

TOWN OF COTTESLOE



DISABILITY SERVICES ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MINUTES

MAYOR'S PARLOUR, COTTESLOE CIVIC CENTRE
109 BROOME STREET, COTTESLOE
10:30 AM, TUESDAY 27 JUNE 2017

MAT HUMFREY
Chief Executive Officer

20 July 2017

DISABILITY SERVICES ADVISORY COMMITTEE

1. DECLARATION OF MEETING OPEN

The Presiding Member announced the meeting open at 10:35 AM.

2. RECORD OF ATTENDANCE/APOLOGIES

Present

Cr Jay Birnbrauer	Presiding Member
Kristy Mclean	Lady Lawley Cottage
Chris Wiggins	Community member

Officers Present

Garry Bird	Manager, Corporate and Community Services
Nicholas Woodhouse	Manager, Engineering Services
Sherilee Macready	Community Development Officer

Apologies

Cr Sally Pyvis	Deputy Member
Maja Doslo	Disability Services Commission
Hilary Rumley	Community member
Sharon James	SHINE Community Services
Lyn Edmondson	Lady Lawley Cottage
Bridget Cheffins	Community member

3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

The Minutes of the meeting of the Disability Services Advisory Committee held on 2 May 2017 be confirmed.

Moved Cr Birnbrauer, Seconded Nicholas Woodhouse

Carried

The Manager, Corporate & Community Services, joined the meeting at 11.00am.

4. ACTION ITEMS

Task		Status
a.	Reconciling the Universal Access Path with the existing bitumen road.	A report to Council has been submitted for the June 2017 Council meeting. It is envisaged that the next phase of Design drawings will be circulated to the Disability Services Advisory Committee members in four to six weeks.

		The Design Committee is comprised of architects drawn from the Town's Design Advisory Panel as well as an Elected Member. Emerge Associates are the main contractor for the Cottesloe Foreshore Redevelopment project.
b.	Formalise the process of booking the Beach Wheelchair.	The Community Development Officer advised that new beach wheelchairs will be purchased for Cottesloe Beach and North Cottesloe Beach this year to compliment the existing beach wheelchairs. The model of wheelchair selected is the new Surf and Turf which has been designed, extensively tested, and recommended to the Town by the Disabled Surfers Association of Australia.
c.	Beach Access Path Refurbishment.	Three paths have been identified for universal access improvements. The Committee discussed whether other beach access paths in Cottesloe might be good candidates for improvements in access, if not to full universal access standard. The Manager, Corporate & Community Services, stated that staff will investigate the option/feasibility of improving all beach paths in some way, in terms of improved accessibility.
d.	Beach Access at North Cottesloe Beachfront.	The Manager, Engineering Services, reported on his site meeting with Hilary Rumley following the 2 May Committee meeting. Minor improvements to access that could be made were identified, for example, improved signage, trimming of bushes, and installation of concrete lips to footpaths. These tasks will be implemented shortly.
e.	Crossing at the intersection of Gibney Street and Marine Parade.	The Manager, Engineering Services, advised that Council's' annual Budget will be adopted on 11 July 2017, including an allocation for this project. Lady Lawley Cottage and Wearne Hostel will be given an opportunity to provide feedback on the project specifics in August or September 2017, with works expected to commence towards the end of this calendar year.

5. NEW BUSINESS

5.1 Changes to Lady Lawley Cottage

Ms Kristy Mclean, Change Lead Manager from Lady Lawley Cottage, provided information to the committee regarding their recent organisational changes. This included outlining the restructuring of Lady Lawley's major services so that the community engagement in-home support programs will no longer be offered by the organisation. It was determined that other organisations in the community are better placed to provide these services. Lady Lawley Cottage will subsequently focus on the two other major services they currently provide: the high needs unit; and the short stay respite accommodation and day programs. These services will be redesigned to better meet the needs of their clients.

5.2 Possible Budget savings – Purchase of electric car

Mr Wiggins initiated a discussion which focused on whether savings could be made by Council if the BMW brand of electric car was not purchased by Council and the funds were redirected to Disability Access and Inclusion projects.

6. NEXT MEETING

29 August 2017

7. MEETING CLOSURE

The Presiding Member announced the meeting closed at 11:35 AM.