Reports of the Community Services Committee Meeting held at 5.30pm on Tuesday, 5 May 2009.

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Minutes of the Community Services Committee held on 5 May 2009

Present
Councillor M Oates (Chairperson)
Councillor J Bourke
Councillor W Glynn
Councillor R Kolkman
Councillor M Thomas
Councillor R Thompson
Director Community Services - Ms L Deitz
Manager Community Resources and Development - Mr B McCausland
Manager Childrens Services - Ms J Uluibau
Manager Cultural Services - Ms L Havilah
Manager Healthy Lifestyles - Mr M Berriman
Sports Liaison and Recreation Coordinator - Mr G Ripoll
Manager Library Services - Mr G White
Manager Technical Services - Mr D Webb
Manager Customer Service - Mr I Hudson
Executive Assistant - Mrs K Peters

Apology
(Thompson/Bourke)
That the apology from Councillor Rowell be received and accepted.

CARRIED

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no Declarations of Interest at this meeting.
1. **CHILDRENS SERVICES**

1.1 **Closure of Macquarie Fields Vacation Care**

**Reporting Officer**

Manager Children's Services

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**Attachments**

Nil.

**Purpose**

To seek Council's approval to close Macquarie Fields Vacation Care, which operates from Macquarie Fields Leisure Centre.

**Report**

Macquarie Fields Vacation Care offers a Vacation Care program to school aged children aged 5-12 years in school holiday periods.

Childrens Services has been regularly monitoring and analysing the utilisation of Council's Vacation Care Services. It has been identified that there has been a significant decline in enrolments for school aged children using vacation care at Macquarie Fields Leisure Centre.

Macquarie Fields Vacation Care is approved for 20 child care benefit places per day. In recent Vacation Care periods the service bookings have been an average of only five enrolments per day.

A minimum of two casual staff members is employed to implement the program at the centre and supervise the children. Over the past 12 months it has become increasingly difficult to maintain the cost effectiveness of the program due to the low utilisation. Due to very low enrolments for the last two vacation care periods, the service did not operate. Families were offered alternative care at one of Council's four other Vacation Care services.

The decreased enrolments in Vacation Care at Macquarie Fields Leisure Centre could be attributed to older children transitioning to high school and families therefore no longer requiring the service.

It is recommended that Council close Vacation Care at Macquarie Fields Leisure Centre at the end of June 2009.
Childrens Services would assist families in obtaining alternative care for their children at one of Council's other vacation care programs operating at Campbelltown City, Raby, Eagle Vale Central or Campbelltown Airds Vacation Care.

**Officer's Recommendation**

1. That Macquarie Fields Vacation Care, which operates at Macquarie Fields Leisure Centre be closed at the end of June 2009.

2. That current families utilising the service be informed and referred to alternative Council Vacation Care programs.

**Committee's Recommendation: (Thomas/Thompson)**

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

**CARRIED**

**Council Meeting 5 May 2009 (Oates/Rule)**

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

**Council Resolution Minute Number 116**

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.
1.2 Operational Hours at Council's Long Day Care Centres

Reporting Officer
Manager Children’s Services

Attachments
Nil

Purpose
To seek Council's approval to increase the operational hours of five Long Day Care services.

Report
Council operates 8 Long Day Care services in the Local Government Area. Three of these services, Eagles Nest, Minto and Amber Cottage Child Care Centres, operate from 7.00am to 6.00pm, effectively catering to families who travel longer distances to work. The operational hours at the other 5 centres vary, opening at either 7.00am or 7.30am and closing at 5.30pm. These services are Kabbarli Early Learning Centre, Amarina, Parklands, Waratah Cottage and Wombat Willows Child Care Centres.

Childrens Services has completed a review of the 8 services including their utilisation. It has been identified that the Council services that operate at longer operational hours have higher utilisation, therefore increased operational hours at all of the remaining services may assist with increased enrolments, as longer hours would increase access and cater to more working or travelling to work families.

Over the past 12 months there have been increased enquiries from parents requiring longer operational hours. As the Council services that offer longer hours are operating mostly at a full capacity, families have needed to be referred to non-Council private or community based services within the area in order to find suitable care options. Council's Childrens Services are currently not competing with services that offer extended hours for working or studying families.

It is therefore recommended that Council increase the operational hours of Kabbarli Early Learning Centre, Amarina, Parklands, Waratah Cottage and Wombat Willows Child Care Centres to 7.00am to 6.00pm.
Should Council approve extending the operational hours of these services, there would be no change to staffing at these services. The changes that would occur are around the rosters and routines that would be altered to meet the service needs at each individual site.

**Officer's Recommendation**

That Council approve an increase in the operational hours of Kabbarli Early Learning Centre, Amarina, Parklands, Waratah Cottage and Wombat Willows Child Care Centres, to be 7.00am to 6.00pm.

**Committee's Recommendation: (Glynn/Kolkman)**

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

**CARRIED**

**Council Meeting 5 May 2009 (Oates/Rule)**

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

**Council Resolution Minute Number 116**

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.
2. COMMUNITY RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT

2.1 Community Grants 2009 - Round 1

Reporting Officer
Manager Community Resources and Development

Attachments
Copies of Grant Applications (distributed under separate cover)

Purpose
To assist Council in its determination of applications for financial assistance under the Community Grants Program.

Report
Community groups may apply for a maximum of $1,000 funding to develop and support programs and activities. Advertisements were placed in local papers in February 2009 and circulated through community networks. A community information session, which was well attended, was held on 4 March 2009 in Council’s Staff Training Centre. Applications closed on 27 March 2009. Twelve applications totalling $11,861 were received.

