

# MINUTES

## **BRUNY ISLAND ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**Meeting No. 100**

**Thursday 8 December 2016**

Minutes of the meeting of the Bruny Island Advisory Committee held at the Bruny Island District School on Thursday 8 December 2016 commencing at 9.00 a.m.

### **ATTENDANCE**

		<b>PRESENT</b>	<b>APOLOGY</b>
Chairperson	Cr Mike Percey	<b>X</b>	
Members	Mr Trevor Adams	<b>X</b>	
	Mr A Matysek		<b>X</b>
	Mr John Kobylec	<b>X</b>	
	Mr B Schmidt		<b>X</b>
	Mr Bill Hughes	<b>X</b>	
	Ms S Gaskell	<b>X</b>	
	Mr G McAfee		<b>X</b>
	Mr R Clarke	<b>X</b>	

### **COUNCILLORS IN ATTENDANCE**

Cr Flora Fox  
Cr David Grace

### **COUNCIL OFFICER IN ATTENDANCE**

Mrs Belinda Loxley – Property and Emergency Management Coordinator  
Ms Michelle Allen – Liaison Officer Governance and Property Services

### **IN ATTENDANCE**

### **APOLOGIES**

Alex Matysek  
Brandan Schmidt  
Gerry McAfee

### **LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

### **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

### **CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

Moved           John Kobylec  
Seconded       Bill Hughes

## **BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES**

### Pedestrian access over bridge

The Committee was advised that 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. A copy of the application is attached to the minutes for the committee. Further more Cr Percey advised the Committee to look into what items they would like considered for next year's budget. Cr Grace suggested Council provide a list of projects that will be undertaken on Bruny next financial year.

### Bus tour of Bruny

The Group is to prioritise the list of actions from the bus tour.

### Strategic Plan for Bruny

Belinda informed the committee that a report will be going to the Council meeting on 12 December in relation to the Destination Action Plan and Strategic Plan for Bruny. The recommendation from the Council meeting is below:

***That Council notes the progress being made in regard to tourism marketing within Kingborough and that:***

- (a) the Bruny Island Tourism Strategy (December 2016) is endorsed for public release and as a basis for considering future tourism related projects;***
- (b) the Bruny Island Destination Action Plan (August 2016) is endorsed; and***
- (c) the offer from Mr Robert Pennicott from Pennicott Wilderness Journeys to develop a matching funding program for visitor infrastructure on Bruny Island is supported in principle, subject to matching funds being made available by the State Government and satisfactory project management arrangements being established. Council funds would then be provided from the existing Bruny Island Public Open Space reserve account.***
- (d) Council undertake community consultation with Bruny Island groups prior to committing the public open space expenditure.***

It was also noted that Tony Ferrier is available to attend the February meeting to workshop the way forward with the Strategic Plan.

### Meeting with the Premier

Belinda provided an overview of her notes from the meeting with Premier Will Hodgman and a copy of the draft notes are attached to the minutes.

## **PRESENTATIONS:**

Bruny Island District School – The Grade 6 students presented on what they have been doing over the last two months and this included:

- Annual athletics carnival
- Official opening of the school oval

The group thanked the committee for the opportunity to present at meetings and for the consideration of their ideas and suggestions. Next year's group of students were introduced to the committee and it was suggested they start thinking of ways we can improve Bruny Island.

## **QUESTIONS ON NOTICE FROM COMMITTEE**

There were no questions on notice from the Committee.

## **QUESTIONS ON NOTICE FROM THE PUBLIC**

There were no questions on notice from the public.

## **QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

There were no questions without notice from the Committee

## **QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE FROM THE PUBLIC**

Keith Bill asked when the reconstruction of the Lunawanna Hall carpark will be completed.

Belinda replied that the question will need to be taken on notice.

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

There was no correspondence.

## **ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT**

<b>Item</b>	<b>Background and Current Situation</b>	<b>Committee Advice</b>
Ragwort program	It is yet to be determined if the Ragwort Program will continue into the future.	Noted
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"><li>• Community engagement and education.</li><li>• By-laws to foster responsible pet cat ownership.</li><li>• Research to build knowledge of stray and feral cat ecology and impacts</li><li>• Management of stray and feral cats in identified priority locations.</li></ul> <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 owners time to comply and subsidised desexing, micro-chipping and rehoming will be offered</p>	<p>Progressing</p> <p>Trevor Adams asked if this By-Law was for the whole municipality.</p> <p>It was noted that it was only being trialled on Bruny</p> <p>An answer will be provided at the next meeting.</p>
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.	Progressing

Roadside Slashing – State Roads	At the time of preparation of the Minutes no update had been provided	Further clarification has been requested.
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.

