**Greater Shepparton LGBTI+ Community Alliance**

**Meeting Minutes – 18 July 2018**

**4.00pm-5.30pm**

**City of Greater Shepparton – Community Room**

**Front Entrance Welsford Street**

**Attendees:**

Michelle Harmer (Chair for this meeting), Katie Clavarino (minutes), Georgina Poort, Joel Board, Chris Parnell, Paula Pappas, Zane Scott, Nicole Robinson, Aileen Watson, Christina Bassani, Ken Campagnolo, Tim Batson, Julie Jackson, Omar Mariam Nagawa

**Apologies**:

Damien Stevens, Trish Quibell

1. **Welcome to all and apologies**

Meeting opened at 4:07pm

1. **Acknowledgment Of Country**
2. **Introductions**

Attendees introduced themselves, and where they were from

1. **Confirmation of Minutes**

Minutes from meeting held on 30 May were moved C. Parnell and seconded by G. Poort

1. **Actions from last meeting/minutes to be followed up.**

Refer to action log attached to these minutes

1. **Meeting Reflections**

Discussed time of meetings, agreed to trial a 2hr meeting with a later start next meeting, with the room location to be clearly communicated, and when at council offices for reception staff to be notified of meeting. Also discussed communications as per action log; alliance poster being used and circulated amongst networks.

1. **Correspondence**

None tabled

1. **General Business**
   1. **Feedback and Reflections on GV Pride Cup Footy Game 23 June 2018**

* Well done to all involved.
* It was a very positive day.
* Lots of work undertaken as a lead up to the day.
* Good turnout champions and Allies.
* Improvements for future events include having more stalls, and moving them to a busier part of the ground.
* What could the Alliance do to assist with big events? (Could we build this into a calendar of actions)
* In comparison the Yarra Valley Pride Cup day- less mainstream community contact with marquees
* Less community agency/mainstream organisations represented
* Thankyou for the payment of the day and lunch- and the turnout to hear guest speakers (Michelle)
* Sustainability -  What might be an ongoing input by the SFNC?  ie on mailing list?  Members GV Pride?
* Great to see so much inclusion from the club with club champions leading the way.
* impressed by Mpna Cats efforts with socks.
* lunch was awesome success
* evening event was great - maybe we don't need that each year tho?
* community engagement whilst small was good.
  1. **Wear it Purple Day – 31st August**

Forward details of events, or photos etc to GV Pride/Diversity project for sharing on their social media pages. Mooroopna SC hold an event each year which is well supported.

* 1. **LGBTI Elders Dance Club by All the Queens Men**

Fortnightly dance class/club for LGBTI+ elders and their friends, families, allies. Every second Sunday from September to November. Dementia Australia is sponsoring the first afternoon tea.

* 1. **LGBTI and Dementia Consumer Information**

New document had being produced and will be released shortly

* 1. **Information and resources shared by Ken Campagnolo**
     1. Ken shared resources from VAC with group members (condoms, printed information etc.)
     2. Informed group about free meningococcal vaccine for men who have sex with men until 31st December
     3. Ken also shared that there is some discussions been had to get Joy FM on the VAR/satellite system so that remote rural people were not as isolated and had connection with community.
  2. **Pride Flag at local Hotel**

Paula has had discussions with the owner of the Aussie who would be happy to display the Pride flag in the Hotel if one could be provided. GV Pride has DGR funding available, the form to apply for funds can be located on website www.gvpride.org. Action: Michelle and Chris to email GV Pride committee to ask for funding/flag for this purpose.

* 1. **New Rainbow Group**

Discussion around a proposed new Rainbow Group, a safe and inclusive space that meets in a community hub setting, or home rather than out publically. More accessible for people who are not fully ‘out’ or who don’t always have the extra funds for café catch-ups. The alliance welcomed this idea and will provide support as needed.

* 1. **LGBTI Inclusive Practice Forum feedback – Katie**

Katie attended this forum on 29th June at Alfred Health. Many great speakers, lots of ideas. Most exciting, is the inclusion of LGBTI inclusion in the Department of Health and Human Services Statement of Priorities for 2018-2019. This means that all Victorian public health services will be required to include a statement in their priorities and report back to the department on progress.

* 1. **Albury Wodonga Alliance Update**

Michelle – please fill in –sorry I missed this part of the meeting!

