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**COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE**

**BUSINESS PAPER**

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## COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE

Notice is hereby given that a Community Services Committee of the Council of the City of Randwick will be held in the Council Chamber, First Floor, 90 Avoca Street, Randwick on Tuesday, 13 May 2014 at 6:00pm.

Committee Members: The Mayor (S Nash), Andrews, Belleli, Bowen, D'Souza, Garcia, Matson (Deputy Chairperson), Moore, Neilson, Roberts, Seng, Shurey (Chairperson), Smith, Stavrinou & Stevenson

Quorum: Eight (8) members

NOTE: At the Extraordinary Meeting held on 28 September 2004, the Council resolved that the Community Services Committee be constituted as a committee with full delegation to determine matters on the agenda.

### **Apologies/Granting of Leave of Absences**

### **Confirmation of the Minutes**

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### **Declarations of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests**

### **Address of Committee by Members of the Public**

*Privacy warning:*

*In respect to Privacy & Personal Information Protection Act, members of the public are advised that the proceedings of this meeting will be recorded for the purposes of clause 66 of Council's Code of Meeting Practice.*

### **Urgent Business**

### **Community Services Reports**

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### **Library Reports**

Nil

### **Notice of Rescission Motions**

Nil

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Ray Brownlee  
**GENERAL MANAGER**



## Community Services Report No. C6/14



**Subject:** Advisory Committee Minutes  
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### Introduction

At the 10 March 2009 Community Services Committee Meeting, it was resolved that the minutes of the Advisory Committees are to be presented to the Community Services Committee.

This report brings together, for Council's acceptance, the minutes of a previous meeting adopted by the respective Advisory Committee.

### Issues

As scheduled, the Advisory Committee (listed below) has met and the minutes of the meeting, which reflect discussions and outcomes, are attached.

The minutes will also be available on Council's website after each meeting. This report includes minutes from:

- Older Persons Advisory Committee – March 2014 (endorsed April 2014).

### Relationship to City Plan

The relationship with the City Plan is as follows:

Outcome: An informed and Engaged Community.

Direction: Effective communication methods and technology are used to share information and provide services.

### Financial impact statement

There is no direct financial impact for this matter.

### Conclusion

The minutes of this Advisory Committee Meeting are now in order and are submitted to Council for acknowledgement and acceptance.

### Recommendation

That the Council acknowledges and accepts the minutes of the Older Persons Advisory Committee March 2014.

### Attachment/s:

1. Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes - March 2014.

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**MINUTES**  
**Randwick City Council**  
**Older Persons Advisory Committee**  
**Meeting held on Wednesday 5 March 2014, Randwick Room**

**Present**

Frida Kitas	Randwick City Council
Cr. Kathy Neilson	Randwick City Council
Lee Barwick	Coast Centre for Seniors
Billee King	Community Representative
Leonie Pearce	Eastern Sydney Medicare Local
Bridget Cusak	Eastern Sydney Medicare Local
Ron Wood	National Seniors – Randwick Botany Branch
Mike Cornell	National Seniors – Randwick Botany Branch

**Apologies**

Cr.Noel D'Souza	Randwick City Council
Linda Mearing	Coast Centre for Seniors
George Gergerly	Community Representative
Megan Bowyer	Junction Neighbourhood Centre
Ben Whitehorn	Randwick Waverley Community Transport
Mike Cornell	National Seniors – Randwick Botany Branch

**3. Minutes**

The minutes of the meetings held on 5 February were confirmed.

**4. Business Arising from Minutes****4.1 Seniors Week**

In addition to the planned events and activities, RCC in partnership with Eastern Sydney Multicultural Access Project will host Cultural Bridges, a multicultural concert for Seniors and carers from non-English speaking backgrounds on Tuesday 25 March at Randwick Town Hall from 11am to 2pm. Local community services will promote information on available services and support programs for Seniors and carers from non-English backgrounds, who do not typically access these services due to a number of cultural barriers. RCC will also participate in an Over 60s Expo at the Burger Centre on Sunday 23 March from 10.30am – 2.30pm. RCC staff will promote information on services it provides to Seniors and carers such as the Library Home Service and Home Maintenance and Modification Service.

**Action:** Frida to provide an update on Seniors Week activities at the April meeting.

**4.2 Carers Forum**

RCC in partnership with Carers NSW will host a forum for people living in Randwick and Botany local government areas, who care for a person with a mental illness on Monday 10 March at Randwick Town Hall from 7pm to 9.30pm. The Forum will focus on Carers NSW's new Mental Health Respite Program and will be an opportunity for carers to network with other carers and share ideas for education, activities and support programs that may assist them in their caring

role. Feedback provided by carers will assist Carers NSW to plan for services in 2014. Frida tabled flyers and posters.

