

**Kingborough Community Forum  
GENERAL MEETING**

**Saturday 3 December 2022  
9.00am – 10.45am**

**Council Chambers – Civic Centre, 15 Channel Highway, Kingston**

**MINUTES**

**Attendees**

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Louisa d'Arville  
Roger Walker  
Kate Lucas and Mike Jackson

Andrew Mollison and June Walker  
Peter Laud  
Roland Painter  
Tricia Ramsey  
Rob Crosthwaite  
Gloria Lonergan  
Jill Hickie

Blackmans Bay Community Association  
Bonnet Hill Community Association  
Coningham & Lower Snug Community Association  
(CALSCA)  
Howden Progress Association  
Kettering Community Association  
Kingborough Landcare Advisory Group  
Kingborough Rate Payers Association (Observer)  
Snug Landcare  
South Channel Ratepayers Association  
Taroona Community Association

Mike Brough  
Nick Booth

Chair (Friends of Longley Area Group)  
Deputy Chair (Friends of Longley Area Group)

Council Officers:  
Gary Arnold  
Dr. Samantha Fox  
Bianca Kleine

General Manager  
Director Environment, Development and Community Services  
Communications and Engagement Support Officer

Mayor Councillor Paula Wriedt  
Deputy Mayor Clare Glade-Wight  
Councillor Gideon Cordover  
Councillor Aldo Antolli  
Councillor David Bain  
Councillor Kaspar Dean  
Councillor Flora Fox

Councillors

**1. + 2. Introduction and Welcome and Acknowledgement of Country**

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The Chair Mike Brough welcomed all participants and acknowledged and paid respect to the Tasmanian Aboriginal Community as the traditional and original owners, and continuing custodians of this land and acknowledged Elders – past and present.

**3. Apologies**

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Tammy Price, Bruny Island Community Association; Siobhan Gaskell and Simon Allston, Friends of North Bruny; Felicity Smart, Margate Hills Community Group.

**4. Confirmation of Minutes of the Kingborough Community Forum 24 September 2022**

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The forum participants endorsed the 24 September 2022 general meeting minutes be a true record.

## **5. Business / Actions from the Last Meeting**

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The forum participants acknowledged the list of actions and Council responses from the 24 September 2022 meeting.

## **6. Reports from each Community Organisation**

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The forum participants noted the reports and Council responses.

### **Additional items raised during the meeting:**

#### **Howden Progress Association**

- June Walker introduced Andrew Morrison as the new president of the Howden Progress Association.
- Impact of the new subdivision in Huntingfield – General Manager Gary Arnold noted Council will circulate the location details of the proposed subdivision to forum members.
- Noted: The group approached the State Government about the Howden Rd/Channel Hwy intersection.

#### **CALSCA**

- The group met with the Snug Hall Committee to discuss the sound proofing at Snug Hall.
- Davies Road – seepage was identified around a collapsed bank and the gutters are always wet and smelly, however it does not seem to be sewerage. To be investigated further.
- Speed limit changes to Snug/lower Snug - it was suggested changing the speed limit from 60km/hr to 50km/hr.

#### **Bonnet Hill**

Please refer to report.

- Noted: Following the July meeting, Roger Walker again raised concerns about beekeeping in Bonnet Hill and types of the pesticide glyphosate used by Council. Roger requested for care to be taken on what kind of chemicals are being used against weeds.
- Noted: The Menzies Institute for Medical Research, with support from the City of Hobart, are currently holding their Active Transport Storytelling Competition <https://form.jotform.com/212776836842871>
- Road works were carried out at Taronga Road/Channel Highway, improving conditions.
- The section of Road from Channel Highway to Sedgebrook Road is getting worse.
- Roger Walker noted issues with building insurance – his insurer advised they won't insure or will charge an additional premium in certain circumstances where tree/s are close to the building.

#### **Friends of Longley Area Group**

- Masterplan was developed about local weed control.
- Material, including weeds, was dumped at the corner of Huon Highway towards Longley, with weed blowing onto private property. State Government needs to be approached about this (not on Council Land).
- Further flood damage occurred to Longley Park from North West Bay River. The group is concerned about increasing damage with each flood.
- Various planting days occurred. The main priority is maintenance of those areas.
- Events:

- second Picnic in the Park in Autumn 2023
- further revegetation works.

