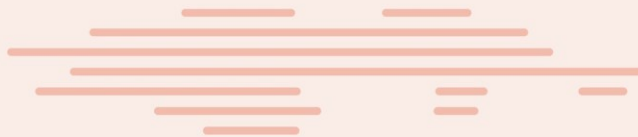




**Brighton
Council**

New Resident Information Kit





We acknowledge the traditional owners who once walked this country: the Mumirimina people.

The Mumirimina belonged to the Oyster Bay tribe. This was the largest tribe in Tasmania and covered 8000 square kilometres. kotalayna levee in Brighton was a significant meeting place where hundreds of generations of Aboriginal families hunted, gathered, corroboreed, camped and traded.

In the course of colonisation, dispossession of the Mumirimina was early, rapid and extensive.

We acknowledge the Tasmanian Aboriginal Community today as the continuing custodians of this land, and pay our respects to Elders past and present.

Through our words and actions we strive to build a community that reflects and respects the history and hopes for all the people of Brighton.



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Welcome to Brighton



A message from the Mayor

Welcome to our municipality, one of the fastest growing communities in Tasmania.

We are extremely proud of Brighton and what has been achieved here, and I am confident that in a very short space of time you will discover how enjoyable it is to live in this wonderful municipality. We have some fantastic facilities and public amenities and are blessed with a picturesque setting to match, which makes living and working within Brighton an absolute delight.

We acknowledge that one of the challenges as an incoming resident is familiarising yourself with the services and amenities available to you. This is why we have put together this New Resident information, which contains introductory information on your local Council services and general information about the area.

On behalf of the Council, I hope you find living in the Brighton Municipality enjoyable and satisfying.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Leigh Gray'.

Cr Leigh Gray
MAYOR



Our area at a glance

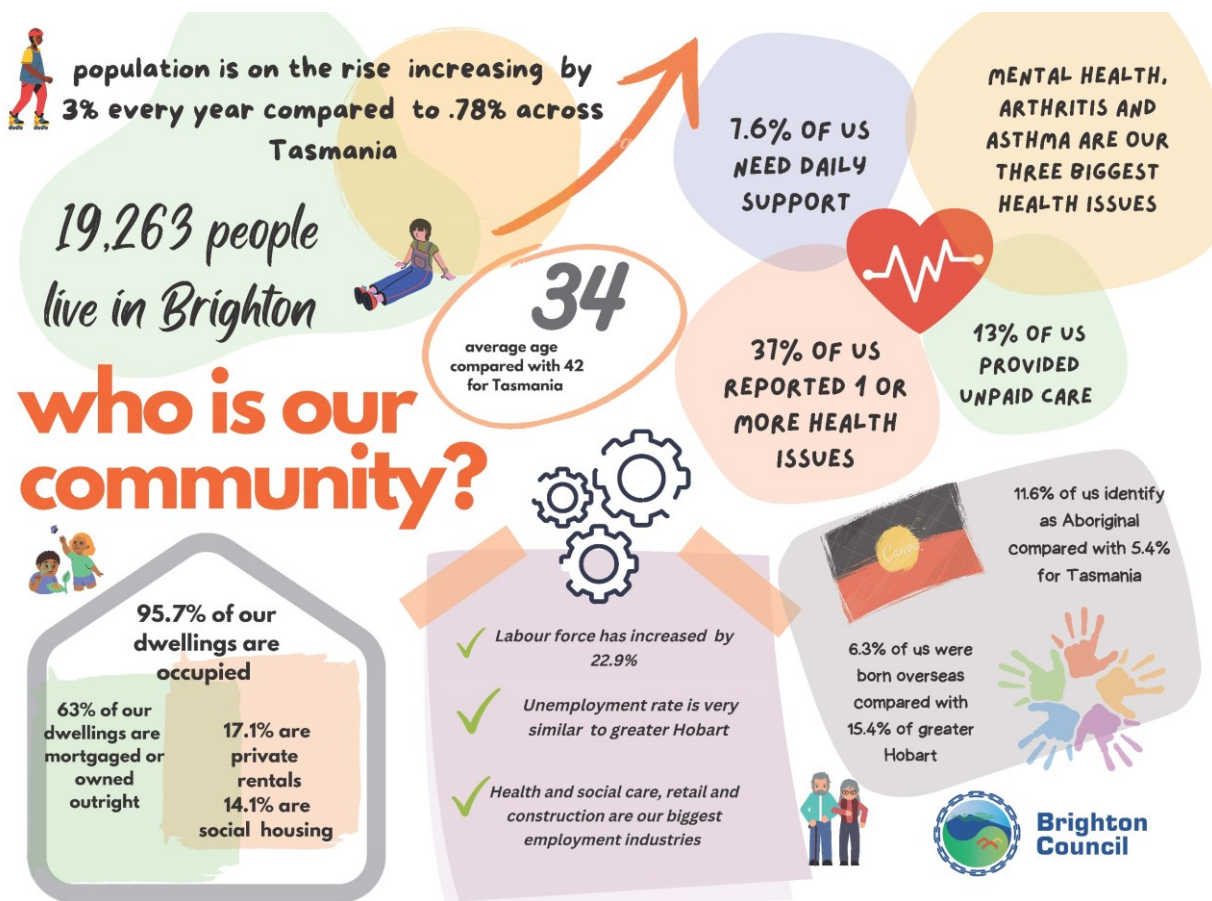
Brighton is located approximately 20kms north-east of Hobart on the eastern side of the River Derwent and forms part of the urban-rural interface of Greater Hobart. The municipality is bordered by the Derwent Valley, Southern Midlands and Clarence Councils and is traversed by the Midland Highway, East Derwent Highway, the main north-south railway line and the Jordan River.

