

# **Reports of the Community Services Committee Meeting held at 5.30pm on Tuesday, 1 May 2012.**

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## **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF LAND**

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**Minutes of the Community Services Committee held on 1 May 2012**

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**Present**

- Councillor M Oates (Chairperson)
- Councillor J Bourke
- Councillor W Glynn
- Councillor R Kolkman
- Councillor M Thomas
- General Manager - Mr P Tosi
- Director Community Services - Mrs L Deitz
- Director Planning and Environment - Mr J Lawrence
- Manager Community Resources and Development - Mr B McCausland
- Manager Children's Services - Mrs J Uluibau
- Manager Cultural Services - Mr M Dagostino
- Manager Healthy Lifestyles - Mr M Berriman
- Manager Library Services - Mr G White
- Manager Emergency Management – Mr J Dodd
- Corporate Support Coordinator - Mr T Rouen
- Executive Assistant - Ms B Buckley

**Apology (Glynn/Kolkman)**

That the apology from Councillors Thompson and Rowell be received and accepted.

**CARRIED**

**Acknowledgement of Land**

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

**DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no Declarations of Interest at this meeting.

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## **1. CHILDREN'S SERVICES**

### **1.1 Section name change for Council's Childrens Services**

#### **Reporting Officer**

Manager Children's Services

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#### **Attachments**

Nil

#### **Purpose**

To seek Council's approval for a Section name change from Childrens Services to Education and Care Services in line with new industry standards.

#### **History**

Council at its briefing of 27 March 2012 was advised of changes to the National Regulations and the National Quality Framework for the child care industry, which were implemented on 1 January 2012. In line with these changes the Childrens Services sector is now referred to as Education and Care Services.

#### **Report**

Campbelltown City Council's Childrens Services is required to report to the Department of Education and Communities at a state level and is overseen by the Australian Children's Education and Care Quality Authority at a national level in relation to the National Quality Framework, Standards and Quality Rating program. The National Regulations and the National Quality Framework ensures all education and care services are working towards the same high quality standards and are covered by one single set of rules nationally.

The focus for the Childrens Services Section is on the delivery of better quality services and the promotion of good educational and social outcomes for children attending Council's services. It is suggested that in line with the new industry standards Council's Childrens Services Section name be changed to Education and Care Services.

#### **Officer's Recommendation**

That Council's Childrens Services Section name be changed to Education and Care Services.

#### **Committee's Recommendation: (Thomas/Bourke)**

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

**CARRIED**

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**Council Meeting 8 May 2012 (Oates/Kolkman)**

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

**Council Resolution Minute Number 78**

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

**CARRIED**

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

### **2.1 Orientation to Campbelltown Cultural Tours**

#### **Reporting Officer**

Manager Community Resources and Development

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#### **Attachments**

Nil

#### **Purpose**

To inform Council of plans to trial *Orientation to Campbelltown Cultural Tours* for new migrants.

#### **Report**

Council's Community Resources and Development section has developed a partnership with the South Western Sydney Local Health District Multicultural Health Service and the Navitas Adult Migrant English Program in response to the lack of knowledge of services and facilities amongst students of the program.

This has led to the development of *Orientation to Campbelltown Cultural Tours* for residents from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds. The tours aim to introduce new migrants in the Campbelltown area to the services and facilities available from Campbelltown City Council. Many new residents come from countries with vastly different political and service systems and are unfamiliar with the way in which local government operates in Australia.

The tours have been booked for 1 May and 7 May 2012.

Tours will begin in the Council Chambers to give an overview of Council and a discussion on Waste Services. The tour will then visit Eagle Vale Central, the Animal Care Facility, Campbelltown Arts Centre, Quondong and the HJ Daley Library where staff will speak with the participants about the services. Further Council facilities will be highlighted out along the tour route.

A welcome pack will also be provided to attendees with information on Council's services and how to access translating and interpreting assistance at Council.

Further tours will be considered after a review of the pilot program.

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**Officer's Recommendation**

That the information be noted.

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

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

**CARRIED**

**Council Meeting 8 May 2012 (Oates/Kolkman)**

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

**Council Resolution Minute Number 78**

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

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## 2.2 Seniors Week 2012 Evaluation

### Reporting Officer

Manager Community Resources and Development and Manager Cultural Services

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### Attachments

Nil

### Purpose

To provide Council with an evaluation report on the 2012 Seniors Week celebrations held from 18-25 March.

### Report

This year's statewide theme for Seniors Week was *Live Life*, a theme continued on from the previous three 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 2012 Seniors Week Calendar had a total of 32 events and activities during 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 2012 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.

Seniors Week celebrations included the Jubilee Awards presentation at the Civic Centre on 13 March to recognise the contribution individuals have made to Campbelltown over the last fifty years.

