

ACCESS INCLUSION STANDING COMMITTEE TERMS OF REFERENCE



GOVERNING BODY / APPROVED BY Council
FUNCTIONAL ALIGNMENT Creative and Community Services

SHORT DESCRIPTION

To provide advice and guidance in the application of planning instruments that prioritise access, social inclusion and overcoming discriminatory impediments to promote a highly accessible, inclusive and welcoming community that respects independence and human dignity.

NEWCASTLE 2040 COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT

Liveable

- 1.1 Enriched neighbourhoods and places
 - 1.1.1 Great spaces
 - 1.1.2 Well-designed places
 - 1.1.3 Protected heritage places
- 1.2 Connected and fair communities
 - 1.2.1 Connected communities
 - 1.2.2 Inclusive communities
 - 1.2.3 Equitable communities
 - 1.2.4 Healthy communities

PURPOSE

1. To provide advice and guidance to ensure that all residents are able to participate actively in all aspects of community and civic life and ensure that Council recognises and values the diversity of its community.
2. To provide advice and guidance on identifying and addressing barriers preventing people from participating in programs, services and facilities across the City. This includes barriers relating to disability, health, age, and cultural and linguistic diversity.
3. To promote adherence to the principles of the Disability Discrimination Act 1992 and the NSW Disability Inclusion Act 2014 which will benefit the community as a whole.
4. To promote social inclusion in our community through recommendations to improve the built environment, changes in community attitudes and behaviours, and creating better systems and processes for meaningful social and economic participation of people of all abilities and backgrounds.

MEETING SCHEDULE

To be determined.

MEMBERSHIP

1. Up to three Councillors;
2. Representatives from Stakeholder Organisations, determined by the Committee (Co-Chairperson with the assistance of the Facilitator); and
3. Up to three Community Representatives.

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CHAIRPERSON

This committee operates using a co-chairperson model. One Councillor appointed by the Council from among the Councillor members, and one member elected at the first meeting of the committee.

MEMBERS

- Councillor Member (Co-Chairperson) – Councillor Dr Elizabeth Adamczyk
- Councillor Member (Deputy Chairperson) – Councillor Sinead Francis-Coan
- Councillor Member - Councillor Mark Brooker
- Stakeholder or Community Member (Co-Chairperson) - TBD
- Stakeholder Member - TBD
- Stakeholder Member - TBD
- Community Member - TBD
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