



Minutes

Disability Access Committee
 20 August 2013
 4.00-5.00pm
 Hartley Meeting Room
 Lithgow City Council

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ITEM: 1 PRESENT AND APOLOGIES

PRESENT: Mayor Maree Statham, Cllr Joe McGinnes, Janine Smith, Dan Smith, Bronwyn Webb, and Julie Favell.

APOLOGIES: Jim Nichols

OFFICERS: Matthew Johnson, Melanie Jones and Iain Stewart.

DECLARATION OF INTERESTS: Nil

ITEM: 2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes from the previous meeting were endorsed via email and presented to Council on 29 July 2013.

ITEM: 3 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MINUTES

SUMMARY

3.1 Pedestrian Access and Mobility Plan (PAMP): A PAMP study for the Great Western Highway through Lithgow has recently been undertaken for Council and a draft of the study report has been distributed for comment. It was suggested that an invitation be sent to Council's Road Safety officer to attend the next meeting to summarise the study outcomes for the committee.

3.2 Disability Access in Main Street: Following earlier discussion on a request for access improvements outside Lithgow Mobility Aids, it was discussed that there have been disability car spaces placed directly behind Lithgow Mobility Aids and there is also a nearby disability car space in Main Street. Consideration may be given to installing a handrail at the Main Street disability car space.

3.3 Steps outside Portland Chemist: This issue to be carried over to the next meeting for a progress update.

3.4 Footpaths in Lidsdale: There was discussion surrounding the complaint from a family in Lidsdale regarding lack of footpaths in that area. At this stage there are no funds available, however a strategy will be developed for the coming year to make improvements and the resident will be advised of the outcome. The committee discussed the possibility of public consultation with the Lidsdale community to identify current issues and ideas for improvement. Also discussed was the progress of the installation of the footpath from Kirkley Gardens through to the Great Western Highway.

3.5 Publicity: The committee discussed using Council Connections and media releases to seek public feedback regarding access issues or any suggestions for improvement.

ACTION

THAT the progress update on business arising be noted.

MOVED: Janine Smith

SECONDED: Bronwyn Webb

ITEM: 4 MAIN STREET IMPROVEMENTS

SUMMARY

There was a discussion surrounding the Main Street improvement plan. The committee plans to pass on any identified issues or possible solutions relating to access to the Main Street Improvement steering committee. The steering committee is scheduled to meet next week, and report back will be provided to the Disability Access Committee on any progress.

ACTION

THAT there will be an update provided to the committee on the progress of the Main Street improvement plan after the steering committee meeting.

MOVED: Janine Smith

SECONDED: Bronwyn Webb

ITEM: 5 ACCESS ISSUES AT LITHGOW VALLEY PLAZA

SUMMARY

Contact has been made with the Lithgow Valley Plaza Centre Management, and they have been provided with an understanding of access issues previously discussed by the committee. The Centre Manager has spoken to the owners, and they are all happy to work with Council to make improvements to address the access issues. A progress report will be provided at the next meeting. It was further reported that after reports of carpark lighting being inadequate, Centre Management have since fixed all lights in the car park that were not working.

ACTION

THAT The report on access issues at Lithgow Valley Plaza be noted.

MOVED: Julie Favell

SECONDED: Bronwyn Webb

ITEM: 6 DISABILITY CAR SPACE AT THE CIVIC BALLROOM

SUMMARY

The issues with the disability car park outside the Civic Ballroom have previously been identified and work to address the issues will be completed in the coming weeks. A progress report will be given at the next meeting.

ACTION

THAT The report on the disability car space in front of the Civic Ballroom be noted.

MOVED: Janine Smith

SECONDED: Bronwyn Webb

ITEM 7: GENERAL BUSINESS

There was no General Business

ITEM 8: NEXT MEETING:

Next Meeting: 1 October 2013
4.00-5.00pm
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There being no further business the meeting closed at 4:50pm