# NOTES OF THE DISABILITY ADVISORY GROUP MEETING HELD AT CHRISTCHURCH CITY COUNCIL,

53 HEREFORD STREET, Ground Floor, on Tuesday 18 April at 10:00 am

**Present:** Allison Nichols-Dunsmuir (Health in All Policies, CDHB), Rachel Mullins (CCC Inclusive Communities), Dayl Milne, Philippa Cosgrove, Adele Wilkinson, Anna Mitchell, Shane McInore, Gail Payne (CCC)

Apologies: Paul Barclay, Debra Edmonds, Debbie Baker, Kim Slack (Libraries)

Facilitator: Gail Payne

**Group Round:** News from each agency.

Congratulations Shane for his recent honours. Shane was a recipient of the New Zealand Youth with Disability Award 2017. This award is for a young person with a disability who has made significant contribution to the disability sector and/or their community. Shane has also been selected onto the national disability support co-design group.

## **Previous Notes, Matters Arising:**

Emergency preparedness: The Council's newly appointed CDEM person will be invited to the May DAG meeting.

### KiwiAble Card

Trisha Ventom attended and led a discussion regarding possible future plans to improve and develop the card, or to move this programme out of the Council and into a new social enterprise. Topics included application process, current usage, benefits, the cost, criteria for members and businesses, potential use as a legal ID card, and the importance of free carer entry.

### **Burwood Park South Fitness Trail**

The group made suggestions to improve the plans for fitness stations to be added to Burwood Park (south), in response to a Dallington Community Cottage donation of equipment. Points raised by DAG included the importance of taking a universal design approach, adding seating, further consideration of suitable parking and curb cuts, and future planning for an accessible perimeter walk.

## **Mobility Parking – Smart Cities Project**

Plans are under way to use the Smart Cities technology to monitor mobility car parks in Christchurch, starting with Council parks and willing private entities. A 'button' is embedded in the space, which can relay information about whether or not a car is parked over it. If the Discussions to be undertaken with CCS Disability Action. If no permit sensor is detected, Council parking staff can travel to the space and ticket those without permits. The system can also keep records of usage, which would be useful for planning and monitoring spaces. The project is at 'proof of concept' stage, and linkages are planned with CCS Disability Action and possibly CDHB (via Allison).

#### **General Business**

- The EDLG-hosted workshop with Regenerate to discuss the Avon River Corridor regeneration plan (Red Zone) went well. Future work on this will include BJ Clark on the Community Reference Group, Ruth Jones as the independent facilitator, and Allison Nichols-Dunsmuir on the Technical and Community Advisory Group.
- Have a Go Bus day had approximately 60 attendances well done. There is a need for more of these, including ones to focus on older people.
- Further discussion about cycle ways affecting accessibility to be continued.

Next Meeting: Tuesday 16 May 2017 at 10:00 am at Christchurch City Council, 53 Hereford Street.