

Reports of the Community Services Committee Meeting held at 5.30pm on Tuesday, 29 May 2012.

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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF LAND

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Non Pecuniary – Significant Interests

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Minutes of the Community Services Committee held on 29 May 2012

Present

- Councillor M Oates (Chairperson)
- Councillor J Bourke
- Councillor R Kolkman
- Councillor M Thomas
- Councillor R Thompson
- Director Community Services - Mrs L Deitz
- Manager Community Resources and Development - Mr B McCausland
- Manager Education and Care Services - Mrs J Uluibau
- Acting Manager Compliance Services – Mr P Curley
- Manager Cultural Services - Mr M Dagostino
- Manager Healthy Lifestyles - Mr M Berriman
- Manager Library Services - Mr G White
- Manager Technical Services - Mr K Lynch
- Corporate Support Coordinator - Mr T Rouen
- Executive Assistant - Mrs K Peters

Apology (Kolkman/Thomas)

That the apology from Councillor Glynn 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.

1. EDUCATION AND CARE SERVICES

1.1 Namut Early Learning Centre

Reporting Officer

Manager Education and Care Services

Attachments

Nil

Purpose

To seek Council's approval to surrender Namut Early Learning Centre's 5 Occasional Care places and convert them to Long Day Care places.

History

At its meeting on 9 June 2010, Council approved Namut Occasional Care's conversion to a 39 place Child Care service, offering 34 Long Day Care places per day including the option of half-day care sessions and five Occasional Care places per day from January 2010. The service was renamed Namut Early Learning Centre.

Report

Namut Early Learning Centre is licensed by the NSW Department of Education and Communities and operates at a maximum capacity of 39 places per day. The centre operates from 7:00am to 6:00pm and currently offers child care for up to 39 children per day, with five of these places being Occasional Care places per day.

A recent review of the service operation has identified that demand for Long Day Care places has been increasing since the service converted to offer 34 Long Day Care places in January 2010, while enrolments for the five Occasional Care places offered has continued to decrease.

It is proposed that the service convert the five Occasional Care places per day to Long Day Care places, effective from 1 July 2012. This would increase the number of places offered for Long Day Care to 39 places per day, including the option of half-day care sessions. The service would no longer offer Occasional Care places.

The adjustment of service delivery would require Council to surrender \$7,195 per annum funding currently received from the NSW Department of Employment and Workplace Relations (DEEWR) to operate five Occasional Care places per day. The loss of this funding from DEEWR would not impact on service delivery. The income generated from the utilisation of the additional five Long Day Care places per day would exceed the income surrendered to DEEWR.

Officer's Recommendation

1. That Namut Early Learning Centre convert the five places per day currently offered for Occasional Care to Long Day Care, increasing the number of Long Day Care places to 39 per day, continuing to offer the option of half-day sessions.
2. That Council surrender the Department of Employment and Workplace Relations' Operational Subsidy of approximately \$7,195 per annum for the five Occasional Care places per day.

Committee's Recommendation: (Thomas/Thompson)

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED

Council Meeting 5 June 2012 (Oates/Rule)

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

Council Resolution Minute Number 94

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

1.2 Mobile Toy and Book Library Funding

Reporting Officer

Manager Education and Care Services

Attachments

Nil

Purpose

To seek Council's formal acceptance of funding for \$25,000 per annum, over a two-year period from 2012-2014, from The Benevolent Society to sustain the Mobile Toy and Book Library (MTBL) service for Rosemeadow and Ambarvale.

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 Airds, 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

The Benevolent Society has offered Council further funding of \$25,000 per annum over a two-year period from 2012 to 2014 for Rosemeadow and Ambarvale under the Early Years Strategy of the 2012-2014 Communities for Children (C4C) Community Strategic Plan.

These funds would allow the MTBL to sustain current levels of service provision to Rosemeadow and Ambarvale. 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.

Access would remain targeted at families who are vulnerable and do not currently access child care and/or other community services, who have limited transport and/or who are socially and/or economically disadvantaged. This new funding would also be used to support Aboriginal children and families in the Rosemeadow and Ambarvale communities.

Council would be required to sign a C4C Community Partner Agreement to ensure The Benevolent Society's funding in return for Council's in-kind support.

Officer's Recommendation

1. That Council accept funding of \$25,000 per annum, over a two-year period from 2012 to 2014, from The Benevolent Society to sustain the Mobile Toy and Book Library (MTBL) service for Rosemeadow and Ambarvale.
2. That Council sign a C4C Community Partner Agreement with The Benevolent Society.

Committee's Recommendation: (Bourke/Thompson)

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED

Council Meeting 5 June 2012 (Oates/Rule)

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

Council Resolution Minute Number 94

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

2. COMMUNITY RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT

2.1 Youth Week 2012 Evaluation

Reporting Officer

Manager Community Resources and Development

Attachments

Nil

Purpose

To provide Council with an evaluation report on the 2012 Youth Week celebrations held from 13-22 April.

