

Accessibility Advisory Group Meeting Minutes

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Wellington City Council
Me Heke Ki Pōneke

Tuesday 29 May 2018 5:30–7:30pm

**Committee Room 1, Wellington City Council, 101
Wakefield St, Wellington**

Co-Chairperson:

Michael Bealing and Nick Ruane

Members:

Tristram Ingham, Alan Royal, Solmaz Nazari Orakani,
Erikka Helliwell, Rachel Noble

Councillors:

Cr Lee (Technology, Innovation, Enterprise, Climate
Change)

ELT member:

WCC Staff:

Crispian Franklin (Democracy Services)

Apologies received: Stuart and Rosie.

Confirmation of Minutes

AAG confirmed the previous minutes (remove 3b)

Bede Crestani - *Wakefield Street Mobility Car Parks*

Bede spoke with the group about changes to car parks on Wakefield Street due to Town Hall Unreinforced Masonry and seismic strengthening work

Feedback:

- Issues around disability car parks at the police station.
- Issue around validity of data as unauthorised users use the disable carparks as a drop-off point.
- Service vans for disable requires more space and cannot use angled carpark.
- Issue around parking at peak time in the CBD
- Non-compliant mobility parking e.g kerb design
- Proximity to where service centres and Democracy Services are located
- Need for real time availability
- Enhance and improve accessibility in the Town Hall

Helen Bolton - *Parking Review Policy*

Helen spoke with the group about the review of Council's Parking Policy

Feedback:

- Peak time use is at weekends and evenings. During the weekday most disable carparks are underutilised.
- Comments on 2014 Be Accessible audit – around 90% are non-compliant of the code, 50% non-legitimate use
- Concern around community veto to relocation of carpark and should be factored around demand forecasting rather than individual retailers
- Carparks need to be compliant and close proximity to high demand area e.g social activities

- Good practice – American Disabilities Act – improve performance remarkably e.g tow on-site, higher fines for both car owner and owner of business or building owner, flashing lights
- New South Wales jurisdiction – no payment for mobility carpark.
- Kerb design is a barrier to carparks.
- Require comparative analysis for weekend use- peak time versus non-peak time.
- Disable users should have same access as anyone else.

Annual Report to 21 June City Strategy Committee

- Note provide a report to the 21 June CSC meeting.

General Business

Fixit app – information on accessibility issues

Accessibility award – who is on the panel and whether anyone from AAG can be on the panel.

Actions: The following tables actions and responsibilities made during earlier meetings:

Action		Responsibility	Completed
28-Mar	That Barbara McKerrow or another member of ELT / management, attends the next AAG meeting.	Democracy Advisor	On-going – Barbara McKerrow will attend when she is able to.
28-Mar	Cr Lee to report back to CSC when he sees necessary or by request from AAG	Cr Lee	Ongoing
28-Mar	Michael to see how we can interact with committees, through talking with Barbara McKerrow.	Michael	ongoing; ELT member confirmed. Still speaking with Barbara about this as regularly as possible.
25 July	Artwork from Disability Pride Week donated to the Council: investigate re space	Democracy Advisor	This will need to be deferred because the Council is moving. Will need to confirm where that artwork will be housed.
29 August	Compile the AAG Forward programme	Democracy Advisor	Deferred - This needs to be discussed with Council officers and the AAG
29 August	Draft email request to further discuss Fixit App	Advisor / Michael	Completed. Alice Bates attended the September meeting and discussed the app with the group.

29 August	Action request from the group to have feedback from John McDonald, Mgr. City Housing, re the WCC social housing block, Arlington Apartments, re the AAG input into the plans	Democracy Advisor	Ongoing – further feedback required.
26 September	Allan Brown to organise walkabout along Waterfront with the AAG members	Allan Brown	This has not yet been organised. I (Caleb) understand no dates worked for all parties.
26 September	Fixit app – can a photo from the app be used to issue and enforce a ticket – Caleb was to discuss with legal	Democracy Advisor	Completed.