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# Clarence moves to protect Bellerive Bluff

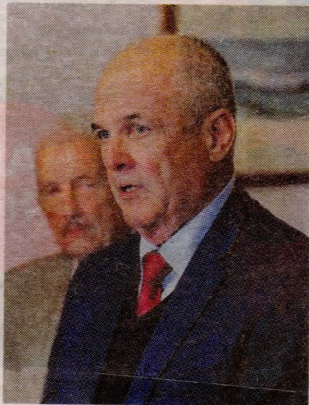
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CLARENCE City Council has moved to introduce planning scheme changes to protect the character of Bellerive Bluff.

The bluff had been subject to protections under previous council planning schemes, but the protections were lost after the introduction of the Clarence Interim Planning Scheme 2015.

Most of the bluff is zoned general residential under the interim scheme, however the council will apply to the Tasmanian Planning Commission to have the changes override provisions in that zone.

The council agreed during



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its meeting last week that a report by architect Leigh Woolley into the character and urban design of Bellerive Bluff provide the basis for a planning scheme amendment, which would reinforce the setting and character of the area.

The report established the bluff as the natural focus of "middle harbour," and central to the "dwelling region" of the Bellerive community.

"This amendment introducing the new Bellerive Bluff Specific Area Plan aims to address the generic nature of (planning controls) and will enable us to have regard for the character of the bluff," Clarence Mayor Doug Chipman said.

The council will now ask for public feedback on the proposed amendment. Changes to the planning scheme require approval from the Tasmanian Planning Commission.