Shire of Denmark

Minutes



DISABILITY SERVICES ADVISORY COMMITTEE

HELD IN COMMITTEE ROOM 953 SOUTH COAST HIGHWAY, DENMARK TUESDAY, 28 SEPTEMBER 2021.

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Council Committee Meeting

28 September 2021

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1. DECLARATION OF OPENING

10.08am - The Presiding Person, Cr Osborne, declared the meeting open.

2. RECORD OF ATTENDANCE/APOLOGIES/APPROVED LEAVE OF ABSENCE

MEMBERS:

Cr Ian Osborne (Presiding Person)

Adrian Hinds, Community Professional & Community Member

Peter Boyes, Community Representative

Emma Reilly, Community Representative

Marjo Hannele, Community Representative

STAFF:

Rosie Arnephie, Community Development Officer

Lisa Sanders, Executive Support Officer

Renee Wiggins, Manager Community Services

Lindsey Heymans, Administrator Technical Services

Damian Schwarzbach, Manager - Projects

APOLOGIES:

Kylie Spencer, Health Service Manager, Denmark Health Service Geoff Hill, Community Representative

ON LEAVE OF ABSENCE:

Nil

ABSENT:

Nil

VISITORS:

Nil

3. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Nil

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE PERSON PRESIDING

Nil

5. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

ITEM 5.1

That the minutes of the Disability Services Advisory Committee meeting held on the 6 July 2021, be CONFIRMED as a true and correct record of the proceedings.

COMMITTEE DECISION

ITEM 5.2

MOVED: ADRIAN HINDS

SECONDED: PETER BOYES

That the minutes of the Disability Services Advisory Committee meeting held on the 6 July 2021, be CONFIRMED as a true and correct record of the proceedings, subject to the following amendment:

1. Page 7 item 8.4, within the committee decision, replace the words "last report" with the words "past reports"

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY: 5/0

REASON FOR CHANGE

The Committee sought to clarify that the reports that were the reports from 7 May 2015 and 3 August 2017, which were the reports compiled by the Governance Coordinator who was the secretary of the Disability Advisory Committee at that time.

6. REPORTS

6.1 REVIEW OF ACROD PARKING AND SIGNAGE

The Administrator Technical Services, Lindsey Heymans presented to the committee maps of parking bays in the Central Business District (CBD) of Denmark, indicating areas of parking and the future developments.

Lindsey updated the committee with works in progress being:

- Reallocation of ACROD signs on Hollings Road
- Review of parking bays on Hollings Road opposite Ravens coffee
- Inclusion of a new ACROD parking bay on Strickland street outside Massimo Pizzeria
- Review of parking at the Denmark Library

Lindsey suggested that the Committee formulate a "wish list" of five (5) parking bays that they think require improvement or development to aid with accessibility in the CBD. Lindsey highlighted that whilst the "wish list" would be a good way for the committee to communicate their desire to Shire Officers, it would not guarantee the improvements as it would be subject to budget and competing priorities.

Lindsey confirmed the Shire has guidelines which are regularly updated for the process in creating new parking bays.

Outcomes:

The Community Development Officer, Rosie Arnephie will circulate regulations for parking bays to the Committee.

COMMITTEE DECISION

ITEM 6.1

MOVED: PETER BOYES

SECONDED: MARJO HANNELE

That the Deputy CEO / Director of Assets and Sustainable Development and Administrator Technical Service be invited to attend the next walkabout, date to be confirmed, to discuss parking areas that require improvement.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY: 5/0

6.2 LIGHTS BEACH DISABILITY IMPROVEMENT UPDATE

The Manager of Projects, Damian Schwarzbach acknowledged previous issues for disability access at Lights Beach, however, noted that the topography of Lights Beach would make it impossible for the Shire to provide beach access.

Areas of improvement for disability access and facilities in the new plan are:

- All ability access to toilets
- Three (3) additional parking bays
- Access ramp to lookout areas

Emma Reily thanked Damian for the implementation of these facilities at Lights Beach noting that the upgrade makes visiting a lot more pleasant and enjoyable.

