

MINUTES

BRUNY ISLAND ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Meeting No. 1

Thursday 9 February 2017

Agenda for the meeting of the Bruny Island Advisory Committee held at the Bruny Island Community Health Centre on Thursday 9 February 2017 commencing at 9.00 a.m.

ATTENDANCE

		PRESENT	APOLOGY
Chairperson	Cr Mike Percey	X	
Members	Mr Trevor Adams	X	
	Mr Alex Matysek	X	
	Mr John Kobylec	X	
	Mr Brendon Schmidt		X
	Mr Bill Hughes		X
	Ms Siobhan Gaskell	X	
	Mr Gerald McAfee	X	
	Mr Richard Clarke	X	

COUNCILLORS IN ATTENDANCE

COUNCIL OFFICER IN ATTENDANCE

Mrs Belinda Loxley – Property and Emergency Management Coordinator
Ms Michelle Allen – Liaison Officer Governance and Property Services
Mr Tony Ferrier – Deputy General Manager

IN ATTENDANCE

Minister Guy Barnett MP
Minister Jacquie Petrusma
Mr David White - Forestry Tasmania
Mr David Whyte – Huon Aquaculture Group Limited

APOLOGIES

Nic Street MP
Bill Hughes
Brendan Schmidt

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Moved Alex Matysek
Seconded Trevor Adams

BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

Capital Expenditure Requests

Cr Percey advised the Committee he has passed on the requests to Council's Engineering Manager David Reeve for capital works projects to be considered in next year's budget.

Strategic Plan for Bruny

It was noted that Tony Ferrier will be running a workshop regarding a Strategic Plan for Bruny after the meeting.

PRESENTATIONS:

- Minister Guy Barnett – State Forests etc. - see notes attached
- David Whyte – Huon Aquaculture Group Limited - see notes attached

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE FROM COMMITTEE

Question: John Kobylec asked the following question:

What is Council doing to replace the worker that was stationed on Bruny Island that resigned last year.

Answer: Council's Engineering Manager has provided the following answer:

This review is ongoing and is linked with the current negotiations with DSG re the contract for undertaking works on their road system on Bruny. Council continues to utilise all available resources to carry out works in the entire Council area with no distinction between Bruny Island and other Council areas.

The Committee requested further clarification. Tony advised it was delayed due to the road swapping decisions.

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE FROM THE PUBLIC

Nil.

QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Question: At the last meeting Bill Hughes asked when the construction of the Lunawanna Hall carpark will be completed.

Answer: Council's Engineering Department will look into this further as it is not listed on the capital works budget list.

Question: Trevor Adams asked the following question:

The pedestrian bridge at Main Road, Alonnah. The estimations that were put forward for the Vulnerable Road Grant estimated that a 60m wide crossing is required at a cost of \$360,000. There are concerns that this estimation is wrong. The bridge could be constructed on the water side with a crossing of about 15m, therefore could the figures be reconsidered.

Answer: Council's Engineering Manager will provide an answer for the next meeting:

QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE FROM THE PUBLIC

Nil.

CORRESPONDENCE

Nil

MATTERS OF GENERAL INTEREST

Destination Action Plan (DAP)

It was agreed to have to have the DAP as an ongoing item on the Agenda.

Easter Wood Chop

It was noted that the Easter Wood Chop will be held at Alonnah over the Easter period..

Aboriginal Festival

The Committee was advised that the Aboriginal Festival will be held again this year.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held at Bruny Island Community Health Centre on Thursday 30 March at 9:30am.