## **PLANNING STRATEGIES AND FUTURE DEVELOPMENT**

<b>Item</b>	<b>Background and Current Situation</b>	<b>Committee Advice</b>
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.
Strategic Community Planning for Bruny Island	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:  <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>	It was agreed that Tony Ferrier attends the February meeting to workshop this with the committee.
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.	The consultation period is now closed and the Committee will be provided with an update of the result when they are available.

## **SOCIAL, CULTURAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICES**

<b>Item</b>	<b>Background and Current Situation</b>	<b>Committee Advice</b>
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.
Council activities	Council is providing advice, venue (Alonnah Hall), exhibition assistance and resources for the Bruny Island Bird Festival.	Noted
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 is attached to the minutes.

## **PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE**

<b>Item</b>	<b>Background and Current Situation</b>	<b>Committee Advice</b>
Sealing of State roads	At the time of preparation of the Minutes no update had been provided	Refer to Sarah's notes
Public toilets - Alonnah	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.
Alonnah pontoon	At the time of preparation of the Minutes no update had been provided	Ongoing issues relating to maintenance, life span, load limits. It requires an engineering report.
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.	Permission had been granted but no lease over the land as yet. Design has been completed.
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
Coolangatta Road	At the time of preparation of the Minutes no update had been provided	Refer to Sarah's notes
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.	Noted.
Gravel on sealed roads	At the time of preparation of the Minutes no update had been provided	
Alonnah 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
Lunawanna Hall	An upgrade of the toilets will be considered in Council's future capital works program	Noted
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 .	Refer to Sarah's notes.
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
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.
Alonnah/ Lunawanna Road	This road is in disrepair and needs some attention.	
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.

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	
Swapping of Roads	Can an update be provided regarding the swapping of various roads between Council and State Growth	Discussions are continuing.

## **TOURISM PROMOTION AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

<b>Item</b>	<b>Background and Current Situation</b>	<b>Committee Advice</b>
Proliferation of signs at the Adventure Bay turn-off	At the time of preparation of the Minutes no update had been provided	State Growth has completed an audit but nothing has been provided to Council as yet.
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
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.	Noted.
Tourism traffic	A copy of the updated numbers will be provided at the meeting	Copy of the traffic counter information is attached.
Destination Action Plan (DAP)	No further advice at this stage.	Copy provided at the October meeting.

## **LIAISON WITH STATE GOVERNMENT AGENCIES**

<b>Item</b>	<b>Background and Current Situation</b>	<b>Committee Advice</b>
Management of State Forests	Invitations have been sent to the Premier and Mr Guy Barnett MP to attend a meeting regarding this matter	An invitation has been sent to Minister Barnett with dates to attend a meeting to be confirmed.
Bruny Island Ferry issues	At the time of preparation of the Minutes no update had been provided	See Sarah's notes.

## **MATTERS OF GENERAL INTEREST**

### Waste Management Tip Supervisor

Bill Hughes asked why the Waste Management Tip Supervisor role advertised for a resident on the Island and was given to a non-resident now living in a caravan on the island and they didn't have to interview. Cr Percey advised he would take this up with the General Manager.

### New Toilets at Alonnah

It was noted that the new toilet block at Alonnah did go through planning and a copy of the approval is attached.

Bruny Island Marathon

Bill described the Bruny Island Marathon as a disaster because the roads were not marshalled properly and that support vehicles and bikes were on both sides of the road. Bill asked if the event organisers had approval from Council and what are the arrangements. Belinda advised that we will look into what permits are required.

Health Department Contracts

Bill informed the group that the Health Department contracts will not be reviewed until the New Year and that support services are currently not taking future bookings for Bruny residents at the Health Centre.

