

# MINUTES

**BRUNY ISLAND ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**Meeting No. 97**

**Thursday 9 June 2016**

MINUTES of the meeting of the Bruny Island Advisory Committee held at the Bruny Island Community Health on Thursday 9 June 2016 commencing at 9.00 a.m.

### **ATTENDANCE**

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

### **COUNCILLORS IN ATTENDANCE**

### **COUNCIL OFFICER IN ATTENDANCE**

Mr Ian Holloway – Executive Officer

### **IN ATTENDANCE**

Mr Scott Duffy – Kingborough Community Enterprise Centre  
Students – Bruny Island District School

### **APOLOGIES**

Ms Gaskell (leave of absence)  
Mr Schmidt (leave of absence)  
Mr Adams (leave of absence)

### **LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

Nil

### **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Ni;

### **CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

Moved      Mr Kobylec                          / Seconded    Mr Matysek

That the minutes of the Committee meeting held on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> April 2016 as circulated be confirmed.

Carried Unanimously

## **BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES**

### Pedestrian access over bridge

Council resolved to support a funding application under the Vulnerable Road Users Program when grant applications open (likely August/September).

### Postal Contractor

Council resolved to refer the matter to the Police and Australia Post. Correspondence has been forwarded to both parties.

### Solar Panel installation:

Councillor Percy reported the following information from TasNetworks:

"We have now recorded 110 expressions of interest, which is a fantastic response so early on. We are very thankful to both the Bruny Island Community Association and the Bruny Island Environment Network for the advice and support they have provided us, which has been extremely valuable.

I am now in the process of arranging small focus groups to be held during the week 20-24 June, which will help us to test our key messages and our plan for continued engagement with customers throughout the 3 year trial.

We will then be holding public forums during the week of 19-21 July. I intend to hold one on Bruny Island itself and one in or around the Hobart area, to ensure attendance is as convenient as possible for both permanent and non-permanent residents. I will arrange for an article to be placed in the July edition of Bruny News to publicise these forums.

The official application process will open immediately after the forums, with an approximate closing date of 10 August. Systems will then start being installed from October. "

## **PRESENTATIONS:**

### Bruny Island District School – grade 6 students:

- Redevelopment of the school oval nearing completion
- Grades 3 to 6 swimming carnival held
- Fund raising for Grades 5 & 6 Canberra excursion
- Artists from Dark Mofo visited the school
- New play equipment valued at \$29,000 installed

The students also requested more rubbish bins for the Island – repair of the basketball hoop at Adventure Bay and bus shelters for students and installation of footpaths at Alonnah.

Kingborough Community Enterprise Centre – Scott Duffy outlined the opportunities whereby KCEC could assist Bruny Island residents/businesses.

### **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**

Mr Geoff Byrne – 29 William Care Drive, Alonnah:

Background:

Since the introduction of the free annual receiving of green waste at the local council yard at Alonnah over a period of two weeks, several methods of disposal have been trialled.

1. Initially the waste was deposited in on site bins which when full were compressed by the then contractor to allow for acceptance of the overflow which was invariably left on the ground. These bins were then transported to the Barretta site where the contents were presumably mulched and used by council within the reserves etc.
2. It was then suggested that to save space and reduce transport costs that the waste be chipped before transportation. Whether this occurred or not is not known however some chipping was done and the resultant product was stockpiled at the yard for use by staff within council reserves.
3. On one occasion the waste was dumped in the old tip site at Alonnah that had been previously suggested by BIAG as a disposal site but which was subsequently denied.
4. The chipper was subsequently removed from the island and along with the mainland unit used as trade-ins for an upgraded model which was retained off-island.
5. As a consequence, there being no effort made to handle the accumulated waste in the yard, it was allowed to dry out making it totally unusable for mulching.
6. I am advised that it was ultimately burned under the supervision of the local Bruny Island Volunteer Fire Brigade.
7. As of now there is another very large volume of dried waste awaiting disposal and it assumed that it will also be burnt.
8. Restrictions were in place whereby there was to be no contamination by weeds or tree limbs of size or stumps.
9. Given the current method of disposal appears to be by burning can council please response to the following enquiries?

### **Questions**

- (a) Did full Council sanction this decision or has it been made by those who have delegated authority?
- (b) Do Councillors agree that burning of such volumes is contrary to the conditions applied to local residents?
- (c) If waste is to be burnt in the future is there any need to restrict the waste to be weed free and void of tree limbs/stumps etc.
- (d) Can Council explain how such a method of disposal assist with environmental protection, particularly when other more sustainable options are available?
- (e) Or has it been done as simply the easiest and cheapest way out? And if this is the case, will Council now allow residents to utilise this method on their properties?

