



# Newsletter

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## Mayors Report

As part of its communication strategy, and in response to community requests, Council has reinstated its quarterly Newsletter which is issued to all residents and property owners. Whilst Council's electronic communications through its Website and Facebook have

proven to be an effective and valuable means of providing information, it was not reaching all residents.

It follows that I welcome this opportunity to provide a report on recent progress of our Council.

Since the drought-breaking rains which commenced in May of this year, we have experienced some very heavy rainfall events and several snow falls. The July quarter recorded the highest rainfalls for the quarter since records were kept. These rains have well and truly broken the long dry period since January 2015 and has replenished Lake Dulverton, the Craighourne and Blackman River Dams and no doubt all on-farm dams.

Unfortunately these recent rain events do have a detrimental effect on our local roads. The Works & Technical Services teams have been kept very busy with road drainage issues and overall road pavement management, including potholes and maintenance grading (and re-grading). The workforce are certainly focused on keeping the roads in the best trafficable condition possible, however it will be some time before all local roads are attended to.

At the time of writing, the end-of-year Financial Statements have just been completed. Recognising that approximately \$1.60 million, which represents 50% of Council's 2015/16 Financial Assistance Grant provided by the Australian Government was received and reported in the previous year (i.e. 2014/15), Council would ordinarily have reported a positive result. The financial report shows that approximately \$5.30 million was spent on the renewal, replacement and purchase of assets. This included expenditure of \$1.86 million on renewal of Road assets and a substantial Bridge Replacement Program amounting to \$1.20 million. Bridge renewals included two of Council's larger remaining bridges to be replaced, being the Swantson and Wattle Hill Road bridges. This leaves only a small number of minor bridges to replace in ongoing years. In relation to the Bridge Replacement Program, I wish to acknowledge the Deputy General Manager (Andrew Benson) and the Manager - Works and Technical Services Manager (Jack Lyall) for coordinating and managing the tender process which has seen some very competitive prices received.

As you would be aware, we have recently been through the process of a Federal Election, with an extremely close outcome. In the lead up to the election, we were fortunate to welcome the Foreign

Minister, the Hon Julie Bishop MP, to Oatlands. During this visit, Council received a commitment of \$1.5 million from a re-elected Turnbull government as a contribution towards the construction of the

proposed Midlands Aquatic and Recreation Centre at Oatlands. This was a magnificent announcement for the Southern Midlands. It is the first time that either the State or Federal Governments had committed any funds towards this most important community project.

Despite the \$1.5 million contribution from the Federal Government, there is still a significant funding shortfall. Whilst Council has sought a funding commitment from the Tasmanian Government this is yet to be secured. Council will maintain regular communications with State Government representatives, and will lodge a further submission in February 2017 for consideration by the State as part of its 2017/18 budget processes. Should an allocation be made in the State Government Budget, final planning and construction can commence within a relatively short period of time. In the interim, Council does intend to review the original design plans to try and identify any potential for cost savings and will be updating estimated costs of construction as part of this process.

I do wish to acknowledge and thank Mr Eric Hutchinson who was instrumental in securing the commitment of \$1.50 million for the Midlands Aquatic and Recreation Centre. Whilst Eric was unsuccessful in the election, during his period as the representative for Lyons in the federal parliament, he provided magnificent support to Council and the broader Southern Midlands community. Besides securing the new Aquatic Centre funding, Eric was also very active in assisting Council staff with funding for ANZAC memorials; two separate Road Safety Black Spot funding grants; telecommunications towers; and a Stronger Regions Program major grant to restore the Commissariat in High Street, Oatlands. Recently we invited Eric to a Council meeting to formally thank him for his achievements for the Southern Midlands community and Council projects.



It is indeed an exciting time in the Southern Midlands region as a number of major projects are under construction that will provide considerable opportunity for local employment.

Reid Fruits at Jericho are establishing a major cherry orchard which will employ a number of local residents, plus extensive labour requirements in the fruit picking season. A new whiskey distillery has been built at Shene, Mangalore and it is proving to be a tremendous attraction to that already successful and magnificent heritage site. The Redlands Distillery has relocated from the Derwent Valley to Dysart House in Kempton and has recently opened for business initially employing three local community members. It is certainly exciting to see our historic properties such as Shene and Dysart House being open to the public, which enable us all to enjoy the grandeur of a bygone era coupled with high quality products and services.

