

Agenda and meeting summary

Group name: Seniors Working Group

Date: 4 February 2021

Time: 6- 7.30 pm

Venue: Activity Room 4, Ashfield Civic Centre

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Acknowledgement of Country Introductions, apologies, and preamble

Attendees:

- 1. Graham Bennet Chair
- 2. Con Karais
- 3. Angelo Arulanandam
- 4. Craig McMahon
- 5. Michael Carney
- 6. Shradha Banthia
- 7. Joanne Minter
- 8. Norman Bradshaw



Apologies

- Vera Anne Hannaford
- o Pauline Kim
- o Chris Dale

Disclosure of interest

None

Confirmation of previous minutes and actions

Moved Graham, seconded Angelo

Items for discussion – Subject headings

1. New membership update

Summary

Welcome to new members Joanne, Michael and Craig. An EOI process is still in progress with an advert placed in The Seniors publication.

Now 12 strong membership

2. Terms of Reference sign off

Yash moved and Con seconded

3. Inclusive Engagement Guide for staff

Summary

 Natalie Wadwell – Engagement Officer, Communication, Engagement and Events team presented about her work in developing the Inclusive Engagement Guide. The guide is a living document for Inner West Council Staff capturing engagement considerations across the diversity of our community; be updated every census and available on staff intranet.

Action

Give feedback to Mary and Natalie can play a connector role to the group.

4. Pedestrian Access, Mobility and Safety

Summary



A discussion about the Food delivery riders who use footpaths and hazards they present, especially prevalent in al fresco dining areas in the LGA. Additional information is needed about the roles of various authorities, an audit and education campaign as options.

Recommendation

Draft a recommendation to be tabled at the PAMP and next Transport Advisory Committee meeting

5. General business Summary

- Community Transport Groups charges if not registered with My Aged Care.
- Seniors Activity Booklet activities change all the time so the website is up to date with activities in the community. Anyone who wants to submit an event on Councils What's On can also do so.
- Rates hardship provision Pension loan scheme is available but can be cumbersome. Harmonisation of rates in progress at moment in Your Say.
- Seniors Festival need to progress how we want a financial services event to look – date, time, speakers, etc. Be best to hold after the Seniors festival. Could consider weekly sessions rather than one event.

Actions

Mary - unpack what happens with Community Transport Group and charges.

Mary - Find out what provisions are there for hardship in relation to rates.

Craig - Review what other Councils do

Yash and Mary to review service providers that could talk to seniors about financial information available.

Next Meeting 6 May, 2021

