



CITY OF ALBANY
SENIORS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
CR.MEE.2 (AM1147622)

MINUTES

for the meeting to be held at 10.00am on Thursday, 16 June 2011
in the Civic Rooms

DECLARATION OF OPENING AT 10.00am

1. ATTENDANCES:

Cr Don Dufty	COA Councillor
Esme' Justins	Albany Breaksea Ladies Probus Club
Kim Buttfield	WA Country Health Service (Injury Prevention)
Middy Dumper	Seniors Community Representative
Ruth Watson	Seniors Community Representative
Colleen Tombleson	Albany Community Care
Celia Barnesby	Senior Citizen Centre (Meals on Wheels)
David Mattinson	Association of Independent Retirees
Michael Calton	National Seniors Australia
Amanda Porritt	COA Community Development Administration Officer
Rachel Oswald	COA Community Development Officer - Seniors

2. APOLOGIES:

Cr Chris Holden	COA Councillor
Patsy Ranger	Over 50's Recreation Association

3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Recommendation:

THAT the minutes of the previous meeting held on the 19th May 2011 are CONFIRMED to be a true and accurate record of proceedings.

Moved: Esme' Justins

Seconded: Ruth Watson

Carried: ___ 9/0 ___

4. DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST:

NIL

5. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

5.1 BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES:

5.1.1 Housing for Life Guidelines

The motion from the March minutes went to June council and was adopted. Please see attachment two for article in Albany Advertiser Thursday 16 of June.

5.1.2 Peace Park

The creation of concrete footpaths in Peace Park will include the limestone path along the sea wall. It was identified that there are currently no bench seats in Peace Park that have back support, however there are plans to install a 30 meter timber seat with back support. Works on the footpaths and bench seat are due to be complete by the end of 2011.

Action: Rachel Oswald to confirm if there will be an accessible footpath leading to the proposed bench seat.

5.1.3 Seniors Circuit

The committee were advised that the Centennial Precinct Redevelopment Project is currently in transition from Recreation Services to Works and Services. Once the transition phase is complete the seniors circuit will be put on the agenda for consideration.

5.1.4 Seniors Week

Cr Dufty volunteered to coordinate the Seniors Photography Project for Seniors Week 2011. Due to a subsequent conversation held outside of the meeting it was decided that CoA and the committee should not proceed with the project for 2011 for the following reasons; the CoA will only be able to offer limited support in the absence of a CDO for Seniors and the committee members are committed to other initiatives such as the Seniors Expo and Housing for Life Guidelines Working Party.

5.2 SENIORS ADVISORY COMMITTEE ACTION SHEET (ATTACHMENT 1)

5.2.1 Flashing Lights Indicating School Zones and Pedestrian Lights

Kim Buttfeld was advised at the Roadwise Committee that the request for flashing lights indicating school zones has to be initiated by the schools and they need to contact Main Roads.

Action: Cr Dufty will approach the Principal at Lockyer Primary School to investigate if there is a need for flashing school zone lights.

5.2.2 ACROD Bays

Works on the new ACROD bays are due for completion by the end of June 2011.

5.2.3 Seniors Expo

Michael Calton advised that he is no longer able to sit on the Seniors Expo Working Party. Ruth Watson volunteered to take his place. Jenny Dodson from Silver Chain and Frances Crowley from Over 50's have agreed to sit on the Committee. First meeting will take place on the Tuesday the 28 June.

5.2.5 Smoke Alarm Project

Kim Buttfeld presented the project report, outlining the achievements of the project (please see attachment 3).

The committee agreed that the eligibility criteria should be extend to allow for HACC eligible clients for phase two of the project.

It was suggested that to improve the process for phase two of the project that APEX should feedback information to Albany Community Care so they are kept informed of when visits will take place.

5.3 CORRESPONDENCE IN:

- Email from Seniors Ministerial Advisory Council– 07/06/2011 (attachment 4 & 5)

5.4 CORRESPONDENCE OUT:

NIL

6. NEW AGENDA ITEMS

6.1 Resignation of Rachel Oswald

Rachel will be relocating to Geraldton; last day with the City of Albany is Tuesday 26 July.

6.2 Kim Buttfeld's Resignation for SAC

Kim is taking an 18 month secondment and leave from her position at Great Southern Population Health and has therefore resigned from the Seniors Advisory Committee. Kim has been a valued member of the committee and has contributed too many seniors programs and projects, she will be truly missed.

Action: Rachel Oswald to write a letter to Kim and Manger of Population Health.

6.3 Stay on Your Feet Week

The committee supported Amanda Porritt's request to apply for Stay on Your Feet funding for the Forts Heritage Walk. The project was a success in 2010 and attracted many seniors who were not already involved in exiting walking groups.

6.4 Skywest – Resident Fair Scheme and Seniors Fair

Seniors have raised concerns that the Resident Fair Scheme and seniors fair offered by Skywest provide no real discount and in some cases the seniors fair has been more expensive then a regular fair.

Action: Rachel Oswald to invite a representative from Skywest to a committee meeting to further explain the Resident Fair Scheme.

7. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Thursday 21st July 2011 at 10.00am – Civic Rooms

8. CLOSURE OF MEETING

11:05am