TOWN OF COTTESLOE



DISABILITY SERVICES ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MINUTES

MAYOR'S PARLOUR, COTTESLOE CIVIC CENTRE 109 BROOME STREET, COTTESLOE 9:30 AM, TUESDAY 29 AUGUST 2017

MAT HUMFREY
Chief Executive Officer

27 September 2017

DISABILITY SERVICES ADVISORY COMMITTEE

1. DECLARATION OF MEETING OPEN

Garry Bird, Manager, Corporate & Community Services, delegated Presiding Member announced the meeting open at 9:40 AM.

2. RECORD OF ATTENDANCE/APOLOGIES

Present

Lyn Edmondson Lady Lawley Cottage
Chris Wiggins Community member
Hilary Rumley Community member

Maja Doslo Disability Services Commission

Officers Present

Garry Bird Manager, Corporate and Community Services

Nicholas Woodhouse Manager, Engineering Services Sherilee Macready Community Development Officer

Apologies

Cr Jay Birnbrauer Presiding Member
Cr Sally Pyvis Deputy Member
Cr Helen Burke Deputy Member

Sharon James SHINE Community Services
Karena Sherriff SHINE Community Services

Bridget Cheffins Community member

Brooke Stafford Disability Services Commission

3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

The Minutes of the meeting of the Disability Services Advisory Committee held on 27 June 2017 be confirmed.

Moved Chris Wiggins, Seconded Lyn Edmondson

Carried

4. ACTION ITEMS

Task		Status
a.	Universal Access Path	The Manager, Engineering Services, advised that Emerge Associates had produced preliminary drawings of improved access to Cottesloe Beach, its groyne and public toilets as part of the Cottesloe Foreshore Renewal Masterplan. Following this, Engineering would be submitting an item to September Council

		to request a public consultation period for the community to be able to provide feedback on the project. In addition, the Manager, Engineering Services, said that there would be an additional opportunity for the Disability Services Advisory Committee members to view the drawings and provide feedback at the 31 October meeting. Mr Wiggins and Mrs Rumley stressed the need for a second ACROD parking bay near the Cottesloe Beach groyne, and expressed their wish that this could be incorporated into the renewal plans for Cottesloe Beach.
b.	Formalise the process of booking the Beach Wheelchair.	It was suggested by Mrs Rumley that training given to the Surf Life Saving W.A. lifeguards and Cottesloe Surf Life Saving Club volunteers who provide access to the TADWA Beach Trekker Wheelchair at Cottesloe Beach could be improved. The Community Development Officer advised that this was something that had already been noted by the Town as an area that needed improvement and contact would be made before summer with both Surf Life Saving W.A. and Cottesloe Surf Life Saving Club.
c.	Beach Access Path Refurbishment.	The Manager, Engineering Services, advised that the concept phase of this project is nearing completion. There will be an opportunity for comment prior to finalising plans.
d.	Crossing at the intersection of Gibney Street and Marine Parade.	The Manager, Engineering Services, advised that a concept plan had been created for the crossing and that he would shortly be consulting with Lady Lawley Cottage and Wearne Hostel for their input prior to production of the final plan. Construction of the crossing would follow this.

5. NEW BUSINESS

5.1 Access at Sea View Golf Club

Mrs Rumley raised an issue that she had with access at Sea View Golf Club in that the building had steps at its entrance and therefore a temporary fold

out ramp had to be brought out for people with a physical disability who wished to access the building.

In response, the Manager, Corporate & Community Services, advised that Council had recently awarded a grant to Sea View Golf Club to assist in improving universal access at their function venue.

As a follow on, the committee discussed basic ideas of lifts that could be installed at certain venues in Cottesloe which could improve access and were more cost effective than large scale lift facilities, as cost was recognised a prohibitive factor in many cases. One example from Claremont included a lift that elevates on a small platform.

It was suggested that Ms Doslo could provide the Town of Cottesloe with examples of small scale lift facilities, which could be in turn provided to some of the community facilities/venues in Cottesloe as suggested options.

5.2 North Cottesloe Beach access to facilities

Mrs Rumley referred to the 2006 Access Audit Report of Town of Cottesloe facilities undertaken by Brian Kidd, specifically referring to beach paths and ramps at North Cottesloe Beachfront. In the report it advises that some ramps and paths have a gradient in excess of 1 in 12, and as a high priority it recommends that a more complete study be undertaken of the paths and ramps to provide compliant access to the beach.

The Manager, Engineering Services, suggested that this would be considered as part of the North Cottesloe stage of the Foreshore Redevelopment.

5.3 Information sharing and collaboration

Mrs Rumley raised the point that she feels that the Town of Cottesloe should consider more integrated information sharing between existing committees that are working on a similar projects, with a view to making the implementation of significant projects more efficient, for example, the Foreshore Renewal Masterplan concerns the Bike Committee, the Foreshore Precinct Implementation Committee, the Beach Access Path Committee and the Disability Services Advisory Committee. Mrs Rumley suggested that these committees should bring representatives together for a specific meeting to work collaboratively and ensure they were all on the same page on related projects.

Mrs Rumley also raised the point that as a resident she would like to see the Town of Cottesloe focus on more openness in information sharing with residents about projects and initiatives that are planned and implemented.

6. NEXT MEETING

31 October 2017

7. MEETING CLOSURE

The delegated Presiding Member announced the meeting closed at 10:15 AM.