Minutes of a meeting of the Disability Advisory Panel held in the Council Chamber, Auckland Town Hall, Ground Floor, 301-305 Queen Street, Auckland on Monday, 18 March 2019 at 10.10am.

PRESENT

Chairperson: Mary Schnackenberg, CNZM
Deputy Chairperson: Dan Buckingham
Members: Colleen Brown, MNZM, JP
Jade Farrar
Kramer Hoeflich
Rachel Peterson
Ursula Thynne

Liaison Councillor: Cr Josephine Bartley
Chief Liaison Councillor: Cr Dr Cathy Casey

ABSENT

Gemma Stewart
Note: the Disability Advisory Panel members observed a minute of silence out of respect for all those affected in New Zealand and around the world by the shooting tragedy in Christchurch.

1 Apologies

The Disability Advisory Panel:

a) accepted the apology from Deputy Chairperson D Buckingham and Member U Thynne for late arrival, and Member K Hoeflich for early departure.

2 Declaration of Interest

Member R Peterson declared a potential conflict of interest regarding Item 7 - Disability Advisory Panel community forums, if discussions included YES Disability.

3 Confirmation of Minutes

The Disability Advisory Panel:

a) confirmed the ordinary minutes of its meeting, held on Thursday, 4 October 2018, as a true and correct record.

4 Additional Items

The meeting agreed to discuss a forthcoming meeting on Universal Design at Item 12 – Consideration of Additional Items.

4 Liaison councillor’s update

Note: The chair deferred the item to be considered later in the meeting, as Cr J Bartley was not present.

Ngā tūtohunga Recommendation/s

That the Disability Advisory Panel:

a) note the update from the liaison councillor, Josephine Bartley.
Customer services at Auckland Council

A PowerPoint presentation was provided. A copy has been attached to the official minutes and is available on the Auckland Council website as a minutes attachment.

*Deputy Chairperson D Buckingham joined the meeting at 10.29am.*
*Member U Thynne joined the meeting at 10.30am.*

The Disability Advisory Panel:

a) received the presentation from Nigel King, General Manager, Customer Services.

**Attachments**

A 18 March 2019 - Disability Advisory Panel, Item 5 - Customer services at Auckland Council - PowerPoint presentation

Consultation on Increasing Aucklanders’ Participation in Sport: Investment Plan 2019-2039

The Disability Advisory Panel:

a) received the presentation on the draft Increasing Aucklanders’ Participation in Sport: Investment Plan 2019-2039.

Disability Advisory Panel community forums

The Disability Advisory Panel:

a) noted the discussion on future community forums.

Safety of disabled pedestrians

The Chair invited Chris Orr, Blind Foundation to address the panel on the issue of safety of disabled pedestrians.

*Cr J Bartley joined the meeting at 11.48am.*
*Member K Hoeflich retired from the meeting at 11.53am.*

The Disability Advisory Panel:

a) acknowledged that Auckland Council and Auckland Transport are exploring alternative modes of transport to move individuals quickly across short distances in Auckland, such as e-scooters.

b) acknowledged that Auckland Transport is taking steps to reduce speeds of vehicular traffic to improve safety for everyone on the roads.

c) recommended that Auckland Council and Auckland Transport will continue to work to maintain high standards of safety for all pedestrians on footpaths and road crossings, in particular those who have access needs and who may not see or hear e-scooters moving about or left lying down on footpaths.
d) recommended that Auckland Council consult with its demographic advisory panels and the wider Auckland disability community prior to making further decisions about e-scooters.

The meeting adjourned at 11.53am and reconvened at 12.15pm.
The Chairperson accorded precedence to Item 10 – Panel members’ update, at this time.

10 Panel members’ update
The Disability Advisory Panel:
a) noted the panel members’ updates.

Panel members noted updates on:
- A recent report titled Tomorrow’s Schools Taskforce Report is out for consultation.
- The benefits of living in a fully accessible home.
- Attending accessible events at Auckland Arts Festival.
- Potential funding issues for disability support services from Ministry of Health.
- Show Your Ability Day event - suggestion for panel to have a booth at this event next year, or at a similar event.
- Chair met informally with Wellington Council Disability Advisory Panel members.

9 2019 evaluation of Auckland Council’s Demographic Advisory Panels
Ngā tūtohunga
Recommendation/s
That the Disability Advisory Panel:
a) receive the presentation from Research and Evaluation Unit staff on the upcoming evaluation of the 2016-2019 demographic advisory panels.

Note: Item 4 - Liaison councillor's update, did not take place.
12 Consideration of Additional Items

At 1.02pm staff left the room as the panel discussed Item 12 – Consideration of Additional Items. The panel discussed a forthcoming meeting on Universal Design.

At 1.20pm staff were readmitted.

1.20 pm

The Chairperson thanked Members for their attendance and attention to business and declared the meeting closed.

CONFIRMED AS A TRUE AND CORRECT RECORD AT A MEETING OF THE DISABILITY ADVISORY PANEL HELD ON

DATE: .................................................................

CHAIRPERSON: ......................................................