

MINUTES ATTACHMENTS

COUNCIL MEETING OPEN PORTION OF THE MEETING

MONDAY, 29 JANUARY 2024 AT 5:00 PM VENUE: COUNCIL CHAMBER, TOWN HALL

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City of Hobart Lord Mayor Annual Report

November 2022-November 2023

I'm pleased to present my annual report for the year between November 2022 and November 2023.

- The Lord Mayor's Office has received and responded to 893 items of correspondence.
- I've had 81 one-on-one constituent meetings, including at 18
 Mayor in the Chair sessions held in places around the City.
- Held 138 additional meetings with organisations, businesses and government agencies and politicians.
- I've also launched or opened 124 events, hosted 8 receptions, 9
 Town Hall sessions for schools and provided 53 media interviews.

All of this activity is central to undertaking the specific duties of a mayor set by the *Local Government Act 1993*. These include:

- to act as a leader of the community of the municipal area;
- to carry out the civic and ceremonial functions of the mayoral office;
- to **promote good governance** by, and within, the Council;
- to act as chairperson of the Council and to chair meetings of the Council in a manner that supports decision-making processes;
- to act as the spokesperson for the Council;
- to represent the Council on regional organisations and at intergovernmental forums at regional, state and federal levels;
- to lead and participate in the appointment, and the monitoring of the performance, of the general manager; and
- To liaise with the general manager on:
- the activities of the Council and the performance and exercise of its functions and power; and
- the activities of the general manager and the performance and exercise of powers in supporting the Council.

I am thankful for the small dedicated team that supports the Lord Mayor in carrying out this legislated role and functions.

I hope this report is of interest to everyone interested in the City of Hobart.



Cr Anna Reynolds LORD MAYOR

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1. Leader of the community

'to act as a leader of the community of the municipal area'

Below: Nipaluna Nursery Launch Bottom left: Event at the Beaker Street Festival

Bottom right: Hosting the Prime Minister and others at Pat Farmer's Run for the Voice (to Parliament)





Constituent correspondence and meetings

The Office of the Lord Mayor has directly received and responded to 893 pieces of correspondence on a variety of matters via email and letter. Some of these queries and issues were able to be dealt with by research, discussions with City staff or referrals to more appropriate agencies.

As a result of more complex issues raised in this correspondence, Lord Mayor Reynolds met with 81 residents, both in the office and at on-site visits.

Mayor in the Chair

Lord Mayor Reynolds also met with residents via regular 'Mayor in the Chair' listening sessions. These provide an opportunity for community members to raise issues or ask questions without making an appointment. They take place in the Henry Hunter Room at the Hobart Town Hall and in suburban cafés around Hobart.

In the last year, 18 Mayor in the Chair sessions were held, including 11 in the suburbs of West Hobart, Glebe, South Hobart, Lenah Valley, New Town, Battery Point, North Hobart, Mt Nelson, Hobart, Fern Tree and Sandy Bay.

Community events, launches and official openings Lord Mayor Reynolds attended, launched or opened 124

Some of the more significant occasions included:

- Ceremonial Tree Planting to commemorate the Platinum Jubilee of Her Majesty The Queen
- · Salamanca Market 50th anniversary celebration
- Bicentenary Service of the Presbyterian Church
- Pat Farmer's Run for the Voice (to Parliament)
- · Platypus Guardian Hobart Screening
- · Beaker Street Festival

events.

- Myer Christmas Pageant Awards Ceremony
- · Children's Week morning tea
- · Launch of Nipaluna Nursery



2. Civic and ceremonial functions

'to carry out the civic and ceremonial functions of the mayoral office'

Below: Welcoming new Australian citizens Bottom: Children's week school students



Citizenship ceremonies

The City of Hobart holds citizenship ceremonies on behalf of the Australian Government and Lord Mayor Reynolds presides over the ceremonies.

Over the last year, the City of Hobart conducted six ceremonies where 360 candidates became Australian citizens.

School Tours

Lord Mayor Reynolds hosts Town Hall tours for school groups to assist students to understand the history of the city and the role of Local Government in Australian democracy.

The tour includes time in the Council Chamber where local decisions are made that impact on Hobart citizens. Students participate in a 'mock' Council meeting and learn about Australia's third level of government.

During the year, nine groups from Fahan School, Lenah Valley Primary School, Princes Street Primary School and the Hutchins School took up the opportunity to learn about the role of local government and its operations.



