

**SWMPF 'Our Davis Park' Working Group Meeting Minutes
Friday 22 August 2014
Dick Lawrence Oval, Lefroy Road, Beaconsfield**

Chair: Colin Alston

Participants: Jayne Hickman (Department of Housing); Alison Lawrie (Fremantle Multicultural Centre); Rebecca Slavin - PCYC (Hilton Community Centre); Julie Mitchell (SMYL - Fremantle Office); Karen Chalcraft (Uniting Care West); Kim Marshall (Palmerston - South Metro Community Drug Service); Stephen Loo (Department for Child Protection and Family Support); Jen Valesini for Mike Pforr (City of Fremantle); Delia Parker (Department of Education); Stephen Johnston (WA Settlement and Multicultural Affairs - Department of Social Services); Meg Cromarty (South Metropolitan Population Health Unit); Margaret McKenzie (Resident); Allira Bolton (Resident).

Apologies: Karin MacArthur (Community Partnership Broker, SWMPF), Angie Harper (Meerilinga), Mike Pforr (City of Fremantle)

1. Approval of the minutes:

Previous minutes approved without change.

2. Business arising from previous minutes:

- Possibility of installing CCTV in Davis Park. Jen (City of Fremantle) raised the issue of CCTV being counterproductive. For example it is not monitored and a number of cameras will need to be installed to cover the park. Brad Cooper (Police) also felt that CCTV may be counterproductive. **Action:** City of Fremantle will conduct an assessment to determine the effectiveness of CCTV in the area. It was noted that crime prevention funding grants are due in October 2014.
- Lighting in the park and alley ways. Jen discussed the possibility of installing sensor lights in the park in place of CCTV. Brad Cooper (police) felt that this is a better idea as it would act as a deterrent. Issues around installing power, height, location and quantity of cameras were raised. Colin Alston (Disability Services) noted that alternative funding avenues may need to be explored. **Action:** City

of Fremantle to conduct an assessment of the area. Mike to provide timelines when possible.

3. Membership organisations' key roles and potential programs/resources that can be used to support the working group.

Disabilities Services Commission:

- Primary role is to support people who have a disability to continue to remain in the community and to link with community based services and groups.
- 4 individuals currently reside in the Davis Park area.

South Metro Health:

- Facilitate Youth programs – primary target group 14- 24 years. The service is based on supporting young people with drug, alcohol and mental health issues.
- Focus on parental health and wellbeing.

Department of Housing:

- Primary role is to support to DOH tenants to maintain tenancy. Tenants are able to access the Disruptive Behaviour Policy. In order to bring about change a formal complaint is required.

Department for Child Protection & Family Support:

- Stephen Loo Provided an overview of Aboriginal Practice Leader role. Primary role is support Aboriginal families with information, advocacy support.
- DCPFS – broadly key focus in on Child Protection intervention and prevention.

City of Fremantle:

- Primary role is to support with the planning and implementation of City of Fremantle assets and services. The City also promotes community development, access and inclusion. City of Fremantle has a key focus on Davis Park and has committed \$100,000.00 to the redevelopment of the park.
- The City manages initiatives i.e. Buster the Fun Bus

Uniting Care West:

- Primary role is to support parents and families. The organisation promotes a Parent Support Program. The organisation also funds a Youth Work Program to help to engage older youth.

PCYC (Hilton Community Centre):

- The primary role of the PCYC is to engage with young people in the Hilton Area. The PCYC has a drop in centre and runs the Street Ball program. The centre also has an outreach program.

SYML - Fremantle office Community based:

- The organisation is a Registered Training Provider and the primary role is to implement a range of training programs. Programs include: Aboriginal Traineeships, Yr 10 engagement programs, literacy programs. The organisation's focus is to support youth at risk.

WA Settlement & Multicultural Affairs – Dept. of Social Services:

- The organisation provides funding toward pre-natal and Aged Care.

Community Representative - Allira Bolton;

- Allira works at a local primary school and has a passion for art. Allira is also committed to re-opening the Coolunga Kindergarten. This was recently closed due to funding and enrollment uptake.

Fremantle Multicultural Centre:

- Primary role is to work with people from CaLD backgrounds. The organisation facilitates a number of programs, these include: Settlement, housing, parent/family and children's programs.
- The organisation has applied for a grant (impact 100) for Davis Park project. Outcome of project application will be known in November 2014.

WA Police:

- Primary role is to support with policing matters. Both prevention and intervention a key focus.

Education Department:

- Primary role is to support with student behaviour and attendance.

4. Police restructure Update:

Brad Cooper discussed the new policing model. The Fremantle station will be reduced from 95 to 35 staff. The restructure will consist of two priorities – priority 1: officers will be based centrally and will respond to calls through 000. Priority 2: will see regional based teams respond to local matters. The aim is for regional teams to follow up on local issues. Regional teams will focus on both prevention and intervention. This will be the preferred policing model as we move forward. Brad Cooper will continue to be the primary contact for Davis Park. Brad will be implementing a register as a strategy to work with local organisations

and businesses in the area. **Action:** Brad Cooper to send through a template to include working group members on the database. Colin to forward the template to working group members.

5. Community Event

The next event is scheduled for Saturday 13 September 12-2pm. This event is being held as part of Child Protection Week and the primary focus will be on children and families. DCPFS will take a lead role and have committed to supply and cook the sausage sizzle and allocated \$900 toward the event. PCYC have donated 2 BBQs and SMYL can supply tables. Marquee (can it be borrowed from North Fremantle Football Club). DCPFS will have 10 staff attend the event. Karen Chalcraft (Uniting Care West) and Alison Lawrie (Fremantle Multicultural Centre) will confirm the activities (from their respective organisations) that can be provided prior to the next meeting. Stephen Loo developed a draft flyer for the event **Action:** Stephen Loo to explore whether the marquee can be borrowed from North Fremantle or if it needs to be hired. Colin and Karin to review the draft flyer and finalise the flyer prior to the next meeting. Karen and Alison to confirm specific activities. Colin and Karin to outline the focus of the event.

Confirmed activities:

- Buster the Fun Bus
- Inflatable kicking cube and one handball target (donated from the West Coast Eagles. Power will be required to inflate the cube).

6. Draft indicators:

The working group agreed to use the following indicators to evaluate this project.

- *Residents report increased sense of safety*
- *Reduction in number of disruptive behaviour reports*
- *Reduction in number of police call outs*
- *Increased school attendance*
- *Increased number of children and young people engaged in recreational activities*

7. Any other business:

None

Next meeting:

The next meeting of the working group will be held at 9.00am on Monday 8 September 2014 at Dick Lawrence Oval, Lefroy Road, Beaconsfield.

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