



# ACCESSIBILITY AND INCLUSIVENESS PLAN SUBCOMMITTEE

6 June 2019

Order Paper for the meeting to be held in the  
Council Chambers, 2nd Floor, 30 Laings Road, Lower Hutt,  
on:

**Wednesday 12 June 2019 commencing at 3.30pm**

## Membership

Cr G Barratt (Chair)  
Paul Gruschow  
Alexa Masina  
Stew Sexton

Lois Ledingham  
Genevieve McLachlan

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## **ACCESSIBILITY AND INCLUSIVENESS PLAN SUBCOMMITTEE**

<b>Membership:</b>	<b>Chair: Cr G Barratt</b> <b>Appointed members from disability community:</b> <b>Stew Sexton</b> <b>Alexa Masina</b> <b>Lois Ledingham</b> <b>Genevieve McLachlan</b> <b>Paul Gruschow</b>
<b>Quorum:</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>Meeting Cycle:</b>	<b>The Accessibility and Inclusiveness Plan Subcommittee meets quarterly</b>
<b>Reports to:</b>	<b>Community Services Committee</b>

### **PURPOSE**

The Accessibility and Inclusiveness Plan Subcommittee has primary responsibility for considering and making recommendations to Council on disability related matters and consider any disability related matters referred to it by Council. For the avoidance of doubt, “disability” has the meaning assigned to it in the Accessibility and Inclusiveness Plan as follows:

#### **What is a Disability?**

**Disability** is something that happens when people with impairments face barriers in society that limit their movements, senses or activities

**Disabled people** are people who have long-term physical, mental, intellectual or sensory impairments which in interaction with various barriers may hinder their full and effective participation in society on an equal basis with others. This is the understanding of disability in the Convention<sup>1</sup>

#### **TERMS OF REFERENCE:**

The Accessibility and Inclusiveness Plan Subcommittee will have authority to:

- 1.0 Do all things necessary to hear, consider and make recommendations to the Community Services Committee and Council on any disability related matter.
- 1.1 Regulate its own processes and proceedings to achieve its purpose and objective which is the implementation of the Accessibility and Inclusiveness Plan.
- 1.2 Regulate public input at Accessibility and Inclusiveness Plan Subcommittee meetings by setting clear guidelines<sup>2</sup> for the public around what participation they can have and to what level.
- 1.3 Provide options for the consideration of Council.

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<sup>1</sup> New Zealand Disability Strategy 2016-2026

<sup>2</sup> Guidelines are attached as Appendix 1

1.3 The Chair will have authority to:

1.3.1 Refer any disability matter to:

1.3.1.1 A Community Board; or

1.3.1.2 The Community Services Committee; or

1.3.1.3 Council.

**DELEGATED AUTHORITY:** The Accessibility and Inclusiveness Plan Subcommittee will have delegated authority to carry out activities within its terms of reference.

#### **Appendix 1:**

Guidelines for Public Participation at Accessibility and Inclusiveness Plan Subcommittee meetings

- Members of the public will have three minutes to speak at the beginning of each meeting. Speakers may be asked questions on the matters they raise.
- The Chairperson may terminate any speaker's public comment which is disrespectful or offensive, or where the Chairperson has reason to believe that statements have been made with malice. If a speaker's comments under public comment are about any person or organisation represented at the meeting, the Chairperson has the discretion to grant a right of reply at the time the comments are made.

**HUTT CITY COUNCIL**

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on

Wednesday 12 June 2019 commencing at 3.30pm.

**ORDER PAPER**

**PUBLIC BUSINESS**

**1. APOLOGIES**

No apologies have been received.

**2. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Generally up to 30 minutes is set aside for public comment (three minutes per speaker on items appearing on the agenda). Speakers may be asked questions on the matters they raise.

**3. CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATIONS**

**4. MINUTES**

Meeting minutes Accessibility and Inclusiveness Plan Subcommittee  
10 April 2019

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**5. LIME SCOOTERS (19/726)**

Verbal Report by the Divisional Manager, Strategy and Planning

**6. UPDATE ON BLIND SQUARE WORK (19/728)**

Verbal Report by the Divisional Manager, Strategy and Planning

**7. ACCESSIBILITY ISSUES AND THE LOCAL BODY ELECTIONS  
(19/727)**

Verbal Report by the Divisional Manager, Strategy and Planning

**8. MOBILITY PARKING APP WORK (19/729)**

Verbal Report by the Divisional Manager, Strategy and Planning

**9. UNIVERSAL DESIGN STANDARDS FOR RESIDENTIAL NEW  
BUILDS TO ENSURE ALL NEW HOUSING IS ACCESSIBLE FOR THE  
DISABLED (19/730)**

Verbal Report by the Divisional Manager, Strategy and Planning

10. **PREPARING A BREAKDOWN OF THE COST IMPLICATIONS OF IMPLEMENTING THE ACCESSIBILITY AND INCLUSIVENESS PLAN SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION, A TIMELINE AND PLAN FOR IMPLEMENTATION** (19/731)

Verbal Report by the Divisional Manager, Strategy and Planning

11. **REPORT BACK ON IMPROVING OUTCOMES FOR PEOPLE IN THE CITY LIVING WITH DISABILITIES** (19/732)

Verbal Report by the Divisional Manager, Strategy and Planning

12. **QUESTIONS**

With reference to section 32 of Standing Orders, before putting a question a member shall endeavour to obtain the information. Questions shall be concise and in writing and handed to the Chair prior to the commencement of the meeting.

