



**Seniors Collaborative
Action Project**

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**Minutes of the Consumer Engagement Working Group Meeting
Held Tuesday June 16, 2015 at The Barossa Council, Nuriootpa**

1. **PRESENT:** Courtney, Deb, Denise, Lorinda, Lynette, Sarah,
APOLOGIES: Carolyn, Fay, Lucy, Marilyn, Tracy

2. **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**
OK

3. **BUSINESS ARISING**

3.1 Gawler Expo

- Held in Gawler March 20
- Over 75 stall holders
- 370 through the door.
- Good feedback from consumers and stallholders

3.2 Freeling Expo

- Held in Freeling April 16.
- About 60 – 75 consumers.
- Over 30 stall holders.
- Good feedback from stall holders

3.3 Two Wells Expo

- Thursday August 13, 2015, 10:00am – 1:00pm
- Lynette will be sending out flyer with rates notice

Action: Deb to get flyers and posters updated and decals for banners.

3.3 Advance Care Directives & Transition to CHSP

- Advance Care Directives forums were held in Barossa and Gawler with good attendance. Kits are now available for on-selling in libraries across the region.
- Community info sessions on “Understanding Aged Care Costs” and “Transition to CHSP” in Gawler and Barossa in collaboration with SACNML and SIS. Confirmed dates are June 11 and June 17 at 1:00-3:00pm at Nuri Sports & Function Centre. Also sessions for Independent Contractors, 5:00-6:30pm June 11 at Barossa Council and June 17 at Gawler Sport & Community Centre. A consumer forum will be held in Gawler on July 30.

4. **ELDER ABUSE**

No report on NEAP.

Barossa Council and Gawler Home Assist had ‘Put your Hands up Against Elder Abuse’ displays.



5. AGED CARE REFORMS

- RAS announced in April. Two providers in the Yorke, Lower North and Barossa (which includes Gawler) region, are Uniting Care Wesley Adelaide Inc and Serendipity (WA) Pty Ltd (which is APM and supported by 5 sub-contractors)
- Still nothing on the Community Passenger Network
- Waiting for CHSP Guidelines
- Media Release on June 15 by Mitch Fifield
<http://mitchfield.dss.gov.au/media-releases/certainty-for-commonwealth-home-support-programme>

“...instead of a mandatory fees policy, I will look to a fees framework which outlines principles providers can adopt in setting and implementing their fees, leading to greater consistency and fairness.

This will prevent fees from exceeding the cost of the service and ensure there is a safety net for those who need it.”

6. OTHER BUSINESS

- Denise reported that Gawler looking at an IT Expo in collaboration with COTA during the Every Generation Festival held the first 2 weeks of October
- Lorinda was contacted by COTA volunteers offering to run ‘Moving Right Along’ workshops for community groups- about surrendering drivers licence.
- Light will be exploring opportunities for running ‘Strength for Life’ programs in the area.
- Light has received funding for an ‘Anzac Centenary Travelling Exhibition’

7. NEXT MEETING

1:30- 3:00pm, Tuesday July 21, 2015 (third Tuesday of each month)

8. CLOSE

Meeting closed at 3:00pm