

COUNCILLOR O'Connell
REPORT - MEETINGS / FUNCTIONS ATTENDED

- 24st February LHAG meeting @ Kununoppin Hospital
- 27th February WN RRG meeting @ Northam
- 1st March NCDG meeting
- 2nd March OAG Exit meeting

LOCAL HEALTH ADVISORY GROUP

I attended the meeting as a Representative. Our Chief Executive Officer and Jim Taylor (Community Representative) were an apology.

Election of Office Bearers:

- Chair - Cr Tony Sache (Mt Marshall)
- V/Chair - Leanne Parole (CEA Trayning)
- Secretary – Sandra Waters

Business Arising from previous minutes:

1. Mukinbudin Health Centre:
 - Accreditation Review: 15.02.2023
 - Purchase of vital signs monitor – approval process proving convoluted
 - Garden
2. COVID-19
 - Tree RATS test available
 - No requirement to have RAT test before entering hospital
 - No monitoring for COVEID or Flu vaccination
 - Monitoring of wellness before entry
 - Wearing of surgical mask recommended in clinical settings
3. Commonwealth Funding for MPS: Funding available for upgrade as an Aged Care MPS site (floor coverings, WIFI, Residential Alarm System, Therapy room – no progress (February).
4. Converting 4 bed ward. Previous upgrade (\$3.2m)

Reports:

1. *Kununoppin Health Service:*
 - 7 high care residents (up to 8)
 - Advertising for RN and EN
2. *Kununoppin Medical Service:*
 - Dr Olatunji services Monday to Thursday (some reports: Monday issues)
 - Flue vaccinations: need to ring to indicate interest
3. *NEWROC Update:* Advised looking at building accommodation for hospital staff WACGS against \$2m project (over 10 yrs)
4. *Hospital Auxiliary:*
 - Fete planned for 2023 at Mukinbudin in October
 - Raffle in 2022 a successful fund raiser
 - Number of items bought. (Chair (+\$8,000 – taking blood)
5. Eastern DHAC Meeting:
 - Sandra Waters Acting Chair (members have been resigning)
 - Workshop: re Acknowledgements of Country
6. St John Ambulance Update:
 - Vechicle replacement program – 10 years.
 - Alternative 000 ETS need better results (LHAG to write letter to WACHS/SHAC)

Business:

1. National Accreditation assessment – 15th February
2. Wheatbelt Audits are up to date

- Bushfire Preparedness plan & Evacuation: Lack of communication
- CT Scan: our Group will recommence our push for this item for Merredin Hospital.

WHEATBELT NORTH REGIONAL ROAD GROUP

I attended this meeting as the NE SRRG delegate (& Deputy Chair of the RRG) with our Manager of Works. We stayed for the 3 hour Workshop (W/Belt North Condition Survey of LG Roads – Asset Preservation Training) held after lunch.

Presentations: Mohammad Siddiqui (Mains Road Director Wheatbelt), John Nuttal (Program Director WSNF)

1. Crash Map and Road View training: (road safety audits). It was indicated that this is important re Black Spot funding. Are able to do On line tutorials. But need to register and ask for the relative links.
2. Stressed that Councils need to
 - claim their first 40% at the beginning of the financial year
 - not change their road projects late (Feb)., and not to be major.
 All SRRG's had at least one Council changing their program/s
 - Many Councils are not responding to Main Roads Emails. Nungarin is not one of these.

NUNGARIN COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GROUP MEETING

I did not attend as only 3 members indicated they were attending. However, some did attend.

FUTURE MEETINGS / EVENTS:

(that I attend as a Council Delegate/Representative)

Rural Water Council	(CANCELLED)Cunderdin	Friday 17 th March
NCDG meeting	Nungarin	Wednesday 5 th April
LHAG meeting	Kununoppin	Friday 28 th April
NE SRRG meeting	Mukinbudin	Monday early July
WN RRG Meeting	Northam	Monday 31 st July

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