

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

HELD ON 3 DECEMBER 2016



Back (L - R): Cr Paul Chatterton, Cr Mike Percey, Cr Sue Bastone, Cr Dean Winter, Cr Richard Atkinson

Front (L - R): Cr Dr Graham Bury, Cr Flora Fox, Mayor Cr Steve Wass, Deputy Mayor Cr Paula Wriedt, Cr David Grace

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MINUTES of the Annual General Meeting of Council held at the Kingborough Civic Centre, Kingston on Saturday, 3 December 2016 at 11.00am.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TRADITIONAL OWNERS

The Chairperson acknowledges the traditional owners of this land and pays respects to them and their customs, and to their elders, past, present and future.

ATTENDEES

Councillors:

		PRESENT
Mayor	Councillor S Wass	✓
Deputy Mayor	Councillor P Wriedt	✓
	Councillor R Atkinson	✓
	Councillor S Bastone	✓
	Councillor Dr G Bury	✓
	Councillor D Grace	✓
	Councillor M Percey	✓
	Councillor D Winter	✓

Staff:

TITLE	NAME
General Manager	Mr Gary Arnold
Deputy General Manager	Mr Tony Ferrier
Executive Manager Organisational Development	Ms Pene Hughes
Executive Manager Information Services	Mr Fred Moult
Media & Communications Officer	Ms Sarah Wilcox
Executive Assistant	Mrs Amanda Morton

Guests:

Rodney Eggleston – March Studio	
Garth Anchor – March Studio	

APOLOGIES

Cr Flora Fox Cr Paul Chatterton

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

<u>CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD ON 23 NOVEMBER 2015</u>

MOVED Cr Bury SECONDED Cr Wriedt

That the Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 23 November 2015 be confirmed as a true record.

FOR

Cr Atkinson	Cr Bastone	Cr Bury	Cr Grace
Cr Percey	Cr Wass	Cr Winter	Cr Wriedt

Carried Unanimously

2015/2016 ANNUAL REPORT (as previously circulated under separate cover)

Introduction

Mayor Steve Wass – introduction and summary of the year in review.

MOVED Cr Percey SECONDED Cr Wriedt

That the Annual Report of the Kingborough Council for the year ended 30 June 2016 be received and adopted.

FOR

Cr Atkinson	Cr Bastone	Cr Bury	Cr Percey
Cr Wass	Cr Winter	Cr Wriedt	

AGAINST

Cr Grace		

Carried

PRESENTATIONS

Climate Change and Kingborough's Coasts (Tony Ferrier, Deputy General Manager)

Community Hub (Rodney Eggleston & Garth Anchor from March Studio)

GENERAL QUESTIONS, SUBMISSIONS AND MOTIONS FROM THE FLOOR

1. Questions

Chloe Bebary, Unit 1, 9 Myena Road, Blackmans Bay, Carolyn Walden, 11 Sandra Drive, Blackmans Jen Featherstone. 5 Sandra Drive, Blackmans Bay Bay, Samantha Degenaar, 9 Amberley Court, Blackmans Bay. We are representing a large proportion of the Blackmans Bay community that is opposing the proposed Optus mobile phone base station on Sherburd Oval, Blackmans Bay. In the short period of time that we have known about this proposal we were able to gather information from the community regarding their response to this proposal. We focused on a 300m radius that was letter boxed by Optus. We spoke to 389 adults and 351 of these adults were opposed to the proposal. This equates to 90% of those in the surveyed area being opposed to Optus' proposal. We have prepared a report summarising our findings and we have sent a copy of this report to Optus as part of their consultation process and we would like this report to be tabled by the Kingborough Council and considered by Council in regards to making any decision regarding leasing the land at Sherburd Oval to Optus or any other carrier.

Mayor responds: It is a very topical happening and what I would like to do to give you some background that at its meeting on the 30th March 2016 Council resolved in principal to support the installation of a tower at Sherburd Oval upon which to locate telecommunications equipment for Optus. The proposal is to replace one of the existing 25m light poles with a like for like tower that will incorporate existing sports ground lights and the Optus equipment. Under the National Telecommunications legislation the mobile phone equipment is deemed to be low impact facility and does not require a planning permit from Council. Council's decision was subject to Optus completing a community consultation process as prescribed by the Telecommunications Act of 1997. Optus is currently undertaking this process which has included two public information sessions at the Blackmans Bay Hall on the 17th November of this year and public submissions to the proposal being received by Optus up until the 8th December. Following which Optus will prepare a report on the outcomes and advise Council as to whether they wish to proceed or not to proceed. In the event that Optus decides that it wants to proceed, Council will then advertise its intention to lease the site in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 1993 based on that information that I told you at the beginning. Public submissions will then be invited as part of this process following which a report will be provided to Council to make a final determination in relation to the granting or not granting of the lease. Any health concerns from mobile phone towers are not addressed by Council. There is a national regulator in regard to such matters and Optus is required to comply with national standards. Further information on that can be obtained from the Australian Communications and Media Authority website. There are many mobile phone base stations within residential and built up areas including the Kingborough Sports Centre alongside the Kingston High School. At this point, ladies and gentleman, Council has not made any decisions and I hope that has outlined the proceedings that would occur.

