

DISABILITY ACCESS AND INCLUSION COMMITTEE

MINUETS OF MEETING

MONDAY October 30 2023

4:00PM – 5:00PM

SHIRE OF WYNDHAM EAST KIMBERLEY – COUNCIL MEETING ROOM

1. ATTENDEES AND APOLOGIES

ATTENDEES	
Nick Allen	Shire Of Wyndham East Kimberley - Chairperson
Brooke Coleman-Smeekens	Shire Of Wyndham East Kimberley - Minuet Taker
Tahnee Anderson	Kimberley Care Group
Jose Angos	Kimberley Care Group
Maria Geier	DLGSC
Jasmine Schubert	Wayfinder
Sophie Darcy-Evans	Farnorth
Hannah Gregson	Farnorth
Tom Davidson	East Kimberley Job Pathways
Elizabeth McCallum	East Kimberley Job Pathways
Gitana Matthews	Department Of Transport
Owen Johnstone	Department Of Transport
Sriram Srikrishnan	Department Of Transport
APOLOGIES	
Matt Dear	Shire of Wyndham East Kimberley
Denise Gallo	NDIS

2. ACTIONS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

See below action register.

3. GENERAL BUSINESS

3.1 Regional Wheelchair Accessible Vehicle Grant Department of Transport

- Grants of up to \$65,000 to support the establishment of new taxi services where none exist.
- Grants of up to \$45,000 to support existing WAV taxi service providers to replace an ageing WAV taxi, or purchase an additional WAV taxi vehicle to meet demand.

- To be eligible you must be an individual or organisation identified through the community consultation process in your region; and
- have been invited to submit an EOI for the Grant by the Department of Transport (DoT).
- See attached presentation for more information.

Information was also shared about some changes being made to the Department of Transport's Taxi User Subsidy Scheme. The Taxi User Subsidy Scheme (TUSS) is a subsidy available to eligible people with disability travelling in on-demand rank or hail (taxi) vehicles. TUSS participants can receive up to 75% off eligible taxi fares. For more information on this head to the DOT website <https://www.transport.wa.gov.au/on-demandtransport/taxi-user-subsidy-scheme-tuss.asp>.

3.2 Update on Shire Projects

Footpaths:

- Attached is the current map for the next stage of the footpaths
- Existing footpaths have the tactile dots in the wrong location – this has been picked up in an audit.
- It is recommended that DAIC members (and all community members) log issues like the above, or any other Shire related incident in the app Snap Send Solve. This sends the issue directly to the person responsible for fixing it.

KLC Redevelopment

- This project has been put on pause as the Shire is waiting for more funding from DLGSC. The request is currently sitting with treasury and the delay is expected to last until next year.

All Abilities Playground

- This is currently out for EOI which closes in November. Businesses will then be invited to provide a tender submission.
- The Shire has received lots of queries regarding the EOI so it is expected there will be some good submissions
- This project is anticipated to start mid next year

3.3 Department of Communities Feedback

Department of Communities has not yet given any formal feedback except that they were excited about the all abilities playground.

3.4 Wayfinder Update

International Day of People With Disability

- Wayfinder and the Shire were successful in receiving grants to run the event in Kununurra
- There is a meeting at Wayfinder on 2 November to discuss details of the event

Building Accessible Workplaces Program

- There are 10 businesses onboard for the program
- The program has had a positive response with businesses/organisations happy to improve where they need to
- Contact Liz at Wayfinder for more information

Accessible Swimming Lessons

- The Shire has currently partnered with Wayfinder to deliver accessible swimming lessons
- There are currently 3 participants and the Shire will look at increasing those numbers once this initial trial has complete and once there are more instructors onboard
- If any DAIC members have participants that might be interested contact Nick for more information

4. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Actions arising from today's meeting
- Email Brooke with any items you wish to add to the agenda

5. CONFIRMATION OF NEXT MEETING

Next meeting will be at the start of 2024, a day will be selected closer to the date.

6. MEETING CLOSE

4:45PM

Disability Access and Inclusion Committee Action List as of 30 October 2023

<i>ACTION</i>	<i>PERSON RESPONSIBLE</i>	<i>DUE DATE</i>	<i>COMPLETE</i>	<i>NOTES</i>
Chase up Wendy at HR regarding Wayfinder's Building Accessible Workplaces program.	Nick A	OCTOBER 23		HR is currently understaffed and overworked. The program is definitely something the Shire is interested in participating in, we are just waiting for the chance for it to be HR led as we will likely see better results this way.
Share DOT Wheelchair Taxi grant info with DAIC	Nick A			
Share DOT presentation with DAIC	Brooke			
Share information on the Taxi User Subsidy Scheme with DAIC	Brooke			
COMPLETE ACTIONS				
Share link to Sport 4 All interview on ABC with DAIC	Nick A	AUGUST 23		Currently the shire is still working with Sport 4 All to hire someone to fill the position. If any DAIC members have candidates they think would be good for the role please reach out to Brooke or Nick.
Share Zane from accessible Tourism's contact with Nick to explore event matting options	Tom	AUGUST 23	OCTOBER 2023	Several quotes have been sought out and all are significantly over budget. This is something the shire will come back to.
Follow up with Chris Grant about the stages of the shared paths and connecting them with more stages	Nick A	OCTOBER 23	OCTOBER 2023	Shared with these minutes and with the group is the next stage of the footpath. All comments can be sent to Brooke to be shared with Chris.
Send website for event flooring to Brooke or Nick	Sophie	AUGUST 23	OCTOBER 2023	See above comment regarding flooring.

