

# Kingborough



## COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

18 March 2024

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# Kingborough Councillors 2022 - 2026



**Mayor**  
**Councillor Paula Wriedt**



**Deputy Mayor**  
**Councillor Clare Glade-Wright**



**Councillor Aldo Antolli**



**Councillor David Bain**



**Councillor Gideon Cordover**



**Councillor Kaspar Deane**



**Councillor Flora Fox**



**Councillor Amanda Midgley**



**Councillor Mark Richardson**



**Councillor Christian Street**

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**MINUTES of an Ordinary Meeting of Council**  
**Kingborough Civic Centre, 15 Channel Highway, Kingston**  
**Monday, 18 March 2024 at 5.30pm**

## **1 AUDIO RECORDING**

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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**

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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**

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### **Councillors:**

Mayor Councillor P Wriedt	✓
Deputy Mayor Councillor C Glade-Wright	✓
Councillor D Bain	✓
Councillor G Cordover	✓
Councillor K Deane	✓
Councillor F Fox	✓
Councillor A Midgley	✓
Councillor M Richardson	✓

### **Staff:**

Acting General Manager	Mr Gary Arnold
Director People & Finance	Mr David Spinks
Director Governance, Recreation & Property Services	Mr Daniel Smee
Director Engineering Services	Mr David Reeve
Media & Communications Advisor	Ms Sam Adams
Executive Assistant	Mrs Amanda Morton

**C63/5-2024**

## **4 APOLOGIES**

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Councillor A Antolli  
 Councillor C Street

**C64/5-2024**

**5 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

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Moved: Cr Flora Fox  
 Seconded: Cr Clare Glade-Wright

That the Minutes of the open session of the Council Meeting No. 4 held on 4 March 2024 be confirmed as a true record.

**CARRIED**

**6 WORKSHOPS HELD SINCE LAST COUNCIL MEETING**

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Date	Topic	Detail
12 March	Traders In Purple	Kingston Park

**C65/5-2024**

**7 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

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Cr Cordover declared an interest in the following reports:

- i. Kingborough Sports and Recreation Strategy.
- ii. Owner’s Consent for Lodgment of a Development Application in the Kingborough Sports Precinct.

**8 TRANSFER OF AGENDA ITEMS**

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There were no agenda items transferred.

**C66/5-2024**

**9 QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE FROM THE PUBLIC**

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**Mr Mark Donnellon** asked the following question without notice:

**9.1 Mobility Devices on Public Roads**

*In 2021, the State Government introduced rules that allow personal mobility devices to use public roads. One of the limitations prevents personal mobility devices from using roads are divided by a line or a median. Local Councils can, however, designate these roads as usable by personal mobility devices. What progress has Council made towards approving roads that are divided by lines or medians for use by personal mobility devices in Kingborough?*

**Director Engineering Services responds:**

None in particular. We certainly haven’t had an issue or request in terms of people wanting to have particular roads that might fit that category designated as usable by personal mobility devices. We would base that on whether or not we did get that comment back from members of the community and assess it on it’s own merits.

**Mayor:**

I chair Council's Disability Access Inclusion Advisory Committee and we haven't had any requests come through there either and we do have a couple of members of the committee who do rely on those personal mobility devices to move around the municipality. My understanding is their preference is to not have to use the roads if necessary, but to be able to stay on the footpaths, which is why usable kerb ramps are incredibly important to them. Certainly now that you have asked that question, I'm happy to follow up with them at our next meeting and ask about any thoughts that they might have on that issue.

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**10 QUESTIONS ON NOTICE FROM THE PUBLIC**

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There were no questions on notice from the public.

**C67/5-2024**

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**11 QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE FROM COUNCILLORS**

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**Cr Cordover** asked the following question without notice:

**11.1 Graffiti and Street Tree Strategy**

*Will Council undertake tree planting along fence lines with graffiti to reduce ongoing costs of graffiti removal and will that be considered as part of our Street Tree Strategy?*

**Director Governance, Recreation & Property Services responds:**

Councillors that were around 10 years ago may recall that we actually had a program officer that endeavoured to introduce a range of initiatives around graffiti reduction and we actually funded a number of green walls where we provided plantings to do exactly what you have just described, and that's cover walls and fences where there were incidences of higher graffiti. Whether Council will do that in the future and whether it forms part of the Street Tree Strategy, I would need to take on notice as I haven't had involvement in the development of that strategy, but certainly it has been an initiative that we have used in the past.

**Cr Cordover:**

Will Council work with State Growth to share that responsibility for planting vegetation alongside the State Growth roads? Specifically on land that is considered State Growth, rather than Council, are we helping to encourage State Growth to plant along those areas?

