



Access Advisory Committee

15 May 2023

Online meeting

Minutes

Meeting commenced at 5.30pm and concluded 6.38pm

1. Present

Community members	Staff	Councillors
Kitty Farrell	Glenn Redmayne (Convenor)	
Kerrie Lorimer	Louise Laz (A/G Social and Cultural Planning Manager)	
Lucille McKenna	Manod Wickramasinghe (Traffic & Transport Planning Manager)	
Rochelle Porteous		

2. Chairperson

Kitty Farrell chaired the meeting.

3. Acknowledgment of Country

HS welcomed members to the meeting and provided an Acknowledgment of Country.

4. Apologies

Apologies received from Emily Dash, Charlie Murray, Hannah Solomons, Fiona McClean, Michelle Price

5. Disclosures of Interest

No conflicts of interest were disclosed.

6. Quorum (minimum 4 members)

A quorum was achieved.

7. Confirmation of Minutes and Actions

- Minutes for the 20 February meeting were confirmed
- All actions had been completed and reported on or to be discussed on agenda

Discussion items

Item	Summary
8.1	<p>Pedestrian Access and Mobility Plan</p> <p>Following the request at the last meeting, MW gave a presentation on Council’s Pedestrian Access and Mobility Plan (PAMP) including its objectives, methodology and high priority routes. Key elements in identifying treatments were access, safety, connectivity, crossing deficiencies, condition, missing footpaths, too narrow footpaths, and obstructed paths.</p> <p>The PAMP contains \$18M of works, \$8M high priority works over the next 4 years. This year attention is on raised crossings near schools and Council has received grant funds to assist. Other details were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$1,000,000 of PAMP projects have been delivered. • Council will spend approximately \$1,000,000.00 for the current 2022-23 financial year, • Budgeted to spend \$2,000,000.00 for the 2023-24 financial year, \$2,500,000.00 for the 2024-25 financial year and another \$2,500,000.00 for the 2025-26 financial year; • Additionally, \$4,000,000 budgeted through 2022/23 and 2023/24 on renewing the poorest footpaths across the LGA <p>Questions about the initial scoping and who was involved in the walk through were raised. MW advised that key internal stakeholders including GR participated in sites visits of selected routes and who briefed consultants on the range of barriers and nuances effecting the accessibility of paths and range of users.</p>

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	<p>Other questions were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • if Council could use the PAMP to address footpaths being blocked by outdoor dining, A frames and other obstructions however it was advised this is outside the scope of the PAMP. Advised that the draft DIAP includes actions to address such 'whole of journey' issues. • Has mobility parking been a focus in this plan – no however it is considered in developing Local Area Traffic Management (LATM) plans. <p>In regards to general footpath improvements MW highlighted that all footpaths in the local government area have been audited including main streets. Footage has been taken and condition ratings given on all footpaths, and this will require \$4M spent on the worse rated footpaths. The committee thanked staff for the presentation.</p>
8.2	<p>Update on Disability Inclusion Action Plan (DIAP)</p> <p>Committee were advised of feedback being incorporated into the draft DIAP including timeframes and measures that will assist tracking of progress and reporting. It was requested that the language in the plan is accessible to as many people as possible.</p> <p>Council's Operational Plan actions with clear synergies to the DIAP are also being included. A Councillor workshop to be held in August and proposed submission for adoption in September were also noted.</p> <p>Following the committee nominated DIAP project areas of interest for 2023 of infrastructure and community engagement and communications with people with disability, staff responsible for Councils communications and community engagements will be invited to the August meeting to brief the committee on these topics and associated council strategy or initiatives underway.</p>

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8.3	<p data-bbox="562 261 808 292">General Business</p> <p data-bbox="562 347 2022 459">The digital focus of community engagement was raised along with existing alternatives currently used. It was suggested that a local matters type forum on the PAMP be held in several locations so people with a local interest can attend.</p>