

Kingborough



COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

19 April 2021

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Kingborough Councillors 2018 - 2022



Mayor
Councillor Dean Winter



Deputy Mayor
Councillor Jo Westwood



Councillor Sue Bastone



Councillor Gideon Cordover



Councillor Flora Fox



Councillor David Grace



Councillor Amanda Midgley



Councillor Christian Street



Councillor Steve Wass



Councillor Paula Wriedt

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MINUTES of an Ordinary Meeting of Council
Kingborough Civic Centre, 15 Channel Highway, Kingston
Monday, 19 April 2021 at 5.30pm

1 AUDIO RECORDING

The Chairperson declared the meeting open, welcomed all in attendance and advised that Council meetings are recorded and made publicly available on its website. In accordance with Council's policy the Chairperson received confirmation that the audio recording had commenced.

2 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TRADITIONAL CUSTODIANS

The Chairperson acknowledged the traditional custodians of this land, paid respects to elders past and present, and acknowledged today's Tasmanian Aboriginal community.

3 ATTENDEES

Councillors:

Acting Mayor Councillor J Westwood ✓
Councillor F Fox ✓
Councillor D Grace ✓
Councillor A Midgley ✓
Councillor C Street ✓
Councillor S Wass ✓
Councillor P Wriedt ✓

Staff:

General Manager	Mr Gary Arnold
Chief Financial Officer	Mr John Breen
Director Governance, Recreation & Property Services	Mr Daniel Smee
Director Environment, Development & Community	Dr Katrena Stephenson
Media & Communications Advisor	Ms Sam Adams
Customer Services Coordinator	Ms Kelly Nichols
Executive Assistant	Mrs Amanda Morton

C161/7-2021

4 APOLOGIES

Councillor D Winter
Councillor S Bastone
Councillor G Cordover

C162/7-2021

(commences at ± 2 minutes of audio recording)

5 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Moved: Cr Flora Fox
Seconded: Cr Paula Wriedt

That the Minutes of the open session of the Council Meeting No. 6 held on 7 April 2021 be confirmed as a true record.

CARRIED

6 WORKSHOPS HELD SINCE LAST COUNCIL MEETING

12 April - Hazard Management Area Policy

7 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

8 TRANSFER OF AGENDA ITEMS

There were no agenda items transferred.

9 QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE FROM THE PUBLIC

There were no questions without notice from the public.

10 QUESTIONS ON NOTICE FROM THE PUBLIC

There were no questions on notice from the public.

11 QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE FROM COUNCILLORS

C163/7-2021

*(commences at ± 3 minutes of audio recording)***11.1 By-Law Consultation**

Cr Midgley asked the following question without notice:

When is the consultation occurring and what is the process for this?

Director Governance, Recreation and Property Services responds:

We have our draft By-laws currently with DPAC for a preliminary review and once we get the all clear from DPAC we will be going out to consultation. I would expect that to be within the next couple of weeks.

C164/7-2021**11.2 Spring Farm Pathway**

Cr Midgley asked the following question without notice:

What is the status of the Spring Farm pathway?

Director Environment, Development and Community Services responds:

The development application was lodged late last week and is now going through the assessment process. It's very early days so I can't provide any further information but I do imagine it will end up before Council.

C165/7-2021**11.3 Staff Accommodation Changes**

Cr Midgley asked the following question without notice:

I note that there are staff moving from y-Space and staff moving to y-Space. What is going to be available in Kingborough as a youth space for young people?

Director Environment, Development and Community Services responds:

It's simply shifting all the activities currently undertaken by community services to the Hub. The space that is a y-Space is not used actively, it's not a drop in centre, it's only for programmed activities which we can program in the Middleton Room, the Whitewater Room or the auditorium of the Hub.

Cr Midgley:

So there won't be a designated youth space at the Hub. They will just be using rooms as available?

Director Environment, Development and Community Services:

Yes, we are still working through the implementation plan but I can't see that there will be a room that is available at all times but there may be a room that is available at set times, but we have to work through that detail.

