

SHOALHAVEN CITY COUNCIL

SHOALHAVEN ACCESS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

to be held on Wednesday 27 July 2016, 2016
commencing at 4.00pm

City Administrative Centre
Bridge Road
NOWRA NSW 2541

20 July 2016

Dear Member

NOTICE OF MEETING

You are hereby requested to attend a meeting of the Shoalhaven Access Advisory Committee to be held on **Wednesday 27 July, 2016** commencing at **4.00pm** in **the Orchid Training Room**, City Administrative Centre, Bridge Road, Nowra, for consideration of the following business.

Yours faithfully

R D Pigg
General Manager

BUSINESS OF MEETING

1. Apologies
2. Minutes of Previous Meeting
3. Declaration of Interest
4. Report of Corporate and Community Services
5. Addendum Reports
6. General Business

MEMBERSHIP – Quorum (5)

Clr Findley - Chairperson
Mayor, Clr Gash
All Councillors
General Manager or Nominee (Martin Upitis)
Ann Sudmalis MP
Occupational Therapy Dept,
Shoalhaven Hospital - Rep
John Burns

Bill Deaves
Neville Foord
Gillian Lidsey
Nola Stephens
Brett Tory
Andrea Wallace
Jodie Hoger
Brendan Vaughn

Jackie Kay
Alex Collins
Theo Bagou
Peter Thomas
Leah Ogden
Arthur Ball
Leonie Dippel

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Shoalhaven Access Advisory Committee

Purpose:

- To identify the major needs of the different disability groups in the Local Government area.
- To make recommendations to Council to resolve the local access problems in priority order.
- To develop a policy on access which can be used in conjunction with the Building Code of Australia in the consideration of applications for building or development and generally in the preparation of Council's own plan for recreation facilities.
- To increase public awareness of access barriers and the extent to which they disadvantage people with disabilities, the aged and parents with children etc.

MINUTES OF THE SHOALHAVEN ACCESS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 11 APRIL 2016 IN ORCHID TRAINING ROOM, CITY ADMINISTRATIVE CENTRE, BRIDGE ROAD, NOWRA COMMENCING AT 4.10PM.

The following members were present:

Martin Uptis – General Managers Nominee – Convenor
Nola Stephens
Neville Foord
Mel Gorman
Jackie Kay
Chris Mitchell
Bill Deaves

Others present:

Alan Blackshaw – Community Development Co-ordinator

Apologies:

Apologies were received from Clr White, Clr Kitchener, Theo Bagou, Arthur Ball, Paul Hartley

1. Minutes of Previous Meeting

MOTION: Moved: Nola Stephens / second: Jackie Kay

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meeting of the Shoalhaven Access Advisory Committee held on Tuesday 1 December 2015 be confirmed.

CARRIED

CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

2. Additional Items Progress on Issues from the Shoalhaven Access Advisory Committee Minutes December 2015 File 1228E

MOTION: Moved: By Consent

RESOLVED that the Shoalhaven Access Advisory Committee receive the report regarding the Additional Items Progress on Issues from the Shoalhaven Access Advisory Committee Minutes December 2015 for information.

CARRIED

File Number	Added to Action Table	Issue	Outcomes	Reports or comments	New comments
28441E	September 2015	Photo recently posted on Council's Facebook page about special matting placed on the beach to enable wheelchair users to access the water.	The Holey Belt is an affordable option on certain sites like our network of boat ramps including quiet coastal bays. An option is to combine this with a disability wheel chair at each surf club. We have started this with chairs at Mollymook & Culburra. The size of the Shoalhaven and limited resourcing makes achieving an equitable result very challenging. Cost is the main consideration to roll out of more mats. Coast and Estuaries are reviewing the need for matting and will keep the SACC advised of progress.	Ray Massie, Coast and Estuary Officer will provide a report to future SAAC meeting when changes/progress occurs.	No update – Ray Massie to be invited to the next meeting to give an update to the members. Alan advised that there was matting at Shoalhaven Heads, Callala and Mollymook. The matting works well when there are volunteers that look after it and are happy to maintain it. Council needs volunteers who are willing to roll out the matting and maintain it. Depends where the matting is placed and how well the beach is used.
18551E	December 2015	Pathways on the north and south side of Junction Street Nowra are	Staff investigate both the north and south sides of Junction Street Nowra and report back on maintenance/repair options for	Martin Uptis, Manager Asset Management will present report at the	Martin Uptis gave a verbal update on this item and provided photos.

		uneven and damaged.	matching materials and to make the pathways level and secure for accessible.	April meeting re outcome from site inspection and progress on repairs.	
40866E	December 2015	Boree Street Ulladulla – side of the street near the Chinese Restaurant there is a large tree which is lifting the path and it has made it unsafe.		Martin Upitis to report to the April Access Advisory Committee regarding the pathways of Boree Street, Tallwood and Mitchell Parade Ulladulla.	Martin Upitis gave a verbal update on this item and provided photos.
1228E	December 2015	The new Chinese Restaurant in Huskisson has a lift however a key is required to gain access.		Staff met with owners and key access will be available from restaurant.	Jackie advised that the Owner of the Chinese restaurant has the keys, the owner of the building was to put the sign up for access to the lift. Need more cooperation from the owner of the building Staff to follow up
1387E	December 2015	Old Southern Road at the Nowra Christian Community School no access or footpath or guttering to cross the road safely.	Investigation to occur	Martin Upitis, Manager Asset Management will present report at the April meeting of site inspection	Martin Upitis gave a verbal update on this item and provided photos.