### Events held at Campbelltown Arts Centre

Events and activities at the Campbelltown Arts Centre included the *Life and Music of Winifred Atwell* presented by the humorous and interactive pianist Jan Preston. The performance combined live music, narration and visuals to celebrate the life and music of honky tonk great Winifred Atwell. Through her performance, Jan Preston gave a wonderful insight into Winifred Atwell's life; her tireless work for charities, her enormous success which culminated in her playing to more than 20 million people worldwide, and her many top ten hits. The free, ticketed event was very well received among audiences, with approximately 160 people attending.

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The popular *Seniors Soiree*, an event which was first run in 2010, was attended by 80 people at close to full capacity on Saturday 24 March. The event provided individuals and community groups with the opportunity to showcase their skills and talents within a professional, curated performance environment. Performances were open to both beginners and professionals, and offered an encouraging platform for showcasing creativity. Thirteen individual and group performances were showcased throughout the afternoon, with approximately forty local participants. Trevar Langlands, President of 2MCR – Macarthur Community Radio, was host of the event.

The annual *Seniors Tea Dance* was held on Sunday 25 March. The event was attended by approximately 80 people. A key feature of the Tea Dance included participatory dance for those with partners and without, live music performed by The Penguins, and guidance from the event's MC, Captain Pat, from local radio station C913FM. The Tea Dance provided older citizens within the local community with an activity that increases social interaction, fitness and flexibility, and general well being through creative movement and dance.

A new program, The Tea Dance project, was launched during Seniors Week and will form part of the 2012 Contemporary Dance Program. Over forty participants of the Seniors Tea Dance registered their interest in engaging in this future project.

### **Other Council events**

Council's coordination of three Seniors Concerts at clubs across the Campbelltown Local Government Area was extremely popular with approximately 1100 local seniors in attendance across the concerts which were held at the Campbelltown Catholic Club, the Campbelltown RSL Club and a concert at Western Suburbs Leagues Club.

Following the success of last year's concert, Western Suburbs Leagues Club in partnership with Campbelltown City Council again hosted a concert specifically for people with dementia and their carers. This concert was a very positive event, attracting over 100 attendees actively participating.

An estimated 200 local seniors attended the *The Good Old Days – Living Healthy for Less* event. Seniors participated in a variety of activities which included, community greening and permaculture workshops, pampering and jewellery making workshops, healthy eating cooking demonstrations and gentle exercise classes. Taste testing of various cultural foods was also offered with lunch and entertainment provided throughout the day. A diverse range of government and non-government organisations provided information stalls and resources. Those who attended the event also enjoyed the presentation and launch of the "Positive Ageing" calendar. Feedback received from participants showed how much they enjoyed the event. This was a great opportunity for local seniors, volunteers and services to work together and build partnerships to support each other.

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

Healthy Lifestyles also offered free passes to Council's Leisure Centres across Seniors Week for local residents over 60 years of age.

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## **Evaluation**

Positive feedback regarding the organisation of the week has been received from attendees and participants.

This year's concert ticketing system proved a success, with more locations to access; seniors could receive their tickets from their local area. It also provided an opportunity for seniors to visit their local libraries and leisure centres to see what else is on offer throughout the Campbelltown LGA.

Positive feedback was also received after the Western Suburbs Leagues Club dementia specific, Campbelltown RSL and Campbelltown Catholic Club concerts, with various comments from seniors stating how well organised and how much Council's efforts were appreciated.

Evaluation surveys were sent to service providers and community members who attended local events to date, Council have received over a 25% completed survey response from the community and 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 2012 will be sent a letter of thanks and certificate of appreciation.

## **Officer's Recommendation**

That the information be noted.

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

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

## **CARRIED**

## **Council Meeting 8 May 2012 (Oates/Kolkman)**

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

## **Council Resolution Minute Number 78**

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

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## 2.3 Elders Olympics

### Reporting Officer

Manager Cultural Services

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### Attachments

Nil

### Purpose

To inform Council of the inaugural Regional Elders Olympics which was held on Friday 23 March 2012.

### Report

The Elders Olympics was held as part of Seniors Week celebrations at the Wollondilly Leisure Centre. Five teams participated in the Olympics, that saw Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people from across south west Sydney engage in friendly competition over a host of traditional games.

The aim of the event was to promote active and healthy lifestyles among senior members of the local Aboriginal population, and provide an opportunity to socialise and develop ongoing networks beyond the day.

Event sponsors and supporters of the Elders Olympics included, Sydney South West Area Health Service, Tharawal Aboriginal Corporation, Tharawal Local Aboriginal Local Land Council, Bankstown Area Multicultural Health, Muru Nanga Mai, Campbelltown Police Liaison Officers, Macarthur Disability Services, Campbelltown City Council, Camden Council, Wollondilly Shire Council, Wingecarribee Shire Council and NSW Government Communities, Sport and Recreation.