**Action:** For information.

#### **4.3 Access issues – Matraville Post Office**

The Committee had a general discussion about access issues raised at the previous meeting in regards to the post office at Matraville. Frida will invite Suzanne Williamson, RCC Economic Development Officer to the May meeting to provide an overview of the current situation with the Matraville Post Office.

**Action:** Frida to invite Suzanne Williamson, RCC Economic Development Officer to attend the OPAC meeting in May.

#### **4.4 Depression and Suicide Prevention Information Session**

Over 90 people attended the Depression and Suicide Prevention Information Session held at Margaret Martin Library in February. Feedback provided by participants indicated that the session was once again outstanding and met community need. RCC in partnership with the REMIND Mental Health Training and Education, a service of The Schizophrenia Fellowship NSW will deliver an additional workshop session in May that will address mental health issues impacting youth living in Randwick City and surrounding areas. The session will be interactive and target parents, carers, teachers and community youth workers delivering services and support programs in Eastern Sydney for younger people aged 15 to 25 years.

**Action:** Frida to provide an update and flyers/posters at the April meeting.

### **5. General Business**

#### **5.1 Carers NSW Strategy**

The NSW Department of Family and Community Services will be developing a new strategy for carers in NSW called the NSW Carers Strategy. The NSW Carers Strategy survey is seeking feedback on possible solutions to best support carers in NSW in the areas impacting their lives including employment, education, health and wellbeing and carer engagement. The survey is open until Friday 28 March. Frida circulated copies of the survey.

**Action:** For information.

#### **5.2 Randwick Club Grants**

RCC together with the Randwick ClubGrants Scheme is inviting local non-profit community groups to apply for funding under the Randwick ClubGrants Scheme. Applicants will need to demonstrate how their project, program or service will address the Local Area Priorities for the City of Randwick. Applications for 2014 will open on Tuesday 11 March at 9am and close on Friday 2 May. All applications are now made online Applications forms can be accessed at <http://clubgrants-randwick-city-council.smartygrants.com.au/> For further information please contact [susanna.susic@randwick.nsw.gov.au](mailto:susanna.susic@randwick.nsw.gov.au)

**Action:** For information.

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### 5.3 Dementia –Friendly Communities Workshop

RCC in partnership with Alzheimer’s Australia NSW will host a Dementia-Friendly Communities Workshop on Thursday 3 April at the Prince Henry Centre from 2pm to 4pm. The workshop is for local government representatives, policy makers, academics and service providers. The Mayor, Scott Nash will officially open the event, International guest speaker, Rachael Litherland will speak about the UK experience of building Dementia-Friendly Communities and Ita Buttrose, National President for Alzheimer’s Australia will also be presenting. Around 100 people are currently booked to attend the workshop.

**Action:** For information.

### 5.4 Kensington Bowling Club Consultation

Following the closure of the Kensington Bowling Club, RCC has decided to upgrade the former Bowling Club site in Kensington Park and convert the building into a community centre, with the grounds used for a half basketball court, a 5-a-side soccer field, a Seniors Outdoor Gym and car parking. RCC is seeking community feedback and ideas on the plans to upgrade this site, how the centre can best meet the needs of residents. To see the plans and have your say visit [www.yoursayrandwick.nsw.gov.au/kensobowlingclub](http://www.yoursayrandwick.nsw.gov.au/kensobowlingclub). Committee members agreed that a community café on the site would provide a friendly, affordable and accessible meeting place for older people and their friends to meet and help reduce social isolation.

**Action:** For Information

### 5.5 Des Renford Aquatic Centre

Ron Wood congratulated RCC for the recent upgrade of the Des Renford Leisure Centre and has asked that RCC consider creating additional parking spaces to meet increased demand at the site.

**Action:** Frida to invite Tony Lehmann, Manager Integrated Transport to a future meeting to provide an update about the parking situation at the Des Renford Leisure Centre.

## 6. Guest Speakers: Janine Bourke & Jane Frankland, Ranger Services

Janine Bourke and Jane Frankland provided an overview of the current rules and regulations around the usage of mobility parking permits. Discussion followed about ongoing abuse of parking permits and ways in which residents can report abuse to the Roads and Maritime Services (RMS). Janine and Jane tabled a range of information from the RMS website. Cr.Neilson thanked Janine and Jane for attending the meeting as guest speakers.

**Action:** For information.

## 7 Information Share:

### 8 Correspondence

- CPSA Voice Newsletter | March | 2014
- Newsletter of IDEAS | April 2014

**Date of Next Meeting:** Wednesday 2 April 2014.