### **Kingborough Landcare Advisory Group**

- Roland Painter noted the group will follow up on light pollution with Council. Group to clarify what area the initial request related to.
- Event: An end of year event has been planned with Kingston Beach Coast Care, Tarroona and Blackmans Bay Landcare and Algona Reserve Landcare. This will include working bees for weed management and a picnic.

### **Kettering Community Association**

- Peter Laud expressed thanks to Council for fixing potholes around Kettering advised that the speed limit in Kettering is an ongoing concern.
- Footpath from Trial Bay along Channel Highway to Kettering.
- Events:
  - The community will co-host a large BBQ at Kettering Post Office on Saturday 10 December
  - Group is planning to have public speakers at their meetings in 2023.

## **7. Terms of Reference**

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The motion to adopt the terms of reference with the changes shown in the current copy was carried.

An additional amendment was made to include that the forum makes representations to Council on behalf of the Community Organisations under item 4. 'Roles and Responsibilities'.

## **8. Updates from Council**

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- a) Dr Samantha Fox provided an update on the development of the Kingborough Local Provisions Schedule under the State Planning Scheme – refer to attachment.  
The group thanked Dr Samantha Fox for the presentation.
- b) Priorities for the 2023-24 Council budget – General Manager Gary Arnold provided an update and was thanked by the group.
  - Forum members are requested to review the Budget Submissions from KCF2022-23 and provide any updates and additions by 23 December 2022.

## **9. Presentation on Sparking Conversations, Igniting Actions**

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Chris Salter from Sparking Conversation, Igniting Actions gave an overview of the program. Part of the program is to visit private properties within the key areas identified to give advice to property owners.

- It was raised that, at times, recommendations on preparing for bushfires from the Tasmanian Fire Services conflict with Council's decision making on requests to remove vegetation and/or trees. Chris Salter advised that Sparking Conversations recently had met with Kingborough Council and started a conversation on this topic.
- Roland Painter noted that Blue Mountains Council waived DA fees for bushfire victims and wondered if Kingborough Council would consider applying similar regulations. Council took this question on notice.

The group thanked Chris for the presentation. Refer to attachment.

## 10. Other Business

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- The discussion about future meeting structure, focus, content was postponed to the next meeting
- Council was asked about their position on public transport. Council response – Council has been advocating public transport South of Hobart for some time, including Park & Ride and additional bus services. Over 60 additional bus services per week have been implemented. Construction of the 5<sup>th</sup> lane on the Southern Outlet is due to commence in early 2023.

## 11. Proposed dates for 2023

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18 March, 17 June, 9 September and 2 December (tbc, December meeting to coincide with the Council Annual General Meeting) confirmed.

Meeting closed at 10.45am

### List of Actions

WHAT	WHO
Council to circulate map showing the location of the proposed location for the Huntingfield development to the forum participants.	General Manager Tim Donovan/Simon Johnson
Davies Road – seepage was identified around a collapsed bank and the gutters are always wet and smelly; however, it does not seem to be sewerage. To be investigated further.	Works Request to be submitted
Roland Painter noted the group will follow up on light pollution with Council. Group to clarify what area the initial request related to and contact Council to advise.	Roland Painter/Susan
Draft Terms of Reference – further amendments to be circulated to the group.	Complete
Council Budget Priorities for 2023-24: Please find attached Budget Submissions from KCF2022-23 and provide any updates and additions by 23 December 2022.	All
Bushfire preparedness: Roland Painter noted that Blue Mountains Council waived DA fees for bushfire victims and wondered if Kingborough Council would consider applying similar regulations. Council took this question on notice.	

Attachments:

- Budget Submissions from KCF 2022-23
- Updated Draft Terms of Reference 6/12/2022
- PowerPoint Presentation about the Kingborough Draft Local Provisions Schedule (LPS)
- Presentation and Notes – Sparking Conversations Igniting Action

# SPARKING **igniting action** CONVERSATIONS

A GREATER HOBART BUSHFIRE RESILIENCE PROJECT



Australian Government



Clarence... a brighter place



GLENORCHY  
CITY COUNCIL

Kingborough



City of HOBART

# What is Sparking Conversations, Igniting Action?

A two year bushfire resilience project working closely with 12 small neighbourhood groups across **Clarence, Glenorchy, Hobart and Kingborough**.



# Why is it important?

No matter where you live in Greater Hobart you are never far from the bush. This makes for a great place to live, but also carries great risk every bushfire season.



