Minutes

Kingborough Bicycle Advisory Committee

Meeting No. 2024-5

Friday 18 October 2024

Kingborough

MINUTES of a Meeting of the Kingborough Bicycle Advisory Committee held at the Kingborough Civic Centre, Kingston, on Friday 18 October 2024 at 9:00am.

PRESENT

		PRESENT	APOLOGY
Chairperson	Cr Amanda Midgley	✓	
Deputy Chairperson	Cr David Bain	✓	
Members:	Mark Donnellon	✓	
	Joyce du Mortier	✓	
	Emlyn Jones		X
	Kelvin Lewis	✓	
	David McQuillen	✓	
	Rob Sheers	✓	
	Peter Tuft		X
	Angela Wilson		X
Cycling South	Mary McParland	✓	
Bicycle Network	Alison Hetherington	✓	
Council Officers In Attendance:			
Executive Officer	Anthony Verdouw	✓	
Recreation Officer	Su Sprott		X
Other Attendees:			
Urban Mobility Planner – DSG	Dustin Moore	✓	

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TRADITIONAL OWNERS

The Chairperson acknowledged and paid respect to the Tasmanian Aboriginal Community as the traditional and original owners and continuing custodians of the land on which we meet and acknowledged elders past and present.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

MOVED: Rob Sheers
SECONDED: Kelvin Lewis

That the Minutes of the Committee meeting held on Friday 23 August 2024, as circulated be confirmed.

GENERAL BUSINESS

1. Cycling Strategy – Strategic and Advocacy Actions Review

Review and discussion of Strategic and Advocacy Actions – Appendix 1

Action 3 – Track counters:

- Permanent counter installed on Whitewater Track. The others will be moved around to various tracks regularly.
- Sunday Rec Counts have been booked again for 2024 to compare to last years counts – gives Council good data on active transport use.

Action 5 & Action 12 – Road safety audits to eliminate hazards for cycling – maintain existing network.

- KBAC members are invited to report on specific issues and can use Snap Send Solve or raise service requests out of session.

Action 7 & 8 – Promote safe cycling and places to ride in Kingborough.

Action 10 – Wayfinding strategy – signage and mapping

- Some additional wayfinding signs have been installed on the new Whitewater Creek track extension.

Action 11 – Positive Provisioning Policy

- The Committee endorsed the final draft of the Active Transport Positive Provisioning Policy for Council approval. Policy is scheduled to go to Council on 21 October 2024 for final Council endorsement.

2. Cycling Strategy – Infrastructure Actions Review

Review and discussion of Infrastructure Actions – Appendix 1

Action 15 – Channel Hwy Sealed Shoulders (Huntingfield to Margate section – State Growth projects)

- Noted by the Committee as a high priority safety issue for commuter and recreational cyclists.

Action 17 – Channel Trail –Margate to Huntingfield.

- Margate to Huntingfield Shared Pathway Development Report.
- Keep project on the agenda and continue discussion regards next steps.
- Suggested stage project and that State and Council pursue grant funding for further design.
- Flagged future National Active Transport Fund as potential opportunity.

Action 18 – Algona Road Shared Path Feasibility Study

- Funding secured for feasibility study and concept design to be undertaken this Financial Year.
- Staff are preparing a consultant brief for the feasibility study.

Action 20 – Huntingfield Park & Ride Connections

- Subdivision application for Huntingfield House property lodged.

Action 21 – Channel Hwy Taroona - bike Lane upgrades

- Designs are nearing completion. Additional grant funding was successful. Staff to share finalised plans.

Action 22 – Spring Farm to Sports Precinct

- Works for Stage 2 Spring Farm to Sports Precinct connector will start soon:

Action 23 – Huntingfield to Kingston CBD – Channel Hwy

- Spring Farm to Mertonvale footpaths – construction is well underway.

Action 24 – Roslyn Ave design

- Concept plans for uphill bike lanes and cost estimate presented to the Committee. Project has site constraints and a high-cost estimate.
- Committee have requested that the project remains on the 5-year plan as it is a high-priority high-use cycling link.
- Meeting to discuss project occurred 17 November 2023. Plan to pursue grant options and potential to break project into 2 stages.
- Pass Cyclists Safely signage has been installed.