**Mayor:**

I would say that we should be lobbying them to do this. It's funny you should raise this because after attending an Australian Local Government Association meeting recently, I was made aware of an urban green strategy that they have in both WA and South Australia and I think New South Wales have recently adopted one as well. I wrote to my Greater Hobart Mayor colleagues last week and suggested that we consider lobbying the State Government to have a similar program for the Greater Hobart area because SA have a grants program so that either local governments or members of community groups can apply for grants that will bring more greenery into that urban area and I think that sounds like a perfect fit for the municipalities in the Greater Hobart area that are having these repeated problems. I would like to think that as part of our Street Tree Strategy that we would certainly encourage the Department of State Growth to do that. I think one of the other challenges that we certainly do have with graffiti is that there are some private owners who seem reluctant to remove the graffiti from their own premises. I would encourage, particularly commercial building owners, to get rid of graffiti as soon as it appears because if it stays there it encourages people to

continue to do that, and particularly if there are offensive words, then I think it does need to be removed very quickly because it can cause distress to some members of the community.

**Cr Cordover:**

In terms of the total allocation of funding to tree planting on Council managed lands, is the total allocation of funding for tree planting increasing?

**Mayor:**

We will take your question on notice.

**Cr Midgley** asked the following question without notice:

**11.2 Dog Poo Bags**

*Has there been an independent review of compostable dog poo bags that has been commissioned by Kingborough Waste Services?*

**Mayor responds:**

Yes there has been.

**Cr Midgley:**

What is the reasoning behind the commissioning of this review?

**Director Engineering Services:**

We've had quite a few comments from the chamber and from the community as well as regards the possibility of moving to compostible dog poo bags and as part of that, one of the things that we realise that we didn't have as much knowledge of as we would like to, is all the different types of bags that are out there and what sort of environmental impacts they might have. Even though we commissioned that, it wasn't an easy thing for the consultant to go through that process and trying to find all the information on the types of bags plus also how they might work within the Copping landfill, which is where they end up at the moment. It's a little more complicated than thought and that particular study has now been completed and my viewpoint would be to bring that back to Council and Council can make some decisions from there.

**Cr Midgley:**

What was the cost of that study?

**Director Engineering Services:**

From memory, it was about \$2,200.

**Cr Midgley:**

Will it be coming before budget discussions?

**Mayor:**

I think when we had the budget workshop we certainly indicated that we wanted to have a further discussion about compostible dog poo bags before we finalised our budget deliberations, so yes.

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**12 QUESTIONS ON NOTICE FROM COUNCILLORS**

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There were no questions on notice from Councillors.

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**13 PETITIONS STILL BEING ACTIONED**

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There are no petitions still being actioned.

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**14 PETITIONS RECEIVED IN LAST PERIOD**

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At the time the Minutes was compiled no Petitions had been received.

*Cr Cordover left the room at 5.44pm*

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**15 OFFICERS REPORTS TO COUNCIL**

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**C68/5-2024****15.1 KINGBOROUGH SPORT AND RECREATION STRATEGY**

Moved: Cr Kaspar Deane

Seconded: Cr Amanda Midgley

That the Kingborough Sport and Recreation Strategy as attached to this report be endorsed.

**CARRIED**

*Cr Cordover returned to the meeting at 6.07pm*

**C69/5-2024****15.2 FINANCIAL REPORT - FEBRUARY 2024**

Moved: Cr David Bain

Seconded: Cr Clare Glade-Wright

That Council endorses the attached Financial Report as at 29 February 2024.

**CARRIED**

**C70/5-2024****15.3 APPENDICES**

Moved: Cr Amanda Midgley

Seconded: Cr Mark Richardson

That the Appendices attached to the Agenda be received and noted.

**CARRIED**



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**16 NOTICES OF MOTION**

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There were no Notices of Motion.

**C71/5-2024**

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**17 CONFIRMATION OF ITEMS TO BE DEALT WITH IN CLOSED SESSION**

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Moved: Cr Flora Fox  
Seconded: Cr Clare Glade-Wright

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*

**Owner's Consent for Lodgement of a Development Application in the Kingborough Sports Precinct**

Regulation 15(2)(c)(iii), and (2)(g) *commercial information of a confidential nature, that if disclosed, is likely to reveal a trade secret, and information of a personal and confidential nature or information provided to the council on the condition it is kept confidential.*

**CARRIED**

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

Open Session of Council adjourned at 6.27pm

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**OPEN SESSION ADJOURNS**

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**OPEN SESSION RESUMES**

Open Session of Council resumed at 6.47pm

**C72/5-2024**

Moved: Cr Flora Fox  
Seconded: Cr Amanda Midgley

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	Nil
Owner's Consent for Lodgement of a Development Application in the Kingborough Sports Precinct	Approved

**CARRIED**

**CLOSURE**

There being no further business, the Chairperson declared the meeting closed at 6.48pm

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