Before European arrival, the land to the east of the Jordan River formed part of the Oyster Bay Tribe territory and the land to the west was part of the Big River Tribe territory. Aboriginal fire management and hunting practices formed the grassland valley, still visible today from Bagdad to the River Derwent. The Aboriginal name for this area of the Jordan River is kutalayna and it was the territory of the Mumirimina, one of the ten bands comprising the Oyster Bay tribe.

Brighton is Tasmania's fastest growing community with a municipal population exceeding 19,000 and an annual growth rate well in excess of 3 percent. By 2041 Brighton is expected to have a population of 22,489 following growth of 1.2% annually from 2019 to 2041.

Brighton has a relatively young population, with an average age of 34 years compared to 42 years for Tasmania (ABS, 2021).

Industrial land use is a key feature of the municipality and its future growth. It is centred upon the Transport Hub, which is the major transport interchange for Southern Tasmania.



About Council

Brighton Council is one of 29 councils in Tasmania, with Local Government the third tier of Government after the Federal and State Governments.

Council operates under the provisions of the *Local Government Act 1993*, which gives Council certain powers and responsibilities to ensure good governance for the people of the municipality.

Council provides a wide range of services to the community including construction and maintenance of roads, streetscapes, parks and public recreation facilities, town planning, community development, economic development and waste management.

The Councillors represent the community and make decisions on policy, budgeting, service delivery, major works priorities and strategic planning for the Brighton community. They also participate in Local Government's decision-making processes at Council and Committee Meetings.

Council staff provide expertise and advice to Councillors and residents, are responsible for the day to day operations of Council, and are committed to the implementation of the Council's programs and policy decisions.

There are nine (9) councillors at Brighton with local government elections held every four years. The next election will be held in October 2026.

Council and Committee meetings

Council meets regularly on the third Tuesday of each month at 5.30 p.m. at the Brighton Council Chambers, 1 Tivoli Road, Old Beach for ordinary council meetings.

Times for both Committee Meetings and Council Meetings are also advertised in the municipality's own newspaper, *Brighton Community News*.

Members of the public may attend these meetings to address Council on any subject or concern or interest to the municipality, with the exception of planning matters, which are listed on the agenda.

Council meeting **agendas, minutes and audio recordings** are available on Council's website: <https://www.brighton.tas.gov.au/council/meeting-minutes/>

A list of Brighton Council's **elected members contact details** can also be found on Council's website: www.brighton.tas.gov.au/council/elected-members/



Strategies, Plans & Reports

Council is required by legislation under the *Local Government Act 1993* to work according to endorsed long term strategic and annual plans. Every year Council produces an Annual Report, which reflects our performance against the Strategic Plan and Annual Plan.


