



City of **HOBART**

**MEMORANDUM: LORD MAYOR  
DEPUTY LORD MAYOR  
ELECTED MEMBERS**

## **ELECTED MEMBERS' PARKING DECK**

**Meeting: Finance and Governance Committee**

**Meeting date: 14 September  
2021**

**Raised by:** Alderman Zucco

### **Question:**

Recently works were completed on the Elected Members' parking deck behind Town Hall.

Can the Director advise:

- 1) Who sought the implementation of an electric car charging facility on the Elected Member parking deck?
- 2) Who approved the installation of the charging facility station?
- 3) Who sought the removal of the charging facility?
- 4) Who sought the implementation of the new power point to be implemented on the deck?
- 5) What was the cost for the implementation on the charging station?
- 6) What was the cost of the removal of the charging facility and replacement with the power point?

### **Response to question 1:**

The charger was installed as part of a broad program of installation of electric vehicle chargers in Council's parking infrastructure.

The device was one of several chargers in Council's possession.

The installation of electric vehicle chargers in parking infrastructure has been discussed at various times with stakeholders including electric vehicle vendors and with Elected Members in workshops, during discussions about the Sustainable Hobart Action Plan, and in conversations about the installation of the Dunn Place electric vehicle charger.

**Response to question 2:**

The installation of the charger was approved by the Council's Manager Smart and Sustainable City.

**Response to question 3:**

The charger was removed for safety and operational reasons.

After installation, this charger was found to be inconsistent with a type of electric vehicle (imported from Japan) that has become popular in Hobart. The standard Japanese charging port is different to the type used in most European and American electric vehicles.

It was intended that several identical chargers would be installed on the parking deck for the benefit of the public, Council Officers and Elected Members who park while on Council business. Once the issue of charger universality was apparent, it was decided not to install more chargers on the parking deck until the situation was resolved.

In the meantime, it was considered acceptable to replace the already-installed charger with a low-cost, single-phase plug.

**Response to question 4:**

As referred to in the response to question three above, until the situation of charger universality was resolved, it was considered acceptable by Council Officers to replace the charger with a low-cost, single-phase plug.

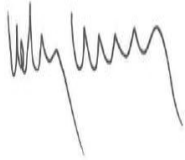
**Response to question 5:**

The installation cost of the charger was \$2,344.78

**Response to question 6:**

The cost to uninstall the charger and replace with a single phase power point was \$436.50.

*As signatory to this report, I certify that, pursuant to Section 55(1) of the Local Government Act 1993, I hold no interest, as referred to in Section 49 of the Local Government Act 1993, in matters contained in this report.*

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Kelly Grigsby', with a stylized, cursive script.

Kelly Grigsby  
**CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**

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