



## LGBTIQ Working Group Meeting

Monday, 18 October 2021 meeting

Zoom

6:00pm – 8:00pm

### Meeting summary

Meeting commenced 6.00pm

#### Present

Staff	Community members	Councillors
Josie Leeson – Community Projects Officer (JL Convenor)	<b>Jody Toomey (JT) - Chair</b>	
	<b>Jayanto Tan (JTan)</b>	
	<b>Lara Sabbadin (LS)</b>	
	<b>Madeleine Gandhi (MGan)</b>	
	<b>Michael Beckett (MG)</b>	

#### Apologies

Emmaly Langridge (EL), Jack Whitney (JW), Stacy Warren (SW)

#### Disclosure of Interest

Nil

Item	Summary	Recommendation/action	Council response
<b>Item 1a</b> Working Group roles and responsibilities – Action Plan	The Working Group Action Plan is based on community needs in the areas of: 1.Social Isolation 2.Health – Mental/Physical 3.Access to Services/Programs 4.Bullying/Harassment/Phobia	As the Working Group members are new to this role, the next meeting will be facilitated by an external person to establish: - The most effective way forward - The needs and wants of the group members in relation to helping the community - Establishing people’s skill-sets and role within the group - Setting expectations for how the meeting is run and group participation <b>Actions</b> - Council to engage facilitator for meeting - Date change required to accommodate members	



		present at meeting from. Check room availability from first Wednesday of month	
<b>Item 1b</b> Progress Pride Flag	A Notice of Motion was raised by Councillor Lockie to fly the progress Pride flag instead of the Rainbow Flag during Mardi Gras	There was no time to hear this matter during the October meeting. It will be held at next Council meeting	
<b>Item 1c</b> Midjuburi Inner West Fest	Inner West Fest is Council's new, small scale, community- based, 'local activation' approach to festivals. Midjuburi Inner West Fest will run in Marrickville Ward between end February and April 2022 Opportunity to align for Midjuburri Inner West Fest with Mardi Gras celebrations.	Working group will look at Mardi Gras Feel the Love events to see if we can align planned events during this time.  Potential events  Flag raising ceremony CAMP signage unveiling R U OK? Mural	
<b>Item 2</b> Pride Centre	A Council resolution was adopted to create a Pride Centre in the Inner West	Council Officers are reviewing the Pride Centre options. There was no update for this meeting.	
<b>Item 3a</b> World Pride	The Working Group have suggested that IWC participate in 2023 World Pride celebrations by:  - Creating spaces of interest in the Inner West showcasing history, pride, art  - Organising events	Ideas have been put forward by the WG members to ensure that any installations/structures provide a meaningful interaction for all visitors including showcasing LGBTQ history, pride, art	
<b>Item 3b</b> Rainbow Families Sports Carnival	Rainbow Families are running a series of opportunities for young people and their families to engage with sports. The first event will be held in the Inner West	Council to look at available grounds for Rainbow Families to run this initiative.	
<b>Item 3c</b> Seniors Festival	Council Officers are organising a Seniors Festival program themed 'Reconnect' from 25 March to 3 April.	WG members are encouraged to think of a suitable program for LGBTQ seniors that could be funded by this initiative.	



<p><b>Item 3d</b> Social Media – Facebook, YouTube, Website</p>	<p>The WG are committed to ensuring the community are kept up to date with LGBTQ events and programs in the Inner West</p>	<p>WG are encouraged to keep reporting events/programs to JT and JW for inclusion in social media</p>	
<p><b>Item 4</b> Diversity Days</p>	<p>Upcoming events are identified and shared with the community</p>	<p>a) Intersex Awareness Day – 26 October  b) Intersex Solidarity Day – 8 November  Intersex flags are flown in 6 locations across the LGA in support of the Intersex Community  c) Transgender Day of remembrance – 20 November  JT to check with Trans community to confirm if any vigils/events are being organised for WG to attend and promote  d) World Aids Day – 1 Dec  IWC library team are organising a program for World Aids Day. Information will be distributed when available  e) Sydney Gay and Lesbian Mardi Gras  WG to organise and run the following for Mardi Gras  1. Official Flag Raising ceremony  2. CAMP heritage signage unveiling  3. R U OK? mural unveiling</p>	

The meeting closed at 8.00pm.

**Next Meeting – 15 November 2021**