

Kingborough Community Consultative Forum General Meeting

9:30am 7 December 2019

Civic Centre, Kingston

MINUTES

Present:

Initials	Organisation	Representatives present
KCCF	Kingborough Community Consultative Forum Executive	Wayne Burgess (Chair)
		Tony Ferrier (Secretary)
		Mike Jackson (Deputy Chair)
BBPA	Blackmans Bay Progress Association	Wayne Burgess (Chair)
BHCA	Bonnet Hill Community Association	Paul Rapley
BICA	Bruny Island Community Association	Nick Weetman
CALSCA	Coningham & Lower Snug Community Association	David Bonny, Mike Jackson
HPA	Howden Progress Association	Leslie Frost, June Walker, James Fox
KCA	Kettering Community Association	Chris Ireland, Sue Hoyle
KLAG	Kingborough Landcare Advisory Group	John Cox
SLACC	Snug Landcare	Rob Crosthwaite
SLIK	Sustainable Living in Kingborough	Clare Corrigan
TCA	Taroona Community Association	Roger Kellaway
WCA	Woodbridge Community Association	Luca Vanzino
WW	Westwinds Community Centre	Warwick Lee, Adam Penklis

Council: Cr Dean Winter (Mayor), Cr Flora Fox, Gary Arnold (General Manager), Sarah Wilcox (Media and Communications Advisor), Tony Ferrier (Deputy General Manager)

Apologies: Cr Sue Bastone, Cr Amanda Midgley, Fran Davis (BICA), Gloria Lonergan (SCRA), John Cox (KLAG)

Business:

1. Welcome (Chair)

Wayne Burgess welcomed everyone in attendance and called for apologies.

2. Minutes of the General Meeting held 14th September 2018

It was agreed that the Minutes were an accurate account of the previous meeting.

3. Business Arising from the Minutes

There was no business arising from the Minutes from the previous meeting.

4. Reports from Community Organisations

BICA – Nick Weetman reported on the work currently being done to upgrade the Bruny main road between Alonnah and Lunawannah. It is causing some delays but appears to be proceeding well. A BICA sub-committee continues to meet with Council officers on the future of the Glen Syn aged units at Alonnah. The new Health Centre provider is also interested in their future. There are major concerns about local water supplies due to the ongoing dry weather, particularly at the Adventure Bay aquifer where water carters draw their water. The increased holiday accommodation (over 200 B&Bs) on Bruny is placing more pressure on this supply. Further advice from Council would be appreciated on the possibility of requiring the B&Bs to have sufficient on-site water storage as it appears that existing water tanks are usually inadequate. TasWater is difficult to contact – Tony Ferrier advised that he would pass on the latest information on TasWater’s proposals. Nick asked if Council had a copy of the emergency management plan for Bruny. The Mayor responded by saying that the previous draft plan did not meet the SES requirements and that Council’s Emergency Management Coordinator (Belinda Loxley) had prepared a new draft plan that was awaiting sign-off from the SES and TFS. Regardless of this, the Mayor confirmed that the necessary procedures are in place and much had been learnt from events last summer. Belinda has been recently seeking local volunteers to assist at community centres during an emergency. It was also noted that Council is extending the Kingborough Volunteer Program to Bruny Island.

KCA – Chris Ireland reported that the main concern within Kettering is in regard to Ferry Road and lack of information being provided from the Dept of State Growth on the planned infrastructure upgrades at the Ferry terminal. The KCA has been briefed by DSG and SeaLink earlier in 2019 and they were told of their concerns. Chris has also met with the Chair of the Ferry Reference group and the DSG Contract Manager to discuss whether a Kettering representative could be included on this Reference Group. Correspondence from DSG in August 2019 stated that there were impending changes and that consultation with key community stakeholders will be undertaken shortly – but no further contact has been made with the KCA. They are now arranging to meet with DSG again as they feel that the Kettering community is not being treated seriously when considering the impact of the ferry changes. The Mayor supported their concerns and said that it was not only the Bruny community that had an interest in the ferry infrastructure changes. Tony Ferrier said that he would also raise this issue at the next Ferry Reference Group meeting.

