

MINUTES

BRUNY ISLAND ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Meeting No. 99

Thursday 13 October 2016

Minutes for the meeting of the Bruny Island Advisory Committee held at the Bruny Island Community Health on Thursday 13 October 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

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

IN ATTENDANCE

APOLOGIES

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Moved Bill Hughes
Seconded John Kobylec

That the minutes of the Committee meeting held on Thursday 11 August 2016 as circulated be confirmed.

Carried unanimously

BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

Pedestrian access over bridge

The Committee was advised that Council has submitted a funding application under the Vulnerable Road Users Program and that no announcement had been made yet.

Bus tour of Bruny

The group discussed that the notes from the bus tour of the island on Thursday 28 July 2016 now need to be prioritised by the Group.

Strategic Plan for Bruny

The Committee was advised that at the Council meeting on 12 September 2016 Council resolved to support in principle 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. It was agreed that this item be put on the agenda for the next meeting and be workshopped.

Alonnah Hall

It was noted that the contractor will be back to repair sections of the floor later in the year when the hall is not being used.

PRESENTATIONS:

Bruny Island District School – grade 6 students:

- School Trip
- Crescendo Choir
- Sculpture in the front garden of the School
- Science Week Challenge
- Fencing of the Oval
- Representation at the Remembrance Day Service
- School Calendars for sale

The grade 5/6 students went on the Canberra school trip learnt lots and were kept busy visiting many locations including a tour of Parliament House with Carol Brown, the Royal Australian Mint and placed a poppy at the War Memorial for Gary Welsh.

The Crescendo Choir visited the school and in September and worked with students and put on a performance.

The sculpture of the bird with 2 heads and 4 legs has been installed in the garden of the school.

This year's Science Week challenge was flight and the students built kites.

The fence around the oval is now completed and an official opening will be held in the coming weeks.

Members of the school will be representing the school at the Remembrance Day Service.

School Calendars are now available for purchase.

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE FROM COMMITTEE

There were no questions on notice from the Committee.

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE FROM THE PUBLIC

At the time of preparation of the Minutes there were no questions on notice from the public.

QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Richard Clarke asked the following question:

At a recent meeting of FONB it was announced that that Council is to acquire a small block of land at Dennes Point.

With infrastructure across the whole island in desperate need of upgrade and with Council repeatedly saying that there is no money in the current budget, what budget will this money come from for the land purchase?

Does the purchase delay or impact infrastructure spending across the whole island in the future?

Now that Council owns the restaurant and potentially this block of land in the Dennes Point area, is there a concerted effort to invest further in the area and what other properties are being targeted?

What tangible benefits to the Bruny Island and greater Kingborough community does the purchase of this block of land, with no cultural significance and dubious other value, apart from protecting the aesthetics of a handful of nearby ratepayers concerned about the potential new owners of the said property?

What is the plan for block of the land and what budget do the ongoing costs of the land come from?

As one of the very few beneficiaries of the land purchase, did Councillor Bury register an interest? And therefore abstain from voting on the purchase?

Response:

Alex spoke in detail regarding the reasons and justifications for the land being purchased. This included cultural, heritage, environmental and landscape considerations.

The matter was discussed by the committee with input from Council staff present.

In relation to the question relating to Cr Bury, Cr Percey confirmed that Cr. Bury had no pecuniary interest.

John Kobylec asked the following question:

It is understood that Council workers based on Bruny have resigned and they are not going to be replaced. Can this be confirmed.

Response from Belinda Loxley:

The question was taken on notice

Council is looking at resource issues on Bruny. A number of Kingborough staff are carrying out specific tasks and the matter will be assessed in the near future..

QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE FROM THE PUBLIC

There was no question on notice from the public.

CORRESPONDENCE

- Letter of thanks sent to Ian Holloway
- Letter to Bruny Island District School including donation to Canberra trip
- Invitations sent to the Premier and Mr Guy Barnett MP to attend a future meeting

ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

Item	Background and Current Situation	Committee Advice
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">• 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 owners time to comply and subsidised desexing, micro-chipping and rehoming will be offered</p>	Progressing
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.	More funding needs to be provided for this project and continued support.
Roadside Slashing – State Roads	At the time of preparation of the Minutes no update had been provided	Need to sort out who slashes what roads and get on with it.
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

Item	Background and Current Situation	Committee Advice
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).	Hearings have finished relating to the codes and Council will see what the zones are and how to apply these zones to areas.
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>	The group agreed to workshop this on 24 November.
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.	Noted Need to look at a collection service for Bruny Island.

SOCIAL, CULTURAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

Item	Background and Current Situation	Committee Advice
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.	
Kids Art Zone/Youth Day	Will there be another youth day in summer or a Kids Art Zone.	

PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE

Item	Background and Current Situation	Committee Advice
Sealing of State roads	At the time of preparation of the Minutes no update had been provided	Need to get Sarah Boyle to provide an update on the State Growth actions.
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.	Noted

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.	Noted.
Coolangatta Road	At the time of preparation of the Minutes no update had been provided	Forestry initially maintained the middle section
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	The question here is the quality of gravel used.
Alonnah Hall	The contractor will be returning to repair sections of the floor that require more work	Noted.
Lunawanna Hall	An upgrade of the toilets will be considered in 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 .	Need to ask Sarah when this will be completed
Adventure Bay toilets	What is happening with the Parks and Wildlife toilets at Adventure Bay?	
Ferry Spaces	Ferry spaces between cars should be three (3) lanes and the Ferry contractor has gone back to four (4) lanes	
Alonnah/ Lunawanna Road	This road is in disrepair and needs some attention.	
Alonnah Sign	What is the status of the Welcome to Alonnah sign	
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	

TOURISM PROMOTION AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Item	Background and Current Situation	Committee Advice
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.
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	Michelle will email the traffic table to the Committee.
Destination Action Plan (DAP)	No further advice at this stage.	Copy provided.

LIAISON WITH STATE GOVERNMENT AGENCIES

Item	Background and Current Situation	Committee Advice
Management of State Forests	Invitations have been sent to the Premier and Mr Guy Barnett MP to attend a meeting regarding this matter	The Premier has tentatively booked 24 November into his calendar to attend a BIAC meeting. Minister Barnett has requested more information in preparation to attending a meeting.
Bruny Island Ferry issues	At the time of preparation of the Minutes no update had been provided	Questions to be asked:

MATTERS OF GENERAL INTEREST

Roberts Point Area

The following questions were raised regarding the areas:

- Why is the tug boat being tied up at the jetty.
- Who owns the area relating to the waiting lines at Roberts Point and it was suggested that one of the waiting lanes be dedicated to residents only.

CLOSURE

Meeting closed at 11.20am