

Disability Access and Inclusion Committee

Notice of Meeting & Agenda 28 September 2022

Committee Terms of Reference

The Disability Access and Inclusion Committee has been established:

- 1. To provide an oversight role in the development and implementation of the statutory requirements of the Disability Access and Inclusion Plan (DAIP);
- 2. To review progress of the organisation in the achievement of the objectives of the DAIP;
- 3. To review the Statutory Reports required under the DAIP;
- 4. To review the progress of the organisation in relation to progress against the objectives of the Community Strategic Plan as it relates to disability, access and inclusion;
- 5. To review any reports provided by the Co-Design Access Panel;
- To advise Council on issues relating to disability, access and inclusion within the City of Bunbury.

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WE ARE OPEN

WE ARE BRAVE

Acknowledgement of Country

We acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of this land, the Wardandi Noongar people, and pay our respects to Elders past, present and future.

Vision

Bunbury: welcoming and full of opportunities.

Organisational Values

#WEARECOB

We are one team

We keep each other safe

WE ARE COMMUNITY

We display empathy and respect

We have fun and celebrate our successes

We work together to achieve great

outcomes

We are open to opportunities

We actively listen and think things through We are inclusive and treat everyone equally

We are honest and open in our

communications

We are open to feedback to improve our

performance

We lead the change, we own it

We trust and empower each other

We have the difficult conversations early

We hold ourselves to the highest standard

We have the courage to improve and

simplify



Disability Access and Inclusion Committee Notice of Meeting

Dear Committee Members

The next Ordinary Meeting of the Disability Access and Inclusion Committee will be held in the *Ocean Room*, 2-4 Stephen Street, Bunbury, on 28 September 2022 at 4:00pm.

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Signed:

Elizabeth Denniss

Manager Community Connection

Agenda 28 September 2022

Members of the public to note that recommendations made by this committee are not final and will be subject to adoption (or otherwise) at a future meeting of the Bunbury City Council.

Committee Members:

Member Name	Representing
Cr Karen Turner	Councillor Representative
Cr Ben Andrew	Councillor Representative
Cr Gabi Ghasseb	Councillor Representative
Cory Crombie	Community Representative
Emily Northcott	Community Representative
Hellen Madzingira	Service Provider Representative - Advocacy WA
Mal Osborne	Chief Executive Officer

Support Staff:

Name	Title
Sue Alexander	Community Partnerships Officer - Inclusion
Danika Stevenson	Senior Community Partnerships Officer
Juaini Taylor	Acting Manager Community Connection

1.	Dec	laration	of O	pening

The Presiding Member declared the meeting open at _____pm.

2. Disclaimer

Not applicable to this committee.

3. Announcements from the Presiding Member

4. Attendances

4.1 Apologies

Elizabeth Denniss will be on annual leave and Juaini Taylor will be attending as Acting Manager Community Connection.

4.2 Approved Leave of Absence

5. Declaration of Interest

IMPORTANT: Committee members to complete a "Disclosure of Interest" form for each item on the agenda in which they wish to disclose a financial/proximity/impartiality interest. They should give the form to the Presiding Member <u>before</u> the meeting commences. After the meeting, the form is to be forwarded to the Administration Services Section for inclusion in the Corporate Financial Disclosures Register.

6. Public Question Time

Not applicable.

7. Confirmation of Minutes

The Minutes of the meeting of the Disability Access and Inclusion Committee Meeting held 10 August 2022 have been circulated.

Recommendation

That the Minutes of the Disability Access and Inclusion Committee Meeting held 10 August 2022 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

8. Petitions, Presentations and Deputations

8.1 Petitions

Nil

8.2 Presentations

Nil

8.3 Deputations

Nil

9. Method of Dealing with Agenda Business

Items are dealt with in the order that they appear.

10. Reports

10.1 Disability Access and Inclusion Plan 2023-2028 Update

File Ref:	COB/516 and COB/1848			
Applicant/Proponent:	Internal			
Responsible Officer:	Sue Alexander, Community Partnerships Officer			
Responsible	Elizabeth Denniss, Manager Community			
Manager:	Connection			
Executive:	Gary Barbour, Director Sustainable Communities			
Authority/Discretion	☐ Advocacy ☐ Review			
	☐ Executive/Strategic ☐ Quasi-Judicial			
	☐ Legislative ⊠ Information			
	Purposes			
Attachments:	Nil			

Summary

The purpose of this report is for the Disability Access and Inclusion Committee (DAIC) to receive information on the progression of the development of the Disability Access and Inclusion Plan 2023-2028.

