

## Aldo Antolli

KDWA Dog Survey 2022	Aldo Antolli's answers
1. Council and KDWA currently meet quarterly to discuss dog-related issues. The meeting is between the Mayor and Deputy Mayor, and our President and Vice President and lasts less than an hour. Do you support the continuation of these meetings? If you nominated for Mayor or Deputy Mayor, would you attend these meetings in person?	Yes, definitely. I am running for Deputy Mayor and would most certainly attend, especially given I am a local dog owner.
2. Do you support the allocation of funds in the next budget for the development of a Kingborough dog strategy (similar to many other strategies such as waste, green-space, cycling etc)?	Absolutely.
3. Do you support connecting the Alum Cliffs track to Tarooma for dog walkers? This might involve permitting dogs on-lead across a small part of Hinsby Beach.	Yes
4. What are your views on permitting dogs on most or all beaches during the colder months when the beaches are otherwise rarely used? Should this access be limited to certain times?	Sections should be allowed with dogs off-leash in winter months, full-time. This promotes general health and well being for both dog and owners.
5. About 40% of households own dogs and these owners need access to on-lead and off-lead dog exercise areas; this is becoming more challenging with rapid development in our area. Do you support continued growth and development of community facilities that are designed for and/or accessible to dog owners?	Definitely.
6. If the current Taswater site at Dru Point becomes Council land, would you support the development of this land as an extension of the existing dog exercise area? Would you consider the construction of a large all-weather covered section for the use of the whole community via a booking system?	Yes
7. Kingborough Council and KDWA developed a very effective Dog Management Policy in 2019 and this is due for review in 2023. What are your priorities when it comes up for review?	My priority would be to widely survey which components of the old policy work should continue, and which should be discontinued. Also, what new policies should be added that have not been considered, or were rejected in the past. One area that needs review is dog watering stations. Permanent stations that cannot ensure water quality must be discarded and replaced by options that work for dogs, providing clean and fresh water.

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8. Are there any other comments related to dogs that you would like to make?

Dog ownership promotes family unity and mental health well being. Owning a dog is proven to lower one's blood pressure and teach children empathy.