



MINUTES

Women's Advisory Committee

held at

Council Administration Centre
Committee Room
180 Mort Street, Lithgow

on

Tuesday 24 January 2023

at 4:00 PM

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The Chairperson declared the meeting open at 4.00 pm

1. Present

Mayor Maree Statham, Cr. Coleman, Cr. Bryce, Glenda Anthes, Reidun Berntsen, Karina Dodd and Tenille Evans,

Officers: Cristina Portilla

2. Apologies

Jessica Leffley, Kellie Evans, Sandrine Stepien, Leanne Walding and Emily Seliscar

3. Acknowledgement of Country

The meeting commenced with acknowledging the Traditional Owners of this land on which the meeting was held and paid respect to their elders both past, present, and emerging.

4. Confirmation of Minutes

ACTION

THAT the Minutes of the 2 August 2022 meeting be taken as read and confirmed.

MOVED: Reidun Berntsen

SECONDED: Cr. Cassandra Coleman

5. Matters Arising from Previous Minutes

Budget and catering quotes for IWD 2023

6. Declaration of Interest

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest made.

7. Discussion Items

7.1. International Women's Day

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- The event will be held at the Union Theatre on Wednesday 8th March 2023 from 6pm -8pm
 - Theme: The theme for International Women's Day 2023 is 'Cracking the Code: Innovation for a gender equal future'. This theme is based on the United Nations 67th Commission on the Status of Women priority theme 'Innovation and technological change, and education in the digital age for achieving gender equality and the empowerment of all women and girls'.
 - Welcome to Country by Aunty Helen Riley.
 - Speakers: 1 To confirm and Karina Dodd (Researcher and WAC member)
 - Entertainment: To confirm (female performer)
 - This will be a ticketed event: \$8 general public and \$5 concession

 - Catering to be organised with an average cost of \$15 per person.
 - Event will be limited to 100 people.
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Tenille Evans will lead the decoration team. She will meet with the Community Development Officer to organise quotes and materials needed.

Community Development Officer to organise Eventbrite ticket and Event poster.

WAC team will help setting up and packing up the space.

Journalist Reidun Berntsen will interview guest speakers for a news article.

ACTION

THAT the discussion be noted.

MOVED: Cr. Cassandra Coleman

SECONDED: Reidun Berntsen

CARRIED: Unanimously

7.2. Safe Haven Project

NO updates until LINC representative re- joins the team.

LINC is recruiting for a new Community Development Officer and has expressed an interest in being part of the WAC.

ACTION

THAT the discussion be noted and LINC to be officially invited to be part of the Committee.

MOVED: Cr. Cassandra Coleman

SECONDED: Maree Statham

CARRIED: Unanimously

8. General Business

ACTION

- Review of the Committee's Terms of Reference, with a reminder that members need to send their apologies before the meeting is held.
- The Committee agreed to support the fair payment of local artists through the Live and Local program.
- In accordance with Lithgow Council policy, an aboriginal elder will be engaged to deliver Welcome to Country addresses at events and paid accordingly.
- The group acknowledges the intersectionality of women's rights and is committed to supporting the advancement of the rights of indigenous people.

ACTION

THAT the discussion be noted.

MOVED: Cr. Cassandra Coleman

SECONDED: Reidun Berntsen

CARRIED: Unanimously

9. Meeting Close

Next Meeting: 21 February 2023. Meeting room, LCC.

There being no further business the Chairperson declared the meeting closed at 5.30pm