

AGENDA

BRUNY ISLAND ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Meeting No. 5

Thursday 11 October 2018

Agenda for the meeting of the Bruny Island Advisory Committee to be held at the Bruny Island Community Health Centre on Thursday 11 October 2018 commencing at 10am.

ATTENDANCE

Committee Members:		PRESENT	APOLOGY
Chairperson	Cr Mike Percey		
Members	Mr Trevor Adams		
	Mr Alex Matysek		
	Mr John Kobylec		
	Mr Bill Hughes		
	Ms Siobhan Gaskell		
	Mr Gerald McAfee		
	Ms Jackie Marsh		
	Dr Rosemary Sandford		
	Mr Mathew Fagan		

Council Officers:		
Liaison Officer Governance & Property Services		Ms Michelle Allen
Deputy General Manager		Mr Tony Ferrier
Non-Members:		

APOLOGIES

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Confirmation of the Minutes held on 2 August 2018:

Moved:

Seconded:

PRESENTATIONS & GUEST SPEAKERS:

CORRESPONDENCE

No correspondence has been received.

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE FROM THE PUBLIC

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

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Bill Hughes asked the following question:

Will the new grader for Bruny Island be based on Bruny Island and will it be new or replaced with the current one at the Kingborough Depot.

Answer provided by Peter Caccioppola:

The current Grader based on Bruny Island will be replaced with a new grader to be located on Bruny Island.

Mathew Fagan asked the following question:

Will the new grader have a front blade for emergency management purposes if not this could be an issue.

Answer provided by Peter Caccioppola:

The current grader based on Bruny Island will be replaced with a new fit for purpose grader. All machinery purchased and utilised by Kingborough Council and operated by Council staff is assessed, utilised and purchased with due regard to operational requirements.

Council does not use the graders to clear debris off the road from storms. In cases where there is a requirement to remove large amounts of debris off the road, the correct machine is either a Backhoe or Tractor with bucket, which allows the machines to quickly get to the job or be floated to the incident. One of the main reasons for NOT putting a blade on the front of a grader is firstly that the original paint was on the blade of a 6 -8 year old grader which showed that the blade was not used and secondly the excess weight on the front axles of a grader is likely to cause front end problems on the machine, because of the extended reach of the weight. It also contributes to the overall length of the grader, which means the manoeuvrability of the grader is greatly reduced on small roads.

QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE FROM THE PUBLIC

QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE FROM THE COMMITTEE

GENERAL BUSINESS

The table on the following pages shows the General Business items.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held at the Bruny Island Community Health Centre on Thursday 13 December 2018 at 10am.

CLOSURE

There being no further business the meeting closed at

CURRENT ISSUES

1. PLANNING, STRATEGIES AND FUTURE DEVELOPMENT

No.	Item	Description	Status	Responsible Officer
1	New Kingborough Planning Scheme	Council is to prepare a Local Provisions Schedule (LPS) in accordance with the government's requirements and as stipulated within State Planning Provisions (SPP) and the LPS Guidelines. The SPP and Kingborough LPS will be combined to create the new scheme that will ultimately replace the existing Kingborough Interim Planning Scheme 2015.	An update was provided at the last BIAC meeting by Tony Ferrier. Further information can be provided as necessary.	Tony Ferrier
2	Bruny Island Liveability Study	The Council and State Government have jointly funded the preparation of a Bruny Island Liveability Study and a consultant (Mathew Fagan) was commissioned to undertake a community survey and prepare an associated report. A final report has now been produced for the 'Bruny Life Community Survey: results, observations and recommended actions'.	At the Council meeting on 10 September 2018, Councillors noted with concern the BIAC resolution in regard to the proposed actions to be taken regarding the establishment of a Community Board and the abolishment of BIAC. Update to be provided by the BIAC subcommittee that has been investigating the recommendations set out in the Final Report of the Bruny Island Liveability Study.	Tony Ferrier
3	Waste Management Strategy	Council has adopted a Waste Management Strategy to provide direction in relation to the many issues associated with waste disposal in the municipality.	An update was provided at the last BIAC meeting by Tony Ferrier. Further information can be provided as necessary.	David Reeve

2. PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE

No.	Item	Description	Comments / Update	Responsible Officer
4	Bruny Island Airstrip	Council has sought and obtained expressions of interest into the future management of the Airstrip. Council has completed a survey to accurately identify boundaries and has prepared a draft lease agreement that is currently being considered by a prospective lessee.	An update was provided at the last BIAC meeting by Tony Ferrier. Further information can be provided as necessary.	Tony Ferrier
5	Lunawanna Hall Public Toilets	An upgrade of the Lunawanna Hall toilet facilities was recommended to be undertaken in 2018/19.	Council is seeking funding opportunities to purchase and construct the Lunawanna Hall toilets.	Michelle Allen
6	BIAC Bus Trip	Bill Hughes suggested that another bus trip be organised to look at actions that have been completed and to create a new list of actions that the Committee may want to consider.	It is proposed to organise a bus trip for later in the year when there is a new Chairperson appointed – probably later in November. Consideration now needs to be given to an appropriate itinerary.	Michelle Allen

3. ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

No.	Item	Description	Comments / Update	Responsible Officer
7	Cat Control	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>Some recent developments are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A project communication plan, website information and promotions videos have been prepared and were launched in July. Several print and radio outlets took up the story. Further information on the project can be found at: https://www.kingborough.tas.gov.au/services/animal-management/cats/cats-bruny-island/ • With funding from Pennicott Wilderness Journeys and Bruny Island Coastal Retreats, Cyril Scomparin commenced his UTas PhD research project in July. His research will help fill key knowledge gaps including: distribution and ecology of feral cats on South Bruny, interactions between Eastern Quolls and feral cats, the positive and adverse consequences of controlling cats on the rest of the ecosystem. He will also explore whether controlling invasive prey (rodents and rabbits) may be a useful complimentary feral cat control technique. • As a part of the Bruny Island District School's involvement in the cat management program - the students prepared some delightful posters promoting responsible cat ownership. These have been made into a bumper sticker and fridge magnets and are being distributed to Bruny Islanders and accommodation venues on the island. • Since the program commenced in late 2016 to May 2018, 77 stray and feral cats have been managed from the Neck Game Reserve, Simpsons Bay and Alonnah areas. The majority are stray cats that have been rehomed off the island and some have been euthanized due to poor health or temperament. It is estimated that over 75% of the feral cats identified in the Neck area (by remote cameras monitoring) between March and July 2017 have been removed. 	Kaylene Allan

4. COMMUNITY SERVICES

No.	Item	Description	Comments / Update	Responsible Officer
8	Bruny Island Emergency Management and Recovery Action Plan	An Emergency Management and Recovery Action Plan for Bruny Island is being developed by Mathew Fagan (with assistance from Mark Brinkman) for Council.	Matthew Fagan to provide an update	Mathew Fagan
9	Seniors Week 2018	Council will be hosting two presentations for Seniors Week on 15 October 2018 in the Jane Finn Room from 1pm to 4pm.	<p>The topics are:</p> <p>COTA (Council On The Ageing) Tasmania's “Aged Care Know How” Many people are baffled by what's involved in accessing aged care support via the My Aged Care program. The presentation is designed to assist in navigating the system – for those accessing the support and their carers.</p> <p>“Eat for Life” looks at nutritional needs as we age and how to maintain good eating habits and improved health.</p>	Julie Alderfox
10	Community Hall Management Committee Nominations	Nominations for Hall Management Committees	Nominations for Hall Management Committees close on 20 October 2018 and the new committees will be endorsed by Council and notified in November.	Michelle Allen
11	School Holiday Program	Council will be offering a bus service from Bruny on Wednesday 3 October.	<p>Council's Holiday Program is offering a bus service from Bruny Island for the activity on Wednesday 3 October to the movies and Laser Skirmish depending on numbers.</p> <p>The program has been advertised through the school.</p>	Carol Swards

5. TOURISM & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

No.	Item	Description	Comments / Update	Responsible Officer
12	Destination Action Plan (DAP)	Implementation of a DAP for Bruny Island that aims to improve visitor experiences.	Tony Ferrier to provide an update.	Tony Ferrier
13	Signage at the Adventure Bay turn-off	Concern expressed at the proliferation of signs at the Adventure Bay turn-off.	Council has continued to raise this matter with the Department of State Growth in order that a coordinated program of illegal sign removal is conducted on both State and Council roads throughout the Island. DSG has not yet signed off on implementing this program, though some recent progress has been made in determining the way that sign owners are to be contacted and advised of the necessary requirements to remove the signs.	Tony Ferrier

