

# SENIORS NEEDS

**POLICY NO: 2.1.20**

**REVIEW DATE: MAY 2018**

## **OBJECTIVE**

The Seniors Needs Policy was developed from the 2018 Aged-Friendly Community Plan and aims to guide how to achieve aged-friendly outcomes that will benefit seniors living in the Town.

## **POLICY STATEMENT**

Key findings and recommendation in the 2018 Age Friendly Communities Plan 2018 including the following:

### **1. Outdoor Spaces and Buildings**

Encourage the principles of universal access and inclusion in the design of public places and buildings.

The Town will proactively network with service providers in Aged Care and the Commonwealth Home Support Program (CHSP) to enable seniors to age in place.

### **2. Transport**

Continue to advocate for improved connectivity between places and accessibility to public transport for seniors.

### **3. Housing**

Advocate for the provision of accessible and affordable housing options that support "ageing-in-place."

### **4. Respect and Inclusion**

Advocate for respect and inclusion for seniors from all backgrounds.

### **5. Social Participation**

Foster participation by seniors in community life.

### **6. Communication and Information**

Communicate information in a way that is appropriate and accessible for older people from all backgrounds.

Improve the confidence and capacity of seniors to use information communication technology.

### **7. Civic Participation and Employment**

Empower seniors to volunteer in the community.

Cultivate availability of "life-long" learning and flexible employment options for seniors.

## 8. Community Support and Health Services

Encourage a coordinated and collaborative approach to service delivery to support "ageing-in-place."

### **ORIGIN/AUTHORITY**

Council Meeting – 27 February 2001

### **DATE AMENDED**

**All policies are reviewed every two years in April. This policy was amended at the following meetings:-**

Council Meeting – 22 May 2001  
Council Meeting – 28 October 2003  
Council Meeting – 20 December 2005  
Council Meeting - 22 April 2008  
Council Meeting - 27 April 2010  
Council Meeting - 27 May 2014  
Council Meeting - 22 May 2018