Tharawal Aboriginal Corporation Team Two, one of two Campbelltown teams participating in the Elders Olympics, claimed the winning Cup by a small margin following an outstanding performance. A joint Wingecarribee Shire and Camden Council team came second, and a joint team from Hoxton Park and Condell Park came third.

The event proved so successful and popular that discussions for next year's Elders Olympics are already underway.

### Officer's Recommendation

That the information be noted.

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

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

**CARRIED**

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**Council Meeting 8 May 2012 (Oates/Kolkman)**

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

**Council Resolution Minute Number 78**

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

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### **3. CULTURAL SERVICES**

#### **3.1 The Friends of Campbelltown Arts Centre Proposed Donation**

##### **Reporting Officer**

Manager Cultural Services

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##### **Attachments**

Nil

##### **Purpose**

To seek Council's acceptance of a \$10,000 donation by the Friends of Campbelltown Arts Centre Inc to Campbelltown Arts Centre for the purchase of a sculpture.

##### **Report**

The Friends of Campbelltown Arts Centre Inc (Friends) is a well-established group that supports the cultural development of the Campbelltown region. Since 1982 the Friends have made significant contributions to Campbelltown Arts Centre through funds raised from their diverse events program. Such contributions include the purchase of furniture and equipment, artwork and the annual co-sponsorship of the Open Award of the Fisher's Ghost Art Award.

The Friends also continue to dedicate many volunteer hours into the operation of the Arts Centre. This ongoing support assists the Arts Centre to successfully meet the high level of administrative tasks required to deliver its dynamic artistic program.

This year is the 30th anniversary of the Friends formation and to celebrate this achievement the association has pledged a cash donation of \$10,000 for the purchase of a sculpture to be located within the Arts Centre's outdoor Sculpture Garden.

The sculpture would be a welcomed addition to the popular Sculpture Garden that was formally opened in 2001, as a Centenary of Federation project. It currently houses several significant sculptures by artists of national significance including the major commission *Tether of Time* by local artist, the late Joan Brassil.

##### **Officer's Recommendation**

1. That Council accepts the proposed \$10,000 donation by the Friends of Campbelltown Arts Centre Inc to Campbelltown Arts Centre for the purchase of a sculpture.
  2. That a letter be forwarded to the Friends of Campbelltown Arts Centre Inc expressing Council's gratitude to the proposed donation.
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**Committee's Recommendation: (Kolkman/Bourke)**

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

**CARRIED**

**Council Meeting 8 May 2012 (Oates/Kolkman)**

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

**Council Resolution Minute Number 78**

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

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## **3.2 Campbelltown Arts Centre 2012 Contemporary Music Program**

### **Reporting Officer**

Manager Cultural Services

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### **Attachments**

Nil

### **Purpose**

To inform Council of Campbelltown Arts Centre's 2012 Contemporary Music Program.

### **Report**

The Campbelltown Arts Centre's 2012 Contemporary Music Program will continue to build upon the Centre's support for the development of new contemporary music works, education and community access. The program will feature newly commissioned works performed by Australia's finest performers and will continue to build the Centre's reputation for supporting the very best in contemporary music. The accessibility of the program is supported by ongoing audience development strategies that ensure that diverse sectors of the Campbelltown community have access to the program.

The program to date has included the following key projects.

#### **Daorum A Weekend of Creative Fire 25 and 26 February**

The 2012 Contemporary Music program was launched with a weekend of fusion of two musical cultures. Daorum featured Korean pansori singer Bae il Dong, Kim Dong Won (voice and percussion), Phil Slater (trumpet), Carl Dewhurst (guitar), Matt McMahon (piano) and group founder and leader Simon Barker (drums) Drawing on selections from the pansori classics as vehicles for improvisation, Daorum incorporates Korean traditional rhythms and contemporary improvisation, creating a musical cultural exchange.

In addition to the musical performance, the Korean Cultural Office presented the award winning film "Intangible Asset Number 82", a feature documentary directed by Emma Franz that followed Simon Barker's search for an enigmatic Korean shaman. Korean pansori vocalist Bae Il Dong also shared his wisdom and vocal art in a two hour workshop the following day.

The launch was well attended by local and Sydney audiences and representatives of funding bodies. Positive feedback was received regarding the inclusion of the film and the workshop in the program launch.

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**Prestidigitation**  
**Saturday March 17**

In collaboration with New Music Network, Prestidigitation featured master multi-instrumentalist Adam Simmons and keyboardist Erik Griswold. In their first duo collaboration, Simmons and Griswold pooled their collections of toys, keyboards, found objects, reeds and flutes in an exploration of musical and colourful sound.

