



MINUTES

Annual General Meeting

6 December 2025

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 the Annual General Meeting of Council
Kingborough Civic Centre, 15 Channel Highway, Kingston
Saturday, 6 December 2025 at 9am

1 AUDIO RECORDING

The Chairperson will declare the meeting open, welcome all in attendance and advise that Council meetings are recorded and made publically available on its website. In accordance with Council's policy the Chairperson will request confirmation that the audio recording has commenced.

2 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TRADITIONAL CUSTODIANS

The Chairperson will acknowledge the traditional custodians of this land, pay respects to elders past and present, and acknowledge today's Tasmanian Aboriginal community.

3 ATTENDEES

Councillors:

Mayor Councillor P Wriedt	✓
Deputy 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	✓
Councillor C Street	✓

Staff:

Chief Executive Officer	Mr Dave Stewart
Director People & Finance	Mr David Spinks
Director Governance, Recreation & Property Services	Mr Daniel Smee
Director Engineering Services	Mr Craig Mackey
Director Environment, Development & Community Services	Ms Deleeze Chetcuti
Communications Lead	Ms Sam Adams
Executive Assistant	Mrs Amanda Morton

4 APOLOGIES

Nil.

5 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Moved Cr Street
Seconded Cr Glade-Wright

That the Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 7 December 2024, and as attached to this Agenda, be confirmed as a true record.

CARRIED

6 WELCOME BY THE CHAIRPERSON

The Mayor, Cr Paula Wriedt, provided an introduction and summary of the year in review.

7 PRESENTATION

Community programs and services.

8 2024/25 ANNUAL REPORT

No submissions had been received.

9 PUBLIC QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE AND MOTIONS FROM THE FLOOR

9.1 QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE

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.

Mr Nick Booth asked the following questions without notice:

9.1.1 Planning Responses/Time Frames

On 17 November I asked the Council if it had a benchmark on performance in relation to the planning response and timeframes. I was referred to The List and the CDC data as a mechanism to judge the performance of Council, as I had made the assertion that council didn't publish this information. Out of curiosity, I delved into the bowels of the CDC website and found the CDC information doesn't really contain the information that I was after, and was referred back to getting that information from the council in question. Given that the councils operate under the Tasmanian Government's open data policy, some of the key principles are discoverable and usable. I would argue that in this case, that information isn't discoverable or usable. My question still stands. How can we judge the performance of the planning department without comparative information showing the performance of Kingborough Council and comparisons to other councils so that Kingborough residents can objectively compare the performance of the departments?

Chief Executive Officer responds:

I acknowledge the value of data and being able to see what's happening within each local government authority. I'll need to take that on notice to look into exactly what data is published where and have a look at what we can make available to be able to assist you with your inquiry.

9.1.2 Fire Wood Collection

A question was previously asked about fire wood collection in the current and new zones. The response from the Council was, if you have an existing permission, that will still apply, or you could use the modify or vegetation removal as a mechanism for that purpose. There are six boxes to use in that form, and none specifies firewood collection. My question is, the Council should consider simplifying the process of firewood collection for the landholder by modifying the vegetation removal form to collect firewood.

Director Environment, Development & Community Services responds:

Thank you for the feedback and I think that's a valuable exercise for us to do and so we will review that form to make it more usable and also consider your recommendation.

Ms Kim Phillips asked the following questions without notice:

9.1.3 LCZ Application

Can Council please state its own current assessment of the proposed landscape conservation zoning, specifically whether Council itself believes the zoning is correct and requires no alteration?

Chief Executive Officer responds:

As has been published and communicated by Council, we have a review of the draft allocation of the landscape conservation zone across the municipality underway at the moment. I think making a comment at this point in time would be preemptive of that and so we will await the outputs of that independent review before making any further comment.

Ms Phillips:

My question is not about predicting outcomes. It is about Council's current stance. So does Council at this moment believe that the landscape conservation zoning has been accurately applied? A clear yes or no will help residents understand whether our concerns are being acknowledged.