CLOSURE

There being no further business the meeting closed at 11:46am

PLANNING, STRATEGIES AND FUTURE DEVELOPMENT

No.	Date	Item	Description	Comments / Update	Responsible Officer
1	June 2016	New Kingborough Planning Scheme	The Planning Commission are currently conducting hearings into the State Planning Provisions. Council will be reviewing its zoning maps when we know what the new Zone provisions will be (as defined in the State Provisions).	Council is currently waiting for the hearing findings. Waiting on State Minister to release report. (9/2/17)	Tony Ferrier
2	June 2016	Strategic Community Planning for Bruny Island	<p>In relation to the Committee's recommendation to Council at the August 2016 meeting Council resolved the following at its meeting of 12 September 2016:</p> <p><i>That Council support in principle the proposal from the Bruny Island Advisory Committee for the development of a Strategic Plan for the island, subject to further consideration by the committee on how this can be practically achieved in a manner that builds on recent planning activities:</i></p>	It was agreed that Tony Ferrier attends the February meeting to workshop this with the committee.	Tony Ferrier
3	June 2016	Waste Management Strategy	MRA Consultants have been employed to assist Council with developing a Waste Management Strategy. A preliminary workshop will be held with Council on 17 October 2016 in regards to this matter.	<p>Information is being gathered at the moment and Council will be workshopping this the focus will be on reducing waste to landfill, kerbside collection and operations of KWS</p> <p>A key findings workshop was presented to Council on 30 January 2017 and draft strategy is due for completion end of February and will be open for community comment.</p>	David Reeve

PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE

No.	Date	Item	Description	Comments / Update	Responsible Officer
4	June 2016	Public toilets at Alonah	On 2 September 2016 Council's Engineering Manager emailed the Committee with the preferred location for the new toilet block that has been chosen. Council is now working through the relevant processes and hope to have the toilets completed early in 2017.	The contract has been awarded and work will start on the new toilet block shortly. Construction will be starting in March.(9/2/17).	Craig Reid
5	June 2016	Alonah pontoon	At the time of preparation of the Minutes no update had been provided	A number of small repairs works have been organised	David Reeve
6	June 2016	Adventure Bay foreshore path	A crown lease over the area the path will traverse is currently being organised. On-ground works are scheduled to occur shortly after this.	Work has now started (9/2/17)	David Reeve
7	June 2016	Pedestrian Bridge Bruny Main Road	There has been no correspondence regarding the outcome of the grant application to the Vulnerable Road User Program.	Council's application for the Safer Roads: Vulnerable Road Users Program was unsuccessful and Belinda will speak with Council's Engineering Department about other funding options. Can this be re-costed and considered in the capital works budget(9/2/17)	David Reeve
8	June 2016	Adventure Bay Road – Bligh Creek to East Cove	Providing a footpath in this area would be cost prohibitive at this stage, but this will continue to be monitored in terms of numbers and types of vehicle traffic versus number of pedestrians.	It was noted there are traffic counters installed on the blind corner monitoring the usage	David Reeve
9	June 2016	Gravel on sealed roads	At the time of preparation of the Minutes no update had been provided	Overrun of gravel on that has washed onto the bitumen. Remove from Agenda (9/2/17)	David Reeve
10	June 2016	Alonah Hall	The contractor will be returning to repair sections of the floor that require more work	To date the contractor has not returned to repair the surface. The hall has now been inspected by Victor Mus to look at the	Victor Mus

				finish. Victor has advised that no further work will be done and he is satisfied with the quality of the finish. While some patches appeared darker, to completely remove these would have required extensive sanding and repainting of the markings. Victor is satisfied that the floor is adequately sealed.	
11		Lunawanna Hall	An upgrade of the toilets will be considered in Council's future capital works program	Will be considered in future capital works programs. BIAC was informed that Public Toilet Strategy being developed and will be available for public consultation soon (9/2/17).	Victor Mus
12	June 2016	Alonnah Sign	What is the status of the Welcome to Alonnah sign	The DAP group are meeting next week to discuss signage for Bruny Island and this will be raised by Richard at the meeting.	Tony Ferrier
13	June 2016	Nebraska Road	Council has repaired their section of the damage to Nebraska Road can Council find out when State Growth will be completing their section	The repairs to the seaward side erosion a temporary in nature, Council is currently progressing a design to provide a more permanent solution which will incorporate the section in the DSG responsibility (contribution will be sought from DSG). Designs are being developed by Council and DSG .	David Reeve

ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

No.	Date	Item	Description	Comments / Update	Responsible Officer
14	June 2016	Ragwort program	It is yet to be determined if the Ragwort Program will continue into the future.	The ragwort program is in full swing on the island. The skip bin specifically for the disposal of double bagged ragwort plants is in place at Alonnah. Roadside signage is in place. Letters have been sent to landowners with ragwort on their property to remind them of their legal responsibility to control the weed, a timeframe within which the control must be performed and the ability of Council to serve a Requirement Notice under the Weed Management Act if the weed is not controlled as required.	Liz Quinn
15	June 2016	Cat control	<p>Kingborough Council in conjunction with the Bruny Island community and a range of partner organisations is implementing a cat management program for Bruny Island. The program aims to minimise the adverse impacts of domestic, stray and feral cats</p> <p>Key components of the program include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community engagement and education. • By-laws to foster responsible pet cat ownership. • Research to build knowledge of stray and feral cat ecology and impacts • Management of stray and feral cats in identified priority locations. <p>Re By-laws:</p> <p>The By-laws will bring the requirements for cat ownership in line with those for dog ownership</p> <p>By-laws will be phased-in to provide cat</p>	<p>Community engagement (incl. school ed program) and cat owner consultation is underway. Planning for a cat holding facility at Alonnah has commenced.</p> <p>Monitoring of priority at-risk native species started In Dec 2016 (at and adjacent to the Neck).</p> <p>Field Officer (Brett Woodruff) will start work in March and undertake monitoring and feral cat control work (focussing at and adjacent to the Neck and North Bruny).</p> <p>While the long term plan is to secure By-laws for domestic cats across the entire municipality, we are taking a staged approach and are starting with BI for a range of reasons:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cat management on BI has been driven by the BI community for over 10 years and that is the reason KC got involved initially and worked with TCT to gain funds for cat control activities (2004 funds received for domestic cat desexing and 2008 funds received for stray & feral cat control). • There is currently broad and majority support from the BI community including key organisations (BICA, BIPIG, BIEN) + based on 2015/2016 community survey results. • Because BI is a biodiversity hotspot for our municipality and many threatened species are at risk of predation and disease from cats. 	Kaylene Allan

			owners time to comply and subsidised desexing, micro-chipping and rehoming will be offered	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Domestic cat by-laws are a key requirement for the federally funded BI cat management program which we are currently rolling out. • Learnings from implementing the BI By-laws will then help inform our future approach across the broader municipality. 	
16	June 2016	Weed control (Management Strategy)	The draft Weed Control Management Strategy will go before Council in the next month. Priority actions from the strategy are being progressed.	The Strategy has been endorsed by Council and will be implemented over the next ten years	Liz Quinn

COMMUNITY SERVICES

No.	Date	Item	Description	Comments / Update	Responsible Officer
17	June 2016	Abbeyfield project	No more recent information available other than I know they have had some discussions with some UTAS researchers into a possible survey.	The Bruny community is to broaden their scope. Bruny Island Community Association is providing funding towards a needs survey. There has been no update from this Group.(9/2/17)	Tony Ferrier
18	June 2016	Council activities	Council is providing advice, venue (Alonnah Hall), exhibition assistance and resources for the Bruny Island Bird Festival.	Noted Update provided remove from Agenda (9/2/17)	Anj Jenni
19	October 2016	Kids Art Zone/Youth Day	Will there be another youth day in summer or a Kids Art Zone.	Council's Youth Services will not be undertaking an event on Bruny this year. Michelle informed the group that the School Holiday Program does cater for Bruny youth to participate in this program and that this is program is advertised through schools etc. A copy of the flyer was attached to the December minutes. Update provided remove from agenda(9/2/17)	Carol Swards