CALSCA – David Bonny reported on how the recent road repair work done by Council is appreciated and also asked, when might Coningham Road be sealed in the future. He asked for an update on the Coningham Beach public toilets and Gary Arnold said that a minor amendment was required to the planning permit in order to accommodate a slight change in its location to avoid damaging an adjoining tree.

TCA – Roger Kellaway reported on the TCA’s latest meeting where there a proposal for a “food secure” Taroon was discussed and Council will be approached in regard to having fruit trees and other produce growing on the roadsides. TCA is also considering the future of the ‘Chiton’ skiff and a boatshed proposal near the high school is being considered. There was some negative comment following a local bushfire planning program delivered by people who were not familiar with Taroon and that the local issues will need to be well understood during an emergency.

WCA – Luca Vanzino reported on the land within the Woodbridge village that the WCA (in partnership with many other local groups and individuals) is developing for public recreational use. The first stage of ‘hard’ landscaping is complete and the second stage of planting will be done after April next year. Luca also reported on a potential new project, to be raised with Council, which would be a coastal walk (similar to Kettering Point) at Martins Road on the northern edge of the Woodbridge village. If developed, this foreshore path would be popular for both locals and visitors and WCA could maintain it in the same way that the local cemetery is maintained. The WCA information form as submitted was:

Name of community organisation	Woodbridge Community Association
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Name of representative attending meeting	Luca Vanzino
Major works priority (ie, roads)	N.A.
Minor Works Priorities (ie, footpaths)	N.A.
Natural Resource Management priorities (ie, reserves, weeds)	N.A.
Summary of main issue/s raised by local residents	N.A.
Update on community activities	Phase 1 of The Village Green within the historic precinct has been completed with funding courtesy of a TCF grant. This was for hard landscaping. A few loose ends to tidy up before money is released by the TCF for Phase 2 which is the installation of interpretation panels and planting of trees/shrubs. 'Soft' launch of the Village Green with not 1 but 2 community choirs for Xmas carols.
Any other issues / feedback	New project is for the development of a walking track from Martins Road north along and above the Channel shoreline to a 1911 wreck. It is envisaged that this walk will complement the coastal walk from Kettering to Trial Bay. Currently there is a rough route/bush bash.
Upcoming events	

SLIK – Clare Corrigan asked about the latest news on a regional composting proposal. Tony Ferrier reported on the EOI process that Hobart, Glenorchy and Kingborough councils are undertaking. A good response has been obtained from interested businesses and the three councils are now assessing and shortlisting the different submissions. Clare also asked about green waste bins being located at the Community Hub and this will be followed up further.

HPA – Leslie Frost reported that the HPA is grateful for the recent sealing upgrades on Howden Road, but suggested some more work could be done in the vicinity of Howden Villa. They are waiting on more news in regard to the possible improvements to the Howden Road intersection with the Channel Highway. Tony Ferrier reported that DSG are now commencing a public consultation process that seeks comment on the results of their investigations into the Channel Highway corridor between Huntingfield and Margate. Posters have just been placed in the Civic Centre and there will be information on the DSG website. There are local ongoing concerns about hooning on Brightwater Road. Leslie reported that Cr Midgley has concerns about road safety and is advocating more footpaths and wider verges for cyclists. The proposed acquisition of private land on the Tinderbox hills by the Tasmanian Land Conservancy was reported (there are existing Council and Crown properties in the same area). Leslie asked whether Council could purchase any additional land, utilising existing public open space (POS) funds, in order to create more usable recreation and environmental links. Cr Fox explained how Council has two funding sources that are used for different purposes. The POS funding is obtained from residential subdivisions and is mainly used for local recreational improvements and the Environmental Fund is obtained from biodiversity offsets and is used for nature conservation purposes (replacing conservation values lost to development). Both funding sources could feasibly be used to acquire land.

