

DISABILITY REFERENCE GROUP (DRG)

MINUTES

5.15 PM
TUESDAY 12 September 2006

Committee Room 2

Members

Ross Livingstone
Jules Taniwha
Nick Luger
Kendall Akhurst
Kaeti Rigarlsford

Ollie Goulden
Lorraine Offord (Co-Chair)
Joanne Ward
Councilor Leonie Gill

1. **Welcome**

The Chair welcomed the group.

2. **Apologies**

Thomas Bryan

3. **Confirmation of Minutes**

4. **Dougal List – Johnsonville Upgrade**

Project Manager for the Johnsonville town centre upgrade. This upgrade is linked to the Councils Urban Strategy Plan. Johnsonville is part of the growth spine concept which looks at the next 50 years for implementation.

Consultation will commence on 25 September and the DRG will be sent documentation shortly.

Paul Lenihan, Project Manager for the Johnsonville Community Centre. Plans have been drawn up for an additional meeting room to cater for up to 100 people. Plans would be made available to the group for comment.

5. Senior Advisors, Natasha Petkovic-Jermeic, Jarrod Coburn

Jarrold Coburn, Senior Advisor Northern Ward. Jarrod introduced himself to the group and outlined his responsibilities within City Communities. These included recruiting for an Information Communication Technology person. Jarrod would be offering assistance at our Forum days of 3-4 December 06.

Natasha Petkovic-Jeremic, Senior Advisor Western Ward. Natasha is responsible for Youth, Early Childhood, and Volunteers. Projects under consideration currently are the Karori, Khandallah and Northland Community Centers.

6. Other Business:

Discussion was entered into regarding the Footpath Policy and Trading in Open Spaces Policy submission. Kendall is currently putting this together and is keen on receiving members input.

The Social Services submission lead by Paul Sisson was not completed and Jenny Rains is going to contact Paul to ascertain the reason for non completion and to confirm the necessity for 5 months leave.

Newtown Bus Stop. Jules noted the congestion and Jenny and Ross would take the matter up with Helen Ray from Infrastructure.

It was decided that a discussion needed to occur at next months meeting the issues around members taking long periods of leave from the group.

The mini Forum for consumer groups was scheduled for Saturday 30 September 06.

NEXT MEETING: 10 October 2006