

**Kingborough Community Forum  
GENERAL MEETING**

**Saturday 17 June 2023  
9.30 am – 12.00pm**

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

**AGENDA**

Attendees and apologies as per attendance list

1. Introduction and acknowledgement of country (chair)
2. Confirm minutes of the Kingborough Community Forum 18 March 2023
3. Business/actions from the last meeting:

Actions from 18 March meeting:

WHAT	WHO
<p><b>Dog Management Act - consultation</b> Community groups are encouraged to forward written feedback to Scott Basham by 31 March to assist with policy development. Public consultation will occur in July/August.</p> <p>Scott will forward information to Bianca who will circulate to forum participants.</p>	<p>All</p> <p>Completed</p>
<p><b>Would Council consider providing insurance for general community group events?</b></p> <p>Response:</p> <p>Council's insurers will not cover any events that Council is not running.</p> <p>There are insurance products created for this purpose through an organisation called Local Community Insurance Services (LCIS). Attached are copies of the various LCIS (Local Community Insurance Services) brochures for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Event Public Liability Cover</li><li>• General Public/Products Liability cover for community groups (an annual policy as opposed to one off event cover)</li><li>• Stallholder Insurances (for non-</li></ul>	<p>General Manager</p>

<p>Council markets and events)</p> <p>Quotations can be obtained online at <a href="https://www.localcommunityinsurance.com.au/">https://www.localcommunityinsurance.com.au/</a></p> <p>Cover can be placed and paid for online.</p> <p>Alternatively, the LCIS team can be contacted on 1300 853 800.</p>	
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4. Reports from each community organisation
5. Presentation - overview of Council's Emergency Management and Community Resilience work – Belinda Loxley, Manager Community Resilience
6. Presentation – Future of Local Government review – Gary Arnold, General Manager
7. Updates from Council (e.g., community events, engagements)
  - Significant Council decisions
  - 2023/24 Council Budget
  - Tasmanian Planning Scheme
  - Transform Kingston
8. Other business
9. Next meeting: Saturday 9 September 2023 - 9.30am – 12pm

## KINGBOROUGH COMMUNITY FORUM

# REPORT

**Meeting Date:** 17 June 2023

**Name of Community Organisation:** Blackmans Bay Community Association

**Name of representative attending:** Lara Van Raay

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### CURRENT PRIORITIES:

This is the budget submission BBKA made to Council, we feel it sums up our main thoughts at this moment in time. A response was received by a council officer, this is included below.

The Blackmans Bay Community Association appreciates the funds directed to Blackmans Bay in this budget round. We acknowledge the strain Council is under in terms of reliability and price surges in relation to contractors hired to complete works.

It has been a shame that Blowhole Road has not been completed, we hope that the reallocation of funds sees this project through to completion this financial year.

We are concerned that Mary Knoll Creek rehabilitation has not been included in the budget.

We understand that the works we requested between Dianella Drive and Golden Grove Drive have not been brought forward from their projected allocation in the 24/25 budget. We expect that these works will be retained on the 5 year plan and that we will see them funded in the 24/25 budget. We have communicated a number of times that we believe that the connectivity and stormwater issues between Woodlands Drive and Burwood Drive should be fixed alongside these works. We will continue to make this a budget priority for Blackmans Bay.

We are frustrated that it has taken years to have it clearly stated that stand alone dog poo bins are being fabricated and are expected to be installed in Kingborough this year. We have been asking for many years (Louisa d'Arville as an individual and BBKA as an

association) for Council to critically review its stance on the type of dog poo bags that are provided by Council to residents. It is frustrating to learn of developments such as this so far along into our discussions with Council, as the knowledge could have shaped our discussions and led to more productive outcomes within them.

Well done to those who worked so hard to bring FoGO to Kingborough - how come big picture considerations were not made 5 years ago when FoGO discussions were surely underway? Now we have a FoGO service, a waste service, a recycling service and soon we will be asking 'who collects the new dog poo bins?' In a more functional world, Council engineers might have spoken to Councillors about how they wanted to bring in stand alone poo bins, ramifications for FoGO opportunities could have been explored, contracts with NIVLEK solutions, KWS, the provider of dog poo bags etc could have been looked at all at one time and we might have had a more functional system already in place.

BBCA aims to come to Council with the request to bring Compostable bags to Kingborough in the next budget round. However, we are pretty sure we can already predict the responses we will receive- ones such as "compostable bags won't fit in the newly fabricated bins" or "The FoGO collection service can't access the bin locations" or "this is not in the FoGO bin collection contract until 2030". There are so many questions around this- are compostable bags ok in the FoGO system (other Councils say yes), is the risk of contamination with non-compostable bags too high? Is there a new and radical way to take on this issue? These questions should have been asked before, early enough to inform future decisions about infrastructure and services in Kingborough.

