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World Health Organisation
Network of Age Friendly Cities & Communities

Dear Sir/Madam

Letter of Commitment

Kiama Council has begun a significant journey of age friendliness with our community, its services and organisations. We are building a more accessible and inclusive future for all as we focus on the needs and priorities of our older residents, and our many visitors.

This journey is significant for our greater community as it aims to enhance quality of life in as many facets of community life as possible. The outcomes will be experienced at the personal level for older residents and will also have positive local impact socially and economically for the whole community.

Consultations with the community for Council's Age Friendly Kiama plan and Health Plan have set a baseline of priorities within the framework of the World Health Organisation essential features of age friendly cities and communities.

To meet these challenges, the shared efforts of all sectors of Council, local businesses, community organisations, volunteer groups and older residents are now committed to practical change and improvement. We look forward to building on our existing age friendly achievements to create continuously improving services and facilities that recognise changing needs of our ageing community.

I am pleased to express the commitment of Council and its corporate management to the objectives of the World Health Organisation Network of Age Friendly Cities and Communities through:

- Ongoing involvement of older residents in Council's age friendly change initiatives.
- Growing our age friendly achievements from the baseline assessment of the community recently undertaken.

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- Continuing to integrate age friendly initiatives into the Council's 10 year Community Strategic Plan.
- Continuing the annual monitoring of the achievements of our age friendly goals through integrated planning and reporting mechanisms.

If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact Community Services on 4232 0444.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Brian Petschler".

Councillor Brian Petschler
Mayor