



Consultation Old Beach Foreshore Track Design

In 2024 Council completed consultation on the feasibility of a new walking track in Old Beach. Following this consultation the Council made a decision to proceed with preparing a design for the walking track.

The design is a response to the questions, enquiries and concerns raised by residents and stakeholders during the 2024 consultation. The outcomes of the consultation are available at <https://www.brighton.tas.gov.au/community/have-your-say/>

For those that provided input into the 2024 consultation and track feasibility. Thank you for your input!

We now ask for your feedback on the design.

The areas are divided into four (4) stages:

1. St Ann's Living to Compton Road
2. Compton Road to Blackstone Drive
3. Blackstone Drive to Morrisby Road
4. Morrisby Road to Jetty Road/Old Beach pontoon "Ferry Point"

The total length of the track is approximately 3.2km. This includes areas of existing and partly formed track.

The design area is located entirely within public land, with the exception of a small section of land within the St Ann's Living precinct located at Stanfield Drive, Old Beach. The track area is otherwise within land owned by the Brighton Council or land leased to the Brighton Council by Crown Land Services or other public reserve (i.e. riparian reserve). Part of the track may also be within the land owned by State Growth along the East Derwent Highway.



Figure 1 – Existing walking tracks in Old Beach area (Source: Brighton Council)

THE DESIGN

In preparing the design we completed the following:

- Considered feedback from residents in the area and stakeholders such as Inland Fisheries, Tasmanian Fire Service, Department of State Growth, Friends of Old Beach Foreshore, Aboriginal Heritage Tasmania, and Crown Land Services Tasmania.
- Natural value assessment, Aboriginal Heritage assessment, boundary survey checks and general feasibility around safety, amenity, practicality and land ownership etc.
- Consulted with Inspiring Place landscape architects (with expertise in public walking tracks and development in parks and reserves)

The design plans can be accessed at <https://www.brighton.tas.gov.au/community/have-your-say/>.

In response to the concerns raised by residents and stakeholders the design has addressed the following:

- **Track Distance from Residential Boundaries** - Track follows contour with desired 2-3m offset from residential boundaries with some sections within offset due to topography.
- **Erosion, steep slopes and safety** - Fencing of steep slopes, landscaping, avoid coastal erosion areas, use of boardwalk or concrete, and piping of drains.
- **Signage and access** - Provide wayfinding, seating, bollards at trailheads, delineate track entry and use of safety graphics.
- **Noise, privacy and amenity** - Avoid meeting places (seating or lookouts) close to dwellings, offset track away from residential boundaries, use of landscaping and privacy screening (between dwellings and track)
- **Boardwalk over creeks/wet areas, piping of drains or avoid drainage lines for tracks**
- **Avoid and manage threatened species and Aboriginal Heritage Sites through best practice and approvals process**
- **Dogs must be kept on a lead at all times**
- **Prohibit trail bikes through signage and bollards**
- **Morrisby Road to Jetty Road/Old Beach pontoon "Ferry Point"** - This 4th stage is not included in this design. This area is subject to further studies, design and consultation at a later date.

Consultation

We ask for your feedback on this design. We ask that you review the above information and design plans on Council's website and provide us with any comment or feedback you may have. Please email admin@brighton.tas.gov.au or write to:

The General Manager
1 Tivoli Road
Old Beach TAS 7017

Please respond by Friday 4:45PM on the 28th March 2024

We hope your thoughts and ideas will help to improve this design further.

Please include your contact details in case we need to discuss your submission directly with you.

Brighton Council