

Subject:	Social Inclusion Advisory Committee – Minutes of Meeting	Page 1 of 4
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Venue:	Council Chamber, Level 1A, 1 Pope Street, Ryde	
Date:	Wednesday, 6 June 2018	
Time:	6.00pm	Started at: 6.05pm Closed at: 7.35pm
Chair:	Councillor Penny Pedersen	
Meeting Support (MS):	Amanda Janvrin – Senior Coordinator – Governance	
Staff Convenor:	Gunjan Tripathi	
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Committee Role:

The role of the Social Inclusion Advisory Committee is to provide advice to Council to ensure that all residents and visitors to the City of Ryde are able to participate actively in all aspects of community and civic life, and to ensure that Council recognises and values the diversity of its community.

Committee Members as per the Terms of Reference

Present	Apology	Name	Position Title	Organisation
✓		Councillor Penny Pedersen	Chairperson	City of Ryde
✓		Councillor Simon Zhou	Deputy Chairperson	City of Ryde
✓		Councillor Peter Kim	Delegate	City of Ryde
✓		Cate Sinclair	Community Representative	CEO – Northern Centre
		Deb Maio	Community Representative	Side by Side Advocacy
		Ebony Appel	Community Representative	
	✓	Elizabeth Wilkinson	Community Representative	
✓		Gary Squire	Community Representative	
✓		Gregory McClure	Community Representative	
	✓	Helen Crouch	Community Representative	North Ryde Community Aid
✓		Janice Perrett	Community Representative	
		Cecilia Park	Community Representative	
✓		Jim Towers	Community Representative	
		Julie Hill	Community Representative	Ryde Rehabilitation
		Julie Jones	Community Representative	
✓		Karen Cowling	Community Representative	Carers NSW
✓		Kate Hanley	Community Representative	Lifestart
	✓	Martina Fox	Community Representative	Royal Rehabilitation
✓		Nalyn Sirivivatnanon	Community Representative	
	✓	Rebecca Ho	Community Representative	Touched by Olivia
		Richard Scenna	Community Representative	YourLink
✓		Rossella Tisci	Community Representative	
✓		Sarah McFayden	Community Representative	
✓		Tony Bernauer	Community Representative	
		Verity Greenwood	Community Representative	
✓		Wendy Innes	Community Representative	Community Care Northern Beaches
		Yoon Park	Community Representative	Ryde Hospital and Macquarie Hospital
✓		Carmen Platt	Community Representative	The Generous and Grateful

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✓		Gunjan Tripathi	Senior Coordinator – Social Development and Capacity Building	City of Ryde
	✓	Paul Chidzero	Manager, Community Services	City of Ryde
✓		Angela Jones-Blayney	Acting Director – Customer and Community Services	City of Ryde
✓		Amanda Janvrin	Senior Coordinator – Governance	City of Ryde

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<p>1. Welcome and apologies</p> <p>Councillor Pedersen acknowledged the traditional owners of the land and welcomed all present.</p> <p>Those present and apologies are as noted above.</p>	Noted.
<p>2. Minutes from the last meeting</p> <p>The Minutes from the last meeting held on 7 March 2018 were confirmed.</p>	Noted.
<p>3. Update on accessible taxi rank at Pope Street</p> <p>Mr Squire advised the meeting that he and Mr Bernauer spoke at the Council Meeting on 22 May 2018 regarding the taxi rank at Pope Street.</p> <p>Mr Squire advised that he has some concerns with the sketch that has been proposed as there are numerous issues with the design. Mr Squire confirmed that he has designed a sketch that addresses the issues which he will send through to Councillor Kim and Gunjan Tripathi for consideration.</p> <p>Mr Squire advised that Councillor Kim is going to arrange further trips around the Ryde LGA to determine if there are any other locations that may also require a dedicated "Disabled Accessible Taxi" parking space.</p> <p>Councillor Pedersen advised the meeting that at the Meeting of 22 May 2018, Council adopted the following Resolution:-</p> <p>(a) That Council provides a dedicated "Disabled Accessible Taxi" parking space on Pope Street immediately south of the ramp serving the existing disabled parking space subject to Ryde Traffic Committee approval.</p> <p>(b) That the Taxi Council be advised that taxis are permitted to drop off patrons within this space, however only disabled accessible taxis are permitted to stand in the subject parking space.</p> <p>(c) That the Social Inclusion Advisory Committee be advised of the progress of the above works at its next meeting subject to the project acquiring the necessary approvals.</p> <p>(d) That funding be made available from the 2018/2019 Operational Plan, Traffic Calming Devices program.</p>	The information was noted – Mr Squire to send through updated sketch for consideration.
<p>4. Social Inclusion PhD Project: Presentation</p> <p>Rossella Tisci and Maria Amigo from Macquarie University were present at the meeting. Ms Tisci provided the meeting with a presentation regarding her Social Inclusion PhD Project titled <i>Making Home is a Context of Housing Insecurity: Experiences of People with Physical Disabilities from CALD Background through the Lens of Capabilities Approach</i>.</p>	The presentation was noted.

