

# Reports of the Community Services Committee Meeting held at 5.30pm on Tuesday, 14 May 2013.

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**Minutes of the Community Services Committee held on 14 May 2013**

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**Present**

Her Worship the Mayor, Councillor S Dobson  
Councillor T Rowell (Chairperson)  
Councillor G Brticevic  
Councillor W Glynn  
Councillor D Lound  
Councillor M Oates  
Councillor R Thompson  
General Manager - Mr P Tosi  
Director Community Services - Mrs L Deitz  
Manager Assets and Supply Services - Mr G Mitchell  
Manager Community Resources and Development - Mr B McCausland  
Manager Cultural Services - Mr M Dagostino  
Manager Education and Care Services - Mrs J Uluibau  
Manager Healthy Lifestyles - Mr M Berriman  
Acting Manager Information Management and Technology - Mrs H Brown  
Manager Library Services - Mr G White  
Coordinator Facility Maintenance Services - Mr W Miller  
Coordinator Procurement and Contracts - Mrs K Stares  
Legal and Policy Officer - Mr M Donachie  
Corporate Support Coordinator - Mr T Rouen  
Executive Assistant - Mrs D Taylor

**Apology (Rowell/Thompson)**

That the apology from Councillor Matheson be received and accepted.

**CARRIED**

**Acknowledgement of Land**

An Acknowledgement of Land was presented by the Chairperson Councillor Rowell.

**DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Declarations of Interest were made in respect of the following items:

**Pecuniary Interests**

Nil

**Non Pecuniary – Significant Interests**

Nil

**Non Pecuniary – Less than Significant Interests**

Councillor Lound - Item 4.1 - Successful Sporting Clubs - 2012 Community Building Partnership Program - Councillor Lound advised that he is a life member of the Macquarie Fields Cricket Club and has no involvement in the day to day operations of the club.

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## **1. EDUCATION AND CARE SERVICES**

### **1.1 Education and Care Services National Reconciliation Week Activities**

#### **Reporting Officer**

Manager Education and Care Services

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#### **Attachments**

Nil

#### **Purpose**

To advise Council of National Reconciliation Week activities planned in all of Council's Education and Care Services.

#### **Report**

National Reconciliation Week is held from 27 May to 3 June 2013 each year, and is a time to celebrate and build on the respectful relationships shared by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and other Australians. It is about joining the reconciliation conversation and reflecting on our shared histories, contributions and achievements.

This year, Council's Education and Care Services will incorporate this important event within service programs. Each service has invited Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander families and community members to be a part of the program during National Reconciliation Week, to educate children on the meaning of this event and support the children as they create Aboriginal artworks. Educators and community members will share and promote positive stories about Aboriginal histories, cultures and perspectives.

The canvas artworks created by the children will be displayed at Council's Education and Care Services during both National Reconciliation Week and NAIDOC Week celebrations that will be held in July 2013.

To demonstrate Council's commitment to National Reconciliation Week, Education and Care Services' activities will be registered on the official website [www.reconciliation.org.au](http://www.reconciliation.org.au) and promoted via social media on Council's Education and Care Services Facebook page.

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**Officer's Recommendation**

That the information be noted.

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

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

**CARRIED**

**Council Meeting 21 May 2013 (Rowell/Lound)**

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

**Council Resolution Minute Number 94**

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

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## **1.2 Sustainability of Mobile Toy and Book Library 2013-2014**

### **Reporting Officer**

Manager Education and Care Services

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### **Attachments**

Nil

### **Purpose**

To seek Council's formal acceptance of \$5000 funding from Uniting Care Burnside to sustain the Mobile Toy and Book Library (MTBL) service visits to the supported playgroup operating out of Ingleburn Uniting Church.

### **History**

The MTBL service has been operating since 2006. Initially, The Benevolent Society extended its existing partnership with Council, to run a fully funded MTBL service for the Ambarvale and Rosemeadow communities.

Following the success of the program, Council received further funding from government and non-government agencies to operate the MTBL in Airs, Claymore, Minto and Macquarie Fields.

The MTBL service has been successful in linking into existing programs operating within the Campbelltown Local Government Area and has continued to build on partnerships with The Benevolent Society, Housing NSW, Uniting Care Burnside and other non-government agencies.

### **Report**

Uniting Care Burnside has offered Council further funding of \$5000 for a period of one year for 2013-2014 to sustain the MTBL visits to the supported playgroup operating out of Ingleburn Uniting Church. The funding would enable Council's MTBL Early Childhood Worker to consolidate networks with partnering agencies within the broader Local Government Area and reinforce the linkages for families and the services that are available to them.

The MTBL provides access to borrowing of educational toys, books and resources to aid in the development of early literacy learning and skill development of children 0-5 years through supported playgroup visits, story time sessions, specific skills groups and community events. Referrals are made where appropriate for children to other local organisations and support services, including Community Health.

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Access would remain targeted at families who are vulnerable and do not currently access child care and other community services, who have limited transport and who are socially and economically disadvantaged.

### **Officer's Recommendation**

That Council accept the \$5000 from Uniting Care Burnside over one year, for 2013-2014, to sustain Mobile Toy and Book Library visits to the supported playgroup operating out of Ingleburn Uniting Church.

