

## **ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY GROUP**

Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> of April 2013 in Te Mahanga Committee Room One, Wakefield Street 5.30 to 7.30pm

### **AGENDA**

- 1. Present**
- 2. Welcome from the Chair**
- 3. Conflict of interest**
- 4. Matters arising/Adoption of minutes**
- 5. Regional Governance**  
Cr Pannett
- 6. Annual plan**  
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- 7. Annual Report reportback and Lower Cuba st**  
Kendall Akhurst, Jason Strawbridge
- 8. Engagement Policy**  
Lisa Matthews, Consultation and Engagement
- 9. AAG Sub-groups reportback**
- 10. Other business**
  - a. Lifemark
  - b. Recruitment
  - c. Rosemary
- 11. Next Meeting**  
Tuesday 28th May 2013 in Te Mahanga Committee Room One

## **RECORD OF MEETING: ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY GROUP**

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### **1. Present**

- Members                      Rosemary Cole, Lachlan MacKay, Angela Vandepoel, Julia Mosen, Alan Royal, Jason Strawbridge, Shannon Krogmann, Kendall Akhurst, Linda Hobman
- Councillors                      Iona Pannett
- Council officers                      Lisa Matthews, Baz Kaufman, Steven Peng
- Interpreters
- Guests

### **2. Welcome from the Chair**

Apologies: Rosemary Cole for lateness

### **3. Conflict of interest**

None

4. Linda Hobman resigned.

### **5. Regional Governance**

Presentation on current consultation and the three options.

- AAG encouraged to put in a submission.
- Timeframe for change will be after the next elections.
- Importance of accessibility issues continuing to be at the forefront with a strong voice in Council regarding accessibility.
- Wairarapa included in the discussion for a number of reasons including the current regional responsibility for environmental issues, many people from Wellington live, own property or travel there also.

Action:

- Instead of a submission, the AAG will send an email outlining that the Action Plan and the advisory groups are important elements that they would like to see carried forward into any new configuration.

- That AAG would not like to see the role of the advisory groups to be lessened in any amalgamation, and in fact there is an opportunity for their role to be strengthened.
- If the status quo stayed then AAG would be looking to see accessibility get further embedded.
- Note: there are opportunities for further input later in the process.

## **6. Draft Annual plan**

### Presentation

- Issues of interest to the AAG contained in the Annual Plan are potentially
  - Leisure card
  - Taxi permits
  - Civic square redevelopment
  - Wellington waterfront
  - Accessible playground
  - Taranaki st greening
  - Clyde Quay Marina upgrade

### Action

- Governance subgroup to follow up. Particularly ensuring the same problems of Lower Cuba st are not repeated with Taranaki st.

## **7. Annual Report reportback and Lower Cuba st**

### Annual Report

- Kendall proud of the whole group and the amount of work achieved by the group and offered his congratulations to everyone.

### Lower Cuba st

- Report done by Council officers saying the same as what AAG has been saying.
- It is AAG's position that the Council has not done for enough to fix the problems.
- The Council's suggestion of having more planting will not fix the problem of the drop into the tree pits.
- The plan was consented to have only 20mm drop and to do anything else is to go against what was consented.
- Tactile indicators will continue to pop out.
- Re need for AAG advice on carparks in the report – AAG has given their advice already.

### Action

- Cr Pannett to follow up with staff about the tree pits.
- AAG to monitor the progress including the dates listed in the report to ensure that the work is followed through.
- **Lisa** to put Cuba st on the agenda for September.

## **8. Engagement Policy**

### Discussion:

- Lisa outlined the Engagement Policy update. This work will be communicated via email as the meeting has gone over time.

## **9. Matters arising/Adoption of minutes**

Minutes of last meeting 26 March 2013 approved.

Rosemary/Julia

## **10. AAG Sub-groups reportback**

Accessible Environment and Transport

Zealandia report to be sent out for final check and then to go to Zealandia this week. Thanks to Jason for pulling that together.

Arts and Culture and Social and Recreation

Homelessness consultation – draft submission being prepared and will be submitted this week.

## **10. Other business**

1. Arts Forum being attended by members this week.
2. Cycling forum tomorrow evening if members can attend.
3. Steven Peng (Building Consents) thanked the AAG for their feedback in the Annual Report and their assistance with training.
4. Lifemark  
Accessibility is one of the core principles of this organisation. They outfit their houses to include the capacity to have accessible features if needed. AAG should meet with Lifemark and maybe there is an opportunity to introduce to City Housing. This may help resolve issues with City Housing.  
Action:  
**Jason** to organise a meeting with Lifemark Chief Executive.
5. Correspondence  
Rosemary lodged a thank you card from the Volunteer Manager, Cancer Society for the advice given re mobility parking.
6. Recruitment:  
Two members have come to the end of their three year term. They can reapply but the positions will be advertised externally on the May 6<sup>th</sup> for a month.
7. CD Launch at Newtown Community Centre – group that works with mental health consumers.

## **11. Next Meeting**

Tuesday 30 April in Committee Room One.

John Hutchings, Chief Planning Officer to meet with the AAG.

## **Action Points from 30 April 2013**

**Jason** to organise a meeting with Lifemark chief executive

**Governance subgroup** to follow up with Draft Annual Plan. Particularly ensuring the same problems of Lower Cuba st are not repeated with Taranaki st.

**Lisa** to put Cuba st on the agenda for September.

The **AAG** will send an email outlining that the Action Plan and the advisory groups are important elements that they would like to see carried forward into any new configuration – Regional Governance

## **SUB-GROUPS AND MEMBERSHIP**

**Accessible Environment and transport** (including urban design, open spaces)

**Jason**, Kendall, Julia, Rosemary, Lachlan, Angela

**Economic development and governance**

**Alan**, Julia, Lachlan, Kendall

**Arts and Culture and Social and Recreation**

**Angela**, Linda, Kendall, Rosemary, Julia, Shannon