Below: Lord Mayor Reynolds with Children's Mayor, Olive Nielsen and Deputy Mayor, Bella Child

Below right: Children's Mayor submissions



Children's Mayor Program

In 2023, we 'elected' the City's third Children's Mayor and Deputy Mayor.

The program, as part of National Children's Week, saw Hobart primary school students encouraged to participate in local government, and experience life in Town Hall for themselves.

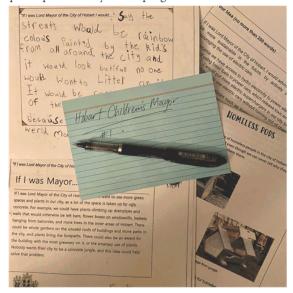
Students from schools across the city were invited to write their own manifestos as to what they would do if given the role of Lord Mayor of Hobart.

Lord Mayor Reynolds hosted a Children's Morning Tea where the winning manifestos were read at a formal reception in Hobart Town Hall.

Olive Nielsen from Princes Street Primary School was declared the 2023 Children's Mayor for her idea *Let's power Hobart sustainably!* Encouraging the installation of a sustainable tram in Hobart.

St Mary's College's Bella Child earned the role of Deputy Children's Mayor with her idea to encourage the children of Hobart to put down their devices for a day and experience a device-free fun day in beautiful Hobart.

14 manifestos were received from students attending the participating schools who select the top 2 from a larger number submitted by students. Both public and private schools within the Hobart local government area participate actively in this program.







Receptions, from top:

- The Royal Hobart Regatta Association
- Pakistan Independence Day
- Antarctic Women's Network
- That's What I Call Science

Lord Mayoral receptions

Upon request Lord Mayor Reynolds hosts receptions for clubs and organisations to celebrate significant occasions or national or cultural days. Lord Mayoral Receptions are held in the Lord Mayor's Court Room at the Town Hall.

Over the last year, Lord Mayor Reynolds hosted the following groups:

- · Embroiderers' Guild celebrating 50 years
- · The Royal Hobart Regatta Association
- Antarctic Women's Network
- Musica Viva
- Storygig First Hobart Children's Literature Festival
- Hobart hosting of Council of Managers of National Antarctic Programs (COMNAP)
- Pakistan Independence Day
- · That's What I Call Science Eureka Prize winner

Events

Over the last year, Lord Mayor Reynolds accepted 74 invitations to community events, official openings or launches.

She delegated a further 109 invitations to other elected members with special thanks to the Deputy Lord Mayor, Cr Helen Burnet for accepting to represent the Council at the majority of these opportunities.









Images from top:

- Mayor of our sister city, Yaizu, Mayor iromichi Nakano
- Antarctic Gateway Reception
- Myer Christmas Pageant Awards
- Meeting with L'Astrolabe Captain, Tanneguy Biseau



Official calls

As the City's civic leader, the Lord Mayor receives official calls from Defence Force personnel, Ambassadors, High Commissioners and delegates from foreign countries.

During the year, the Lord Mayor received:

- High Commissioner of India His Excellency Mr Manpreet Vohra
- Ambassador of Thailand Her Excellency Ms Arjaree Sriratanaban
- Ambassador for Italy His Excellency Mr Paolo Crudele
- HMAS Hobart Commanding Officer CMDR Tina Brown CSM and CMDR Mark Tandy CSC
- L'Astrolabe Captain Tanneguy Biseau

Speeches delivered

Throughout the year, Lord Mayor Reynolds made 57 speeches at various community events, official openings and launches including:

- Designed Made Makers Market
- · Nipaluna Nursery launch
- Opening ceremony of the Masters Swimming Australia National Championships Hobart
- Tree planting with the Iranian community to honour the 'Women, Life Freedom' campaign
- Unveiling a Commemorative Stone by the Nigerian Community
- kunanyi Mountain Run
- · Antarctic Festival opening
- Speculate Housing Futures Exhibition 2023 opening
- Australian Environmental Grantmakers Network



3. Promoting good governance

'to promote good governance by, and within, the Council'

Early in 2023, Lord Mayor Reynolds participated in the development of Elected Members Commitments.

The purpose of the Commitments is to capture an intention and commitment from Elected Members to work respectfully and cooperatively. It is intended to be used as a guide and a tool to challenge behaviour that is inconsistent and to celebrate the emergence of a collaborative and constructive culture.

