

Meeting Minutes

Access LDG

14 May 2025

Ashfield Service Centre and Teams online

Meeting commenced at 5.31 pm and concluded at 7.31 pm.

Attendees

Community members	Council officers	Councillors
Maeve King-Devery	Glenn Redmayne (Convenor)	Clr Vicki Clay
Kitty Farrell	Simon Duck, Senior Manager Aquatics and Recreation	
Kerrie Lorimer	Stuart Hull, Senior Manager Capital Projects	
Ben Cregan	Mike McGrath (Consultant Architect)	
Chris Allen	Margaret Culoty (Consultant Project Manager)	
Emily Dash		
Caithlin McCabe		
Hayley Manu		
Corinne Smith		



Chairperson

- To be elected

Acknowledgement of Country

- GR gave an acknowledgement of Country

Apologies and membership changes

- Santiago Ledesma apology

Disclosures of conflicts of interest

- No disclosures

Endorse previous meeting minutes

No previous minutes



Discussion Items

Agenda Item	Discussion summary	Agenda item outcome/action (as required)
3.	The committee elected Kitty Farrell as Chair and Caithlin McCabe as Deputy Chair	Update Access LDG information to reflect election results
4.	An overview was given of the key legislative and policy documents that underpin Commonwealth, State and Local Government disability inclusion planning framework.	
5.	A summary was presented of the Inner West Disability Inclusion Action Plan's progress. Highlights of the last year and a half's achievements were outlined	
6.	A presentation was given on the Leichhardt Park Aquatic Centre upgrade. Staff provided a background to the project and the major stages including a new 25m pool with movable floor. Options to gain access into the pool through new technologies (PoolPod lift) and other accessibility improvements were also outlined.	

7.	<p>The committee thanked staff for the thought that had gone into the design including the proposed PoolPod pool lift. The Discussion raised the following points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Investigate options to retain a second staired access on other side of 50m pool • Improve signage and information to navigate through and orientate around the site • Explore options to enable younger people with disability to join fitness/health/wellbeing classes • Consider introduction of quiet times for people with sensory sensitivities 	<p>Staff responsible for the project to consider LDG feedback and advise where they can be incorporated</p>
8.	<p>Members were asked what DIAP topics they were interested to have considered as agenda items for discussion for the next meeting. A list was taken of issues to be investigated by the convenor. The following topics had strong alignment to the DIAP:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NSW Disability Inclusion Plan engagement • Community awareness of disability • Impact of electric bikes and scooters on footpath • The Greenway • Council Local Environment Plan and Development Control Plan/s 	<p>Investigate suggested topics and where relevant schedule discussion at the July meeting or report back at future meetings</p>



- Events and creative programs by council
- Public toilets and refuge options from heat stress

Next meeting

Wednesday 9 July 2025