



**Seniors Working Group
15 August 2019 meeting
Activity Room 4, Ashfield Civic Centre
6pm-8.15pm**

Meeting summary

The meeting commenced at 6pm.

Present

Staff	Community members	Councillors
Mary Ciantar	Vera Ann Hannaford	
Natalie Sousa	Graham Bennett	
	Shraddha Banthia	
	Con Karais	

Apologies

Norman Bradshaw

Angelo Arulanandam

Sandra Triulzi

Pauline Kim

Chrissie McIntyre

Lorne Hyde

Disclosure of interest

There were no disclosures or conflicts of interest noted.

Previous minutes

The minutes of the 20 June 2019 meeting were accepted by consensus.

Moved by Graham

Seconded by Con

Business arising

How do we reach out to people about affordable activities in the community such as accessing people at festivals:

- Graham explored his suburb of Dulwich Hill - oldest bicycle club in Sydney
- The Seniors Discount Directory an opportunity to promote but may have to pay for adverts
- Liaise with IWC Economic Development Team
- Graham teaching ethics at schools and other opportunities for volunteering
- Active and Healthy Website – a health initiative – IWC currently updating this with activities.

Presentations

a. Strategic Planning – Neighbourhood Update – Barbara Becker

- Mini consult - Strategic Land Use plan – 20 year plan soon for public consultation and on exhibition in September for 5 weeks. Will influence local environmental plan and development plans and zoning.
- 4 key areas – summaries towards visioning statement presented.

b. 16 Days of Action White Ribbon – Matt Balane

25 Nov – 10 Dec

- Youth Forum and Community forum will be established - These meetings are where ideas will be tabled to plan future strategies
- Matt to send agenda and papers out to enable contributions should they not be able to attend.

Discussion items

Item	Summary	Recommendation/action	Council response
Item 1 Intergenerational programs Joined up discussion with Young Leaders Working Group	Seniors programming includes some current intergenerational projects like Cyber seniors: A list was compiled based on last meeting.	1.1 Mary to send list of ideas to the group and each group member to think about the ideas for 2020 and prioritise.	

	<p>Some further discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Norton Street Fiesta is on Grandparents day • Schools approach council looking to collaborate • Skill sharing • Addison Road project • Sarah delivers a mentoring program for young women • Festivals – could advertise ideas, suggestion box, consult. • Vera said also Eco – Festival – quieter event for seniors. 	<p>1.2 Mary to meet with Norton Street Fiesta organisers to arrange a table and something to mark Grandparents day, (photobooth, Nonna’s cooking).</p>	
<p>Item 2 Seniors Festival</p>	<p>Retirement Event planning on track identifying what the event will look like in terms of speaker panel and entertainment, workshops. 15 or 22 February 2020</p> <p>Next steps to establish a committee and develop an action plan. Tom Foster and</p>	<p>2.2 Update Project Plan for comment</p>	

	<p>Sydney Local Health District (Older Persons Mental Health Worker) interested in being involved.</p> <p>Some additional community events and collaboration internally will be promoted in marketing material.</p>		
<p>Item 3 Seniors Christmas Lunch</p>	<p>Seniors Christmas lunch being planned at Wests Wednesday 11th December.</p> <p>Discussion about background to this event, challenges of venue capacity, budget and staff time.</p> <p>In 2020 consider the Portuguese Club - Sydney PCC as can house more people, and these are also a good venue for Seniors Festival.</p> <p>Some entertainment options:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Choirs • Approach Ashfield schools. 		
<p>Item 4</p>	<p>Natalie provided an overview of the 32 programs she coordinates in the Healthy</p>		

Healthy Ageing Program update	Ageing team – Active and Connected booklet outlines all of Councils seniors’ activities including libraries, recreation and community centres. Currently the print run exhausted and edits needed.		
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General business

Next meeting

Thursday 17 October 2019

The meeting closed at 8.15pm