**Kiddies Kushion Koncert**  
**Sunday March 18**

The Fisher's Ghost Youth Orchestra performed at Campbelltown Arts Centre in a new toddlers' program for 2012. Aimed at children ages 2-5, the program was a fun opportunity to get up close to instruments and experience the sounds of a live orchestra in action. A full house of adults and toddlers ensured that this free community event was a huge success again. These concerts build relationships not only with the community of the Fisher's Ghost Youth Orchestra but the general community who are always appreciative of high quality free children's activities and experiences that can be shared inter-generationally.

**Byron Watson in Recital**  
**Friday March 23**

Byron Watson (Baritone) originally comes from Bradbury and is now an international opera singer and recitalist. He shared an exciting but accessible program of vocal music that was appreciated and enjoyed by a small audience. Byron was accompanied by acclaimed pianist and conductor, Simon Kenway.

As the relationship between Campbelltown Arts Centre and the Australian Opera has been developing, Simon Kenway has played an important role. This is the second time Kenway has worked at the Centre in the past 12 months and he will be leading vocal workshops on operatic choruses leading up to a performance at the Sydney Opera House for massed choirs including those from the Macarthur region, later in 2012.

**Officer's Recommendation**

That the information be noted.

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

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

**CARRIED**

**Council Meeting 8 May 2012 (Oates/Kolkman)**

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

**Council Resolution Minute Number 78**

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

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## **4. HEALTHY LIFESTYLES**

**No reports this round**

## **5. LIBRARY SERVICES**

### **5.1 Significance Assessment of Local Studies Collection**

#### **Reporting Officer**

Manager Library Services

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#### **Attachments**

Nil

#### **Purpose**

To provide Council with an update on the progress of the significance assessment for the Local Studies Collection.

#### **History**

At its meeting on 10 May 2011, Council endorsed an application by the Library Service for a Community Heritage Grant to undertake a significance assessment of the Local Studies Collection. The Library's application was successful and the assessment has now been completed.

#### **Report**

The significance assessment of the Local Studies Collection was undertaken by Dr Anne-Maree Whitaker, a highly regarded and experienced professional historian.

Dr Whitaker conducted her assessment of the collection during the early months of 2012 which included a number of inspection visits to the Local Studies Collection, and consultation with a range of stakeholders, including Campbelltown and Airds Historical Society, Library staff and a large number of researchers and casual users of the collection.

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As a result of Dr Whitaker's review, the assessment found the Campbelltown Library Local Studies Collection has national significance. Areas of particularly high significance in the collection include the extensive scientific and environmental reports, oral histories, photographic collection, and the comprehensive local newspaper collection. One item assessed to have exceptional significance was papers and associated artworks of Steve Roach, considered to be one of the finest pencil artists Australia has produced which were acquired by the Library in 2007.

The report makes a number of recommendations for the collection's future use. It is anticipated that the report will assist in obtaining further grant funding for preservation and digitization projects.

### **Officer's Recommendation**

That the information be noted.

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

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

**CARRIED**

### **Council Meeting 8 May 2012 (Oates/Kolkman)**

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

### **Council Resolution Minute Number 78**

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

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## 5.2 Sydney Writers Festival Event

### Reporting Officer

Manager Library Services

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### Attachments

Nil

### Purpose

To advise Council of the Sydney Writers' Festival Event to be held at the Greg Percival Library and Community Centre on 16 May 2012.

### History

The Sydney Writers' Festival is Australia's largest annual celebration of literature and ideas.

Each year, over 300 events attract attendances of around 80,000 in venues that stretch from the Festival hub at Walsh Bay to the Blue Mountains.

For one week every May the Sydney Writers' Festival brings together authors of the very best contemporary fiction and writers of cutting edge nonfiction, including some of the world's leading public intellectuals, scientists and journalists.

### Report

Council's Library Service is again hosting a visiting author in conjunction with the Sydney Writers' Festival.

This year the top UK crime and thriller novelist, Peter James will discuss his latest offering in the Roy Grace detective series, *Not Dead Yet*.

The Roy Grace detective novels have sold over 11 million copies and been translated into 33 languages worldwide. When writing new stories, Peter carries out extensive research with Sussex Police and police around the world, observing their methodology to ensure his thrillers are as accurate, surprising and realistic as possible.

Peter James is one of the UK's most treasured crime and thriller novelists, an established film producer and script writer. Peter has produced numerous films. A TV adaptation of the Roy Grace series is currently in development, with Peter overseeing all aspects, including the script writing.

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The author visit is free and will commence at 7:00pm at the Greg Percival Library and Community Centre on 16 May 2012.

**Officer's Recommendation**

That the information be noted.

