

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Share Local Liveable Streets Program <p>Link to Local Liveable Streets Program included in the July minutes.</p>	Completed
4.	<p>Meeting attendance by Strategic Transport</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Active and Healthy Ageing Action Plan includes an action for strategic transport to attend one AAAC meeting annually. • At the September meeting, pedestrian access and the scooter pilot were cited as areas of ongoing interest for AAAC members. <p>Strategic Transport CO provided an update on current projects. Draft Action Transport Plan was approved for consultation at last night's Council meeting and will be open within the week for public response.</p> <p>There are 3 main categories – walking, cycling and schools. Other projects being worked on include designated parking for e-scooters, accessible parking audit with a view to improving and increasing numbers, work with adjoining councils on corridor improvements, and the plan for Cremorne was also signed off at council last night.</p> <p>Info was provided on the e-scooter trial (in partnership with the state and other councils) which is coming to an end at the beginning of Oct, and also about how inbuilt technology advances may influence the behaviour of users for the better.</p> <p>New travel smart maps (the first update for a number of years) were circulated.</p> <p>If more questions, please get in touch with Strategic Transport.</p>	
5.	<p>Standing agenda item: Aged Care Reforms</p> <p>Timelines/Status of Reforms</p> <p>CO provided update – decision deferred last year – council workshop held recently and expected to go back to council at beginning of next year.</p> <p>It was noted by CM that it is very important that savings (if services are ceased) be redirected into the community. Questioned how to ensure that this happens as reinvestment is a priority.</p>	
6.	<p>Update/Information regarding upcoming strategy</p> <p>Consultation is scheduled to take place later in 2023.</p> <p>CO provided update. Focusing on gaps and priorities.</p> <p>Launch of Yarra Your Say for consultation will be 23 Oct for the Active Healthy Ageing Strategy- this enables the U3A forum on 24 Oct as part of the Seniors Festival to include consultation on the strategy. The Access & Inclusion consultation will be launched the following week.</p>	
7.	<p>Member update:</p>	

Each member to share an update:

CM

Update on Cyber security sessions with Finbar and VicPol – both fully subscribed. Planning for a third. Plenty of interest. Contact Finbar if other orgs interested in running sessions.

CM

3 things have become apparent recently

- The need for navigation for aged care – especially hard for people to access DA, which can adversely affect their lives
- The impact on carers as services become harder to access. Carers end up providing the care.
- Cost of living – CoHealth have a financial counsellor and a lawyer. Could do with a carer but don't have the space. Has council considered co-location for this. Need for community connectors and community connector hubs.

CM

Has found it enlightening travelling in Eastern Europe – cities are designed in a way that attracts people on to the streets. Chairs, artwork, brings generations together. We don't seem to do this as well in Australia.

CM

For Seniors Festival, there will be a photographic exhibition at RTH, and the forum at CTH on 24 Oct. Also the Heritage bike ride on October 8th.

There will also be a trivia night at RTH to 20 Oct to raise money for a refugee family in need

CM

Talked about the focus of the Cremorne group

Feels there is heightened fear in community which can lead to gossip. E.g., closure of Richmond Leisure Centre. Cr. Stone advised there is no substance to this rumour. Libraries are fantastic, gyms can be too expensive for some.

Aged care facilities – food has improved. Some actions have filtered through. People coming in to support.

CM [sent through prior to meeting due to absence]

The BTA now has 155 members of the Facebook group - this is a useful source for circulating community event info.

BTA attended an event at the Pride Centre for the Eid Al Mubarak celebrations in July and a Christmas in July event by Queerspace and Positive Attitude Inc on 22 July.

CO organised a Twigs photoshoot with a professional photographer on 17 August.

Alliances with Val's LGBTI Ageing and Aged Care are strong - next event at Melbourne Town Hall during Senior's Week 5 October.

BTA members regularly attend Sunbury Community Health 'Birds of a Feather' lunches in Woodend.

BTA invited to upcoming events from CLIP - Country LGBTIQ+

CM to email details to CO. Add to minutes

	<p>Inclusion Program produced by Justice Connect around planning for our futures - Castlemaine 6 October and Kyneton 20 October Currently planning BTA Senior’s Week lunch. Meeting at Collingwood Library meeting room every second Thursday.</p> <p>Willowview news:</p> <p>Willowview has progressed intergenerational interaction for the Tuesday group and is currently partnered with Gold Street Children’s Services and Collingwood library delivering a program of monthly interactions. Further planning is underway to broaden the future scope of intergenerational interactions.</p> <p>The Wednesday group has been out and about to various art exhibitions around Melbourne and has received presentations around healthy ageing from various organisations.</p> <p>The Wednesday group tile mural wall on the biodiversity of the City of Yarra that started in 2019 has been deemed to be ‘finished’ ... although some of the group have been heard to say that “it’s finished when we say it’s finished”! It will be officially launched at the Centre’s 30th birthday celebration on 6th October.</p> <p>Weekly events for the Wednesday group included a sound bath by Kavisha Gazelle. The session included people from other Willowview groups.</p> <p>The Wednesday group is currently working on an art piece for the Neighbourhood Justice Centre’s Children’s Room - the theme is An Octopus’s Garden.</p>	
<p>8.</p>	<p>Councillor update:</p> <p>Cr Stone shared update on current focus of Council including</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft Active Transport Plan • Cremorne Plan • Financial strategy • Review of community grants • Container deposit scheme <p>There will be many opportunities coming up for feedback through consultation over the next few months.</p> <p>Also advised on the lack of position on The Voice referendum. Council works in partnership with the Wurundjeri and as they do not have an agreed position it would be inappropriate for Council to take one.</p>	
<p>9.</p>	<p>Other business</p> <p>Aged and Disability Services are currently in the process of sourcing end of year gifts for all aged services clients – some</p>	<p>All to send ideas to CO</p>

	<p>AAAC members will recall receiving one of the gift bags in December last year.</p> <p>The goal is to source products which are sustainably produced, and generally useful to the wide population.</p> <p>Are there any suggestions of suppliers or products that might be worth including?</p> <p>CO updated on how gifts reach more clients than the xmas party previously did.</p> <p>Suggestion passes to a coffee at Collingwood Children’s Farm or the Collingwood Yards which could work towards addressing social isolation for some. CO also suggested voucher that pays for U3A membership (\$30).</p> <p>CM – electric scooter looking for a new owner.</p> <p>CM noted that many people have unused equipment</p> <p>CO advised of late notice invite to attend Senior of the Year awards at Government House – Wed 11 Oct at 11am</p>	<p>Contact CM if interested</p> <p>CO to circulate details re online swap group for equipment</p> <p>One Good Street- link below. Look under Library of Care things (this is where they list items donated and available)</p> <p>One Good Street</p> <p>CO to add those who expressed interest to the invite list</p>
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Next Meeting: 15 November 2023, Collingwood Town Hall