

MINUTES

KINGBOROUGH DISABILITY INCLUSION & ACCESS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Meeting No. 2021-6

Wednesday 8 December 2021



Minutes of a Meeting of the Kingborough Disability Inclusion & Access Advisory Committee held at the Kingborough Civic Centre, Kingston, on Wednesday 8 December 2.00pm.

PRESENT

		PRESENT	APOLOGY
Chairperson	Cr Paula Wriedt	✓	
	David Vickery	✓	
	Kevin Brown		✓
	Di Carter	✓	
	Fran Thompson	✓	
	Richard Witbreuk	✓	
	Justine Barwick		✓
Staff	Julie Alderfox (Community Development Officer)	✓	
	Dan Kaimatsoglu (Project Manager Transform Kingston)	✓	

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TRADITIONAL OWNERS

The Chairperson acknowledged and paid respect to the Tasmanian Aboriginal Community as the traditional and original owners and continuing custodians of the land on which the Committee met and acknowledged elders past and present.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

MOVED: Fran Thompson
 SECONDED: David Vickery

That the Minutes of the Committee meeting held on 13 October 2021 as circulated, be confirmed.

CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING

Beach Matting at Kingston Beach

After discussions with relevant Council staff and learning that Kingston Beach Surf Life Saving Club is now providing two beach wheelchairs, advice was received from the Director Environment, Development & Community that it would be advisable to conduct community consultation to best understand where Council resources can be directed to support community members with disability. It was noted that there are a number of community consultations on a variety of topics to be conducted, so it will not be undertaken immediately.

Council is supporting the Surf Life Saving Club to provide a storage unit for the beach wheelchairs, which will be accessed by MLAK key and will be available 7 days a week.

Community Hub

A list of actions to address outstanding issues at the Community Hub was provided. Council's building maintenance staff in conjunction with staff advising on the style and colour scheme of the work will collaborate to resolve the issues.

The Changing Place facility will have work undertaken in the new year which includes the replacement of the sink, replacement of the grab rail and the provision of greater colour contrast at the doorway/surround.

Educational Brochures

The department of State Growth has produced the educational document 'How to make your business accessible'. The Kingborough Community Enterprise Centre is distributing the booklet to local businesses to build awareness of the advantages and equity of creating an accessible business. Copies will also be available at Council.

Accessibility in Council Projects

Access consultant Michael Small from Equality Building attended a meeting with Mayor Cr Paula Wriedt, Director Environment, Development & Community and Julie Alderfox Community Development Officer to discuss ways to improve disability access outcomes for Council projects.

Arrangements were made for Michael to conduct workshops for Council staff in the new year. Workshops will aim to raise understanding of the importance of providing truly accessible amenities and find ways to embed accessible design at the earliest possible stages of project development.

Dan Kaimatsoglu entered the meeting at 2.50pm

Kingston Park Stage 2

Advice on Transform Kingston draft plans and community engagement was provided by Project Manager Dan Kaimatsoglu. Pedestrian linkages, design features, public transport infrastructure and vehicular traffic routes were explained. It was also noted that community engagement is underway with business operators and community members being encouraged to provide feedback.

Dan Kaimatsoglu left the meeting at 3.15pm

Correspondence

Eleven (11) nominations to the Disability Inclusion & Access Advisory Committee were received, including six (6) new nominees. All were endorsed by Council at the 6 December Council meeting.

It was requested by new member David McQuillan that a clarification be made. It was asked that it be noted that his representation on the committee is as an individual community member and not as a representative of Anglicare Tasmania.

Correspondence informing new members of their appointment to the committee has been prepared.

Development Applications

None reported.

Other Business

'More Than Carers' expo was held on Wednesday 24 November at the Kingborough Community Hub. The film 'More Than Carers' was premiered. The film was made with support from Carers Tasmania, Kingborough Council, Calvary Community Grants Program and MAST Films. Seventeen (17) services that support and provide advice for carers were stallholders at the event

Tasmania's Disability Framework Review

No response has been received to the committee's request for an update on the status of the review of 'Accessible Island: Tasmania's Disability Framework for Action - Disability Action Plan 2018-2021'

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Access Advisory Committee is scheduled to take place on Wednesday 9 February 2022 2pm at the Council Chambers.

CLOSURE: There being no further business, the Chairperson declared the meeting closed at 3.30pm