

## OUR FAIR SHARE WITHHELD

Council is not getting a fair share of Government Grants from our State. In many cases we are almost a million dollars short compared to other Councils. It means our rates will have to increase to cover our costs.

The Federal Government gives \$39 million to distribute to all of the 29 Councils, and the amount given to us (only \$147k) has been decreasing every year.

If we got our fair allocation, rates may not have to increase as much. We have complained to the Government about this unfairness.

Robert Forbes Young  
Mayor



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	Glamorgan Spring Bay	Break O'Day	Central Coast	Huon Valley	Meander Valley	Sorell	Southern Midlands	West Tamar
Relative Needs Share	0.2%	4.3%	7.2%	5.9%	6.1%	3.6%	6.3%	6.4%
Total Base Grant	\$147,825	\$1,315,562	\$2,432,332	\$1,975,043	\$2,096,925	\$1,311,682	\$1,842,951	\$2,263,601

## EVENTS & PROGRAMS

Council's Community Grants Program offers financial and in-kind assistance support to not-for-profit community groups working to make the region a more happy, inclusive community. These groups and event organisers are wishing to undertake community-based programs that involve, engage, and benefit the Glamorgan Spring Bay community.

We are a strong, sustainable community that is built on the people that make our towns so wonderful, and we are delighted to support the tireless efforts of our local community groups and clubs.

The work our community groups do is amazing. Council loves supporting our passionate and hard-working residents and would like to congratulate and encourage them to keep up the good work.

Council is pleased to see all the exciting activities that are happening in our region, here are some of the things that Council has supported:

### Successful Small Grants

<b>Accessible Island Meditation</b>	Accessible Island Meditation developed meditation classes with the aim of actively increasing participation of community members and contributing to their health and wellbeing and quality of life.
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<b>Swansea Community Christmas Parade</b>	Swansea Community Christmas Parade and Festivities provided Swansea and the surrounds with an annual Christmas Parade, decorates the township and spreads Christmas cheer, brining the community together to celebrate.
<b>Spring Bay Target Club</b>	Spring Bay Target Club is a local sporting group that welcomes new members and has many health benefits. The clubs bring a deep sense of belonging, social connection and gives you the opportunity to interact with a broad mix of people and develop and grow your skills in the sport.
<b>Swansea Community and Men's Shed</b>	The Community and Men's Shed focuses on improving men's and women's health and wellbeing, providing a forum for community groups and elderly and vulnerable members of our community to have a safe place to interact, as well as mentoring primary school students.
<b>Orford Primary School Association</b>	Supported the installation of a 'Summit Net' that provides the students and the wider community the opportunity to further develop their gross motor skills in a safe environment.
<b>Maria Voices</b>	Maria Voices community choir are inclusive and gather to sing and provide free entertainment for the community for events that are happening within our municipality.

**Successful Small Grants continued...**

<p><b>Warrior Kids</b></p>	<p>The Warrior Kids afterschool fitness and health program, is an initiative created by exercise professional Jody Sargison in hope to bring additional opportunity to children of the coastal community. Warrior Kids invites primary school age children to participate and lead a variety of games, obstacle courses and exercise sets for each other and at times parents who want to get moving and join in. The key focus for the program is to see children get in and have a go at new things, encourage one another and step into healthy leadership that flows into the home and community.</p>	<p><b>The Triabunna Village (ERDO)</b></p>	<p>East Coast Regional Development Organisation (ERDO) identified that there is a need for a printed careers booklet to assist individuals and organisations negotiate a way through an overload of information both on the internet and in written form. The booklet lists organisations that provide a human voice at the end of the phone.</p>
<p><b>Raspins Beach Surf Lifesaving Club</b></p>	<p>Raspins Beach Surf Lifesaving Club ran the Nippers Program to the community in 2021/22 at Raspins Beach. Nippers encourages children to have fun and develop their swimming skills.</p>	<p><b>Glamorgan Suicide Awareness Network</b></p>	<p>Glamorgan Suicide Awareness Network participated in a Mental Health First Aid Course conducted over 2 days by Rural Alive and Well organisation, where six Glamorgan Suicide Awareness Network committee members and nine ambulance/community volunteers attended to develop their skills in this area.</p>
<p><b>Triabunna District School Association</b></p>	<p>Triabunna District School Association delivering the 'lunch program' to the students.</p>	<p><b>Ten Lives Cat Centre</b></p>	<p>Edu.Cat is an Australian-first Kinder - Year 7 Curriculum aligned feline education program focusing on fostering responsible cat ownership with the aim to create social change in how people care for cats and protect wildlife.</p>