Lord Mayor Reynolds liaised with the CEO on learning and development sessions for Elected Members including:

- A comprehensive, five-day Elected Member induction program
- A two-day Elected Member Strategic Priority Setting Retreat
- A two-day Annual Elected Member Retreat
- "Rules of Engagement" to provide an opportunity to reset working relationships and agree on a road map for working together as a team for the term of council
- Councillor Behaviour and Conduct, a session by Mat Healy, Director Local Government
- Anti-Discrimination Act 1998, an overview by Sarah Bolt, Anti-Discrimination Commissioner
- Cyber Safety, a session with Tasmania Police
- Inclusion and Gender Diversity facilitated by Working it Out.



4. Chairperson of Council

'to act as chairperson of the Council and to chair meetings of the Council in a manner that supports decision-making processes' Lord Mayor Reynolds chaired 16 out of 17 Council Meetings between November 2022 and November 2023.

This includes the swearing in ceremony and two special council meetings.

5. Spokesperson of Council

'to act as the spokesperson for the Council'



Central Hobart precinct plan



Lord Mayor and Robert Pennicott, Good Water Project

Lord Mayor Reynolds attended 53 media events or interviews during the year including regular appearances on ABC Breakfast after Council meetings.

While most media was local, she also appeared on ABC TV and Channel 7 TV about the proposed Macquarie Point Stadium as well as Channel 7's Sunrise program and SBS's NITV.



Doone Kennedy Hobart Aquatic Centre -Warmwater Pool project



New Town Street Party

6. Represent the Council

'to represent the Council on regional organisations and at intergovernmental forums at regional, state and federal levels'

Intergovernmental Forums

Lord Mayor Reynolds is on the following bodies and intergovernmental committees:

	Meetings attended		
	22-23		
Council of Capital City Lord Mayors	3		
Local Government Association of Tasmania 7			
Premier's Local Government Committee			
Greater Hobart Strategic Partnership	4		
Greater Hobart Homelessness Alliance	2		
ICLEI – Local Governments for Sustainability 6			
Global Covenant of Mayors for Climate and Energy 10			
Greater Hobart Committee and Advisory Group	1		

Local Government Association of Tasmania

Lord Mayor Reynolds is a member of the Local Government Association of Tasmania's General Management Committee that comprises the President of LGAT, the Lord Mayor (by virtue of Hobart's capital city status) and seven local government representatives from the North, West/North- West and South.

She attended three meetings of the General Management Committee this year.







Capital City Lord Mayors meeting re climate change

6. Represent the Council cont../

Meetings held with State and Federal Representatives in 22–23

	Meetings
The Hon Jeremy Rockliff MP, Premier of Tasmania	3
The Hon Nic Street MP	1
The Hon Guy Barnett MP	1
The Hon Madeleine Ogilvie MP	1
The Hon Elise Archer MP (Nov 22 - Sep 23)	1
Senator the Hon Carol Brown	2
Senator the Hon Jacqui Lambie	1
Senator the Hon Nick McKim	1
Senator the Hon Jonathon Duniam	1
Senator the Hon Claire Chandler	1
The Hon Julie Collins MP	1
The Hon Meg Webb MLC	1
The Hon Rob Valentine MLC	1
The Hon Rebecca White MP	2
Dean Winter MP	1
Andrew Wilkie MP	3
Kristie Johnston MP	1
Cassie O'Connor MP	1
Ella Haddad MP	2
The Hon Catherine King MP	1
The Hon Kristie McBain MP	1
Senator the Hon Murray Watt	1

Appoint the General Manager

6. Represent the Council

'to lead and participate on the appointment, and the monitoring of the performance, of the general manager"

The Lord Mayor led the recruitment process to appoint a new Council Chief Executive Officer, following former Chief Executive Officer Kelly Grigsby stepping down from her role in July 2023.

A specialist executive recruitment firm was overseen by a Committee of Elected Members comprising the Lord Mayor; Deputy Lord Mayor, Cr Burnet; Ald Behrakis; Cr Dutta and Ald Bloomfield. The process involved a national search, an extensive advertising and marketing strategy, rigorous candidate screening, short-listing, undertaking first interviews and running second interviews with the Full Council to agree on an appointment.

