



SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

To be held at 5pm on

Tuesday 23 April 2024

Kiama Council

11 Manning Street, KIAMA NSW 2533

Order of Business

- 1 Apologies
- 2 Acknowledgement of Traditional Owners
- 3 Declarations of Interest
- 4 Confirmation of Minutes of Previous Meeting
- 5 Business arising from the minutes
- 6 Reports for Information
- 7 General business
- 8 Closure

Members

Cr Neil Reilly, Mayor
Cr Imogen Draisma
Michael Bowden
Narreda Grimley
Liam Pettigrew
Alan Smith
Jessica Rippon | Director
Planning, Environment and
Communities

19 April 2024

To the Chair and Committee members:

NOTICE OF SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

You are respectfully requested to attend a **Sustainable Communities Advisory Committee Meeting**, to be held at **Kiama Municipal Council, 11 Manning Street, KIAMA NSW 2533** on **Tuesday 23 April 2024** commencing at **5pm** for the consideration of the undermentioned business.

Yours faithfully



Jessica Rippon
Director Planning, Environment and Communities

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**AGENDA FOR THE
SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES ADVISORY COMMITTEE
TUESDAY 23 APRIL 2024**

1 APOLOGIES

2 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TRADITIONAL OWNERS

"I would like to acknowledge the traditional owners of the land on which we meet, the Wadi Wadi people of the Dharawal nation, and pay my respect to Elders past and present."

3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Confirmation of Minutes of Previous Meeting

4 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

4.1 Sustainable Communities Advisory Committee on 26 March 2024

Attachments

1 Minutes - 26 March 2024

Enclosures

Nil

RECOMMENDED

That the Minutes of the Sustainable Communities Committee meeting held on 26 March 2024 be received and accepted.

Note: These minutes have already been submitted to Council's meeting held on 16 April 2024.

Item 4.1



MINUTES OF THE SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

commencing at 5pm on

TUESDAY 26 MARCH 2024

Council Chambers
11 Manning Street, KIAMA NSW 2533

**MINUTES OF THE SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES ADVISORY COMMITTEE 26
MARCH 2024**

**MINUTES OF THE SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES ADVISORY
COMMITTEE**

**HELD AT KIAMA MUNICIPAL COUNCIL
ON TUESDAY 26 MARCH 2024 AT 5PM**

PRESENT: Cr Imogen Draisma
Michael Bowden
Narreda Grimley
Liam Pettigrew
Alan Smith
Jessica Rippon | Director Planning, Environment and Communities

1 APOLOGIES

Cr Neil Reilly - Mayor
Jane Stroud - CEO

2 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TRADITIONAL OWNERS

The Acting Mayor declared the meeting open and acknowledged the traditional owners:

"I would like to acknowledge the traditional owners of the Land on which we meet, the Wadi Wadi people of the Dharawal nation, and pay my respect to Elders past and present."

3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Nil

4 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

4.1 Sustainable Communities Advisory Committee - 27 February 2024

The minutes were noted and accepted by the Committee.

5 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Nil

**MINUTES OF THE SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES ADVISORY COMMITTEE 26
MARCH 2024**

**6 REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR PLANNING, ENVIRONMENT AND
COMMUNITIES**

6.1 Growth and Housing Strategy Community Engagement

Resolved that the Committee note the contents of the report provided.

For: Councillor Draisma and Committee members Bowden, Grimley,
Pettigrew and Smith

Against: Nil

Notes

- Community members believe that promote and protect is the key driver for strategy.
- Community also raised concerns around infrastructure.
- Need further clarification on what housing is and what proportion of houses to units.
- Issue around STRA is subject to a paper from state government.
- Jessica recommended hosting a combined workshop with committee members on this matter.

6.2 Kiama Leisure Centre Service Review

Resolved that the Committee:

1. Note the contents of the report provided.
2. Expresses its view that the report primarily focuses on finance and financial outcomes. The committee believe that there is a need to more explicitly express the community benefit that the centre offers to our community.

(Committee members Smith and Pettigrew)

For: Councillor Draisma and Committee members Bowden, Grimley,
Pettigrew and Smith

Against: Nil

Notes

- Discussion was held about the broader master plan including Leisure Centre, sporting facilities and Havilah.
- Overview of community engagement process was provided including conversation with community around the options.

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- Committee members expressed that the centre is more about customer satisfaction than making money.
- Committee members expressed concern that it was primarily financial based and missed key community elements.
- Could be test case of how you communicate back to the community.
- Any further engagement needs to include the community, on the ground experiences and the social benefit provided by the centre
- Committee agreed that there was opportunity for improvement but wanted the essence and purpose of the centre to be retained in any proposed changes.