# Why is it important?



One of the many heartbreaking scenes at South Hobart. Picture: Don Stephens





# Why is it important?

## Research by the University of Tasmania has found that

- 80% of people living close to bushland in Greater Hobart expect to experience a serious bushfire in their lifetime
- 70% recognise that preparing their property for bushfire reduces the chances of damage to their home in the event of a bushfire
- 46% need help and advice about how to prepare for bushfire



# What will we be doing?

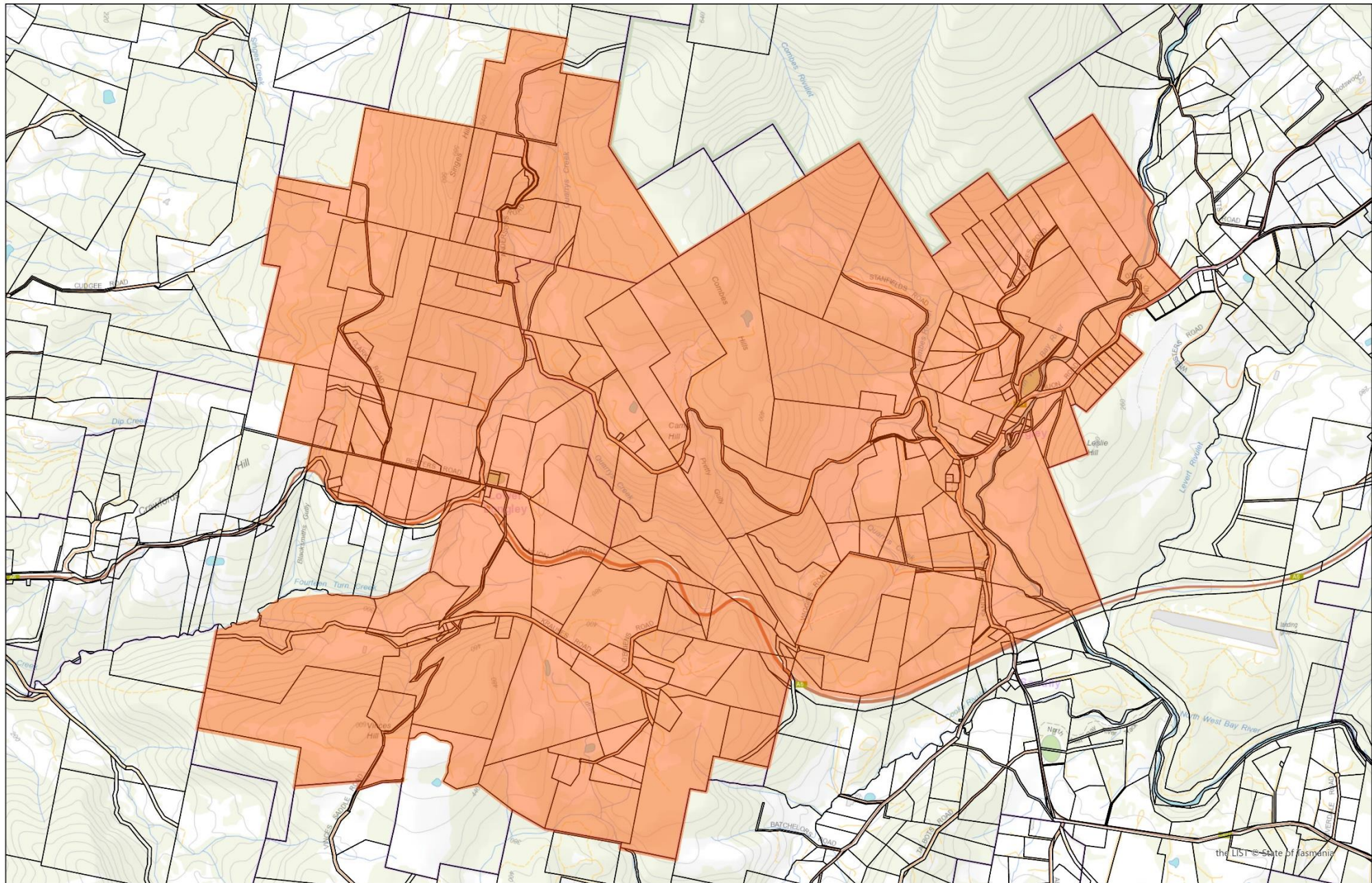
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- ✓ Igniting Action



