

Terms of Reference

Purpose

The role of the Disability Access and Inclusion Advisory Group (the Advisory Group) is to provide strategic, expert, and independent advice to Council on the implementation, monitoring and review of the City of Prospect's Disability Access and Inclusion Plan 2021-2025.

This includes providing advice and review of policies, strategies, projects and plans with the aim to successfully advance the full inclusion of people with disability in the City of Prospect and wider community as equal citizens.

Term & Membership Requirements

The Advisory Group will operate during the term of the City of Prospect's Disability Access and Inclusion Plan 2021 – 2025.

The size of the Advisory Group will be no more than 15 members (including 2 Elected Members, and the Mayor).

The Advisory Group representation will give priority to individuals who have a lived experience of disability and will also include persons who provide a caring and support role to persons with disabilities (either personally or within a relevant organisation).

Preference for membership will be given to City of Prospect residents/organisations, with appointment made by invitation from or application to the Advisory Group.

Representation of the Advisory Group will reflect community demographics and expectations where reasonably and practically possible, including persons the Disability Inclusion Act 2018 (SA) seeks to advance.

Compliance

Advisory Group members must comply with all Council policies, codes and resolutions as applicable.

Scope

The **Advisory Group** will:

1. Provide advice and feedback/recommendations to Council relating to the status/effectiveness of the implementation of key priorities and actions within the Disability Access and Inclusion Plan 2021 - 2025;
2. Provide advice and feedback/recommendations to Council on key policy, project or strategy development and review, across key areas relevant to people with a disability;
3. Provide advice to Council on how to identify and respond to issues that are relevant to people with a disability; and
4. Identify further opportunities within the Disability Access and Inclusion Plan 2021-2025.

The **Council** will:

1. Be the ultimate decision-maker in relation to disability access and inclusion frameworks, plans, strategies, policies and actions including decisions committing Council resources.
2. Engage with the Advisory Group regarding the development and evaluation of key strategies and policies aligned to the Disability Access and Inclusion Plan 2021-2025.
3. Where reasonably practical, notify the Advisory Group on how their input has been incorporated and what actions or outcomes have been achieved as a result;
4. Support/encourage the Advisory Group to present to Council meetings on relevant key matters/actions;

Consult /seek feedback from the Advisory Group on various other Council projects and plans open for community consultation where reasonably appropriate.