These documents are available on Council's website
<https://www.brighton.tas.gov.au/council/council-strategy-and-plans/>

- Strategic Plan
- Annual Plan
- Annual Report
- Financial Management Strategy
- Long Term Financial Management Plan
- Asset Management Plans



Additional detailed plans and reports such as Councils Climate Change and Resilience Strategy; Brighton Structure Plan; Weed Management Strategy; Social Infrastructure Plan and more are also available at <https://www.brighton.tas.gov.au/planning/strategic-plans/>

Brighton Council Strategy

2023–2033



Brighton Council

Our purpose:	To create a thriving place with opportunities for all.			
Our values:	Community 	Vision 	Integrity 	Respect 
Our goals:	GOAL 1: Inspire a proud community that enjoys a comfortable life at every age	GOAL 2: Ensure a sustainable environment	GOAL 3: Manage infrastructure and growth effectively	GOAL 4: Ensure a progressive, efficient and caring Council
Our strategies:	1.1 Engage with and enable our community 1.2 Build resilience and opportunity 1.3 Ensure attractive local areas that provide social, recreational and economic opportunities 1.4 Encourage a sense of pride, local identity and engaging activities	2.1 Acknowledge and respond to the climate change and biodiversity emergency 2.2 Encourage respect and enjoyment of the natural environment 2.3 Demonstrate strong environmental stewardship and leadership 2.4 Ensure strategic planning and management of assets has a long term-sustainability and evidence-based approach	3.1 Implement strategic long-term asset management plan aligned to long-term financial plan 3.2 Infrastructure development and service delivery are guided by strategic planning to cater for the needs of a growing and changing population 3.3 Community facilities are safe, accessible and meet contemporary needs 3.4 Advocate and facilitate investment in our region	4.1 Be big picture, long-term and evidence-based in our thinking 4.2 Be well-governed, providing quality service and accountability to our community 4.3 Ensure strong engagements and relationships to shape the agenda and advocate for our community 4.4 Ensure financial and risk sustainability 4.5 Ensure Council is a desirable place to work with exceptional workplace culture, attracting and retaining high-performing, committed and fulfilled staff



Planning & Development

Building and Plumbing Services

To assist the building trade and the home builder, Plumbing and Building officers are available between 8.30am and 4.30pm for:

- Building approvals and inspections
- Plumbing approvals and inspections
- Building and drainage plans
- Storm water infiltration and soakage inspections
- Advice on regulations

Planning & Subdivisions

If you intend to subdivide land, develop or use land or buildings, or conduct a business from home, it is likely that you will need a Council planning permit. To assist people who are buying a property or wanting to make inquiries about a planning or subdivision application, the Planning Officer is available between 8.30am and 4.30pm for:

- Enquiries regarding Planning Scheme and other planning documents.
- Pre-application discussions and assistance.
- Lodgement of applications.
- Viewing of advertised applications.

Economic Development Services

Council encourages sustainable development within the municipality that will establish or expand business, employment opportunities and local services.

Areas of involvement include:

- Promotion of the municipality – location, identity and strengths.
- Identifying development opportunities.
- Planning the required support infrastructure and services.
- Streetscape improvement services.
- Providing information and advice to potential developers.
- Liaising with business, tourism and development organisations.
- Providing rate incentives for business development.



Rates Information

Property rates are the principal revenue source for local councils. Brighton operates under a fair rating system. This system has enabled Brighton to keep rate rises at or below the rate of increase in the Australian Consumer Price Index (CPI).

The rating system comprises a fixed component for services that are enjoyed equally by all ratepayers and includes a differential rate based on locality that recognises capacity to pay. Rates are charged for various services and owners pay rates according to whether all or only some of the services supplied are available to a particular property.

Payment Options

By mail: By completing and detaching the tear off Payment Slip on your rate notice and mailing it with your cheque or money order made payable to the Brighton Council.