Cr Midgley:

Will there be any changes in regards to the youth services team and will the youth services still be doing outreach across the Kingborough community?

Director Environment, Development and Community Services:

There will be no changes.

C166/7-2021**11.4 Snug Bus Shelter**

Cr Grace asked the following question without notice:

I note that you have met with the Metro CEO on three occasions. Has the Snug bus shelter been raised as yet?

General Manager responds:

We have not received a response from Metro in relation to the Snug bus shelter.

Cr Grace:

Can you have it on your agenda to speak to them about it?

General Manager:

I've actually written to the CEO of Metro and I'm waiting a response on that very matter.

C167/7-2021

11.5 Public Attendance at Council Meetings

Cr Grace asked the following question without notice:

When will Council be opening up the gallery for the public? As I understand it, it is closed and you have to register. Is that going to happen soon as it seems to me that Covid is a lot better?

Director Governance, Recreation and Property Services responds:

Whilst the situation in relation to Covid in Tasmania is very good at the moment, the State Government regulations with respect to density limits do remain in place and that does restrict the number of people we can have in the gallery and hence we do need to continue with the registration system until such time as the government regulations are changed. We have no time frame on that and we have an obligation to adhere to those regulations.

C168/7-2021

11.6 Kingston Park

Cr Grace asked the following question without notice:

What's the limit on the new playground, as there is 1500, 2000 maybe 3000, I'm told and there is no Covid restrictions or any facilities for them to sanitise their hands?

Director Governance, Recreation and Property Services responds:

The restriction in relation to the playground is essentially one that relates to the requirement to remain 1.5 meters from another person. That is an individual responsibility. It's not one that Council can police and, as I have indicated, there are State Government regulations that apply but there is a responsibility on each and every one of us to ensure that we adhere to those regulations, that is the regulation that applies and that is to remain 1.5 meters apart. I am aware that that is not always practical and that's also taken into account in the regulations in that there is a rider that says 'where practical'.

C169/7-2021

11.7 Commercial Tenant at the Hub

Cr Westwood asked the following question without notice:

I am aware that we have now got a commercial tenant selling coffee at the Community Hub 7-days a week. Will this impact other food vans? Is there a plan to limit the vans to just food vans and not coffee vans?

Director Environment, Development and Community Services responds:

The pilot program was due to come to an end at the end of this week for the food vans and in consultation with the new vendors in the Kings Quarters space, the coffee van will cease trading immediately. It's a small outlet at the moment, mainly just providing coffee. Going forward, a number of Council staff are working on a more strategic approach to our food vans, partially driven by a lot of interest and demand following the pilot project. We have had a number of new approaches for food van licencing and people are very keen to access that site going forward. We don't envision that that's an every day occurrence, it's likely to be around holidays, but that will be part of a broader look at where we site food vans and we will be bringing that to Council.

C170/7-2021**11.8 CCTV Cameras at Kingston Park**

Cr Westwood asked the following question without notice:

How many CCTV cameras are currently installed in the Kingston Park area and how many additional cameras are still to be installed?

Director Governance, Recreation and Property Services responds:

We have cameras in Goshawk Way and we have cameras around the Hub. I would estimate there are probably a dozen cameras currently in place. Staff met with the supplier of the cameras that are going in the playground this morning and we have finalised the design and locations of them and there will be an additional 18 cameras going in, with a direct feed to the police station.

C171/7-2021**11.9 Staff on Leave on Bruny Island**

Cr Grace asked the following question without notice:

How many of the workers were away on annual leave while the project was in place?

General Manager responds:

We will take your question on notice.

12 QUESTIONS ON NOTICE FROM COUNCILLORS

C172/7-2021

(commences at ± 14 minutes of audio recording)

12.1 Snug Creek Walkway Bridge

At the Council meeting on 7 April 2021, **Cr Grace** asked the following question without notice to the General Manager, with a response that the question would be taken on notice:

I've had lots of people asking what is wrong with this bridge. I'm no engineer but I've looked at it and I did give the General Manager a copy of the design of that bridge last week. Are we going to get another assessment on that bridge?