Leslie Allan of Mirramar Park, Blackmans Bay. Potholes – particularly at the bottom of Roslyn Avenue as we try to approach Beach Road. We try to avoid it but it's going to cause an accident. That whole area at night needs to be much better lit, particularly in the wet because it's very scary going right up Roslyn Avenue at that particular point and incredibly dangerous. Also, the roundabout, as we approach Kingston itself, is poorly lit and particularly on a wet night.

Mayor responds: That pothole in question will be filled in and made good very shortly and the other items you mentioned will be investigated.

2. Notices of Motion

Jill Hickie, 4 Devon Walk, Taroona, President of the Taroona Community Association. I represent both the Taroona Community Association and the Taroona Environment Network and am attending the Annual General Meeting as our community is concerned about the State Government's proposed subdivision of the Taroona School's Crown Land at 90 – 96 Channel Highway. The Taroona Community Association is concerned about the lack of community engagement in this proposal to develop and subdivide land which is very much loved by the community to make money. The community have viewed this area as a public reserve for many decades since the school's development. The area provides important habitat for native floral, birds and animals. It is a recreational and open space connection but links the highway to the Derwent River Foreshore and it is an outdoor classroom and educational resource for the students of Taroona Primary and High Schools. We would like to make a motion

The Taroona Community is organising a community information walk on Sunday morning at 11am on site so that members of the community and councillors can be familiar with the issues at hand. There has been no consultation with the Taroona Community. The Education Department has obviously gone through the Taroona High School Association early last year and at a meeting did gain their support. But this group does not represent the broader Taroona community. They represent the school community which is much larger than Taroona. No community members are aware of this other than the High School Association so it is considered to be highly in appropriate process. We understand that the Council is hamstrung by this process because it is a planning application. The application was lodged under the previous planning scheme so it is being assessed under the previous planning scheme being zoned residential at that time and lower portion environmental management. Under the new interim planning scheme it is zoned community purposed and it can't be subdivided in any way. So this is highly in appropriate. Additionally, we are very unhappy about how the Council advertises it's planning application because currently your IT system does not allow you to upload very large documents. Consequently all the community has to hand is the plans itself. The associated documents of approximately a couple of hundred pages, we have to come into the Council to review paper reports that we are not allowed to copy and in this day and age for people who work and have families and other commitments, we cannot adequately review the documentation. It is simply unfair. We asked the Education Department for copies of these documents and they rejected our application. Again it is not a transparent and accountable process.

MOVED Jill Hickie

SECONDED Rob Crosthwaite

That Council write to the State Minister for Crown Land and Minister for Education requesting that the planning application for sub-division of 90 - 96 Channel Highway, Taroona (the Education Department Land) be withdrawn until the government engages appropriately with the Taroona Community.

Carried Unanimously

Jill Hickie: The planning application representations close on the 9^{th} December. The Council's meeting follows that and the time frame does not work. I'm not sure how you will deal with that administratively.

Mayor responds: We will still deal with it, it's just that it will be reported to Council after that closing time.

Chris Ireland at 4 Oyster Court, Kettering moved the following motion:

MOVED Chris Ireland SECONDED Peter Laud

That Council will strongly urge the State Government to consider traffic management and safety issues in Kettering when allocating the Bruny Island Ferry contract.

Carried Unanimously

Rob Crosthwaite, 2512 Channel Highway, Lower Snug

MOVED Rob Crosthwaite

SECONDED John Cox

That Council prepare a statement outlining the principles and guidelines and recommendations being, or to be, adopted by Council with respect to the financial management of the project located on the land now known as Kingston Park and that the statement be tabled at the next available Council meeting

Carried Unanimously

CLOSURE

There being no further business the Mayor declared the meeting closed at 12.02pm