CARRIED

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

3. Medical Centre, 51 Isa Road, Worrigeo – Compliance with AS1428.1-2009
File DA15/1208

MOTION: Moved: By Consent

RESOLVED that the Access Advisory Committee receives the report regarding the Medical Centre, 51 Isa Road, Worrigeo – Compliance with AS1428.1-2009 for information.

CARRIED

GENERAL BUSINESS

4. Start Meeting Times in the Future

MOTION: Moved: by consent

RESOLVED that if the meetings are to continue to commence at 4.00pm, staff are to investigate providing a video link for the future meetings for Theo who lives in Ulladulla and Mel who comes from Wollongong.

CARRIED

5. Additional Item – Riverfest Public Access and Transport

MOTION: Moved: by consent

RESOLVED that Council staff request the Riverfest event organisers to investigate a shuttle bus option from the Nowra CBD area for access to the event.

CARRIED

6. Additional Item – Winter Wine Festival – Accessible options

MOTION: Moved: by consent

RESOLVED that Council request the organisers of the Winter Wine Festival to update their website and the Wine Festival Brochure to clearly display the accessible wineries.

CARRIED

7. Additional Item – Nowra Pool Café Access Table

Bill Deaves advised that there is no access ramp to the table and chairs at the Nowra Pool Café.

MOTION: Moved: by consent

RESOLVED that Council staff investigate the access to the Nowra Pool Café table and chairs and report back to the committee.

CARRIED

8. Additional Item – Shoalhaven Business Awards File

Jackie Kay advised that there will be accessibility questions in each category for the awards.

A workshop will be hosted later in the year, by Paul Nunnari, Manager Event Access and Inclusion from the Strategic Communications, Department of Premier and Cabinet for Council and other community groups.

9. Additional Item – Letter of Thanks to Karen Denny File

MOTION:

Moved: by consent

RESOLVED that Council send a letter to Karen Denny thanking her for her commitment to the Committee and her knowledge, who was always so helpful to the members of the community.

CARRIED

There being no further business, the meeting concluded, the time being 4.45pm.

Martin Upitis
CONVENOR

SHOALHAVEN ACCESS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

WEDNESDAY, 27 JULY 2016

CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

1. **Additional Items Progress on Issues from the Shoalhaven Access Advisory Committee Minutes April 2016** **File 1228E**
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SECTION MANAGER: Jane Lewis.

PURPOSE:

To inform the Shoalhaven Access Advisory Committee of progress on previous issues for actioning as per Access Advisory Committee Minutes of April 2016.

RECOMMENDED, in accordance with the Committee's delegated authority from Council, that Shoalhaven Access Advisory Committee receive this report for information.


OPTIONS

Shoalhaven Access Advisory Committee accepts the progress report on items received for action from the April 2016 meeting.

DETAILS

Below is a table with comments and decisions made by the Committee and staff of Shoalhaven City Council.

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28441E	September 2015	Photo recently posted on Council's Facebook page about special matting placed on the beach to enable wheelchair users to	The Holey Belt is an affordable option on certain sites like our network of boat ramps including quiet coastal bays. An option is to combine this with a disability wheel chair at each surf club. We have started this with chairs at Mollymook & Culburra. The size of the Shoalhaven and limited	Holiday Haven have installed a Holey Belt access at Huskisson Resort Following the gift of a beach wheelchair. Callala Beach community has requested upgrade of equitable access at the Callala Beach Ramp.

		access the water.	resourcing makes achieving an equitable result very challenging. Cost is the main consideration to roll out of more mats. Coast and Estuaries are reviewing the need for matting and will keep the SACC advised of progress.	
52530E	June 2016	River Festival Public Access and Transport	Council staff request the River Festival event organisers to investigate a shuttle bus option from the Nowra CBD area for access to the event.	Shannan Perry-Hall from Council Tourism Team will raise this with the committee at the next River Festival meeting 18/7/16.
5603E	June 2016	Winter Wine Festival accessible options.	Council request the organisers of the Winter Wine Festival to update their website and brochure to clearly display the accessible wineries.	Website displayed accessible wineries online. Shannan will discuss updating brochure with organisers.
30050E	June 2016	Nowra Pool Café Accessible Table	No access ramp to the table and chairs at the café.	Access ramp is included in this years financial budget.
51204E	June 2016	Event Access Workshop	Workshop will be hosted for Council and other groups, later in Year by Paul Nunnari, Manager Event Access and Inclusion from the Strategic Communications, Dept of Premier & Cabinet.	August 2016 date yet to be negotiated.
1228E	June 2016	Letter of Thanks – Karen Denny	Council to send a letter to Karen Denny thanking her for the commitment to the Committee and her knowledge and help to the community.	Letter sent.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

As per recommendations from sections responsible for implementation of recommendations.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT:

Develop partnerships to engage with the community to meet the needs of people with a disability. Shoalhaven Access Advisory committee has.

- A focus of ensuring access to Council owned facilities.
- Maintain equity of access to public open spaces.
- A representation of local community members at each meeting.

Craig Milburn

DIRECTOR CORPORATE & COMMUNITY SERVICES