

# **BUSINESS PAPER**

Notice is hereby given in accordance with the *Local Government Act 1993* and Local Government (General) Regulation 2005 of the below mentioned meeting.

# Disability Access and Inclusion Advisory Committee Meeting

# Wednesday, 22 March 2023

**Commencing at 10:00AM** 

Shellharbour Civic Centre Ground Floor Training Room

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#### 1. Acknowledgement to Country

Shellharbour City Council acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of the Dharawal Country and recognise their continued connection to the land we meet on today. We pay our respects to Elders past, present and emerging and the contribution they make to the life of this city and this region and extend our recognition to their descendants who continue to live on country.

#### 2. Apologies/Leave of Absence

#### 3. Confirmation of Minutes

## 3.1 Disability Access and Inclusion Advisory Committee Meeting 22 February 2023

That the Minutes of the Disability Access and Inclusion Advisory Committee Meeting held on 22 February 2023 as circulated be taken as read and confirmed as a correct record of proceedings.

#### 4. Disclosures of Interest

#### 5. Presentations

#### 6. Staff Reports

#### 6.1 Disability Access and Inclusion Plan Update (12028984)

The purpose of this report is to provide the Committee with an opportunity to review the near final draft copy of the Disability Access and Inclusion Plan 2023 - 2026 and Easy Read version.

Under the Disability Inclusion Amendment Act 2022, local Council's must have their new Disability Inclusion Plans in place by 30 November 2023. The aim is to have the plan ready for presentation to Council soon to enable adoption prior to 30 June 2023.

The development and implementation of the new Disability Access and Inclusion Plan builds on the success of our previous plans and continues to work towards ensuring that all people in Shellharbour can live, work and play as equals.

#### **Recommendation:**

### That the Disability Access and Inclusion Advisory Committee receive and note the Disability Access and Inclusion Plan Update report.

Report prepared by:	Narelle Williams Community Development Officer – Access and Participation	
Responsible Manager	: Bonnie Hittmann Manager Community Life	

Date of Meeting: 22 March 2023

#### Attachments:

- 1) Draft Disability Access and Inclusion Plan 2023-2026 (under separate cover)
- 2) Draft Disability Access and Inclusion Plan 2023-2026 Easy Read Version (under separate cover)

#### 6.2 Age Friendly Action Plan (12028993)

The purpose of this report is to inform the Committee that Council is in the early stage of the development of an Age Friendly Action Plan (2023-2026) and provide the Committee with an engagement opportunity to help inform the plan.

The Plan will recognise that we have an active and growing 50+ community that makes a significant contribution to our City. The engagement is seeking input into the development of our priorities for the next four years.

The Plan will build on the successes of the Healthy Ageing Strategy (2015 -2017) and Evaluation Report to ensure that Shellharbour is an inclusive and accessible City for all ages and stages. It will continue to focus on the making our City a place to continue living, learning and playing as it ages.

For more information on the Age Friendly Action Plan go to <u>Taking Age Friendly Action</u> in Shellharbour | Let's Chat Shellharbour (letschatshellharbour.com).

#### **Recommendation:**

That the Disability Access and Inclusion Advisory Committee receive and note the Age Friendly Action Plan report.

Report prepared by:	Narelle Williams Community Development Officer – Access and Participation
Responsible Manager	<ul> <li>Bonnie Hittmann,</li> <li>Manager Community Life</li> </ul>

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Attachments: Nil

#### 6.3 Communication Boards at Playgrounds (12029036)

The purpose of this report is to provide the Committee with an update on the installation of the communication board at Flinders Village Green and to provide the Committee with an opportunity to contribute to a discussion on the development of a priority list for any future rollout of communication boards.

At the meeting of 15 June 2022, the Committee recommended:

"That staff provide costs and timeframe for implementing the installation of the communication board at Flinders Village Green and develop a priority list for any future roll-out at the next meeting for further discussion."

The communication board was installed at the Flinders Village Green playground in December 2022. The cost for the purchase and installation of the sign was \$350. (The cost for graphic design of the sign is not included in this amount). The installed communication sign is shown in **Image 1**.

Image 1 – The communication board installed at Flinders Village Green.



The provision of communication boards at playgrounds meets the following focus areas of the Disability Access and Inclusion Plan:

Focus Area 1: Developing Positive Community Attitudes and Behaviours

Focus Area 4: Improving Access to Services through Better Systems and Processes.

#### **Recommendation:**

That the Disability Access and Inclusion Advisory Committee receive and note the Communication Boards at Playgrounds report.

Report prepared by:	Narelle Williams Community Development Officer – Access and Participation
Responsible Manage	r: Bonnie Hittmann Manager Community Life
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Nil

#### 7. General Business

#### 8. Next Meeting

28 June 2023