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Two applicants were deemed ineligible under the guidelines. These applicants were Campbelltown Bangla School Inc. and Wild Cogs/Evangelism Resources Ltd.

Campbelltown Bangla School Inc.’s application for equipment hire and resources for a Bangla Community Festival has not been recommended for funding as the group was funded in Community Grants Round 1 2005 for a similar project therefore under the Community Grants Guidelines the application is considered ineligible.

Wild Cogs/Evangelism Resources Ltd’s application for equipment and resources for the men’s bicycle workshop and bike rides has been deemed ineligible for funding as the applicant’s income was above the maximum amount allowed in the Guidelines. Council officers will meet with the group to discuss alternative funding sources and support for the project.

The eligible projects were assessed according to the criteria for funding as set out in Policy 4.3.08 and in the guidelines.

Two applicants have not been recommended for funding for the following reasons.

Creation TV Inc. has applied for equipment and resources to create an organic demonstration garden in Claymore with training for residents on organic backyard gardening techniques. This project is designed to encourage and support residents to establish their own backyard gardens and a community market. There is an existing community garden in Claymore that provides some of these opportunities. It is suggested that Council officers will work with the two groups to investigate a joint project, rather than provide funding at this stage.

Lilla: International Women’s Network is seeking funding to support women from the Campbelltown area to participate in an art exhibition as part of the Network’s launch. As the art exhibition will not be held in the local area, and the project includes only six women from Campbelltown this application is considered to be of a lower priority.

The following projects have been recommended for funding.

NSW Aboriginal Golf Association’s application for support of the 2009 Law Week Aboriginal Art Exhibition has been recommended for partial funding as the group has advised Council officers that they have received some funding for the project from the Law Society.

The Multicultural Men’s Group has applied for a book project entitled ‘My Father and I’, a collection of stories of men and their fathers from Culturally and Linguistically Diverse (CALD) backgrounds. This project aims to promote social interaction, friendship and cultural understanding and provide a safe environment for CALD men to express themselves in a creative way.

HC Hip-Hop has applied for equipment and resources to assist young people to write record and then broadcast their original hip-hop music compositions on a community radio program. The project will be run from local youth and neighbourhood centres across the area, and will target young people interested in hip hop, with a focus on young people from CALD backgrounds.
Australian Bengali Library Inc. has requested funding for the purchase of a data projector for the ‘Connecting Bangla Community’ project to bring new migrants from the Campbelltown Bangla community together for a series of information sessions, seminars and multicultural short films to connect the families to available services, supports and resources. A large number of Bengali new migrants have settled in the Campbelltown area, and this project will assist in connecting them with the wider community. This group is working with library staff to ensure the availability of Bangla resources in Council's libraries. Community Development staff are also discussing potential Community Development activities with the Australian Bengali Library Inc.

The Fisher's Ghost Youth Orchestra provides support for young musicians in the Campbelltown area. The group is self-funded and relies on membership and concert ticket sales for income. The group has requested funding for promotional material and music resources. It is hoped to increase membership and support of the group through raising awareness of the group in the wider community, as well as assisting the young people who are members of the orchestra to further develop professionally.

Campbelltown Deaf Club’s project aims to provide Deaf family friendly activities and events during Campbelltown's 2009 Fisher's Ghost Festival. The Festival will also coincide with Campbelltown Deaf Club’s 30th birthday celebrations. The activities will enable Deaf and hearing impaired residents to socialise as a community, and will also raise the profile of the Deaf community across the wider Campbelltown community.

The application for Concerned Residents of Claymore has been recommended for funding. This group received funding in May 2007 to hold an Information Day, but as this was over twelve months ago they are eligible to apply for funding under the community grants guidelines. The group have applied for funding to run a series of special meetings with guest speakers addressing areas of interest and concern for Claymore residents. The meetings will provide opportunities for local residents to receive information on local services and facilities, and provide feedback about important issues affecting residents of Claymore.

Life Makers Australia has applied for funding to run a community project connecting Arabic youth and elders. The project aims to increase communication, awareness and harmony between the two groups through a series of monthly discussion group meetings over one year. Information will also be provided to participants on Campbelltown services and volunteering opportunities in the local area. This project is Stage 1 of a project to connect the Arabic community with the wider Campbelltown community.

**Officer's Recommendation**

That Council approve funding to the following groups under the Community Grants Program, with the amounts specified below.

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**Committee's Recommendation:** (Kolkman/Thompson)

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

**CARRIED**

**Council Meeting 5 May 2009 (Oates/Rule)**

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

**Council Resolution Minute Number 116**

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.
2.2 Community Development and Support Expenditure (CDSE) Scheme Funding

Reporting Officer

Manager Community Resources and Development

Attachments

Nil.

Purpose

To seek Council's endorsement of two applications for Community Development Support Expenditure (CDSE) Scheme funding for Midnight Basketball - Tournament 2, and a Koori Toastmasters program in the Macarthur region.

History

At the Community Services Committee Meeting held on 7 April 2009, Council endorsed a funding application for CDSE Scheme funding to assist with Seniors Week 2010 activities.

It was requested that Council investigate if applications for CDSE Scheme funding could be made to support specific Youth Week and Heritage Week events.

The CDSE Scheme was introduced in 1998 by the NSW Government and allows clubs to claim a tax deduction of up to 1.5% on gaming machine revenue over $1 million for monies spent on community support. The Scheme is designed to ensure that larger registered clubs in NSW contribute to the provision of front-line services to their local communities; and to ensure that the disadvantaged in the community are better positioned to benefit from the substantial contributions made by those clubs.