STATE GOVERNMENT AGENCIES

STATE GROWTH

No.	Date	Item	Description	Comments / Update	Responsible Officer
20	June 2016	Management of State Forests	Invitations have been sent to the Premier and Mr Guy Barnett MP to attend a meeting regarding this matter	Minister Barnett will be attending the meeting to discuss this. See notes (9/2/17)	Sarah Boyle
21	June 2016	Bruny Island Ferry issues	There are multiple issues regarding the ferry such as: Line spaces, the new contract	Expressions of Interest for the provision of the Bruny Island Ferry Service were opened on 19 th November. Advertised nationally, and available on the government electronic tender website. This Expressions of Interest phase is the first stage of a two stage tendering process. The expressions of Interest will close on 25 th January 2017. The successful tenderer identified through the second stage tendering, will enter final contract negotiations mid-2017, with contract award during the latter half of the 2017. The contract period is 10 +5 + 5 years. An agreed ferry replacement strategy to be implemented throughout the contract period will form part of the new ferry contract business model. Letters sent to all ratepayers advising of the process. A meeting with Bruny Island Residents and community stakeholders will be held in March 2017, to identify community priorities for the new contract.	Sarah Boyle
22	June 2016	Coolangatta Road		<i>Coolangatta Road</i> Parks and Wildlife Service have ownership and management responsibilities for Coolangatta Road.	Sarah Boyle
23	June 2016	Roadside Slashing – State Roads		Is the State and Council using the same contractor. Appear to be different levels of quality. Adventure Bay Road was very good (9/2/17)	Sarah Boyle

24	June 2016	Swapping of Roads	Can an update be provided regarding the swapping of various roads between Council and State Growth	High level discussions continue in relation to the long term ownership and maintenance responsibilities. Road ownership anomalies have been noted around the western end of Coolangatta Road, and these will be addressed as the details are fleshed out.	Sarah Boyle
25	June 2016	Adventure Bay Road Linemarking	The linemarking of Adventure Bay Road is to be completed in summer 2016/17 can we get a definite date for this .	Additional linemarking along Adventure Bay Road will occur in February.	Sarah Boyle
26	June 2016	Sealing of State roads	At the time of preparation of the Minutes no update had been provided	<p>Resealing and Linemarking has been programmed by the Contractor for February, 2017. Further discussions will held with the contractor in relation to the possibility of undertaking this work earlier.</p> <p>The following sections of road will be resealed (and linemarking reinstated)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • From 90m before Adventure Bay Road up to Harvey Road) • At Murphy's creek bridge and Bird's creek bridge <p>Issue with line marking at Adventure Bay</p>	Sarah Boyle
27	June 2016	Alonnah/ Lunawanna Road	This road is in disrepair and needs some attention.	Will speak to Sarah Boyle about this issue.	Sarah Boyle
28		The Neck		<p>Carpark upgrades and road sealing will be completed during the winter of 2017 with the following milestones targeted for delivery.</p> <p>Public information in first week of February 2017</p> <p>All approvals for construction to be completed by April 2017</p> <p>RFT for construction advertised in May 2017</p> <p>Construction period is July 2017 to August 2017</p> <p>The penguin culvert trial will not proceed prior to the completion of roadworks during 2017. The penguin crossing culverts and associated fencing will be installed as part of the full project.</p> <p>Plans are currently on display at Council (9/2/17)</p>	Sarah Boyle
29		Community Infrastructure Fund		<p>The Department of Stage Growth is currently inviting submissions to the Community Infrastructure Fund.</p> <p>Open to not for profit, council and private sector organisations, for projects to assist with capital costs in the construction of new, or the upgrading of existing, infrastructure that will benefit the community. Community Infrastructure is infrastructure that is</p>	Sarah Boyle

				<p>openly accessible to, and has strong benefits for the general public.</p> <p>Minor Grants - \$10, 000 - \$50,000 – no matched funding required. Major Grants - infrastructure project value is up to \$100,000 – up to \$50,000 grant with matched funding required.</p> <p>This funding may provide an opportunity for some short term, high priority infrastructure funding to be invested on Bruny Island.</p> <p>Minor grants have now closed. (9/2/17)</p>	
30		Road Safety Pamphlet		<p>Department of State Growth has funded and will be developing a Bruny Island specific “travel safely on Bruny Island Roads” pamphlet over the coming months. The project is in the initial start-up phase. Further briefing will be provided to BIAC, and through DAP Implementation Committee as the project proceeds.</p>	Sarah Boyle
31		Road Safety Audit		<p>Department of State Growth in conjunction with Kingborough Council has been proceeding with the ongoing implementation of the recommendation from the road safety audit with the completion of the installation of the Curve Advisory Markers (CAM) along the road towards Dennes Point, and between Alonnah and Lunawanna. Lighthouse Road – Kingborough Council has a program of works, and will provide status update.</p>	Noted. Sarah Boyle

