



COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

3 August 2026

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Kingborough Councillors 2022 - 2026



Acting Mayor
Councillor Christian Street



Councillor Aldo Antolli



Councillor David Bain



Councillor Gideon Cordover



Councillor Kaspar Deane



Councillor Flora Fox



Councillor Amanda Midgley



Councillor Mark Richardson

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MINUTES of an Ordinary Meeting of Council
Kingborough Civic Centre, 15 Channel Highway, Kingston
Monday, 3 August 2026 at 5.30pm

WELCOME

The Chairperson declared the meeting open and welcomed all in attendance. The Chairperson made a statement in terms of Section 8 of the *Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2025* and advised that audio recordings of Council meetings are made publicly available on Council's website and are live streamed on YouTube.

1 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.

2 ATTENDEES

Councillors:

Acting Mayor Councillor C Street	✓
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
Director Governance, Recreation & Property Services	Mr Daniel Smee
Director Engineering Services	Mr Craig Mackey
Director Environment, Development & Community Services	Mrs Deleeze Chetcuti
Lead Strategic Planner	Mr Adriaan Stander
Communications Lead	Ms Sam Adams
Executive Assistant	Mrs Amanda Morton

3 APOLOGIES

There were no apologies.

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4 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Moved: Cr Flora Fox
 Seconded: Cr David Bain

That the Minutes of the open session of the Council Meeting No. 13 held on 20 July 2026 be confirmed as a true record.

CARRIED**5 WORKSHOPS HELD SINCE LAST COUNCIL MEETING**

Date	Topic	Detail	Consultant
27 July	Regional Sports & Recreation Plan	A briefing was provided on the Draft Greater Hobart Sports Infrastructure Strategy.	Nil
	SAPS	Overview of Bruny Island Specific Area Plan and Bonnet Hill and Blackmans Bay Bluff Specific Area review report and recommendations	Nil

6 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

7 TRANSFER OF AGENDA ITEMS

There were no agenda items transferred.

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8 QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE FROM THE PUBLIC

Mr Will Perry asked the following questions without notice:

8.1 CCTV at the Kingston Bus Interchange

There have been a number of incidents centred around the Kingston bus interchange outside the Commbank building. I've been advised that CCTV was included in the original project scope for the shelter at the interchange including conduit was installed, but cameras didn't make the cut to reduce costs, mid construction. Can Council confirm whether CCTV was in fact part of the original design, at what point was it removed and who made that decision and what was the cost saving that would justify removing it?

Acting Mayor responds:

We will take your question on notice.

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9 QUESTIONS ON NOTICE FROM THE PUBLIC

9.1 Browns River

Mrs Jo Westwood submitted the following question on notice:

Does Council have a specific Browns River Catchment Management Plan? What work has Council undertaken at Browns River in recent years to improve water quality in the river and at Kingston Beach?

Officer's Response:

Catchment Plan:

Council does not have a current catchment management plan for Browns River. The most recent plan was completed in 2003. It provided an overview of the catchment, assessed water quality, identified management issues and made recommendations. Council delivered those recommendations through a range of projects and initiatives over the following decade.

Browns River Water Quality:

Recreational water quality has been monitored at a site in the lower estuary of Browns River since 1994. The site is below the pedestrian bridge where the river meets Kingston Beach. Monitoring checks compliance with the National Guidelines for Recreational Waters. Due to poor long term monitoring results, the site is deemed an environmental site, not a swimming site. This means it is considered suitable for secondary contact activities, such as kayaking, but not for swimming.

Monitoring of creek water quality has been coordinated by the Derwent Estuary Program and has occurred in 2005, 2010 and 2025. Urban catchments, such as Browns River, which receive stormwater from built up areas and surrounding industrial areas show the highest pollutant levels. The monitoring assesses a suite of water quality indicators including nitrogen, phosphorous, turbidity and bacteria.

Whilst many sites across the Derwent Estuary do not meet national and state water quality guidelines, the levels of nitrogen and phosphorous at the Browns River monitoring site are below national guidelines and have declined since 2005. In contrast, the levels of bacteria (enterococci) at the Browns River sites are poor. Enterococci is a microbial indicator used to assess the presence of faecal contamination and potential public health risks.

Stormwater is a significant contributor to poor water quality in Browns River and Kingston Beach as it carries pollutants from further up the catchment into local creeks and rivers and ultimately into marine waters.

