

CITY OF PALMERSTON

**Minutes of Palmerston Seniors Advisory Committee Meeting
held in Palmerston Recreation Centre,
The Boulevard, Palmerston
on Monday 15 July 2019 at 12:05 pm.**

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Deputy Mayor Sarah Henderson (Chair)
Ann Brown
Barbara Crane
Neville Driver
Anna Durbridge
Marg Lee
Trevor Miller
Mary Oliffe
Sandra Parker
Avril Smith
Pam Smith

GUESTS

Olga Dalrymple, Electorate of Brennan
Angie Walker, Electorate of Spillett
Kirby Bolton, Electorate of Drysdale

STAFF

Amelia Vellar, Acting Director Lifestyle and Community
Rebecca De Vries, Manager Growth and Sustainability
Tiffany Brown, Community Events Officer
Tree Malyan, EA to Director Lifestyle and Community
(minutes)

1 OPENING OF MEETING

The Chair declared the meeting open at 12.05 pm.
Barbara Crane asked that the spelling for Anne Coutts be checked and confirmed
Trevor Miller informed the meeting he would have to leave by 1.30 pm.

2 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Athina Pascoe- Bell	Mayor
Damien Hale	Alderman, City of Palmerston
Dot Chapman	Committee member
Anne Coutts	Committee member
Margaret Moore	Committee member

3 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

3.1 Confirmation of Minutes

Moved: Marg Lee
Seconded: Sandra Parker

4 PRESENTATIONS

4.1 Changes to Car Parking – Presentation by Rebecca De Vries Manager Growth and Sustainability.

Rebecca began her presentation by handing out copies of the new parking zones in Palmerston and explained from 1 July you can park for FREE in 1, 2 and 4 hours parking areas at **Attachment A**.

Rebecca discussed:

- Zoning:
Zone B – 1 hour free parking
Zone C – 2 hour free parking
Zone D – 4 hour free parking

and explained that you will still need to obtain a ticket and enter your car registration number.

Please note

- once you have reached the time limit for the specific parking area, a new ticket will not be issued for your vehicle's registration number
- Seniors who have a disability permit, can park in these areas for double the time stated.
- Reduced regulated parking (paid parking) is only required from 8 am – 4 pm Monday to Friday
- For Seniors who have access to a computer/laptop or iPad the link to the City of Palmerston's Parking webpage [here](https://www.palmerston.nt.gov.au/operations/streets-and-roads/parking).

4.2 Mary Oliffe raised the question about parking at the bus depot for the Seniors Forum activities. Neville Driver offered to discuss this further with the owners of the shopping centre.

5 BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

5.1 Actions

The following Action Table Items were discussed:

See Chairs Report:

- Expansion Gray Community Hall

Chair discussed:

- Gateway Shopping Centre Bus Stop:
 - Bus stop has been completed. Chair asked for any feedback and had anyone used it yet. No-one has but comment was made at how good it looks with double handrails and a good gradient ramp.
Action: Letter of thanks to be sent to Gateway Shopping Centre.
- Seniors Forum:
 - Tiffany Brown (City of Palmerston) gave the following update:
Charlie King will be the guest speaker.
Marg Lee will MC and Sandra Parker will recite a poem.
Central Palmerston Area Plan Consultation – Presented by DIPL.
VIP invitations will be sent out next week (22 July).
Neville Driver explained that registrations start Wednesday 17 July at Taminmin Library and 18 July in Betts and Betts stall in Palmerston Shopping Centre.
If anyone has a hearing impairment please contact Tiffany:
tiffany.brown@palmerston.nt.gov.au
- In Case of Emergency Cards:
 - Trevor Miller informed the Committee that cards have been fully distributed and were in all doctors' surgeries, health centre, hospital, all public places and flight centre who have advised that they will be taking this idea to their National office. The cards have also been distributed in Litchfield Municipality.

6 CHAIR'S REPORT

6.1 Verbal Report:

Chair Deputy Mayor Sarah Henderson

- CoP is awaiting funding that has been promised for the Federal Government to fund the Expansion of Gray Community Hall.
- Council's new Parking Strategy comes into effect 1 July 2019. Chair stated that 42% of all parking in Palmerston is free.
- Community Satisfaction Survey has opened on the City of Palmerston [Webpage:https://www.palmerston.nt.gov.au/council/have-your-say/2019/community-satisfaction-survey](https://www.palmerston.nt.gov.au/council/have-your-say/2019/community-satisfaction-survey) to gauge how Council is performing through a series of questions aimed around the services Council provides.
- City of Palmerston dry season events that Chair mentioned:
 - On Frances – New initiative on Francis Drive, working with The Bell, Landmark and Good Times. Cuban Theme. Street was closed off with lounges, tables, chairs, throws, culture dancing, food, drink and 600 people attended.

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Little bit Country is the theme of the next On Frances, 3 August. Chair would like to see a table of seniors attend.

- Territory Day – held at the Raiders Club was a great family event.
- Drag Queen Storytime gave the City of Palmerston an opportunity to include and support the diverse mix of people and cultures within the Municipality.
- Palmerston Youth Festival started with Geekfest and will end on 20 July with Palmy Street Party. Young Australian of the Year – Baker Boy will perform.
- Brekkie in the Park, Sanctuary Sessions are also running throughout the dry season.
- Palmerston Temporary Pop Up Park Program: A report will be presented to Council in September, outlining the benefits to our community of Pop Up Parks, options, feasibility, potential locations focusing on the City Centre, partnerships and costs of a Program, to enhance community well-being and live ability.

7 NEW BUSINESS

- 7.1 Trevor Miller informed the Committee that Beaurepaires Palmerston has offered free tyre pressure servicing to Seniors. He has also requested that this information is put into Gray Goss.
Action: Tree to forward for inclusion in Gray Goss Magazine.
- 7.2 Marg Lee and Neville Driver raised COTA Expo – Stadium Carpets – Chair explained that she had brought this up at the last Council Meeting. She noted the state of the carpet and danger to users and explained that the carpets had not been used for a very long time. CoP is looking into finding new carpets. The cost to do this is between \$90,000 and \$115,000. This has not been budgeted for in the new financial year, but Community Services is looking into applying for a grant to cover this cost.
- 7.3 Marg Lee asked is Gray Hall being pulled down or extended. Chair and Acting Director Lifestyle and Community explained that the Hall will be upgraded with an extension, Promise was made for funding and plans were drawn up to secure the funding. Once funding is received, consultation with users will occur.
- 7.4 Sandra Parker asked what is happening with Joy Anderson Centre. Chair explained that it had been handed back to Territory Families. A/Director Lifestyle and Community explained that the CoP had leased the building from Territory Families and in turn sub leased to the Alzheimer's Society.
- 7.5 Anna Durbridge informed the committee that the brain gym ran by Dementia Society at Taminmin Library would now only be occurring once every three months due to lack of funding.
Action: Tree to contact Louise at the Alzheimer Society to find out why the funding has been cut to this program.

8 CORRESPONDENCE

NIL

9 CLOSURE

The next Palmerston Seniors Advisory Committee meeting will be held on 16 September 2019. Apologies were given by Marg Lee and Trevor Miller who will be unable to attend this meeting.

The Palmerston Seniors Advisory Committee meeting, held in the Palmerston Recreation Centre, The Boulevard, Palmerston on Monday, 15 Jul 2019 closed at 12:57 pm.



Alderman Sarah Henderson

Chair

Date:

INITIALS: _____
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