

## MINUTES OF THE HOMELESSNESS TASKFORCE SHOALHAVEN

**Meeting Date:** Tuesday, 29 August 2017

**Location:** Jervis Bay Rooms, City Administrative Centre, Bridge Road, Nowra

**Time:** 4.03pm

The following members were present:

Mayor Amanda Findley - Chairperson

Clr Joanna Gash

Clr Patricia White

Clr Mark Kitchener

Clr Nina Cheyne

Clr John Levett

Clr Bob Proudfoot

Clr Annette Alldrick

Ms Tamie Harvie

Ms Penni Wildi

Ms Patricia David

Ms Roslyn Poole

Ms Ashleigh Hudson – left 5.25pm

Mr Max Zalakos

Ms Deborah Ferrier

Ms Julie Bugden

Ms Donna Brotherson

Mr Bernard Gleeson

Ms Sharlene Naismith

Ms Natalie Beckett

Mr Adam Collison

Others present:

Phil Costello – Director Planning Environment and Development

Gordon Clark – Strategic Planning Section Manager

Jessica Volkanovski – Strategy North Planner

Garon Irwin – Acting Building and Compliance Section Manager

Alan Blackshaw – Community Development Coordinator

The meeting was opened by an Acknowledgement of Traditional Custodians by the Mayor.

The Mayor provided an explanation of how the meetings would be run and that for all meetings of the Homelessness Taskforce Shoalhaven, that the door would be open to the public.

An apology was received from Rev. Matthew Wilson, Mr Peter Dover, Ms Wendi Hobbs, Ms Wendy Woodward and Ms Lesley Labka.

### Confirmation of the Minutes

Nil

### Declarations of Interest

Nil

## PRESENTATIONS

### HT17.1 Verbal update - Cllr Amanda Findley

**HPERM Ref:  
D17/276188**

The committee introduced themselves and provided an update of what they have been doing in the last six months in relation to homelessness and a wish list was created for 2017/18.

The Wish List included:

- Plan and Strategy for dealing with homelessness and any 'incidents' that arise
- Adopting the Affordable Housing Strategy to Shoalhaven
- Permanent Shelter for the Shoalhaven
- Education of the community (possibly a forum)
- Building connections between homeless persons and wrap around services
- Permanent but temporary accommodation
- Future of Public Housing – mapping the way forward and advocating for tenants
- Business Involvement
- Plan and Policy for Emergency nights (crisis accommodation)
- Creating policy that works on the ground (Homeless protocol for the showground as an example)
- Improving life outcomes for those who have experienced / are experiencing homelessness
- What Next? – who can help after the Safe Shelter closes?
- Continue to lobbying for the State Government to get on board with the demonstration affordable housing site at Bomaderry
- Knowing who the homeless are (anywhere between 100 – 375 homeless on any given night in the Shoalhaven)

An Ongoing Action Plan for the next 12 months was created. Categories included: Advocacy, Tiny Homes, Permanent Shelter and Continuing Services.

**Please see attachment.**

Note: Ashleigh Hudson left the meeting, the time being 5.25pm.

## REPORTS

<b>HT17.2</b>	<b>Temporary Housing Solutions as Pathways to Formalised Housing - Tiny Homes &amp; Temporary Emergency Housing</b>
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In relation to the draft Affordable Housing Strategy currently on exhibition, it is aimed identify practical steps that can be taken, enable sharing of information and also promoting associated matters.

**Recommendation (Item to be determined under delegated authority)**

That the report be received for information and discussion.

**RESOLVED** (By Consent)

That the report be received for information and discussion.

CARRIED

There being no further business, the meeting concluded, the time being 5.39pm.

Clr Findley  
CHAIRPERSON