# Where will we be working?



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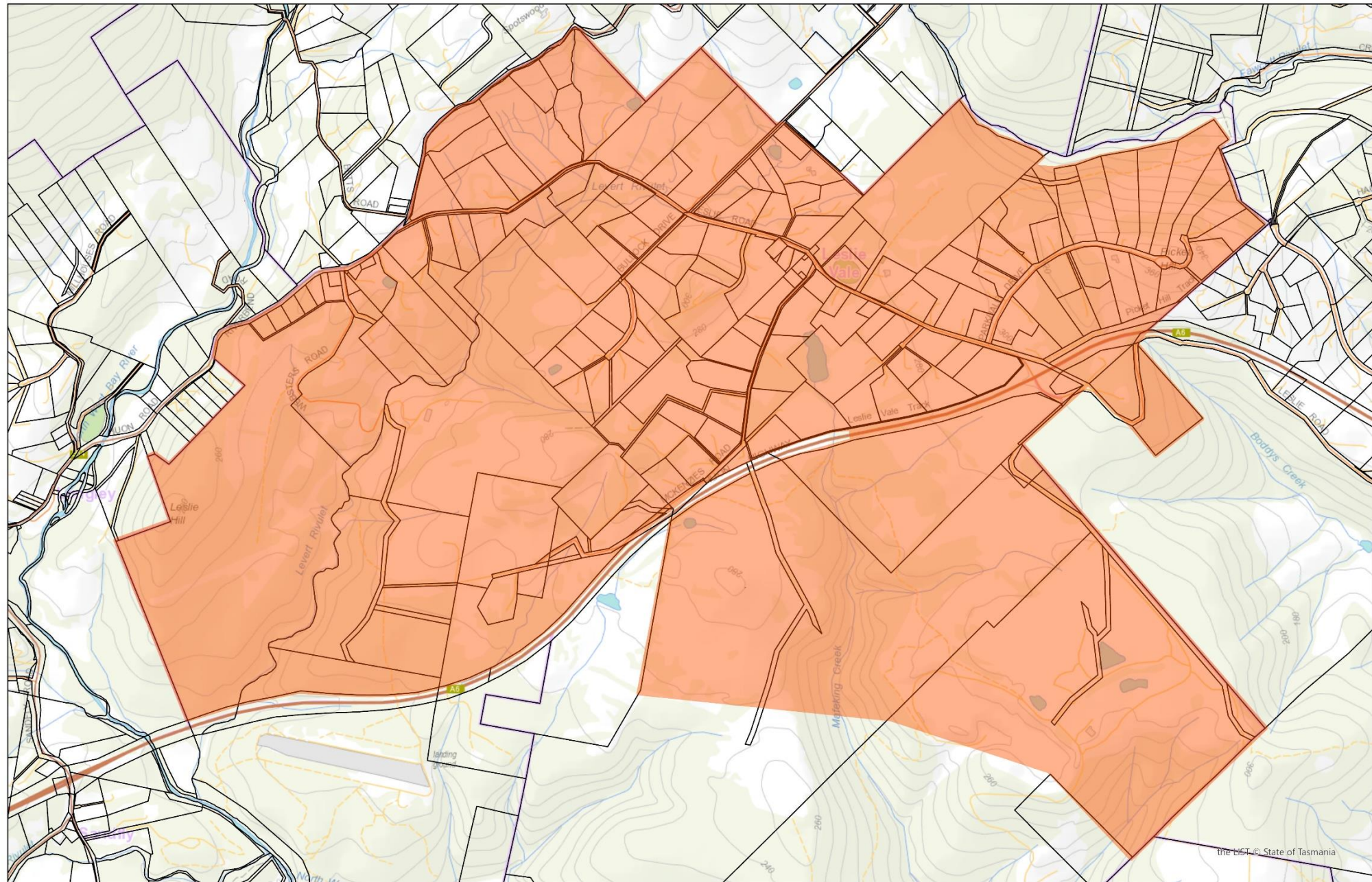