Action 26 – Channel Trail – Snug to Lower Snug

- Old Station Rd and Davies Rd, Lower Snug – shared path. Site survey has been completed to inform detailed designs.
- Snug River Track Upgrade – North of the pedestrian bridge – Works complete:

- Channel Highway, Snug footpath – between Sunsail St and Snug Tiers Rd – detailed designs for works are being prepared.

Action 28 – Sandfly Road Sealed Shoulders

- Grant funding under Safer Rural Roads Program successful – sealed shoulders on Sandfly Rd focussing on priority uphill sections.
- Rob Sheers, Kelvin Jones and David McQuillen nominated to work with Council staff to select the highest priority sections for sealing.
- Site meeting of project working group organised.

3. Cycling South Report

Cycling South report on activities:

- The Cycling South AGM will be held on 22 October.
- Tasman Bridge - Mary and Alison Hetherington from Bicycle Network met with the project managers in early October to understand the limitations of the bridge path widening and discuss options for making improvements.

CORRESPONDENCE

OTHER BUSINESS

4. Ride to Work Day

Mark Donnellon reported on Ride to Work Day held at Maxie on Wednesday 16 October 2024. Encouraging turnout of riders and 30+ surveys completed. Funding received from KC and AAD to set up the event.

5. DSG Update

- Better Active Transport Grant Deeds are progressing.
- Preparing Greater Hobart Cycling Parking masterplan.
- eBikes in Tasmania Regulations - survey submissions closing 11 November 2024.
- Walk, Wheel, Ride Strategy consultation likely November.
- Noted plans for intersection upgrades at Grove on Huon Highway.

6. Capital Project Bids 2025-2026

The Committee discussed the priority projects for improving cycling infrastructure (in alignment with Cycling Strategy). The below potential projects were discussed:

- Action 20 – Sirius Drive to Huntingfield Park and Ride Path Link (DESIGN)
- Hollyhock Drive path link to Whitewater Creek Track

  Paths linking Whitewater Subdivision with Spring Farm
- Action 24 – Roslyn Avenue uphill bike lane (Stage 1)

  Noted unlikely to get endorsed due to estimated costs. Noted Council could utilise traffic data to use for grant funding opportunities related to safety issues.
- Action 23 – Huntingfield to Kingston separated path (DESIGN)

  Noted that DSG consultants have prepared concepts and noted land use planning changes and the Kingston Southern Gateway SAP.
- Action 19 – Firthside to Summerleas Stage 2

  Noted that project is dependent on related stormwater project.
- Westside Circle Summerleas Road junction crossing

  Would require landowner / body corporate approval for further investigation.

Noted improved bike parking would be welcomed, but suitable parking options and locations need to be identified.

7. Nominations for KBAC representatives 2025-2026

KBAC community representative terms end in December 2024. Nominations for new representatives for the 2025-2026 term will be advertised shortly. Current members are encouraged to reapply for another term if they wish.

MATTERS OF GENERAL INTEREST

8. KBAC terms of reference

Mark Donnellon asked if the Committee could consider broadening the scope of the Committee to include other forms of urban mobility.

Noted that AAA infrastructure caters for PMDs and other forms of travel and that a broader terms of reference could dilute the Committee's focus on cycling.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Committee is to be held at 9am on Friday 13 December 2024 at the Council Chambers.

CLOSURE

There being no further business, the Chairperson declared the meeting closed at 10.30am

Kingborough Bicycle Advisory Committee

Proposed Meeting Dates for 2024

Note meetings are held bi-monthly on Fridays at 9:00am
in the Council Chambers, Kingston

23 February
19 April
21 June
23 August
18 October
13 December

Appendix 1 – Cycling Strategy Action Tables:

