Shire of Denmark

Minutes



DISABILITY SERVICES ADVISORY COMMITTEE

HELD IN COMMITTEE ROOM 953 SOUTH COAST HIGHWAY, DENMARK TUESDAY, 25 OCTOBER 2022.

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Council Committee Meeting

25 October 2022

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1. DECLARATION OF OPENING

Renee Wiggins Manager Community Services, declared the meeting open at 5.35pm. Mrs Wiggins acknowledged the land on which the meeting was being held and the traditional custodians of the land, the Bibbulmun and Minang people.

Mrs Wiggins, advised that she would Chair the meeting until the election in item 3 on the agenda, where a new presiding person would need to be elected by the Committee members.

Mrs Wiggins advised members that Mrs Kylie Spencer from Denmark Health service has tendered her resignation from the Committee, and that due to staff shortages, Denmark Health do not have capacity at this stage to provide a replacement.

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

MEMBERS:

Cr Donna Carman, Council Delegate Peter Boyes, Community Representative Peter Ridge, Community Representative Geoff Hill, Community Representative

STAFF:

Rosie Arnephie, Community Development Officer Renee Wiggins, Manager Community Services

APOLOGIES:

Emma Riley, Community Professional & Community Member Marion MacDougall, Community Representative Linda Eaton, Community Representative

ON LEAVE OF ABSENCE:

Nil

ABSENT:

Nil

VISITORS:

Cayce Anderson, At Work Australia

3. ELECTION OF PRESIDING PERSON

The Manager Community Services called for nominations for the position of Presiding Person.

Geoff Hill and Peter Ridge submitted nominations for Cr Carman in writing. Cr Carman accepted the nomination. There being no further nominations received, Mrs Wiggins declared Cr Carman elected. Mrs Wiggins congratulated Cr Carman and Cr Carman assumed the Chair as the Presiding Person.

4. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Nil

5. ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE PERSON PRESIDING

Cr Carman welcomed new committee members and discussed the role of the advisory committee.

6. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

COMMITTEE DECISION

ITEM 5.1

MOVED: Geoff Hill SECONDED: Peter Boyes

That the minutes of the Disability Services Advisory Committee meeting held on the 28 September 2021, be CONFIRMED as a true and correct record of the proceedings.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY: 4/0.

7. REPORTS

7.1 AT WORK AUSTRALIA

Cayce Anderson provided an overview of At Work Australia which is a new employment service provider located in Denmark and the services they provide to support people with disability and discussed opportunities to collaborate in the future.

7.2 OCEAN BEACH ACCESS FUTURE DESIGNS

The Community Development Officer (CDO) informed the committee that the Shire's Deputy Chief Executive Officer was unable to attend the meeting and the item would be placed on the next Agenda.

7.3 REVIEW OF ACROD PARKING AND SIGNAGE

The Committee to set the date for the next walkabout and invite Deputy Chief Executive Officer and Administrator Technical Service to attend to discuss parking areas that require improvement.

The CDO provided an update on the progress of the review of ACROD parking and signage. The review has been completed for parking time limit and signage. CDO also provided an update on the recent improvements to the ACROD bay in front of the pharmacy and 2 additional bays in front of Massimo Pizza and the post office which are scheduled to commence shortly.

COMMITTEE DECISION

ITEM 6.1

MOVED: Geoff Hill SECONDED: Cr Donna Carman

To defer the decision to set a date for the walkabout to the next meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY:4/0

7.4 MOKARE WALK TRAIL

The Manager of Community Services informed the committee that there is no need for the walkabout of the Morake Trail. The Deputy Chief Executive Officer is aware of the issues previously raised by the Committee for some upgrades to the trail.

7.5 DISABILITY ACCESS & INCLUSION PLAN (DAIP) PROGRESS REPORT

The CDO informed the committee that the DAIP Progress Report for 2021/2022 was finalised in July 2022 and submitted to the Department of Communities and provided a copy of the report to committee members.

7.6 INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PEOPLE WITH DISABILITY (IDPwD)

The CDO advised the committee that the Shire will host an All-Abilities Sports Day at the Recreation Centre to celebrate IDPwD. A grant application has already been submitted for the event and currently awaiting outcome.

8. GENERAL BUSINESS

The CDO provided an update of the following projects currently underway:

- Working with the Denmark Library to create a Sensory Space for children on the spectrum and to include sensory toys as part of the Toy Library. Estimated completion early 2023.
- Denmark Recreation Centre working in partnership with WASDA to provide inclusive Sports opportunities at the Recreation centre.
- Joint project with City of Albany and the Shire of Plantagenet to develop the All-Welcome campaign to promote and encourage accessible businesses in the region.

Noted.

9. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting date is scheduled for Thursday 9 February 2023 starting at 5.30pm

10. CLOSURE

There being no further business to discuss, the Presiding person closed the meeting at 6.54pm.

These n	ninutes were confirmed at the meeting of the	
Signed:	(Presiding Person at the meeting at which the minutes were confirmed.)	