Officer's Response:

Council's bridges are regularly inspected by independent experts, they have identified several structural failures and have recommended replacement of this structure. There is no intention to further check this recommendation by undertaking another assessment.

David Reeve, Director Engineering Services

C173/7-2021**12.2 Food Van Policy**

At the Council meeting on 7 April 2021, **Cr Wass** asked the following question without notice to the General Manager, with a response that the question would be taken on notice:

What is the distance that Council requires for food vans to be away from retail, coffee, food fixed outlets?

Officer's Response:

The distance is 200m.

Daniel Smee, Director Governance, Recreation & Property Services

C174/7-2021**12.3 Restricted Access to Connelly's Beach**

Cr Bastone submitted the following question on notice:

Could we please have an explanation of why the road to Connellys beach has had a gate put across it which is locked with a padlock. (This was done without informing the fire brigade)

Officer's Response:

Council has no knowledge of this particular situation and will undertake further investigations and action if required.

David Reeve, Director Engineering Services

C175/7-2021**12.4 Speed Limit, Missionary Road**

Cr Bastone submitted the following question on notice:

Could the speed limit in Missionary road Barnes Bay (in the area of the current roadworks) be reduced to 40kms per hr on a permanent basis?

Officer's Response:

The default speed limit for unsealed roads is 80km/hr throughout Tasmania. This ensures consistency for all motorists across the state. This speed limit is a maximum not a recommended speed and it is important that motorists always drive to the conditions. The conditions of Missionary Road would not be such that a speed limit change would be warranted.

David Reeve, Director Engineering Services

C176/7-2021**12.5 Installation of Outdoor Power Points**

Cr Bastone submitted the following question on notice:

Could the council please look at installing outdoor power points on the perimeter of the Alannah oval and woodchop area, of a similar type to at caravan parks. This will facilitate more stalls being accommodated at the next Easter wood chop and carnival.

Officer's Response:

Council officers can investigate the cost of installing additional outlets but these are likely to be relatively expensive and difficult to justify based on usage requirements.

David Reeve, Director Engineering Services

C177/7-2021**12.6 Traffic Counter on Thomas Road, Woodbridge**

Cr Bastone submitted the following question on notice:

Could a traffic counter be placed on Thomas road Woodbridge between the Channel Hwy and the intersection of Thomas road and Weedings way to specifically check the number of heavy vehicles including large numbers of buses using this rural dirt road (which was not designed for this purpose)?

Officer's Response:

Thomas Road can be added to the schedule of roads requiring traffic counts.

David Reeve, Director Engineering Services

C178/7-2021**12.7 Issue of Abatement Notices for Clearing of Vegetation**

Cr Bastone submitted the following question on notice:

Does the council still issue abatement notices for the clearing of excess vegetation to prevent fire hazards, for the removal of ragwort and other weeds in a similar manner to the Huon & Sorrell councils? If not why not?

Officer's Response:

Council does issue abatement notices pursuant to the *Local Government Act 1993* where land is, or is likely to be, a fire risk. Among other methods of management, the notice may require the controlled clearing of vegetation. Concerning declared weeds pursuant to the *Weed Management Act 1999*, Council does issue requirement notices, which may require a person to take reasonable specified measures to control or eradicate declared weeds, prevent or reduce their spread or reduce the risk of further contamination. Issuing of requirement notices is also undertaken in accordance with Council's Weed Management Strategy as endorsed by Council.

Scott Basham, Compliance Coordinator

13 NOTICES OF MOTION

C179/7-2021

(commences at ± 15 minutes of audio recording)

13.1 Play Space at Spring Farm or Whitewater Park Estates

Moved: Cr Amanda Midgley

Seconded: Cr Flora Fox

That Council approve the balance of funds from the sale of Council owned land in Mt Pleasant Road that are not utilised for the upgrade of the Willowbend Park playground, be allocated towards the development of a play space and passive recreation provisions within the Spring Farm or Whitewater Park Estates.

