



Minutes

Disability Services Advisory Committee

Held at the Shire of Denmark Committee Room,
953 South Coast Highway, Denmark on
Monday, 8 April 2019, at 9 am.

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1. Declaration of opening / announcement of visitors

9.10am – The Presiding Person, Cr Allen, declared the meeting open.

2. Record of attendance / apologies / approved leave of absence

Members:

Cr Mark Allen
 Mr Peter Boyes, Community Member
 Ms Yvonne Hortin, Community Member
 Ms Emma Spencer-Percy, Community Member
 Ms Helen Spencer, Community Member
 Ms Lyn Perry, Denmark Over 50s Association Representative

Staff:

Mr David Schober, Manager Community Services
 Mrs Claudia Simpson, Community Development Officer

Apologies:

Mr Adrian Hinds, Professional Member (Community)
 Ms Anwen Handmer, Community Member
 Kylie Spencer, Denmark Health Service Representative

On leave of absence:

Applies to Elected Members only.

Absent:

Nil

Visitors:

Nil

2.1 Declarations of interest:

Nil.

3. Announcements by the person presiding

Nil

4. Confirmation of minutes

The Mover of a motion to confirm the Minutes of a Council or Committee meeting has to have been present at that meeting.

COMMITTEE DECISION & OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

Item 4.1

Moved: Helen Spencer

Seconded: Lyn Perry

That the minutes of the Disability Services Advisory Committee meeting held on the 18 February 2019, be confirmed as a true and correct record of the proceedings.

Carried:6/0

5. Reports

5.1 Clarification of Section 5.14 of the Local Government Act 1995

Following a request from Mr Hinds to clarify section 5.14 of the Local Government Act in relation to who acts in case of no presiding member being present at the meeting, Community Development Officer Claudia Simpson, tabled the following clarification:

Local Government Act 1995 Part 5 Division 2, Council Meetings, committees and their meetings and electors' meetings:

5.14 - Who Acts if no presiding member:

"If, in relation to the presiding member of a committee –

- a) the office of presiding member and the office of deputy presiding member are vacant; or*
- b) the presiding member and the deputy presiding member, if any, are not available or are unable or unwilling to perform the functions of presiding member,*

then the committee members present at the meeting are to choose one of themselves to preside at the meeting."

Outcome

Noted.

5.2 "Off Lead" Dog Exercise Areas outcome – Mr Schober / Ms Perry

At the previous committee meeting Ms Perry raised concerns regarding the lack of access for people with disability to 'off lead' dog exercise areas.

- Subsequently, Ms Perry met with the Shire Ranger to discuss a Concept Plan for Laing Park 'off lead' dog exercise area. The aim of the meeting was to initiate discussions about creating a concept plan for the park that will benefit the whole community.*
- It was decided at the meeting that a formal Laing Park Dog Exercise Working Group will be formed tasked with developing and accessible and inclusive 'off lead' dog exercise area.*
- Community member vacancies for the group will be advertised as per Council Policies and Ms Perry will be invited to be part of the group.*

Outcome

Noted.

5.3 Education session / exhibition to transition from driving to a gopher.

This item has been deferred for consideration when planning for International Day of People with Disability celebrations commences.

Outcome

Noted.

6. General business

6.1 Adaptive Mountain Bike and Trail Development Workshop

Ms Perry commended and thanked the team from Break the Boundary and the Shire of Denmark staff for delivering a very informative Adaptive Mountain Bike and trail development workshop on Friday 22 March 2019.

Noted

6.2 Taxi Service

Ms Hortin raised concerns about the taxi service in Denmark no longer being available and lack of alternatives for people with disability.

Noted.

6.3 High School Crossing

Mrs Simpson advised that the Children's Crossings and Road Safety Committee has approved a crossing at Denmark Senior High School. The crossing is planned to be completed in late 2019.

Noted.

7. Next meeting

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 26 June 2019, commencing at 10.00am.

8. Closure of meeting

10am – There being no further business to discuss the Presiding Person, Cr Allen, declared the meeting closed.

The Committee walk around was conducted straight after the closure of the meeting.