Work to improve water quality:

- **Kingston Stormwater Wetlands** - The major initiative to improve water quality in Browns River and, ultimately, at Kingston Beach was the construction of the Kingston Stormwater Wetlands in 2000. Stormwater from central Kingston is redirected through the artificial wetland system before entering Whitewater Creek and Browns River. As water flows through a series of ponds and wetlands, bacteria and other contaminants are exposed to natural treatment processes. The wetlands significantly reduce contamination entering Browns River from central Kingston.
- **Stormwater investigations and upgrades** - As part of Council's stormwater investigation and upgrade program, officers investigate sites where public or private sewer systems are failing and leaking into Browns River and its tributaries. This work has been ongoing since the mid-1990s. Upgrades to the stormwater network, such as gross pollutant traps, bioretention basins and rain gardens, also improve water quality.

- **Creek Maintenance Plans** - In 2022 Creek Maintenance Plans were developed for urban rivulets, including a plan for Whitewater Creek which flows into Browns River. The plan guides management actions to improve riparian health, water quality and flow.
- **Riparian Corridor Management** - Council has been improving the health of riparian reserves, including along Whitewater Creek, Browns River and connecting creek lines, for more than 20 years, with support from Landcare groups and the community. Activities include weed and litter removal, revegetation of riparian corridors, habitat restoration and erosion management.
- **Development controls** – Through the development approvals process, Council considers the potential impacts of development on waterways and water quality. The public open space corridor within Spring Farm Estate is an example of a subdivision design that supports improved water quality in Whitewater Creek.

Liz Quinn, Manager Environmental Services

9.2 Gallaghers Road

At the Council meeting on 20 July 2026, **Ms Kim Phillips** asked the following question without notice to the Chief Executive Officer, with a response that the question would be taken on notice:

I've had a local resident share an email with me and asked me to follow up for them. The last email they have is from 18 August in 2025, where there's an issue with the top section of Gallaghers Road where the turning circle has collapsed down into the drain, making it difficult for council equipment to get out there to perform any maintenance work. Where are we at with that please because they were told that they would have some update on what was happening and have not since?

Officer's Response:

The upper section of Gallaghers Road has not been graded for several years because collapse of the bank within the turning area has prevented the safe turning of heavy plant, including the grader and trucks required to undertake grading works.

The resident was advised in 2025 that Council was investigating options to address the turning area and that a further update would be provided. Unfortunately, that follow-up communication did not occur and Council apologises for this oversight.

The road was inspected on 27 July 2026. Although it has not been graded for more than three years, the running surface is generally in good condition. One significant water rut was identified. However, the road remains accessible and is not considered to present a safety concern.

Council has drainage maintenance scheduled in the area within the next six weeks, subject to operational priorities. While undertaking these works, Council will clean the table drains, place material into the water rut and tidy the turning area where it can be undertaken safely. Major reconstruction of the turning area is not proposed at this stage due to the instability of the site and the limited operational benefit.

Future maintenance of the upper section of Gallaghers Road will be undertaken using smaller plant or localised repairs where intervention levels are reached, rather than by full grading. Council will continue to monitor the condition of the road and undertake maintenance in accordance with its safety and service requirements.

Renai Clark, Senior Roads Engineer

9.3 TPC Hearings

At the Council meeting on 20 July 2026, **Ms Alison Rogers** asked the following question without notice to the Chief Executive Officer, with a response that the question would be taken on notice:

Given that further strategic review of zoning and land use is going to be done around zoning and land use, will landowners incur a cost in terms of if they are going to apply for a change of zone? So if we say theoretically this landowner may be zoned rural, for example, in this current LPS, and they then want to query that and ask for a rural living consideration will that come at a cost to the landowner itself going through that process, or are Council going to take into consideration the fact that this perhaps should have taken place simultaneously with this current draft LPS?

Officer's Response:

The answer to the question is not entirely straightforward, as it will depend on the nature and outcomes of the future strategic planning work.

In some cases, Council may undertake strategic reviews of zoning and land use that identify a broader need for planning scheme changes across an area. Where Council determines that a planning scheme amendment is warranted to implement the strategic outcomes of that work, Council may choose to initiate and progress those amendments itself. In other cases, the strategic work may identify opportunities or provide a policy basis for different land use outcomes, but individual landowners may still need to pursue a planning scheme amendment if they are seeking a specific zoning change for their property. In those circumstances, the normal amendment processes and associated costs may apply.