The Council resolved to appoint former Launceston City Council General Manager, Michael Stretton to the role of City of Hobart CEO in October 2023. Mr Stretton will commence with the City of Hobart in February 2024.

The CEO is pivotal to the success of council and the community they serve so this appointment took many hours of the Lord Mayor's time this year. It was important for the Council to ensure a proactive, inclusive and transparent process to make sure the best possible candidate was secured for the role.



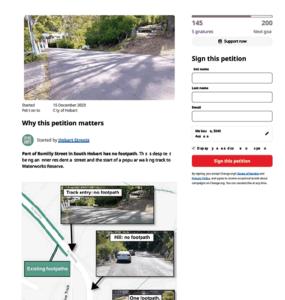
Petition

3/1/2024 To the Lord Mayor, Elected Members and the Chief Executive Officer of the Hobart City Council, the petition of the undersigned is submitted for your attention. State the subject matter: Add a footpath to Romilly St in South Hobart Please see attached document for further details State the action sought by the petitioners: 144 Total number of signatories to the petition Please Note: To be a valid petition: The full printed name, address and signature of the person lodging the petition must be provided. Dominic Lang Name: Rd Dynnyrne TAS 7005 Postal address:.. Signature:... Name Address Signature (Please Print) (Please Print)

П	Elected Member Use Only:
1	As presented to Council by Alderman/Councillor
:	Signed:



Add a footpath to Romilly St in South Hobart



We would like City of Hobart to add a footpath, dea y with one or more pedestr an crossings. This will make it safer for pedestrians, runners, parents



This dea has a ready been submitted to City of Hobart for consideration of nous on in their 2024 25 budget. Please signification so we can show them how many of us think this is a good idea.

You can read more about this dea at: hobartstreets.au/romilly

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Name	City	State	Postal Cod Country	Signed On
Jane Thomas	South Hobart		7004 Australia	17/12/2023
D Lang	Hobart		7005 Australia	17/12/2023
Anna Ashworth	Dynnyrne		7005 Australia	18/12/2023
Jason moorby			3156 Australia	18/12/2023
Karen Cayoun	South Hobart		7004 Australia	18/12/2023
Patrick Eid	Illawong		2234 Australia	18/12/2023
David Witzke	South Hobart		7004 Australia	18/12/2023
Anna Lynch	Hobart		7000 Australia	18/12/2023
Philip Cocker	Hobart		7008 Australia	18/12/2023
Andrew Koolhof	Hobart		7005 Australia	18/12/2023
jasz mandari	Hobart		7000 Australia	18/12/2023
Bradley Chamberlain	Hobart		7005 Australia	18/12/2023
Louise Milburn	Hobart		7001 Australia	18/12/2023
Becky McLoughlin	Hobart		7018 Australia	18/12/2023
Paul Stephenson	Dynnyrne		7005 Australia	18/12/2023
Zoe Ling	Hobart		7000 Australia	18/12/2023
Amy Reid	Hobart		7000 Australia	18/12/2023
Jane Boucher	Hobart		7000 Australia	18/12/2023
Colin Bradshaw	Hobart		7001 Australia	18/12/2023
Mohd Amaltulrahman Mohd Nordin	Melbourne		3205 Australia	19/12/2023
Nicholas Gray	Hobart		7005 Australia	19/12/2023
Iain Maclean	Hobart		7010 Australia	19/12/2023
Amy Chamberlain	Hobart		7000 Australia	19/12/2023
Rhea Psereckis	Hobart		7005 Australia	19/12/2023
John Nimmo	Sydney		2000 Australia	19/12/2023
Tom Roach	Melbourne		3000 Australia	19/12/2023
Jane Bradshaw	Hobart		7005 Australia	19/12/2023
Mia Patton	Hobart		7016 Australia	19/12/2023
Michael Ling	Launceston		7250 Australia	19/12/2023
joe hutchinson	Hobart		7005 Australia	19/12/2023
Joanna Haslewood	South Hobart		7004 Australia	19/12/2023
Andrew Shields	South Hobart		7004 Australia	19/12/2023
Vanessa Griggs	Hobart		7000 Australia	19/12/2023
elyza frankcombe	Brisbane		4121 Australia	19/12/2023
Emma Lea	Hobart		7004 Australia	19/12/2023
Toby Rowallan	Hobart		7000 Australia	19/12/2023
FADIA SAMIA	Bexley		2207 Australia	19/12/2023
Pritpal Kaur	Brisbane		4125 Australia	19/12/2023
Charlee Moss	Melbourne		3001 Australia	19/12/2023
nanny banger	Perth		6112 Australia	19/12/2023
Ivan Thomas	Melbourne		3000 Australia	19/12/2023
David Graddon	Hobart		7000 Australia	20/12/2023
Karen Reid	Hobart		7000 Australia	20/12/2023
Nathan Warner	Hobart		7000 Australia	20/12/2023
Ray Siauw	South Hobart		7004 Australia	20/12/2023
Emma Clark	Hobart		7018 Australia	20/12/2023
Natasha Meerding			7053 Australia	20/12/2023
Laura Edwards	Hobart		7000 Australia	20/12/2023
Penelope Stolp	Hobart		7000 Australia	20/12/2023

