

Kate Lucas

KDWA Dog Survey 2022	Kate Lucas'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 these meetings should continue. I haven't nominated for Mayor or Deputy but as a councillor would still love to attend anyway.
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)?	Yes there should a budget to allocate funds to a dog strategy which should be part of the dog policy that is due for revue soon.
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.	It would be good to extend Alum Cliffs track to Tarooma and I would support on-lead access to Hinsby beach to achieve this.
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?	I would like to see more access by dogs to beaches particularly during winter times. I would also like to see what is done right across the whole country, allow dog access to beaches outside peak times, i.e. early mornings and late afternoon/early evenings.
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?	The growth of areas to walk dogs, like all infrastructure, should keep pace with development.
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 the Taswater site should be added to the Dru Point dog area. Covered dog walking areas would be good across the whole of Kingborough.
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?	I would not support any more restrictions than in the current policy but as stated above adding more beach access particularly during winter, and early mornings and evenings. I would like to see less restrictions on pet greyhounds as well.
8. Are there any other comments related to dogs that you would like to make?	As I dog lover and owner I would make sure that I advocated for dogs and their owners as a councillor.