## MINUTES OF ACCESS & MOBILITY COMMUNITY CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE HELD ON 12 MAY 2022, 3PM

**PRESENT:** Councillors

Cr Sarah Hughes Cr Pip Friedrich

**Resident Members** 

Rebecca Baines Anne Masi Nell Rickard Susan Rafty

**Staff** 

Dominic Johnson, General Manager Di Lawrence, Director Community Development Matt Wyatt, A/Manager Community Services Chandra Chandrawansa, Manager Engineering Steve Smith, Manager Environment & Open Space

APOLOGIES: None

MINUTES: Taken by Leah Morgan, CD Administration

	MATTERS DISCUSSED	ACTION
1.	WELCOME	
	Cr Hughes welcomed the new committee.	
2.	APOLOGIES	
	None.	
3.	DISCLOSURES OF NON-PECUNIARY INTEREST	
	The General Manager outlined the importance of Disclosures of Non Pecuniary Interest for the new committee.	
4.	COMMITTEE MEMBERS INTRODUCTION	
	Introduction by each committee member, what being on this committee means to them and why they applied for the position.	All
	Introduction by Council staff and Management.	
5.	OVERVIEW OF CHARTER	
	A copy of the Charter was distributed and examples of previous projects discussed; ie: Raglan Street all accessible toilets and beach ramp at Clifton Gardens. The scope and purpose of the group was discussed with reference to the group being of a consultative and advisory nature.  The General Manager, Dominic Johnson outlined the Code of Conduct process and procedures for the committee. A/Manager Community Services will distribute a copy of the Code to committee members. Each member of the committee and staff are to abide by the Code of Conduct.	A/Manager Community Services
6.	OVERVIEW OF DISABILITY INCLUSION ACTION PLAN 2022-2026	

Document Set ID: 6272144 Version: 1, Version Date: 16/05/2022 The 'DIAP' outlines Council's directions and actions over the next 4 years to improve inclusion of people with disability in the community. The Committee is referenced in this document as a stakeholder group that has helped formulate the plan and will continue to provide advice on the plan moving forward. The plan highlights 4 key commitment areas including developing positive community attitudes and behaviours, creating liveable communities, supporting access to meaningful employment, and improving access to services through better systems and processes. The DIAP outlines specific actions and responsibilities for Council to undertake and is detailed in the MOSPLAN.

Di Lawrence Director

A question was raised regarding use of the letter N and what it delineates which was clarified. Another question was raised about the inclusion of people with psychosocial disability.

The DIAP is an ongoing piece of work that will be updated throughout the 4 year lifespan of the plan.

There are numerous activities happening within Council with Government and Council funding facilitation for workshops and seminars which include not only physical disability but also mental health. Disability Inclusion is multifaceted and includes people from a variety of backgrounds and experiences.

## 7. CONTRIBUTIONS OF PREVIOUS ACCESS & MOBILITY COMMITTEE

The previous Access & Mobility committee were involved with numerous projects. Cr Friedrich outlined several projects which were achieved within the budgets obtained. One of the most significant projects being the Raglan Street all accessible toilet block. Staff worked together with the committee to develop a plan to access funding and design the project. Another significant project was the that the previous Committee was involved in was beach ramp at Clifton Gardens.

The committee discussed the prevalence of people viewing disability as primarily visibly physical and that there are many aspects of disability i.e. intellectual and vision impaired as well as hearing impaired.

## 8. OVERVIEW OF UPCOMING CAPITAL WORKS WITH ACCESSIBLITY COMPONENTS

Manager Engineering and Manager Environment and Open Space provided an update of upcoming capital works with accessibility components.

The Committee discussed the Raglan Street carpark regarding accessibility.

Clifton Gardens ramp needs a few more improvements with sand being eroded during the recent storms. Upgrades to take place.

Memory Park accessible toilets, there are sewer issues and will be fixed later in the year.

Overview provided on limitations of work related to sporting ovals.

Pram ramps, there are 3 sets signed off and ready to be installed.

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	South Mosman Wharf will be upgraded with a lift to make it accessible for wheelchairs. The pontoon will be upgraded for this to happen.	
	Taronga Zoo is maintaining a high level of accessibility.	
	Hunter Park playground will be made fully accessible within the next 12 months. All age groups with all access swings and new furniture.	
	A question was raised regarding fencing of parks for safety, as well as seating. Seating will be available. Fencing is dependent on a Risk Assessment for the specific park. There is Consultative involvement with the playground upgrade.	
9.	GENERAL BUSINESS	A/Manager
	A/Manager Community Services brought to the attention of the committee the stage 2 community consultation for the reform of Australian Transport Standards. Fliers were handed out and Matt noted that a more accessible Stakeholder Kit explaining the consultation was available online and would distribute an electronic version to the committee for reference. The reform process is looking at ways to improve accessibility of public transport including information and communication improvements, accessibility at stations, stops, wharves and access routes, accessibility of boarding and alighting and accessibility in conveyance.	Community Services
	Nell Rickard explained how the standards were originally created in line with the 2000 Sydney Olympic Games.	
	Di Lawrence spoke about MOSPLAN and informed the committee that draft documents are currently on exhibition. Each Council is responsible to deliver a Community Strategic Plan. Submissions open until this Sunday 15 May.	
	Susan Rafty supplied the committee with a factsheet about Psychosocial Disability and asked if there was any plan on changing the name of the Committee to be more reflective of inclusion more broadly.	
	CONFIRM NEXT MEETING DATE	
	The Manager Community Services will liaise with the Committee Chair to contact members and decide on the next meeting in the third or fourth quarter of 2022.	Manager Community Services
	Meeting closed	
	The meeting closed at 4:20pm.	

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