Postal address: Brighton Council, 1 Tivoli Road, Old Beach, Tasmania 7017.

By BPay: Details on how to pay via BPay are provided on your rate notice.

By Internet: <http://www.bpoint.com.au/payments/brightoncouncil>

Credit card transactions only (\$1 transaction fee applies).

By Phone: A 24-hour service accessed by phoning 1300 366 740 and following the interactive voice responses. Credit card transactions only (\$1 transaction fee applies).

In Person: At the Brighton Council Offices - 1 Tivoli Road, Old Beach, Tasmania between the hours of 8.30am – 4.30pm Monday to Friday.

Direct Debit: Using direct debit, Council will be able to electronically transfer funds from your bank account in order to pay your rates automatically.

Pensioner Concession: If you receive a pension you may be eligible for a rate remission. For existing pensioners, verified by Centrelink or Veteran Affairs, the remission will be automatically shown as a reduction on your rates notice. New pensioners (if date of grant is prior to July 1) should complete a remission form before March 31.



Rubbish and Recycling

A fortnightly kerbside rubbish, recycling and FOGO collection service is provided to households in regular garbage collection areas. Collection runs begin at 6am and finish at 6pm.

Check here: www.brighton.tas.gov.au/property/waste/ for your collection days. Residents are asked to put wheelie bins out by 6am.

Items that can be collected for recycling are:

- ✓ Cardboard
- ✓ Newspapers
- ✓ Milk cartons
- ✓ Glass bottles
- ✓ Aluminium
- ✓ Steel cans
- ✓ PET and HDPE plastic bottles



A FOGO (Food Organics, Garden Organics) service for households was introduced in September/October 2021. The FOGO wheelie bin is a 240L bin with a lime green lid, the same size as the recycling bin. Along with the FOGO wheelie bin, households also receive a kitchen caddy.

FOGO collections happen on the alternate week to rubbish and recycling.

For more information visit www.brighton.tas.gov.au/property/fogo



Waste Transfer Station

Council's Waste Transfer Station is located at 131 Cove Hill Road, Bridgewater.

Fees for Waste Transfer Station charges can be found at:

<https://www.brighton.tas.gov.au/council/fees-charges/>

Waste Transfer Station Opening Hours:	
Sunday:	8.30 am – 4.30 pm
Monday:	8.30 am – 4.30 pm
Tuesday:	CLOSED
Wednesday:	CLOSED
Thursday:	CLOSED
Friday:	8.30 am – 4.30 pm
Saturday:	8.30 am – 4.30 pm
Good Friday	CLOSED
Christmas Day	CLOSED

Dog Management

Dogs are an important part of the community and many people value their companionship. Council encourages owners to comply with the *Dog Control Act 2000*.

The Animal Control/Compliance Officer regularly patrols all areas around the municipality and an after hours service is available in case of an emergency (i.e. dog attack). Council does not collect stray dogs after-hours.

If the Animal Control Officer has picked up your dog, it will be taken to the Dogs' Home at 101 Scotts Road, Risdon Vale, which can be contacted via phone on 6243 5177.

For more information about responsible dog ownership, visit <https://www.brighton.tas.gov.au/property/dogs/>

We ask local dog owners to follow some basic guidelines, including:

- Ensuring all dogs over six months old are registered and microchipped.
- Cleaning up any faeces left by dogs. Ensuring dogs are on a lead on all roads, footpaths, nature strips and public walkways on cycleways.
- Informing Council of the death or transfer of ownership of a dog.
- Ensuring your dogs are not able to attack a person or animal.
- Ensuring your dog is not barking continually or causing a noise nuisance.
- Maintaining effective control of dogs.
- Keeping no more than two dogs over six months of age, or four in the case of working dogs, on premises unless a kennel licence has been approved.



Noise Management

Noise can really upset your neighbours, so it is important to be considerate. Under the *Environmental Management and Pollution Control (Miscellaneous Noise) Regulations 2004*, there are certain defined hours you can use noisy equipment.