A new accommodation and backpacker style development has been approved at Colebrook to be built within the next twelve months. This development will provide much needed accommodation for fruit pickers during the harvest period in the Coal River Valley. All these developments are unprecedented for the Southern Midlands and our local communities will be the great beneficiaries of these developments.

Recently the Heritage Arts & Crafts weekend was celebrated in Oatlands. Council's Arts Advisory Committee facilitated the wide range of traditional arts and crafts such as Blacksmithing, quilting, spinning, lace work, leather work, wood graining & painting on the Saturday. On both Saturday and Sunday Brian Fish and his twelve bullocks pulled a load of local wool on a dray through Oatlands to the Callington Mill precinct – what a great spectacle it was! A large crowd enjoyed the journey of the bullocks through Oatlands and into Callington Park. We are greatly appreciative to Brian Fish and all of his helpers for all of their hard work and dedication in staging the Bullock team and wagon load of wool bales to celebrate and showcase our history and our heritage of yesteryear to the great delight of the large crowd that enjoyed this great event.

One of the great benefits of this event was that no mobile food or drink vendors were contracted and therefore the local cafes and food shops were heavily patronised all weekend. I thank all those involved with heritage displays and demonstrations over the weekend. Hopefully this can be explored to become an annual event.

Recently our Manager - Development and Environment Services, Mr Damian Mackey, resigned from Council to pursue his love for distilling whiskey. Damian was acknowledged as a leading planner across the State and was most professional in his work. He earned the respect of not only his work colleagues at Southern Midlands but also his peers within the planning sector in Tasmania.

We wish Damian and his wife Madeline every success in their new venture. Following Damian's departure, David Cundall was appointed to the role of Manager, Development & Environmental Services. David was previously the Senior Planning Officer with Council.

*Anthony E. Bisdee*  
 Clr Tony Bisdee O.A.M  
 MAYOR

### Community Shed—Oatlands

Council recently held an event at the Community Shed Oatlands **ManHUNT for Men's Health** which was a great success!

It was a brilliant day and a terrific way of honouring a couple of very important men who were pivotal to the Oatlands Men's Shed/Community Shed. The feedback from the day has been brilliant.

Thank you to our wonderful presenters and speakers:

Clr Don Fish **SMC**  
 Michelle Webster **RPHS**  
 Dr R Simpson **AM**  
 Jess from **Australian Hearing**  
 Gideon from the **Heart Foundation**  
 Bernice from **Cancer Screening and Control Services**  
 Nurse Gary from **AMSA**

We welcomed approximately 30 participants on the day who all enjoyed the very informative speeches, funny jokes (thank you Clr Fish), RPHS show bags full of healthy goodies (thank you RAW for the bags) and

some yummy scones and sandwiches from Callington Mill. Most of all of course, we enjoyed everyone's company!

Thank you to Graeme Ford, Barry Kay and AJ Kay - our Shed Supervisors and, thank you to Penny and Jill & Co from the Ladies Day group for the tidy up, cake and garlic bread! Everyone contributed.



Thank you also of course to those men who travelled to Oatlands from Kingston, Woodsdale, Ross, Campbelltown, Sisters Beach and Somerset – brilliant effort. We were very appreciative of representatives from the TMSDA and the AMSA making the journey to be with us for the day. It was a great coming together and we very much look

forward to seeing you all again at the next one!

*Kelly Woodward, Community Development/Recreation Officer*

## Southern Midlands Council Successful with Road Safety Blackspot Funding Application Junction of Mud Walls Road and Lovely Banks Road Colebrook

Mud Walls Road / Lovely Banks Road, Colebrook will cost an estimated \$199,600 to relocate the existing junction (\$133,067 from the Road Safety Black Spot Funding Program and \$66,533 from Council)

- Mud Walls Road is owned and maintained by the State Government
- Lovely Banks Road is owned and maintained by Southern Midlands Council

There is no formal crash history at this junction and this project was nominated through the safety audit component of the Program.

A Community petition was received in respect of this junction and in November 2011, prior to the reconstruction of the Mud Walls Road. The Mayor, Tony Bisdee OAM made a formal representation to the Joint Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works in respect of the reconstruction of this junction, but unfortunately there were insufficient funds to undertake the works.

A Site Inspection of the junction reveals:

- The Lovely Banks Road approach to the junction is excessively steep.
- The Lovely Banks Road approach joins Mud Walls Road at an acute angle.
- Sight distance to the south for vehicles entering from Lovely Banks Road is deficient.
- Sight distance to the north for vehicles entering from Lovely Banks Road is deficient—a dip in Mud Walls Road on the approach to the junction can hide approaching vehicles.