1. **Calendar of Events (standing item to be updated as required):**

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| **Date** | **Event/Day** | **Special Comments** |
| 31st August | Wear it Purple Day | Information to be shared in Facebook page – alliance members to encourage their organisations to be involved though events/awareness etc. |
| 1st – 4th November | Out in the Open Festival | Carnival day to be held on 3rd Nov |
| 20th November | Transgender day of remembrance | To be marked as a significant day |

1. **Next Meeting**

**Date:**  Wednesday 5th Septmeber

**Time:** 5:00pm – 7:00pm

**Address:** Greater Shepparton City Council Rooms

**RSVP**: [michelle.harmer@gatewayhealth.org.au](mailto:michelle.harmer@gatewayhealth.org.au)

**Meeting dates 2018**

* Wed 24 Oct
* Wed 12 Dec

1. **Meeting Closed 5:41pm**

**Greater Shepparton LGBTI+ Community Alliance Action Log**

| **Number** | **Date of Introduction** | **Action** | **Who** | **When** | **Progress** |
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| **1.** | 21/02/2018 | Communications plan | All Alliance members |  |  |
| **1.1** | 11/04/2018 | Review language and finalise communications plan for adoption at next meeting | Georgina Poort  Katie Clavarino | 05/09/2018 | Georgie to do a final check of language, ensure inclusive |
| **1.2** | 11/04/2018 | Develop online guidelines for Facebook group admin | Damien Stevens and to develop  Chris – to send the guidelines he uses to Damien | Next meeting | Completed |
| **1.3** | 11/04/2018 | Zane Scott to be added as administration for Facebook page, as per discussion last meeting, following development of online guidelines | Damien Stevens following development of online guidelines | 05/09/2018 | Admin to add Zane |
| **1.4** | 30/05/2018 | Documents uploaded to GV Pride to be in PDF format for accessibility | Georgina Poort | Next meeting |  |
| **2.** | 21/02/2018 | Feedback on Terms of Reference for Group. – Any feedback etc.. | All alliance members | 11/04/2018 | Terms of Reference were accepted by the alliance. With one amendment – a Quorum will be 6 members.  Moved C. Parnell  Seconded J. Board  Katie to update TOR and distribute  Item then completed |
| **2.1** | 18/07/2018 | Amend Quorum details in TOR then upload to GV Pride website and Facebook group | Katie Clavarino  Georgina Poort | 05/09/2018 |  |
| **3.** | 11/04/2018 | Promotion and Organisation of the Pride Cup | All alliance members | 23/06/2018 |  |
| **3.1** | 11/04/2018 | Write an article for printing in the Footy Record during the Pride Cup round | Joel Board – to follow-up process  Media working group – to write content | 23/06/2018 | Waiting on response from Martin Gleeson |
| **3.2** | 11/04/2018 | Promotion of Pride Cup | Paula – radio contacts  Georgina – to pass on Joy FM contacts  Joel – talk to Bonnie about town signs | 23/06/2018 | Paula has contacted radio stations, and will have content ready for release 1/6 |
| **3.3** | 11/04/2018 | Guest Speaker | Joel | 23/06/2018 | Em Rowe is hoping to be at the game, but doesn’t wish to be formally involved.  Joel to follow-up with Alison to possibly speak on the day |
| **3.4** | 21/02/2018 | Investigate options for a member of the local LGBTI+ community to sing the national anthem at the Pride Cup | All Alliance members to speak with contacts | completed | Lachie Penner will be singing on day |
| **3.4** | 30/05/2018 | Volunteers needed for the gate/assist with stalls | Georgina to email alliance and other contact lists | 23/06/2018 | Emails sent |
| **4** | 21/02/2018 | Investigate option for Mooving art cow – meeting to be arrange between council and alliance member(s)  Investigate council grant options. | Paula  Joel | Ongoing – has been added as an agenda item for discussion at future meetings. Individual actions to be recorded in action log. | Joel has spoken with Charlene regarding the costs of a cow and options. Charlene to be invited to a future meeting to discuss with alliance. |
| **5.** | 11/04/2018 | Investigate Cultural/diverse competency/responsiveness training for businesses | Trish – to share details of recent training at next meeting.  Joel – share details of bystander business FV training | To be moved to agenda item for ongoing business | Discussed mapping training options available across all sectors (also includes action point 7). |
| **6.** | 11/04/2018 | Discuss ways to use more inclusive language in client/patient forms. This work may begin as organisational but can be adapted to suit all. | Zane, Katie | 18/07/2018 | Completed – timely discussion as the 2018/2019 Statement of priorities for public health services includes LGBTI+ inclusion and service delivery. |
| **7.** | 21/02/2018 | Investigate possible training options for local doctors in specialised endocrinology | Christina – to speak with Melb Uni contact  Georgina to follow up with Contacts re statewide funding for medical training.  Annie to share any training links with group. | 18/072018 | Combine with action number 5 – mapping of available training. |
| **8.** | 30/05/2018 | Sharing of Out In The Open meeting dates and planning information | Georgina | 18/07/2018 | Out in the open festival is the first weekend of November. For all details visit <http://outintheopen.org.au/>  Stall applications now open |
| **9.** | 30/05/2018 | Alliance information poster to be completed and shared | Katie | 23/06/2018 | Completed |