Report

National Youth Week is a joint Australian Government, State, Territory and Local Government initiative. This year's national theme for Youth Week was *'Imagine, Create, and Inspire'*. Council, with the assistance of local young people and youth services, coordinated a diverse range of Youth Week activities within the Campbelltown Local Government Area (LGA).

Approximately 500 young people attended local Youth Week events in 2012. The most popular events were the annual Youth Week Skate Competition held at Campbelltown Skate Park and the All Ages mini urban festival held at Campbelltown Arts Centre which included parkour and zumba displays, local hip hop dance acts, information stalls as well as performances by local hip hop bands and Sydney based dance act 'Hermitude'.

Council continued this year to offer its annual Youth Week Small Grants program for local organisations to deliver Youth Week projects. Ten community groups and service providers were funded with grants of up to \$500 which provided a diverse Youth Week program of events that included a fashion and design workshop, Mac Factor talent show, special effects make up class, shoot and score positive mental wellbeing workshop and photography competition, AFL fun clinic, manga workshop and come together cross cultural art project.

Developed out of comedy@c_town as a pilot program, Campbelltown Arts Centre's Youth Week program included a development and mentoring workshop for young people keen to try their talent in stand up comedy, lead by well known comedian Dave Williams and supported by special Youth Week Comedy ambassador, Broughton Anglican College student and young comedian, Madeline Lidbetter.

The workshop was held on Monday 16 April at 2.00pm, in the lead up to a live performance by Dave Williams, supported by Madeleine Lidbetter, at 7.00pm, where workshop participants had the opportunity to perform in front of a live audience prior to the main acts.

The Youth Week Program also included great ticket packages for young people to enjoy Australia's best comedians as part of comedy@c_town.

Marketing and Promotion

Youth Week events were promoted across the Campbelltown LGA through a variety of media formats including print, word of mouth and social media. Local newspapers supported the events by publishing several newspaper articles in the lead up to Youth Week.

Funding

This year's Youth Week activities were funded from a combination of a grant from Communities NSW and Council, as well as a range of in kind contributions and support from local youth services and community groups.

Evaluation

Positive feedback regarding the events that were held has been received from participants and event organisers. This feedback will be utilised to enhance next year's program of activities ensuring wider participation of young people.

Council has submitted the 2012 Youth Week Evaluation to Communities NSW. As the nominations for the Local Government Youth Week Awards are incorporated into the evaluation process, Council's Youth Week program will be automatically considered in the award assessment process.

All sponsors, volunteers and key stakeholders involved in the planning and coordination of Youth Week 2012 have been sent a letter of appreciation.

Officer's Recommendation

That the information be noted.

Committee's Recommendation: (Bourke/Kolkman)

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED

Council Meeting 5 June 2012 (Oates/Rule)

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

Council Resolution Minute Number 94

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

2.2 Midnight Basketball Tournament 7 Evaluation

Reporting Officer

Manager Community Resources and Development

Attachments

Nil

Purpose

To provide Council with an evaluation report on the Midnight Basketball Tournament 7 held on Friday nights over eight weeks from 3 February to 23 March 2012.

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

Registrations

As with Tournament 5 and 6, registrations for the tournament were capped due to the large number of registrations initially received, as the venue 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). 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.

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, Interline Bus Services, Youth Off The Streets, Church in the Fields, Boystown YWCA, MDSI, MTC Work Solutions and the Campbelltown and Macquarie Fields Local Area Commands.

Due to the success of previous tournaments, the number and level of support of community partners has increased significantly for Tournament 7.

Volunteers

Council received 25 volunteer registrations from community members for Tournament 7. 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, Campbelltown City Council 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, career building and resume writing, conflict resolution, and drug awareness.

Funding

Tournament 7 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 7 evaluations from players, volunteers and partner organisations were conducted with results being collated by an external research body organised through Midnight Basketball Australia.

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 2012. 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 2012 and into the future.

Officer's Recommendation

That the information be noted.

Committee's Recommendation: (Thompson/Kolkman)

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED

Council Meeting 5 June 2012 (Oates/Rule)

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

Council Resolution Minute Number 94

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

2.3 Department of Family and Community Services Renewable Funding 2012-2013

Reporting Officer

Manager Community Resources and Development

Attachments

Nil

Purpose

To advise Council that the Deed of Agreement with the Department of Family and Community Services for funding for a Community Worker, Youth Worker and Child Care Services for the period of July 2012 to June 2013 requires Council's execution.

Report

The Department of Family and Community Services provides Council with funding for a Community Worker, a Youth Worker and Child Care Services.