Report

Background

There are two funding categories under the CDSE Scheme:

- Category 1 expenditure on specific community welfare and social services, community development, community health services and employment assistance activities; and
- Category 2 expenditure on other community development and support services (eg traditional areas of club expenditure, such as support for sport and recreation groups).

Heritage Week is not eligible for funding under the CDSE guidelines.
CDSE local committees must be established in each local government area where the total CDSE Category 1 liability of local qualifying clubs is in excess of $30,000 in the tax year.

The local CDSE Committee is made up of representative/s of CDSE qualifying clubs, local council, the Department of Community Services, the Council of Social Service of NSW (NCOSS), or a major local or regional affiliate of NCOSS and the local Aboriginal community where appropriate.

Category 1 applicants can apply either directly to a registered club or to the local CDSE Committee. In both cases the local CDSE Committee is responsible for ensuring that applications fit the CDSE Category 1 criteria and the specific local priorities established by the Committee.

Applications submitted directly to the local CDSE Committee are assessed by the Committee. Those recommended for funding are referred to specific clubs to be funded. In all cases the club board makes the final decision regarding funding.

Applications submitted directly to registered clubs are assessed by the board of the club. The local CDSE Committee checks those that are chosen for funding for Category 1 compliance before funding is distributed.

Category 2 applications to clubs are not required to be referred to the local CDSE Committee.

The administration and running of the Campbelltown local CDSE Committee, which was previously chaired by Campbelltown City Council, is carried out by Sector Connect as the nominated local affiliate of NCOSS. Council is represented on the local CDSE Committee as an ordinary member.

**Proposed Funding Submissions**

Council officers have identified the following projects to submit for funding under Category 1.

**Midnight Basketball**

Council is seeking funding of $5,000 towards the running costs for Midnight Basketball - Tournament 2. Midnight Basketball was successfully held at Minto Indoor Sports Centre during School Term 1 from 13 February to 3 April from 7.30pm until Midnight. It is proposed to now hold Tournament 2 in School Term 4.

A showcase event will also be held in Youth Week 2010 to highlight the activities and success of Midnight Basketball.

**Koori Toastmasters Program**

Following the success of the Koori Toastmasters program in Redfern and Blacktown, it is proposed to apply for $1,000 funding to run a similar program in the Macarthur region to support Aboriginal workers and community members in public speaking activities.
Local Aboriginal people will be encouraged to participate in the project, which will foster the development of leadership and public speaking skills.

Applications for CDSE funding close on 8 May 2009.

**Officer's Recommendation**

That Council endorse funding applications for Midnight Basketball - Tournament 2 and a Koori Toastmasters program, for Community Development and Support Expenditure Scheme funding.

**Committee's Recommendation: (Glynn/Bourke)**

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

**CARRIED**

**Council Meeting 5 May 2009 (Oates/Rule)**

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

**Council Resolution Minute Number 116**

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.
2.3 International Women's Day 2009

Reporting Officer
Manager Community Resources and Development

Attachments
Nil.

Purpose
To inform Council of the activities held for International Women's Day 2009.

History
Council at the meeting of 10 February 2009, Community Services Committee Item 2.4 - 2009 NSW Office for Women Grant, endorsed a funding application of $1,000 for International Women's Day activities in 2009 to the NSW Office for Women.

Report
Council was successful in securing funding through the NSW Office for Women to host a women's event at Council's Civic Hall on Friday 6 March 2009. The event drew together women from all age groups across Campbelltown to celebrate the diverse roles that women play in the community. The event also focused on the theme 'Women and Education', with information on education and learning opportunities provided to attendees through information stalls and guest speakers.

As part of the event, Macarthur Diversity Services Inc launched a women's multicultural art project. The guest speaker, Sandra Walden Pearson from Best Me Consulting, ran a motivational workshop that gave women the opportunity to consider barriers and challenges women face. Service providers from the Benevolent Society, Macarthur Diversity Services Inc, T.A.F.E and the Rosemeadow Community Health Centre provided information about local services, employment and education. Guests were invited to participate in workshops with Circus WOW, a women's circus group. Approximately 120 women attended across the day and provided Council with positive feedback.

The $1000 grant from the Office for Women was used for costs associated with the Circus Workshop, provision of refreshments, and printing. Council's in kind contribution included the use of the Civic Hall, advertising and promotion as well as coordination of the project.
Officer's Recommendation

That the information be noted.

Committee’s Recommendation: (Bourke/Thomas)

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED

Council Meeting 5 May 2009 (Oates/Rule)

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

Council Resolution Minute Number 116

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.
2.4 Minutes of the Aboriginal Advisory Sub Committee Meeting held 20 April 2009

Reporting Officer
Manager Community Resources and Development

Attachments
Minutes of the Aboriginal Advisory Sub Committee Meeting held on 20 April 2009

Purpose
To seek Council's endorsement of the Minutes of the Aboriginal Advisory Sub Committee meeting held on 20 April 2009.

Report
Detailed below are the recommendations of the Aboriginal Advisory Sub Committee. Council officers have reviewed the recommendations of the Sub Committee and they are now presented for Council's consideration. There are no issues that require a resolution of Council.

Recommendations of the Aboriginal Advisory Sub Committee

Reports listed for consideration

7.1 Appin Massacre
1. That the information be noted.
2. That an invitation be extended to representatives of the Wollondilly Aboriginal Advisory Sub Committee to attend the Campbelltown City Council Aboriginal Advisory Sub Committee meeting to be held on 3 August 2009.