With good weather the project is targeted for commencement in the first quarter of 2017.

## Update on Planning Scheme Reform

The State Government is replacing current planning schemes with a single state-wide planning scheme. The Scheme will consist of two parts, a set of state planning provisions and a local provisions schedule. The state planning provisions is the body, framework and consistent zones, codes and provisions that will apply across the state. The local provisions schedule are those matters identified by each Council as unique to each local area.

The State Government exhibited the state planning provisions for public comment for a 60 day period, which closed on 18 May. The Southern Midlands Council made a detailed submission to the Tasmanian Government, expressing concern over a number of matters including vegetation clearance controls, mapping of the agricultural zone, and the application of urban building standards to rural areas and

towns. Many of those concerns raised are consistent with other rural councils across the southern region.

Across the state, there were around 300 submissions made to the Planning Commission from individuals, Councils, and organisations. The Planning Commission are now holding hearings into these submissions and call upon those that lodged a submission to attend the hearings. Upon the completion of the hearings, the Planning Commission, must then provide a report and recommendation to the Minister on the state planning provisions. A representative of the Southern Midlands Council will continue to attend the hearings and provide further input into the planning reform process.

Once the government finalises the state planning provisions, the Southern Midlands will prepare its local planning provisions. Local planning provisions will be open for public submission and a hearing through the Planning Commission before they can be enacted. For more information on the Tasmanian Planning Scheme visit the Department of Justice website:

[http://www.justice.tas.gov.au/tasmanian\\_planning\\_reform](http://www.justice.tas.gov.au/tasmanian_planning_reform)

## Tunbridge Landscaping Project

The southern entrance to Tunbridge from the Midland Highway was recently modified to construct a turning circle for buses as part of the Midland Highway upgrade. Some Tunbridge residents argued they were not adequately consulted about these works and wished to see some landscaping undertaken to soften the visual effect of the road works as it is important to them that a good impression is created for visitors to Tunbridge.



Residents and Council jointly lobbied the Department of State Growth and some funds were secured to undertake landscaping work. Stage one of this work was undertaken in July and involved planting the site out with a selection of native shrubs, ground covers and grasses, all of which were selected to be tolerant to drought and frost.

Later in the year community consultation will be held with the Tunbridge community in order to ascertain whether residents would like further landscaping and street improvement work undertaken in the town.



**Central Hawks  
Junior Football  
Club**

### **Presentation Day**

Sunday 28th August 2016  
At the  
Kempton Recreation Ground  
@ 11.00 am

### **Improvements at Chauncy Vale**

Council has scheduled a program of works to improve facilities in the visitor precinct at the Chauncy Vale Wildlife Sanctuary. First is reinstatement of the interpretations shelter involving replacement of bush poles, bracing and new roofing.



Other buildings on site used by the community for picnics and nature study will also be upgraded in 2016/17.

Other projects recently completed at Chauncy Vale are improvement of walking tracks and revegetation of a riverbank where some erosion was occurring.

Spring is a great time to visit Chauncy Vale and there should be a good display of wildflowers following a wet winter. There are facilities for family picnics and walking tracks to suit a range of abilities, including a 20 min walk to Browns

Cave or a half day walk to Flat Rock.

Chauncy Vale Wildlife Sanctuary and the adjacent Flat Rock Reserve are jointly managed by Southern Midlands Council and the Tasmanian Land Conservancy. The Sanctuary is open daily from 9 am to 5 pm and access is via Chauncy Vale Road, turnoff at Bagdad.

For enquiries about visiting Chauncy Vale phone the Caretaker on 62686365.

### **Funding - success for the Dulverton Walking Track**

The Lake Dulverton and Callington Park Management Committee have just been advised that a funding application for the Dulverton Walking Track has been successful. The recent Tasmanian Community Fund grant round was targeted towards tracks and trails.

A grant of \$15,842 has been secured to upgrade sections of the track surface, establish some more resting / shelter places for users, provide safety lights and install railing where the track is beside steep banks adjacent to Lake Dulverton. Work should commence in October 2016.

For those unfamiliar with the track, it commences on the Lake Dulverton foreshore and finishes at the Parattah township, some 7kms away. The track largely follows an old railway line that closed in the 1940's and after departing the lake foreshore, it runs adjacent to the Tunnack Road. Due to the track being on an old railway line, it is an easy grade walk. The track is very popular, with locals, the school and the many tourists visiting the area.

