



SHIRE OF
HARVEY

A Breath of Fresh Air

Access and Inclusion Advisory Group **Minutes**

Chambers Meeting Room
Harvey Shire Building

18 February 2026
2:00pm

1. Official Opening

Meeting officially opened at 2:01pm by Chair Bromham.

Acknowledgement of Country: The Shire of Harvey acknowledges the traditional custodians of the land and their continuing connection to the land, waters and country. We pay our respects to all members of the Aboriginal communities and their cultures; and to Elders both past, present and emerging.

Introductions around the table.

2. Attendee List

Councillor (Chairperson)	John	Bromham
Community Representative	Pam	McGregor
Community Representative	Selena	Landless
Service Representative (Advocacy WA)	Trish	Tofarirepi
Shire of Harvey Officers		
Manager Community Development	Ben	Rose
Community Development Officer	Amy	Cleasby
Administration Officer	Deb	Sparkes
Optional - Manager Special Projects	Kelly	Shore

3. Apologies

Service & Community Representative (Empowerment2Be)	Kerry	Morrison
Service Representative (Advocacy WA)	Larissa	Beeby
Training Alliance (Guest)	Jethro	Hepton
Service Representative (MICA)	Emily	Northcott
Service Representative (WACHS)	Shayne	Taylor
Councillor (Deputy)	Tiny	Holly

Non Attendance

Community Representative	Cody	Smith
Community Representative	Rana	Perea
Service Representative (Harvey CRC)	nominee	
Service Representative (Lesch. Mens Shed)	Paul	Fonck
Optional - Director Infrastructure Services	Craig	Yardley

4. Confirmation of Previous Minutes

Pam McGregor moved that the minutes from the previous meeting were accurate and be accepted as a true record. Seconded by Amy Cleasby. All members in attendance were in favour of carrying this motion.

5. Actions Register from Previous Meetings*Action items***Action 24: Shire Officers to investigate possibility of shelters to be added at bus stops 72212 and 72213.**

Status Update:

- Amy advised that information she received from Trans Bunbury is that there is an average of 1.6 customers per day for these bus stops, which translates into not enough usage to warrant a shelter. *Amy Cleasby to refer this to Council advising that the Access and Inclusion Advisory Group advocates for this change. Remove from Actions register.*

Associated discussions:

- What is the standard for bus shelters, particularly relating to the two on Mardo Road, one has a shelter but on the opposite side of the road, the bus stop does not have a shelter. *Ben Rose - this item is to be raised with the new Director of Infrastructure Services and his team and removed from this Actions Register.* This also applies to the two bus shelters on Mulgara Road.
- Cr Bromham raised for discussion: advertising on bus shelters for income? This will be dependent on whether they are SoH assets.
- Pedestrian safety and the configuration Old Coast Road/Paris Road intersection. This is to be referred to Planning. *Advise at next meeting that this has been done, to be added as an agenda item.*

Action 32: include map of Paris Rd in minutes for walkability consideration for shade, water and way-finding signage.

Status Update: Complete with the exception of drinking fountains, as there is no existing water service to connect to. *Remove from Actions Register.*

Action 39: investigate addition of a pedestrian crossing and rearrange road lanes to help with a better safer link to the foreshore from the Australind shopping centre side of Old Coast Rd.

Status Update: *Ben to seek update from Infrastructure Services on the scope of this future project, based on increasing the walkability along Old Coast Road, also clarifying timing of proposed implementation/construction.. Remove reference to foreshore in this action item, this is in reference to Old Coast Road between Paris Road and Mardo Road.*

Associated discussions:

- Cr Bromham mentioned this in Council last week. Discussion on improved median pedestrian safety. There is an existing future project in place for works to upgrade the median strip on Old Coast Road between Mardo and Paris Roads (with the Local Road Network funding). Concerns that any works completed now might conflict with plans in the future project. Request to bring this project forward due the increase of aging population residents.
- Installation of wombat crossings (a wombat crossing is a type of pedestrian crossing that features a raised platform, often on a flat top road hump. This design allows pedestrians to cross at the same level as the road, making it easier for them to navigate and reducing the risk of accidents).
- There are no plans, nor will there be plans by Shire of Harvey to install a footpath on opposite side of Old Coast Road.

Action 40: investigate installation of crossing indicators at Christina Park carpark entry crossing.

Status Update: Nil

Associated discussions:

- Currently there are no ACROD parking facilities or accessible toilet at Christina Park, this park connects to a lifestyle village at the end of Christina to a regular coffee van and the path along the estuary. Amy has visited this park which is a heavily accessed reserve. The park is located on Crown Land and is managed by SoH, and currently has parallel parking, meaning that two parking bays cannot be combined to enable an ACROD bay. There is an existing toilet block which due to its age, has access large enough to potentially allow ambulant access. Amy to investigate and apply signage if applicable.
- *This discussion has identified two actions items that might be actioned in different financial years, keep these two items separate:*
 - *Action 56 - ACROD Parking facility*
 - *Action 55 - Accessible toilet facilities.*

- Ben advised that an audit of accessible toilet facilities will be undertaken before the end of this financial year.

Action 42: Look into bin signage rather than A-Frame signage to minimize hazards on footpaths at Treendale Shopping Centre

Status Update: Amy has visited this site, could not see any intrusive signage at time of the inspection. The appropriate forum for reporting these incidents is through Sustainable Development/Compliance. Future issues are to be reported to Infrastructure Services. [Remove item.](#)

Action 43: Investigate the installation of tactile tiles on road crossings

Status Update: There has been no one standard applied for installation of tactiles. Kelly advised to submit a request to increase maintenance period. Some old tactiles have been removed but not yet replaced.

