

**Melton City Council  
CALDAC Meeting Minutes  
21 August 2013**



**Chairperson** Cr. Bob Turner  
**Minute Taker** Lillian Campos  
**Attendees** Mr Francis Blango, Mr Fe Dorosan, Mr Mohammed Kamal, Mrs Siniya Joseph, Mrs Sui Fianu-Carter, Mrs Hiromi Hughes, Mr Antipas Kooc, Mr Noble Olamijulo, Mrs Myung Rye Yoon, Adamu Tefera, Lillian Campos.

**Apologies:** Mrs Cecilia Zhou – Melton Chinese Friendship Association

**Key Points Discussed and Action Items**

No.	Welcome and Introductions	Action Items	Owner	Target Date
1	A welcome to all present for the first meeting of the new CALDAC. Introductions of all attendees undertaken.	Nil	-	-
	<b>Previous Minutes</b> N/A	Nil	-	-
2	<b>Brief review and history of CALDAC</b> The CALDAC committee evolved from the original CALD Forum, established by Council in 2005, with representatives from a number of community groups and organisations. In 2008 a proposal was supported by Council to establish the CALDAC. A number of community initiatives and activities have resulted from the Committee, including consultations with the CALD community on issues relating to access to Council services.	Nil	-	-
3	<b>CALDAC member presentations</b> All CALDAC members provided information about their respective communities, including community issues and projects: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bangladesh community (Mr Mohammed Kamal) - 35,000 Bangladesh people living in Victoria.</li> <li>▪ Samoan Community (Mrs Sui Fianu-Carter) - 9% of residents are from a Samoan background. The establishment of a Samoan community group in</li> </ul>	Nil	-	-

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	<p>Melton and youth focused programs are key focuses for community members.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ South Sudan Community (Mr Antipas Koooc) - The Sudanese community in Melton is growing rapidly. There is continuing work to establish an English language school and homework program for the Sudanese community.</li> <li>▪ Utsav Malayalee Samaj Indian Community (Mrs Siniya Joseph) - There is continuing strengthening community work, focussing on community events and celebrations. Important issues facing the community are lack of settlement and employment programs for skilled migrants and lack of access to child care service.</li> <li>▪ Sierra Leone Community (Mr Francis Biango) - There is approx. 150 people living in the City from Sierra Leone. An important issue experienced by the community is information on what services are available to support the community.</li> <li>▪ Nigerian Community (Mr Noble Olamijulo) - An important issue experienced by the Nigerian community is information on what services are available and how to access them.</li> <li>▪ Filipino Community (Mrs Fe Dorosan) - The community continues to focus on participation in wider community events and activities.</li> <li>▪ Japanese Community (Mrs Hiromi Hughes) - The Japanese community in Melton continues to grow. The community is looking to develop more programs for their community.</li> <li>▪ Korean Community (Mrs Myung Rye Yoon) - An important issue experienced by the Korean community is around identity, in particular for young people.</li> </ul>		
<p><b>4 CALD Communities Story Board Test</b></p>	<p>A pictorial information booklet developed by Moreland City Council was presented for consideration for development at Melton City Council. The booklet provides information in a simple format about available Council services for residents from CALD communities.</p>	<p><b>Action Items</b></p> <p>All members to present storyboard draft to two individuals of their community (preferably who are not fluent in English) to test if they can extract message. Advice and</p>	<p><b>Owner</b></p> <p>Adamu</p> <p><b>Target Date</b></p> <p>18 October 2013</p>

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		recommendations to be communicated to Adamu.			
<b>5</b>	<b>Nominate CALDAC representative on Early Years Partnership Committee</b> A representative from CALDAC to nominate for the Children Services Early Years Partnership Committee (EYPC) to provide CALD community context and advice.	<b>Action Items</b> Information on EYPC to be sent to all members for consideration for possible nomination. Interested members to contact Adamu direct.	<b>Owner</b> All members	<b>Target Date</b> 30 September 2013	
<b>6</b>	<b>CALDAC members induction tour</b> Organise an induction presentation/tour around the City for CALDAC members to familiarise themselves with the geography of the City, the community facilities and issues.	<b>Action Items</b> Committee agreed to tentative date for induction tour on 27 October 2013.  Adamu to send members formal invitation.	<b>Owner</b> Adamu  Adamu	<b>Target Date</b> 27 October 2013  20 September 2013	
<b>7</b>	<b>Other Business</b> <b>Adam Boyle:</b> advised members that a range of relevant strategy and plans will be on public exhibition over the next three months and encouraged members to provide feedback from a CALD community context where able and appropriate.  <b>Cr. Turner:</b> encouraged all members to share contact information with each other, to become social and professional supports as committee members.	<b>Action Items</b> Notification sent to all members to provide opportunities for members to provide comments from a CALD community context.  Coordination of formal contact detail schedule for all members.  Formal invitation to be sent out.	<b>Owner</b> Adamu  Adamu	<b>Target Date</b> Ongoing  21 November 2013	
<b>8</b>	<b>Next Meeting</b> 27 November 2013		Adamu	31 October 2013	