Pockets of native vegetation have been planted along the way over the last 20 years. The track winds through some bush areas, as well as passing over restored historic sandstone culverts associated with the former railway line. There is a free walking track brochure available from the Visitor Centre at Callington Mill or the Oatlands Historical Society, High Street Oatlands. The brochure relates to the 34 marker pegs located along the track, highlighting points of interest.

### **Fishing – Lake Dulverton**

For all fishing enthusiasts – a reminder that the front section of Lake Dulverton has been stocked by Inland Fisheries. On 28 June 2016, 100 adult brown trout were transferred into Lake Dulverton from the Central Highlands. The fish were in good condition and averaged 1kg. Inland Fisheries are hoping to stock the water with some more fish in the coming months. For further details on where fishing is permitted in the Lake - please see the notice board at the boat ramp near the Stop Over Camping area. Happy fishing!

### **Tree Planting in Winter 2016 supported by NRM South:**

Midlands Tree Committee members were able to receive native trees, for planting this winter, from a project supported by NRM South, through funding from the Australian Government's National Landcare Programme. The project allowed the Midlands Tree Committee to purchase a limited number of trees and associated materials, to assist landholders with their revegetation projects.

For more than 30 years members have been planting shelters belts and native vegetation patches. Their work is evident across the Southern Midlands, and the increased habitat is important for native animals and birds. The production benefits are also being recognised by landholders, for example increased lambing percentages because of the additional shelter available.

**Tree Planting:** the recent winter rain has made this year an ideal season for tree planting. Many landholders have taken advantage of the ideal conditions, given the recent dry spell in the previous two years. There are also reports that existing plantings are growing particularly well after the mild and wet winter. If you would like a list of native plants suitable to plant in your area, contact the Landcare Office at Council. Planting is best to be done in winter / early spring.

**Weeds:** the Landcare office can help with identifying any weeds that you may have concerns about. Please call Helen on 0417 599 816 (Monday and Tuesdays).

### Woodsdale Hall Management Committee Annual General Meeting

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the Woodsdale Hall Management Committee will be held on Tuesday, 20<sup>th</sup> September 2016 commencing at 7.00 p.m. at the Woodsdale Hall, Woodsdale.

All residents of the Southern Midlands Municipal area are invited to attend.

### Responsible Dog Ownership

Council's Animal Management Officer will soon be conducting checks on dog registrations and microchipping. Dog owners are reminded that every dog over the age of six months must be registered on an annual basis. If you do not renew your registration before 31 July each year, a late penalty applies.

Residents are reminded that Council promotes responsible dog ownership and urges dog owners:

- Ensure dogs over 6 months old are registered.
- Dogs are to be microchipped.
- Clean up any mess left by dogs.
- Keep their dog secure and confined to their own yard
- Ensure dogs are on a lead on all roads, footpaths, nature strips and public walkways or cycleways.
- Inform Council on the death or transfer of ownership of a dog.
- Dogs must not attack a person or animal.
- Don't allow a dog to bark continually and cause a noise nuisance to others.
- Maintain effective control of dogs.
- No more than 2 dogs are allowed to be kept on a property in a residential area.
- Keep no more than 2 dogs over 6 months of age, or 4 in the case of working dogs, on premises unless a kennel licence has been approved (outside a residential area).

It's important to remember that dogs in built up areas must be on a lead at all times, unless in a dedicated off lead area – in which case the dog must be under the effective control of the owner. This also applies to the Lake Dulverton area:

- Dogs are to be on a lead at all times on the foreshore immediately adjacent to the town area (the section along the Esplanade between High Street to just past the Wellington St / Esplanade junction – southern side of the junction). There is a sign on the walking track as to where the 'off lead / on lead' point changes over.)
- From where the off lead section starts – all dogs must be under effective control.
- At any time – no dog is permitted to enter the water area of the lake – irrespective of the level of the water in the lake.

### Colebrook Recreation Ground—New Amenities

A new amenities building will soon be erected at the Colebrook Recreation Ground to provide enhanced facilities for the Colebrook Cricket Club; other community groups and users of the Recreation Ground.

The building has been constructed off site and on-site works have been delayed due to the present weather conditions. Site works are scheduled to commence very soon (subject to weather) and the facility will be operational in a short timeframe.

This is the latest round of improvements to be undertaken at the Recreation Ground which include the installation of a bore and pump and associated electrical works.