Strategic and Advocacy Actions

Action	Project	Description	Time frame	Cost	Responsible Authorities	Funding	Progress/Outcomes
1	Ride to School Day and Ride to Work Day	Promote National Ride to School Day and Ride to Work Day through Council communication channels. Assess schools for rideability and barriers to greater cycling uptake.	Ongoing	Low	Council	Op	
2	Commuter Counts	Continue to collect cycling data by participating in the annual Commuter Counts in March each year.	Ongoing	Low	Council	Op	
3	Install usage counters	Install counters to collect usage data on cycling routes and create an active transport data set for the municipality.	Ongoing	Low	Council	Op	
4	Bike Week	Support Bike Week events to encourage participation in cycling, such as the Kingborough Treasure Hunt.	Ongoing	Low	Council	Op	
5	Road safety audits to eliminate hazards for people cycling	Review road crossings on shared paths and around schools to assess whether safety improvements can be made, such as wombat crossings and pedestrian refuges. Where kerb outstands create 'pinch points' identify options for removing the hazard. Review speed limits in activity areas and on cycling routes.	Ongoing	Low	Council	Op	
6	Active travel provisions in new developments	Advocate for the development of standards for active travel infrastructure and facilities. Encourage new developments and subdivisions to align with the recommendations of the *Kingborough Footpath Policy*	Ongoing	Low	Council, Tasmanian Planning Commission	Op	

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		and the *Kingborough Cycling Strategy* endorsed by Council. Where appropriate require a 2.5m wide shared path alongside all collector roads and waterways in new developments. Encourage developers to incorporate bicycle parking in commercial and residential apartment developments.					
7	Promote safe cycling in Kingborough	Promote road safety campaigns developed by RSAC (Road Safety Advisory Council) and the Kingborough Community Safety Committee. Support and promote cycling education programs run by external agencies to provide bicycle education that increases skills and confidence.	Ongoing	Low	Council	Op	
8	Promote cycling routes and places to ride	Promote cycling-related tourism through provision of maps and online information about routes and destinations, such as Bruny Island.	Ongoing	Low	Council	Op	
9	Advocate for bike racks on buses	Advocate to MetroTas and the State Government to provide bike racks on buses on all local and regional bus routes.	Short	Low	Council, DSG	Op	
10	Wayfinding Strategy – signage and mapping	Develop and implement a Wayfinding Strategy, including improved signage and mapping for active travel throughout Kingborough.	Short	Low	Council	Op	
11	Positive Provisioning Policy	Adopt a Positive Provisioning Policy to incorporate cycling-friendly design in all Council projects.	Short	Low	Council	Op	

Infrastructure Actions

Action	Project	Description	Time frame	Responsible Authorities	Cost	Funding	Progress/Outcomes
12	**Maintain existing bike network**	Ensure the principal bicycle network is reviewed annually to ensure bicycle infrastructure is safe and surfaces are free of significant bumps, holes, or other impediments. Any issues should be included in road resurfacing or other road maintenance schedules.	Ongoing	Council, DSG	N/A	Op	
13	**Bike parking**	Install bike parking based on an annual audit and community surveying and at key bus stops.	Ongoing	Council, DSG	Low	Op	
14	**Water stations and bike repair stations**	Install water fountains and bike repair stations based on an annual audit and community surveying.	Ongoing	Council	Low	Op	
15	**Channel Hwy sealed shoulders – Kingston to Kettering**	Liaise with Department of State Growth to advocate for road upgrades along the Channel Highway that include 1.5m sealed shoulders.	Ongoing	State Growth, Council	Low	Op	
16	**Mountain bike park improvements**	Continue to seek opportunities and funding to upgrade the facilities at the Kingston Mountain Bike Park to bring it to contemporary standards.	Ongoing	Council	Low	Ex	
17	**Channel Trail – Kingston to Margate**	Investigate and advocate for a shared path from Huntingfield to the end of the existing shared path in Margate.	Short	DSG, Council	Low	Cap / Ex	Feasibility Study Report released
18	**Algona Road**	Investigate and advocate for a shared path on the southern side of Algona Road between Roslyn Avenue and Huntingfield.	Short	DSG, Council	Low	Cap / Ex	
19	**Firthside to Summerleas**	Construct a mixed on-road and shared path route between Kingston High School and the Firthside Park & Ride.	Short	Council, DSG	Medium	Cap / Ex	

