

Session Summary 8 June:

Follow Up From Previous Meeting:

Action: sage to email Carole Ann the letter I sent to Pru Goward.

Carole Ann emailed Liz regarding Steph work in gathering complaints regarding Talbot. Liz Giles stated that she had never asked Steph to do any work in regards to this. Carole Ann also spoke to Roy Bishop at Clover Moore's office. It seems that nothing has happened with a report that she may have written.

Carlyn: hasn't looked at letter head or set up email – happy to still follow up

George: hasn't yet drafted letter to Talbot – happy to still follow up

Amir: Every week residents have meetings at the Talbot. And minutes are published for others. The same issues continue to arise – often around having no access to dorms during the day. Amir focussed on the need for free shelter at the key issue.

Purposed of surveying Rough Sleepers is about raising awareness, and trying to get a sense of what is important to them, to inform our advocacy.

### **Plan to survey rough sleepers: Brainstorming questions**

What is your most pressing need?

Do you want to be housed?

What do you see at the barriers for you being housed?

Do you know where to get assistance?

Do you know what services are available for you?

What kind of assistance do you think would be most helpful?

Do you have someone helping you with housing?

Why do you sleep in Woolloomooloo?

If permanent housing is not available...what is the barrier to accessing emergency accommodation.

- Money/Cost
- Rules
- Banning
- Safety
- Lack of beds available
- Induction process
- Issues with other people
- Other

Who needs to hear your concerns?

Where do you feel most safe? What would make you feel safer?

If you had three wishes what would they be?

Questions about rights: What rights do you think that homeless people have?

What things are important to you? What stops these things happening for you?

Provide opportunities for people to participate individually as well as in groups.

Street Breakfast as a possible place to do this with people

Need to have a feedback mechanism

**Discussion:** Where does a question about Human Rights fit? Is it too theoretical? Does it belong in this survey.