7.2 Community Safety Sub Committee
That Gary Potts represent the Aboriginal Advisory Sub Committee at the next meeting of the Community Safety Sub Committee on 14 May 2009.

7.3 More Than My Skin Art Exhibition
That the information be noted.

7.4 Aboriginal Advisory Sub Committee's Current Budget and Council's Policy on Attendance at Seminars and Conferences
That this matter be discussed in further detail at the Sub Committee's next Informal Working Party Group meeting to be held on 18 May 2009.
7.5 Campbelltown City Council's Code of Conduct

That the information be noted.

7.6 Proposed Informal Working Party Meetings

1. That the information be noted.


7.7 Revised Aboriginal Advisory Sub Committee Meeting Dates

That the information be noted.

8.1 Acknowledgement of Land

That Council be asked to consider including an Acknowledgement of Land at the commencement of each Council Sub Committee Meeting.

Directors Note:

All Sub Committee's and Committee Minutes are referred to Council where there is a significant Acknowledgment of Land.

8.2 White Ribbon Day

That the information be noted.

8.3 NAIDOC Day

That the information be noted.

Officer's Recommendation

1. That the Minutes be noted.

2. That Council include an Acknowledgement of Land by the Chairperson at the commencement of each Council Sub Committee Meeting.

Committee's Recommendation: (Glynn/Thomas)

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED

Council Meeting 5 May 2009 (Oates/Rule)

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

Council Resolution Minute Number 116

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.
ATTACHMENT 1

Minutes of the Aboriginal Advisory Sub Committee

Held 20 April 2009 in Community Services Meeting Room

Meeting Commenced: 6.42pm

1. Acknowledgement of Country

An Acknowledgement of Country was presented by Muriel Brandy

2. Attendance and Apologies

Attendance: Margaret Anderson
             Muriel Brandy
             Allison Croall
             Karen Houston
             Alan Medhurst
             Norm Newlin
             Gary Potts

Also in Attendance: Manager Community Resources and Development-Bruce McCausland
                    Manager Cultural Services - Ms Lisa Havilah
                    Megan Hughes - Community Member
                    Aboriginal Community Development Officer - Ms Debbie McCall
                    Indigenous Curator - Mr Djon Mundine
                    Executive Support - Kristy Peters

Election of Chairperson:

Allison Croall was elected to Chair the meeting.

Apologies: Councillor Mollie Thomas
           Councillor Wal Glynn
           Louise Lynch
           Allison Lynch
           Carolyn Hughes

Sub Committee's Recommendation (Medhurst/Newlin)

That the above apologies by accepted.

CARRIED

3. Declarations of Interest

There were no Declarations of Interest made at this meeting.
4. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Report

The Minutes of the Sub Committee Meeting held 2 February 2009 copies of which have been circulated to each Sub Committee member were adopted by Council at its meeting held on 10 March 2009.

Officer's Recommendation

That the information be noted.

Sub Committee's Recommendation (Potts/Croall)

That the information be noted.

CARRIED

5. Business Arising from Previous Minutes

Purpose

To report on Business Arising from the minutes of the Aboriginal Advisory Sub Committee held on 2 February 2009.

Report

At the Aboriginal Advisory Sub Committee meeting held on 2 February 2009 the following issues required follow up.

6.1 Appin Massacre

Refer to report 6.1

6.4 Community Safety Sub Committee

Refer to report 6.2

7.1 More than My Skin Art Exhibition

Refer to report 6.3

7.5 Aboriginal Advisory Sub Committee’s Current Budget and Council’s Policy on Attendance at Seminars and Conferences

Refer to report 6.4

Officer's Recommendation

That the information be noted.
Sub Committee's Recommendation (Newlin/Medhurst)

That the information be noted.

CARRIED

6. Correspondence Report

Purpose

Correspondence both incoming and outgoing is to be tabled at the meeting.

Officer's Recommendation

That the information be noted

Sub Committee Note: The following items were tabled as items of Correspondence.

- Community Support Service 2009-2012
- The Dreaming - Australia's International Festival
- Community Development Expenditure
- Working with Aboriginal People and Communities - A Practical Resource
- UNSW Letter of invitation to join Sydney South West Indigenous Community Health Brokerage Services (Marumali Evaluation)
- Letter and Minutes regarding Kiama Aboriginal Community Meeting
- Draft copy of Growing Up Strong Kooris
- Draft copy of Sydney South West Aboriginal Directory of Services

Sub Committee's Recommendation (Potts/Anderson)

That the information be noted.

CARRIED

7. Reports

7.1 Appin Massacre

Purpose

To provide an update to the Aboriginal Advisory Sub Committee on the arrangements to meet with the Wollondilly Aboriginal Advisory Committee regarding the placement of a plaque at the Appin Massacre site.

History

The Aboriginal Advisory Sub Committee at the meeting on 2 February 2009 requested that a meeting be arranged with the Wollondilly Aboriginal Advisory Committee in order to discuss the placement of a memorial plaque in close proximity to the actual massacre site.
Report

Members of the Aboriginal Advisory Sub Committee and a representative from Winga Myamly Reconciliation Group have been invited to attend the Wollondilly Aboriginal Advisory Committee meeting on 13 May 2009 at 7.00pm at Wollondilly Shire Council. Representatives from Tharawal Local Aboriginal Land Council and Cubbitch Barta Native Title Group will also be in attendance.

Officer's Recommendation

That the information be noted.

Sub Committee Note: It was suggested that Council's Aboriginal Community Development Officer invite members of the Wollondilly Aboriginal Advisory Sub Committee to attend the Aboriginal Advisory Sub Committee meeting to be held 3 August 2009 at Campbelltown City Council.

