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52/03/79

8 November 2012

Your Reference

Telephone Enquiries

John Canny

Murrindindi
Shire Council

[Click here and type address]

Dear [Click here and type Sir or Madam],

#### Re: Special Charge Scheme - Green Street, Alexandra

Council at its meeting on 24 September 2012 proposed to declare a Special Charge Scheme for the purposes of defraying any expenses incurred by Council in relation to construction of a section of Green Street in Alexandra adjacent to properties as described in the table attached, which works or project Council records it considers is or will be of a special benefit to those persons required to pay the special charge (and who are described in succeeding parts of this resolution).

The amount for which the property owner will be liable, the basis of calculation of the Special Charge, and with notification that submissions and/or objections in relation to the proposal will be considered by Council in accordance with sections 163A, 163B and 223 of the Act at the Special Meeting of Council scheduled for the 21 January 2013.

As this Scheme concerns your property a copy of the Public Notice and proposed Declaration are enclosed for your information.

Further information regarding this matter can be obtained by contacting Council's Manager Infrastructure Assets John Canny on (03) 5772 0333.

Yours faithfully,

Tamara Johnson General Manager Infrastructure Services ALEXANDRA Perkins Street, Alexandra, 3714

Ph: 03 5772 0333 Fax: 03 5772 2291 Local call: 1800 633 792

KINGLAKE 19 Whittlesea-Kinglake Road, Kinglake, 3763

Ph: 03 5786 1522 Fax: 03 5786 1515 Local call: 1800 651 821

YEA Civic Centre, Semi Circle, Yea, 3717

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Please address all correspondence to P.O. Box 138, Alexandra, 3714 DX: 71402

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#### **ATTACHMENT**

## SPECIAL CHARGE SCHEME – PROPOSED ROAD CONSTRUCTION, PART GREEN STREET, ALEXANDRA

File No: 52/03/79

#### The proposed declaration is as follows:

A Special Charge is declared pursuant to Section 163(1) of the Local Government Act 1989 for the purposes of defraying any expenses (including design, supervision and administration) in relation to street construction works based on the following clauses:

1. The land with the corresponding liability amount for which the Special Charge is declared is as detailed below:

Property Address	Access	Amenity	Estimated
, ,			Charge
10 AITKEN STREET, ALEXANDRA - Pt CA 10	\$6,105.00	\$3,605.00	\$ 9,710.00
11 McKENZIE STREET, ALEXANDRA - Pt CA 11	\$6,105.00	\$3,605.00	\$ 9,710.00
2 GREEN STREET, ALEXANDRA - Lot 8 LP 22569	\$1,425.00	\$3,605.00	\$ 5,030.00
4 GREEN STREET, ALEXANDRA - Lot 9 LP 22569	\$3,475.00	\$3,605.00	\$ 7,080.00
4 GREEN STREET, ALEXANADRA - Lot 10 LP 22569	\$3,475.00	\$3,605.00	\$ 7,080.00
4 GREEN STREETALEXANDRA - Lot 11 LP 22569	\$3,516.00	\$3,605.00.	\$ 7,080.00
10 GREEN STREET, ALEXANDRA - Lot 1 PS 506018	\$2,555.00	\$3,605.00	\$ 6,160.00
12 GREEN STREET, ALEXANDRA - Lot 5 PS 506018	\$2,305.00	\$3,605.00	\$ 5,910.00
51 VICKERY STREET, ALEXANDRA - Lot 2 RP 17505	\$2,725.00	\$3,605.00	\$ 6,330.00
7 GREEN STREET, ALEXANDRA,- Lot 7 LP 25499	\$3,345.00	\$3,605.00	\$ 6,950.00
5 GREEN STREET, ALEXANDRA, - Lot 6 LP 25499	\$3,345.00	\$3,605.00	\$ 6,950.00
8 McKENZIE STREET,ALEXANDRA,- Lot 1 LP 25499	\$6,785.00	\$3,605.00	\$10,390.00
7 McKENZIE STREET,ALEXANDRA,-Pt Lot 3 LP 19936	\$1,155.00	\$3,605.00	\$ 4,760.00
3 GREEN STREET,ALEXANDRA - Pt Lot 3 LP 19936	\$2,405.00	\$3,605.00	\$ 6,010.00
8 AITKEN STREET,ALEXANDRA,- Lot 1 LP 41968	\$5,395.00	\$3,605.00	\$ 9,000.00
Total amount to be levied			\$108,150.00