Until the other arrangements are announced by the NSW Government, administration for Children's Services Program (CSP) funded organisations will continue to be the responsibility of Department of Family and Community Services whilst any major policy and funding decisions will continue to be the responsibility of the Minister for Education.

In order for Council to continue to receive ongoing funding, the funding agreement is required to be signed under the Common Seal of Council.

The Department is seeking Council's agreement to renewable funding of:

- \$44,979 towards a Community Worker for the period of July 2012 to June 2013
- \$33,941 towards a Youth Worker for the period of July 2012 to June 2013
- \$528,573 for Child Care Services for the period of July 2012 to June 2013.

Officer's Recommendation

That the Deed of Agreement with the Department of Family and Community Services for funding for a Community Worker, Youth Worker and Child Care Services for the period of July 2012 to June 2013 be executed under the Common Seal of Council.

Committee's Recommendation: (Thomas/Bourke)

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED

Council Meeting 5 June 2012 (Oates/Rule)

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

Council Resolution Minute Number 94

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

2.4 Home and Community Care (HACC) - 2012-2015 Commonwealth and State Recurrent Funding Agreements

Reporting Officer

Manager Community Resources and Development

Attachments

Nil

Purpose

To advise Council that the 2012-2015 Funding Agreements between the Ageing, Disability and Home Care (ADHC) division of the NSW Department of Family and Community Services and the Department of Health and Ageing (DHA) and Council for the Macarthur Community Options program require signing.

History

Council at its meeting on 13 March 2012 was advised of changes in the way in which aged and disability services are funded and provided.

Prior to July 2012, the HACC Program was a joint Australia, state and territory government initiative under the *Home and Community Care Act (Commonwealth) 1985*. The Australian Government contributed approximately 60% of program funding nationally and maintained a broad strategic role, whereas the state and territory governments were responsible for the day to day administration of the program. This program funded services for older people, younger people with disabilities, and their carers and evolved significantly from its inception in 1985. Substantial growth in funding from governments has increased the range and volume of services provided to eligible clients and activities that support the development of the broader HACC system.

Report

As from 1 July 2012 the Commonwealth will take full funding and administration responsibility for HACC services for non-Indigenous clients aged 65 years and over and 50 years and over for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

State and territory governments will continue to fund HACC services for non-Indigenous people aged under 65 years and under 50 years for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

Campbelltown City Council through the Macarthur Community Options program will have two funding agreements from 1 July 2012:

- \$1,520,763 funding from ADHC to deliver services to younger people
- \$484,603 funding from DHA to deliver services to older people.

In order for Council to continue to receive ongoing funding, the funding agreements are required to be signed by Council.

The funding will meet all associated costs for the services and there will be no cost of Council.

Officer's Recommendation

1. That the Deed of Agreement with the Ageing, Disability and Home Care division of the NSW Department of Family and Community Services for the Macarthur Community Options Program for the period 2012-2015 be signed.
2. That the Deed of Agreement with the Department of Health and Ageing for the Macarthur Community Options Program for the period 2012-2015 be signed.

Committee's Recommendation: (Thompson/Bourke)

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED

Council Meeting 5 June 2012 (Oates/Rule)

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

Council Resolution Minute Number 94

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

3. CULTURAL SERVICES

3.1 2013 Campbelltown Arts Centre Music Program Funding Submission

Reporting Officer

Manager Cultural Services

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 \$30,000 support for the delivery of the Campbelltown Arts Centre's 2013 Contemporary Music Program.

History

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 2013 Contemporary Music Program through approval of multi arts status for Campbelltown Arts Centre.

Report

Campbelltown Arts Centre proposes to make a submission to the Australia Council for the Arts requesting \$30,000 towards its 2013 Contemporary Music Program. Building on the success of the 2010-2012 Music Programs, the Arts Centre will produce and present its 2013 Music Program under the artistic direction of Dr Matthew Hindson AM who is engaged as the Centre's guest Music Curator.

Dr Hindson is one of the most performed and commissioned composers of his generation. As well as working as a composer, Dr Hindson lectures in the Arts Music Unit of the Sydney Conservatorium of Music and is the artistic director of the Aurora New Music Festival, a new festival of contemporary music based in Western Sydney which premiered in April 2006 and was held for the fourth time in 2012.

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 \$30,000 support for Campbelltown Arts Centre's 2013 Contemporary Music Program.
2. That if successful, the funding agreement with the Australia Council for the Arts be signed under the Common Seal of Council, if required.

Committee's Recommendation: (Kolkman/Bourke)

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED

Council Meeting 5 June 2012 (Oates/Rule)

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

Council Resolution Minute Number 94

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

3.2 Arts NSW Triennial Funding Submission

Reporting Officer

Manager Cultural Services

Attachments

Nil

Purpose

To seek Council's endorsement of a submission to Arts NSW for Triennial Program Funding of \$400,000 to support the 2013-2015 operations and programs of the Campbelltown Arts Centre.

