

Message from the Mayor



Northern Midlands Welcomes the Tasmanian Farmers and Graziers Association (TFGA) at the Longford Tabernacle

The Longford Tabernacle has a long history within the Northern Midlands and its neighbouring communities.

Established in 1881, the Tabernacle was one of several

Baptist churches funded by William Gibson, who supported communities in Perth, Launceston, Devonport, Sheffield, and Deloraine.

The laying of the foundation stone ceremony took place in June 1880 and it was formally opened in December of that year with the event being attended by approximately 950 residents throughout the day from Perth, Deloraine, Carrick, Bishopsbourne, Cressy, and Illawarra.

The distinctive Tabernacle served the community and its parishioners for nearly 120 years before a larger church was needed so, it was put on the market in 1999 and the Tabernacle continued to serve the community in a new incarnation as a chapel for a funeral parlour.

The Tabernacle is about to undergo another incarnation as it is transformed into the new offices of the Tasmanian Farmers and Graziers Association (TFGA).

Representing the interests of Tasmanian farmers at a state and national level, with a proud history of successfully fighting for the needs of Tasmanian farmers for over fifty years, the TFGA makes a vital contribution to our agricultural community, protecting the needs of farming businesses and their families across the whole of Tasmania.

With 95% of the municipality being agricultural land, this TFGA asset will remain a vital component to a significant part of our community.

The local Longford community, are very pleased to welcome the TFGA into this facility as they have demonstrated respect of the heritage of the building and a desire to protect its heritage while giving it a new life, preserving its important history.



Long-time lobbyist for the protection of the heritage of the Tabernacle building, John Izzard with Mayor Mary Knowles OAM

Northern Midlands Council Australia Day Awards

Nominations are now open for our Annual Australia Day Awards. The awards ceremony will be held at our 2023 Australia Day Event in Cressy. Download your nomination form from



<https://northernmidlands.tas.gov.au/community/your-community/volunteers-australia-day-nominations>
Completed forms must be returned by **Thursday, 1 December 2022**. For more information contact Lorraine Wyatt at lorraine.wyatt@nmc.tas.gov.au or on 6397 7303.

Perth Early Learning Centre

Northern Midlands Council is currently investing \$3.7 million dollars in the all-new Perth Early Learning Centre. Due to open in 2023, the purpose-built facility will replace the existing centre, and will cater for 46 long day care places and 40 after school care places.

That means there will be a variety of employment opportunities available including full time, part time, and casual positions. If you are Cert III qualified or interested in undertaking a traineeship, then let us know. All interested applicants must be able to obtain a Tasmanian Working with Vulnerable People Clearance and a First Aid Certificate.

Have a look at our website for more information about how you can lodge your expression of interest for one of these roles: <https://northernmidlands.tas.gov.au/careers>

Mary Knowles OAM
Mayor

NOTICE OF CHANGE OF DATE OF COUNCIL MEETING

Ordinary Meetings of the Northern Midlands Council are to be held in accordance with the following schedule for the remainder of 2022:

- Monday 24 October 2022 (schedule amended)
- Monday 28 November 2022 (schedule amended)
- Monday 12 December 2022 (as per schedule)

Meetings are to be held at the Council Chambers, 13 Smith Street, Longford commencing at 5.00pm.

The Agenda for the meeting will be available from the Thursday preceding the meeting date on Council's website at northernmidlands.tas.gov.au/documents/publications

This notice is issued in accordance with the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015 Section 7. The revised schedule of meeting dates has been posted on Council's website and social media platforms.

Public Question/ Statement Time will be held at 6.45pm. To ensure compliance with Council's COVID-19 Safety Plan public attendance at meetings is limited.

Any person wishing to attend meetings must register their interest with Council by emailing council@nmc.tas.gov.au or phoning Council on 6397 7303 before 12noon on the Friday preceding the meeting date.

Project Updates

Colouring the Northern Midlands



Meet Ashley. Ashley joined Northern Midlands recently and has been busy painting a splash of colour in and around our facilities.

A welcomed edition to the team, he recently painted the newly installed fencing at the Cressy Memorial Pool and this week he's repainting the walls around the basketball court at the Longford Sports Centre. With plenty more painting to be done, we are glad Ashley is on board.

Pedestrian Fencing at Queen Street

Pedestrian fencing has now been installed at Queen Street in Campbell Town. Plantings to happen in coming weeks.



FOGO

Turning food scraps and garden organics, into compost.

Coming to a bin near you in 2023

What do I put into my FOGO bin?

Food Organics

Fruit & vegetable scraps, including citrus
De-packaged out-of-date/left-over food
Meat, bones & eggshells
Bread, pasta & rice
Tea bags & coffee grounds
Dairy products
Seafood
Take away food
Baked goods
Pizza boxes
Paper towel & used tissues

Garden Organics

Pruning
Grass clippings
Weeds
Branches - Maximum 20cm Diameter
Plants
Small shrubs
Twigs (no logs)
Leaves & flowers
Untreated timber (no logs)
Newspaper
Shredded paper
Hair & fur

Bags are No-Go, for FOGO

Bags of any kind are unable to be processed at the FOGO composting facility.

Many so-called compostable bags or caddy liners on supermarket shelves are not truly compostable.

Use paper towel or newspaper to line your bin or dry material like leaves or shredded paper to help prevent food scraps from sticking.

If you accidentally dispose of something that should not go in your FOGO bin, carefully retrieve it and place it in the correct bin.

If in doubt, leave it out!