

DISABILITY REFERENCE GROUP (DRG)

MINUTES

5.30 PM
Tuesday 10th June 2008

Committee Room 2

Members

Kendall Akhurst (Co-Chair)
Rosie Macleod (Co-Chair)
Alan Royal
Sara Pivac Alexander
Jules Taniwha
Lissette Wesseling
Thomas Bryan
Phillipa McDonald

Guests

Amarjit Maxwell, Manager, City Communities
Natasha Petkovic-Jeremic, Portfolio Manager, CCO Office
Byron Roff, Housing Project Director

1. Welcome

The Chairs welcomed the group.

2. Apologies

Sandie Waddell

3. Amarjit Maxwell

Amarjit advised that Ross Livingstone, Disability Advisor would be leaving Council on 18 June 2008. The advertisement for the vacancy would be ready for Saturday 14 June 08. A text version would be made available for distribution to the DRG. The DRG recommended that a PWD be on the interview panel.

Feedback regarding the vacancy was sought from the DRG.

Amarjit advised that Jenny Rains would be on the interview panel. For the interim Fabian Todd would support the DRG and this was expected to continue until at least August.

4. **Natasha Petkovic-Jeremic**

Natasha is new in this role and her current responsibility would be the Marine Education Centre, Karori Wildlife Centre and Museums Trust. The sub group of the DRG would arrange to meet with Natasha to follow up on the programme to deliver accessible arts to the disability community.

5. **Byron Roff**

ITEM	ACTION REQUIRED	RESPONSIBLE	DUE	COMPLETED
Oral Submission	Revisiting issues with a stronger voice	Kendall		
Courtenay Place	Ken Bowater to e-mail Ross re: specific areas in Courtenay precinct	Ken B		
Social Housing	Update on Housing	Iona		
Submissions	Sub Groups need to meet to discuss areas of focus	Sub Groups		
Access to info	Access to information 'submission'	Allan		
Clarity of Sub Groups	Contact Ross re: some members missing out on sub group info	Kendall		
Positive Wellington Tourism	To be involved with the D.R.G	Iona		

7. **Confirmation of Minutes**

The Minutes were passed.

Meeting closed at 7:45pm.

The next meeting will be Tuesday, July 8 2008, commencing 5.30pm.