



Age Well Stay Connected (Townsville) Event 3/9/25

World Café Conversation on Inclusive Communities — Belonging for Everyone

Key Themes	Participant Examples
Accessibility	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gender-neutral facilities • Multilingual and accessible signage • Physical access and transport • Sensory considerations (lighting, noise) • Compliance with accessibility standards (e.g., Vision Australia guidelines)
Co-Design & Listening	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ask questions and avoid assumptions • Respect diverse beliefs and perspectives
Understanding & Allyship	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Acknowledge history and accept people as they are • Actively support and advocate • Act as an ally in the community
Visibility & Recognition	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Acknowledgement of Country • Flags and symbols • Representation of lived experience
Welcoming Approach	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Human-centred practices • Respect for all identities and experiences • Raise community awareness to promote inclusivity

Ideas generated to inform future initiatives and collaboration included:

- **Co-design and Accessibility:** Actively involve older adults, carers, and diverse community members in planning and designing physical spaces, signage, and transport that enable full participation and accessibility.
- **Visibility and Representation:** Promote and celebrate diverse identities and lived experiences across programs, services and community initiatives.
- **Inclusive Practices:** Embed awareness, respect, and inclusivity into all community programs, events and services to foster equitable participation.