



COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

17 March 2025

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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, 17 March 2025 at 5.30pm

1 AUDIO RECORDING

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

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

Councillors:

Acting Mayor Councillor C Glade-Wright	✓
Councillor A Antolli	✓
Councillor D Bain	✓
Councillor G Cordover	✓
Councillor K Deane	✓
Councillor F Fox	✓
Councillor A Midgley	✓
Councillor M Richardson	✓

Staff:

Chief Executive Officer	Mr Dave Stewart
Director People & Finance	Mr David Spinks
Acting Director Engineering Services	Mr Daniel Smee
Acting Director Governance, Recreation & Property Services	Dr Katrena Stephenson
Director Environment, Development & Community Services	Ms Deleeze Chetcuti
Manager Development Services	Ms Tasha Tyler-Moore
Senior Strategic Planner	Mr Adriaan Stander
Manager Environmental Services	Ms Liz Quinn
Climate Change Advisor	Mr Padriag Pearce
Communications Lead	Ms Sam Adams
Communications Officer	Mr Stuart Heather
Executive Assistant	Mrs Amanda Morton

C1/5-2025

4 APOLOGIES

Mayor Councillor P Wriedt
Councillor C Street

C2/5-2025**5 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

Moved: Cr Flora Fox
Seconded: Cr David Bain

That the Minutes of the open session of the Council Meeting No. 4 held on 3 March 2025 be confirmed as a true record.

CARRIED**6 WORKSHOPS HELD SINCE LAST COUNCIL MEETING**

Date	Topic	Detail
11 March	Financial Sustainability & Annual Budget Approach	A presentation was received from WLF in relation to their recent audit report on Council's financial sustainability. Discussion was also held on the approach to the formulation of Council's 2025/26 budget.

7 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

8 TRANSFER OF AGENDA ITEMS

There were no agenda items transferred.

9 QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE FROM THE PUBLIC

C3/5-2025**10 QUESTIONS ON NOTICE FROM THE PUBLIC**

Council has determined that questions on notice or questions taken on notice from a previous meeting should not contain lengthy preambles or embellishments and should consist of a question only. To this end, Council reserves the right to edit questions for brevity so as to table the question only, with some context if need be, for clarity.

10.1 Bike Week

At the Council meeting on 3 March 2025, **Mr Mark Donnellon** asked the following question without notice to the Chief Executive Officer, with a response that the question would be taken on notice:

Has the Council been doing anything in the way of initiatives or grants related to bike week this year?

Officer's Response:

For bike week 2025 Council posted four social media posts throughout the week promoting bike riding as a great way to stay active, commute to work and have fun. The posts promoted a particular local bike path or trail and also path etiquette. At its February 2025 meeting the Kingborough Bicycle Advisory Committee discussed opportunities to undertake more initiatives for bike week 2026 and it was recommended that a sub-committee convene to pursue further opportunities.

Daniel Smee, Acting Director Engineering Services

C4/5-2025**11 QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE FROM COUNCILLORS**

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Cr Midgley asked the following questions without notice:

11.1 Metro Buses

I've been advised that over the years a number of bus services across Kingborough have been cut and that leaves people not being able to either get back from Hobart or catch buses along Taroona. What advocacy do we do in regards to Metro buses in Kingborough?

Acting Director Engineering Services responds:

We are aware that some services have been cut, but we're also aware that additional services have been added. I guess Metro do their analysis of user demand and make decisions accordingly. In terms of our advocacy, we do have meetings with Metro and we will advocate on behalf of the community for particular services as required and in relation to demonstrated need.

11.2 Fish Products at Council Waste Facilities

Has any of the Kingborough Council waste disposal facilities received fish or fish products as a result of the fish farms recent mass mortality events?

Acting Director Engineering Services responds:

Not that I'm aware of but I would need to check with our waste management people to be 100% certain of that answer.

11.3 Natural Burials

Will there be a policy development of how the new space will be managed differently to traditional burials? Some of the things around that include the plot sizes and managing grass and things like that.

Acting Director Engineering Services responds:

My recollection when this came to Council is that Council's approval came with a set of guidelines in relation to those matters that you have raised. Yes, it is acknowledged that a natural burial is

subject to different regulations and different practices and my recollection is that that was all covered when Council gave its approval for that particular matter to occur in Kingborough.

Cr Cordover asked the following questions without notice:

11.4 Salmon Industry

Do we get updates from the salmon industry when they do experience a mortality event that may affect beaches under Kingborough Council's jurisdiction? Is there ongoing communication between the Council and the industry, or do we just find out about these things from the media?

Acting Director Engineering Services responds:

I would expect that the industry would notify us if there was an expectation that we were going to need to accommodate an unexpected load at our waste transfer facility or need to put in place any special arrangements. Generally speaking, no, it's not something that we would receive regular communication on. It would be by exception.

Cr Cordover:

Will there be extra monitoring of our beaches by Council staff as a result of the event?

Acting Director Engineering Services responds:

Bearing in mind that most beaches in Kingborough, Council has no jurisdiction over. We license a handful of beaches for the purpose of public recreation and on which to manage dogs, but the vast majority, including Verona Sand, Council has no jurisdiction over.

