

Accessibility Advisory Group Meeting Minutes

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Wellington City Council
Me Heke Ki Pōneke

Tuesday 28 August 2018 5:30–7:30pm

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

Co-Chairperson:

Nick Ruane and Michael Bealing

Members:

Tristram Ingham, Alan Royal, Solmaz Nazari Orakani,
Erikka Helliwell, Stuart Mills, Rosie MacLeod, Rachel
Noble

Councillors:

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

ELT member:

WCC Staff:

Helena Patuwai (Democracy Services)
Anna-Marie Miller (Community Resilience Advisor)
Anna Blomquist (Transport Safety Education Co,
Network Improvements)

Apologies received:

Apologies received from speaker Annika Naschitzki and
members Tristram Ingham and Rosie MacLeod

Note: Speaker Helen Bolton was replaced with Geoff Lawson.

Confirmation of Minutes

AAG confirmed the meeting on 31 July 2018.

Geoff Lawson – *Draft Survey on Mobility Parking Spaces*

Geoff spoke to the group about a draft survey of mobility parking spaces regarding location, design and identifying the gaps. The suggested method was to have 2 interactive workshop groups. Group 1: for AAG and Group 2: participants the mobility permit geographic coverage of the city. Also discussed the content and questions.

AAG formally thanked Geoff for coming to present

General Feedback:

- Request a broad spread of people geographically, diversity, percentage and type of impairment involvement
- Parking designs to be looked into i.e. angle parking, parking curbs
- Action Plan lacking overall and needs a more strategic approach
- Suggested Te Papa involvement. In response WCC have meet with Te Papa group and shared ideas
- Question around low numbers may not capture everyone that needs to be involved and large numbers don't encourage discussion. Still need to test against the wider community
- Do we need to review parking spaces in the right places and a strategy plan going forward

JT Schutte – *Mobility Parking Space Usage*

JT Schutte shared on parking space usage and comparisons. Also, types of technology e.g. RFID (Radio Frequency Identification) Chip, but will investigate BLE (Bluetooth Low Energy) technology in future.

General Feedback:

- Suggest information be linked together with Helen's group

- Large population challenge and accountability
- Concern around uphill parking

Orencio Guecio – *Resolution Report/Existing mobility parks in CBD*

Orencio spoke to the group on parking request process guidelines and examples. Comparison of mobility parking standards and WCC operating guidelines.

General Feedback:

- Policy doesn't mention scope variables
- Suggested a slide guide to follow the process from start to end

Crispian Franklin – *Accessibility Project team*

Crispian introduced his Accessibility Project Team's and gave an update on what they have been doing. They are currently working on a hands on approach in interviewing the right people and their experiences over the next 3 months. Asked for feedback for Customer contacts from AAG.

General Feedback:

- Raised concern on the use of Lighting Lab App and promoting it widely
- Common concern around networking with groups and engaging with existing organisations and community groups
- Other groups Be my eye app used in NZ do our part, System transport user group, ACC for statistics
- Suggested making a video to share with other networks
- Communications team put up a survey
- Ensure the message we give people understand

General Business

Lack of communication on accessibility which needs to be strategically aligned in council.

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

Action		Responsibility	Completed
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.
26 September	APW Wards engagement	Democracy Advisor	Book in meetings before next awards
26 September	GWRC to engage on a regular basis	Democracy Advisor	Engagement with GWRC be added to agenda on a quarterly basis
29 August	Compile the AAG Forward programme	Democracy Advisor	Deferred - This needs to be discussed

			with Council officers and the AAG
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.