Sub Committee's Recommendation (Brandy/Houston)

1. That the information be noted.

2. That an invitation be extended to representatives of the Wollondilly Aboriginal Advisory Sub Committee to attend the Campbelltown City Council Aboriginal Advisory Sub Committee meeting to be held 3 August 2009.

CARRIED

7.2 Community Safety Sub Committee

Purpose

1. To provide feedback to the Aboriginal Advisory Sub Committee on Council's Community Safety Sub Committee meeting held on 12 March 2009.

2. To nominate a member of the Aboriginal Advisory Sub Committee to attend the next meeting of Council's Community Safety Sub Committee meeting to be held on Thursday 14 May 2009.

History

Garry Potts represented the Aboriginal Advisory Sub Committee at the Community Safety Sub Committee meeting held on 12 March 2009.

Report

Garry Potts will provide feedback to the Aboriginal Advisory Sub Committee on issues raised at the Community Safety Sub Committee meeting.

The Aboriginal Advisory Sub Committee will be required to nominate a representative to attend the next Community Safety Sub Committee meeting.
The following is a list of the remaining 2009 meeting dates for the Community Safety Sub Committee. Meetings are held on Thursdays at 12.30pm and are held in Committee Room 3 - 3rd Floor of Council.

- 14 May
- 16 July
- 17 September
- 12 November

**Officer's Recommendation**

That the information be noted.

**Sub Committee note:** Mr Garry Potts briefed Sub Committee members regarding a number of issues raised at the Community Safety Sub Committee.

**Sub Committee's Recommendation (Anderson/Newlin)**

That Gary Potts represent the Aboriginal Advisory Sub Committee at the next meeting of the Community Safety Sub Committee.

**CARRIED**

### 7.3 More Than My Skin Art Exhibition

**Purpose**

To provide an update to the Aboriginal Advisory Sub Committee on arrangements for Council's Manager Cultural Services to address the meeting regarding concerns raised by members of the Aboriginal community on a performance at the launch of *More Than My Skin* art exhibition hosted by Campbelltown Arts Centre.

**History**

At the Aboriginal Advisory Sub Committee meeting held on 2 February 2009 it was requested that Council's Manager Cultural Services be invited to attend the next Aboriginal Advisory Sub Committee meeting to discuss concerns raised by members of the Aboriginal community on a performance at the launch of *More Than My Skin* art exhibition hosted by Campbelltown Arts Centre.

**Report**

The Manager Cultural Services and the Indigenous Curator will attend the meeting to discuss issues raised regarding concerns raised by members of the Aboriginal community on a performance at the launch of *More Than My Skin* art exhibition hosted by Campbelltown Arts Centre.

**Officer's Recommendation**

That the information be noted.
**Sub Committee Note:** Council's Manager Cultural Services and Council's Indigenous Curator addressed the Committee in relation to the More Than My Skin Art Exhibition hosted by the Campbelltown Arts Centre.

Council's Manager Cultural Services advised that as a result of the concerns raised by Aboriginal Advisory Sub Committee members in relation to the performance content at the launch, in particular, comments made regarding the late artist Michael Riley, the group engaged to perform at the launch will not be invited to reappear at the Campbelltown Arts Centre.

**Sub Committee's Recommendation (Medhurst/Croall)**

That the information be noted.

**CARRIED**

7.4 Aboriginal Advisory Sub Committee's Current Budget and Council's Policy on Attendance at Seminars and Conferences

**Purpose**

To advise the Aboriginal Advisory Sub Committee on the current status of the Sub Committee's budget and Council's policy in regard to travel payment when attending conferences on behalf of the Sub Committee.

**History**

At the Aboriginal Advisory Sub Committee meeting on 2 February 2009, it was requested that information be provided on the current status of the Sub Committee's budget and Council's policy in regard to travel payment when attending conferences on behalf of the Sub Committee.

**Report**

Council's Aboriginal Community Development Officer will provide information to the meeting on the current status of the Sub Committee's budget and Council's policy in regard to travel payment when attending conferences on behalf of the Sub Committee.

**Officer's Recommendation**

That the information be noted.

**Sub Committee's Recommendation (Croall/Anderson)**

That this matter be discussed in further detail at the Sub Committee's next Informal Working Party Group meeting to be held 18 May 2009.

**CARRIED**
7.5 Campbelltown City Council's Code of Conduct

Purpose

To provide a copy of Council’s Code of Conduct to all members of the Aboriginal Advisory Sub Committee.

History

At the Aboriginal Advisory Sub Committee meeting on 2 February 2009 members were advised that an amended Code of Conduct would be presented to Council at its meeting on 10 February. Following the Code's endorsement copies would be distributed to all Sub Committee members.

Report

Council's Code of Conduct will be distributed to members at the Aboriginal Advisory Sub Committee meeting.

Officer's Recommendation

That the information be noted.

Sub Committee's Recommendation (Medhurst/Newlin)

That the information be noted.

CARRIED

7.6 Proposed Informal Working Party Meetings

Purpose

To advise the Aboriginal Advisory Sub Committee of proposed dates for informal working party meetings in 2009.

History

At the Aboriginal Advisory Sub Committee meeting on 2 February 2009 it was suggested that informal working party meetings be held for all Sub Committee members to attend. Although the working party meetings are deemed informal they are still reported on through the Aboriginal Advisory Sub Committee minutes, which are then presented to Council.

Report

The Aboriginal Community Project Officer will provide the Aboriginal Advisory Sub Committee with proposed dates for informal working party meetings in 2009.