### **Committee's Recommendation: (Lound/Thompson)**

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

### **CARRIED**

### **Council Meeting 21 May 2013 (Rowell/Lound)**

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

### **Council Resolution Minute Number 94**

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

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## **1.3 2013 Australian Family Early Education and Care Awards**

### **Reporting Officer**

Manager Education and Care Services

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### **Attachments**

Nil

### **Purpose**

To inform Council of Education and Care Services success in the 2013 Australian Family Education and Care Awards held in Sydney on 3 May.

### **Report**

The Australian Family Early Education and Care Awards celebrate outstanding achievement in child care. They aim to encourage educators working in all sectors of early childhood education and care to aspire to excellence.

These national awards publicly recognise Australia's early childhood educators and services and celebrate those who have made the most outstanding contributions to children, the community and to individual families.

This year, six of Council's Education and Care Services educators and one service were nominated in a variety of categories by their peers and/or families enrolled at their service. The nominees are considered to be educators and/or services that exceed everyday good practice.

Initial nominations for each category were assessed by the judging panel, consisting of representatives of four peak children's services associations and other impartial experts in the early childhood sector. All of Council's nominations were shortlisted and further submissions were provided by each nominee, to assist the judges in selecting state finalists.

At the Australian Family Early Education and Care Awards ceremony, held in Sydney on 3 May 2013, Justeene McKnight from Amarina Early Learning Centre was acknowledged as a State Finalist in the category of ASG Early Childhood Director of the Year.

The Australian Family Early Education and Care Awards provide great acknowledgement and an opportunity to showcase the achievements of Council's educators and services, as these awards are widely recognised and publicised through the early childhood industry and social media.

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**Officer's Recommendation**

That the information be noted.

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

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

**CARRIED**

**Council Meeting 21 May 2013 (Rowell/Lound)**

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

**Council Resolution Minute Number 94**

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

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## **1.4 Early Childhood Education and Care Grants Program Funding 2013-2014**

### **Reporting Officer**

Manager Education and Care Services

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### **Attachments**

Nil

### **Purpose**

To advise Council that the Deed of Agreement with the Department of Education and Communities (DEC) for funding of Education and Care Services for the period of July 2013 to June 2014 requires Council's execution.

### **Report**

In April 2011, responsibility for early childhood education and care was transferred from the Department of Family and Community Services (FaCS) to the Department of Education and Communities (DEC). While the policy and regulation functions have been with the DEC since that time, the functions of funding administration have been transitioned more gradually to ensure minimal disruption to the sector. Throughout the 2011 and 2012 financial years, administration of funding payments and contracts has been undertaken by FaCS on behalf of DEC.

The NSW Government has advised Council that from July 2013, this program will be fully managed by the Department of Early Childhood Education and Care Directorate (ECECD). The Children's Services Program will now be known as the Early Childhood Education and Care Grants Program.

In order for Council to continue to receive ongoing funding, the Funding Agreement 2013-2014 is required to be signed under the Common Seal of Council.

The Department is seeking Council's agreement to renewable funding of \$541,746 for Education and Care Services for the period of July 2013 to June 2014.

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### **Officer's Recommendation**

That the Deed of Agreement with the Department of Education and Communities for funding for Council's Education and Care Services for the period of July 2013 to June 2014 be executed under the Common Seal of Council.

### **Committee's Recommendation: (Thompson/Lound)**

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

**CARRIED**

### **Council Meeting 21 May 2013 (Rowell/Lound)**

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

### **Council Resolution Minute Number 94**

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

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## **2. COMMUNITY RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT**

### **2.1 Open Access and Youth Forums - Update**

#### **Reporting Officer**

Manager Community Resources and Development

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#### **Attachments**

Nil

#### **Purpose**

To provide information to Council on the Open Access Forum and the Youth Forum that were recently held as part of a series of Community Forums planned for 2013.

#### **History**

Council, at the meeting of 26 February 2013, Community Services Item 2.8 - Community Forums were informed of the proposal to hold a series of Community Forums across 2013 with a focus on young people, people with disability and women.

#### **Report**

##### **Open Access Forum**

The Open Access Forum was held on 19 February 2013 in conjunction with Family and Community Services, Aged, Disability and Home Care (ADHC), as part of the community consultation process on reforms to the NSW Disability Services Act. When updated, the Disability Services Act will reflect the modern day supports for people with disability and to facilitate the state's readiness for the introduction of the National Disability Insurance Scheme.

More than 60 people attend the consultation, providing valuable feedback on a range of questions. A response was then compiled and sent to ADHC as input into the consultation process.

The Open Access Forum to be held on 12 June 2013 will focus on information for seniors, people with disability, their families and carers on a variety of emergency services in the Campbelltown area.

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## **Youth Forum**

On Tuesday 9 April 2013, the Macarthur Wingecarribee Youth Services Network held the second annual REPresent Macarthur Regional Youth Forum.

REPresent provides local young people with an opportunity to participate in discussions and contribute ideas about the needs and issues faced by local young people in their communities through a workshop series and discussion panel.

Held during Youth Week, the event saw more than 100 young people from across the Macarthur region come together to discuss a range of issues and ideas concerning young people including mental health, homelessness and local youth activities and entertainment.

