

MEETING MINUTES OF THE ACCESS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 4 SEPTEMBER 2018 IN THE ALICE SPRINGS TOWN COUNCIL, ANDY MCNEILL ROOM.

1. **ATTENDANCE**

Mayor Damien Ryan (*left the meeting at 1:45pm*)
 Councillor Glen Auricht (Chair)
 Valerie Dearman
 Annemarie Drummond (*arrived at 1:05pm*)
 Sara Fletcher
 Zoe Franey
 Cheryl Knight
 Carol Muir (*arrived at 1:05pm*)
 Brigida Stewart
 Peter Somerville - Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE

Scott Allen – Director Technical Services
 Jeanette Shepherd – Community Development Officer
 Kristine Capangpangan – Administration Officer (*minutes*)

13th Alice Springs Town Council												
Access Advisory Committee Attendance List 2017/18												
	Oct - 17	Nov - 17	Dec - 17	Jan - 18	Feb - 18	Mar - 18	Apr - 18	May - 18	Jun - 18	Jul - 18	Aug - 18	Sep - 18
Mayor Damien Ryan	A				✓							✓
Councillor Glen Auricht	✓				✓							✓
Councillor Catherine Satour	Joined August 2018											--
Peter Sommerville	✓				✓							✓
Valerie Dearman	Joined August 2018											✓
Annemarie Drummond	✓				✓							✓
Sara Fletcher	Joined August 2018											✓
Zoe Franey	Joined August 2018											✓
Cheryl Knight	✓				✓							✓
Carol Muir	Joined August 2018											✓
Brigida Stewart	Joined August 2018											✓
Karen Stewart	✓				A							--

(✓) Attended

(A) Apology Received

(✓ Proxy) Proxy attended in place of committee member

(--) No attendance and no apology recorded

This meeting opened at 1.01pm

Mayor Ryan expressed his thanks to Councillor Eli Melky for his contribution to the Access Advisory Committee.

2. **APOLOGIES**

Nil

3. **NOMINATION OF COMMITTEE CHAIR**

3.1 **Welcome New Members**

Councillor Auricht formally welcomed Valerie Dearman, Sara Fletcher, Zoe Franey, Carol Muir and Brigida Stewart to the Access Advisory Committee who have been appointed as new community members.

3.2 **Appointment of Chair**

RESOLVED

That it be a recommendation to Council:

That Councillor Glen Auricht be nominated and appointed as Chair of the Access Advisory Committee

MOVED: Mayor Ryan

SECONDED: Peter Sommerville

CARRIED

4. **DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST**

Nil

5. **MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

RESOLVED

That it be a recommendation to Council:

That the minutes of the Access Advisory Committee meeting held 27th February 2018 be received and noted.

MOVED: Cheryl Knight

SECONDED: Annemarie Drummond

CARRIED

6. **BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES**

6.1 **Mayoral Awards and International Day of People with Disability – (Standing Item)**

The ceremony to be held on Monday, 3 December 2018

Community Development Officer provided a brief overview about this event and advised the committee that plans have already begun and the launching will start 6-8 weeks prior to the event

The committee was asked for feedback from last year's event and share ideas to raise awareness within the community about this award as well as provide input for guest speakers and performers to present at the ceremony

Discussion ensued

Mayor Ryan advised the committee that the awards given will be for;

“A person with disability who has made a noteworthy contribution to the community”

“A person with or without disability who has advocated for the rights and well-being of people with disability”

His Worship invited the committee to look within their networks for nominations for these awards.

6.2 Promotion of Neat Streets

Mayor Ryan provided a summary of the Neat Streets app to the new committee members

6.3 Footpath at the Gap (Heavitree Gap) – Update on study

Peter Sommerville advised that it is still ongoing and no further update has been provided

6.4 Liberty Swing – Update

Director Technical Services advised that the letter has been sent and awaiting response

6.5 Update on Item 6.7 – Hartley Street Sight Lines

Director Technical Services confirmed that this item has been actioned

7. CORRESPONDENCE

7.1 Correspondence inwards

Nil

7.2 Correspondence outwards

Nil

8. GENERAL BUSINESS

8.1 Frequency of AAC meetings

Decision still stands that the AAC meetings to be held every 3 months

The Chair advised the committee members that they may contact Council Officers should they have any queries or concerns that may arise prior to a meeting

ACTION:

Community Development Officer to email the committee members her contact details as well as provide more information about the working group

8.2 Charter and Policy - Tabled

Mayor Ryan raised concerns over the age and relevance of the document.

RESOLVED

That it be a recommendation to Council:

1) That 8. Membership on the Access Advisory Charter be amended from:

8.1 One (1) Alderman to

8.1 Two (2) Councillors

MOVED: Mayor Ryan **SECONDED:** Annemarie Drummond **CARRIED**

2) That 8. Membership on the Access Advisory Charter be amended from:

8.1 Director Corporate and Community Services or his/her representative to

8.1 Director Technical Services or his/her representative

MOVED: Mayor Ryan **SECONDED:** Cheryl Knight **CARRIED**

Mayor Ryan invited the committee to bring forward suggestions and nominations for representatives from Government Departments and Organisations to join the committee

Discussion ensued on the process surrounding the appointment of representatives and the importance of these organisations to be a part of this committee

The committee to review and discuss the current Charter at the next meeting. The committee is encouraged to provide any feedback.

ACTION:

Community Development Officer to collate any feedback and suggestions received by committee members with regard to the current Charter and present it to the committee at the next meeting

8.3 Pram Ramps

Director Technical Services advised that Council is currently replacing all the pram ramps in and around the CBD. So far there are 7 that are completed out of 142

8.4 Safety Issues and Access along the junction of Gregory Terrace and the Centrepont building

Cheryl Knight shared her concerns over the safety of crossing by the Commonwealth Bank

ACTION:

Director Technical Services to investigate the crossing further and report at the next meeting

Discussion ensued with regard to the lack of car parking for the three banks on Gregory Terrace and the safety issues on the footpath in front of the Yeperenye Mall ramp.

Mayor Ryan left the meeting at 1:45pm.

Peter Sommerville explained to the committee that nothing in the *NT Planning Scheme* states that banks require more parking spaces than offices. As long as there are no internal alterations to the commercial floor area of the building and the use is comparable to its previous use, there is no additional impact perceived by the Development Consent Authority (DCA)

RESOLVED

That it be a recommendation to Council:

That Council provides a report into the car parking deficiencies along Gregory Terrace

MOVED: Carol Muir

SECONDED: Valerie Dearman

CARRIED

8.5 Council and Other Events – Disabled parking

Valerie Dearman requested that Council consider in providing more disabled parking when events are being held for ease of access. She felt there was a need for more disabled car parking

Community Development Officer advised the committee that they can get in touch with her with regard to any concerns or issues about access for any future Council events.

9. NEXT MEETING

Tuesday, **27 November 2018** at 1:00pm in the Andy McNeill room

The meeting closed at 1.56pm