Officer's Recommendation

That the information be noted.
Sub Committee's Recommendation (Potts/Medhurst)

1. That the information be noted.


CARRIED

7.7 Revised Aboriginal Advisory Sub Committee Meeting Dates

Purpose

To advise the Aboriginal Advisory Sub Committee of the revised schedule of Sub Committee meeting dates for 2009.

History

At the Aboriginal Advisory Sub Committee meeting on 2 February 2009 it was requested that the meetings be re-scheduled to bi-monthly meetings. Council at its meeting on the 10 March 2009 adopted the request for the Aboriginal Sub Committee meetings be rescheduled to be held bi-monthly.

Report

The following is a list of the remaining 2009 meeting dates for the Aboriginal Advisory Sub Committee. Meetings are held on Mondays at 6.00pm and are held in the Community Services Conference Room.

- 1 June
- 3 August
- 12 October
- 14 December

Officer's Recommendation

That the information be noted.

Sub Committee's Recommendation (Newlin/Brandy)

That the information be noted.

CARRIED
8. General Business

8.1 Acknowledgement of Land

It was noted that upon attendance at Council’s Community Safety Sub Committee an Acknowledgement of Land was not performed. It was suggested that the Acknowledgement of Land should be presented at the commencement of all Sub Committees.

Council’s Manager Community Resources and Development advised that Council does complete an Acknowledgement of Land prior to the commencement of Council Meetings.

At the conclusion of discussions it was decided that Council be asked to consider conducting an Acknowledgement of Land at the commencement of all Sub Committee meetings. It was noted that the Acknowledgement of Land should be conducted by an Aboriginal Person, however in the absence of an Aboriginal Person, it can be conducted by any person providing it is performed in a respectful manner.

Sub Committee Note: Muriel Brandy advised that she would like it recorded that she is in opposition to the suggestion of a non Aboriginal Person conducting the Acknowledgement of Land.

Sub Committee’s Recommendation (Medhurst/Houston)

That Council be asked to consider including an Acknowledgement of Land at the commencement of each Council Sub Committee Meeting.

CARRIED

8.2 White Ribbon Day

Council’s Manager Community Resources and Development advised that each year Council participates in White Ribbon Day (to demonstrate opposition to Domestic Violence Against Women). In previous years this event has been organised by women only. Some key members of the local community are seeking involvement from men in the organisation of this year’s event.

Alan Medhurst and Gary Potts advised that they would be interested in assisting with the organisation of the event, and were advised that they would receive the relevant information from the Manager Community Resources and Development.

Sub Committee’s Recommendation (Medhurst/Potts)

That the information be noted.

CARRIED
8.3 NAIDOC Week

Councils Aboriginal Community Development Officer advised that she would keep members up to date with the relevant details for the 2009 NAIDOC Week celebrations.

Sub Committee members were advised that internal assistance was available from Council to assist in the organisation of this event and members welcomed this suggestion.

Sub Committee's Recommendation (Anderson/Newlin)

That the information be noted.

CARRIED

Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Aboriginal Advisory Sub Committee will be held on Monday 1 June 2009.

Alison Croall
Chairperson
3. CULTURAL SERVICES

3.1 University of Technology Australian Research Partnership

Reporting Officer

Manager Cultural Services

Attachments

Nil.

Purpose

To seek Councils endorsement of a proposed partnership between Campbelltown Arts Centre and the University of Technology Sydney to develop a Australian Research Council Linkage Project entitled *New Modes of Curation and Audience Engagement in Australia*.

Report

This research partnership would bring together the University of Technology, Sydney with three industry partners, Campbelltown Arts Centre, Performance Space, Sydney and Freemantle Arts Centre, Western Australia. Each partner would develop a major exhibition project over a three year period from 2010 to 2012 that will develop and use innovative new models of exhibition making.

The University of Technology will be submitting a funding application to the Australian Research Council requesting $350,000. The University of Techonology have committed $230,000 towards the project. Each industry partner would be required to commit $50,000 in total over the three year period. These resources would be allocated from within the Campbelltown Arts Centres existing budget.

The development of this partnership would be a significant recognition of Campbelltown Arts Centre national profile for developing and producing innovative contemporary visual arts projects. If the University of Technology’s application to the Australian Research Council is successful Campbelltown City Council would enter into a three year Memorandum of Understanding with the University of Technology Sydney. A further report will be provided to Council outlining the agreement if the funding submission is successful.
The development of external partnerships to contribute to the resourcing of Campbelltown Arts Centre projects is a key priority identified in the Campbelltown Arts Centre Business and Operational Plan 2005 – 2010.

**Officer's Recommendation**

That Council endorse the partnership between Campbelltown Arts Centre and the University of Technology Sydney to develop an Australian Linkage Project entitled *New Modes of Curation and Audience Engagement in Australia*.

**Committee's Recommendation: (Kolkman/Bourke)**

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

**CARRIED**

**Council Meeting 5 May 2009 (Oates/Rule)**

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

**Council Resolution Minute Number 116**

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.
3.2 More Than My Skin Exhibition - Northern Territory Tour

Reporting Officer
Manager Cultural Services

Attachments
Nil.

Purpose
To seek Council’s endorsement of a proposed partnership between Campbelltown Arts Centre and the Northern Territory Government to tour an exhibition of Aboriginal photographic works produced by Campbelltown Arts Centre.