**Recommended**

**John Kobylec**

**Bill Hughes**

**Support anything Kingborough can do to maintain existing service levels furthermore the emphasis on Bruny should reflect the demographics of the population and concentrate on preventative medicine rather that focus on people with chronic conditions.**

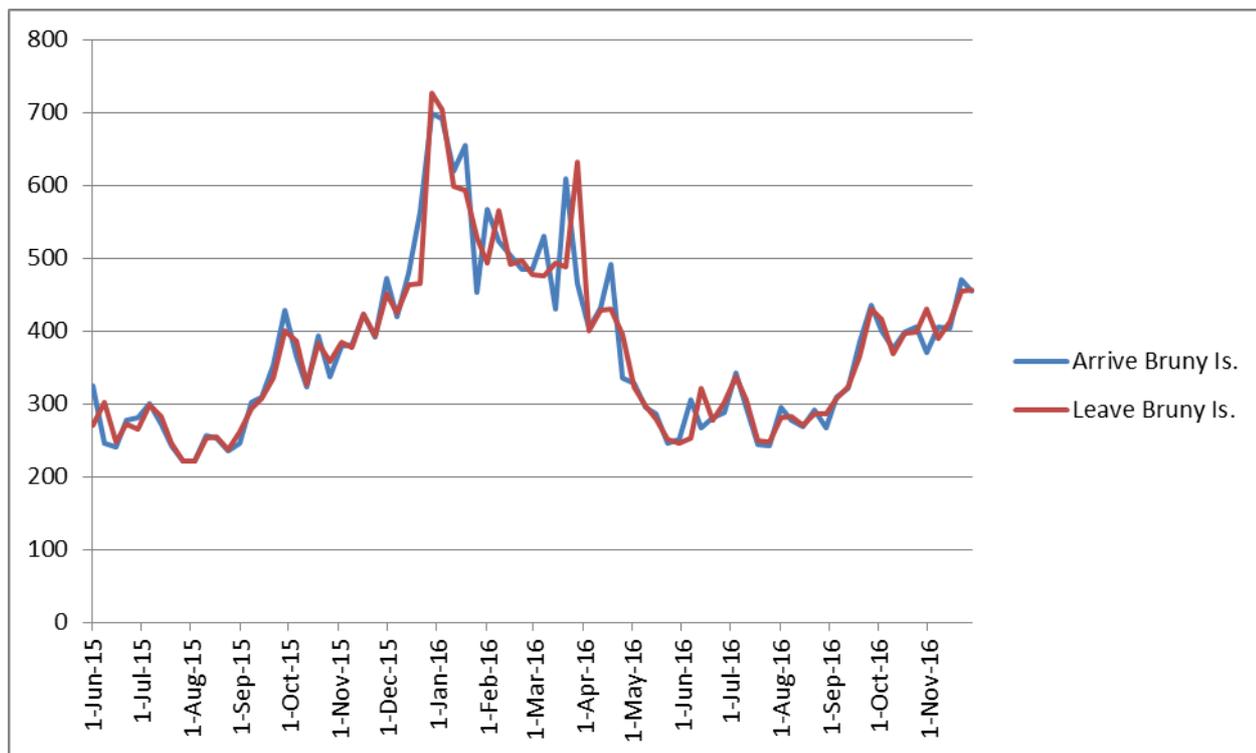
**Carried unanimously**

**CLOSURE**

There being no further business the meeting closed at 12pm

Traffic count Information for November

7-Nov-16	406	390	796
14-Nov-16	403	412	815
21-Nov-16	471	455	926
28-Nov-16	455	457	912



# Draft Notes of Meeting with Premier with BIAC on 24<sup>th</sup> November 2016. 10am.

## Present:

Premier, Will Hodgman  
Nic Street MP

Mayor Kingborough Council, Steve Wass  
Belinda Loxley (Kingborough Council)

## BIAC Members

Trevor Adams (Chair)  
Richard Clarke  
Siobhan Gaskell  
Bill Hughes  
Alex Matysek  
Brendon Schmidt

1. **Bruny Island Strategic Plan / Bruny Community Plan-** How do we get a process underway to develop a comprehensive plan for Bruny. Can the Government lead a strategic vision and plan for sustainable growth on Bruny Island.

Discussion from BIAC Members indicated that there was strong community support for a strategic, community based plan for Bruny Island. Bruny has experienced huge tourism growth and needs a sustainable plan which will look at an appropriate strategy that considers development and expansion, whilst ensuring the fabric of the community is maintained. Recent initiatives such as the Tourism Strategy and Destination Action Plan (DAP) would be subsets of any plan. There were many groups that needed to be involved, some with competing agendas. It was recognised that the renewal of the ferry contract may mean that business will be confident to expand as there will be confidence with access and investment in infrastructure may be necessary.

