



Minutes

Disability Access Committee
Wednesday 2 July 2014
Hartley Building Meeting Room
Lithgow City Council
4.00-5.00pm

Name of Committee	
Item Number	Agenda
1	Welcome/Present/ Apologies
2	Confirmation of minutes
3	Business Arising
4	Disability Access Plan
5	General Business

ITEM: 1 PRESENT AND APOLOGIES

PRESENT: Clr Statham, Clr McGuinness, Julie Favell, Janine Smith, Kathy Dickson

APOLOGIES: Matthew Johnson, Dan Smith, Jim Nichols, Louise Bullock.

OFFICERS: Juli-Ann Brozek, Iain Stewart, Kym Snow, Viktoria Gulabovski.

ITEM: 2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the 6 May meeting were ratified by email and reported to Council on 2 June 2014.

ITEM: 3 BUSINESS ARISING

SUMMARY

3.1 Access issues at Lithgow Lithgow Vally Plaza and laybacks at the corner of bent and Hassans Streets.

Work on the additional layback into the complex car park along Bent Street is set to be completed within the next 3 weeks.

3.2 Pedestrian laybacks in Wallerawang and Portland CBD's

The pedestrian laybacks in the Wallerawang and Portland have been completed.

3.3 Tourism App

The current tourism app does not allow for the inclusion of the disability symbol. Staff has imputed descriptions of accessible areas in the Lithgow LGA, such as the new boardwalk as Hassan's Walls, and will continue to input this type of data as they come across more accessible areas in the region. Council staff will speak to tourism to ascertain whether an image can be superimposed in the app as a possible solution.

3.4 Lidsdale footpath complaint.

This issue is currently being looked into by Council staff and will be reported back on at the next access meeting. Currently there is no budget allocated for this project in this financial year. A letter to be sent to the family advising of the status.

ACTION

THAT the updates provided under Business Arising be noted.
MOVED: Janine Smith **SECONDED:** Julie Favell

ITEM: 4 DRAFT DISABILITY ACCESS PLAN

SUMMARY

The draft Disability Access Plan has been reported to Council and endorsed on 30 June 2014. The Plan has now gone on public exhibition for a period of 28 days. The committee was asked to consider implementation issues and provide their feedback at the next meeting. A copy of the final draft will be emailed to all members for their consideration.

ACTION

THAT The update on the draft Disability Access Plan be noted.

MOVED: Kathy Dickson **SECONDED:** Julie Favell

ITEM: 5 GENERAL BUSINESS

5.1 Send a letter of thanks and appreciation to Westpac Bank and the State Member, Paul Toole, on the implementation of the Bullet Train.

5.2 There is a lip on the layback that is on the corner of Wolgan and Williwa Streets between Red Kelly's and the Coronation. This needs to be looked into and reported back at the next meeting.

5.3 Council staff asked to investigate if information packs are distributed to new residents. If so, could the packs include disability information and be made available on Council website.

5.4 Council staff to look into whether Country Link service accommodates for people with a disability who are travelling west by train and wish to travel past Lithgow.

5.5 Some of the laybacks on Main Street have a small lip from level of road up onto the flashback, which could be an issue for our elderly citizens. Seating along Main Street also needs to be revisited and addressed. Council staff to locate the audit conducted by in recent years by the committee and bring back to the next Disability Access Committee Meeting.

5.6 The pedestrian crossing near the Police Station concerns were discussed at TALC on the 3 July 2014. The matters raised by the resident were investigated. The area does not meet the RMS warrant for a pedestrian crossing. The pedestrian facilities at this location are adequate.

5.7 The Portland intersection of Williwa and Wolgan Streets was investigated by Council officers. Several on-site inspections were completed. The "No Stopping" zone located on Williwa Street was assessed as adequate. Installation of a hold-line is recommended at the end of Wolgan Street to allow greater sight distance for vehicles exiting Wolgan Street.

ACTION

THAT The discussion under General Business be noted.

MOVED: Julie Favell

SECONDED: Janine Smith

ITEM 10: NEXT MEETING:

**Next Meeting: Wednesday 1 October 2014
4.00-5.00pm
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There being no further business the meeting closed at 4.45pm.