

DISABILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

held on 4 October 2018 at 12noon in Civic Room 2

Present: Cr K Majdlik, City of Melton (MCC)
K Tori, Chief Executive Officer (MCC)
M Homann, Service Provider Representative
L Jenner, Community Representative
L Chitts, Community Representative
L Campbell, Community Representative
C Crameri, Manager Community Care (MCC)
M Heaney, Coordinator Community Participation (MCC)
W Penna, MetroAccess Officer (MCC)
M Hutchinson, Coordinator Design and Traffic (MCC)
K McCluskey, Social Planning Officer (MCC)

Chairperson: C Crameri, Manager Community Care (MCC)

1. **Apologies**
2. **Declaration of interests and/or conflict of interests**
Nil
3. **Confirmation of minutes of previous meeting**

Motion

That the Committee adopts the minutes of the Disability Advisory Committee (DAC) meeting held 2 August 2018.

M Homann / L Campbell

4. **Business Arising**
 - 4.1 **Letter of thanks to past members**

W Penna reported that letters of thanks had been prepared and posted to past members of the committee. Action completed.
 - 4.2 **Call for agenda items**

W Penna confirmed the new process for requesting agenda items had been implemented and worked well. Action completed.
 - 4.3 **Brotherhood of St Laurence (NDIS Local Area Co-ordinator) presentation to DAC**

C Crameri reported that she had met with representatives of the Brotherhood of St Laurence and they have agreed to attend the DAC and this would be scheduled based on availability in the near future.
 - 4.4 **Disability demographics presentation**

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C Cramer reported that relevant Council staff would attend and present at either the December 2018 or February 2019 DAC meeting.

4.5 Traffic lights adjacent to Melton Health

M Hutchinson reported that the section of Barries Road where traffic lights have been requested, is owned by QIC and therefore not controlled by Council. Furthermore QIC have undertaken a Traffic Assessment Plan and this section of Barries Road was deemed to be satisfactory. K Tori indicated that QIC has a Local Government Liaison Officer and there could be value in raising DAC safety concerns with that person.

Action:

M Hutchinson to make contact with the QIC Local Government Liaison Officer and raise the DAC safety concerns and report back to the December 2018 meeting.

Community and Service Provider representatives to raise safety concerns with Woodgrove Management, requesting improvements be considered in line with future developments.

4.6 DAC agenda actions and minutes feedback

Clarification was sought regarding the recording of actions in meeting agendas. It was agreed that actions, once completed be recorded in the minutes to reflect this.

5. General Business**5.1 Community space design consultation**

K McCluskey sought feedback from the DAC regarding practical considerations for how people with a disability use spaces. The information gained from the discussion will support the development of Councils Community Infrastructure Framework which will guide Council in the provision and composition of well-designed and accessible community infrastructure. Members of the committee provided valuable and insightful information.

Action:

M Heaney to provide K McCluskey with the World Health Organisation Age Friendly Cities and Communities Checklist.

5.2 Metro Access Update**5.2.1 CARE Melton Expo**

W Penna provided an update on the CARE Melton Expo which will be delivered on 18 October 2018 from 10am to 2pm. Exhibitor space filled within four hours of being advertised with 69 Exhibitors successful and a further 27 on the wait list. The level of interest in this year's Expo, from a Service Provider perspective, far exceeds previous years. The NDIS will be exhibiting along with Djerriwarrh Health Services and Australian Hearing who will both provide a range of health checks. Neighborhood Houses will deliver Sahaja Yoga Meditation for carers in the Council Chambers.

5.2.2 Changing Places Facility Melton Waves Leisure Centre

W Penna reported that the construction of the Changing Places facility will be completed on schedule. The facility which Council received \$100,000 from the State Government to deliver, will consist of an adult change table, hoist, toilet facilities and room for two carers to support the person accessing the facility. The new facility will be formally opened on the 23 October 2018 and DAC members are invited to attend.



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5.3 Business Excellence Awards

L Jenner sought clarification regarding the Business Excellence Awards - Access and Inclusion category, not being included in the original local media article. It was acknowledged that this was an oversight but a feature article was provided in the following week's paper as compensation.

L Jenner also highlighted that there were a number of category winners that had a connection to disability. This was an excellent outcome which provides further promotional opportunities for the 2019 Business Excellence Awards particularly in terms of the benefits of employing people with a disability.

5.4 DAC Community Awareness

L Chitts requested the DAC take the opportunity to promote the role of the DAC at the CARE Melton Expo. It was agreed that members would be provided with a space adjacent to the Community Care exhibitor site and lead a community consultation exercise while promoting the DAC.

Action:

Members of the DAC to determine their roster to ensure the site is managed and the consultation delivered.

W Penna to arrange a table, relevant information to exhibit on the table i.e. DAC State Award, name tags and questions for the consultation exercise.

6. Next Meeting

The next meeting is to be held on Thursday 6 December 2018 commencing at 12.00pm in Civic Room 2.

7. Close of Business

The meeting closed at 1.31pm.