The Cyber Safe Youth Forum will be held in the Civic Hall on 18 June 2013, and cover a number of issues relating to young people and internet use. Young people will participate in workshops and cover issues such as cyber bullying, illegal downloading and sharing personal information and photographs over the net.

The forums act as a community engagement and consultation activity, focusing on improving the issues that affect the Campbelltown community.

## **Officer's Recommendation**

That the information be noted.

## **Committee's Recommendation: (Lound/Thompson)**

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

## **CARRIED**

## **Council Meeting 21 May 2013 (Rowell/Lound)**

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

## **Council Resolution Minute Number 94**

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

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## **2.2 Midnight Basketball Tournament 9 Evaluation**

### **Reporting Officer**

Manager Community Resources and Development

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### **Attachments**

Nil

### **Purpose**

To provide Council with an evaluation report on the Midnight Basketball Tournament 9 held on Friday nights over eight weeks from 1 February to 22 March 2013.

### **History**

Midnight Basketball is a program that focuses on crime reduction through a combination of life skills education and competitive basketball. At the core of the concept is the notion of life skills education of young people through carefully designed and delivered workshops. Each night, in order to play, participants must attend a workshop dealing with topics such as drugs and alcohol, getting a job, staying healthy and anger management. The slogan "No Workshop, No Jumpshot" is used.

### **Report**

Campbelltown's ninth Midnight Basketball program has followed on from the success of previous tournaments, with an overwhelmingly positive response received from the community as shown by an increasing number of player registrations, volunteers and spectators attending each night.

### **Registrations**

As with previous tournaments, player registrations were capped due to the large number of registrations initially received. As the program was only able to cater for 66 players, remaining registrations were placed on a waiting list.

The program has attracted local young people from a variety of cultural backgrounds and geographical areas within the Campbelltown Local Government Area (LGA). A total number of 100 players registered for this tournament. Participants were put into teams for the tournament, allowing them to interact in a positive environment with a range of other young people from across the LGA with whom they may not have had contact with previously.

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### **Community partners**

A number of community organisations were involved with the development and implementation of the program, including the YMCA, Youth Solutions, Commonwealth Bank, Uniting Care Burnside, Youth Off The Streets, YWCA, MDSI, Campbelltown Rotary, Traxside, Benevolent Society, Campbelltown Family Support Service, Headspace and UWS.

Due to the success of previous tournaments, the number and level of support from community partners has increased significantly for Tournament 9.

### **Volunteers**

Council received 37 volunteer registrations from community members for Tournament 9. On average, 15 volunteers assisted each night of the tournament. Volunteers assisted with the program in a number of roles including team managers, scorers, score board operators, catering assistance, workshop assistance, bus assistants and general event assistance.

Volunteers came from a number of sources including local high schools, youth organisations and the Commonwealth Bank Australia, as well as interested community members. Feedback from the volunteers on their experiences working with young people in the program was very positive.

The program averaged 25 spectators per night, with the largest turnout of 65 spectators on Grand Final night. Some of the players' parents also formally volunteered for the program.

The high level of community participation in the program contributed to the success of the tournament. This enhanced the experience for the players by providing positive role models from the local community.

### **Workshop program**

Participants attended compulsory life skills workshops over the eight week period. Workshops covered a range of areas relevant for young people in Campbelltown including team building and rule setting, mental health and drug and alcohol awareness.

### **Funding**

Tournament 9 was supported by contributions from Midnight Basketball Australia, as well as significant in-kind support from partner organisations. Future tournaments will be funded through a combination of government grants, Midnight Basketball Australia funding and local sponsorship, in addition to in-kind support from project partners.

### **Evaluation**

At the conclusion of Tournament 9, evaluations from players, volunteers and partner organisations were conducted with results being collated by an external research body organised through Midnight Basketball Australia.

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Certificates of appreciation have been forwarded to participating players, volunteers and partner organisations.

All partner agencies have committed to their continued involvement in Midnight Basketball during 2013. Several other organisations are also showing interest in contributing to the project, which is working towards a well resourced and sustainable model of Midnight Basketball throughout 2013 and into the future.

### **Officer's Recommendation**

That the information be noted.

### **Committee's Recommendation: (Glynn/Lound)**

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

### **CARRIED**

### **Council Meeting 21 May 2013 (Rowell/Lound)**

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

### **Council Resolution Minute Number 94**

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

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## **2.3 Seniors Week Evaluation 2013**

### **Reporting Officer**

Manager Community Resources and Development

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### **Attachments**

Nil

### **Purpose**

To provide Council with an evaluation report on the 2013 Seniors Week celebrations held from 17-24 March.

### **Report**

This year's statewide theme for Seniors Week was 'Live Life', a theme continued on from the previous four years. Council, along with local community organisations, clubs and businesses, coordinated a diverse range of activities that encouraged the active involvement of older residents within the Campbelltown community.

The Campbelltown 2013 Seniors Week Calendar had a total of 35 events and activities across the month of March in the Campbelltown Local Government Area. All the events and activities held were free or low-cost to ensure they were accessible and affordable for local seniors.

Events promoted throughout Seniors Week 2013 provided the opportunity for local seniors to engage, make connections to other seniors and local services and businesses, learn something new and celebrate what it means to be a senior in Campbelltown and the contribution they make to the local area.

