

People Strategic Reference Group

Date: Thursday 16 March 2023

Time: 4:30 pm to 6:30 pm

Location: Council Chambers / Boardroom (Shire Hall) and via MS Teams

<i>Members</i>	<i>Present</i>	<i>Apology</i>
Councillor Suzy Brandstater (Chair)	✓	
Councillor Beverley Spearpoint (Deputy Chair)		✓
Caroline Argent, Director Customer and Corporate Services	✓	
Michelle Sheehan, Manager Community Services	✓	
Matt Gould, Mayor		✓
Greg Duffy		✓
Lisa Richardson		✓
Hugh Gent		✓
Tina Meyer		✓
Kazan Brown - online	✓	
Elizabeth Gunter		✓
James Johnson		✓
Edward Stunnell	✓	
Michael O'Shaw		✓
Karen Fist - online	✓	

<i>Guests</i>	<i>Present</i>	<i>Apology</i>
Felicity Sneddon – Community Links	✓	
Cathy Groome – Benevolent Society	✓	
Clare Devenish – Wollondilly Shire Council	✓	
Peter Wright – Wollondilly Shire Council	✓	

Item	Key Speaker (s)	Agreed Actions/Notes
1. Acknowledgement of country	Chair	nil
2. Attendance and apologies As noted above	Chair	Noted

3. Disclosure of interests	Chair	nil
4. Confirmation of previous minutes	Chair	Karen moved Kazan seconded
5. Presentations		
<p>5.1. Community Links presentation</p> <p>Questions from group / comments by presenter:</p> <p>a. Q. Do all community links programs reach the entire LGA in all wards, particularly their legal services?</p> <p>A. It's not Community Links Legal, It's Macarthur Legal that outreach at CLW Tahmoor and Bowral, They outreach here in Tahmoor and I have sought clarification and they can assist anyone living in the Wollondilly LGA either by making an appointment through CLW with one of the outreach locations below or by calling the Macarthur Legal office (02) 4628 2042 and arranging an over the phone appointment with a solicitor.</p> <p>Macarthur Legal Outreach Locations, they also outreach at Warragamba/Silverdale Neighbourhood Centres (see below) I have highlighted in Green the CLW locations and the Warragamba location.</p> <p>Ambarvale: (02) 4625 7333 Tallowood Community Centre, 2 Littimer Way, Ambarvale (1st Tues of month, 10:00am-12:00pm)</p> <p>Macquarie Fields: (02) 9829 8898 Break the Cycle, Anglicare, 32 Edgar Street, Macquarie Fields (Last Tues of month, 12:00pm-4:00pm)</p> <p>Benevolent Society: (02) 4633 3777 L5, 138 Queen St, Campbelltown (2nd Wed of month, 12:30pm-2:00pm)</p> <p>Community Links Wellbeing: (02)4683 2776 6 Harper Close, Tahmoor (2nd & 4th Wed of month, 10:00am-1:30pm)</p> <p>Tharawal: (02) 4628 4837 Tharawal Aboriginal Corporation, 187 Riverside Drive, Airds (1st, 3rd and 5th Wed of month, 10:00am-12:00pm)</p> <p>Community Links Wellbeing (Bowral): (02) 4683 2776 1/68-70 Station Street, Bowral (3rd Wed of month, 10:00am-1:30pm)</p> <p>Big Yellow Umbrella: (02) 4647 1283 16-24 Queen St, Narellan (1st Wed of month, 10:00am -12:00pm)</p> <p>WSNC (Warragamba): (02) 24774 1273 Cnr 6 Weir Rd and Fourteenth St, Warragamba (3rd Wed of month, 10:00am-12:00pm)</p> <p>Burnside: (02) 4629 5159 6-8 Iolanthe Street, Campbelltown (3rd Tues of month, 10:00am-1:00pm) Goulburn (Pathways): (02)</p>	Felicity Sneddon	<p>Presentation shared with group via email</p> <p>a. No further action required</p>