CARRIED

14 PETITIONS STILL BEING ACTIONED

There are no petitions still being actioned.

15 PETITIONS RECEIVED IN LAST PERIOD

No Petitions had been received in the last period.

16 OFFICERS REPORTS TO COUNCIL

C180/7-2021*(commences at ± 40 minutes of audio recording)***16.1 26 HOLLYHOCK DRIVE, KINGSTON**

Moved: Cr Flora Fox
Seconded: Cr Amanda Midgley

That Council refuse the request to transfer the land at 26 Hollyhock Drive, Kingston.

In Favour: Crs Jo Westwood, Flora Fox, Amanda Midgley, Christian Street, Steve Wass and Paula Wriedt

Against: Cr David Grace

CARRIED 6/1**C181/7-2021***(commences at ± 48 minutes of audio recording)***16.2 FINANCIAL REPORT - MARCH 2021**

Moved: Cr Christian Street
Seconded: Cr Paula Wriedt

That Council endorses the attached Financial Report at 31 March 2021.

CARRIED**C182/7-2021***(commences at ± 1 hour, 5 minutes of audio recording)***16.3 PRIVACY POLICY 1.9**

Moved: Cr David Grace
Seconded: Cr Paula Wriedt

That Council adopt the *Privacy Policy* (Policy 1.9).

CARRIED**C183/7-2021***(commences at ± 1 hour, 7 minutes of audio recording)***16.4 FEES AND CHARGES COMMUNITY HUB**

Moved: Cr David Grace
Seconded: Cr Flora Fox

That the matter be discussed.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr Steve Wass
Seconded: Cr David Grace

That Council agree to increase the Kingborough Community Hub Fees by 50% (as outlined in Appendix 2) and introduce new charges related set up/pull down, AV and equipment use support and kitchen hire, and note that the heating flat fee is to be reviewed back to Council.

CARRIED

C184/7-2021*(commences at ± 1 hour, 26 minutes of audio recording)***16.5 LGAT GENERAL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE VACANCY**

Moved: Cr David Grace

Seconded: Cr Steve Wass

That Council:

- (a) Rescind the decision made on 15 March 2021 to nominate the Mayor, Cr Dean Winter for the Local Government Association General Management Committee position in the Southern Electoral District; and
- (b) Nominate Cr Fox for the Local Government Association General Management Committee position in the Southern Electoral District.
- (c) That the ballot papers be destroyed.

CARRIED**C185/7-2021****17 CONFIRMATION OF ITEMS TO BE DEALT WITH IN CLOSED SESSION**

Moved: Cr Flora Fox

Seconded: Cr Amanda Midgley

That in accordance with the *Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015* Council, by absolute majority, move into closed session to consider the following items:

Confirmation of Minutes

Regulation 34(6) *In confirming the minutes of a meeting, debate is allowed only in respect of the accuracy of the minutes.*

Applications for Leave of Absence

Regulation 15(2)(h) *applications by councillors for a leave of absence*

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AND BY ABSOLUTE MAJORITY

In accordance with the Kingborough Council *Meetings Audio Recording Guidelines Policy*, recording of the open session of the meeting will now cease.

Open Session of Council adjourned at 7.01pm

OPEN SESSION ADJOURNS

OPEN SESSION RESUMES

Open Session of Council resumed at 7.04pm

C186/7-2021

Moved: Cr David Grace
 Seconded: Cr Flora Fox

The Closed Session of Council having met and dealt with its business resolves to report that it has determined the following:

Item	Decision
Confirmation of Minutes	Confirmed
Applications for Leave of Absence	Approved

CARRIED

CLOSURE

There being no further business, the Chairperson declared the meeting closed at 7.05pm

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 (Confirmed)

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 (Date)

