



Inclusion (Disability, Aged & Carers) Advisory Committee

Monday 18 March 2024
3.00pm

Minutes

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Present: Councillors: Matthew Robertson (Acting Chair)

Community

Representatives: Mervyn Levine (Community Representative) – via Zoom
Ruark Lewis (Community Representative) – via Zoom
Gabi Simpson (Community Representative) – Via Zoom

Staff:

Grant Cummins (Development Officer Community & Culture)
Roger Faulkner (Team Leader Open Space & Recreation
Planning)
Vicki Munro (Manager Community & Culture)

Others:

Meeting opened: 3.08pm held using teleconferencing technology and in person.

1. Opening

The Acting Chair, Councillor Robertson welcomed everyone to the Inclusion (Disability, Aged & Carers) Advisory meeting held on 18 March 2023.

2. Acknowledgement of Country

The Acting Chair read the following Acknowledgement of Country:

I would like to acknowledge that we are here today on the land of the Gadigal and Birrabirragal people, the traditional custodians of the land. On behalf of Woollahra Council, I acknowledge Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander people attending today and I pay my respects to Elders past, present and emerging.

3. Apologies

Apologies were received and accepted from the Mayor, Councillor Shields, Councillor Wynne, Patricia Occelli (Director Community & Customer Experience), Nessa Joseph (Community Representative), and Lyn Ainsworth (Community Representative).

4. Disclosures of Interest

Nil

5. Late Correspondence

Nil

6. Confirmation of Minutes

Item No: 6.1
Subject: **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF INCLUSION (DISABILITY, AGED & CARERS) ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING 27 NOVEMBER, 2023**
Author: Grant Cummins, Development Officer, Community & Culture
Purpose of the Report: To present the Minutes of 27 November 2023 for confirmation by the Inclusion (Disability, Aged & Carers) Advisory Committee.

(Levine/Lewis)

Resolved:

THAT the Minutes of the Inclusion (Disability, Aged & Carers) Advisory Committee meeting held on 27 November 2023 be taken as read and confirmed.

7. Items for Discussion

Item No: 7.1
Subject: **DISABILITY INCLUSION ACTION PLAN BIENNIAL PROGRESS UPDATE FOR THE PERIOD 1 JULY 2023 - 31 DECEMBER 2023**
Author: Grant Cummins, Development Officer, Community & Culture
Purpose of the Report: To present the Disability Inclusion Action Plan (DIAP) Biennial progress report for July 2023 – December 2023 to the Advisory Committee.

Discussion:

An update on the six monthly DIAP 2022 - 2026 progress report for the period of 1 July – 31 December 2023 was presented by staff.

(Robertson/Levine)

Resolved:

That the Disability Inclusion Action Plan (DIAP) 2022 - 2026 Biennial progress report for the period 1 July 2023 to 31 December 2023 was received and noted.

8. General Business

1. Public access to Hydrotherapy pools in local area

- Ruark Lewis commented on the lack of public access to hydrotherapy pools in the Woollahra Local Government Area. It was noted that Wolper Private Hospital and Prince of Wales Hospital have hydrotherapy pools with paid classes available to the public. Community and Culture staff to review existing hydrotherapy pools in the Eastern Suburbs and report back at a further Committee meeting.

2. Volunteer opportunities for people with a disability

- Ruark Lewis requested information on social opportunities for people living with a disability to volunteer. Mervyn Levine noted that Holdsworth Community offers a number of volunteer opportunities for people with disability to participate in social programs. It was noted that these programs included intergenerational programming with seniors working with young people.

9. Advisings

Nil

10. Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for 3 July 2024

There being no further business the meeting concluded at 4.03pm.