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12 QUESTIONS ON NOTICE FROM COUNCILLORS

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12.1 NORTH WEST BAY CEMETERY

At the Council meeting held on 3 March 2025, **Cr Midgley** asked the following question without notice to the Chief Executive Officer, with a response that the question would be taken on notice:

In regard to the possible drainage work that needs to happen there, has that occurred, is that at all in the budget plans and any further information in regards to that?

Officer's Response:

We have not received any requests to conduct a natural burial. We have had enquiries and have taken the details of those who have placed an expression of interest in purchasing a plot in the natural burials area and will make contact with these people once the plots are available for purchase. An area of the site has been identified to accommodate natural burials, which does not require any remediation or drainage works. We are working towards surveying and plotting the area identified so it is ready for burials.

Janelle Kingston, Recreation & Property Services Administration Officer

OPEN SESSION ADJOURNS

PLANNING AUTHORITY IN SESSION

Planning Authority commenced at 5.39pm

13 OFFICERS REPORTS TO PLANNING AUTHORITY

C6/5-2025

13.1 PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE KINGBOROUGH INTERIM PLANNING SCHEME 2015 TO REZONE LAND AT 26 CRESCENT DRIVE (CT146336/1, CT146336/2 AND CT146336/3) AND 21 GEMALLA ROAD (CT187452/1), MARGATE

Moved: Cr David Bain

Seconded: Cr Kaspar Deane

That Council resolves to:

- (a) Pursuant to s39(1) of the former provisions of the *Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993*, note the representations received in relation to Planning Scheme Amendment, PSA-2024-1;
- (b) Pursuant to s39(2)(b)(i) of the former provisions of the *Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993*, indicate to the Tasmanian Planning Commission that the Planning Authority does not recommend any changes to the initiated and certified amendment as part of this report; and
- (c) Pursuant to s39(2)(a) of the former provisions of the *Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993*, forward a copy of this report, and representations received to the Tasmanian Planning Commission.

CARRIED

PLANNING AUTHORITY SESSION ADJOURNS

OPEN SESSION RESUMES

Open session resumed at 6.01pm

14 PETITIONS STILL BEING ACTIONED

There are no petitions still being actioned.

15 PETITIONS RECEIVED IN LAST PERIOD

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

16 OFFICERS REPORTS TO COUNCIL

C7/5-2025

16.1 CLIMATE CHANGE POLICY REVIEW

Moved: Cr Amanda Midgley
Seconded: Cr Gideon Cordover

That the update of Council's Climate Change Policy 6.13 (as attached to this report) be approved.

CARRIED

C8/5-2025

16.2 REMAKING LOCAL GOVERNMENT REGULATIONS DISCUSSION PAPER

Moved: Cr Amanda Midgley
Seconded: Cr David Bain

That Council agreed that Appendix A be provided to the Local Government Association of Tasmania as reflective of Council's position on the regulatory changes proposed as part of the required remaking of the *Local Government (Meeting Procedures)* and *Local Government (General) Regulations*.

Moved: Cr Gideon Cordover
Seconded: Cr Flora Fox

That the matter be discussed.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr Gideon Cordover
Seconded: Cr Aldo Antolli

To move out of discussion

CARRIED

The substantive motion was then put.

CARRIED

C9/5-2025

16.3 SUNCOAST DRIVE, BLACKMANS BAY - LICENCE TO TASNETWORKS FOR COMMUNITY BATTERY PROJECT

Moved: Cr Gideon Cordover
Seconded: Cr Flora Fox

That Council advertises its intent to licence part of the land at Suncoast Drive Reserve at Blackmans Bay in accordance with Section 178 of the *Local Government Act 1993 (TAS)*.

CARRIED

C10/5-2025

16.4 AUDIT PANEL - INDEPENDENT MEMBERS REMUNERATION

Moved: Cr Amanda Midgley
Seconded: Cr Flora Fox

That the updated Audit Panel Charter, as attached, be adopted, with the sitting fees for independent Audit Panel members be increased with effect from the May 2025 Panel meeting through to June 2026.

CARRIED

C11/5-2025

16.5 FINANCIAL REPORT - FEBRUARY 2025

Moved: Cr David Bain
Seconded: Cr Amanda Midgley

That Council endorses the attached Financial Report as at 28 February 2025.

CARRIED

C12/5-2025

16.6 APPENDICES

Moved: Cr Amanda Midgley
Seconded: Cr David Bain

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

CARRIED

17 NOTICES OF MOTION

There were no Notices of Motion.

C13/5-2025**18 CONFIRMATION OF ITEMS TO BE DEALT WITH IN CLOSED SESSION**

Moved: Cr Amanda Midgley
Seconded: Cr David Bain

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*

CARRIED

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

Open Session of Council adjourned at 7.07pm

OPEN SESSION ADJOURNS

OPEN SESSION RESUMES

Open Session of Council resumed at 7.08pm

C14/5-2025

Moved: Cr Flora Fox
Seconded: Cr David Bain

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

CARRIED

CLOSURE

There being no further business, the Chairperson declared the meeting closed at 7.09pm

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(Confirmed)

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(Date)