Events and activities at the Campbelltown Arts Centre included the Sweet Tonic Choir workshops, the Seniors Tea Dance and the Seniors Soiree, featuring entertainment, poetry, story-telling, comedy and dance.

Healthy Lifestyles offered free passes to Council's leisure centres across Seniors Week for local residents over 50 years of age.

Council's coordination of Seniors Concerts at clubs across the Campbelltown Local Government Area was extremely popular with approximately 1000 local seniors in attendance across the three concerts held at the Campbelltown Catholic Club, the Campbelltown RSL Club and a specialised concert for people with dementia or who are frail aged and their carers at Western Suburbs Leagues Club.

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Approximately 280 local seniors attended a free morning tea and screening of 'The Young at Heart' Film Festival an event which included a series of new short films starring Australian actors over 60 years (held at Dumaresq Street Cinemas). The audience were invited to vote for their favourite performance and the results were tallied up across NSW, leading to the Young at Heart NSW Audience Award for Best Film. Feedback received from participants showed how much they enjoyed the event and would like to have the opportunity to continue this event next year with a greater variety of films.

Council also hosted a 'Seniors on the Go' Transport Forum which focused on increasing access to affordable transport and reducing isolation for local seniors. A range of government and non-government organisations provided presentations, information stalls and resources. Local seniors, volunteers and services were invited to participate in working groups to discuss transport issues.

Positive feedback from participants showed how much they enjoyed having the opportunity to speak directly with transport services and were impressed by the detailed information received. Many seniors registered their interest to continue to work in partnership with services to improve access to transport.

Members of the Campbelltown Seniors Issues Group once again provided invaluable volunteer assistance at many events held during Seniors Week.

### **Marketing and Promotion**

Seniors Week events were promoted across the Campbelltown Local Government Area through a variety of media formats including print and email.

More than 3000 Seniors Week calendars, displaying events, times and accessibility of venues were distributed across Campbelltown in conjunction with promotion through the local media.

### **Funding**

Council's Seniors Week activities were funded from a combination of Council funds and in-kind contributions received from businesses, community groups, organisations and services. All support was acknowledged on 2013 Seniors Week promotional material.

### **Evaluation**

Positive feedback regarding the organisation of the week has been received from attendees and participants. Seniors also expressed their appreciation for the amount of diverse activities held across the Campbelltown Local Government Area.

Evaluation surveys were sent to service providers and community members who attended local events to date. This feedback will be used in the planning of future Seniors Week events and activities.

All sponsors, volunteers and key stakeholders involved in the planning and coordination of Seniors Week 2013 have been sent a letter of thanks and certificate of appreciation.

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**Officer's Recommendation**

That the information be noted.

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

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

**CARRIED**

**Council Meeting 21 May 2013 (Rowell/Lound)**

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

**Council Resolution Minute Number 94**

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

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## **2.4 Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs Funding Application**

### **Reporting Officer**

Manager Community Resources and Development

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### **Attachments**

Nil

### **Purpose**

To seek Council's endorsement of an application for \$7950 funding to the Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs (FAHCSIA) through the Indigenous Capability and Development Program to develop a public awareness program that would contribute to a positive profile of the local Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community in the Campbelltown Local Government Area.

### **Report**

It is proposed to submit an application for \$7950 to FAHCSIA to create collaborative artworks with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander and non-Aboriginal communities with a focus on young people. During the development of the artworks, Aboriginal artists would support participants to have a greater understanding of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture.

At the completion of the 12 month project, images of the artworks would be used on two of Council's trailers at local events and activities to raise the profile of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders. Postcards with historical information and relevant current information about the local Aboriginal community, as well as information on local Aboriginal services, would also be developed using images of the artworks. These would be made available for the whole of the community during events. The original artworks and copies of the artworks would be distributed at Council's libraries and leisure centres to ensure an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander perspective and participation in these services.

Council's contribution to the project would be in-kind support covering project management and administration services.

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### **Officer's Recommendation**

1. The Council endorse the application for \$7950 funding to the Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs through the Indigenous Capability and Development Program to develop a public awareness program that would contribute to a positive profile of the local Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community in the Campbelltown Local Government Area.
2. That subject to notification of success, the Funding Agreement from the Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs be accepted and signed by the General Manager on behalf of Council.

### **Committee's Recommendation: (Thompson/Lound)**

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

**CARRIED**

### **Council Meeting 21 May 2013 (Rowell/Lound)**

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

### **Council Resolution Minute Number 94**

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

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## **2.5 Multicultural Youth Sports Partnership Program - Midnight Basketball Funding Submission**

### **Reporting Officer**

Manager Community Resources and Development

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### **Attachments**

Nil

### **Purpose**

To seek Council's endorsement of an application to the Australian Sports Commission through the Multicultural Youth Sports Partnership Program for up to \$50,000, to support the Midnight Basketball Program Tournaments 10 and 11.

### **Report**

The Multicultural Youth Sports Partnership Program is an initiative of the Australian Government's Australian Sports Commission. The funding is for one year for up to \$50,000 to create sustainable opportunities for young people from new and emerging communities and culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds, to participate in sport and physical activity within their local communities.

