>03/23: first raised. 09/23: recommendation raised at SEAP meeting. 10/23: recommendation made to Council and endorsed. 02/24: recommendation raised at SEAP meeting. 03/24: recommendation made to Council and endorsed.</p>	<p>R. Krabbe H. Sadler D. Hicks D. Summers</p>	<p>Draft policy attached for review and recommendation to council for adoption if agreed. Mapping project undertaken by consultant has been received and will be reviewed by council staff and subgroup before circulation.</p>	Update / Discussion

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<p>R:= recommendation</p> <p>Tree & Vegetation Strategy: R: Review and replace the existing Tree Management Policy with a comprehensive Tree & Vegetation Policy and Strategy R: Adopt the interim Tree & Vegetation Policy and Guidelines.</p>	Action Plan Focus Area 3.1	<p>03/23: first raised. 11/23: recommendation raised from SEAP meeting. 01/24: recommendation made and endorsed. 02/24: SEAP endorse draft project plan. 04/24: recommendation raised at SEAP meeting. 05/24: recommendation made and endorsed.</p>	C. Hocking P. Lawrence I. Ferris D. Hicks D. Summers	Information being pulled together to support local native planting guidelines and vegetation mapping.	Informational
<p>Sisters Beach Road: R: Council to request reduced speed limit. R: Council consideration for extending virtual fencing.</p>	SEAP	<p>05/23: recommendations raised at SEAP meeting. 06/23: recommendations made to Council and endorsed.</p>	D. Summers B. Walker H. Sadler C. Hocking	Report tabled at the March Council meeting. An amended motion was put and carried for a recommendation to be made to the Commissioner for Transport to reduce the speed limit to 80km/hr.	Informational
<p>Expanding Focus Areas: R: SEAP & Councillors to attend other municipal localities to expand focus.</p>	SEAP	<p>09/23: recommendation raised at SEAP meeting. 10/23: recommendation made to Council and endorsed. 02/24: SEAP to identify site locations to visit</p>	SEAP	Nil comment	Informational / Discussion
INDICATIVE BREAK TIME					

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<p>R:= recommendation</p> <p>School Engagement on Alternative Transport: R: Council to engage with school community re: traffic & ways to encourage walking/riding to school</p>	SEAP (Action Plan Focus Area 1)	<p>11/23: recommendation raised at SEAP meeting. 01/24: recommendation made to Council and endorsed.</p>	K. Steward	<p>Council continues to monitor the survey for responses. There have been no responses to date.</p> <p>We are attempting to reach out a second time to see if a new year will bring renewed interest and participation.</p>	No Discussion
<p>Climate Leadership in line with Paris Agreement R: Develop a position statement opposing further offshore oil and gas exploration and development in waters off Tasmania. R: Council to advocate to LGAT regarding offshore oil and gas exploration.</p>	SEAP (Action Plan Focus Area 1)	<p>02/24: recommendation raised at SEAP meeting. 03/24: recommendation made to Council, noted and tabled for workshopping. 08/24: recommendation raised at SEAP meeting.</p>	<p>H Sadler B Hosking D Summers</p>	The proposed offshore oil and gas motion was tabled at the April LGAT meeting, and it was not successful.	Update / Discussion
Stormwater Policy	Council	04/24: first raised	D. Summers	Policy to be amended following earlier feedback.	Update / Discussion
<p>State of the Environment R: Advocate to the state government to publish the 2024 State of the Environment Report immediately following its release to parliament</p>	SEAP	05/24: recommendation made to Council and endorsed.	<p>D Hicks D Summers</p>	Commentary received from SEAP has been received and will be collated at a future date.	Informational

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5 NON-ACTIVE ACTIONS – FOR INFORMATION ONLY:

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Community Adaptation & Resilience: provide case studies to assist progress for achievable projects.	Action Plan Focus Area 1:	03/23: first raised	No Discussion
Climate Leadership in line with Paris Agreement	Action Plan Focus Area 1		No Discussion
Waste Education Seek information on possible funding for waste education through the state government.	Action Plan Focus Area 2	03/23: first raised	No Discussion
Green Waste Recycling	Action Plan Focus Area 2		No Discussion
Local & Sustainable Food Waste Systems	Action Plan Focus Area 2		No Discussion
Increase Native Biodiversity	Action Plan Focus Area 3		No Discussion
Land for Wildlife Reserves	Action Plan Focus Area 3		No Discussion
Natural Values Database	Action Plan Focus Area 3		No Discussion
Plan for Arboreta/ums	Action Plan Focus Area 3		No Discussion
Weed Reduction Program: form a sub-group and produce reduction program incl. education	Action Plan Focus Area 3	03/23: first raised.	No Discussion

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Wildlife Corridors: research and provide case studies for the group's consideration to follow vegetation strategy actions.	Action Plan Focus Area 3	03/23: first raised. 04/23: recommendation raised at SEAP meeting.	No Discussion
Sponsorship Signage Policy: R: amend Sponsorship Signage Policy to exclude fossil fuels in recognition of their health and climate impacts.	Action Plan Focus Area 1	03/23 recommendation raised at SEAP meeting. 04/23: recommendation made to Council and endorsed. 05/23: implementation complete, action closed.	COMPLETE - CLOSED
Cities of Power R: participate in the Cities Power Partnership which presents an opportunity to join dozens of other councils across the country leading the way to a zero emissions future by providing the necessary tools, resources, and connections to help accelerate their climate and energy goals.	Action Plan Focus Area 1	03/23 recommendation raised at SEAP meeting. 04/23: recommendation made to Council and endorsed. 04/23: implementation initiated. 07/23: implementation complete, action closed	COMPLETE - CLOSED
Annual EcoFair: R: Introduce an annual EcoFair event in conjunction with Spring Loaded to raise awareness in the community and promote sustainable living and a healthy relationship with the environment.	Action Plan Focus Area 3	03/23 recommendation raised at SEAP meeting. 04/23: recommendation made to Council and endorsed. 04/23: implementation initiated. 10/23: implementation complete, action closed.	COMPLETE – CLOSED

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HEAT: R: Council to seek out greater uptake options	Action Plan Focus Area 1:	03/23: first raised. 05/23: recommendation raised at SEAP meeting. 06/23: recommendation made to Council and endorsed.	COMPLETE - CLOSED
FOGO: Regional implementation of FOGO for reduced waste to landfill.	Council (Action Plan Focus Area 2)	03/23: 2020 feasibility study shared with SEAP. 05/23: Council endorse regional rollout. 02/24: update on rollout.	COMPLETE - CLOSED

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6 NEW/GENERAL BUSINESS

6.1 Climate Impact – B Hosking

This item is reintroduced from the February meeting for discussion:

Can Climate Impact be incorporated into iCEP policy?

“I get the feeling from the way the LG submission on use of our marine environment was accepted by Councillors that there might be interest/benefit to look at how Climate Impact can be included in more items for SEAP to review. iCEP policy might be a convenient entry point to WWC policy.”