



**Seniors Collaborative
Action Project**

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**Minutes of the Consumer Engagement Working Group Meeting
held Tuesday 21st February, 2017 at The Barossa Council, Nuriootpa**

PRESENT: Courtney Dswonitzky (Barossa Home Assist & Community Transport); Deb Anderson (SCAP); Lorinda Bayley (Light Regional Council); Sarah Stutley (Country Home Services); Sarah West (Gawler Home Assist).

APOLOGIES: Carolyn Redden (Tanunda Lutheran Home); Elspeth Morgan (Carers' & Disability Link); Lynette Seccafien (Adelaide Plains Council)

1. OPEN

Meeting opened 1:40pm.

2. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Deb was only person at this meeting who was present at the last meeting

3. BUSINESS ARISING

3.1 Other Community Information Forums

- Still no contact since initial email exchange with Two Wells Probus Club.
- Deb is presenting on "Navigating the Aged Care System" for Gawler Community Retirement Homes at James Martin Village, Willaston for residents in their independent living units. Friday 24th Feb at 10:30am.
- Lorinda will be contacting local Senior Citizens Clubs, Probus, U3A etc to ask if they would like some presentations on particular topics.

3.2 "To Expo or Not to Expo"

Elspeth was successful in getting \$1000 from Community Helpers for the Expos this year.

At the last meeting it was agreed that SCAP would hold 3 Expos in 2107:

- Gawler, 30th March, Gawler Sport and Community Centre
- Adelaide Plains Council, 17th August, Two Wells Community Centre
- Barossa, 26th October, Tanunda Lutheran Home Chapel
- No Expo in Light Regional Council area this year Lorinda and Deb me to discuss other options and will approach groups to find out interest in presentations on particular topics. Lorinda will also offer transport to the Gawler and Barossa for those Expos.

3.3 Aged Services Advice Project (ASAP)

Deb applied for funding from Country SA PHN to cover marketing costs associated with this service and was successful. Pilot will start soon. Gawler Home assist may also be interested in participating and both sites would be promoted.

4. GAWLER EXPO

- Thursday 30th March, 2017, 10am-2pm at Gawler Sport and Community Centre
- 35 registrations so far
- Entertainment organised so far: Sing Australia, an exercise group, 'Granny Skills'. Will approach the Ukulele group.

- Deb will organise short 30 minute presentations to be held in the Multi-Purpose Room: Advance Care Directives, ARAS, Pills and Spills, Adelaide Cemeteries – natural burials, financial/Centrelink advice.
- Some raffle prizes donated by stall holders.
- Scones will be ordered from Two Wells Bakery.
- \$1,000 from Community Helpers to be divided between the 3 Expos.

Action: Deb to check supplies of consumables: cups, plates, serviettes etc

5. REVIEW THIS WORKING GROUP

All Sector Support and Development (SSD) funding has been rolled over for a further 12 months so it aligns with other CHSP funding so SCAP will be funded until 30/6/18.

- Deb will need to develop a new Activity Work Plan for the period and requested feedback re this group.
- People find it useful for networking and information sharing purposes as well as planning the Expos.
- It was agreed that we would continue to focus on the Ageing in Style Expos. Deb would report on other consumer engagement activities undertaken by her/SCAP and other can get involved if they choose.
- Meetings would be held monthly except during the months of Expos (March, August October)

6. OTHER BUSINESS

LRC' s bus has been booked by a Leisure Options Group on 30th March so Lorinda can't use it to transport people to the Gawler Expo.

Action: Courtney will find out if one of Council's Community Transport buses is available.

- Stage 1 of Increasing Consumer Choices commences 27th February.
- All packaged care will go into a National Pool rather than being allocated to service providers through funding rounds. More equitable for consumers but reduces certainty for service providers.
- Deb will be seeking feedback impact from service providers and possibly consumers to pass onto DoH when they attend the SA Collaborative Projects Network meeting in May.
- Service providers have been trying to fill their allocated packages so they don't have to be re-assigned to the national pool.
- Sarah S commented that she was aware of some providers offering great 'deals' eg half price services
- Stage 2 will involve merging CHSP with HCPs in 2018. Yet to fully comprehend what this means.

7. NEXT MEETING

Tuesday 18st April, 1:30pm-3:00pm at Barossa Council

8. CLOSE

Meeting closed at:2:50pm