

# Kingborough Community Forum General Meeting

Saturday 27 February 2020

9.30-10.45

Middleton Room, Kingston Community Hub

## MINUTES

### Attendees

*Community Representatives*; Chris Ireland (Chair), Wayne Burgess (Deputy Chair), John Maynard (Blackmans Bay Community Association), Paul Rapley (Bonnet Hill Community Association), Tania Mayne and Rob Nixey (Bruny Island Community Association), Mike Jackson (Conningham and Lower Snug Community Association), Leslie French (Howden Progress Association) Peter Laud (Kettering Community Association), John Cox (Kingborough Landcare Advisory Group), John McDonald (Kingborough Ratepayers Association – as observer), Leanne Bradfield (Margate Hills Community Group), John Reeves (Southern Channel Ratepayers and Residents Association), Rob Crossthwaite (Snug Landcare – left early with apologies).

*Councillors*: Mayor Dean Winter, Deputy Mayor Jo Westwood (latter part of meeting), Cr Sue Bastone, , Cr Flora Fox, Cr Gideon Cordover, Cr Amanda Midgely

*Council Officers*: Gary Arnold, Katrena Stephenson

### 1. Welcome

Opening from new Chair – Chris Ireland and introduction of new Secretary – Dr Katrena Stephenson. The Chair acknowledged the support of Tony Ferrier as past Secretary. He invited members to provide feedback on his Chairing.

2. **Apologies** : David Bonny (Conningham and Lower Snug Community Association), Peter Tatham (Bonnet Hill Community Association), Damien Smith (Margate Hills Community Group), Clare Glade-Wright (Sustainable Living in Kingborough), Jill Hickie (Taroona Community Association), Luca Vasino (Woodbridge Community Association), Cr Steve Wass, Cr Paula Wriedt, Di Blackwood (Friends of North Bruny).

3. The **Minutes** of the General Meeting and Annual General Meetings held on 5 December 2020 were confirmed.

### 4. Business Arising

(a) It was resolved to accept the final version of the Purpose Statement as follows:

The Kingborough Community Forum:

- has been established to ensure effective and open communication and engagement with Council on matters of significance to the Kingborough community;
- will consider and contribute to Council priorities, directions and current topics;
- will establish sub-committees as required to consider specific relevant matters; and

- is to ensure adequate and effective consultation and engagement processes.

(b) It was resolved to change the name to the Kingborough Community Forum (KCF)

(c) It was agreed that KCF would continue to be held at the Civic Centre or the Community Hub.

(d) Meeting procedures - refer item 5

#### 5. Meeting Procedures

Members were generally supportive of the Meeting Procedures with the following inclusions:

- Should cover the AGM, noting it is the 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting of the year.
- Requested there be 5 meetings a year because of the shorter meeting preceding the AGM.
- Should note that the Secretary will provide advice on matters raised on reports out of session.

***ACTION: KS to revise Meeting Procedures and circulate with minutes.***

6. **Reports from each Community Organisation** – Members made reports by exception to those provided in writing.

BBCA – noted traffic congestion issues in local streets. Raised the need to recognise stormwater as a resource and not have it discharge into waterways and beaches – recognising this is a long-term aspiration. Acknowledged park and ride pending but traffic issues still prevalent and needs resolution for Kingborough to Hobart commuters. Suggestions for works included in written report.

BHCA – stormwater a key issue and asked “is there a master plan for stormwater remediation?”. Sedge Brook Reserve (public open space) getting more used, would like to meet Urban Designer to discuss potential for more cycling, better interpretation signs about heritage area, toilet for cyclists, open up access to inform future advocacy and planning. Have undertaken informal excursions to look at birds, fungi and weeds – weed identification an issue, ignorance in community (eg Spanish heath). Are seeking Council collaboration Bonnet Hill Assoc on informal excursion re weed identification. Annual BBQ at Chris Johnson reserve to encourage people to join association. Noted no signage at Tarooma end of Allum Cliffs about where track rejoins. Need directions. Well used track.

***ACTION: KS to pass on request re collaboration on weeds to NRM team.***

BICA – upcoming events include Easter Carnival Alonnah which is now with BICA. Lots of feedback on state of roads, needing sealing, water supply issues, work ongoing on public open space at Alonnah with a DA in the works. Ongoing issues with Council re boat precinct at Alonnah. Negotiating with Council and Crown to extend arrangement for more permanent tenure (30-40ys) to better enable fund raising for development. About to launch a program involving all the other Bruny Island Associations to look at insurance – to ensure public liability sufficient and not paying unnecessary insurance and drive down premiums. Taking a constructive role in engaging with other island organisation and ensure more cohesive approach.

