**Lutheran Aged Care and Community Services Gathering**

**Saturday, 17 March 2018**

**Session Title:** Organisation of support for Lutheran Aged Care and Community Services

**Issue:** To progress discussion about support mechanisms as proposed in the agreement

**Time:** 20 minutes

**Description:** There was agreement that the LCA would explore the feasibility of employing a coordinator to support the outcomes outlined in Agreement 5, and also work with the sector to investigate the feasibility of an ongoing internet-based communication sharing facility. In addition, there would be further consideration of other support structures, such as a national association of Lutheran Aged Care and Community Services.

**Process to date:**

The LCA hasn’t undertaken any exploration of the possible coordinator option or in respect to further support structures. It was considered appropriate to first re-engage with the sector about these options before proceeding further.

LCA Communications has confirmed it can assist in the development of a web-based sharing platform. An option is to re-organise the current Dialogue website to serve as the sharing ‘portal’, which can include a password protected area where information and documents not for wider view can be accessed. This initiative could be undertaken in the context of the websites discussion if that was to be supported.

**Outcomes sought from session:**

1. Provision of guidance to the LCA from the participants in respect to the further investigation of the engagement of a support coordinator, and further exploration of support structures, as outlined in Agreement 5l and Recommendation 17 in the Final Report.
2. Agreement, or otherwise, to proceed with the development of a web-based information sharing platform and the process for doing so (for example, establishment of a small reference group to work with LCA to design the site).