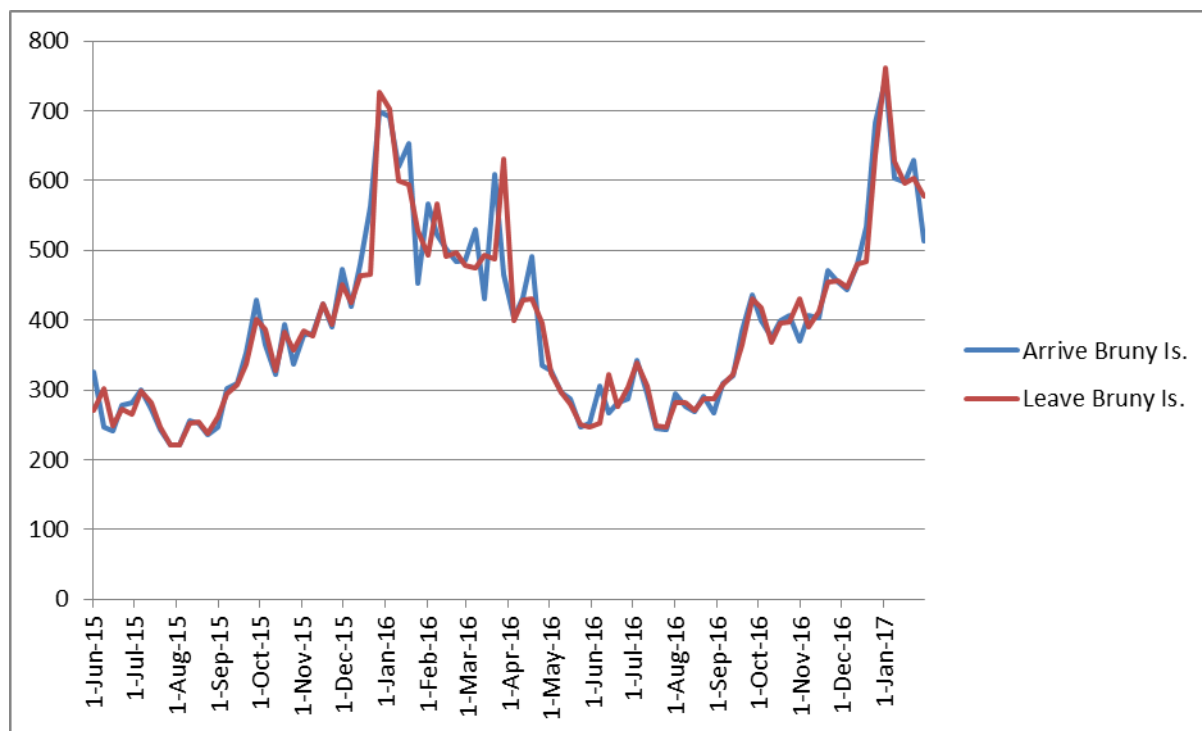
TOURISM & ECONOMICAL DEVELOPMENT

No.	Date	Item	Description	Comments / Update	Responsible Officer
32	June 2016	Proliferation of signs at the Adventure Bay turn-off	At the time of preparation of the Minutes no update had been provided	<p><i>Signage Audit</i> The Department of State Growth has completed the audit report of all signs along Bruny Island Roads. Many recommendations have been identified in the report in relation to improving the road side signage situation. The report has been forwarded to Kingborough Council for review, and both jurisdictions will be meeting to discuss implementation. The Destination Action Plan Implementation Committee will be involved in the endorsement and implementation processes.</p> <p><i>Adventure Bay Turnoff – Signs</i> The roadside signage audit identified 26 signs at the Adventure Bay Turn off comprising</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4 approved direction signs • 2 approved tourism information signs • 3 illegal tourism signs • 1 approved community facility sign • 12 unauthorised private advertising signs • 4 blade signs - status of approval uncertain. <p>Recommendations from the Bruny Island Destination Action Plan include the development of island specific branding, signage policy and strategy, including the development of eligibility criteria for tourism businesses seeking tourism signs. Given the complex array of signs at Adventure Bay turn off, an agreed strategy on the way to move forward on removal, reorganisation and replacement of signs at this junction will be required. This work will proceed once the island specific branding, signage policy and strategy has been developed and endorsed for implementation through the DAP Implementation Committee..</p>	Sarah Boyle

33	June 2016	Bruny Island Tourism Strategy	The Bruny Tourism Strategy is being updated to include the latest visitor numbers, the Destination Action Plan and other recently produced relevant reports/activities.	Copy provided at the October meeting. Has been endorsed by Council and is on Council's website. Remove from Agenda (9/2/17)	
34	June 2016	Recreational Vehicles on Island	A report on an RV strategy for Kingborough will be considered by Council at an upcoming meeting in October or November.	Council didn't adopt the strategy and will be workshopped more (9/2/17)	Tony Ferrier
35	June 2016	Tourism traffic	A copy of the updated numbers will be provided at the meeting	Copy of the traffic counter information is attached.	Patrick McGuire