**DON'T FORGET TO REGISTER YOUR FURRY FRIEND**

Our loyal K9 friends play such an important role in our lives providing companionship, assistance, security, and variable health benefits to us all. Registering your furry friend increases the likelihood of your pet returning should it become lost. Please ensure that your dog is wearing its registration tag, it's the law. If a dog strays from home and can be identified Council will notify pets owners.

Under the *Dog Control Act 2000*, dogs aged 6 months and over must be registered by 31st July each year. This year, Council will offer a considerable discount to pet owners that register their dogs prior to the 31st of July 2022. Late payments will attract the full fee,

and if you fail to register your dog, you may get an infringement notice. If you have a valid concession card and wish to receive the concession on 1 dog, a Customer Service Officer must sight this card to validate it. In the unfortunate situation that your dog is deceased or is no longer at your premises you are obligated to notify Council. Once notified, Officers will cancel the registration and you will not receive registration reminders. Please advise Council if you change your postal address to ensure that you receive your registration.

Be a responsible pet owner and register your pooch!



## MESSAGE FROM THE GENERAL MANAGER

Dear Residents and Ratepayers,

Council recently adopted a new Communication and Engagement Framework which will support better consultation and community participation in our collective decision making. We aim, through the Framework, to build upon our current communication and engagement methods and activities ensuring consistent messaging across all platforms.

Council is presently collating the many variables and statistical inputs which inform the development of a budget for community, through Council, to consider.

Staff are working diligently to prepare financial plans illustrating the effects of a range of rate rise scenarios for the next Community Connect sessions in early June (below). These will be presented to the community at these sessions for a dialogue to capture the varied community views on the proposals. These are important sessions for Council to hear from the community and have a two-way conversation necessary for assisting Council in its rate resolution considerations later in June.

Please come along and help us to help you with the issues we have in common.

Council is committed to the process of transparently sharing information and recognise the benefits that effective communication and engagement has for building community confidence in Council.

The Annual Plan for next financial year is also being prepared and this sets out our priorities for the coming

financial year and aligns with Councils Community Strategic Plan 2020-2029 and the ten-year Long Term Financial Management Plan. The Annual Plan budget sets Council on a stable and sustainable footing into the future.

The activities and budget set out in this plan will serve us well in our collective vision, wanting Glamorgan Spring Bay to be *prosperous, vibrant and inclusive, a place where people want to live, work and visit.*

Glamorgan Spring Bay municipal area is experiencing rapid growth with around 360 development applications processed in the last year. We are one the fastest growing municipalities in Tasmania. The trend looks set to continue and Council, as a planning authority, has a responsibility to ensure that our growth occurs in a way that supports our community vision and expectations.

We will continue to advocate at all levels of government for investment to support our growing community.

Greg Ingham  
**General Manager**



General Manager, Greg Ingham

## COMMUNITY CONNECT SESSIONS

### RATES & BUDGET

#### WEDNESDAY 8 JUNE 2022

Coles Bay Town Hall: 3pm-4.30pm

Bicheno Town Hall: 6pm-7.30pm

#### THURSDAY 9 JUNE 2022

Triabunna Town Hall: 10am-11.30am

Swansea Town Hall: 6pm-7.30pm

**COME & JOIN US!**



## LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS

Council elections are held every four years and all Councillors, Mayors and Deputy Mayors are elected for four-year terms.

The next Local Government elections are due to be held during September and October 2022 and elections for Tasmania's 29 Councils will be conducted by full postal ballot. This means that voters do not attend a polling place to vote, like they do for State and Federal elections. Instead, information required to vote is sent directly to each voter's address, however you must be enrolled to vote to participate in a Local Government Election.

The Tasmanian Electoral Commission is responsible for the supervision of Local Government elections. The Electoral Commission appoints returning officers to run the election.

