

CITY OF JOONDALUP

**MINUTES OF THE SENIORS INTERESTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
HELD ON WEDNESDAY 15 OCTOBER 2003 AT 9.30AM
IN CONFERENCE ROOM 3, CIVIC CENTRE, BOAS AVENUE, JOONDALUP**

1. ATTENDANCES AND APOLOGIES

Elected Members:

Cr Walker	Chairperson
Mayor Don Carlos	
Cr Mike O'Brien	

Officers:

Julie Eaton	Coordinator Community Services
Gill Hampson	Minute Clerk

Committee Members:

Audrey Poole	Industry Representative
Diane Davies White	Industry Representative - Seniors Recreation Council of WA
Robert Kinloch	Deputy Industry Representative
Kevan Rowe	Community Representative
Lucy Morris	Executive Director, Community Vision Inc
Allyn Bryant	Industry Representative – Association of Independent Retirees Inc
Lew Thorstensen	Community Representative

Guest Speakers

Karena Gilmore	Commonwealth Centrelink Centre
Val Abery	Commonwealth Centrelink Centre

Apologies:

Margaret March	Community Representative
Brian Dodds	Department for Community Development
Graeme Hall	Manager Community Development Services
Yvette Peterson	Community Development Officer

The Chairperson declared the meeting open at 9.35 am.

2. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

MOVED Kevan Rowe, **SECONDED** Mayor Carlos that the minutes of the meeting held on 20 August 2003 is a true and accurate record.

CARRIED

Cr O'Brien entered the meeting at 9.45am.

3. GUEST SPEAKER – COMMONWEALTH CARELINK CENTRE

Karena Gilmore and Val Abery introduced themselves to the Committee.

Val advised the meeting that the office of the Commonwealth Carelink Centre are information centres that had been developed to assist older people, people with disabilities and those who provide care and services. Val advised that the network of Commonwealth Carelink Centre was established in 2001 and that there are now 65 'walk-in' shop-fronts and over 90 access points throughout Australia that are conveniently located near or within shopping centres. Karena spoke about the Centres providing free and confidential information on community aged care, disability and other support services available locally, intrastate or anywhere within Australia

Karena and Val then gave a power point presentation to the Committee

Kevan Rowe asked about the Commonwealth Privacy Act and how it affected the operating of the Commonwealth Carelink Centre.

Val explained that information permitted under the Commonwealth Privacy Act was retained by the Commonwealth Carelink Centre.

4. GENERAL BUSINESS

4.1 Directory for Seniors and People with a Disability

Acting Manager Community Development Services advised the meeting that the Directory was unable to be mailed out due to the Privacy Act, however advertisements will be placed in the Community Newspapers and the Directory will be available at all Libraries and Leisure Centres.

Cr O'Brien suggested that the Committee seek a deputation from the local member of Moore Dr Mal Washer.

MOVED Cr O'Brien, **SECONDED** Allyn Bryant that a deputation be sought to clarify the restrictions of the privacy act.

CARRIED

4.2 Seniors Expo

Acting Manager Community Development Services advised that the Seniors Expo will be held on the 27 and 28 October 2003 at Lakeside Shopping City and Warwick Grove Shopping Centre. A prize of \$300 worth of home maintenance is being offered to bring people to the Expo.

Cr Walker asked why the Seniors Expo was not being held at the Whitford City Shopping Centre. Acting Manager Community Development Services explained that there was an insurance liability issue with holding the Expo at the Whitford City Shopping Centre.

Lew asked whether the Directory for Seniors and People with a Disability would be printed in time to be displayed at the Seniors Expo. Acting Manager Community Development Services advised that the printing of the directories had been held off due to the uncertainty of the numbers to be printed. Lew stated that this opportunity would be too good to miss. Acting Manager Community Development advised that she would ask Community Development Officer, Yvette Peterson to endeavour to have them printed as soon as possible. Acting Manager Community Development Services suggested that details could be taken for people who would like a Directory sent to them.

4.3 Retirement Villages

Mayor Carlos advised that at a previous Seniors Interests Meeting he spoke about a representative from the St Ives Retirement joining the Seniors Interests Advisory Committee and asked what the outcome had been.

Acting Manager Community Development Services advised that there is a certain procedure to be followed to invite a new member to join the Committee which includes the vacancy to be advertised. Kevan Rowe advised that the Terms of Reference would need to be changed before this could take place.

MOVED Kevan Rowe, **SECONDED** Allyn Bryant to put forward a recommendation to change the Terms of Reference to allow a vacancy to be advertised for the recruitment of a person who could represent the issues regarding accommodation for seniors.

CARRIED

4.4 “Have a Go Day”

Diane Davies suggested that a sub committee be formed to organise the “Have a Go Day” activities. Discussion pursued regarding this matter.

It was suggested that the following people be approached to request they become a member of the sub committee:

Mayor Carlos

Cr Walker

Diane Davies White Industry Representative – Seniors Recreation Council of WA

Colin Rockman West Perth Football Club

Nick Maher Veterans’ Affairs

Aaron Miles City of Joondalup - Craigie Leisure Centre

MOVED Diane Davies, **SECONDED** Cr Walker that a sub committee of the Seniors Interests Advisory Committee be formed to organise the “Have a Go Day” to be held in the City of Joondalup in 2004.

CARRIED

4.5 Rates for Seniors

Cr O'Brien circulated a copy of the "Rates Update" as printed in the Spring 2003 News for Seniors and suggested that a copy be attached to the minutes.

5. DATE OF FUTURE MEETINGS AND CLOSE

The next meeting will be held on the 19 November 2003 and the sub committee should meet between the 11 and 18 November 2003 so Diane Davies White can report back to the Seniors Interests Advisory Committee.

Cr Walker declared the meeting closed at 10.55am.