David Loveridge	Hobart	7000 Australia	20/12/2023
Hazel Ren	Canberra	2602 Australia	20/12/2023
Lori Coulson	Fern Tree	7054 Australia	20/12/2023
Helene Rogers	Melbourne	3182 Australia	20/12/2023
Aung Htay	Hobart	7015 Australia	20/12/2023
Chris Lang	Hobart	7008 Australia	20/12/2023
Khambia Clarkson	Marshalltown	50158 Australia	20/12/2023
Jennifer Jamieson	Taroona	7053 Australia	20/12/2023
Lyn Brownjohn		5560 Australia	20/12/2023
Jo Graddon	Hobart	7005 Australia	20/12/2023
Soe Naing	Melbourne	3127 Australia	20/12/2023
Eliza Rogers	South Hobart	7004 Australia	21/12/2023
Angus McLoughlin	Hobart	7005 Australia	21/12/2023
Andrew McGlashan		3134 Australia	21/12/2023
Yee Tzen Li	Sandy Bay	7005 Australia	21/12/2023
Erica Chin	Hobart	7000 Australia	21/12/2023
Alanna Cherote		2063 Australia	21/12/2023
Anna Bamford	Hobart	7000 Australia	21/12/2023
Maggie Davies	South Hobart	7004 Australia	21/12/2023
Penelope Clark	Hobart	7004 Australia	21/12/2023
Sara Ashley		2170 Australia	21/12/2023
steven hald		4807 Australia	21/12/2023
donald knowler	Hobart	7005 Australia	22/12/2023
Rochelle McConachie	Sydney	2000 Australia	22/12/2023
Domhnall BRANNIGAN	South Hobart	7004 Australia	22/12/2023
Raima Dil	Melbourne	3000 Australia	22/12/2023
Jack Inglis	Hobart	7005 Australia	22/12/2023
Sieun Lee	Merrylands	2160 Australia	23/12/2023
Emily Burch	Hobart	7005 Australia	23/12/2023
Beverley Jefferson	Hobart	7008 Australia	23/12/2023
Robin McLean	Hobart	7001 Australia	23/12/2023
Diggle Lisa	Dynnyrne	7005 Australia	23/12/2023
Carol Bristow	Hobart	7000 Australia	23/12/2023
John Friend	Hobart	7001 Australia	23/12/2023
Nigel Williams	Dynnyrne	7005 Australia	23/12/2023
Horst Stratemeier	Melbourne	3101 Australia	23/12/2023
Dorka Kabaivanof	Hobart	7005 Australia	23/12/2023
Glenda Hosking	Hobart	7005 Australia	23/12/2023
Julian Stratemeier	Dynnyrne	7005 Australia	23/12/2023
Noa Stratemeier	Hobart	7005 Australia	23/12/2023
Nicole Offenhausen	Hobart	7005 Australia	23/12/2023
Julia Verdouw	Hobart	7004 Australia	23/12/2023
Jane Symons	Hobart	7000 Australia	24/12/2023
Robin Cooper	Hobart	7018 Australia	24/12/2023
Rohan Moore	Blackmans Bay	7005 Australia	24/12/2023
Seongeun Bae	Sydney	2121 Australia	24/12/2023
Kayleigh Hall	Melbourne	3000 Australia	25/12/2023
Lorraine Bartlett	Chiswick	3806 Australia	25/12/2023
Louise GORDON	Hobart	7001 Australia	26/12/2023
Marjorie Morgan	Hobart	7000 Australia	26/12/2023

