



# UNCONFIRMED MINUTES

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING  
(AGED AND DISABILITY CARE)

HELD  
ST GEORGE STREET, GEORGETOWN

ON WEDNESDAY 3 JULY 2019,

COMMENCING AT 9.00AM

**ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING (AGED & DISABILITY CARE)**  
**HELD IN GEORGETOWN WEDNESDAY 3 JULY 2019**  
**GEORGETOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

**ATTENDANCE**

Cr Will Attwood	Carol Ryan	Colleen Henry
Cr Tony Gallagher	Alana Young	Robyn Lethbridge
Cr Ted Loudon	Dallas McKewon	Ian Kuhn
Greg Ryan		

Cr Will Attwood declared the meeting open at 9:00 am and welcomed all in attendance.

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT TO COUNTRY**

*We respectfully acknowledge the Ewamian People - the traditional custodians of this land where we meet for the General Meeting. We pay our respects to the Ewamian People, especially the Elders, past and present and acknowledge their traditional customs and lores and recognize their continuing connection to this Country.*

*We look forward to a long and continuing relationship with the Ewamian People and value any opportunities in strengthening relationships and partnerships through collaboration by respecting their Country.*

**GENERAL BUSINESS**

Etheridge Shire Council has identified a number of gaps to cater for the aged and disability within the shire.

Round the table considerations and discussions included were:

- Investigate self contained unit or units to cater for all levels of care
- Community engagement (via letter drop with an accompanied survey form) to determine the levels of care required within the shire
- Levels of Respite that may be required
- Levels of appropriate funding available
- Palliative care arrangements
- Dementia facility
- What are we entitled to? What is available and who can provide?
- Training for members of the community to support aged care
- In home arrangements – assistance for people at home specifically for those who live out of town / on properties
- Previous Council discussion for a town maintenance person in each town – that can assist in various handyman matters. Can this be funded in some way such as cost of materials needed for each job
- Home care packages – investigate the number of services involved. Can a provider come out to the shire for assessments
- There are a number of providers available such as from Ravenshoe and other towns in the Tablelands
- Suggest initial contact with the local clinic or the RFDS to instigate and assess various needs
- Accommodation in Cairns – previous arrangement with City Plaza. Suggest seek partnership with a Hotel / Motel in Cairns with close proximity to the hospital. Ideally have assistance with transportation within Cairns.
- Investigate the aged care facilities set up at Croydon and Normanton

The advisory committee decided that future meetings will be held on the first Thursday of each month.

**CONCLUSION**

There being no further business the Chair declared the Meeting closed at 9:50 am.

These minutes will be confirmed by Council at the General Meeting held on the Wednesday 17 July 2019.