### New Bus Shelter—Midland Highway, Bagdad

The Southern Midlands Council has received written confirmation from the Minister for Infrastructure, the Hon Rene Hidding MHA, that the Department of State Growth will support and contribute to the installation of a new bus shelter at Bagdad. It will be constructed by the Department as part of the highway upgrade works.

The exact location and design of the bus shelter is yet to be finalised, however it will be on the eastern side of the Highway in the vicinity of the Bagdad Roadhouse.

The bus shelter proposal was first raised with Council by the Hon Senator Eric Abetz who had received representations from the residents of Bagdad.

Council will make a financial contribution towards construction of the shelter and be responsible for ongoing maintenance.



### Community Small Grants

#### Southern Midlands Program 2016

The community is advised that Council's Community Small Grants Program opened on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> August 2016 and closes at 4.30 pm on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> August 2016. The Community Grants program recognises the important role our community groups and sporting clubs play in connecting people and positively shaping our region. The program has been established to support projects, programs and activities that benefit the residents of the Southern Midlands local government area.

Grant application forms and guidelines are available on Council's website [www.southernmidlands.tas.gov.au](http://www.southernmidlands.tas.gov.au) or hard copies can be obtained by calling into the Council's Oatlands (71 High Street) or Kempton (85 Main Street) offices during business hours. For further information contact Andrew Benson on 62593011 or via email [abenson@southernmidlands.tas.gov.au](mailto:abenson@southernmidlands.tas.gov.au).

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Southern Midlands*



The Brighton Green Ponds RSL sub-branch and students from Kempton Primary School recently planted a small pine in the grounds of the Kempton Primary School.

The pine was grown from seed related to the Lone Pine at Gallipoli. On behalf of the RSL branch, Principal Mrs MaryAnne Picone and students of Kempton Primary School, we would like to sincerely thank Mr Ron Watling who kindly donated the pine and attended the ceremony.

Ken Clark  
President



### The Oatlands Commissariat Restoration Project

Southern Midlands Council will soon start the comprehensive restoration of the Oatlands Commissariat (1827) and 79 High Street.

A youth heritage trade skills program will be run in conjunction with the restoration and we are seeking expressions of interest from local youth aged 16-25 to participate in this program.

If you are that age and want to learn trade skills, and if you can spare 3 days per week for a 7-week period, then please contact Brad Williams on 0418 303184 or email [brad.w@centreforheritage.com.au](mailto:brad.w@centreforheritage.com.au)



For more information on this training scheme, see <http://www.centreforheritage.com.au/5x5x5-project/>

Keep up to date on progress of this project by checking our Facebook page: [www.facebook.com/oatlandscommissariat](http://www.facebook.com/oatlandscommissariat)

This project is supported by funding from the Australian Government's *National Stronger Regions Fund*.



### Victoria Memorial Hall Kempton

#### DANCE CLASSES

Classes will be running out of the hall every Thursday at 89 Main Street, Kempton.

Classes from 2 years to adults available

- Jazz
- Neo
- Song & Dance
- Hip Hop
- Solo's and Duos
- Adult Class

Come along and join in the fun that Pulse Dance can offer you or your children.

Lets get Kempton up and dancing!  
For more information please contact  
Julie McCreghan 0437 196797  
Or email [bagdadpulse@hotmail.com](mailto:bagdadpulse@hotmail.com)  
Find us on Facebook "Kempton Pulse"



**Would you be interested in tinkering in our recently established Blacksmith’s Shop at Callington Mill?**

The trial operational day for our Callington Mill Blacksmith Shop was on the Heritage Arts & Crafts Day on Saturday the 6<sup>th</sup> August 2016. It sparked a lot of interest. Council established the Community Blacksmith for people who would like to come along to a traditional environment and learn a little about this traditional trade, indeed making some items. Its success and hours of operations will depend on the level of participation from the Community.



Our thanks and sincere appreciation goes to Fergus Paterson, Paul Monk, Jack Lyall, and Heritage Building Solutions Pty Ltd whose collective effort created the Blacksmith’s Shop. This project was initiated and funded by Council’s Arts Advisory Committee.

**Interested to know more?** Contact Andrew Benson at [abenson@southernmidlands.tas.gov.au](mailto:abenson@southernmidlands.tas.gov.au) , or at the Kempton Office phone 62593011.