It is also important to note that planning schemes are intended to evolve over time. Legislative requirements oblige councils to periodically review their planning schemes, and those reviews, together with other strategic planning projects, may lead to further amendments as community needs, growth patterns, infrastructure planning and state policy settings change.

Therefore, it would be premature to give a definitive answer on whether a particular landowner would incur costs associated with a future rezoning request. That will depend on whether the desired zoning outcome is ultimately progressed through a Council-initiated strategic planning process, or whether it is a matter that would need to be pursued by the landowner through a separate amendment request.

Adriaan Stander, Lead Strategic Planner

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10 QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE FROM COUNCILLORS

Cr Cordover asked the following questions without notice:

10.1 Roadkill Prevention

Back in 2023, maybe 2022, I moved a motion about a roadkill mitigation strategy, and among the answers to that was that the Council was intending on producing a natural areas and biodiversity strategy for which a wildlife road kill mitigation would be a constituent part. What is the expected due date for the natural areas biodiversity strategy, and specifically, what provisions will that strategy include to reduce wildlife vehicle collisions in Kingborough?

Acting Mayor responds:

We will take that question on notice so that we can respond appropriately given the detail that's been requested.

10.2 Nest Boxes

Is the Kingborough nest boxes adequately provisioned by the State Government or is it an initiative wholly resourced by Council, and I'm specifically interested in the swift parrot, and if there are works been being done around that?

Director Environment, Development & Community Services responds:

I'm actually going to take that on notice. We obviously do have nest boxes around the municipality, but I couldn't answer with a high level of confidence whether that's primarily Kingborough Council or partnership with the State Government.

10.3 Feral Deer Management

Is Council sufficiently provisioned by the State Government for running feral deer management programmes, particularly around data gathering and theoretical? Would the Council benefit from it or would the Council welcome more State Government funding and resource sharing?

Director Environment, Development & Community Services responds:

I don't think we've really firmed up exactly how Kingborough will be contributing to it in terms of specific actions required for monitoring and data collection, so it's hard to answer that at this point in time. Again, it's probably better we take that on notice so that I can seek some more information from staff.

Cr Antolli asked the following questions without notice:

10.4 Petitions

My is from petitioners who have sent in a petition that we are going to discuss on the agenda at item 14.4. The question though was why does the agenda say that there has been no petitions received, but we are discussing their petition? Is there an issue about their petition that they should be aware of?

Acting Mayor responds:

The the issue is, is that the petition doesn't conform with the formality requirements in the Local Government Act. The solution to that was noting the strong community interest in the matter and the fact that a petition was presented. The determination was made that Council should consider it regardless of the fact that those formality requirements were not met, so that's why it's not in the section of the agenda with respect to petitions. However, it is in the agenda as they are separate officers report to Council with the petition objectives, updated at item 14.4.

Cr Antolli:

Very gracious of Council to do that. Have we educated the petitioners to help in the future where they missed the mark, because they seem to be unaware that they missed the mark on the formality path.

Chief Executive Officer:

I'm unaware whether we've directly gone back to the petitioners on that in this instance. However, I'll note that given we are considering it anyway, as if it was a formally and compliant petition, I think it shows the intent behind it that we're trying to respond to community concerns. In addition, I would note that any petitioners can utilise the service on Council's website to be able to publicise their petitions and in that way we can make sure for them that their petition complies with the requirements of the act.

Cr Midgley asked the following questions without notice:

10.5 Climate Adaptation Fund

Is Council aware that the Australian Local Government Association is calling for a new \$400 million per year Climate Adoption fund to be distributed across all councils to provide local place based solutions to Australia's changing climate? Do we know if this will be discussed at the upcoming Local Government Association Tasmania conference?

Chief Executive Officer responds:

I'm aware that there was discussion about that topic at the recent ALGA National General Assembly conference. I haven't seen any publication from ALGA at this stage around that call to action around that request for funding. I will keep an eye out and I will review to see whether we have received anything on that. In regard to the upcoming Local Government Association of Tasmania Conference, I don't believe it is on the conference agenda. However, there could well be conversation that happens around that during the conference. The organiser of that conference is the Local Government Association of Tasmania.

