



# HUON VALLEY COUNCIL

## EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

Invitation for Expressions of Interest: Operation of a self-contained recreational vehicle and self-contained caravan camping site on Council land at Shipwrights Point, Port Huon.

Date of Issue: 9 November 2018



The Huon Valley Council is seeking Expressions of Interest for an operator of a self-contained recreational vehicle and self-contained caravan camping site on Council land at Shipwrights Point, Port Huon contained in Certificate of Title 168575/1 ('Attachment A').



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## **About the Huon Valley**

The Huon Valley is a vibrant, semi-rural community located 30 minutes' drive south of the Tasmanian capital city, Hobart. It is Australia's southernmost municipal area with a population of more than 16,000 people.

The Valley's 5,497 square kilometres is dominated by meandering waterways and forested hills. The region's fertile landscape produces a dazzling array of quality foods that has helped Tasmania earn its reputation as a food lover's paradise with mushrooms, cider, cherries, wine, seafood, fruit and other gourmet delicacies.

## **About Port Huon**

Port Huon is a small community with big, sweeping views of the Huon River, Bruny Island, D'Entrecasteaux Channel and the Hartz Mountains.

Port Huon was once a busy trading port and the destination for international apple boats that transported and exported the region's famous apples to the world. The original port remains and is a quaint reminder of the glory days of apple growing.

Today, Port Huon is a key hub for the region's thriving aquaculture industry. It's also a great place to stop and take in the views.

Port Huon and nearby Geeveston are also the gateway to the Hartz Mountains National Park and the southwest wilderness, where great walks and stunning views of remote mountain ranges await.

The RV site is to be operated on land owned by the Huon Valley Council and located at Shipwrights Point, Port Huon (being part of Council land comprised and more particularly described in Certificate of Title 168575/1) as specified in Attachment A – The Site. The Council are calling for Expressions of Interest for an operator for the site based on prescribed criteria and having responsibility for a number of management areas.

The successful operator will commence operation of the site as soon as possible after selection by the Council.

## **Operator Responsibilities**

The Operator's responsibilities for operation of the site include:

- Obtaining at their cost any necessary planning and building approval for use and development of the site;
- Entering into an agreement with the Council for operation of the site;
- Calculating the fees and charges for camping based upon full cost attribution including a general rate equivalent, lease rental equivalent and tax equivalent;
- Holding a public liability insurance policy;
- All costs associated with development of the site for the intended purpose;
- All costs associated with the site including, but not limited to, power, water, sewerage, rubbish collection and disposal, maintenance, mowing and cleaning; and
- Managing the site.

## **Expressions of Interest**

Expressions of Interest are to address the following criteria:

1. Establish their legal identity (private individual, Company, Business, Incorporated Association).
2. Provide the Council with a proposal which outlines:
  - Their proposed layout and design including any proposed facilities;
  - A business plan outlining their ability to undertake the use and development and provide ongoing management of the site; and
  - A projected budget outlining projected income and costs and demonstrate the ability to meet the costs associated with site operation.
3. Demonstrate their ability to manage the site.
4. Demonstrate the community and economic benefit for their proposal, including how returns from the site will be used for the benefit of the community.
5. Demonstrate that they have or are to obtain the necessary insurance for operation of the site.

Those wishing to lodge an expression of interest are to register with the Council through the designated email address. Briefings and cost equivalents may then be provided on request.

## **Submission Details**

Operation of self-contained recreational vehicle and self-contained caravan camping site on Council land at Shipwrights Point, Port Huon, Tasmania, 7116.

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## **Lodgement Details**

Submission Closes	5pm Friday 30 November 2018
Submission Type	Hardcopy, Electronic Lodgement or via Tenderlink
Location of Lodgement	Huon Valley Council 40 Main Street HUONVILLE TAS 7109 or <a href="mailto:hvc@huonvalley.tas.gov.au">hvc@huonvalley.tas.gov.au</a>
Hours of Access to Council offices	8.20am – 5pm Monday to Friday

**ATTACHMENT "A" – The Site**  
Area of the Council owned land at Shipwrights Point, Port Huon  
(Red Outlined Area)