6. STATE GOVERNMENT AGENCY ITEMS

No.	Item	Description	Comments / Update	Responsible Agency
14	Bruny Island Ferry Contract	Renewal of the Bruny Island Ferry contract is due in June 2018.	Regular communiques are released from the Bruny Island Ferry Reference Group.	DSG
15	Roadside trees	Community concerns have been expressed about the dead trees alongside the main road to Alonnah and whether DSG would be undertaking a safety audit.	It was noted that, for such public concerns as this, the procedure within Council is that a Customer Service request is raised, which is then passed on to Council's Reserves Coordinator who assesses the state of the vegetation – including any conservation value, whether or not it actually is on Council owned or maintained land and if it requires removal due to it being a hazard or unsafe. Trees on State roads will be referred to DSG for the authorisation to remove a tree.	DSG Engineering Department
16	Minister of Infrastructure & list of Items to be discussed	BIAC requested that an invitation be sent to the Minister for Infrastructure to attend a BIAC meeting.	An invitation has been sent to the Minister for Infrastructure to attend a future meeting.	Michelle Allen

17	Road Speeds at North Bruny	Reduction of speed limits and speed bumps at the northern end of the island.	DSG's Traffic Manager has advised Council's Traffic Engineer that they are currently consulting with the community on the reduction of speed limits on Bruny.	DSG
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7. LONG TERM ITEMS

The following issues require resolution in the longer term and are listed for reference.
If there is any progress on any item, it will be moved to the current section of the Agenda.

No.	Item	Description	Comments / Update	Responsible Officer
18	Pedestrian Bridge at Alonnah	A request for the installation of a pedestrian bridge and connecting footpath at Main Road, Alonnah or for signage warning of narrow bridge ahead to slow vehicles and improve pedestrian safety.	Shane Gregory provided the following response to the email sent in Nov 2017: While this bridge does not meet Australian Standards criteria for installation of narrow bridge signage, the Department will review existing pedestrian warning signage at this location. Trevor Adams advised that there are no warning signs on the bridge.	DSG/ David Reeve
19	Adventure Bay Rd (Bligh Creek to East Cove)	Request for the provision of a footpath linking these two areas.	This project is not currently listed as a priority in Council's Capital Works program but its need will continue to be monitored in terms of numbers and types of vehicle traffic versus number of pedestrians.	David Reeve
20	Harvey Road	Request for sealing of Harvey Road	The sealing of Harvey Road has been listed for inclusion in Council's five-year Capital Works program. In the interim, it has been included in the dust suppressant trial.	David Reeve
21	Lockleys Road	Request for sealing of Lockleys Road	The project is not currently listed as a priority in Council's Capital Works program but its need will continue to be monitored, particularly in light of use by tourist buses endeavouring to show passengers the white wallabies.	David Reeve

22	Road Sealing	Program for sealing of State roads on Bruny Island	Shane Gregory provided the following response to the email sent in Nov 2017: Kingborough Council maintains the Department's roads on Bruny Island under contract. The contract requires that the road is maintained to a minimum specification, which would require maintenance grading. On that basis Council is best placed to respond to BIAC. I also ask that Council's staff responsible for delivery of maintenance services for the Department ensure that the contractual obligations are being met.	DSG
23	Road Safety Audit	DSG and Council have been proceeding with the implementation of a road safety audit.	Nothing further to report.	DSG
24	Coolangatta Road	Concern at lack of maintenance on Coolangatta Road by DOSG.	Shane Gregory provided the following response to the email sent in Nov 2017: Council's Engineering staff are mistaken in their understanding of ownership of Coolangatta Road. The Department of State Growth is responsible for the management of State Highways and subsidiary roads as proclaimed under the provisions of the Roads and Jetties Act 1935. Coolangatta Road is not one of these roads. Ownership of Coolangatta Road is recorded on the LIST, which shows Council as the owner between Adventure Bay and Resolution Road, and of a small section at the western end. The remainder of the road is shown as being under the ownership of DPIPWE/PWS.	P&WS DSG
25	Road swaps	There are anomalies in relation to Council and State Govt road ownership and it is suggested that some swaps could address these.	Preliminary discussions between Council and DSG have occurred but the matter is ongoing and of lower priority.	DSG

Appendix:

Bruny Traffic Counts

Traffic counts were unavaialbe at the time of the preperation of the Agenda and will be included in the Minutes.