Executive Recommendation

That the Disability Access and Inclusion Committee note the information presented in the report.

Voting Requirement: Simple Majority

Strategic Relevance

Pillar People
Aspiration A safe, healthy, and connected community
Outcome 4 A compassionate and inclusive community
Objective 4.1 Listen and respond to community needs at all stages of

life

Objective 4.2 Support vulnerable groups, including aged persons and

those with disability

Regional Impact Statement

The development of the new City's Disability Access and Inclusion Plan 2023-2028 ensures the City is working towards improved livelihoods for people with disability and create a more welcoming and inclusive community.

Background

It is a requirement of the Disability Services Act (1993) that all local governments develop and implement a Disability Access and Inclusion Plan (DAIP) that outlines the ways in which they will ensure that people with disability have equal access to its facilities and services.

The development of the City of Bunbury's Disability Access and Inclusion Plan 2023-2028 commenced in June 2022 and is due to be completed in April 2023. The project is being developed as per the Department of Communities' Disability Access and Inclusion Plan development framework.

Council Policy Compliance

The DAIC operates under the Council's Code of Conduct.

The City's DAIP commitments are outlined in the Access and Inclusion Council Policy.

Legislative Compliance

Disability Services Act 1993 (amended 2004) Local Government Act 1995

Officer Comments

The progress of the development of the City's Disability Access and Inclusion Plan 2023-2028 is on schedule and no amendments to timeframes have been made or are recommended.

A summary of the process is outlined in the table below:

Stage	Description	Timing
1	Review of legislation, identify facilities and services, background research and engagement planning	Jun – Aug 2022
2	Deliver engagement and consultation activities	Aug – Sep 2022
3	Collate engagement, confirm internal commitments, policy review and reporting processes	Oct – Nov 2022
4	Develop draft plan, seek feedback and obtain approvals	Dec 2022 – Mar 2023
5	Launch and implementation	Apr 2023

Extensive community consultation occurred during Stage 2 throughout August and September including:

- An online survey for the community to complete structured in an accessible format. This survey will conclude on 30 September 2022.
- Survey stations with printed versions of the online survey were activated in seven different venues throughout the City including City of Bunbury facilities.
- Pop-up sessions which were staffed by the Community Partnerships
 Officer Inclusion were also delivered across five venues in Bunbury
 which raised awareness of the opportunities for the community to
 engage in the consultation process and offered one-on-one
 consultation sessions.
- Three consultation workshops were held, including one after hours.
- Three one-on-one consultations occurred with community members via phone and face-to-face.
- Four face-to-face group sessions occurred at peer networks groups, carer support groups, Bunbury Geographe Seniors and Community Centre and a disability support group.

Stage 2 is now complete and Stage 3 will commence in October which focuses on internal engagement.

Analysis of Financial and Budget Implications

There are no financial or budgetary implications impacting from this report.

Community Consultation

Extensive community consultation occurred during Stage 2 as outlined in the Officer Comments.

Councillor/Officer Consultation

Councillors had the opportunity to provide feedback through the community consultation process.

Officers will be consulted as part of Stage 3.

Applicant Consultation

Not applicable.

Timeline: Council Decision Implementation

The DAIP 2023-2028 will be presented to DAIC for endorsement at the next Committee meeting. The report will be presented as a Committee recommendation at the subsequent Ordinary Council Meeting.

10.2 Most Accessible Community in WA Awards 20222

File Ref:	COB/3839		
Applicant/Proponent:	Internal		
Responsible Officer:	Sue Alexander, Community Partnerships Officer		
Responsible	Elizabeth Denniss, Manager Community		
Manager:	Connection		
Executive:	Gary Barbour, Director Sustainable Communities		
Authority/Discretion	☐ Advocacy ☐ Review		
	☐ Executive/Strategic ☐ Quasi-Judicial		
	☐ Legislative ⊠ Information		
	Purposes		
Attachments:	Appendix 1: Most Accessible Community in		
	Western Australia Awards 2022 Submission		

Summary

The City of Bunbury made a submission for the 2022 Most Accessible Community in Western Australia (MACWA) Awards 2022.

Executive Recommendation

That the Disability Access and Inclusion Committee note the information presented in this report.

Voting Requirement: Simple Majority

Strategic Relevance

Pillar	People
Aspiration	A safe, healthy, and connected community
Outcome 4	A compassionate and inclusive community
Objective 4.1	Listen and respond to community needs at all stages of life
Objective 4.2	Support vulnerable groups, including aged persons and those with disability

Regional Impact Statement

The Most Accessible Community in Western Australia (MACWA) Awards offer an opportunity to be recognised across the state for achieving excellence in access and inclusion.