<p>4855 0559 23-25 Montague Street, Goulburn (1st Wed of month, 9:00am-11:00am)</p> <p>b. How much DV accommodation is in the LGA? Felicity explained that we are limited in Wollondilly. Camden has recently opened their new service.</p> <p>c. Transport to DV shelters can be assisted by Community links when needed</p> <p>d. Noted that there is an opportunity to share information on available DV services so community in need can access it. This could potentially be noted as a future project of interest.</p> <p>e. Q. How long is the waitlist for Mental Health Services?</p> <p>A. Once referral is received from any avenue it will be screened and added to our triage list. If someone is not eligible (out of area, higher needs than what we can provide etc) we will always make contact and assist in on referring to the right program or advise PHN to find a more suitable option.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Triage is done once a week by two of our mental health professionals • Mental Health Worker updated following day of their allocations and will make contact within 5 working days which is per PHN governance • Small waitlist of 2-3 months with only our Clinical Psychology Program. • All other programs waitlist is approx. 2-4 weeks. These timeframes can fluctuate frequently depending on the number of referrals received at any given time. • Youth Engagement and Peer Support Workers are a great conduit that clinicians utilise between appointments so the consumer always feels connected to the service. 		<p>b. No action.</p> <p>c. No action.</p> <p>d. Potential future project of interest.</p> <p>e. No further action required</p>
<p>5.1.1 Benevolent Society Presentation</p> <p>Questions from group / comments by presenter:</p> <p>a. Q: Can they get transport to access Benevolent Society? A: they can get cab charges from benevolent society but it was noted that there is limited access to transport so that may not help.</p> <p>b. Note: There is a need for better access to transport locally</p> <p>c. Would it be possible to have a list of people who an organization can keep to connect vulnerable</p>	<p>Cathy Groome</p>	<p>a. No action</p> <p>b. No action</p> <p>c. This could be raised as a project of interest</p>

<p>people who may be wanting to escape DV, this could be used in an emergency eg. Emergency transport? Who would host this?</p>		
<p>5.2 Community Engagement Action Plan</p> <p>Questions/comments from group / comments by presenter:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The diversification is great - Including the community groups in engagement is a great idea to ensure the community is covered, noting the community directory will be an ever-changing document/list - Good to not only hear the same voices every time, its great to ensure we capture all of the community in various ways that suit them - Note we have a large LGA so its important to hear as many voices as we can - Its important Council conveys that any feedback that has been used/implemented in order to drive further engagement - More education/awareness re how Council used community feedback. - Council needs to manage expectations when engaging the community 	<p>Clare Devenish</p>	
<p>6. Reports, minutes or actions from advisory groups</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regarding the Advisory Group minutes that are sent out to the People SRG, can it please be noted in the agenda if the PSRG members need to read them in advance of the meeting • YAG notes: - Access around the shire is challenging – when Wilton is built and there are additional recreation facilities available for youth, how will people across the shire access them with the current state of public transport? • YAG: is there scope for smaller youth programs eg: gardening in the local gardens. Life skills for youth would be great to teach eg changing the oil in the car, change a lightbulb etc. Is there scope for smaller youth programs? • Toll is desperate to work with women in truck driving? Is this an opportunity for local youth? <p>Disability Inclusion Action Group:</p>	<p>Members</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MS to note in future agendas • Information shared with relevant council officers • Idea shared with YAG Council officer for mention • Idea shared with YAG Council officer for mention

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Note: carparking spots are too small and too narrow as a standard for able people let alone people with disabilities. Is it possible to enforce a standard into new developments that they have a wider space. - Playground at Botanic Gardens for example in regards to the play equipment we need to cater for children of all abilities to grow and develop. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Idea shared with Disability AG Council officer for mention • Idea shared with Council officer looking after Play spaces
<p>7. Items of interest / project working groups</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Carried over to next meeting when Quorum is reached 		
<p>8. General Business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Picton has lost its Sunday market a while ago, it is a good opportunity to bring the community together. Can we bring that back? Did we partner with them? Gives people a chance to sell their wares, community connections, explore opportunities to transport people from the LGA to the markets • Q. What is happening with Picton Sportsground A. Two projects are happening at this location with the extension to the pavilion which is as a result of grant funding received by the Picton Rangers FC. We are working with all stakeholders on finalising the design of the building extensions. The second project is the redevelopment of sportsfields located at the eastern side of the venue and this is being done as part of a staged approach as per the master plan. Preliminary works have been completed at this stage. • Did council investigate options for physical advertising of events. • Is there a Teams group for the People SRG? Note: One member doesn't often use MS Teams so it was questioned if this the best platform moving forward, particularly for information sharing and file storing? 	All	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MS will mention to tourism and events teams within Council for follow up. • No further action required • Council events have been advertised on banner poles across the LGA, VMS boards and all other available advertising sources within allocated event budget • To ensure information is available and able to be access by all members, email will be used as the source of information sharing.
<p>Next Meeting: 31 May 2023</p>		