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<p>Ms Tisci advised that the Aim of the Research was to explore how the contemporary housing processes, in particular the housing insecurity, affect the sense of 'feeling at home' of individuals with physical disabilities from culturally and linguistically diverse background both in terms of having a private and safe space in which one can cultivate intimate relationships and show his own identity and of developing a sense of belonging to the broader community.</p> <p>At the conclusion of the presentation, Committee members were able to provide feedback, make comments and ask questions.</p> <p>The Committee acknowledged that they are looking forward to the outcomes from the research project.</p>	<p>The information in the presentation was noted.</p>
<p>5. Northern Districts Local Business Inclusion Awards</p> <p>Ms Tripathi advised the meeting that Council has recently been working with local businesses to create diversity and inclusion at work places. This year, the Business Awards are going to have a new category of inclusion to encourage local small to medium businesses to highlight and showcase their inclusive practices.</p> <p>Nominating is simple, there is a form to complete and nominations are open from tomorrow. If any committee member knows of a small to medium business that encourages inclusive practices, they can be nominated for an award.</p>	<p>The information was noted – Ms Tripathi will send a copy of the Media Release to the Committee members so that they can click on the links to the background documentation.</p>
<p>6. Disability Inclusion Action Plan: Working Groups</p> <p>Ms Tripathi advised that at the last meeting, Committee members were informed of the Working Groups and that there would be an opportunity for interested people to nominate to be a part of the groups. Ms Tripathi advised the meeting that Amy Cullinan had received only two nominations.</p> <p>Ms Tripathi informed interested members that they can nominate themselves to work on a particular part of the DIAP, with the four focus areas being as follows:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attitudes and behaviours • Liveable Communities • Meaningful Employment • Better Access to Services <p>Ms Tripathi advised that she will send information out to Committee members following the meeting and if members could have a think about joining a Working Group and let her know so that some of the Working Group meetings can be set up.</p> <p>Councillor Pedersen advised the meeting that unfortunately Amy Cullinan has left Council since the last meeting and is now working for Carers NSW. Ms Tripathi is currently recruiting for Amy's replacement in the role of Community Project Officer.</p> <p>Mr Towers advised the meeting that the Committee has not met yet but some of the upcoming events are as follows:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 14 July 2018 – Accessible Disco at North Ryde Golf Club. • Ryde Sports Foundation Awards are looking for people who have a disability who have had success in their chosen field. June is the beginning of the next 12 nominations for Sport Awards with an additional four (4) being added in the Disability Category. • 13 September 2018 – North Ryde RSL Auditorium will be holding a recital event for choirs that are made up of people with a disability. <p>Mr Towers will send the list of dates for these events to Ms Tripathi.</p>	<p>The information was noted – any interested Committee member who wishes to nominate to join a Working Group is to advise Ms Tripathi.</p> <p>The information was noted.</p> <p>The information was noted – Mr Towers to send list of dates for the events to Ms Tripathi.</p>

