

# Waverley Access Advisory Committee Minutes

Thursday, 12 July 2018

4.30pm to 6pm

Waverley Library Theatrette



Attendance			
<b>Committee Members</b>	Mary	Doyle	Community representative
	Troy	Byrnes	AbilityLinks – St Vincent de Paul Society NSW Support Services
<b>Councillor</b>	Cr Elaine	Keenan	Chairperson
<b>Council Staff</b>	Annabelle	Hayter	Community Development Officer, Access and Inclusion
	Chris	Bath	Manager, Older People and Disability Services
<b>Apologies</b>	Sophie	Steven-Radford	Community representative
	Ben	Alexander	Community representative
	Rachel	Lazarov	Community representative
	Audrey	McCallum	Community representative
	Cr Leon	Goltsman	Waverley Councillor
	Cr Angela	Burrill	Waverley Councillor



Item	Description	Action Officer	Target Date
	<p><b>Parking Review</b></p> <p><b>Action:</b> Committee to monitor impact of changes to parking for people with disability and provide feedback to Council's traffic committee if required</p>	Committee to monitor	As required.
4. Project Updates	<p><b>Beach Access Project</b></p> <p><b>Beach Matting</b></p> <p>The matting is being put out Thursday and Saturdays (weather permitting). One of the days the matting is being put out has changed from Tuesday to Thursday to coincide with the weekly work done on Wally Weeks pool. The idea is the sand dredged from the pool is used to build up the sand levels so the matting can be put out. The matting went out 2/6, 23/6, 28/6, and 30/6.</p> <p><b>Beach Wheelchair Storage</b></p> <p>The work on the Beach Wheelchair storage should commence 16 July 2018 and be completed late August.</p> <p>The aim is for this work to be completed by this summer so it can publically launched next year.</p> <p><b>Ramp Upgrade</b></p> <p>The ramp upgrade is to be included as part of the works to occur at Bidigal Reserve.</p>		

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	<p><b>Disability Inclusion Action Plan Implementation</b></p> <p>Caring Waverley is currently preparing a draft report outlining progress on first year of implementation which will form part of the Annual Report. This report is due imminently.</p> <p>Chris Bath said some of the significant work that has occurred includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Waverley Community Living Program – NDIS registered.</li> <li>• Development of the People, Places Movement Plan which prioritises pedestrian access.</li> <li>• EEO Plan of management that identifies people with disability as a priority.</li> </ul> <p>For year two reporting, we are looking to develop more useable benchmarks so that all areas across Council are clear about their responsibilities under the Disability Inclusion Action Plan.</p> <p>Elaine Keenan said the work of the DIAP could be used as a base of a work plan for the Access Committee.</p> <p><b>Action:</b> AH to send draft report to Access Committee to review.</p>	Annabelle Hayter	August 2018

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<p><b>5. Public Exhibition - Discussion about proposed amendments to DCP B7 - Accessibility and Adaptability and other relevant sections of the DCP.</b></p>	<p>CB explained a Development Control Plan (DCP) provides detailed planning and design guidance for new developments. Waverley DCP is being amended and is currently on public exhibition.</p> <p>General comments included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• An accessible built environment helps everyone to move around more easily and to participate in community life</li> <li>• The Committee supports the inclusion of the Liveable Housing Design Guidelines with in the amended WDCP. Look to incorporate some gold and platinum level standards.</li> <li>• Unjustifiable hardship should only be applicable when a developer undertakes alterations and or additions and the applicable standards for access cannot be met due to constraints arising within the existing building.</li> <li>• Recommending consulting with WAC on major developments to ensure access considerations are taken into account.</li> <li>• Discussion that accessible cafes are good for business as they attract more customers.</li> </ul> <p><b>Action:</b> AH/CB to prepare a submission on behalf of the group. A draft to be submitted to WAC for comments prior to submitting.</p>	<p>Annabelle Hayter/ Chris Bath</p>	<p>Prior to submission being lodged on 27 July 2018.</p>

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<p><b>6. Making Council events inclusive and accessible</b></p>	<p>As there were only a few people in attendance a brain storming discussion was not held. It was discussed that there are many resources, tools and checklists that can be used to ensure events are accessible. It was discussed that even if some events cannot be made accessible, there needs to be information about access arrangements so people with disability can make decisions about whether they are able to attend the event.</p> <p>EK supported the need for events to be accessible to people with disability and suggested a similar to the approach to the approach used for banning plastic straws at Council events.</p> <p>CB said she thought the Councils Events Policy is being reviewed. Access issues are not just about checklists but need to be addressed at a policy level and then implemented at an operational level. Checklists and resources will help when implementing the policy.</p> <p><b>Action:</b> AH to find out whether the policy is being reviewed and if so provide input to the event policy so the policy include access as part of the policy.</p> <p><b>Access to plastic straws for people with disability</b></p> <p>It was discussed that while banning plastic straws at Council events is good for the environment, TB raised that people with disability who use plastic straws to drink should still be able to obtain a straw if they need one. Plastic straws are better than paper straws as they are stronger and will last longer.</p>	<p>Annabelle Hayter</p>	<p>As soon as possible</p>

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7. Sector News/ Information Share	Full scheme agreement for the NDIS between NSW and Commonwealth Governments came into effect 1 July 2018 and updated NDIS Price Guide were noted.		
8. Matters for noting	<p><b>Accessible Play Equipment in Play Spaces</b></p> <p>MD said that she attended the Penkivil Precinct Committee recently. Residents were very concerned that the Play Space Strategy will not be completed until 2020. At the precinct meeting it was discussed that Randwick has a state of the Art All Abilities regional playground while Waverley playgrounds are not accessible to all children. Committee members were concerned.</p> <p><b>Action:</b> AH to follow up with Open Space Planning about what they have planned to make playgrounds in Waverley more accessible.</p> <p><b>Access complaints</b></p> <p>A complaint was received from a man who is blind. One of the stall holders was parking on the ground surface indicator tactile tiles in Bondi Junction mall, which the man uses to guide him when he walks through the mall. After speaking with the stallholder and the section in Council that has responsibility for the market, this issue was resolved. The stall holder did not know what the tiles were and no longer parks in the Mall.</p> <p>AH said this is an example of the type of access requests that come through.</p>	Annabelle Hayter	August 2018

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9. Other Business	<p><b>NSW Parliamentary Inquiry into the NDIS</b></p> <p>EK raised that there is a NSW Parliamentary Inquiry into the NDIS. She said if Council staff think there is merit in putting in a submission she is happy to support it, but will leave the decision with Caring Waverley staff.</p>		
10. Next Meeting	<p>20 September 2018</p> <p>4.30pm – 6pm</p> <p>Level 1, Mill Hill Centre, Bondi Junction</p>		