Background

The City of Bunbury worked with the Regional Capitals Alliance WA to develop the Most Accessible Community in Western Australia Awards in 2018.

Local Governments are eligible to enter multiple categories.

Council Policy Compliance

The DAIC operates under the Council's Code of Conduct.

The City's DAIP commitments are outlined in the Access and Inclusion Council Policy.

Legislative Compliance

Disability Services Act 1993 (amended 2004) Local Government Act 1995

Officer Comments

The MACWA Awards are an opportunity for the City to showcase and be recognised for the ongoing commitment the City has made to improve access and inclusion. Nominations can feature projects and initiatives undertaken during between January 2021 and Decembers 2021. The nomination period closed on 15 August 2022.

The City of Bunbury made a submission as a Regional City, highlighting projects in Category 3: Leadership (attached at Appendix 1).

Winners will be announced at the WALGA AGM in October 2022.

Analysis of Financial and Budget Implications

There are no financial or budgetary implications impacting from the recommendations of this report.

Community Consultation

Not applicable.

Councillor/Officer Consultation

Not applicable.

Applicant Consultation

Not applicable.

Timeline: Council Decision Implementation

Not applicable.

10.3 Co-Design Access and Inclusion Panel Update

File Ref:	COB/1774			
Applicant/Proponent:	Internal			
Responsible Officer:	Sue Alexander, Community Partnerships Officer			
Responsible	Elizabeth Denniss,	Manager Community		
Manager:	Connection			
Executive:	Gary Barbour, Director Sustainable Communities			
Authority/Discretion	☐ Advocacy ☐ Review			
	☐ Executive/Strategic	☐ Quasi-Judicial		
	☐ Legislative			
	Purposes			
Attachments:	Nil			

Summary

The purpose of this report is to provide an update on the projects the City's Co-Design Access Panel (CoDAP) have been working on and advise of new members on the Panel.

Executive Recommendation

That the Disability Access and Inclusion Committee note the information presented in this report.

Voting Requirement: Simple Majority

Strategic Relevance

Pillar	People
Aspiration	A safe, healthy, and connected community
Outcome 4	A compassionate and inclusive community
Objective 4.1	Listen and respond to community needs at all stages of
	life
Objective 4.2	Support vulnerable groups, including aged persons and
	those with disability

Regional Impact Statement

The City of Bunbury CoDAP promotes awareness of accessibility and inclusion both with the City of Bunbury and wider region through providing feedback and recommendations that can be implemented into the City's projects and initiatives which can be accessed regionally.

Background

CoDAP was established in 2019 based on the recommendations of the MARCIA report adopted by Council in 2018 (Council Decision 194/18). CoDAP provides access and inclusion advice at the concept and development phase of relevant City of Bunbury projects and has a primary focus on the built environment, parks and open spaces. CoDAP members bring lived experience of disability and industry expertise to the co-design process.

Legislative Compliance

Disability Services Act 1993 (amended 2004) Local Government Act 1995

Officer Comments

Communication Boards

Communication Boards have been installed in the Koombana Bay and Big Swamp playgrounds.

New Members

Due to vacant positions, nominations for CoDAP were open from 4 February 2022 until 31 August 2022 via SmartyGrants. Two applications were received and assessed as being suitable. In addition, an application that was received for the Disability Access and Inclusion Committee was identified as being more suitable to CoDAP and the nominee was offered a position, to which they accepted.

Following this process, the CoDAP now comprises of the following members: Industry representatives

- Mohammed Asar South Regional TAFE
- Emily Northcott Micah Inclusion

Community representatives

- Shane Hewerdine
- Tristian Payne
- Adam Johnson New
- Chantell Marshall New
- Carol Szabo New

Analysis of Financial and Budget Implications

There are no financial or budgetary implications impacting from the recommendations of this report.

Community Consultation

Not applicable.

Councillor/Officer Consultation

Not applicable.

Applicant Consultation

Not applicable.

Timeline: Council Decision Implementation

Not applicable.

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12. Questions from Members

12.1	Response to Previous Questions from Members taken on Notice	ce

Nil

12.2 Questions from Members

No questions had been received at the time of printing.

13. Urgent Business

Nil

14. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting of the DAIC will be 25 January 2022.

15. Close of Meeting

The Presiding Member declared the meeting closed at _____pm.