



Mayor's Answers

CIRCULAR HEAD MAYOR – DARYL QUILLIAM

Responses to the segment Ask the Mayor a Question About Our Council, *Circular Head Chronicle & Tarkine Coast*, 14 August 2019.

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Question	Response								
<p>1. <i>Hi Mayor, why isn't there a recycle service in the country regional areas?</i></p>	<p>Council conducted a random survey of 300 rural property owners in April this year. The survey was also hosted on Council's website. From 131 responses 45% were in favour of some form of rural recycling collection with 55% not in favour.</p> <div data-bbox="699 1176 1348 1881"><p style="text-align: center;">Rural Recycling Survey 2019 (131 responses)</p><table border="1"><caption>Rural Recycling Survey 2019 (131 responses)</caption><thead><tr><th>Response</th><th>Percentage</th></tr></thead><tbody><tr><td>No collection</td><td>55%</td></tr><tr><td>Yes - monthly collection</td><td>24%</td></tr><tr><td>Yes - fortnightly collection</td><td>21%</td></tr></tbody></table></div> <p>In Council's draft Waste Strategy, Council is planning on increasing education and awareness around the benefits of recycling before conducting a larger survey in 2020/21.</p>	Response	Percentage	No collection	55%	Yes - monthly collection	24%	Yes - fortnightly collection	21%
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	<p>Public input into the draft strategy is open until the end of August – please see http://www.circularhead.tas.gov.au/yoursay</p> <p>To introduce rural recycling all people receiving a rural waste collection would need to pay for a recycling collection. The service would need to be provided on cost recovery the same as urban recycling.</p>
<p>2. Dear Mayor, with all the businesses closing in the CBP, what is the Council doing to encourage businesses to stay open? What are your thoughts on all the businesses closing? Can the Council assist with funding or mentoring to assist small businesses?</p>	<p>One of the areas Council has a focus is on a population strategy to bring more people to live in Circular Head. With some significant developments planned for our area we need to attract people who are going to work on and at these developments to come to Circular Head to live.</p> <p>I am saddened when any businesses closes. There are many reasons this happens. I see a growing population as a way of providing more opportunities that support local business.</p>
<p>3. Dear Mayor, why are the council's meetings so streamlined and why aren't there any open discussions in front of the public?</p>	<p>Council meetings are open to the public, and public have the opportunity to ask two questions. Public question times are open at the beginning of the meeting and end of the meeting.</p> <p>Council is conducting a series of community workshops with the opportunity to discuss issues with the community. One has been held at Edith Creek already and the upcoming ones are listed below. I invite as many people as possible to come and join in a discussion with Council.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 12 September 2019, Stanley Town Hall • 10 October 2019, Mawbanna Community Hall • 14 November 2019, Blackberry Inn Forest • 12 December 2019, Irishtown Community Centre Inc • 16 January 2020, Marrawah Public Hall • 13 February 2020, Rocky Cape Community Hall
<p>4. Hi Daryl, what job opportunities will the Council be providing to keep the school leavers and the</p>	<p>The Circular Head Education and Training Consultative Committee (CHETCC), has a priority of connecting training</p>



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<i>younger generation from leaving Circular Head?</i>	<p>of our young (and not so young) people to connect them to locally available jobs.</p> <p>Opportunities for traineeships are considered when a vacancy occurs in Council's workforce.</p>
<i>5. Hi Mayor, what grants are available to non-profit organisations for developments or upgrades?</i>	<p>Each year Council has 2 rounds of Community Small Grants which are open in March and November. The maximum funding is \$5,000 per application. For more information visit http://www.circularhead.tas.gov.au/communitygrants</p> <p>Outside of Council the Tasmanian Government provides grants and has a grant alert email service. To subscribe email csrgrants@communities.tas.gov.au or visit http://www.dpac.tas.gov.au/divisions/csr/grants_and_community_engagement</p>
<i>6. Hi Mayor, does the Council have any plans for the Anzac Park area? Will there be any family friendly recreation areas?</i>	<p>Council is working with the Smithton RSL to do some tree planting and memorial spaces. In the longer term there are opportunities to do some more work when funds allow.</p> <p>West Esplanade playground is Council's main family friendly recreation space in Smithton.</p>

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