The Campbelltown Midnight Basketball program has high numbers of young people participating from CALD backgrounds, in particular Maori and Pacific Islander and a growing number of local young people from emerging communities, especially Sudan.

It is proposed to submit an application for up to \$50,000 funding to the Australian Sports Commission to support Tournaments 10 and 11 of the Midnight Basketball Program. If successful, the funding would assist young people to participate in regular physical activity and link them into ongoing sporting and training opportunities through local sporting associations and organisations.

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### **Officer's Recommendation**

1. That Council endorse the funding submission of up to \$50,000 to the Australian Sports Commission to support the Midnight Basketball Tournaments 10 and Tournament 11.
2. That subject to notification of success, the Funding Agreement from the Australian Sports Commission be accepted and signed by the General Manager on behalf of Council.

### **Committee's Recommendation: (Glynn/Lound)**

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

**CARRIED**

### **Council Meeting 21 May 2013 (Rowell/Lound)**

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

### **Council Resolution Minute Number 94**

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

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## **2.6 Women NSW Investing in Women Funding Program**

### **Reporting Officer**

Manager Community Resources and Development

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### **Attachments**

Nil

### **Purpose**

To seek Council's endorsement of an application for \$20,000 to the NSW Government through the Department of Family and Community Services, Women NSW to increase awareness of, and female participation in, non-traditional employment areas within Council.

### **Report**

The Department of Family and Community Services, Women NSW is offering a new funding program, 'Investing in Women' for projects that lead to the economic empowerment of women through training and employment in non-traditional trades. Non-traditional trades are those with 25% or less participation of women.

The funding program is to support key stakeholders to encourage women to enter into non-traditional trades and to improve opportunities and outcomes for women in the priority area of economic participation. Local councils are identified as an eligible key stakeholder.

It is proposed to submit an application for \$20,000 towards the 'Trading Places' project which would focus on increasing awareness of, and female participation in, non-traditional employment areas within Council. This would include research on Council specific barriers to participation for women in non-traditional employment areas; developing partnerships with educational institutions to provide work experience opportunities for women in non-traditional areas within Council; presentations to female students in high schools, TAFE, university and the general community on careers at Council. Promotional material and project resources on careers in Council for women would also be developed to be used at presentations, career expos, Council's website and social media. A Careers Open Day showcasing opportunities within Council for women would also be held.

The project would be for a period of 12 months and would include employment of a Project Officer for one day per week within Council's Community Development Team, to facilitate partnerships, develop resources and support women.

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### **Officer's Recommendation**

1. That Council endorse the application of \$20,000 to the NSW Government through the Department of Family and Community Services, Women NSW to increase awareness of, and female participation in, non-traditional employment areas within Council.
2. That subject to notification of success, the Funding Agreement from the Department of Family and Community Services, Women NSW be accepted and signed by the General Manager on behalf of Council.

### **Committee's Recommendation: (Oates/Brticevic)**

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

**CARRIED**

### **Council Meeting 21 May 2013 (Rowell/Lound)**

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

### **Council Resolution Minute Number 94**

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

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### **3. CULTURAL SERVICES**

#### **3.1 2013 Visual Arts Program Exhibitions**

##### **Reporting Officer**

Manager Cultural Services

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##### **Attachments**

Nil

##### **Purpose**

To inform Council of forthcoming exhibitions to be held at Campbelltown Arts Centre as part of the 2013 Visual Arts Program.

##### **Report**

###### **'Catching Light'**

The 'Catching Light' exhibition is a partnership between Campbelltown Arts Centre and the International Symposium on Electronic Art (ISEA). ISEA is an annual event that moves around the world each year. The 19th ISEA will be held in a range of venues in and around Sydney in June 2013.

The exhibition will bring five established artists from new media practices including sound, light and robotic arts to mentor five emerging artists, with the outcome being new collaborative art work to be presented in the exhibition. All participating artists have chosen forms of technologies as the most appropriate channel of enquiry for their current work, or have a practice reliant on engagement. The artworks created will significantly contribute to the development of new media practices, both nationally and internationally.

The project is developed on the pre mentorship program between artists, an opportunity for artists to test new technologies. The collaborations will form ideas around new and old technologies, how they interpret each other, interact and diffuse their functions and limitations, exploring how the fundamentals of 'how' and 'why' something works by pushing the limits of their programming or technical operating skills in the development of art.

The exhibition will be held from 1 June to 6 July 2013 and officially launched on Friday 14 June at 7.00pm.

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### **'Collection Show'**

The 'Collection Show' focuses on an assortment of 40 works from the collection of Michael and Marilyn Reardon-Small, including a number of recognised Australian and international artists such as James Gleeson, Euan Macleod and Salvador Dali.

This exhibition will include the James Gleeson painting Michael and Marilyn Reardon-Small donated to Campbelltown Arts Centre's Permanent Art Collection in 2009.

The 'Collection Show' will be held from 20 July to 26 August 2013 and officially launched on Friday 19 July at 7.00pm.

### **The Friends Annual Exhibition**

The Friends Annual Exhibition occurs each year to provide an opportunity for the Friends of Campbelltown Arts Centre to exhibit their works within the gallery spaces. The exhibition consists of more than 50 works from members, many of whom are from the local community. All artworks on display are for sale and available for purchase throughout the exhibition.

