

# MINUTES

## KINGBOROUGH ACCESS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

**Meeting No. 2017-5**

**Wednesday 11 October 2017**



**Kingborough**

Minutes of a Meeting of the Kingborough Access Advisory Committee held at the Kingborough Civic Centre, Kingston, on Wednesday 11 October 2017 at 2.00pm.

**PRESENT**

		PRESENT	APOLOGY
Chairperson	Cr Paula Wriedt	✓	
Members	Paul Gilby (Community representative)	✓	
	Tony Cane (Community representative)	✓	
	Julie Taylor (Arthritis Tasmania and Osteoporosis Tasmania representative)	✓	
	David Vickery (Community representative)	✓	
	Richard Rigney (Community representative)		✓
	Mirjam Holthuis (Baptcare)	✓	
	Staff		
	Julie Alderfox (Community Development Officer)	✓	
	Renai Clark (Roads & Stormwater Engineer)		✓

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

No leaves of absence requested.

**DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

**CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

Moved David Vickery

/Seconded Julie Taylor

That the Minutes of the Committee meeting held on 30 June 2017 as circulated, be confirmed.

Carried

## **BUSINESS ARISING**

### **Media Stories**

A short article was submitted regarding parking on footpaths. Further articles regarding the work of the Committee and Dog Management as relates to access are to be submitted via Council's Communications Officer.

### **Inclusion Planning – A Guide for Local Government**

The sub-committee reported to the meeting that they have met several times to discuss and form recommendations after detailed consideration of the Australian Local Government Association's document '*Disability Inclusion Planning – A Guide for Local Government*'.

The overall aim is to make the document a guiding, living document within Council.

Playgrounds in particular were discussed, and it is hoped that input into the draft strategy will result in improved inclusiveness for play facilities across the municipality.

It was agreed to invite Council's Urban Designer to attend the December meeting.

The sub-committee is to continue formulating an operational plan for improved inclusion and will work to create short, medium and long term goals to be recommended to Council for adherence to.

### **Committee Membership**

In relation to committee membership the Access Advisory Committee's Terms of Reference state:

#### **6. Membership**

*Members are appointed as an advisory committee to Council and shall comprise of the following:*

- (b) Organisational representation – up to five (5) organisations, with one representative from each, with an interest or involvement in matters relating to access.*
- (c) Individual representation – up to eight (8), resident in the municipality if possible, and covering a broad range of disabilities or interest categories.*

It has been recommended by Committee members that a variety of organisations and groups be approached in order to broaden membership on the Committee. It was also recommended that supported houses within the municipality be invited to put forward a nominee with the understanding that Bapcare's Community Connector staff provide individual support should it be required. Staff to follow up with letters to groups and individuals.

### **Kingston Park Community Hub**

It was requested that a verbal update be provided to the Access Advisory Committee regarding developments at the Community Hub. Further to this it was requested that, in the event that 'experts' are engaged to undertake work and/or design which might impact on access, the Access Advisory Committee be provided with the opportunity to give input.

### **Reporting of Access Issues in the Community**

It was mentioned that the app 'Snap, Send Solve' could be used for the wider public to report access difficulties. The group was informed that the app is currently used by some and reports are received at Council but the app is not the most effective means of communicating where problems exist.

It was reported that Council is currently creating a categorised method of reporting issues which is able to contain an “access” category which will provide clarity for those reporting an issue and for those receiving a comment.

## **GENERAL BUSINESS**

### **Broader Network Group**

#### Universal Access Forum

Collaboration with other Councils was initiated and has resulted in involvement with a proposal to host a southern Tasmania Universal Access Forum in 2018.

Kingborough area was offered as a possible location for the event however Clarence Council has decided to retain the event at the Blundstone Arena. Discussions are to continue with input from the Access Advisory Committee regarding forum content.

### **Accessible Events Guide**

Suggestions and changes to the draft *Accessible Events Guide* were noted. Changes to be made and a revised draft document forwarded to the Committee for comment.

### **Guest Speakers List**

It was suggested that a list of guest speakers be prepared in order to expand the reach of the committee and better inform those in the community who might benefit from the expertise of the group. Suggested speakers could include: Real Estate Agents, representatives from building companies and the Housing Industry Association. Staff to follow up.

### **All-Abilities Films**

The group was informed of films which promote the possibilities for people of varied abilities.

‘Lowest to Highest’ and the ‘Access All-Areas Film Festival’.

### **Correspondence In**

Kris Apps contacted Council to request attendance at the meetings.

### **Correspondence Out**

None.

### **Development Applications**

No Development Applications.

## **NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting of the Access Advisory Committee is scheduled to take place on Wednesday 13 December 2pm at the Council Chambers.

**CLOSURE:**            There being no further business, the Chairperson declared the meeting closed at 2.55pm.