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20	**Huntingfield Park & Ride Connections**	Construct shared path and safe crossings from existing shared paths to the Huntingfield Park & Ride.	Short	Council, DSG	Medium	Cap / Ex	
21	**Taroona – Channel Hwy**	Upgrade on-road cycling facilities along Channel Highway through Taroona.	Short	Council, DSG	Medium	Cap / Ex	
22	**Spring Farm to Sports Precinct**	Construct a shared path from the existing Whitewater Creek path, north to the sporting precinct.	Short	Council	Medium	Cap / Ex	
23	**Huntingfield to Kingston CBD – Channel Hwy**	Advocate and seek funding for protected cycling infrastructure along Channel Highway, between Huntingfield and Kingston.	Short	DSG, Council	Medium	Ex	
24	**Roslyn Avenue - Kingston Beach to Blackmans Bay**	Investigate options for an uphill bicycle lane from Algona Road to Jindabyne Road. Investigate a shared path on the western side of Roslyn Avenue, including safe intersection upgrades.	Short	Council	Low	Cap	
25	**Kingston to Kingston Beach**	Investigate options and pursue opportunities for a shared path between Kingston and Kingston Beach.	Short	Council, Landowners	Low	Cap / Ex	
26	**Channel Trail – Snug to Lower Snug**	Construct a shared path between Snug and Lower Snug, starting from the existing shared path in Snug.	Short	Council, DSG	Very High	Cap / Ex	
27	**Taroona Safe Route to School**	Construct a mixed on-road and shared path route along Flinders Esplanade to Taroona Primary and High Schools, including modal filters and safe crossings.	Medium	Council, Education Dep.	Medium	Cap	
28	**Sandfly Road – sealed shoulders**	Improve on-road cycling infrastructure along Sandfly Road.	Medium	Council, DSG	High	Cap / Ex	Grant application being lodged for 'safety lanes' on the worst sections.

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29	**Blackmans Bay Beach Connections**	Connect Tinderbox Road and Blowhole Road to Ocean Esplanade with cycling infrastructure.	Medium	Council	Medium	Cap	
30	**Blackmans Bay Shops Connection**	Provide a cut-through path from Roslyn Avenue and the Blackmans Bay Shops.	Medium	Council, Landowners	Low	Cap	
31	**Roslyn Avenue – Algona Road to Illawarra**	Investigate providing a shared path from Algona Road to Illawarra Primary School.	Medium	Council	Low	Cap	
32	**Gormley Drive and Kingston View Drive**	Link a shared path from Summerleas Road to the Sporting Precinct via the Twin Ovals.	Medium	Council	High	Cap	
33	**Margate to Dru Point**	Investigate a shared path link from Margate to Dru Point.	Medium	Council, Landowners	Low	Cap	
34	**Margate local pathways**	Investigate local access pathways and linkages for upgrades and slow street implementation in Margate.	Medium	Council	Low	Cap	
35	**Snug local pathways**	Investigate local access pathways and linkages for upgrades and slow street implementation in Snug.	Medium	Council	Low	Cap	
36	**Redwood Road to Algona Road**	Investigate a shared path from the Maranoa Heights Reserve paths to Algona Road.	Medium	Council, DSG	Low	Cap	
37	**Channel Trail – Lower Snug to Kettering**	Investigate a shared path between Lower Snug and Kettering.	Medium	DSG, Council	Low	Cap / Ex	
38	**Lower Snug to Coningham**	Construct a shared path between Lower Snug and Coningham.	Long	Council	High	Ex / Cap	
39	**Redwood Road to Kingston CBD**	Investigate a shared path from Lorikeet Drive to the Kingston CBD.	Long	Council	Low	Cap	
40	**Longley to Neika – sealed shoulders**	Improve on-road cycling infrastructure on Huon Road between Longley and Neika.	Long	Council	High	Cap / Ex	

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41	**Harris Ct to Sherburd Ct path**	Construct a path linking Harris Court to Sherburd Court.	Long	Council, Education Dep.	Medium	Cap / Ex	
42	**Tingira Road to Ash Drive link**	Investigate a shared path and/or on-road improvements, linking existing local tracks to Roslyn Avenue.	Long	Council	Low	Cap	
43	**Ferry Road**	Investigate improving active transport infrastructure along Ferry Road to Bruny Island Ferry Terminal.	Long	DSG, Council	Low	Ex	