The Friends Annual Exhibition will be held from 20 July to 26 August 2013 and officially launched on Saturday 20 July at 2.00pm.

### **Officer's Recommendation**

That the information be noted.

### **Committee's Recommendation: (Oates/Brticevic)**

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

### **CARRIED**

### **Council Meeting 21 May 2013 (Rowell/Lound)**

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

### **Council Resolution Minute Number 94**

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

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## **3.2 Campbelltown Arts Centre 2014 Contemporary Music Program Funding Submission**

### **Reporting Officer**

Manager Cultural Services

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### **Attachments**

Nil

### **Purpose**

To seek Council's endorsement of a submission to the Federal Government through the Australia Council for the Arts Music Program requesting \$50,000 support for the delivery of the Campbelltown Arts Centre's 2014 Contemporary Music Program.

### **Report**

The Australia Council for the Arts Music Program provides funding for a limited number of organisations that can demonstrate a track record of achievement in presentation, service delivery, youth training or relevant areas. The Australia Council has provided pre-approval for the Campbelltown Arts Centre to make a submission under this program for its 2014 Contemporary Music Program through approval of multi arts status for Campbelltown Arts Centre.

Building on the achievements of recent years in commissioning and presenting innovative and inclusive programs and performances, Campbelltown Arts Centre proposes to make a submission to the Australia Council for the Arts requesting \$50,000 towards its 2014 Contemporary Music Program. The 2014 Music Program will be curated, produced and presented by Campbelltown Arts Centre.

Council would provide in kind support to the program.

### **Officer's Recommendation**

1. That Council endorse the submission to the Federal Government through the Australia Council for the Arts Music Program requesting \$50,000 support for Campbelltown Arts Centre's 2014 Contemporary Music Program.
  2. That subject to notification of success, the funding Agreement from the Australia Council for the Arts be accepted and signed by the General Manager on behalf of Council.
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**Committee's Recommendation: (Thompson/Lound)**

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

**CARRIED**

**Council Meeting 21 May 2013 (Rowell/Lound)**

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

**Council Resolution Minute Number 94**

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

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### **3.3 2013 Contemporary Music Program Event**

#### **Reporting Officer**

Manager Cultural Services

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#### **Attachments**

Nil

#### **Purpose**

To advise Council of a public performance entitled 'Intersections' which will be held on Saturday 25 May 2013 at Campbelltown Arts Centre as part of the 2013 Sydney Writers' Festival.

#### **Report**

'Intersections' is a public performance of a newly commissioned musical work involving Campbelltown Arts Centre's 2013 Composer in Residence, Simon Barker. The new work developed with members of local writing groups explores the intersections between literature as the spoken word and music. This performance will cater for both lovers of writing, as well as lovers of music making, and will take the audience on an exploratory journey to a world where music and words come together.

Simon Barker has performed throughout Australia, Europe, Asia and the US including a 17-city Tran-Siberian concert tour of Russia with the Mark Isaacs Trio. In 2005, Barker was commissioned by the Australian Embassy Seoul to create a cultural exchange event for the 2005 Australia Month Festival in Korea. This led to the formation of Daorum, a group featuring pansori singer Bae Il Dong, Korean traditional percussionist Kim Dong Won, Phil Slater, Matt McMahon and Carl Dewhurst. The group has since performed at the Lincoln Center for performing arts, New York, as well as numerous international arts festivals. Daorum was performed at Campbelltown Arts Centre in 2012.

'Intersections' will be included in the 2013 Sydney Writers' Festival which will be held from 20-26 May.

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**Officer's Recommendation**

That the information be noted.

**Committee's Recommendation: (Lound/Oates)**

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

**CARRIED**

**Council Meeting 21 May 2013 (Rowell/Lound)**

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

**Council Resolution Minute Number 94**

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

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### **3.4 2012 Parliament of NSW Aboriginal Art Prize - Update**

#### **Reporting Officer**

Manager Cultural Services

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#### **Attachments**

Nil

#### **Purpose**

To update Council on the 2012 Parliament of NSW Aboriginal Art Prize.

#### **History**

The Parliament of NSW Art Prize was established in 2005 as a project partnership between the Parliament of NSW and Campbelltown City Council. The acquisitive prize of \$20,000 was created to support the development of NSW Aboriginal artists and the recognition of their work. This original agreement was supported by the NSW Government through Arts NSW and The University of NSW through the College of Fine Arts.

Council, at the meeting of 26 July 2011, was advised of the signing of the 2011-2015 Parliament of NSW Aboriginal Art Prize Memorandum of Understanding.

The expiration of the original five year Memorandum of Understanding presented an opportunity to expand the scope of the prize. An additional partner was secured in Coal & Allied to increase the prize money to \$40,000. In addition to the main prize, the contribution from The University of NSW has been increased to more than \$120,000 in scholarships, to be offered through the College of Fine Arts (COFA). This now includes the COFA Development Award and two additional grants for full time students to pursue post graduate studies at the university.

#### **Report**

This year, Campbelltown Arts Centre will be managing the tour of the 2012 Prize to two venues, Muswellbrook Regional Art Gallery from 18 May to 14 July 2013 and Broken Hill Art Gallery from 24 August to 6 October 2013.