10.6 Budget

Can ratepayers be made aware of what Council is actually budgeting on the increased need to repair and or replace infrastructure and also the proposed costs of climate adaptation in the next five years? Is that available on the website anywhere or where would community members find such information? I know we have a climate report but not sure if it has that detail.

Chief Executive Officer responds:

We might need to take the substance of that question on notice, but I would note, however, that Kingborough Council's capital budget for the year is published as part of the budget papers on an annual basis, so the capital budget is available for anyone to review. In terms of the longer term, we're doing a lot of work in this space around our strategic asset management plan at the moment, which will give us a longer term view of what our capital programme looks like. So that's something that we're firming up at the moment, but I'll take the the question on notice.

11 QUESTIONS ON NOTICE FROM COUNCILLORS

There were no questions on notice from Councillors. '

12 PETITIONS STILL BEING ACTIONED

There are no petitions still being actioned.

13 PETITIONS RECEIVED IN LAST PERIOD

No Petitions had been received.

OPEN SESSION ADJOURNS

PLANNING AUTHORITY IN SESSION

Planning Authority commenced at 5.43pm

14 OFFICERS REPORTS TO PLANNING AUTHORITY

C238/14-2026

14.1 REVIEW OF THE BONNET HILL AND BRUNY ISLAND SPECIFIC AREA PLANS

Moved: Cr David Bain
Seconded: Cr Amanda Midgley

That the matter be discussed.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr Mark Richardson
Seconded: Cr David Bain

That Council move out of discussion.

CARRIED

Motion 1: Pitt & Sherry Report

Moved: Cr Aldo Antolli
Seconded: Cr Mark Richardson

That the Planning Authority:

1. Receives and notes the Pitt & Sherry Review of the Draft Specific Area Plans for Bruny Island, Blackmans Bay Bluff and Bonnett Hill, as amended.
2. Endorses the provision of the Pitt & Sherry Report to the Tasmanian Planning Commission in accordance with the Commission's directions and requirements.
3. Authorises the CEO to take any administrative actions necessary to facilitate its submission.

Cr Richardson left the room at 6.22pm

Cr Richardson returned at 6.23pm

Moved: Cr Gideon Cordover
Seconded:

That this item be deferred.

The motion lapsed for want of a seconder

Moved: Cr Amanda Midgley
Seconded: Cr Flora Fox

That Cr Cordover be allowed a further 2 minutes to complete his contribution.

CARRIED

The motion was then put.

CARRIED

Motion 2: Blackmans Bay Bluff SAP

Moved: Cr Kaspar Deane
Seconded: Cr Aldo Antolli

That the Planning Authority:

1. Having considered the findings and recommendations of the Pitt & Sherry Report, endorses the removal of the Blackmans Bay Bluff component of the Specific Area Plan from the Draft Local Provisions Schedule.
2. Requests that this position be conveyed to the Tasmanian Planning Commission as part of the Planning Authority's response to the Pitt & Sherry Report.

CARRIED

Motion 3: Bruny Island and Bonnet Hill SAPs

Moved: Cr Aldo Antolli
Seconded: Cr David Bain

That the Planning Authority:

1. Notes the revised draft Specific Area Plans for Bruny Island and Bonnet Hill as presented.
2. Notes that the current revised draft SAP provisions differ substantially from the versions publicly exhibited during the Local Provisions Schedule exhibition process.
3. Determines not to endorse the revised Bruny Island and Bonnet Hill Specific Area Plans as the position of the Planning Authority at this time.
4. Determines that, in light of the advice in the Pitt & Sherry Report, the Planning Authority withdraws its support for the exhibited Bruny Island and Bonnett Hill Specific Area Plans.
5. Notes the potential planning value of a Specific Area plan to Bruny Island, however considers further community consultation would be required after the implementation of the Local Provision Schedule.
6. Requests that this resolution be provided to the Tasmanian Planning Commission for its consideration.