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

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

**CARRIED**

**Council Meeting 8 May 2012 (Oates/Kolkman)**

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

**Council Resolution Minute Number 78**

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

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## 5.3 Library and Information Week

### Reporting Officer

Manager Library Services

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### Attachments

Nil

### Purpose

To advise Council of activities planned for Library and Information Week.

### Report

Library and Information Week will be held during 20-26 May. The theme for this year's celebration is to "*think outside the book*".

Australian Library Week was first celebrated in 1968 under the auspice of the Australian Library Promotion Council. The Council folded in the late 1980s. After an intermission of some years, the Australian Library and Information Association assumed responsibility for Australian Library Week and activities and promotion of the event have steadily gained momentum.

As part of this year's celebration, Council's Library Service will host a number of special activities during the week in addition to the ongoing program of events and services.

National Simultaneous Storytime will take place on Wednesday 23 May at 11:00am. The book for this year is *The Very Cranky Bear* by Nick Bland. All Council Libraries will be participating in this special storytime activity joining hundreds of other libraries and thousands of children across the country.

On Saturday 26 May commencing at 10:00am, the Library Service will hold an open day at the HJ Daley Library celebrating the theme of thinking outside the book. A range of events have been planned and include, guided tours of the stacks and Local Studies collections, treasure hunts, multilingual storytimes, face painting, sausage sizzle, live music, games, ebook reader demonstrations, a monster book sale and much more.

### Officer's Recommendation

That the information be noted.

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

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

**CARRIED**

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**Council Meeting 8 May 2012 (Oates/Kolkman)**

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

**Council Resolution Minute Number 78**

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

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## 5.4 Community Services Quarterly Report January-March 2012

### Reporting Officer

Manager Library Services

### Attachments

Nil

### Purpose

To provide Council with statistics detailing Community Services usage over the January-March 2012 quarter.

### Report

These statistics cover Childrens Services, Arts Centre, Healthy Lifestyles, Library Services and Community Resources and Development activities.

### CHILDRENS SERVICES

#### Attendance and usage - Family Day Care/Long Day Care/Occasional Care

Service	Operating places per day	Average no. places used per day	Measure		
			No. children (ie actual not per day as one child could attend 5 days)		
			Jan-Mar 2011	Jan-Mar 2012	% change
Family Day Care	770	535	757	737	-3%
In Home Care	20	0.3	2	5	150%
Amarina LDC	29	20.6	50	47	-6%
Amber LDC	39	22.4	58	77	33%
Eagles Nest LDC	39	31.8	60	76	27%
Kabbarli LDC	29	18.5	51	53	4%
Minto LDC	39	24.6	60	57	-5%
Parklands LDC	29	17.4	42	38	-10%
Waratah LDC	29	17.6	49	40	-18%
Wombat Willows LDC	39	28.4	58	67	16%
Namut LDC	34	23	72	71	-1%
Namut OC	5	0.1	24	12	-50%
Ingleburn OC	28	8	30	30	0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>1129</b>	<b>747.7</b>	<b>1313</b>	<b>1310</b>	<b>0%</b>

- A decline in the number of Family Day Care Educators has impacted on utilization of the service

- Amber Cottage and Eagles Nest Early Learning Centres saw an increase due to a large number of new enrolments
- Waratah Cottage had a decrease in demand for child care places due to children relocating to other services
- Namut Occasional Care saw a decrease due to the demand for long day care exceeding the need for occasional care places.

#### Attendance and usage - Before and After School Care

Service	No. of daily places	Average no. places used per day	Measure		
			No. children (ie actual not per day as one child could attend 5 days)		
			Jan-Mar 2011	Jan-Mar 2012	% change
Campbelltown City Before	60	15.8	31	26	-16%
Campbelltown City After	60	38.2	71	61	-14%
Amber Cottage Before	7	4.8	9	7	-22%
Amber Cottage After	9	9	15	15	0%
Raby Before	45	13.4	32	23	-28%
Raby After	45	38.2	65	60	-8%
<b>Total</b>	<b>226</b>	<b>119.4</b>	<b>223</b>	<b>192</b>	<b>-14%</b>

- All Before School services and Raby and Campbelltown City After School Care Services have seen decreases in utilisation due to changes in enrolments for children and families
- Amber Cottage After School Care remains steady operating at capacity.

#### Attendance and usage - Vacation Care

Service	Maximum places per day	Average no. places used per day	Measure		
			No. children (ie actual not per day as one child could attend 5 days)		
Vacation Care			January 2011	January 2012	% change
Campbelltown City	60	49	154	157	2%
Eagle Vale Central	30	26.8	60	66	10%
Raby	45	17.4	61	53	-13%
<b>Total</b>	<b>135</b>	<b>93.2</b>	<b>275</b>	<b>276</b>	<b>0%</b>

- Eagle Vale Central Vacation Care operated at capacity for the January 2012 vacation care period
- Raby Vacation Care experienced a decrease in the number of children utilising the January 2012 vacation care period.