Judy Randall  
COMMITTEE ADVISOR

HUTT CITY COUNCILACCESSIBILITY AND INCLUSIVENESS PLAN SUBCOMMITTEE

Minutes of a meeting held in the Council Chambers, 2nd Floor, 30 Laings Road,  
Lower Hutt on

Wednesday 10 April 2019 commencing at 3.30pm

**PRESENT:** Cr G Barratt (Chair) Mr P Gruschow  
Ms L Ledingham Ms G McLachlan

**APOLOGIES:** Apologies were received from Ms Masina and Mr Sexton.

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Ms L Knowles, Community Facilitator  
Ms K Stannard, Divisional Manager, Democratic Services  
Ms R Bowman, Committee Administrator

PUBLIC BUSINESS1. APOLOGIES

RESOLVED: (Cr Barratt/Ms Ledingham)

**Minute No. AIPS 19201**

*"That the apologies received from Ms Masina and Mr Sexton be accepted and leave of absence be granted."*

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

Comments are recorded under the item to which they relate.

3. CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATIONS

There were no conflict of interest declarations.

4. MINUTES OF THE ACCESSIBILITY AND INCLUSIVENESS PLAN  
SUBCOMMITTEE HELD ON 3 OCTOBER 2018 AND MATTERS  
ARISING/ACTIONS TAKEN (19/439)

Report No. AIPS2019/2/46 by the Divisional Manager, Strategy and Planning

RESOLVED: (Cr Barratt/Ms McLachlan)

**Minute No. AIPS 19202**

*"That the minutes of the meeting of the Accessibility and Inclusiveness Plan Subcommittee held on Wednesday, 3 October 2018, be confirmed as a true and correct record."*

5. **LIME SCOOTERS** (19/435)

Ms McLachlan advised that she had raised concern regarding the unannounced lime scooters with Upper Hutt City Council. She noted that there had been issues with the scooters being left in the middle of footpaths and she had been harassed by school children not riding the scooters safely. She expressed concern with the lack of response from Lime regarding her concerns. She believed it was important to work with the company on educating riders to ride the scooters safely and in turn protect the safety of the community.

The Chair noted that the safety concerns needed to be discussed in greater depth. She advised that she would ask the Divisional Manager, Strategy and Planning to follow up the concerns including the lack of policing of the age limit for riding a lime scooter.

6. **SUBMISSION ON THE NZ HEALTH & DISABILITY REVIEW - CLOSES 31 MAY 2019** (19/436)

The Chair asked the Community Facilitator to follow up with the Divisional Manager, Strategy and Planning regarding the submission.

7. **CHANGING PLACES FUNDING REQUEST FOR AN ADDITIONAL TOILET FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES** (19/437)

The Chair advised that the Central Community Panel had agreed to allocate \$100,000 towards the development of a toilet facility in the central city for persons with disabilities.

In response to questions from members, the Chair asked the Divisional Manager, Strategy and Planning to investigate if there was a register of accessible toilets designed to accommodate people with disabilities within the region and send the information to members. She also advised that there was an accessible toilet designed to accommodate people with disabilities in Naenae and another accessible toilet was being looked at outside the Naenae chemist.

8. **ANNUAL PLAN** (19/438)

Speaking under public comment, **Mr Nelson** elaborated on outstanding issues including upgrading the Huia Pool facilities and safety issues for the disabled community. He questioned what was happening with implementing Council's Accessibility and Inclusiveness Plan. He strongly supported upgrading the footpaths and toilet facilities. He expressed concern with the public transport in Hutt Valley as it was not frequent enough for the disabled. He noted that disabled people were not able to access the replacement buses that Metlink was providing.

Ms Ledingham expressed concern regarding her son being hassled for money while waiting for a bus. She noted that her son had the right to feel safe when using public transport.

In response to a question from a member, the Chair advised that Council had set up a



Working Group to focus on preventing homelessness around the City.

Ms McLachlan elaborated on public transport. He advised that Greater Wellington Regional Council was reviewing its Public Transport Plan.

Mr Gruschow advised that the replacement buses did not accommodate mobility scooters.

Ms McLachlan noted that smaller scooters were accepted on buses.

## 9. QUESTIONS

Ms McLachlan noted that a few members had resigned recently and asked whether there was the need to appoint new members?

The Community Facilitator advised that there had been 12-13 applications originally received expressing interest to be appointed onto the subcommittee. She asked for guidance on whether to review these applications. The Chair agreed that this was a good idea.

Mr Gruschow asked for further information on the \$100,000 for the toilet facility. The Chair agreed to ask the Divisional Manager Strategy and Planning to provide information on what had been prepared for the Annual Plan.

There being no further business the Chair declared the meeting closed at 4:00 pm.

Cr G Barratt  
CHAIR

**CONFIRMED as a true and correct record**  
**Dated this 12<sup>th</sup> day of June 2019**