CLSCA – noted looked at insurance some years ago with suggestion that Council provides insurance for community organisations. Road repair and reselling still a factor,

some has been done but some potholes that might need consideration before more substantial resurfacing. (Gary noted condition assessment on roads done at least annually but dependant on road hierarchy). Concerned reporting will limit discussions – how will it work in terms of information being given?

**ACTION: KS to seek advice from Council's PL insurer. Note our PL insurance is brokered by MAV Insurance for all Tasmanian councils.**

HPA – Suggestion for report format – include a contact line to provide contact details. At bottom, a bit repetitive, issues for consideration – what is desired there? (Chair noted you only need to complete what is relevant, it is just a framework). Would like to facilitate more talk between meetings. Noted similar issues across communities. Eg Road maintenance, weed reduction, bushfire risk, speeding local roads (big in Howden) – part of commando route (cyclists) and while road reasonably wide, Brightwater and Howden road still risk, need traffic calming or similar measures. Keeping stormwater drains clear- needed before heavy rain, a few people on lower side of Brightwater Road flooded. Channel highway intersection with Howden road difficult to get out of. Approach state government about reducing speed limit there to 80.

**ACTION: KS to update reporting template to include contact information**

KCA – three key issues: speed limit - keen to reduce down to 50 (can council help in providing trailer?). Ferry road still a problem with car parking. Hard to get a park for walking track. Need to limit time parking at end of Ferry Road. Also want no parking on outward bound lane from Ferry to Channel Highway. Kettering Walkers Association along with KCA keen for 200 m section of formed pathway between 2 sites, difficult walking currently. E petition underway. Cr Bastone noted she would be bringing a motion to council regarding 50k speed limit.

MHCG – upgrade of roads (eg Van Morey constant concern), cyclist and pedestrian safety (eg Nierinna and Van Morey). Want more info on plans for crown land reserves, encourage people to get off roads. Weed management – need to educate land. Hollyhock (not on weed list so limited enforceability). Plants escape from gardens. Leaflet in post? There is a landcare group but need broader engagement with individual land owners. Include with rates notice?

KLGA – Noted Landcare has group insurance for all the groups in Kingborough and includes public liability. Along NW Bay river at Sandfly State Growth removing significant vegetation on Eastern side. If serious rainfall will sweep down to River. Management plan for NW Bay river re no stormwater into river. Margate reinforcing Bridge - earth works around, has council checked not damaging environment (Taken on Notice).

**ACTION: KS to seek advice re Margate Bridge works: No permit required if within road reservation. State Growth Project – see Bridge Strengthening – Transport Services for contact information.**

SCRRA – largely raised previously. E.g. school bus stops channel highway (State Growth) – Council to raise. Foot path between camping ground Jetty's point and Three Hut point – too narrow. Or construct toilet block at Three Hut point. Boaters need toilet facilities. Looking to install water tank near community centre. Will provide water for fire trucks. Looking for grant and Council to provide site. Raising awareness of need for individual fire plans. Cancelled Middleton fair. Did interpretative panels. Thank Council, good attendance at launch.

## 7. Report from Council:

*(Deferred to next meeting to allow for shorter meeting prior to the Council AGM)*

## 8. Other Business

Wayne Burgess raised the changes that have come into play because of the State Government's Interim Planning Directive 4 (*For more information see Council's Website: [Interim Planning Directive No. 4 – Exemptions, Application Requirements, Special Provisions and Zone Provisions - Kingborough Council](#)*)

Question about graffiti – is there a policy or ability to clean up? *Note such matters can be raised by contacting [KC@kingborough.tas.gov.au](mailto:KC@kingborough.tas.gov.au) to log details/ service request.*

Suggestion of annual review of purpose statements at the AGM.

Briefly discussed special meetings and subcommittees. The KCF has ability to do both but Council noted may not always be able to provide secretariat support for additional meetings.

Possible future Council presentations: stormwater, tracks and trails, planning.

**ACTION: Katrena to compile as a consolidated document the responses to forum. Everyone to input into agenda to get right people to meeting.**

## 9. Date of next meeting

*1 May 2021 (Meeting 2)*

Proposed Future Dates

*7 August (Meeting 3 and AGM)*

***9 October (Meeting 4) (new date to accommodate request for additional meeting)***

***4 December (Meeting 5) (new date to accommodate request for additional meeting)***

## List of Actions:

KS to revise Meeting Procedures and circulate with minutes.	See attached
KS to pass on request re collaboration on weeds to NRM team.	In train
KS to seek advice from Council's PL insurer.	In train
KS to update reporting template to include contact information	See attached
KS to seek advice re Margate Bridge works.	See minutes

## Business Arising From This Meeting

Request for additional meeting date, see proposed.
Interim Planning Directive, see link. Would KCF like a presentation?
Suggestion of Annual Review of Purpose Statements – to be discussed further/agreed
Agree presentation priorities for future KCF Meetings.