- 2. The area for which the Special Charge is so declared is the area comprising all the lands listed in Clause 1 of this declaration. The following be specified as the criteria which form the basis of the special charge so declared; all those properties fronting, abutting or adjacent to the works or parts thereof and located in Green Street, Alexandra
  - 3. The estimated total cost of the works is \$216,300.00
- 4. The estimated total amount to be levied is \$108,150.00. The owners of the land detailed in Clause 1 are each estimated to be liable for the estimated amounts shown in Clause 1.

Note that the final charge can be adjusted, once final costs are certified at the completion of construction. Finalisation of the works is reported to Council and the apportioned costs distributed for payment.

5. The Special Charge shall become due and payable within one month of the issue of the notice requesting payment pursuant to Section 167 (3) of the Local Government Act 1989, and will remain in force for 10 years. The Special Charge will be discharged when it is paid in full by the landowner or rescinded by Council under the provisions of Section 164 of the Act.

6. The criteria on which the Council bases the Special Charges are:

The lands listed in Clause 1 of this declaration, the owners of which derive a benefit from the street construction works, which the Council assesses to be equal to that derived by the whole community. The 50% of the actual cost shared by the contributing landowners has been further distributed on the basis of approximately 50% of cost apportioned to amenity benefit and 50% of cost apportioned per metre of frontage to access benefit.

- 7. The Special Charge so declared will be assessed and levied in the following manner:-
  - (a) The actual costs of the portion of the works attributed to the benefiting property owners including design, supervision and administration expenses as certified by the Chief Executive Officer on completion of the works. As an owner of land in that area your share of the cost will be a percentage of the actual cost and determined according to the unit benefit
  - (b) Each benefiting owner will be charged, annually for one tenth of that share of the actual costs apportioned, together with interest on the unpaid balance (plus any unpaid interest) at the rate set from time to time under Section 172 of the Local Government Act 1989.
  - (c) Annual instalment payments of the Special Charge will be due and payable on the 1 January each year. Payments may be made by 4 instalments annually. The charge will be levied after completion of the works and calculation of the actual costs.
- 8. Such owners may, subject to any resolution of the Council, pay the whole of the Special Charge within 30 days of service of an annual notice requiring payment.
- 9. The Rates and Revenue Coordinator is authorised to levy and recover the Special Charge described in Clause 8 in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act.





# Murrindindi Matters

### **COUNCIL NOTICEBOARD**

## PARTIAL ROAD DISCONTINUANCE BUXTON

Council has agreed to support the partial closure of Buxton Rise Road to assist in the redevelopment of the Buxton Public Hall and to create a safe avenue for cars and pedestrians in the precinct.

This section of road shown hatched on this plan, pending any submissions, will be reserved for Public Hall purposes under the provision of the Crown Land (Reserves) Act 1978 and the Buxton Progress Association shall be appointed as Committee of Management under the Act.

Pursuant to Section 206 and schedule 10, clause 3 of the Local Government Act 1989, Council is inviting submissions on the proposal.

People wanting to make submissions must do so by 6 December 2012.

All submissions will be considered in accordance with section 223 of the Act and should be addressed to the Chief Executive Officer, Murrindindi Shire Council, PO Box 138, Alexandra 3714 or delivered Council Offices, Perkins Street, Alexandra Submissions can be emailed to MSC@murrindindi, vic.gov.au with the subject line Buxton Rise.

