



LGBTIQ Working Group Meeting

Monday, 1 March 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)	Jody Toomey (JT) - Chair	
	Ashley Scott (AS)	
	Benjamin Farr (BF)	
	Jayanto Tan (JTAN)	
	Katie Brennan (KB)	
	Lara Sabbadin (LB)	
	Stacy Warren (SW)	

Apologies

Dusty Hartland, Elizabeth Wibowo

Disclosure of Interest

Nil

Item	Summary	Recommendation/action	Council response
Item 1a Resignation of LGBTIQ Working Group Chair, Teresa Savage	Teresa Savage has resigned as Chair of the LGBTIQ Working Group	<p>We thank Teresa Savage for over eight years of commitment to the LGBTIQ Working Group and previous Action Group with the former Leichhardt Council. Her time and energy have been invaluable and resulted in many projects and initiatives that have benefitted the entire community. We look forward to seeing Teresa continue her work with the community in other areas and wish her well.</p> <p>Actions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Jody Toomey has agreed to step up as Chair of the Working Group - Katie Brennan has agreed to support Jody as Deputy Chair 	



<p>Item 1b Feel the Love - Feedback</p>	<p>Feel the Love celebrations for 2021 were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Flag Raising Ceremony - Launch of 'Get to Know Your Neighbour' short film - Unveiling of Rainbow Crossing Plaque at Summer Hill Lackey Street Piazza 	<p>Flag Raising Ceremony</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Was good to see families including children attend the gathering - Providing refreshments and food was a good way to reconnect with community <p>Get to Know Your Neighbour short film</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The film was received well by the community at the event - It has been viewed by thousands on social media and IWC websites - It was inclusive and made people proud of the diverse and progressive community of the Inner West <p>Rainbow Crossing Plaque</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The plaque was unveiled to commemorate the history of the Summer Hill site and the value of the crossing to the Inner West families, especially the youth - The plaque will be installed at the site in Summer Hill 	
<p>Item 1c Working Group Roles and responsibilities</p>	<p>The WG a Project based group that is made up of community members who represent the different sectors of the LGBTIQ community</p>	<p>Additional members will be approached to give a voice to the demographics not currently covered by the current members.</p> <p>Actions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - KB and JL to check on additional members 	
<p>Item 2 Pride Centre</p>	<p>A Council resolution was adopted to create a Pride Centre in the Inner West</p>	<p>No updates for this meeting.</p> <p>Action</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Advisory Group members encouraged to send through agenda to WG for any additional comments prior to meetings 	
<p>Item 3a Pollys TV</p>	<p>The Pollys Club got creative during COVID and adapted their regular dance event to an online Party.</p>	<p>The Pollys Club members attended the flag raising ceremony and will be using footage from this event for their March podcast.</p>	
<p>Item 3b World Pride</p>	<p>The Working Group have suggested that IWC participate in 2023 World Pride celebrations by organising specific</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - JL is developing a TOR, application form and blurb for promotion of the World Pride Working Group. 	



	<p>events and installing a Rainbow Crossings like the one installed by the City of Sydney Council</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - IWC is exploring opportunities to install rainbow art and crossings across the LGA. <p>Potential Sites</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Greenway - Baywalk - Outside Newtown Town Hall <p>Action</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - IWC and City of Sydney to attend a walkthrough of Newtown to look at potential opportunities for collaboration, activation of Newtown strip in preparation for World Pride - JL to check in with Council re potential sites 	
<p>Item 3c Social Media – Facebook, YouTube, Website</p>	<p>The WG has responded to the community request for information and resources by updating Council’s website and social media sites</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Community resources have been shared and promoted on the website and social media channels throughout the month. - We encourage WG members to share resources with the WG for social media sites. <p>Action</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - BF to assist JT with Social Media due to TS resignation 	
<p>Item 3d Youth Week</p>	<p>Youth Week will take place on 16-24 April 2021 and IWC will be extending events this year to include the school holidays 5-24 April 2021. The Youth Week Working Group have invited us to be part of the group and put forward an idea for an LGBTIQ youth event</p>	<p>Proposed activities put forward by LS and KB.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Queer Prom for LGBTIQ you and allies from 12-24 (Twenty10) - Outdoor movie screening of short films to educate and raise awareness for current youth issues (Inner West Youth Homelessness Service) - Youthchella – a youth festival day of activities including; smoking ceremony, open mic, short film screenings, info stalls, carnival style games, catering, art stall, workshops, caricature artist (Inner West Youth Homelessness Service) <p>Action</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - JL, LS, KB to liaise with IWC Youth team in relation to final program - WG to help promote through their networks 	



		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - WG to provide feedback on documentaries/short films for screening - JL to send through provider details of beanbags used for flag raising ceremony 	
<p>Item 3e Fox's Lane Lantern Project 'There Will Always Be a Light On for You'</p>	<p>Three local artists, Selina Springett, Jayanto Tan and Alessandro Berini working in conjunction with IWC to create a permanent installation as part of the Fox's Lane urban renewal project in Ashfield</p>	<p>JTan advised the WG that the project had been commissioned and asked them to collaborate and help create a lantern that would represent the community.</p> <p>Action</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - JTan to present project at the next Working Group meeting 	
<p>Item 4 Important Events</p>	<p>Upcoming events are identified and shared with the community</p>	<p>Transgender Day of Visibility, 31 March</p> <p>Trans Pride flags to be flown at the following locations from 31 March to 7 April 2021;</p> <p>Ashfield Civic Centre Balmain Town Hall Marrickville Town Hall Newtown Town Hall Petersham Town Hall Summer Hill Lackey Street Piazza</p> <p>Action</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - WG to promote through their networks - JL to promote through Council channels - WG to think of ways to celebrate and promote the following Diversity Days coming up: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ IDAHOBIT 17 May ➤ LGBTI Domestic Violence Awareness day 28 May ➤ Pride Month 1-30 June 	

The meeting closed at 8.00pm.

Next Meeting – 6 April 2021