**ARTS CENTRE**

	Measure		
Service	Quarterly Attendances		
	Jan-Mar 2011	Jan-Mar 2012	% change
Individual Visitation	25758	24673	-4%
Education and Public Program	2952	2971	0.6%
Community Groups	845	925	9%
Performance Program	2545	2417	-5%
Community Usage	6454	6519	1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>38554</b>	<b>37505</b>	<b>-2%</b>

**LIBRARY SERVICES**

	Measure		
Service	Number of loans and renewals		
Circulation	Jan-Mar 2011	Jan-Mar 2012	% change
Campbelltown	91696	81463	-11%
Eagle Vale	23858	21045	-12%
Glenquarie	18185	20175	11%
Ingleburn	24310	22277	-8%
Minto	14778	13388	-9%
Home Library Service	3315	3700	12%
Inter Library Loans	74	41	-45%
Web Renewals	3548	3258	-8%
Overdrive		1239	
<b>Total</b>	<b>222571</b>	<b>205510</b>	<b>-8%</b>

	Measure		
Service	Number of public computer bookings		
PC Bookings	Jan-Mar 2011	Jan-Mar 2012	% change
Campbelltown	6783	6191	-9%
Eagle Vale	2430	2269	-7%
Glenquarie	2906	1623	-44%
Ingleburn	3981	2908	-27%
Minto	1594	1210	-24%
Wi-Fi	3809	5995	57%
<b>Total</b>	<b>17694</b>	<b>14201</b>	<b>-20%</b>

- Glenquarie - PC unavailable at this time due to upgrade



### Desk Transactions

	Measure		
Service	Number of Information/Reference Desk transactions		
Desk Transactions	Jan-Mar 2011	Jan-Mar 2012	% change
Campbelltown	15768	17904	14%
Eagle Vale	8613	6322	-27%
Glenquarie	6883	6266	-9%
Ingleburn	12014	11660	-3%
Minto	3012	3615	20%
<b>Total</b>	<b>46290</b>	<b>45767</b>	<b>-1%</b>

### Inter-Library Loans

	Measure		
Service	Number of items lent and borrowed		
HJ Daley Central Library	Jan-Mar 2011	Jan-Mar 2012	% change
Inter-Library Loans	141	191	35%

### Home Library Service

	Measure		
	Number of visits to housebound people		
	Jan-Mar 2011	Jan-Mar 2012	% change
Home Library Service	11742	760	-35%

### Web-based activities

	Measure		
Service	Number of Web reservations		
Web-reservations	Jan-Mar 2011	Jan-Mar 2012	% change
	6866	6435	-6%

	Measure		
Service	Number of Web catalogue searches renewals reserves		
All Web-transactions	Jan-Mar 2011	Jan-Mar 2012	% change
	*	179391	

- \* Problem calculating catalogue searches during the Jan-Mar 2011 quarter.

**Library Visits**

	Measure		
	People visits		
Library visits	Jan-Mar 2011	Jan-Mar 2012	% change
Campbelltown	56986	55533	-3%
Eagle Vale	30933	30079	-3%
Glenquarie	17878	17081	-4%
Ingleburn	32225	28103	-13%
Minto	24775	20361	-18%
<b>Total</b>	<b>162796</b>	<b>151156</b>	<b>-7%</b>

	Measure		
Service	Number of current library members		
Current memberships	As at 31/03/11	As at 31/03/12	% change
Adult	50619	52048	3%
Junior	8772	8564	-2%
Youth	7086	6808	-4%
Home Library Service	182	170	-7%
Sarah Redfern Schools	1162	1093	-6%
Other	217	221	2%
<b>Total</b>	<b>68038</b>	<b>68904</b>	<b>1%</b>

	Measure		
All Programs	Current members vs Population		
New library stock	Members	Population	% membership
Adult	52048	1000785	52%
Youth	6808	15090	45%
Junior	9657	26508	36%
Home Library Service	170	n/a	
Other	221	n/a	
<b>Total</b>	<b>68904</b>	<b>142383</b>	<b>48%</b>

- Population as per 2006 ABS estimates

### Library Stock

	Measure		
Service	Number of new library items		
New library stock	Jan-Mar 2011	Jan-Mar 2012	% change
	3078	3872	26%

	Measure		
Service	Number of current library items		
Current library stock	As at 01/04/11	As at 01/04/12	% change
	232734	232750	0%

### Extension Services January-March 2012

Extension Service Activities	People attending Jan-Mar 2012	Activities held Jan-Mar 2012
Storytimes	1443	63
Children's activities	516	22
Class visits	111	6
Youth activities	74	5
Other activities	212	22
<b>Total</b>	<b>2356</b>	<b>118</b>