People can request to be heard in support of their written submission or may be represented by a person acting on their behalf at a meeting of Council or of a special committee determined by Council. Reasonable notice shall be provided to each person who makes such a request.

If no submissions are received in response to the public notice Council shall proceed with the discontinuance of part of the road.

For more information please contact John Canny Manager Infrastructure Assets on 5772 0333.



#### PUBLIC NOTICE OF INTENTION TO LEVY A SPECIAL CHARGE SCHEME

In accordance with Section 163 of the Local Government Act 1987 (Act), the Murrindindi Shire Council will consider a resolution to declare a special charge scheme at its 29 January 2013 meeting, to defray the cost of road construction and associated works in Green Street (between Vickery Street and Aitken Street), Alexandra.

The proposed scheme affects those properties fronting or abutting the road considered to receive a special benefit because of the works.

Authorised by M Abbey Chief Executive Officer The scheme involves the construction of drains, road pavement and surfacing, including the provision of kerb and channelling and associated works. The estimated total cost of the works is \$216,300. The total amount of the special charge proposed to be levied by the Council based on the estimated cost is \$108,150.

Details of the works, costs and apportionments and those properties impacted can be inspected at the Murrindindi Shire-Offices, Perkins Street, Alexandra. The details will be available for viewing up until 10 December.

In accordance with sections 163A, 163B and 223 of the Act

- Council will accept submissions on the proposed scheme. A person may also request to be heard in support of their written submission by making that request in writing.
- Property owners required to pay the special charge may also object to Council outlining their objection in writing.
- Submissions and objections are to be made to the Council and must be lodged in writing by 10 December 2012, and must be addressed to the Manager Infrastructure Assets, Murrindindi Shire Council, P.O. Box 138, Alexandra 37.14. Submissions and objections can also be emailed to msc@ murrindindi.vic.gov.au with the subject line Green Street - Special Charge Scheme.
- Submissions and objections are not confidential and will be incorporated into a report to be presented to Council for consideration.

Council will consider submissions and objections at a special meeting scheduled for <u>21 January 2013</u>. This meeting will also provide the opportunity for people who have indicated they would like to support their submission or objection verbally to do so:

# HUMAN RESOURCES OFFICER FIXED TERM TO DECEMBER 2013 BAND 6 \$62,000 PER ANNUM PLUS SUPER

This temporary role will review and implement improved human resource systems to support our human resource information, performance coaching information, and training administration. The outcomes are expected to increase efficiency in managing data and information that is better targeted to organisation and individual needs and expectations.

We'are seeking a generalist HR person with experience in delivering human resource services particularly in improving information management coordinating learning and development programs. You must be highly organised, a team player and good communicator and relationship builder. Experience in local government and familiarity with Authority information systems is desirable

Please visit our website www.murrindindi.vic.gov. au to download a position description and key selection criteria, or call Liz Peddie on 5772 0396 for more information about the role.

Applications should be marked "Confidential – HR Officer" and addressed to to Rob Cherry, General

Manager Corporate and Community and can be submitted in the following ways:

- Online you should receive an email notification confirming your submission
- Email to msc@murrindindi.vic.gov.au-
- Post your application and accompanying attachments to Murrindindi Shire Council, PO Box 130, Alexandra 3714.

Applications close 5pm on Wednesday 21 November 2012.

#### REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICES

The following services will be held throughout the Shire of Murrindindi on Sunday 11 November 2012:

#### Alexandra -

10.15am service at Kellock Lodge for residents 10.50am assemble for 11am service at Cenotaph in Leckie Park

**Eildon** - Assemble at 10.50am for 11.am service at Cenotaph

Marysville - Assemble at 10.45 am for 11 am service at Cenotaph in Murchison Street

Yarck-11am wreath laying service at War Memorial
Yea - Assemble at 10,30am for 10,50am service at
Cenotaph. Light refreshments at RSL Hall to follow.

#### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING FRIENDS OF YEA RAILWAY COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT (SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL)

The Friends of Yea Railway Committee of Management advises that its Annual General Meeting will be held Monday 12 November 2012, commencing 7:30pm at the Yea Railway Station, meeting room.

All Interested persons and user group representatives are invited to attend.

Inquiries should be directed to either, Secretary John Clark on 5797 8441 or Co-ordinator Administration, Lisa Elward on 5772 0704.

#### TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURES FOR 2012 TARGA RALLY

Murrindindi Shire Council will temporarily close a number of roads to support the staging of the 2012 'Targa High Country' Rally on Sunday 11 November

The roads to be temporarily closed are:

- Eildon- Jamieson Road, between Old Jamieson Road (Jamieson) and Eildon Golf Club from 8.25am until 5.30pm.
- Skyline Road, between Twenty First-Street (Eildon) and UT Creek Road (Devils River) from 9.45am-4pm.
- UT Creek Road, between Skyline Road (Devils River) and McIntyre Lane (Alexandra) from 9.45am-4pm.
- Riverside Drive, Eildon, between Back Eildon Road and Centre Avenue from 9am-5pm.

Vehicle access to these roads during the rally is restricted to authorised and emergency vehicles only. Impacted roads will be marked with appropriate signage and be manned by traffic controllers.

Inquires in relation to this road closure can be directed to the Local Laws Unit on (03) 57720376.

Murrindindi Shire Council PO BOX 138 Alexandra 3714 General Enquiries 5772 0333 | www.murrindindi.vic.gov.au





9<sup>th</sup> December, 2012

Murrindindi Shire Council Att: J Canny Perkins Street, Alexandra, Vic 3714 MURRADADI SHRE COUNCIL DIST. LIST
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RE NO 2013 F 743 TRANSPORTE STORES AND STORES

Special Charge Scheme – Green Street, Alexandra.

Dear Mr Canny,

I am more than a little confused with the shire's need to bitumen a street that has for some 100-150 years been dirt/gravel.

Given the alleged financial troubles that this Shire currently faces, surely this project is certainly not a critical one. One would think that monies could be better spent elsewhere, like the retention of library staff. I am sure that there would be far more people benefit from keeping library staff, than those that would drive up/down Green Street. Or wouldn't the money also be better spent on preventative maintenance programs, like annual or bi-annual clearing of under road culverts throughout the town, therefore minimizing stormwater or flood water runoff issues that occur during winter and summer rains.

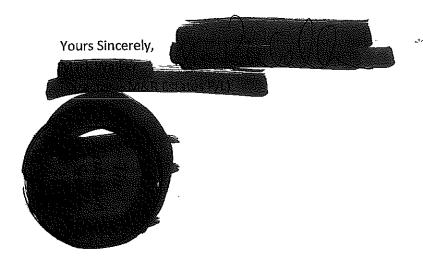
Then let's think of the ratepayers/howe owners in Green Street and the other streets affected by this proposal. Given the current economic outlook I'm sure that this forced expenditure on their behalf is more than likely money that they either don't have or cannot afford to do without. If you take into account the everyday stresses on today's households like ever increasing costs on electricity, rates, fuel, insurance and just everyday living this is another burden I'm sure most can do without. I find it terribly irresponsible of this Shire to consider this project and in turn burden householders with more debt.

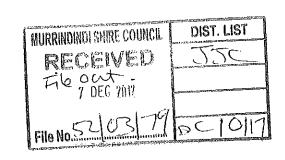
I also note that in your correspondence that the works cost is an **estimate**, so if costs "blow out" the final charge will be adjusted ????? This is not acceptable, you cannot just ADJUST what the landowner then owes, because the contractor decides to charge for "extras" not quoted for! What guarantees can you give that this will not happen?