The tour will showcase 37 artworks from 29 local and regional artists and include a number of public program events and artist talks at both venues by participating artist, Nicole Forshew. The tour package includes a detailed education kit aimed at secondary students and an Art Trail for primary school students.

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The tour provides the opportunity for regional communities to view artworks by leading Indigenous artists. Having toured to a total of 22 venues so far, this exhibition has been warmly received and continues to grow in prestige within the arts sector.

During the tour, the 2013 Parliament of NSW Art Prize entry form will be released. This will mark the ninth year of the Prize and third year of the current Memorandum of Understanding. The Prize continues to be one of Australia's leading Indigenous Art Awards and will continue to foster the development of artistic practice within Aboriginal Arts.

### **Officer's Recommendation**

That the information be noted.

### **Committee's Recommendation: (Oates/Glynn)**

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

**CARRIED**

### **Council Meeting 21 May 2013 (Rowell/Lound)**

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

### **Council Resolution Minute Number 94**

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

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## **4. HEALTHY LIFESTYLES**

### **4.1 Successful Sporting Clubs - 2012 Community Building Partnership Program**

#### **Reporting Officer**

Manager Healthy Lifestyles

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#### **Attachments**

Nil

#### **Purpose**

To inform Council of successful grants applied for by local sporting clubs and supported by Council under the NSW Government's 2012 Community Building Partnership program.

#### **History**

The Community Building Partnership program provides funds for community groups and local councils to invest in community infrastructure throughout the state. Incorporated not-for-profit groups are eligible to apply for grants with funds allocated for each NSW Government electorate, with successful projects awarded 100% funding of projects.

The objectives of the program are to:

- improve local community participation and cohesion through the delivery of social, environmental or recreational services or activities by enhancement of community infrastructure
- improve opportunities for people from disadvantaged or otherwise isolated groups to be included in community activities.

#### **Report**

Council staff were contacted and informed that four clubs intended to submit applications to the 2012 Community Building Partnership Program. Staff checked the detail of the applications, design and the costings of all projects, as well as provided letters of support.

On 1 April 2013, the participating clubs advised Council of the outcome of the submissions. Of the four applications, three were successful in securing funding for their projects:

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4.1 Successful Sporting Clubs - 2012 Community Building Partnership Program

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**Gaelic Athletic Association of NSW**

Contribution to develop a new sporting field at Bob Prenter Reserve, Macquarie Fields in partnership with Campbelltown AFL

Project funding awarded: \$50,000

**Macquarie Fields Cricket Club**

Construction of cricket nets and a shade shelter at Hazlett Oval, Macquarie Fields

Project funding awarded: \$58,500

**Campbelltown Collegians Junior Rugby League Football Club**

Upgrade to the floodlighting at Bradbury Oval

Project funding awarded: \$47,707

There was one unsuccessful application:

**AFL (NSW/ACT)**

Construction of a pathway and fencing at Clark Reserve, Kearns.

There is no financial contribution from Council to these projects, however, Council is liaising with each of the organisations to project manage the projects and ensure that they are completed safely and provide the best outcome for the organisation and the community. All completed projects become the property of Council and will be managed under Council's assets program.

**Officer's Recommendation**

That the information be noted.

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

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

**CARRIED****Council Meeting 21 May 2013 (Rowell/Lound)**

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

**Council Resolution Minute Number 94**

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

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## **4.2 Development of a new playing field at Bob Prenter Reserve**

### **Reporting Officer**

Manager Healthy Lifestyles

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### **Attachments**

Nil

### **Purpose**

To inform Council that Campbelltown AFL and the Gaelic Athletic Association have developed a partnership and received funds to develop a supplementary playing field at Bob Prenter Reserve.

### **History**

In 2012, the Gaelic Athletic Association of NSW relocated its competition headquarters to Bob Prenter Reserve after their previous ground of 20 years was provided to a local soccer club. The Association has developed a mutually beneficial partnership with the Campbelltown Australian Football Club and Macquarie Fields has become the home of Gaelic sports in Sydney, with competition taking place on the main field of Bob Prenter Reserve every Sunday during the winter season.

### **Report**

The Gaelic Athletic Association of NSW, in partnership with Campbelltown AFL, was successful in bidding to host the Australian Gaelic Championships in October, where associations from all over Australia will converge on Campbelltown and Bob Prenter Reserve to compete. As part of the bid, it was proposed that a second field be developed at the rear of the existing oval with the Association allocating more than \$180,000 to the project. Both Associations have presented their plans to Council officers to determine the scope of works and a time frame for the works to be completed to be ready for the event in October 2013.

The Gaelic Athletic Association, in partnership with Campbelltown AFL, was successful in applying for a 2012 Community Building Partnership grant of \$50,000 as reported in Item 4.1 of the current Community Services agenda.

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Council is liaising with each of the organisations to project manage the projects, ensure that they meet work health and safety requirements, the quality of works is at an acceptable standard to Council and are completed with the best outcome for the organisation and the community.

It is expected that the works will commence in late May 2013 and be ready prior to the event.

**Officer's Recommendation**

That the information be noted.

