



MINUTES

**Access and Inclusion Advisory
Committee Meeting
Thursday, 7 April 2022**

**MINUTES OF CITY OF DARWIN
ACCESS AND INCLUSION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD ELECTRONICALLY VIA TEAMS ON THURSDAY, 7 APRIL 2022 AT 1.30 PM**

PRESENT:

Councillor Sylvia Klonaris (Alternate)
Community Member Martin Blakemore
Community Member Kyle Adams
Community Member Stephanie Ransome
Community Member Debbie Reeves
Community Member Rajeev Thayil
Department of Transport Bernie Ingram
Council on the Ageing NT Cecilia Chiolo

OFFICERS:

Angela O'Donnell (Executive Manager Community and Cultural Services) yes
Roman Maher (Senior Design Officer) yes
Karen Long (Secretariat) yes
Nik Kleine (Executive Manager Program Planning)

APOLOGIES: Community Member Sarah Skopellos
Community Member Amanda Trezise
Community Member Lachlan Rowe
Heather Docker, Community Development Officer

GUESTS: Allison O'Connor (Integrated disAbility Action Inc)

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1 MEETING DECLARED OPEN

The Chair declared the meeting open at 1.42 pm.

2 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

City of Darwin acknowledges that we are living and working on Larrakia Country. We acknowledge the Larrakia people as the Traditional Owners of the Darwin region. We pay our respects to the Larrakia elders past and present and support emerging Larrakia leaders now and into the future. City of Darwin is committed to working together with all Larrakia to care for this land and sea for our shared future.

3 APOLOGIES & LEAVE OF ABSENCE

3.1 Apologies

Community Member Sarah Skopellos
Community Member Amanda Trezise
Heather Docker, Community Development Officer

3.2 Leave of Absence Requested

3.3 Leave of Absence Notified

Community Member Kim Caudwell for the meetings of 7 April 2022 and 2 June 2022

4 ELECTRONIC ATTENDANCE

Meeting held via Teams

5 DECLARATION OF INTEREST OF MEMBERS AND STAFF

5.1 Declaration of Interest by Members – Nil

5.2 Declaration of Interest by Staff - Nil

6 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**COMMITTEE RESOLUTION AAIAC002/22**

Moved: Councillor Sylvia Klonaris

Seconded: Council on the Ageing NT Cecilia Chiolero

1. That the minutes of the Access and Inclusion Advisory Committee Meeting held on 28 October 2021 to be confirmed.

CARRIED 8/0

7 ACTIONS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

Nil

8 PRESENTATIONS

Nil

9 OFFICER REPORTS**9.1 ACCESS & INCLUSION ADVISORY COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON
RECOMMENDATION****COMMITTEE RESOLUTION AAIAC003/22**

Moved: Community Member Debbie Reeves

Seconded: Councillor Sylvia Klonaris

1. That the report be received and noted.
2. That it is recommended that Council appoint Stephanie Ransome as the Chairperson of the Access and Inclusion Advisory Committee for the term 7 April 2022 to 29 February 2024.

CARRIED 8/0

Members agreed that Angela O'Donnell continue to chair the meeting.

9.2 ACCESS AND INCLUSION ADVISORY COMMITTEE PROJECT RECOMMENDATION**COMMITTEE RESOLUTION AAIAC004/22**

Moved: Community Member Martin Blakemore

Seconded: Community Member Debbie Reeves

Council Officers plan to recommend the following at a subsequent Council meeting:

1. THAT the report entitled Access and Inclusion Advisory Committee Project Recommendation be received and noted.
2. THAT the Access and Inclusion Advisory Committee rank the projects in order of preference for completion and allocation of future Disability Access Program budget and this be recommended to Council.