POWER TOOLS

Permissible hours of use:
Monday – Friday 7am – 6pm
Saturday 8am-6pm
Sunday 10am-6pm
Statutory holidays 10am – 6pm

CHAINSAWS

Permissible hours of use:
Monday – Friday 7am – 8pm
Saturday 9am-8pm
Sunday 10am-6pm
Statutory holidays 10am – 6pm

Chainsaws must not be used within 300m of a residence at anytime unless for domestic garden maintenance on only one day in any seven consecutive days.

LAWNMOWERS

Permissible hours of use:
Monday – Friday 7am – 8pm
Saturday 9am-8pm
Sunday 10am-8pm
Statutory holidays 10am – 8pm

RECREATIONAL VEHICLES

You must not operate a recreational vehicle (i.e **dirt bikes, 4-wheelers, buggies, etc**) for recreational purposes within 500m of a residential premises without consent of the premises' resident.

For further information regarding Noise Information or complaints, please contact Council's Development Services Department on (03) 6268 7029.



Hall & Building Hire

The following Council facilities are available for hire:

- **Brighton Civic Centre, 25 Greenpoint Road, Bridgewater**
multi-purpose space suitable for a range of activities and events
- **Brighton Council Chambers, 1 Tivoli Road, Old Beach**
ideal space for workshops and corporate meetings
- **Old Beach Community Hall, 86 Jetty Road, Old Beach**
medium size space suitable for a range of activities and personal events
- **Pontville Memorial Hall, 325 Brighton Road, Pontville**
medium size multi-purpose space suitable for a range of activities and personal events

Detailed venue hire information, hire rates and booking forms are available at <https://www.brighton.tas.gov.au/community/parks-facilities/> under the Hall and Building Hire tab.

For further information/enquiries please contact bookings@brighton.tas.gov.au or phone 6268 7050

25 Greenpoint Road
Bridgewater

Venue Hire Information



BRIGHTON CIVIC CENTRE

Brighton Civic Centre is a multipurpose space designed for diverse activities and multiple users. It is centrally located with plenty of free parking. The Civic Centre is available for training, meetings, fitness activities, social events, conferences, exhibitions and performances. Please contact Council's Facilities Management Officer to discuss your requirements and availability.

E: bookings@brighton.tas.gov.au
P: (03) 6268 7050



Foyer

325 Brighton Road
Pontville

Venue Hire Information



PONTVILLE HALL

Pontville Memorial Hall is a multipurpose space Suitable for diverse activities and events. It is located within the Pontville Park with plenty of free parking. The Pontville Memorial Hall is available for training, meetings, fitness activities, social events, conferences, exhibitions and performances.

Please contact Council's Facilities Management Officer to discuss your requirements and availability.

E: bookings@brighton.tas.gov.au
P: (03) 6268 7050



86 Jetty Road
Old Beach

Venue Hire Information



OLD BEACH COMMUNITY HALL

Old Beach Community Hall is conveniently located near local parks and East Derwent Highway. The Main Hall can be used for private functions, training, social events, and fitness activities with tables and chairs available for use. Adjoining to the hall is a commercial kitchen equipped with a fridge, oven, cutlery and crockery.

Please contact Council's Facilities Management Officer to discuss your requirements and availability.

E: bookings@brighton.tas.gov.au
P: (03) 6268 7050



Main Hall

Playgrounds, Parks & Sports Grounds

Council have a number of parks, playgrounds, trails and sports grounds for the enjoyment of all community members.

A listing of these facilities and their locations can be found at <https://www.brighton.tas.gov.au/community/parks-facilities/>



Contact, connect, communicate



**Brighton
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Brighton Council offices can be contacted Monday to Friday.

Customer service staff are ready to answer your questions or direct you to the right department for any further information.

OFFICE HOURS: 8.15am to 4.45pm

ADDRESS: 1 Tivoli Road, Old Beach, Tas 7030

GENERAL ENQUIRIES: Phone: (03) 6268 7000
Email: admin@brighton.tas.gov.au
Website: www.brighton.tas.gov.au



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Feedback

We value the feedback from our ratepayers and residents to help make Brighton a better place to live, visit and enjoy.

If you have any feedback for Council please email admin@brighton.tas.gov.au