36	June 2016	Destination Action Plan (DAP)	No further advice at this stage.	Department of Stage Growth are represented on the Implementation Committee established to oversee the implementation of the Destination Action Plan.	Sarah Boyle
37	June 2016	Adventure Bay toilets	What is happening with the Parks and Wildlife toilets at Adventure Bay?	This could be a future project if funding is granted No further information from Parks and Wildlife. Could be considered as a DAP project (9/2/17)	State Government
38	June 2016	Ferry Spaces	Ferry spaces between cars should be three (3) lanes and the Ferry contractor has gone back to four (4) lanes	Further clarification has been requested. This question was going to be raised at the upcoming public forum (9/2/17)	State Government
39	June 2016	Adventure Bay Foreshore	Who is responsible for the repairs of the foreshore following storm damage?	It was advised that the Parks and Wildlife Officer is waiting for it to grow back. Remove from list (9/2/17)	State Government

Bruny Traffic Counts December - January

Date	Onto Island	Off Island	Total
5-Dec-16	443	448	891
12-Dec-16	480	481	961
19-Dec-16	533	484	1017
26-Dec-16	683	636	1319
2-Jan-17	745	761	1506
9-Jan-17	604	627	1231
16-Jan-17	598	596	1194
23-Jan-17	630	603	1233
30-Jan-17	513	578	1091



Notes from Minister Guy Barnett's Forestry Presentation to BIAC on 9 February 2017

In attendance with Minister Barnett were Minister Jacquie Petrusma and Forestry Tasmania's Manager of Southern Forests Mr David White

- In October 2015 a moratorium was put in place as the Federal Government was notified that the swift parrots had been added to the critically endangered list.
- Research is being undertaken by ANU to bring the swift parrot back from critically endangered. Currently they are waiting on the advice of the researchers.
- There is no set timeframe for the moratorium to be removed and will not be in the near future. This is a Federal Government initiative.
- Forestry is not responsible for the installing nesting boxes at Murray Field. This was done by scientist who specialises in swift parrots.
- The fire tower is being operated and managed by Forestry Tasmania thereby providing a community benefit.
- There is an issue with maintaining and upgrading roads when there is no Forestry production.
- Some Forestry maintained roads have been passed over to Parks and Wildlife.
- Forestry is reluctant to lock up roads and is monitoring the bridges.
- South Bruny 17 - A regeneration burn is scheduled probably for the beginning of March.
- Clennett Coup was sewed in March and is growing well and being monitored.
- Forestry Tasmania is involved with addressing the issues of the feral cats on Bruny.