The BBCA implores Councillors to actively *get answers* from the General Manager about what the Council's end/future game is here.

#### **Officer's response**

- [Mary Knoll rehabilitation options will continue to be investigated by Council officers.](#)
- [The projects for establishing additional footpath linkages in Burwood Road will remain in the five year plan.](#)
- [Consideration as to a future FOGO dog poo bag provision/service will form part of a future report to Council.](#)

	<p>The Blackmans Bay Community is also devastated by the loss of a very large Eucalypt at the top of Bluebush Crescent. The history of tree loss in this location is long and complicated, and we have had discussions with Council about this. We would like to note the sadness of community members at the loss of a tree that was nominated for the significant tree register.</p> <p>Roadkill is a significant problem on roads which are close to bushland and reserves.</p>
<p><b>UPDATE ON COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES</b></p>	<p>Our crop swaps are enormously popular and have only become bigger and more imaginative as the autumn months have passed.</p> <p>Landcare continues its monthly working bees.</p> <p>We hosted a biochar making workshop on June 11th.</p>

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<p><b>MAIN ISSUES RAISED BY LOCAL RESIDENTS:</b></p>	<p>Can council provide an update on the proposal to fence the dog exercise area in Kettering below the cricket oval. What style of fencing is proposed and what is the likely start and completion date?</p> <p><b>Response:</b> Council's focus has been on delivering the new toilet facilities in Kettering. The fencing of the dog exercise area will be revised within the Dog Management Policy review process and determined once complete.</p>



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<b>CURRENT PRIORITIES:</b>	<p>We are continuing to reform the group following a change of name and updates to our constitution.</p> <p>We are also focussed on meeting together and building our network.</p> <p>Light Pollution.</p> <p>Weeds.</p> <p>KC's staff levels constraining support (we understand they are trying to fill a couple of positions and wish them all the best).</p>
<b>UPDATE ON COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES</b>	<p>On 21<sup>st</sup> April we held an SGM to change the name and constitution of KLAG, please see attached certificate of change of name. This was followed by a dinner at a local restaurant allowing members more time to discuss issues.</p> <p>Our member groups continue to hold regular working bees in their respective areas.</p> <p>Blackmans Bay Landcare has been working the southern end of the beach foreshore near the boat shed with assistance from council.</p> <p>Tramway Hill Landcare has been weeding Nierinna Creek Reserve and surrounds.</p> <p>Kingston Beach Coast Care has been planting the Tyndall Beach Coastal Erosion Mitigation site at Tyndall Beach (Kingston Dog Beach), adjacent to the carpark.</p> <p>Algona Reserve Landcare has been revegetating a section of the reserve that is now closed to vehicles, and consulting on the creation of a new Nature Trail.</p>





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<b>REPORT</b>	<p><b>Meeting Date:</b> 17 June 2023</p> <p><b>Name of Community Organisation:</b> Margate Hills Community Association</p> <p><b>Name of representative attending:</b> Felicity Smart</p> <p><b>Contact information:</b> felicitylane88@gmail.com</p>
<p><b>CURRENT PRIORITIES:</b></p> <p><b>MAIN ISSUES RAISED BY LOCAL RESIDENTS:</b></p>	<p>A note of appreciation for the re-sheeting of Van Morey Rd although it would be appreciated if more signage warning motorists of those sections which are one lane and/or on blind corners.</p> <p>Weekend traffic includes a high proportion of users of the Snug Tiers Recreation Area.</p> <p><b>Response</b>  Noted. A Council officer will inspect to check on any missing signs that were included in the original plan.</p> <p>Perusal of the new planning zones permitted or non-permitted activities, is there a definition of agriculture as a use? I observe many properties within the LCZ with substantial productive gardens and orchards.</p> <p>Are there criteria to define use as "Agriculture"?</p> <p>E.G., Size under trees/gardens.  Size of property overall.  Turnover/net/gross value from any produce sold.  Duration of property as a farm or orchard et al. E.G. property has been agricultural since before the 67 fires.</p> <p><b>Response:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- A personal (non commercial) vegetable garden associated with an approved and established residential use does not require Planning Approval.</li> <li>- Established uses that are lawful will not be required to stop.</li> <li>- Established uses that are lawful will not be required to obtain retrospective approval for uses that are now listed as Permitted or Discretionary.</li> <li>- There are uses that the new zone may prohibit if they were new, but there are provisions to protect the existing operation, however there are limitations on growth/intensification.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The scheme does not stipulate rules/definitions around profit or scale of farm.</li> <li>- It is important to consider the definitions of the scheme to understand relevant sections of the scheme including the use table for the Landscape Conservation Zone.</li> <li>- Refer to the Use table (provided to community association in separate email) to establish if the use class that is applicable is No Permit Required, Permitted, Discretionary or Prohibited.</li> </ul>
<b>UPDATE ON COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES</b>	The group is preparing for a new members drive which will also include seeking new committee members.