Leslie also reported on a recent well-attended bushfire forum at the NW Bay golf club and that a 'phone tree' is being organised in Howden. She also asked about the legality of business signs erected near the Howden Road intersection with the Channel Highway. It appears that the sign is within the State road reservation. June Walker also stated her concerns about the costs to dispose of green waste at the Barretta transfer station. There are limited opportunities to burn such waste on larger properties and Council should be considering more free green waste weekends (or equivalent vouchers) in order to reduce the bushfire risk within the municipality. She also asked why the fees on Bruny were cheaper than at Barretta. Gary Arnold responded by saying that it is a significant issue and

that there are cost constraints. Each time there is a free day for green waste, Council must reimburse Barretta with \$17K to cover lost revenue and pay for additional staff time. The Mayor said that the argument had merit and that Council's current policies should be reconsidered.

Mike Jackson said that the cost problem would be remedied if there was a regional composting plant that produced a valued product that was able to be sold. He said that individuals paying too much to dispose of material that should have a value. The Mayor stated that it was similar to recycling, in that the end product does have a value but this is exceeded by the collection and transport costs incurred by Council. Value adding opportunities are being explored but (based on the recycling experience) it will probably still need to be subsidised. Luca Vanzino asked how much this cost would be as a % of Council's overall budget and that the community benefits in reducing local fire risks by removing vegetation should be taken into account. June Walker also mentioned the many local dying trees that appear to be suffering from drought conditions.

WW – Warwick Lee reported on West Winds activities by way of the standardised information form. The WCA form as submitted was:

Name of community organisation	West Winds Community Centre
Name of representative attending meeting	Warwick Lee Adam Penklis (Social Work Student, UTAS placement)
Major works priority (ie, roads)	
Minor Works Priorities (ie, footpaths)	
Natural Resource Management priorities (ie, reserves, weeds)	Silver Water park – including future playground and community space development, in conjunction with Council
Summary of main issue/s raised by local residents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transport needs • Continuing and enhanced engagement with young people
Update on community activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WW's Transport Survey (South Channel incl. Bruny) • Community of wellness mental health initiative
Any other issues / feedback	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WW's Wombats Childcare meeting significant needs of younger families (four days per week and mostly at capacity) • 45,000+ visits to WW to use programs/services during 2019
Upcoming events	175 th Woodbridge Celebrations 2022, planning

BHCA – Paul Rapley reported on Bonnet Hill issues by way of the standard form as follows:

Name of community organisation	BHCA
Name of representative attending meeting	Paul Rapley
Major works priority (ie, roads)	
Minor Works Priorities (ie, footpaths)	a) Drainage works after flooding to residents on Harpers Road.
Natural Resource Management priorities (ie, reserves, weeds)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Enquiry about the delay of Browns River erosion control due the contractor trying to source a larger quantity of tea tree for other jobs. b) Inquiry about progress on the interpretation signs at Sedgebrook reserve. c) Concern about the spread of Spanish Heath and Rose Hip on the paddock 542-552 Channel Highway. Now bordering residential properties.
Summary of main issue/s raised by local residents	

Update on community activities	a) BHCA has been granted the approval to undertake a test installation of solar lighting to bus stop 35 on the Channel Highway.
Any other issues / feedback	a) BHCA requests for more information regarding the proposed zoning changes in Bonnet Hill. b) Compliments to Rene and Jane in NRM from the BH Coast Care Group.
Upcoming events	a) BHCA summer BBQ late Feb 2020 at Christopher Johnston Park.

In regard to the delays that have occurred in stabilising the Tyndall Beach foreshore, the Mayor reported that Council has secured a contractor but there has been a problem in obtaining the right vegetation for the rehabilitation and this is holding up the project. The Mayor also reported that Council's Urban Design Officer will review the Sedgewick reserve interpretation signs. In regard to information on future zoning proposals, Tony Ferrier said that he will forward on some detailed information about what is proposed.

5. Other Business

Sarah Wilcox reminded the meeting of all members being invited to a Community Visioning workshop for central Kingston. This will be held at the Community Hub on next Wednesday evening (with food provided).

6. Next KCCF Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Saturday 14 March 2020 at 9:30am.

The meeting closed at 10:34am.