

## Minutes

### Meeting of the SWMPF Our Davis Park Working Group

Friday, 27 May 2016

9.30am – 11.30am

Hilton PCYC Paget Street, Hilton

**Chair:** Julie Mitchell (SMYL)

**Co-Chair:** Colin Alston (Disability Services Commission)

**Participants:** Shan Sai (DPWG Project Officer); Peta Wootton (Fremantle Multicultural Centre); Gareth Griffiths (Palmerston); Karen Chalcraft (UnitingCare West); Julie Gorman (Fremantle PCYC); Karin MacArthur (SWMPF)

**Apologies:** Nicola Shaw (Crossroads); Jacqueline Craigie (Department for Child Protection and Family Support); James Wilson (WA Police); Beverly Bone (City of Fremantle)

**Minute-taker:** Julie Mitchell

Julie Gorman provided a tour of PCYC facilities and services.  
Program is available on the website  
<http://www.wapcyc.com.au/content/page/fremantle-pcyc.html>

#### 1. Welcome, introduction and apologies

#### 2. Approval of minutes of meeting 19th June 2015

The minutes were approved with changes (spelling of UnitingCare West and Wootton)

#### 3. Update on actions arising from the minutes

- a) **Resident's committee**-Colin has been speaking to residents and feels that a formal committee is not feasible at this time. Residents appear to be slipping into two groups at present. He suggests the working group meet with residents in a semi-formal manner every 6 weeks to discuss like key issues. Alternating the location of DPWG meeting between the park and PCYC to be considered to encourage resident attendance. Karin suggested some parameters be set for these meetings to ensure they keep on track with the overall project outcomes. A topic for comment/feedback, linked to the working group activity be set for each meeting.

- b) **Gazebo- ACTION:**JM to ask Bev to take the lead on this activity. Funds may be available through the CoF works budget this financial year.
- c) **Sign – ACTION:** JM to draft a couple of options for community feedback. Resident feedback to be obtained in conjunction with ILC's Family Fun Day 12 June.
- d) **First aid-JG** advised that Curtin Uni has funding for first aid training for Indigenous elderly people-about 9 places. **ACTION:** JG will check the availability of additional places. SMYL offered to run training without accreditation if funding cannot be identified.

#### 4. SWMPF Leadership Group

- a. Karin advised that the next leadership group meeting would focus on DP and invited members of the working group to attend the meeting on 3 June. Karin provided background on the last annual review. Bianca Gabrielson spoke of the positive impact the project had made in the previous 12 months. Significant results included the conviction of a major drug dealer as a result of the very collaborative relationship between Housing and Police. The CoF was encouraged by the changes and committed \$100 000 to capital works in DP. Since July 2015 the situation has been unravelling following, among others, staffing changes in Housing and Police. These also appear to have been accompanied by some policy changes in these agencies. Bianca and Chor (maybe) will address the Leadership group with the intent of engaging support to get the DP project back on track.
- b. A Planning session has been booked for 1 July-draw on the lessons from Stage 1 and to identify where we can most add value. New projects have been suggested in mental health, housing and domestic violence. Karin is proposing housing focus be around collaborative funding, using the community-needs based model that has been implemented with great success by the US Department of Housing (and announced as Labor Party policy at the WACOSS Conference earlier this month). The evaluation survey of DP residents will look at various points in the project timeline to ensure the project 'highs' are recorded as well as the lows..
- c. The SWMPF has been shortlisted for two IPAA 2016 Achievement Awards; one for Innovation in the Not-for-Profit Sector and the other for Best Practice in Collaboration between Government and Non-Government Organisations. Karin was told the SWMPF had been nominated by two "public sector leaders"
- d. Colin noted the absence of DPWG members at meetings has had a detrimental impact on the progress. Karin has modified

the selection process for committee membership for Stage 2 in order to maximize the engagement of members..

#### 5. Davis Park Project Officer

- a. Film project almost complete-final production should be delivered next week. Will be screened by CoF
- b. Dismantle will deliver another program from 9/6 to 28/7 excluding school holiday period.
- c. Parkour-2x session for next school holidays.
- d. Handover-all material including photos will be saved to USB.
- e. Shan thanked the working group members for their support and for the opportunity to improve her skills. A morning tea has been organised with residents and an email invite will be sent to DPWG members.

The working group thanked Shan for her efforts and wished her well for the future.

#### 6. Progress towards shared outcomes

- a. The two outcomes in relation to the feeling of safety and supported community and a good place to live are to be reviewed at the Leadership Group.
- b. Young people and their level of engagement in education, vocational and recreational activities is an area that requires focus.
  - i. We are missing the young people aged 15-24. SMYL has attempted to identify students not attending school. Access to information is difficult due to privacy issues and changes to the education department responsibilities.  
**ACTION:** JM to raise at leadership meeting.

#### 7. Working group member updates

- a. PCYC-submitting an Impact100 grant application for outreach services using buses fitted out with recreational and sporting activities 1 day/week and school holidays for a 2 year period. Colin has spoken to Dylan and the sustainability of the project needs to be demonstrated. The group made a number of suggestions to involve Palmerston and South Metro Population Health to use these regular activities to promote health and well-being; PCYC has a bus that can be used to transport kids from DP to activities such as the blue Light discos' etc. Recent meeting with Pascal Community Development (CoF), woman from Warakuna Arts and Jim from FAC has identified an opportunity to access Crown funding for an arts project with a retail outcome. Youth workers with other recreational activities include a climbing wall, sumo suits (some require \$\$) can be arranged to support events.

Julie Gorman has Protective Behaviours training and offered service as and when a need is identified.

- b. UnitingCare West – participating in the Family Fun Day. Karen reported a lack of response to the parent support program, but recognised that this requires a long process of building connections and trust with community.
- c. SMYL – Try-a-Trade during National Skills Week (August) will include building trades, hairdressing and childcare. Require permission from CoF to bring vehicles onto the park and hopefully put the classroom in one of the streets.
- d. Palmerston – Held great event on 14 April with positive feedback from other services and residents. Would commence future event from 4pm as attendance was very light on for the first hour. Women’s boxing was a big hit. Julie G indicated a huge demand for boys’ boxing and would look to sourcing some activity in the future.
- e. Shan reported the story-time event that included music from Delly Stokes and sand stories. About 50 people attended the informal event and picnicked in the park.
- f. SWMPF – WA Football Commission received more funding for the night fields to continue. Sending Auskick kids from Caralee to the WAFL game for halftime event. Karin mentioned the ongoing commitment from Caralee and South Lake Primary School and the withdrawal of Winterfold from the project. The participating students in all three schools are now attending regularly and attained a 90% attendance across the board. Karin thanked Palmerston and Simone for their significant contribution to this project..
- g. Police – Karin and Julie met with Police and with new contact James Wilson. Police provided crime stats that indicate an increase in convictions. Police are less visible as the team is working afternoons until 3.am. Request DPWG to encourage residents to call crime stoppers as the best method of making an anonymous report. Darryn Jones’s last day today.

#### **8. New business**

- a. Colin asked for suggestions or options for film training for adults/kids. Specialist area and TAFE may be the only option. Fees would be a barrier.

#### **Next Meeting**

Friday 24 June 2016, 9.30am at the Fremantle PCYC