Report
More Than My Skin is an Aboriginal photographic exhibition that features the work of six male photographers; Michael Aird, Mervyn Bishop, Gary Lee, Ricky Maynard, Peter McKenzie and Michael Riley. The exhibition was produced by Campbelltown Arts Centre and curated by the Centre’s Aboriginal Curator. More Than My Skin was exhibited at Campbelltown Arts Centre in 2007 and received a high level of media attention and very positive reviews and visitation.

The Campbelltown Arts Centre has established a partnership with the Northern Territory Government through its arts touring agency Artback NT, which is committed to delivering high quality cultural experiences to communities across the Territory. The development of this partnership is a significant opportunity for Campbelltown Arts Centre to profile its Aboriginal visual arts program.

More Than My Skin will tour throughout the Northern Territory to the following venues in 2009.

- Watch this space, Alice Springs
- Nyirripi Nyunyu Art & Culture Centre, Tennant Creek
- 24HR ART, Darwin
- Katherine Civic Centre Gallery, Katherine.

Artback NT will cover the costs associated with the tour and will also provide support for Campbelltown Arts Centre’s Aboriginal Curator to travel to Darwin to launch the first exhibition and provide a series of lectures.

Officer's Recommendation

That Council endorse the partnership between Campbelltown Arts Centre and the Northern Territory Government to tour an exhibition of Aboriginal photographic works produced by Campbelltown Arts Centre.
Committee's Recommendation: (Thomas/Kolkman)

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED

Council Meeting 5 May 2009 (Oates/Rule)

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

Council Resolution Minute Number 116

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.
3.3 Juvenile Justice Partnership - Campbelltown Arts Centre

Reporting Officer
Manager Cultural Services

Attachments
Nil.

Purpose
To advise Council that Campbelltown Arts Centre has received $50,000 support from the NSW Government to establish a partnership with the Department of Juvenile Justice to design and implement a youth arts initiative that will engage young people between the ages of 16 – 25 from Raby, Rosemeadow, Claymore, Airds and Ingleburn.

Report
The aim of this project is to stimulate positive youth interaction in the community through the provision of a structured, creative arts education program. The effectiveness of this initiative is reliant on the active participation of a group of young people once a week, over a 10-week period. The proposed plan for this project involves a group of 25 – 30 young people, from areas where access to this type of free program has not been available before, engaging in a series of hands-on filmmaking workshops. The project will aim to involve young people between the ages of 16 -25yrs and will be promoted through youth groups and schools.

Over 10 weeks the participants will experience facets of filmmaking such as script development, camera skills and filming, sound design and music, editing, performing, storyboarding and location scouting. Using their own personal stories, experiences and ideas, the participants will work collaboratively towards creating five short films that promote a positive community image.

The workshops will be lead by industry professionals who will coordinate and refine the specifics of the course based on their own experience in the filmmaking industry. Campbelltown Arts Centre will source a suitable facilitator who is able to oversee the implementation of the project and manage the daily mechanics of the project’s operation.

The projects will be located within each community and use existing community infrastructure to house the workshops. Upon completion of the short film works, a formal launch and screening will be held in the Arts Centre’s Performance Studio. While the participants will develop a range of technical skills in the process of the course, the primary directive is to give each person an opportunity to tell their own stories through the writing process. This storytelling may take the form of either a documentary or fictional narrative. The initiative hopes to empower young people with a creative ability and those who can contribute positively to a collaborative undertaking.
Campbelltown Arts Centre will begin this initiative in early June 2009 and launch the completed films at Campbelltown Arts Centre in mid August 2009. The Arts Centre will be providing in kind support through staff development and management of the project. It is anticipated that if the pilot project is successful that the project and partnership with the Department may be further developed.

The development of partnerships with key stakeholders in State Government to contribute to the resourcing of Campbelltown Arts Centre’s artistic program is a key priority identified in the Campbelltown Arts Centre Business and Operational Plan 2005 – 2010.

Officer's Recommendation

That Council accept the Grant and work with the Department of Juvenile Justice to develop a program as outlined in the body report.

Committee's Recommendation: (Glynn/Kolkman)

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED

Council Meeting 5 May 2009 (Oates/Rule)

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

Council Resolution Minute Number 116

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.
3.4 Australian Youth Orchestra Partnership

Reporting Officer
Manager Cultural Services

Attachments
Nil.

Purpose
To inform Council of the establishment of a partnership with the Australian Youth Orchestra to present a series of concerts and programs at the Campbelltown Arts Centre in 2009 and 2010.

Report
The Australian Youth Orchestra was founded in 1948 and has attained a reputation amongst the performing arts community as one of the country's most prestigious artistic institutions. The Company acts as an elite training program for Australia's most talented pre-professional musical artists. The Australian Youth Orchestra offers opportunities to some 300 talented musicians between the ages of 12 to 28, who are handpicked in rigorous national auditions, across metropolitan and regional Australia.

The vision of the Orchestra is to provide professional leadership and inspiration to talented young Australian musicians, enabling them to expand and extend their classical music education training and experience, through national and international programs and performance of the highest standards while promoting increased awareness and appreciation of Australian music by encouraging young Australian composers and instrumentalists as well as the performance of Australian music.

The Australian Youth Orchestra and Campbelltown Arts Centre are currently developing a partnership to provide opportunities for young people and communities to experience and engage with classical music. The first stage of the partnership is the presentation of a free concert by the Australian Youth Orchestra at the Campbelltown Arts Centre on 6 May 2009 at 7:30pm. The concert will be presented in the Campbelltown Arts Centre exhibition spaces and will have a maximum capacity of 150 audience members. The concert entitled ‘Tomorrows Great in Concert’ will feature a range of compositions from both Australian and international composers.
This concert will incur no cost to Council and is viewed as the first step in partnership development between Campbelltown Arts Centre and the Australian Youth Orchestra. It is envisaged that this partnership would include the ongoing presentation of classical musical concerts as well as providing education opportunities for young people who are interested in pursuing careers in music and music education.

