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DISABILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

held on 3 August 2017 at 12.00pm in Civic Room 2

Present: L Chitts, Community Representative
Cr K Majdlik, Councillor, Council
M Heaney, Coordinator Community Participation, Council
M Homann, Mambourin Representative
L Jenner, Community Representative
D Ciavarella, Community Representative
T Ball, Acting Manager Community Care, Council
P Gulen, Community Representative
W Penna, Metro Access Officer, Council

Chairperson: Cr K Majdlik, Councillor, Council

1. Welcome

Cr Majdlik welcomed all present.

2. Apologies

K Tori, Chief Executive Officer, Council
C Crameri, Manager Community Care, Council
M Hutchinson, Coordinator Design and Traffic, Council

3. Declaration of interests and/or conflict of interests

Nil.

4. Confirmation of minutes of previous meeting

Motion

That the Committee adopts the minutes of the Disability Advisory Committee (DAC) meeting held 1 June 2017.

M Homann / L Chitts

5. Business Arising

5.1 Station Square Shopping Centre reserve

This item to be deferred to the October meeting of the DAC, to be presented by M Hutchinson.

Action:

M Heaney to include in the October 2017 DAC meeting agenda.



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6. General Business

6.1 Metro Access Update

W Penna provided the following update:

- A successful Carers Big Day Out event was delivered by Councils Community Care department on 4 July 2017. This new initiative engaged with 55 carers and focused on carer health and wellbeing and social engagement. Feedback for this event was overwhelmingly positive.
- Ongoing improvements to the CARE Melton Expo will be implemented at the 2017 event including provision of additional space to accommodate a further 10 exhibitors. A highlight at this year's event will be attendance by the National Disability Insurance Agency.
- Correspondence has been received confirming that the DAC has been shortlisted as a finalist in the State Disability Awards in the category of Excellence in Promoting Rights, Fairness and Safety. All DAC members are invited and encouraged to attend the official ceremony on Wednesday 16 August 2017 at Federation Square.
- DAC Members were provided with the Building Inclusive Communities (BIC) Outcomes Report, highlighting the delivery of 15 projects in 2016 -2017. In addition an update on changes to the BIC State funding arrangements and its impact on the Metro Access role was provided.
- DAC Members were provided with a report summarising the outcomes of the Melton Disability Action Plan 2013 – 2017 which included achievement of all actions.

6.2 People Strategy and Disability Action Plan Update

T Ball reported that Council's new 'people' focused strategy incorporating the Disability Action Plan, Early Years Plan, Youth Strategy and Ageing Well Strategy is progressing well. DAC representatives were invited to complete the online survey as part of the community consultation process.

6.3 Pride of Melton Concept Plan Stage 4 and 5

This item to be deferred to the October meeting of the DAC, to be presented by M Hutchinson.

Action:

M Heaney to include in the October 2017 DAC meeting agenda.

7. Other Business

Updates from Representatives

L Jenner:

- Raised concerns regarding the ineffectiveness of street lighting in O'Neills Road Melton.

Action:

M Hutchinson to further investigate street lighting concerns in O'Neills Road and report back at the October 2017 DAC meeting.



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D Ciavarella:

- Raised concerns regarding the uneven paving surface at the Civic Centre main entrance.

Action:

M Hutchinson to further investigate uneven paving at Civic Centre main entrance and report back at the October 2017 DAC meeting.

W Penna:

- Reported that DAC members had fulfilled their responsibilities in supporting Council Officers responsible for the delivery of the Business Excellence awards. L Chitts, D Ciavarella and L Jenner provided feedback on the support they had provided and their roles in reviewing shortlisted applicants for the Access and Inclusion category sponsored by the DAC. Some areas for further clarification and improvement were noted in particular the process for judging the Access and Inclusion category.

Action:

K Majdlik to seek clarification and raise areas for improvement at the on 7 August 2017 Council Briefing and report back at the October 2017 DAC meeting.

8. Next Meeting

The next meeting is to be held on Thursday 5 October 2017 commencing at 12.00pm in Civic Room 2.

9. Close of Business

The meeting closed at 1.55pm.