## HEALTHY LIFESTYLES

### Leisure Centres

	Measure		
Service	Number of attendances during period		
Leisure Centres	Jan-Mar 2011	Jan-Mar 2012	% change
The Gordon Fetterplace Aquatic Centre	25281	44994	78%
Eagle Vale Central	41855	44093	5%
Macquarie Fields Indoor Sports Centre	19392	16927	-13%
Macquarie Fields Leisure Centre	48354	35866	-26%
<b>Total</b>	<b>134882</b>	<b>141880</b>	<b>5%</b>

- Gordon Fetterplace Aquatic Centre - the outdoor pool opening for this summer ensured statistics improved on last year. Group bookings and Learn to Swim have increased significantly and squad numbers are consistent
- Eagle Vale Central - Learn to Swim and fitness are performing well with memberships and attendances. School bookings and general swimming were down on previous years
- Macquarie Fields Indoor Sports Centre - memberships at the centre have decreased slightly and have led to a decrease in member attendances at the centre especially during January. Group bookings decreased in attendances during January school holidays, in addition to a reduction in school group booking attendances and gymnastics. These figures increased during the months of February and March. Although figures have decreased from the same period last year, the figures are considerably higher than 2010
- Macquarie Fields Leisure Centre - general pool and member attendances decreased slightly during January and February during the cooler summer months. Learn to Swim attendances have increased compared to last year, although squad attendances have decreased. During 2011, Macquarie Fields Leisure Centre received additional school carnival bookings due to the Gordon Fetterplace Aquatic Centre outdoor pool being under reconstruction and unable to accommodate the bookings. The current figures are in line with the figures from January-March 2010, prior to the closure of The Gordon Fetterplace Aquatic Centre.

### Sport and Recreation

	Measure		
Service	Number of attendances during period		
Sport and Recreation	Jan-Mar 2011	Jan-Mar 2012	% change
Minto Indoor Sports Centre	15055	14981	0%
Campbelltown Athletics Centre	10023	8873	-11%
Campbelltown Football Stadium	25300	31868	26%
Campbelltown Bicycle Education Centre	3531	4709	33%
Sporting Grounds (Clubs) (estimates only)	395000	296250	-25%
Sporting Grounds (Schools) (estimates only)	260000	195000	-25%
Campbelltown Skate Park (estimates only)	22750	17063	-25%
<b>Total</b>	<b>731659</b>	<b>568774</b>	<b>-22%</b>

- Campbelltown Athletics Centre - a decline in athletics centre attendance is due to a decline in Athletics Club Registrations
- Campbelltown Football Stadium - an increase in spectators was due to the Stadium hosting an Hyundai A-League match which attracted 5,505 spectators and additional rugby league development matches
- The Bicycle Education Centre - attendances at the Bicycle Education and Road Safety Centre have remained steady throughout the Christmas school holiday period and summer months

- Sporting Ground (Clubs) - Registrations in the summer sports remained constant, however there were many washouts in January and February
- Sporting Grounds (Schools) - School gala days were affected by the weather in February and March
- Skate Park - the patronage at the skate park was affected by the wet weather.

### Health Promotion

	Measure		
Service	Number of attendances during period		
Health Promotion	Jan-Mar 2011	Jan-Mar 2012	% change
Child Immunisation Clinics	140	94	-33%

### Community Resources and Development

#### Community Options

Community Options commenced Compacts Program in 2006. During January - March quarter 125 clients were serviced. Community Options has been operating above capacity due to the high demand for case management services.

	Measure
Service	Number of clients
Community Options	Jan-Mar 12
Campbelltown	127
Camden	43
Wollondilly	23
Wingecarribee	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>194</b>

#### Key events

Staff from Community Resources and Development organise and support events during the year. Events are an important component of the activity of the section. Attendance at key events in the last quarter is as follows.

Event and Services	Attendances
Seniors Week Concerts	620
Transport Forum	30
Open Access Forum	55
International Women's Day	200
Homelessness Forum	80
Skate Comp	150

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The section provides support to a wide range of community groups and community service agencies. This enables better planning and coordination leading to more effective and efficient services and activities.

Type of group supported	Number
Small community group	9
Community service agency	24
Network of agencies	6

## **YOUTH AND ATSI**

The Social Plan identifies target groups for which Council should provide services. This report targets activities for Youth and ATSI groups during the January-March 2012 quarter.

### **CHILDRENS SERVICES**

One hundred and sixteen children from Aboriginal/Torres Strait Islander background access Council's Children's Services. There are four staff from an Aboriginal/Torres Strait Islander background in Council's Children's Services.