Ranking	Project Name
1	Jingili Water Gardens - Line marking and signage amendments to the existing accessible space at the South East car park (attachment 2)
2	Fannie Bay Shopping Centre - Provision of footpath and kerb ramp connection Aviators Park & Fannie Bay Place (Site 2 on attachment 1)
3	Fannie Bay Shopping Centre - Upgrade of one existing accessible parking bay Aviators Park to Australian Standard compliance (Site 1 on attachment 1)
4	Fannie Bay Shopping Centre - four kerb ramps and landings adjacent Ross Smith Avenue from Ken Waters Memorial Park, crossing Keith Lane and Fannie Bay Place into Aviators Park (Site 3 on attachment 1)
5	Fannie Bay Shopping Centre - A crossing point will be provided across Hinkler Crescent and realignment of the existing kerb line from Hinkler into Keith Lane to provide a compliant graded footpath (Site 5 on attachment 1)

CARRIED 8/0

9.3 CITY OF DARWIN ACCESS & INCLUSION PROJECTS AND PROGRAMS UPDATE**COMMITTEE RESOLUTION AAIAC005/22**

Moved: Community Member Stephanie Ransome

Seconded: Community Member Debbie Reeves

1. THAT the report entitled City of Darwin Access & Inclusion Projects and Programs Update be received and noted.

CARRIED 8/0

9.4 JINGILI WATER GARDENS ALL-ABILITIES PLAY SPACE

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION AAIAC006/22

Moved: Community Member Kyle Adams

Seconded: Community Member Martin Blakemore

1. THAT the report entitled Jingili Water Gardens All-Abilities Play Space be received and noted.

CARRIED 8/0

Note - 1 June 2022 – Celebration at Jingili Water Gardens All-Abilities Play Space – an invitation will be sent to Members.

9.5 INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PEOPLE WITH DISABILITY

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION AAIAC007/22

Moved: Community Member Stephanie Ransome

Seconded: Community Member Debbie Reeves

1. THAT the report entitled International Day of People with Disability be received and noted.

CARRIED 8/0

Partnership organisations in the coordination of the Carnival of Fun were:

NDSP Plan Managers
Integrated disAbility Action
Living Right
Disability Sports NT
Arts Access Darwin
Nemarluk School
Brett Peebles
Somerville
YouthWorx NT
Deaf Services NT
Life Without Barriers
Variety NT
Nationa Disability Services
Carpentaria

10 MEMBER REPORTS

- 10.1 Department of Infrastructure Planning and Logistics - Bernie Ingram

Commercial Passenger Vehicle Reform Package

The Northern Territory Government has released an independent review of the Commercial Passenger Vehicle industry in the Northern Territory commissioned in 2021.

The report includes a number of recommendations aimed towards supporting the government's commitment to providing a safe and efficient commercial passenger vehicle industry which meets the needs of the community.

The government is committed to ensuring public transport is accessible for all Territorians. A key outcome will be an increase in the number of wheelchair accessible taxis on Territory roads through a progressive expansion of the number of taxi licences.

The government will offer \$15000 grants to drivers to help cover the cost of upgrading vehicles to be wheelchair accessible.

Other recommendations from the report that will be implemented include:

- removing the cap on taxi licence numbers in Darwin and Alice Springs in a staged approach over five years
- releasing a set number of taxi licences in Darwin and Alice Springs each year over the next five years via a ballot
- ensuring equity of service of wheelchair accessible taxis with the introduction of key performance indicators, sanctions and increased compliance
- removing the high occupancy tariff and multiple hire rates to reduce confusion for passengers about how rates are calculated and overcharged
- increased training for drivers to improve the safety of passengers in wheelchairs
- improving vehicle cosmetics for passengers through the introduction of core cosmetic requirements
- improving complaint reporting systems.

The Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics will commence engaging and working with industry and stakeholders to implement recommendations by re-establishing the CPV forums across the Territory.

To read the full report and all recommendations visit [Commercial Passenger Vehicle Review - Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics](#).

For more information, contact Project Manager Simon Gillam on 8924 7836 or email simon.gillam@nt.gov.au

11 GENERAL BUSINESS

11.1 RESIGNATION OF MEMBER

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION AAIAC008/22

Moved: Council on the Ageing NT Cecilia Chiolero

Seconded: Community Member Stephanie Ransome

That the Resignation of Community Member Amanda Trezise be received and noted.

CARRIED 8/0

11.2 MANDATORY COVID BOOSTER BY 22 APRIL 2022

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION AAIAC009/22

Moved: Council on the Ageing NT Cecilia Chiolero

Seconded: Community Member Debbie Reeves

That the information provided on the Mandatory Covid Booster be received and noted

CARRIED 8/0

12 NEXT MEETING

Thursday 2 June, 1.30 pm to 3.00 pm Guyugwa Room, Casuarina Library

The newly elected Chair declared the meeting closed at 2.50 pm.