### WHY SHOULD YOU VOTE?

Voting in Local Government elections is not compulsory but is an important way of having your say on local issues. Councillors are elected to represent the interests of the community. They make many decisions about the infrastructure, services and facilities provided to their communities, often involving significant amounts of money.

It is important that the people elected to form a Council have a variety of skills and expertise and provide good representation of the communities they serve.

People should vote for the candidates that they believe will provide the range of skills needed to make the best decisions in the interests of their community.

### WHO CAN VOTE IN LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS?

If you are currently on the Electoral Roll for State and Federal Elections for your address in the Glamorgan Spring Bay Municipal area you are automatically on the Local Government Roll.

To check your enrolment on the Electoral Roll please visit the Australian Electoral Commission (AEC)



website at [www.aec.gov.au](http://www.aec.gov.au) and click on the "Check Enrolment" button. An enrolment form can also be obtained from that website or by calling the AEC on 132 326 or from any post office.

You may also be eligible to enrol on the "General Manager's Roll" if:

- you are a resident in the Glamorgan Spring Bay municipality, but not eligible for the State Electoral Roll (for example, because you are not an Australian Citizen), or
- you own or occupy land in Glamorgan Spring Bay, but do not live in Glamorgan Spring Bay (e.g. you lease a shop or own a property), – Enrolment Form (General Manager's Roll – Individual) or
- you are the nominated representative of a corporate body which owns or occupies land in Glamorgan Spring Bay - Enrolment Form (General Manager's Roll – Corporate).

Completed General Manager's Enrolment Forms should be returned to Glamorgan Spring Bay Council via:

Email: [admin@freycinet.tas.gov.au](mailto:admin@freycinet.tas.gov.au)

Mail: Glamorgan Spring Bay Council,  
PO Box 6, Triabunna, Tasmania 7190



Freycinet Peninsula from Cherry Tree (L Wright)

## BUILDINGS AND MARINE – SUMMARY OF RECENT WORKS

### Local Roads Community Infrastructure Program Phase 1 & Phase 2

Community Infrastructure Projects, funded by the Federal Government's Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Program Phase 1 & Phase 2 are nearly all complete.

### Local Roads Community Infrastructure Program Phase 3

Phase 3 projects have been authorised for funding, and they will begin in the coming weeks.

Some of the projects approved include:

- Cricket practice nets at the Swansea Recreation Ground.
- Funding towards a new annexe building at the Coles Bay Hall.
- Unisex disabled toilet at Saltworks boat ramp.
- A public shelter at the Triabunna marina.
- Refurbish toilets including a disabled accessible toilet at the Swansea Court House.
- Funding to refurbish the Spring Beach toilet block.

### BUCKLAND HALL

The new entry to the Buckland Community Hall is nearly finished, funded by both the Local Roads Community Infrastructure phase 2 and the Drought Communities round two funds. In addition to new entrance steps, a compliant disability accessible ramp will be erected in the hall. As part of the refurbishment, a new entrance awning has been built. Weather and material supplies caused the project to be delayed.

### COLES BAY COMMUNITY HALL

Funding towards the new annexe at the Coles Bay Community Hall has been approved under Phase 3 of the Local Roads & Community Infrastructure grant.

The construction plans have been finalised, and the building estimates have been completed. To complete Additional funds will be applied through Community Grant funding to be able to complete the project.

### BICHENO BOAT RAMP

Work to extend the two jetties at the Bicheno boat ramp has commenced.

New piles have been installed and work will commence and be completed during the winter months.

### YELLOW SANDBANKS ROAD BOAT RAMP

The jetty at Yellow Sandbanks Road boat ramp has been repaired. This repair was funded by Marine and Safety Tasmania (MAST).

MAST are also funding the work to concrete the existing gravel ramp. This has been approved by the Planning Department.

### SALTWORKS BOAT RAMP

Glamorgan Spring Bay Council is working with Parks and Wildlife (PWS) to install a single disabled accessible toilet at the Saltworks boat ramp. PWS funded an Aboriginal Heritage survey to identify the cultural heritage footprint at the site. The toilet will be installed outside this area.

Future funding will be sought after to move the boat trailer parking area.

Funding has been provided to Council by MAST Tasmania to fund a new jetty adjacent to the Saltworks boat ramp. This Jetty is currently subject to Planning permission.

