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Lions Club of Kingborough President David Mills, Painting category winner Rick Crossland, Best Overall Exhibit winner Terrence Gough, Work on Paper category winner Maggie Bullock, Design/3D category winner Brian Looker and Mayor of Kingborough, Cr Dean Winter at the Lions Art Prizes presentation on Friday, February 14. (PS Carolyn Whitehouse)

Art prizes awarded

The Kingborough Art Prize Exhibition was held at the Kingston Beach Community Hall from Friday, February 14 until Sunday, February 16.

Exhibits were judged by an independent, professional judging panel with a prize of \$1000 awarded to Terrence Gough for Best Overall Exhibit.

Prizes were also awarded for the Work on Paper category to Maggie Bullock, the Design/3D category to Brian Looker and the Painting category to Rick Crossland with each winner receiving \$600.

The exhibition was curated by the Lions Club of Kingborough and was open to the public for viewing and sales with over 200 works submitted.

The Lions Club expressed their gratitude to the organisations and businesses that contributed to the Art Prize Exhibition and to the volunteers involved.

Sporting future endorsed

Kingborough Council endorsed the Future Directions Plan for the Kingborough Sports Precinct (KSP) at their most recent meeting on Tuesday, February 11.

The plan covers a wholistic and aspirational vision for the complex so that it can grow to meet the needs of the community over the next few decades, while allowing for flexibility and consultation each step of the way.

Individual components of the precinct's development will be subject to further community engagement and consultation before being considered by Kingborough Council as a proposal in their own right.

"This is an exciting and bold vision that this council has endorsed, one which will be 25 years in the making," said Mayor of Kingborough, Cr Dean Winter.

"We have one of the most significant recreational venues in Tasmania, with over 30 organisations using the site, including six of the state's largest sporting organisations.

"The demand for improved facilities and opportunities is growing exponentially along with our community, we are looking at having well over 40,000 residents in the next few years.

"It also recognises the opportunity to unite with the Kingston High School to offer a premier sports college with great facilities for Tasmania.

"This plan captures the aspirations of the key users of the site, as well as key

opportunities for health and well-being for the whole community in years to come."

The motion to endorse the plan was moved by Deputy Mayor of Kingborough, Cr Jo Westwood and seconded by Cr Gideon Cordover.

Deputy Mayor Westwood spoke to the development of an inclusive and community focused sports precinct which leads the way in the implementation of health and well-being initiatives and is about more than just physical health.

As well as the benefits to sporting facilities and organisations, Deputy Mayor Westwood also spoke to broader opportunities including improvements to the car park, integrating better bus services and promoting stronger connections with Kingston High School sporting programs.

The proposal was then extensively debated among councillors.

Considerations raised were that development of infrastructure further south of Kingston should be prioritised, whether endorsement of the plan would commit council to any action, consultation with stakeholders for the draft and future consultation with the community over any proposed development at the centre.

Balancing the shared use of facilities between clubs and organisations, including between the community and Kingston High School, was also considered, as was attracting funding and support from other levels of government to assist in financing future development.

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