Longley-Lower Longley - Approx 153 dwellings

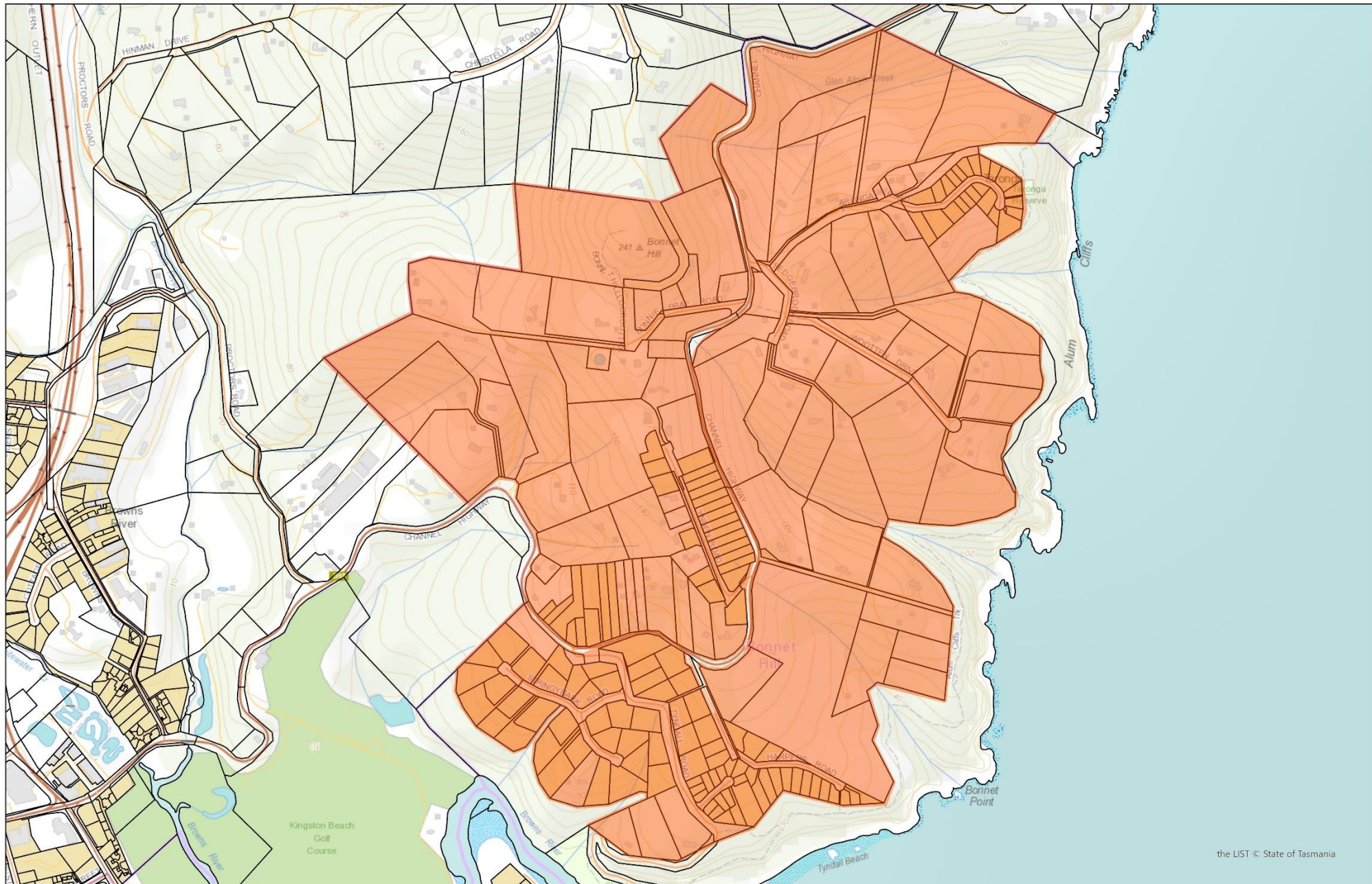
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Kingborough Council - Leslie Vale - Approx 131 dwellings



Kingborough Council - Bonnet Hill - Approx 196 dwellings

# Meet the team



**Jenny Styger**  
Project Manager



**Chris Salter**  
Hazard Abatement  
Officer



**Melanie Gent**  
Hazard Abatement  
Officer



**Milly Burgess**  
Community Resilience  
Officer





# What's the latest?

- ✓ Out doorknocking
- ✓ Attending community events
- ✓ University Research
- ✓ Fire Adapted Gardens
- ✓ Household Hazard Assessment Tool



# Stay up to date!



# Thank you!

**Chris Salter**

Hazard Abatement Officer | Sparking Conversations, Igniting Action

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