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

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

**CARRIED**

**Council Meeting 21 May 2013 (Rowell/Lound)**

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

**Council Resolution Minute Number 94**

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

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## 5. LIBRARY SERVICES

### 5.1 Council's Library Services operating hours

#### Reporting Officer

Manager Library Services

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#### Attachments

Nil

#### Purpose

To advise Council of proposed changes to library operating hours.

#### History

Council were presented with various options surrounding Library Service operations at a briefing on 12 March 2013.

#### Report

Library officers regularly review customer feedback and statistical information to ensure that Library Services are providing the most effective mix of services and access for the community.

Library Services are highly valued by the community and overall demand for lending and information services remains strong. Council has five libraries across the city, each with a different range of operating hours.

Current operating hours are:

Branch	Opening hours
Ingleburn Library	Monday and Friday 9.30am – 8.30pm Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 9.30am – 5.00pm Saturday 9.00am – 12.00 noon
Glenquarie Library	Monday, Tuesday and Friday 9.30am – 5.00pm Wednesday – Thursday 9.30am – 8.30pm Saturday 9.00am – 12.00 noon
Minto Library	Monday and Thursday 9.00am – 8.00pm Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday 9.00am – 5.00pm Saturday 9.00am – 12.00 noon
HJ Daley Library	Monday – Friday 9.30am – 8.30pm Saturday 9.00am – 4.00pm Sunday 10.30am – 4.00pm
Eagle Vale Library	Monday – Friday 9.30am – 7.00pm Saturday 9.00am – 12.00pm

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Recent analysis of the use of individual branch libraries in the city and feedback from customers, indicates there are opportunities to adjust the current operational hours of some branch libraries to better address demand for services.

Branch libraries at Glenquarie and Minto are experiencing low visitation on their respective late opening evenings, while also experiencing an increased demand for programmed services during the mornings and afternoons.

Glenquarie Library sees a marked decline in visitation and use after 7.00pm on its late night closing. This trend reflects changes in the demographics of the area where the growing number of younger families and older people, prefer to make use of the library during daylight hours.

Minto Library sees a marked decline in visitation and use after 5.00pm on its late night closing. This reflects the primary role of the library as a school library.

Ingleburn Library users are expressing demand for increased access to services after 5.00pm on weeknights, however demand for services after 7.00pm on the existing late opening nights has declined. Similarly, there is an increased demand for programmed services during the mornings and afternoons.

To address this change in usage patterns, it is recommended to adopt a new schedule of library opening hours to become effective from 1 July 2013:

<b>Branch</b>	<b>Opening hours</b>
Ingleburn Library	Monday – Friday 9.30am – 7.00pm Saturday 9.00am – 12.00 noon
Glenquarie Library	Monday, Tuesday and Friday 9.30am – 5.00pm Wednesday – Thursday 9.30am – 7.00pm Saturday 9.00am – 12.00 noon
Minto Library	Monday – Friday 9.30am – 5.00pm Saturday 9.00am – 12.00 noon
HJ Daley Library	No change
Eagle Vale Library	No change

The revised schedule of opening hours will enable the most effective delivery of library services based on current and anticipated demand. To assist library members in adjusting to the new hours, a communication strategy including in-branch promotions, direct email and online notifications through Facebook and Council's website would be implemented. A further report analysing the impacts of this change will be presented to Council after six months.

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## Officer's Recommendation

That Council adopt a new schedule of library opening hours at Ingleburn, Glenquarie and Minto Branch Libraries, as detailed below, effective from 1 July 2013.

Branch	Opening hours
Ingleburn Library	Monday – Friday 9.30am – 7.00pm
	Saturday 9.00am – 12.00 noon
Glenquarie Library	Monday, Tuesday and Friday 9.30am – 5.00pm
	Wednesday – Thursday 9.30am – 7.00pm
	Saturday 9.00am – 12.00 noon
Minto Library	Monday – Friday 9.30am – 5.00pm
	Saturday 9.00am – 12.00 noon

## Committee's Recommendation: (Lound/Thompson)

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

**CARRIED**

## Council Meeting 21 May 2013 (Rowell/Lound)

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

## Council Resolution Minute Number 94

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

## 6. GENERAL BUSINESS

### 6.1 Campbelltown Road Upgrade

#### Committee's Recommendation: (Oates/Brticevic)

1. That Council make a submission to the RMS strongly objecting to the planned intention to remove over 37 metres of curtilage from Denham Court House on Campbelltown Road, as part of the planned road widening works. Also that Council strongly object to the removal of curtilage of the Ingleburn Military Heritage Precinct, specifically in front of the Mont St Quentin Oval and the Bardia Barracks site.
2. That Council inspect the site as a matter of urgency with briefings as appropriate.
3. That Council investigate holding a briefing session for the local residents to enable them to communicate their concerns.

**CARRIED**

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### **Council Meeting 21 May 2013**

Having declared an interest in regard to Community Services Item 6.1, Councillor Chanthivong left the Chamber and did not take part in debate nor vote on this item.

### **Council Meeting 21 May 2013**

Standing Orders were resolved to move this Item and Item 1.3 City Works to the beginning of the agenda to be dealt with as a separate item.

## **20. CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS**

### **No reports this round**

There being no further business the meeting closed at 6.20pm.

T Rowell  
CHAIRPERSON

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