Amendment:

Moved: Cr Gideon Cordover

Seconded: Cr Amanda Midgley

1. Notes the revised draft Specific Area Plans for Bruny Island and Bonnet Hill as presented.
2. Notes that the current revised draft SAP provisions differ substantially from the versions publicly exhibited during the Local Provisions Schedule exhibition process.
3. Acknowledges that Bruny Island possesses special environmental values, including breeding habitat for the critically endangered Swift Parrot and significant priority vegetation, which cannot be adequately managed by the standard State Planning Provisions alone.
4. Determines that a Specific Area Plan is an important and necessary mechanism for the Tasmanian Planning Commission to consider adopting to protect Bruny Island's unique environmental values.
5. Endorses the modified draft Bruny Island Specific Area Plan, as presented in the officer's report, for submission to the Tasmanian Planning Commission.
6. Requests that this resolution be provided to the Tasmanian Planning Commission for its consideration.
7. Requests that the Tasmanian Planning Commission, in its assessment of the Local Provisions Schedule, exercises its discretion to direct or undertake further community engagement on the modified SAP to ensure procedural fairness and natural justice for affected landowners.

In Favour: Crs Gideon Cordover, Flora Fox and Amanda Midgley

Against: Crs Christian Street, Aldo Antolli, David Bain, Kaspar Deane and Mark Richardson

LOST 3/5

The substantive motion was then put.

In Favour: Crs Christian Street, Aldo Antolli, David Bain, Kaspar Deane and Mark Richardson

Against: Crs Gideon Cordover, Flora Fox and Amanda Midgley

CARRIED 5/3

PLANNING AUTHORITY SESSION ADJOURNS

OPEN SESSION RESUMES

Meeting adjourned at 7.18pm

Meeting resumed at 7.29pm

Open session resumed at 7.29pm

OFFICERS REPORTS TO COUNCIL

C239/14-2026

14.2 PROPOSED ROAD NAME - "DEFEND THE ISLAND WAY"

Moved: Cr Gideon Cordover

Seconded: Cr David Bain

That Council endorses the proposed name "Defend the Island Way" for the section of road between Kington View Drive and the roundabout at Lightwood Crescent and formally submits the proposal to Place Names Tasmania.

CARRIED

C240/14-2026

14.3 KINGBOROUGH SPORTS PRECINCT OVAL NAMES

Moved: Cr Gideon Cordover

Seconded: Cr David Bain

That the Tasmanian Devils Football Club, Kingborough District Cricket Club and Tigers Football Club be invited to submit proposed names to Council for their respective home grounds within the Kingborough Sports Precinct.

CARRIED

C241/14-2026

14.4 PETITION - KINGBOROUGH MOUNTAIN BIKE AND DOG PARKS

Moved: Cr Aldo Antolli

Seconded: Cr Flora Fox

That Council:

- a) Notes the Petition titled "Stop the demolition of Kingston MTB Park and Dog Park".
- b) Advises the organiser of the petition titled "Stop the demolition of Kingston MTB Park and Dog Park" that Council is fully committed to the Kingborough Sports Precinct developments including the Tasmanian Devils Football Club's High Performance Training Centre and is not prepared to pause construction.

CARRIED

C242/14-2026**14.5 PETITION - DOG OBEDIENCE TRAINING FACILITY AT SEDGEBROOK RESERVE**

Moved: Cr Flora Fox

Seconded: Cr Amanda Midgley

That the organiser of the petition expressing opposition to the proposed relocation of the Southern Obedience Club to the Sedgebrook Reserve at Bonnet Hill be advised that this location is no longer being considered.

CARRIED

C243/14-2026**14.6 APPENDICES**

Moved: Cr Amanda Midgley

Seconded: Cr Aldo Antolli

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

CARRIED

15 NOTICES OF MOTION

There were no Notices of Motion.

C244/14-2026**16 CONFIRMATION OF ITEMS TO BE DEALT WITH IN CLOSED SESSION**

Moved: Cr Amanda Midgley

Seconded: Cr Flora Fox

That in accordance with the *Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2025* Council, by absolute majority, move into closed session to consider the following items:

Confirmation of Minutes

Regulation 40(6) *At the next closed meeting, the minutes of the previous closed meeting, after any necessary correction, are to be confirmed as the true record by the council or council committee and signed by the chairperson of the closed meeting.*

Applications for Leave of Absence

Regulation 17(2)(i) *applications by councillors for a leave of absence*

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AND BY ABSOLUTE MAJORITY

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

Open Session of Council adjourned at 7.58pm

OPEN SESSION ADJOURNS

OPEN SESSION RESUMES

Open Session of Council resumed at 8.01pm

C245/14-2026

Moved: Cr Flora Fox

Seconded: Cr Gideon Cordover

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	Approved

CARRIED

CLOSURE

There being no further business, the Chairperson declared the meeting closed at 8.02pm

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(Confirmed)

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(Date)