### TRIABUNNA MARINA

Funding to build a large shelter over the new seating area at the Triabunna Marina has been approved under Phase 3 of the Local Roads and Community Grant funding program.



## WORKS AND INFRASTRUCTURE UPDATE

We understand that road “Re-sealing” is not exciting, however, it is one of the most important projects each year! Council’s capital works program this year included \$443,300 for the resealing program and this has just been completed across 14 different sites. Like painting a house to protect the weatherboards, resealing roads protects the pavement below and is a critical annual task to carry out with the worst sections of the most trafficked roads selected each year for the program to renew.

The capital works program contains projects of varying sizes and complexity over 81 different sites. 58 of the projects have been completed to date through council’s internal staff and external contractors. Other projects are generally well progressed with the development and planning for a few projects well underway with construction projected into the new financial year.

### SWANSEA MAIN STREET PROJECT

Following a public consultation session carried out on site in the main street of Swansea, feedback is being collated to inform any important modifications to design. The public response is generally supportive of the proposed works and with minor modifications is due to go to tender in the near future.

### BICHENO GULCH

A Public consultation session held in Bicheno at Easter revealed strong support for the key objectives of the project: Safe access through the area for pedestrians and improved traffic management.

Otherwise there are conflicting views about some elements of the project which our design team will consider as all of the feedback is evaluated.

### COLES BAY FORESHORE WALK

Public consultation in March revealed opportunities to more closely align the original intent of the project with the design along much of the route. The south-eastern section found broad approval as presented. The designers are working to integrate more of the original concept into the design revision.

### VICARY STREET AND THE ESPLANADE TRIABUNNA

Completed just in time for ANZAC Day, this project, funded through Road to Recovery and Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Grants has drawn together the Gateway entry building carpark and

Town Hall with kerb and channel and upgraded the road surface. The confusing intersection arrangement has been replaced with a single junction and kerb has defined the location of the new Cenotaph around the RSL building.

An electric vehicle charging station, funded by State Government grants is to be installed between the kerb on the roadside parking bay and the Gateway car park soon.



### NUGENT ROAD REPAIRS AND CHARLES STREET ORFORD

After many months of reduced speed limit due to road pavement failures, works were carried out on Nugent Road where 6770m<sup>2</sup> of road pavement was stabilised and resealed, and the same process was carried out on 700m<sup>2</sup> of road pavement on Charles Street Orford.

Sections of Alma Road between Tasman Highway and Holkham Court are being upgraded also in the same way, as ground water has destroyed sections of pavement through this road as well. Sub-soil drains will also be added to Alma Road.

These works have been funded by the Federal Government Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Grants Program Phase 3.

**STRIP ROAD**

After numerous return visits following flooding to repair this crossing in 2021 it became apparent the frequent same small repairs were costing more than a single substantial repair would cost over three years. Funds were provided through the Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Grant for this upgrade which will significantly reduce return visits and provide a safer and more reliable access for residents on Strip Road.



**WASTE TRANSFER STATION  
- CHANGING TO WINTER HOURS**

Please note commencing Monday 2nd May 2022 the following opening hours will apply to the Orford, Swansea, Coles Bay, and Bicheno Waste Transfer Stations:

**WINTER – WASTE TRANSFER HOURS**

**Open:** Monday, Wednesday & Friday  
(2:30pm–4:30pm)

Sunday (10:00am–2.00pm)

**Closed:** Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday



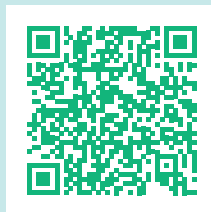
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Dog Registration Form



Rates Direct Debit Form



Waste Collection Calendar

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# Cancer Council

## The March Charge

Glamorgan Spring Bay Council participated in the March Charge for Cancer Council and is proud to say that with all the generous donations we smashed our fundraising goal of \$500, and together we raised \$3573 and charged over 790km! It appears as well that we are the top Local Government fundraiser in Australia!!

Thank you to everyone for your donations and charging throughout the month, and supporting people impacted by cancer ♥

Every dollar raised for Cancer Council goes towards helping people who have been affected by cancer. This includes funding life-saving research, prevention programs and support services for anyone affected by cancer.



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