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<p>7.</p>	<p>Any Other Business</p> <p><u>Salvation Army Christmas Dinners</u></p> <p>Ms Perrett advised the meeting that many people who attended the Salvos Christmas dinners last year said that they felt socially isolated and that they would like to have the dinners continue and also on a more regular occasion.</p> <p>Ms Perrett advised that they are planning on holding the dinners on a fortnightly basis. The dinner would consist of no more than 40 people who feel socially isolated. Everyone attending the dinner would help prepare the dinner and clean up after the dinner. The cost would be worked out and divided that between the number of attendees, however, people only have to pay what they can afford.</p> <p>Ms Perrett to send through the information regarding the dinners to Ms Tripathi.</p> <p><u>Small Mobile Homes</u></p> <p>Councillor Pedersen advised the meeting that she had an enquiry from Nathan Moulds from the Salvation Army regarding small mobile homes which are being set up in other LGA's.</p> <p>It was agreed that in order to be able to set up a small mobile home on Church land within the Ryde LGA, we would need to establish the regulations.</p> <p>Council staff to establish the regulations and report back to the next meeting.</p> <p><u>Ryde Youth Council</u></p> <p>Councillor Pedersen noted that the Ryde Youth Council does not currently have any members who are disabled. Ms Tripathi advised that Michael Paine (Council representative who runs the Ryde Youth Council) is investigating this and has requested that this Committee assist with recruiting young people with a disability to join the Ryde Youth Council.</p> <p>If any Committee members know anyone through their networks in the age range of 12 – 24 who may be interested in joining the Ryde Youth Council, please contact Ms Tripathi.</p> <p><u>Field Trip to Riding for the Disabled</u></p> <p>Councillor Pedersen advised that Riding for the Disabled do a fantastic job and she would like to organise a trip to riding for the disabled. Other Committee members also showed an interest in attending.</p> <p>Council staff will arrange a visit for the Committee, with Ms Tripathi to circulate potential dates to Committee members.</p> <p><u>Ryde Mental Health Clinic</u></p> <p>Ms Tripathi advised that she attended the Ryde Mental Health Clinic Committee and reported that there are more people who have a mental health issue who are also experiencing homelessness.</p> <p>Ms Tripathi confirmed that the Committee is interested in coming and speaking to this Committee, specifically around mental health issues impacting adults.</p> <p>Committee members welcomed the idea. Ms Tripathi to arrange for a representative to come and attend as a guest speaker to the next meeting.</p>	<p>The information was noted – Ms Perrett to send the information regarding the dinners to Ms Tripathi.</p> <p>The information was noted – Council staff to establish the regulations and report back to the next meeting.</p> <p>The information was noted – Committee members who know anyone who may be interested in joining the Ryde Youth Council to please contact Ms Tripathi.</p> <p>The information was noted – Ms Tripathi to circulate potential dates for a visit to Riding for the Disabled.</p> <p>The information was noted – Ms Tripathi to arrange for a representative from Ryde Mental Health Clinic to attend as a guest speaker at the next meeting.</p>
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	<p><u>New Global Technology – ‘Be My Eyes’</u> Ms Platt advised the meeting of a new global technology called ‘Be My Eyes’ which is assisting blind people all over the world. Ms Platt wanted to know how could the Committee assist in raising awareness in the community about this app.</p> <p>Council staff advised that they would create a space on the website either within the include space or this Committee space to include these great ideas, events and technologies etc.</p> <p>Any Committee member who has anything to share, please email Ms Tripathi so that it can be included on the website.</p> <p><u>Arts Advisory Committee</u> Councillor Pedersen requested the Committee members to encourage any artists, painters, musicians or creative groups etc. that exist within Ryde that have a disability to join Council’s Arts Advisory Committee.</p> <p>Any recommendations can be forwarded to Ms Tripathi.</p>	<p>The information was noted – Ms Tripathi to create a space on Council’s website. Any Committee member who has any great ideas, events, technologies etc. to share to email Ms Tripathi.</p> <p>The information was noted – any recommendations for people who have creative talent with a disability to join the Arts Advisory Committee to advise Ms Tripathi.</p>
8.	<p>Next Meeting:</p> <p>The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, 5 September 2018 (6.00pm-7.30pm)</p>	Noted.