**What Does a Metre Square Look Like?**

Kempton Primary’s year 3/4/5/6 were set the challenge of creating a metre square using only their ruler, newspaper, scissors and glue stick. They talked about how we could test if our square really was a square. We headed outdoors to measure different areas in our playground and were careful not to overlap our squares, and to cover the whole surface area. Students learnt that if we cut our squares into different shapes, the area it covers doesn’t change. The hands-on learning was full of teamwork, created a strong understanding of measuring area and produced a great deal of fun and engagement while also allowing us to get outdoors during our maths lesson. *Miss Mythrin Murray and Grade 3/4/5/6*



**Appreciation to Southern Midlands Council**

Kempton Primary School students and staff would like to sincerely thank the Southern Midlands Council for their assistance provided in removing trees and stumps following the severe wind conditions last term. Council staff Andrew Benson and Jack Lyall investigated our problem and advised us which trees would cause problems/risks should the winds return. After their inspection, Tree Dynamix were employed to come on site and render the school property safe. We value the assistance of Southern Midlands Council who offer assistance and advice to the school in many ways.

*MaryAnne Picone, Principal*

**2016 Council Meeting Schedule**

**All Council Meetings commence at 10.00am | Public Consultation commences at 12.30pm**

Council Meeting	Wednesday, 24 <sup>th</sup> August 2016	Kempton Municipal Offices 85 Main Street, Kempton
Council Meeting	Wednesday, 28 <sup>th</sup> September 2016	Oatlands Municipal Offices 71 High Street, Oatlands
Council Meeting	Wednesday, 26 <sup>th</sup> October 2016	Kempton Municipal Offices 85 Main Street, Kempton
Council Meeting	Wednesday, 23 <sup>rd</sup> November 2016	Oatlands Municipal Offices 71 High Street, Oatlands



Welcome to the Southern Midlands of Tasmania, where a blend of good old fashioned values and modern ideas co-exist. The Southern Midlands Council is a rural local government authority with approximately 3400 rateable properties and 6000 persons scattered throughout the districts.

Towns and localities include Mangalore, Bagdad, Broadmarsh, Elderslie, Dysart, Kempton, Melton Mowbray, Oatlands, Tunbridge, Tunnack, Parattah, Woodsdale, Levendale, Runnymede, Colebrook, Campania and Rekuna.

**Contact Us!**

**Oatlands Office**

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**Heritage Highway Visitor Centre**

The Callington Mill Complex

1 Mill Lane, Oatlands Tasmania 7120

Phone 03 6254 1212

Fax 03 6254 1467

[tourism@southernmidlands.tas.gov.au](mailto:tourism@southernmidlands.tas.gov.au)



**Chauncy Wildlife Sanctuary**

345 Chauncy Vale Road Bagdad

Phone 6268 6365

**Current Councillors**

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**Or visit [www.southernmidlands.tas.gov.au](http://www.southernmidlands.tas.gov.au) for further contact details.**

**For all Council after hours emergencies, please phone 0419 325 405**

For all after hours Water & Sewerage emergencies, please phone 13 6992

For all after hours Tasmanian Gas Pipeline emergencies, please phone 1800 195 666

For all road issues relating to the Midland Highway, Mudwalls Road or Tunnack Main Road should be directed to State Growth on 1800 030 688

**COMMUNITY NOTICE BOARD**

For Information in relation to placing items on the Community Notice Board, please contact Councils IT Officer Nick Wilson at the Oatlands Office or Email [webmaster@southernmidlands.tas.gov.au](mailto:webmaster@southernmidlands.tas.gov.au)

**Waste Transfer Station Hours**

**OATLANDS WASTE TRANSFER STATION**  
Inglewood Road, Andover, Tasmania  
(Via Tunnack Main Road Oatlands to Parattah)

- Tuesday 1.00 pm - 5.00 pm
- Friday 11.00 am - 3.00 pm
- Saturday 8.00 am - 12.00 pm
- Sunday 1.00 pm - 5.00 pm

**CAMPANIA WASTE TRANSFER STATION**  
Brown Mountain Road, Campania, Tasmania

- Tuesday 1.00pm - 5.00pm
- Thursday 1.00pm - 5.00pm
- Saturday 8.00am - 12.00pm
- Sunday 1.00pm - 5.00pm

**DYSART WASTE TRANSFER STATION**  
Huntingdon Tier Road, Dysart, Tasmania

- Tuesday 1.00pm - 5.00pm
- Saturday 12.00pm - 5.00pm
- Sunday 10.00am - 5.00pm