Chief Executive Officer:

Again, I appreciate the question. I'm not going to be able to provide a straight yes or no. It's a deeper question than that and there is work going on to ascertain the validity of that at the moment. So I'm not wanting to speak on behalf of Council and pre-empt what that position will be. We are open to whatever the independent analysis of that comes back as, and so we'll await that information.

9.2 NOTICES OF MOTION

9.2.1 Energy Efficiency

Moved Mike McKlusky
Seconded Nick Booth

That during 2026, Kingborough Council investigates and reports back on affordable and cost effective options to assist Kingborough residents improve the energy efficiency, costs of running and comfort of their homes.

CARRIED

9.2.2 Pothole Repairs

Moved David Groves
Seconded Karen Groves

Council enact a more effective method for pothole repairs in Kingborough.

CARRIED

9.2.3 Change of Zoning from Environmental Living to Rural Living

Moved Charles Biggins
Seconded Nick Booth

That Council intervenes as the planning authority and preferences all previously zoned environmental living properties that comes before council acting as the planning authority as rural living unless the land holder has specifically requested landscape conservation zone.

CARRIED

9.2.4 Change of Zoning from Rural Resource to Rural Living

Moved Peter Creef
Seconded Tracy Harvey

That Council intervenes as the planning authority and preferences all previously zoned rural resource properties and/or any property where the predominant use is for living that comes before council acting as the planning authority as rural living unless the land holder has specifically requested the proposed zone.

Cr Glade-Wright left the room at 9.56am
Cr Glade-Wright returned at 9.57am

Cr Antolli left the room at 10am
Cr Antolli returned at 10.01am

Cr Midgley left the room at 10.02am
Cr Midgley returned at 10.03pm

Cr Deane left the room at 10.03am
Cr Deane returned at 10.04am

CARRIED

9.2.5 Trees on Private Land By-Law

Moved Charlie Biggins
Seconded Tamieka Adkins

That Council abandon any plans to introduce the trees on private land by-law and returns the certificate to create this new by-law back to the State.

CARRIED

9.2.6 Review and Withdrawal of Council's Biodiversity Offset Policy

Moved Charlie Biggins
Seconded Alison Rogers

That Council withdraw and review their biodiversity offset policy following a 6 week public consultation period conducted by Council.

CARRIED

9.2.7 Review of Delegated Powers

Moved Tamieka Adkins
Seconded Kim Phillips

To call for a review of delegated powers to ensure officers act strictly within their authority.

CARRIED

9.2.8 Review of Requests for Further Information

Moved Tamieka Adkins
Seconded Natisha Knight

That Council prepare and publish a report detailing the number of requests for information over the past 3 years including the average time added to an application because of the results of an RFI, the proportion of applications shifted to a discretionary application due to an RFI and a comparison with other Tasmanian councils use of RFI's and that this report be made publically available.

CARRIED

9.2.9 Engagement with Rural Communities

Moved Karen Groves
Seconded Nick Booth

That Council investigate and make recommendations on additional engagement methods than those currently employed with the rural and semi-rural communities of Kingborough on Council actions that will affect them.

CARRIED

Cr Richardson left the room at 10.31am
Cr Richardson returned at 10.32am

9.2.10 Reporting on Planning Compliance Activities

Moved Peter Creef
Seconded Tamieka Adkins

That Council prepare and publish an annual report comparing:

1. The resources which include staff hours and budget allocated to planning compliance activities such as rezoning administration and overlays and requests for further information.

2. The resources allocated directly to housing delivery projects including infrastructure works, partnerships and community facilities supporting new housing.

This report should include year on year trends and be made publically available to demonstrate whether council's resource allocation is balanced toward enabling housing supply rather than disproportionately consumed by compliance processes.

CARRIED

10 CLOSURE

There being no further business, the Chairperson declared the meeting closed at 10.41