The Premier indicated that the concept certainly has merit and it is one the Government would support; the question would be who completes the plan. As many State agencies would be involved it probably isn't appropriate that the State Government runs the process. Instead it should be a collaborative partnership involving State Government, Local Government and the community, maybe led through BIAC. It needs to be clearly articulated as to what will be in the plan. The Premier agreed to looking at funding of such an initiative and agreed that they needed to speak to Council (this would be done through Nic Street).

2. **Single Planning Scheme.** What is the opportunity to include Character Statements? How can we protect the unique character of Bruny (for the island as a whole and for individual settlements) within common standards?

Discussion from BIAC members indicated that there was concern that the SPS may not protect the unique character of Bruny. There was discussion about the ability to include character statements and whether a Specific Area Plan (SAP) was appropriate for Bruny. Some members questioned whether Bruny was unique enough to warrant a separate set of planning controls through a SAP.

The Premier indicated that development applications will still be assessed by Council's. The process was about standardisation and making sure that the planning controls were consistent across the State and to streamline the planning approvals process. He was confident that the qualities of the island would not be compromised. It was also suggested that it may be appropriate for someone from State Government to come to a BIAC meeting to discuss further.

- 3. Tourism related Issues** - traffic, additional infrastructure, resourcing, ferry contract, landing fee, Police / Emergency services resources, management of economic and development activity that ensues.

Discussion from BIAC members included where to find the money to fund infrastructure works on Bruny Island. This included whether a landing fee was appropriate, whether funding from tourism operators was possible. Mention was also made about resident's lanes and the issue of peak fares.

The Premier indicated that it is not his position to support a landing fee. There was concern that a landing fee could deter people and it doesn't always send the right message to people. The ferry contract is topical and Government would be very interested in the views of community members. Written submission should be made to Nic Street and a Community Forum would be held on the island.

It was noted that there was an offer from Rob Pennicott for \$50,000 a year towards tourism related infrastructure if the money was matched by Local and state Government. A Report was being considered at the Council meeting of 12<sup>th</sup> December and after this meeting the matter would be considered further by State Government. There were issues about simply providing a pot of money and how to decide what projects should be prioritised etc. Support for specific projects may be easier.

- 4. State Forests** - Management of State Forests. There has been a 12 month moratorium on logging. Will this be continued? Will logging recommence on coops that have previously been logged?

BIAC members indicated there are mixed views on the island as to whether Forestry operations should resume. It was also indicated that there was an issue with the maintenance of Coolangatta Road and the responsibility for this. Whilst there is 12 month moratorium on logging, some coops are only half logged. Questions were raised about how many families were involved in the Forestry industry (approx. 5 families). Consideration was also given to the potential conflict between log trucks and tourism related traffic, however estimations were for only 1-2 trucks a day.

The Premier agreed to get some feedback on the issue from Guy Barnett and that consideration should be given to inviting him to the February meeting.

Meeting closed at 11.15am

# SCHOOL HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES

DATE	ACTIVITY	COST
Monday 16 January	<b>INDOOR BOWLING</b> Test your aim and knock down some pins at the bowling alley.	\$20 Please bring lunch Ages 10-17
	<b>CINEMA</b> Watch one of the new releases at Village cinema.	
Wednesday 18 January	<b>SAILING @ KINGSTON BEACH</b> Learn to sail with Kingston Beach Sailing Club.	\$10 Please bring lunch All equipment supplied Ages 12-17
	<b>FISHING @ KINGSTON BEACH</b> Practise your fishing skills with Fishcare Tasmania.	
Monday 23 January	<b>LEARN TO SURF AT CLIFTON BEACH</b> Taken by professional surfing teachers for confident swimmers. Please bring swimwear and a towel.	\$25 Please bring lunch All wetsuits/boards supplied Ages 12-17
Monday 30 January	<b>COOKING WORKSHOP @ YSPACE</b> Make Italian summer dishes including homemade pasta and lemon curd with professional chef Dearne Coad.	\$10 Please bring lunch Ages 10-17

**PLEASE NOTE:**

**Bookings must be made for the whole day.** For activity times please refer to the information sheets available on the Kingborough Council website or at the time of booking. Payment and transport bookings must be made by 13 January 2017. Payments can be made over the phone on 6211 8200 or in person at the Civic Centre, 15 Channel Highway, Kingston. Priority will be given to young people who reside in the Kingborough municipality.

For more information please contact Council's Youth Officer on 6211 8200 or email [kc@kingborough.tas.gov.au](mailto:kc@kingborough.tas.gov.au).

*Should a scheduled activity be cancelled due to bad weather, participants will be offered an alternative activity for the day.*



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