

Homelessness Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, 28 November 2023

1.00 pm - 4.00 pm

Macquarie House, Civic Square, Launceston.

MEETING OPENING: 1.05pm

Chairperson Councillor Tim Walker welcomed attendees to the meeting.

1. STATEMENT OF ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Councillor Tim Walker provided Acknowledgement of Country.

2. ATTENDEES

Committee:

Lynette Cameron

Community member representative

Allison Mayne

Community member representative

Oliver Macdonald

Community member representative

Jade Van Stralen

Launceston City Mission

Nic Green

CatholicCare Tasmania

Louise Cowan

Shekinah House

Cassandra Breadmore

Tasmanian Police

Justine Brooks

Homes Tasmania

City of Launceston:

Councillor Tim Walker

City of Launceston

Councillor George Razay

City of Launceston

Michelle Ogulin

Acting General Manager Community & Place

Angie Hart

Acting Manager Liveable Communities

Linda Page

Team Leader Community Development

Nindarra Wheatley

Inclusion Officer Community Development

Racheal Casbault

Administration Officer Liveable Communities

Michele Polley

Personal Assistant Community & Place

Guests:

Dr Catherine Robinson

Associate Professor in Housing & Communities

Brett Richmond

Link Technologies

Gordon Anderson

Link Technologies

Julia Mangan

CEO CatholicCare

APOLOGIES

Councillor Anne-Marie Loader

Meander Valley Council

Stephen Hill

Launceston City Mission

Stephen Avery

Community member representative

Sam Grace

St Vincent de Paul Society

Rodney Spinks

St Vincent de Paul Society

Roderick Brown

Salvation Army

Councillor Janet Lambert

Northern Midlands Council

Elizabeth Ward

Anglicare Tasmania

Darren McKay

Community member representative

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

If a Committee member has an actual or perceived interest in a matter to be considered by the Committee, they must declare that interest prior to any discussion of the matter. Interests will be managed in a way that respects the Committee member and the operation of the Committee. In some circumstances, this will mean that a Committee member with a declared interest will be required to withdraw from the Meeting during the discussions of the matter. The declaration of interest will be noted in the report outlining the Committee's Recommendation to Council

No declarations of interest.

5. CODE OF CONDUCT

As a Committee we agree to engage in a way that is aligned to the following guiding principles:

- We value collaboration and we strive for positive outcomes that are aligned to realistic and achievable goals.
- We encourage the practice of self-care and commit to maintaining confidentiality.
- We recognise that we are all equals and are respectful and accepting of each other's realities.

6. AGENDA PROPER

Confirmation of previous minutes:

The minutes taken on 24 October 2023 were accepted as a true and correct record.

Dr Catherine Robinson UTAS Associate Professor in Housing and Communities:

[Catherine Robinson Profile | University of Tasmania \(utas.edu.au\)](https://utas.edu.au/profile/catherine-robinson)

Currently the UTAS Australian Housing and Urban Research Institute Centre Director and lead of the UTAS Rough Sleepers Initiative, a new collective impact project which aims to support innovative service design for rough sleepers in Tasmania.

Building a broader hub and long term project through UTAS homelessness collaboration to research homelessness.

Intends to start small and set modest research impact agenda with the following 4 items:

- inform social policy and service design
- early intervention and young people
- responding to women's homelessness
- complex needs care for rough sleepers

ACTION: share Dr Catherine Robinson's contact details with the committee.

By-names presentation:

Link Technologies Tasmania presented and discussed the By-names concept.

ACTION:

Provide feedback for Link Technologies

Julia Mangan, CEO of CatholicCare, the organisation works to fulfill a mission of providing a range of housing support services for young people, adults and families who are experiencing homelessness. Shared her experience with By-names list in Adelaide. Stated weekly By-names list meetings of service coordinators are integral to success. Housing first approach with wrap around services, two years of housing support case management. Weekly interactions with clients to establish and sustain tenancy. Key agencies being local Councils, Catholic Care, Department of Communities (State Government) are the critical part of the success.

[Street Connect](#)

ACTION:

To continue to work on a By-names list for Launceston.

Invite Julia Mangan and guests to next meeting for further discussion.

Strategy update:

City of Launceston Homelessness Strategy 2024 circulated and feedback was considered.

7. COMMITTEE REPORTING TO COUNCIL

No report considered by Council

8. CORRESPONDENCE

Reported considered by Council

9. UPCOMING MEETING DATES

Officers to continue working on a suitable time and date.

Tues 30 January 2024 first meeting date.

ACTION: Officers will create a poll to collect information on most suitable day and time. Majority rules.

DATE	TIME	LOCATION
Tuesday 30 th January	TBC	Macquarie House, Civic Square

Meeting closed at 3:15