Amy to report incidents that come across her desk, to Infrastructure Services, both existing and emerging. [Refer this item to Infrastructure Services and remove from Actions Register.](#)

Associated discussions:

- Kelly advised that SoH currently uses companies that are Australian Standard accredited, and we use yellow rubber throughout the Shire.
- An Infrastructure Plan is being compiled, that will address frequency of inspection of different infrastructure by Asset Management. This is an extensive process and will take considerable time to complete. All assets have an asset number that members of the public can report for inspection/repairs. Asset list includes a life span of the assets, it is proposed that ACROD assets will be inspected on a 4-year maintenance cycle.

Action 48: investigate which Shire locations have Quiet Zones or inclusive programs including business and advertise them to the community

Status Update: Amy raised with Marketing to promote this on-line but they are not keen to promote when we are not involved (e.g. Coles). We only have control over Shire activities. SoH Libraries have quiet times. [Amy to check with Libraries about continuing existing self-promotion of quiet times/activities. Complete, remove from Actions Register.](#)

Action 53: Access & Inclusion CDO to develop the current list of homelessness support services.

Status Update: [Complete. The list has been developed and is updated every 4 to 6 weeks and resent to stakeholders \(front line SoH staff\). Remove from Actions Register.](#)

Associated discussion:

We have a Village Hub in Harvey. Community members do not have to attend in person, they can phone to receive directions to services available in the Shire or neighbouring areas. Brochures are available in all Shire of Harvey Library and Shire offices.

Regarding affordable housing projects like the Aspen project (private accommodation turning dongas into self-contained small, affordable homes), Amy to speak to Elizabeth in Planning regarding what projects have been approved in the Shire.

In previous Minutes (15 October 2025), it was stated

[SoH has no land to open up for tiny homes projects. Most land is set aside for future public infrastructure assets. Cr Hitchcock advised that in February 2025 Council updated Policy 4.3.1 –Temporary Accommodation. Shire of Harvey - Temporary Accommodation on Private Land Policy Adopted.](#)

Cr Bromham clarified that developments of this nature would have to be privately owned, not developed by the Shire of Harvey after being asked about the reference to “most” land, specifically relating to Shire of Harvey land. The Shire cannot direct private companies/land owners to convert land to this purpose, what it can do is enable others to do this (refine Shire processes to make this less onerous (reduce “red tape”) where possible) and advocate on a regional level.

Action 54: Access & Inclusion CDO to develop a five-year plan to improve accessibility infrastructure

Status Update: ACROD 5-year plan complete. *Amy to forward a copy of the 5-year plan to Pam. Remove from Actions Register.*

Associated discussions:

- Currently identifying ACROD bay works planning for 2025-2026. Approximately \$94,000 of works have been identified. Needs to be discussed at a Council level for adding expenditure for these work into the budget over the next two financial years.
- Next project is to audit Shire public toilet facilities.

Update the Actions Register with the names/positions currently, as it lists old employees.

6. Agenda Items for Discussion

- 6.1 Update on Meriden Park Master Plan / Changing Places – changing places facility is on track. There will be a sliding door on the toilet. Design timeline will be can be found on the Shire’s webpage: [Shire of Harvey - Meriden Park Masterplan](#).
- 6.2 Update on ACROD Parking Bay upgrades / installations – this agenda item has been covered above.

7. Community Roundtable

- Kerry Morrison – emailed the following comments with her apology for not being able to attend this meeting: “If we go to City status our disability and community service organisations will lose access to rural and regional grants. I've been contacted by businesses who have told me they will be forced to close leaving our communities without vital services.”

Cr Bromham advised that the City Status consultation is in the investigation stage, where the Shire is collecting the views of the residents via a survey (both [on-line](#) and paper surveys are available). The appropriate forum for expressing concerns regarding City Status is via this survey.

Amy - Kerry to be contacted and asked to provide further details via the Survey on what industries would be impacted and/or refer any concerned service providers to the Survey so that their concerns are captured.

- Selena was pleased to see the results of the Clifton Park playground toilet project. Kelly advised that this level facility was restricted to destination parks, and that the Shire of Harvey would not be planning any of this calibre of facility in local parks. Kelly also advised that the Meriden Park “Changing Places” facility is scheduled to be finished by the end of March 2026. The Minister will be invited to attend the official opening.

8. Next Meeting

Wednesday 20 May 2026, at the Blue Manna Room in Australind at 2:00pm, on-line access to be available.

9. Closure: 3:11pm

Attachment 1 – Actions Register (Shire of Harvey website – Reporting)



Advisory Group	Meeting Date	Action	Directorate	Responsible Officer	Status Update Due Date	Status Update
Access and Inclusion	18-Feb-26	Action 55: Christina Park: Investigate existing toilet block which due to its age has access large enough to potentially allow ambulant access.	Community and Lifestyle	Amy Cleasby	20-May-26	Investigate size and possible signage.
Access and Inclusion	18-Feb-26	Action 56: Christina Park: Investigate potential to enable an ACROD parking bay. Currently park has parallel parking, meaning that two parking bays cannot easily be combined to enable an ACROD bay	Community and Lifestyle	Amy Cleasby	20-May-26	Investigate options for creation of an ACROD parking bay.