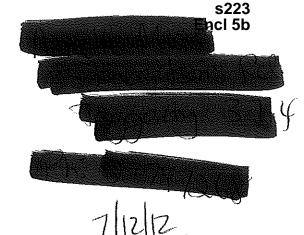
If the Shire requires the ratepayers to pay for this "Special Charge", where are the costing's for the job, where are the three quotes, what do we get for our money, whom is the contractor getting the job?????? What are the design, supervision and administration charges??? Do we get to see all of this information or are we all expected to blindly go with what we are instructed to do? I don't think so! "

If you want my hard earned dollars, you have to be very accountable for it. It is certainly not easy to come by, and I definitely want to see more than a letter telling me I owe \$9520.00 plus or minus subject to finals costs....I suspect plus.

I look forward to receiving the relevant documentation outlining the costing/quotes and selection criteria for my required contribution.







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ATT: - John Canny Murindinde Shire Council Perkins St Alexandra 3714

Re:- Special Charge Scheme-Coroen 8+ Alexandra. 52/03/79

HS the owner of would like to object to the special charge being proposed to surface the Road. Roasons are · I have no access to my house from Green St.

- · It is an existing Road within the Shire not a
- now estate. The new estate being built by Hedger Construction was objected to By myself for the reason what Green St resurfacing Should be a condition as it is obvious which way the new resident will access the property. This should have been softed out at other time of other planning permission. Therefore not my problem lished so Council hashace Green St is well established so Council hashace planty of time (my house was built in 1951-& planty of time) to surface this arterial Road,

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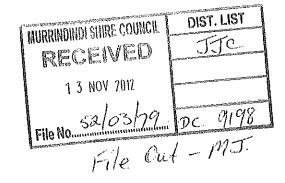
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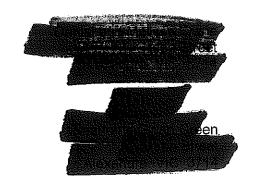
· I realise that the shire has many demands on its purse but Green St as an established area should have been surfaced a long time ago when the surfaced a long time ago when the original horses were built. Therefore not my problem.

• But in any case the payment options are also not suitable for me. In increase also not suitable for me. In increase whose the current 6% for lates, plui an expectation to pay an installment is above what I can afford and I am above what I can afford and I am ortain other residents/ would feel the same owners.

I am happy to discuss these points of objection and that can be contacted at home on one number provided







November 13, 2012

Murrindindi Shire Council Att: John Canny PO Box 138 ALEXANDRA VIC 3714

Dear John,

RE: Special Charge Scheme for the sealing of Green Street, Alexandra.

We write in reply to the letter dated 9 November 2012, in relation to Council's resolution to undertake a Special Charge Scheme for the sealing of Green Street, Alexandra.

The planning permit (reference number 2002/59) that created both of these properties was issued on 6 May 2002, and had the following requirements:

Condition 5 - Prior to the issue of a Statement of Compliance, concrete kerb and channel shall be constructed in Vickery and Green Street for the entire length of the allotment to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority.

Condition 10 - Prior to the issue of a Statement of Compliance, a contribution toward the sealing of Green Street shall be made to the Responsible Authority for a sum of \$3,627.20.

Once both of these conditions had been complied with, the subdivision was completed, and created both the completed kerb and channel, including driveways, for both properties. In relation to the cash contribution for the sealing of the road itself, the money was paid to council and should remain in trust. Further, it is the belief of all of us that if the amount of money contributed is not sufficient for the actual works to be undertaken, that the shortfall should be covered by Murrindindi Shire Council. The money has been contributed in good faith, and we have all been of the belief that the road construction costs were already covered, and were part of the purchase price of our properties.

In light of this, whilst we all support the sealing of Green Street, we consider that any contribution to the kerb, channel, driveway construction and sealing of the road has already been paid for, and thus no contribution will be required from either of these properties.

Could you please confirm in writing that the special charge scheme will allow for the kerb, channel, associated drainage, and the sealing of Green Street will be able to continue without any further contributions on behalf of

If you wish to contact us, you can contact

We look forward to your response.

Best regards



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