7 REPORTS FOR INFORMATION

The following Reports for Information be received and noted:

7.1 Community Engagement Strategy

Notes

- Community Engagement presentation was delivered by Claire Doble, Manager Communications and Engagement, and Berbel Franse, Community Engagement Officer.
- Pop up activities have been held throughout the LGA.
- Cards were handed out and verbal conversations at various sites.
- Alan Smith offered to facilitate discussions at Jamberoo Café.
- What should the engagement strategy include so we can incorporate that into future engagement?
- Council is talking to community and stakeholders. Held community and staff workshops, met with precincts.
- Some of the things that have come up:
 - Loud and aggressive voices make it hard for staff or community to engage
 - Find new ways to connect with people
 - Hard to hear from large portions of the community, i.e. youth, families, cultural and linguistically diverse, those with a disability and LGBTQI+
- Committee are keen to give feedback
- What barriers to engagement can we overcome

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8 GENERAL BUSINESS

- Nil

9 CLOSURE

There being no further business the meeting closed at 6.30pm.

These Minutes were confirmed at the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 23 April
2024

Imogen Drasima
Chair

5 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

6 REPORTS FOR INFORMATION

6.1 Growth and Housing Strategy - Committee Workshop - Background Documentation

Responsible Director: Office of the Chief Executive Officer

Item 6.1

Overview of Workshop

A workshop will be facilitated during the Sustainable Communities Committee Meeting. Members of the Infrastructure and Livability Committee have also been invited to participate in this workshop. The workshop will be facilitated by the Director Planning, Environment and Communities and planning staff.

Participants will engage through a number of round table discussions and activities during the workshop.

Some evidence base documents are attached to this report to assist in providing background information to the project.

These documents include:

1. Our Dwellings – Evidence Base;
2. Our Employment – Evidence Base;
3. Our Population- Evidence Base.

Previous documents provided to the Committee including the State of Our Economy Report and discussion paper will also be used during the workshop.

Attachments

- 1 Our Population
- 2 Our Employment
- 3 Our Dwellings



Growth and Housing Strategy – Evidence Base
OUR POPULATION

Current Population

The Kiama LGA has a current estimated resident population of around 23,000 persons. The Kiama township is the largest settlement and other major towns and villages are located in Minnamurra, Kiama Downs, Jamberoo, Gerringong and Gerroa.

The Kiama LGA also attracts a large tourist base, with almost 1 million visitors each year.

Key Demographics

Our community has an Ageing Population:

- The median age is 48.
- 36% of the population are over 60.
- In the last 5 years the 65-69 years cohort **increased** 422 persons (27.5%).
- In the last 5 years the 20-24 age cohort **decreased** by 108 persons (12.8%).

In comparison to both the Illawarra Region and the whole of NSW:

- Kiama has a **lower than average** population in the 0-49 age groups.
- Kiama has a **higher than average** population in the over 50 age groups.

Forecast Population

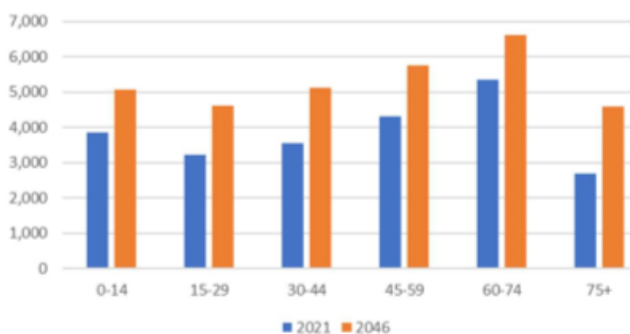
The population is forecast to grow by an additional 8,772 persons (or 38%) from 22,961 persons in 2021 to 31,733 persons in 2046. The average annual increase to achieve this 25 year forecast is an additional 351 persons (or 1.3%) per year. This growth is expected to occur in both existing urban areas (infill), the redevelopment of sites (brownfield) and new release areas (greenfield).

2021-2046 Population Forecasts	2021	2026	2031	2036	2041	2046
Population (persons)	22,961	23,690	24,639	27,678	30,289	31,733
5 year increase		729	949	3,039	2,611	1,444
Households	9,135	9,509	9,934	11,010	12,131	12,847
5 year increase		374	425	1,076	1,121	716
Dwellings	10,851	11,256	11,719	12,999	14,142	14,822
5 year increase		405	463	1,280	1,143	680

Note: The difference in household and dwelling numbers recognises the unoccupied dwellings.

Change in Age Profile

- In 2046, the 60-74 age group will represent the largest proportion of the population at 21%.
- The age group with the largest change is 75+ with an increase of 71% (1,906 persons) from 2021 to 2046.



Source: This information was prepared in March 2024 based on data from REMPLAN, 2023.





**Growth and Housing Strategy – Evidence Base
OUR EMPLOYMENT**

Employment and Workforce

The Kiama LGA’s working age population (15 to 64 years) is expected to grow by around 4,746 people between 2021 (12,916) and 2046 (17,662). Around 4,155 of our residents live and work in the Kiama LGA, however about 2,639 of our resident’s travel outside the Kiama LGA for work.

