



King Island Council

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ROUTINE DIVERSION TO KING ISLAND AIRPORT

King Island Council can confirm that a plane landed safely at the King Island Airport this morning following an incident during the flight.

At the request of Tasmania Police, King Island's volunteer emergency services attended the airport as a precautionary measure.

The charter to flight was on route to Tasmania when issues were experienced with one engine. For safety reasons, the plane diverted to King Island where the landing was routine with all passengers disembarking safely. After a coffee at King Island's new airport the passengers transferred to another flight and continued on their way to Tasmania.

Mayor Duncan McFie would like to thank the excellent response from King Island's dedicated and professional emergency services, most of who are well-trained volunteers. "Despite not being required today, the whole community is extremely grateful for those people who give up their time to train, practice and are always on standby to ensure that our community is safe and protected."

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