Marjo Hennelle asked whether there could be any improvement of access at William Bay.

Damian advised that the beach access and facilities at William Bay were the responsibility of the State Government.

6.3 OCEAN BEACH PRECINCT PLAN UPDATE

The Manager of Projects, Damian Schwarzbach advised the committee that the Ocean Beach Precinct Plan was conceptual only and subject to further investigation and detail. Damian advised also that recent weather had caused serious damage

and erosion to the area requiring the Concept Plan to be revisited including further consideration of all abilities access.

Emma Reilly suggested that an all access change room and toilet would be extremely beneficial.

6.4 MOKARE WALK TRAIL

Peter Boyes spoke to the condition of the Mokare Trail stating that he did not believe that any maintenance had ever been undertaken. Peter felt that a replacement path must be made with the consideration of elderly to aid with health, both mentally and physically.

Emma Riley questioned the cultural significance and the educational aspect of the trail.

Cr Osborne advised that he believed that conceptual ideas had been developed for stage 2 of the Denmark Riverside Club development, which included interpretative signage along the Mokare Walk Trail.

COMMITTEE DECISION

ITEM 6.4

MOVED: PETER BOYES

SECONDED: MARJO HANNELE

That when the Committee is reformed, it sets a date for a walkabout on the Mokare Trail and invites the Deputy CEO / Director of Assets and Sustainable Development to attend.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY: 5/0

6.5 DISABILITY ACCESS & INCLUSION PLAN

The Community Development Officer presented the draft implementation plan to the committee. All members noted the draft plan with no amendments required.

COMMITTEE DECISION

ITEM 6.5

MOVED: ADRIAN HINDS

SECONDED: MARJO HANNELE

That the date of the next walkabout be delayed until the new committee is formed.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY: 5/0

6.6 INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PEOPLE WITH DISABILITY

The Community Development Officer had contacted City of Albany and Shire of Plantagenet who advised they are yet to confirm events planned for the International Day of People with disability.

Outcomes.

The Committee confirmed the documentary "Sky to Sea" be screened for IDPwD in conjunction movies with meaning at the Denmark Civic Centre on Friday 3rd December 2021.

COMMITTEE DECISION

ITEM 6.4

MOVED: ADRIAN HINDS

SECONDED: EMMA REILLY

That the Committee invites Mr Hudson to attend the *Movies with Meaning* screening of "Sky to Sea" and a Questions and Answers with students.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY: 5/0

6.7 ACCESS RAMP TO THE DENMARK PHARMACY

The Community Development Officer advised that the Minutes from the last Disability Advisory Committee Meeting would be sent to Council in October and the committee will be advised of any outcome.

6.8 HOLIDAY HOME AWARDS

Marjo Hannele suggested contacting various accommodation providers in the Shire of Denmark and inviting them to participate in an awareness program that focussed on highlighting and supporting the accommodation providers that cater for all abilities. The Committee would access applications with the winner receive a certificate of acknowledgment.

Cr Osborne advised that the Denmark Chamber of Commerce had recently been allocated "BookEasy" and suggested collaboration with the DCC.

Outcome:

Marjo to contact DCC to obtain a list of accommodation providers.

6.9 UNMADE WALKWAY NEAR DECO HOUSING

The Community Development Officer advised the committee that the footpath is budgeted for this financial year to be constructed.

6.10 BEACH WHEELCHAIR OUTCOME

The Community Development Officer advised that the Peaceful Bay Progress Association had thanked the Committee for the generous offer but had declined as they have no use for it.

Outcomes:

Remove the chair from the Surf Club shed.

7. GENERAL BUSINESS

Nil

8. NEXT MEETING

The biennial Local Government Elections will be held on 16 October 2021 and as a result this advisory committee will be disbanded and considered for re-establishment by the newly formed Council after the election.

All members are thanked for their input over their term on the committee and are welcome to re-apply for any vacancies, should the committee be re-established.

9. CLOSURE

11:44am – There being no further business to discuss, the Presiding person closed the meeting.

These minutes were confirmed at the meeting of the	
Signed:	