Kiama’s resident workforce:

Of the residents in employment age (15-64):

- 53% are employed (9,642 persons).
- 40% are not in the labor force (ie retired).
- 2% are unemployed.

The 65 and over age group is expected to have the largest increase in the next 25 years. This indicates that a large portion of the population will transition to retirement.

Employment by Industry

Kiama’s employed residents work in:

- 15.5% Health Care and Social Assistance.
- 12.7% Education and Training.
- 12.1% construction sector.
- 8.9% Public Administration and safety.

Transport to work

Kiama’s workforce travel to work:

- Over half travel by car
- About 27% work from home
- 3% walk or other active transport
- 0.5% used public transport

Average Income

- Median individual income \$827 per week.
 - 15% earn more than \$2,000 per week.
 - 23% earn less than \$400 per week.
- Median family income \$2,250.

2023 Economy

- \$2.4B output (3.75% of Illawarra).
- \$122m in building approvals.
- 774 jobs supported by tourism.
- Visitors spend about \$564 per trip.

LGA	Employees	Percentage
Kiama LGA	4,155	43%
Shellharbour LGA	1,330	14%
Shoalhaven LGA	1,354	14%
Wollongong LGA	2,066	21%
Other LGAs	737	8%
Total	9,642	100%

Where do Kiama’s residents work?

- 43% of Kiama’s workforce also work in the Kiama LGA.
- About 28% travel to neighboring LGAs for work.
- About 28% travel further than an adjoining LGA for work.

Who works in the Kiama LGA?

- 61% of employees that work in the Kiama LGA also live in the Kiama LGA.
- About 40% of employees that work in the Kiama LGA travel to Kiama for work.

LGA	Employees	Percentage
Kiama LGA	4,155	61%
Shellharbour LGA	1,257	19%
Wollongong LGA	840	12%
Shoalhaven LGA	405	6%
Other LGAs	137	2%
Total	6,794	100%

Source: This information was prepared in March 2024 based on data from REMPLAN, 2023.





Growth and Housing Strategy – Evidence Base
OUR DWELLINGS

Current Dwelling Types

The majority of the existing housing supply in the Kiama LGA is in the form of separate dwelling houses (8,063, or 74%). There is some medium density (18%) and very minimal high density development (6%). The average household size is 2.5 persons.

Key Statistics

- 41% of dwellings are 4 bedrooms.
- 38% of dwellings are 3 bedrooms.
- 14% of dwellings are 2 bedrooms.
- 3% of dwellings are 0-1 bedrooms.

Relative to NSW, the Kiama LGA has a high proportion of unoccupied dwellings and therefore a lower average occupancy rate, reflecting its role in tourism and as a coastal holiday home destination.

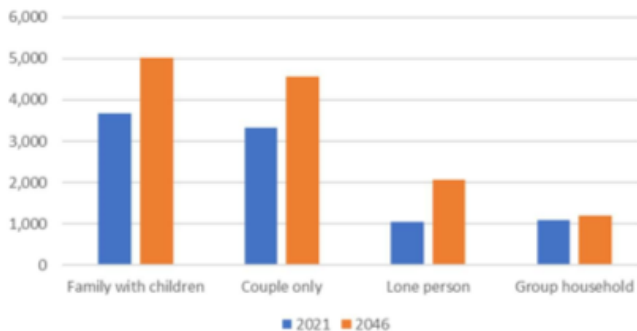
Forecast Dwelling Types

The number of dwellings in the Kiama LGA is forecast to grow by 3,971 (or 37%) from 10,851 in 2021 to 14,822 in 2046. To achieve the 25 year forecast, an average of 159 additional dwellings are required per year. The new dwellings are expected to occur in both existing urban areas (infill), the redevelopment of sites (brownfield), and new urban release areas (greenfield).

2021-2046 Dwelling Forecasts	2021	2026	2031	2036	2041	2046
Separate houses	8,063	8,221	8,429	9,247	10,038	10,468
Medium density	1,990	2,129	2,283	2,649	2,909	3,069
High density	694	802	902	998	1,089	1,179
Other	92	91	91	91	91	91
Non-private dwellings	12	13	14	14	15	15
Total	10,851	11,256	11,719	12,999	14,142	14,822

Household Types

- In 2046, households without children will represent the largest proportion of the population at 51%.
- The lone person households will have the largest change, with an increase of 1,015 (97%).



Future trends

A substantial portion of our existing housing mix is separate dwellings of 3 or more bedrooms. With the forecast dwelling types resulting in a reduction in household size, there is a need for greater housing diversity in the Kiama LGA.

Source: This information was prepared in March 2024 based on data from REMPLAN, 2023.



7 GENERAL BUSINESS

8 CLOSURE