### **ARTS CENTRE**

#### **Campbelltown Arts Centre Programs – Youth and ATSI**

During this quarter Arts Centre staff developed and managed the following Youth and Indigenous programs.

##### **Edge of Elsewhere**

Edge of Elsewhere has been presented each year in January from 2010 - 2012. Part of Sydney Festival, *Edge of Elsewhere* has emerged from a strong history of community engaged practice that Campbelltown Arts Centre has developed through continuing to test new models of engagement between contemporary artists and communities. A primary benefit of the project model for *Edge of Elsewhere* has fostered emerging artistic talent within communities that will see the future emergence of artists who can sustain viable long-term and successful practices in national and international contexts. *Edge of Elsewhere* represents a commitment to sustainable audience development within communities for contemporary arts programs that will continue to see real benefits return to these communities, artists, arts workers and arts organisations, thereby promoting growth in these sectors. The 2012 exhibition included Aboriginal artists Brook Andrew and Richard Bell.

In his artwork, Brook Andrew worked in close partnership with the Hong Kong-based animation studio Imagi Studios, a leader in computer generated imagery (CGI) animated films, to produce a children's ghost story, *Banjo*, addressing issues of Aboriginal customs and histories of cultural disruption. The story of Banjo and his friends begins with the protagonist's journey in the setting of Western Sydney in the 1970s, travelling back in time to 1910 in Western New South Wales and Broome, Western Australia. The adventure follows Banjo and his dragonfly friend Ngalan on a tale through dreams and time. It is a story of love and sadness, filled with knowing animal spirits, historical truths, and a deep family secret, which spans oceans to an inland river and a gravesite.

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### Jack and the Beanstalk

In February 2012 Campbelltown Arts Centre produced the second stage creative development of *The Art of Play*, facilitated by Australian artist Jeff Stein and directed by acclaimed Italian theatre director Chiara Guidi. The project culminated in four performance showings of a new version of the English fairy tale Jack and the Beanstalk.

This project is the first international collaboration in the Contemporary Theatre Program. It is designed to develop a new theatre work for children that will premiere locally before touring nationally. Chiara Guidi is a sought after Italian director who pays particular attention to the power of sound and music in creating a space where children can feel, respond and act freely. Children learn the mechanics of theatre while responding imaginatively to all their senses.

### Kiddie Kushion Concert

The Fisher's Ghost Youth Orchestra performed to Campbelltown Arts Centre in a new toddlers' program for 2012. Aimed at children aged two - five, the program was a fun opportunity to get up close to instruments and experience the sounds of a live orchestra in action. A full house of adults and toddlers ensured that this free community event was a huge success again. These concerts build relationships not only with the community of the Fishers Ghost Youth Orchestra but the general community who are always appreciative of high quality free children's activities and experiences that can be shared inter-generationally.

### Holiday and Term Workshop Programs

The Arts Centre continues to provide a diverse range of workshop programs throughout the year for both children and adults. During the January school holidays a number of programs were presented.

## LIBRARY

### Youth

Service	Measure		
	Loans - Jan-Mar 2012	Stock as at 01/04/12	Loan rate
HSC resources	1317	3064	0.4
Young Adult fiction	3555	6425	0.6
Young Adult large print	20	29	0.7
Young Adult literacy	12	168	0.1
Young Adult non-fiction	178	786	0.2
Young Adult magazines	676	811	0.8
Young Adult comics	1469	2132	0.7
Young Adult graphic novel	2628	1640	1.6
Young Adult talking books	84	268	0.3
Young Adult videos/DVD	1448	519	2.8
<b>Total</b>	<b>11387</b>	<b>15842</b>	<b>0.7</b>

**ATSI**

Service	Measure		
	Loans Jan-Mar 2011	Stock as at 01/04/12	Loan Rate
Resources for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people			
Aboriginal Resource Collection (Adult)	145	1263	0.1
Aboriginal Resource Collection (Junior)	92	610	0.2
Aboriginal Resource Collection (Reference)*	N/A	182	n/a
<b>Total</b>	<b>237</b>	<b>2055</b>	<b>0.12</b>

\*Collection not for loan.

**COMMUNITY RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT**

**Community Options - Youth**

	Measure
Service - Campbelltown Camden Wollondilly	Number of current clients
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>7</b>

**Community Options - ATSI**

	Measure
Service - Campbelltown Camden Wollondilly	Number of current clients
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>15</b>

**Officer's Recommendation**

That the information be noted.

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

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

**CARRIED**

**Council Meeting 8 May 2012 (Oates/Kolkman)**

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

**Council Resolution Minute Number 78**

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.



**6. GENERAL BUSINESS**

Nil.

**20. CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS**

**No reports this round**

There being no further business the meeting closed at 5.53pm.

M Oates  
CHAIRPERSON

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