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REPORT	<p><b>Meeting Date:</b> 17 June 2023</p> <p><b>Name of Community Organisation:</b> South Channel Ratepayers &amp; Residents Association</p> <p><b>Name of representative attending:</b> Carey Barlow</p> <p><b>Contact information:</b> Gloria Lonergan</p>
<p><b>CURRENT PRIORITIES:</b></p> <p><b>MAIN ISSUES RAISED</b></p> <p><b>BY LOCAL RESIDENTS:</b></p>	<p>The Association is still waiting for the delivery of a defibrillator provided by a State Government Grant. Also, the SCRRRA will purchase a defibrillator for the Gordon Camping Ground.</p> <p>The Association would like to see a walking circuit developed for the Channel Highway, Beach Rd and the Esplanade.</p> <p><a href="#">Response: please refer to General Meeting Agenda December 2022 Kingborough Community Forum  </a></p> <p>That the Council provide emergency supplies for the area to be used in recovery phase following a natural disaster. Local residents have already contributed some equipment.</p> <p><b>Response:</b> Discussions have been taking place with SCRRRA about the creation of Community Resilience Kits. It is important to note that the idea of the kits is that they are intended to assist a community to remain connected and resilient if they are cut off due to events happening in surrounding areas. This may be that roads are blocked through storm or flood damage or a bushfire in another community, power lines are down, communications networks are affected etc. The kits are not intended for use during an emergency event that is immediately affecting that community and in these circumstances the advice of the emergency services should be followed including whether evacuation is necessary. The kits could be useful during a recovery phase following an event but in these circumstances a Recovery Centre may be established, but the location would be dependent on the extent of damage in the impacted area. In deciding what should be included in Community Resilience Kits ideas have been suggested to SCRRRA and discussions are ongoing. Examples of items that could be included include: generators or resilient power supplies (solar panels and batteries), First Aid kits, charging devices for mobile phones or battery packs, mobile reception boosters, torches / emergency lighting / lanterns, emergency radios, Individual household kits,</p>

	<p>emergency blankets, water and food. There are a number of issues to be resolved especially around maintenance and servicing of items within the kits particularly around resilient power supplies. It has been indicated to SCRRA that it is the intention that grant opportunities for such kits will be explored due to the costs involved. Grant funding could also mean that the kits be provided to a number of communities in the municipality. The grant opportunities to be explored include the Disaster Ready Fund (DRF) operated by the National Emergency Management Agency (NEMA). Round 1 the DRF closed in March of this year but it is expected that consultation on Round 2 will commence in July with the funding opening next year. The DRF will provide up to one billion dollars over the next five years, from 2023-24 to help communities protect themselves against the impacts of natural hazards across Australia and additional information can be found at <a href="https://nema.gov.au">Disaster Ready Fund   National Emergency Management Agency (nema.gov.au)</a>.</p> <p>Upgrade of the footpath between Gordon Camping Ground and Three Hut Point. With the absence of toilets at Three Hut Point where the boat ramp is situated there is considerable pedestrian traffic with people negotiating traffic on this strip of narrow road to use the facilities at the Camping Ground. Senator Jonathon Duniam has looked at this situation expressing his concern and has proposed a meeting between Nic Street, the Council's Mayor and himself.</p> <p><b>Response:</b> please refer to General Meeting Agenda December 2022 <a href="#">Kingborough Community Forum  </a></p> <p>Members of the SCRRA are to meet with Scott Rollins, Outdoor Co-ordinator to discuss the camp fire policy at the Gordon Camping Ground. The signage about the policy is ambiguous and needs updating. Also, it is suggested that the use of personal fire pots be permitted. At present the use of temporary campfires leaves stones and broken glass scattered throughout the camping area.</p> <p><b>Response:</b> Council does not have a <i>camp fire policy</i> associated to the Gordon Camping Ground. Fires in Council recreation facilities is managed pursuant to the <i>Parks, Recreation and Natural Areas By-Law 2021</i> (the By-law). The By-law states "<i>a person must not light, allow to be lit or maintain any fire in or on any Council land or recreational facility.</i>" The restriction on fires within Council recreational facilities reduces nuisance by smoke or otherwise. If a person does light, allow to be lit, or maintain any fire in a Council recreation facility, that person can be liable to a maximum fine of \$1810.00.</p>
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**UPDATE ON  
COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES**

In March a very successful Middleton on the Green was held.  
In May the SCRRA organised Australia's Biggest Morning Tea to raise funds for the Cancer Council of Tasmania. A wonderful community event that raised \$1500.00.  
In July it is proposed to hold a Christmas in July dinner.