Jason Xu	Melbourne	3147 Australia	27/12/2023
Mike Garry	Hobart	7001 Australia	27/12/2023
Mayra Mirramossis	Melbourne	3000 Australia	27/12/2023
Andrew Garrett	South Hobart	7004 Australia	27/12/2023
Kalina Makowiecki	South Hobart	7004 Australia	27/12/2023
Ahmed Abdul Hussain	Glebe	7000 Australia	27/12/2023
yue wang	Melbourne	3000 Australia	27/12/2023
john allen	shepparton	3630 Australia	28/12/2023
aibin cai	Melbourne	3001 Australia	28/12/2023
Binyu Wang	Canberra	2912 Australia	28/12/2023
Aliese Pauling	Brisbane	4102 Australia	28/12/2023
Wenna Cao	Tullamarine	3043 Australia	28/12/2023
lei yan	Brighton	3186 Australia	28/12/2023
James Huang	Sydney	2000 Australia	28/12/2023
daling Yin	Canberra	2611 Australia	28/12/2023
Jingjiang Yang	Griffith	2603 Australia	28/12/2023
Jeremy QI	Melbourne	3001 Australia	28/12/2023
Michelle Young	Hobart	7005 Australia	28/12/2023
Nigel Wang	Bridgewater	5155 Australia	28/12/2023
WENBO JIANG	Blacktown	2148 Australia	28/12/2023
Annie Zhao	Petersham	2049 Australia	28/12/2023
Selena Peng	Melbourne	3004 Australia	28/12/2023
sally sun	Sydney	2076 Australia	28/12/2023
Nancy Zheng	Sydney	2000 Australia	28/12/2023
Nathan Ma	Sydney	2160 Australia	28/12/2023
Sherry Peng	Adelaide	5000 Australia	28/12/2023
Kevin Qu	Melbourne	3128 Australia	28/12/2023
Lydia Wang	Sydney	2000 Australia	28/12/2023
Fatty Huang	Sydney	2040 Australia	28/12/2023
Joanna Chang	Melbourne	3001 Australia	28/12/2023
Fay Rohrlach		5087 Australia	29/12/2023
Hannah Birch	Hobart	7000 Australia	29/12/2023
DAPHNE ZHANG	Adelaide	5000 Australia	29/12/2023
Emily Joseph	South Hobart	7004 Australia	29/12/2023
David Spencer	South Hobart	7004 Australia	29/12/2023
Lara Stratemeier	Melbourne	3066 Australia	30/12/2023
Jenny Bray	Northgate	4013 Australia	30/12/2023
Julie King		7011 Australia	30/12/2023
Brendan McGee	Hobart	7052 Australia	30/12/2023
Hong Jing	Adelaide	5021 SA Australia	31/12/2023
Greyson m	Sydney	2770 Australia	31/12/2023
Maree Sulter	Mount White	NSW Australia	31/12/2023
Eugene Tan	Melbourne	3163 Australia	31/12/2023
Coyne Tanya	Sydney	2110 Australia	1/01/2024
Cindy Cher	Brisbane	4500 Australia	2/01/2024

Name	City	State	Postal Code	Country	Date	Comment
Zoe Ling	Hobart		7000	Australia		"Safe and accessible infrastructure to support active transport for citizens is vitally necessary- so many health co-benefits."
Natasha Meerding			7053	Australia	20/12/2023	"Make this inner city walkway safer to access for families with children."
Aung Htay	Hobart		7015	Australia	20/12/2023	"I fully support for the public safety as priority."
Jo Graddon	Hobart		7005	Australia	20/12/2023	"I use this dangerous section of road on a daily basis - on foot, on my bike or in my car. It is only one inattentive moment away from a significant injury."
donald knowler	Hobart		7005	Australia	1 ' '	is very dangerous for pedestirans. also what is termed "wombat crosssing" at this point is an actual crossing for wildlife, part of a wider wildlife corridor."
Dorka Kabaivanof	Hobart		7005	Australia	23/12/2023	"I use this section with young children 3 to 5 years as part of my Bushkinder program. We go on excursions along the pipeline track starting at my house at Waterworks Rd. I always found it an u safe venture to reach the entry of the track with small children especially also the crossing at one end of the bridge and the crossing onto the track. And having a dog and having been a mum of four I can only confirm how uncomfortable it feels and I safe to be pushed into the road to get to the pipeline track."