**Officer's Recommendation**

That the information be noted.

**Committee’s Recommendation: (Kolkman/Bourke)**

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

**CARRIED**

**Council Meeting 5 May 2009 (Oates/Rule)**

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

**Council Resolution Minute Number 116**

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.
4. HEALTHY LIFESTYLES

4.1 Victoria Park Sporting Complex

Reporting Officer
Manager Healthy Lifestyles

Attachments
Arial map of Victoria Park

Purpose
To seek Council's approval to install four sport floodlight towers at Victoria Park Minto, replacing the two existing poles.

History
A report was presented to Council on 10 March 2009 to advise Council of the infrastructure programs approved by the Federal Government as part of the Commonwealth's Community Infrastructure Program.

Council's Healthy Lifestyles Section has been coordinating with local sporting organisations in regards to the timeframes for each of the projects and the subsequent implications with ground access and use during the competition season. Each project must be completed by September 2009, and consequently a number of teams have been relocated to alternative venues for their competitions.

Report
Clark Reserve is located in Kearns, and was identified for considerable playing surface refurbishment and irrigation as part of the Federal Government infrastructure program. Clark Reserve currently hosts Oztag through the summer and winter seasons. Cricket during summer season only, Campbelltown dog club all year round, and AFL during the winter only.

The Campbelltown Oztag Association has been based at Clark Reserve, Kearns since 2003. Clark Reserve provides five Oztag fields, an amenities building with canteen, floodlighting and a car park for 94 cars. For winter competition, Oztag require fields from 6.30pm to 9.30pm for both Tuesday and Wednesday nights. The summer competition that has just concluded saw 140 senior teams participating across five divisions on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday nights.

Victoria Park has been identified as an appropriate venue for Oztag to be relocated to in order to accommodate the ground upgrade at Clark Reserve.
Victoria Park is a large park in Minto situated behind the PCYC and designated for Open Space. It adjoins Kayess Park, which is currently used by Campbelltown Touch Association. Victoria Park consists of two large playing areas divided by an open drainage system. There are two baseball playing fields that were used by Ingleburn Magpies Baseball, however over the past 18 months the playing area has not been used for structured competition or training.

There is significant open space that would accommodate five Oztag fields. There is another adjacent parcel of land that is used once a year by the Minto Show Society for the Minto Show. The Baseball side of Victoria Park provides an amenities building and there is provision for off-street parking for approximately 100 vehicles. At present there are two light poles that are programmed for replacement.

Council’s Healthy Lifestyles section has consulted with Campbelltown Touch Association and Campbelltown Oztag. Both organisations support the concept of each code utilising adjoining facilities.

Although two light poles are scheduled for replacement as part of Council’s ongoing maintenance program, two further poles would be required to meet appropriate standards for night matches. It is estimated that two additional light poles would cost $50,000. When Council upgraded the lights at Campbelltown Sports Stadium the original four light towers were removed and stored for possible future use. It is recommended that these poles would be suitable to erect at Victoria Park. If assessments prove that there have been no structural defects while being stored, utilising these four poles may reduce the costs of lighting. Australian Oztag has agreed to contribute $10,000 to the cost of any additional poles. The required funding of $40,000 can be provided within the Leisure Services Budget for capital improvement of playing fields.

It is anticipated that design and location of the lights and poles would not be directed towards any nearby residences. It would be appropriate however that Council inform local residents of the planned changes in order to proceed with the resurface works required at Clark Reserve.

**Officer’s Recommendation**

1. That Council allocate $40,000 from the Leisure Services budget for capital improvements at playing fields.

2. That Council notify all adjoining residents of Victoria Park of the change of sport and nights of competition.

**Committee’s Recommendation: (Kolkman/Thompson)**

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

**CARRIED**

**Council Meeting 5 May 2009 (Oates/Rule)**

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

**Council Resolution Minute Number 116**

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.
ATTACHMENT 1

Proposed Oztag Fields

Area used by Minto Show Society

Amenities

Car Park

Minto PCYC
5. LIBRARY SERVICES

5.1 New Ingleburn Library

Reporting Officer

Manager Library Services

Attachments

Nil.

Purpose

To provide Council with an update on the first month of operations of the new Ingleburn Library.

Report

The new Ingleburn Library and Community Centre opened to the public on 7 March 2009 and has been enthusiastically received by the community.

In the first 4 weeks after opening, the new facility attracted over 920 new members and has loaned 15,444 items, which has greatly exceeded expectations.

1,188 public Internet bookings have taken place while library staff have assisted with 4,365 information enquiries. Nearly 22,000 people have visited the library.

By way of comparison, the statistics for March 2008 indicate that Ingleburn Library loaned 3461 items, attracted 29 new members and provided 573 computer bookings. Ingleburn Library now rates as the second busiest branch, after the HJ Daley Central Library, in the City.

Library staff will continue to monitor and evaluate the performance of the new branch and provide further reports analysing six monthly and annual usage patterns as these anniversaries are reached.

Officer's Recommendation

That the information be noted.
Committee's Recommendation: (Glynn/Thompson)
That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.
CARRIED

Council Meeting 5 May 2009 (Oates/Rule)
That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

Council Resolution Minute Number 116
That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.
6. GENERAL BUSINESS

Nil.

12. CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

No reports this round

M Oates
CHAIRPERSON