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

Letters forwarded to Australia Post and Tasmania Police re issues with postal contractor.

## **ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT**

<b>Item</b>	<b>Background and Current Situation</b>	<b>Committee Advice</b>
Ragwort program	No further advice	Noted
Cat control	Council at its meeting 23 May resolved to commence the process to amend the Health and Environment Services By-law to allow for control of cats on Bruny Island.	Noted
Weed control (Management Strategy)	Public comment period closed for draft strategy. Comments being collated and report to be provided to Council.	Noted
Roadside Slashing – State Roads	Advice has been provided that normally there is only one slashing program for the roadside vegetation.  A second cut has now been completed on selected roads to assist in improving site lines.	Noted
Gravel on sealed roads		Concern was expressed as to the amount of gravel that is being washed off unsealed roads onto sealed roads (junctions). Request for advice as to the actions to be taken to remove gravel and/or eliminate the issue.

## **PLANNING STRATEGIES AND FUTURE DEVELOPMENT**

<b>Item</b>	<b>Background and Current Situation</b>	<b>Committee Advice</b>
New Kingborough Planning Scheme	No further advice.	Noted
Strategic Community Planning for Bruny Island	No further advice.	The draft North Bruny Master Plan to be distributed to members of the Committee for information. This report provides a template for future development of further plans for the island.

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

<b>Item</b>	<b>Background and Current Situation</b>	<b>Committee Advice</b>
Bruny Island Ferry issues	Ms Boyle is still undertaking investigations into the issues discussed at the April meeting and will attend future meeting to update members.	Mr Clarke advised that MAST has no control over the number of lanes on the ferry. Mr Hughes advised that there are operational standards that apply.
Abbeyfield project	No further advice from Council.	Noted
Council activities	No further advice.	Noted

## **PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE**

<b>Item</b>	<b>Background and Current Situation</b>	<b>Committee Advice</b>
North Bruny Master Plan	No further advice	See Strategic Community Planning for Bruny Island
Adventure Bay Road linemarking	Dept of State Growth to undertake line marking in summer 2016/17.	Noted.
Sealing of State roads	Ms Boyle is still undertaking investigations into the issues discussed at the April meeting and will attend future meeting to update members.  Project is now available on Dept of State Growth website:  <a href="http://www.transport.tas.gov.au/road/projects/bruny_island-neck_improvements">www.transport.tas.gov.au/road/projects/bruny_island-neck improvements</a>  Two trial penguin culverts (pending approvals) to be installed at the neck around August 2016.	Noted
Public toilets - Alonnah	Funding has been allocated in the 2016/17 Council budget for new toilet	Noted
Alonnah pontoon	Funding \$60,000 allocated in the 2016/17 budget	Noted
Adventure Bay foreshore path	Funding \$90,000 allocated in the 2016/17 budget	Noted
Pedestrian Bridge Bruny Main Road	Council to lodge funding application under Vulnerable Road Users Program	Noted
Coolangatta Road	Ms Boyle is still undertaking investigations into the issues discussed at the April meeting and will attend future meeting to update members.	Section of road be quarry down to Council maintained section now severely damaged due to rain

<b>Item</b>	<b>Background and Current Situation</b>	<b>Committee Advice</b>
Litter and dog bags	Awaiting advice from Works Department.	
Adventure Bay Road – Bligh Creek to East Cove	Mr Reeve advised that he would investigate the issues of increased traffic usage and report back to the Committee.	

### **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	Ms Boyle is still undertaking investigations into the issues discussed at the April meeting and will attend future meeting to update members.	Noted
Bruny Island Tourism Strategy	Amended draft strategy provided to members.	Noted
Recreational Vehicles on Island	Council has resolved to prepare a RV Strategy for Kingborough. Consultant engaged – commencing July 2016.	Noted
Tourism traffic	No further advice	Noted
Destination Action Plan (DAP)	A workshop was held on 23 May 2016 to commence development of the DAP.	Further meeting scheduled

### **LIAISON WITH STATE GOVERNMENT AGENCIES**

<b>Item</b>	<b>Background and Current Situation</b>	<b>Committee Advice</b>
Management of State Forests	Concern as to the lack of regeneration of coupe on Clennetts Link (10B?). Request advice from Forestry Tasmania as to intentions.  Waiting on advice.	Noted

### **MATTERS OF GENERAL INTEREST**

Bus trip organised for Thursday 28 July – leaving Alonnah Community Health Centre at 10am. Invitations forwarded to Jeremy Hood (Parks & Wildlife), Ms Sarah Boyle (Dept of State Growth) and Council staff.

### **CLOSURE**

Meeting closed at 11.30am