

MINUTES

Kingborough Aquatic Facility Steering Committee

Meeting No. 2024-2

Thursday, 3 October at 5.30pm

Kingborough

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MINUTES of a Meeting of the Kingborough Aquatic Facility Steering Committee held at the Kingborough Council Chambers, on Thursday 3 October 2024 at 5.30pm.

		PRESENT	APOLOGY
Chairperson	Cr Kaspar Deane	✓	
Deputy Chairperson	Cr David Bain	✓	
Members:	Damien Bones		X
	Kennedy Clarke		X
	Peter Hickman	✓	
	Brad Johnson		X
	Rachel Lane	✓	
	Nathan Langdon		X
	Selena Palmer		X
	Amanda Punch	✓	
	Kylie Ramsey	✓	
	Alex Sommer		X
Council Officers:			
Director Governance, Recreation & Property Services	Daniel Smee	✓	
Operations Manager, Kingborough Sports Centre	Sean Kerr	✓	
Community Engagement Officer	Vanessa Weldon	✓	

1. Introductions for new members and 1st Meeting Recap (K Deane)

Introduction provided by Amanda.

First meeting recap provided.

2. Research undertaken since last meeting (Members)

Peter has requested financial figures from the Eurobodalla Council for the Batemans Bay pool.

Funding for this project was provided by the NSW Government.

Note: The Batemans Bay aquatic centre features an eight-lane lap pool with ramp access, 10-metre warm water pool, a leisure pool with learn-to-swim and toddler areas, water play splash pads, waterslides, gym, group fitness and wellness area.

Kylie has arranged a meeting with a contact from the Mornington Peninsula Shire (VIC) to discuss the Yawa Aquatic Centre.

Note: The Yawa facility includes the following features:

- Gymnasium (24hr access)
- Four Program rooms (for programs like Group fitness classes)
- 50m Indoor Pool with a boom which allows the pool to be divided into 2x 25m
- Warm Water Pool
- Learn to Swim Pool
- Spa, Sauna, Steam room
- Aqua Play and Toddler Pool
- Café
- Wellness Suites

Kylie will enquire about the pricing model and sought suggestions from the committee about other questions that could be asked. The following was suggested:

- Funding amount and source.
- Operational costs
- Whether conversations were had about choosing between a 25m or 50m pool.
- How many lanes.
- Retail numbers.
- Who is operating the venue
- Was there a private deal partnership.

Feedback received from the operators of the Collegiate and Friends pools was to be careful with considering a one-size-fits-all facility. Temperature needs vary for different uses.

It was noted that an appropriate model for usage charges will need to be considered.

3. Grant Opportunity (D. Smee)

A funding opportunity has been identified with the Federal Urban Precincts and Partnerships Program.

Stream One: Precinct development and planning.

Funding between \$50,000 to \$5 million available for master planning, consultation, design, business cases and partnership establishment.

Stream Two: Precinct delivery.

Funding between \$5 million to \$50 million will be available to help deliver a specified project/s as part of a precinct.

If the grant application is successful, stream one could be used in part to update the Sports Precinct Masterplan to include a key focus of the development of an aquatic facility.

The committee can help put together a brief for the consultation, including focusing on core requirements for the aquatic centre.

Daniel & Sean will work on the draft application and circulate to committee members for feedback.

4. Learnings from Glenorchy CC (S. Kerr)

Sean spoke with a staff member from Glenorchy City Council about the process leading to the chosen design for the Glenorchy Pool upgrade. The estimated annual cost for the proposed facility is \$700,000, but is more likely to be around \$1 million, including depreciation.

5. Next steps and workshop session (S. Kerr)

Carried over to next meeting.

NEXT MEETING

Thursday 7 November, 5.30pm, Kingborough Civic Centre.