Report

Campbelltown City Council has recently been invited to apply for the NSW State Government's Triennial Program Funding 2013–2015 which is available for arts and cultural organisations that are central to the cultural life of NSW. The program is only available to organisations that have demonstrated ongoing commitment to strategic partnerships and a high level of strategic importance in terms of their regionality and the type of arts and cultural activities that they are delivering.

The invitation for Council to apply for Triennial Program Funding is a significant recognition from the State Government of the contribution that Campbelltown Arts Centre is making to arts and cultural development within NSW. This is the second consecutive invitation to apply for Triennial Funding, with the first three year funding cycle concluding in 2012.

Campbelltown Arts Centre proposes to submit an application requesting \$400,000 of financial support to deliver the principal annual artistic program and activities for the Centre's 2013-2015 programs. This would include professional fees, administration and annual production costs. The request would require no increase in financial commitment from Campbelltown City Council outside of the Centre's existing budgets.

Officer's Recommendation

1. That Council endorse the submission to Arts NSW for Triennial Program Funding of \$400,000 to support the 2013-2015 operations and programs of the Campbelltown Arts Centre.
 2. That the funding agreement from Arts NSW be signed under the Common Seal of Council, if required.
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Committee's Recommendation: (Kolkman/Thompson)

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED

Council Meeting 5 June 2012 (Oates/Rule)

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

Council Resolution Minute Number 94

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

3.3 2012 Heritage Week - Campbelltown Arts Centre

Reporting Officer

Manager Cultural Services

Attachments

Nil

Purpose

To update Council on the success of Campbelltown Arts Centre's 2012 Heritage Week Program.

Report

Campbelltown City Council's Heritage Forum was held on Thursday 26 April at 7:00pm at Campbelltown Arts Centre. The Forum is held every year as part of the National Trust Heritage Festival, which celebrates Australia's built, natural and cultural heritage, and is a key event on our city's annual cultural calendar.

The theme of this year's festival was 'Amazing Stories: Innovation + Invention'. The broadened scope of this year's theme encouraged a more diverse concept of heritage, such as cultural and religious traditions, festivals and crafts, urban planning and settlement patterns, innovative product development over time, and intellectual and scientific work in the fields of agriculture, industry, science and technology.

The Heritage Forum was attended by over 90 people, the highest number recorded for this annual event. The event included the awarding of the 2012 Heritage Medallion and the launch of the Quota International Campbelltown's Youth Art Competition.

Seven nominees were received for the 2012 Heritage Medallion. The winner was Mr Bob Meyer, nominated by Mario Majorich, for his work in planning and development of the city of Campbelltown and the preservation of its heritage.

The Heritage Forum panel discussion comprised of Mr Bob Meyer - Planning and Development Director in the 1980s of Macarthur Development Board, now Director of Cox and Richardson Architects in Sydney; Mr Mario Majorich - former Town Planner with the Macarthur Development Board; Mr Craig Knowles - Member of the NSW Legislative Assembly from 1990 to 2005 and Mr Phil Anderson - Project Director of Lendlease. The panel discussion focused on the planning and development of the city of Campbelltown, and the work undertaken by Mr Bob Meyer.

Other events held within Campbelltown as part of the Heritage Festival program included an exhibition Innovative Campbelltown Pioneers, held at Glenalvon House on 14 and 18 April, and the Two Amazing Tours and Tea event held by Campbelltown and Airds Historical Society at the Cattle Tank and Reservoir, Hurley Park. Campbelltown City Council Library also held a display called Creative Campbelltown on 14-29 April.

Positive feedback regarding the events held during Heritage Week has been received from the community. This feedback will be utilised to enhance next year's Heritage Week Program.

Officer's Recommendation

That the information be noted.

Committee's Recommendation: (Thompson/Bourke)

1. That the information be noted.
2. That all staff involved in this project be congratulated.

CARRIED

Council Meeting 5 June 2012 (Oates/Rule)

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

Council Resolution Minute Number 94

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

4. HEALTHY LIFESTYLES

4.1 Campbelltown Hosting Major Sporting Events

Reporting Officer

Manager Healthy Lifestyles

Attachments

Nil

Purpose

To update Council on major sporting events recently held at Council sporting facilities.

History

Campbelltown sports grounds and facilities regularly play host to major sporting events. The standard of facilities and the ability to host large numbers of players and spectators are attractive to sports when deciding where to stage large tournaments. Some of the larger events staged in recent years include the State Netball Championships, World Masters Softball, Australian Baseball League fixtures and annual events for Hockey and Netball.

Report

Campbelltown Council provides and supports a significant number of high standard facilities across all sports as well as major regional facilities for sports such as athletics, cricket, netball, baseball, softball, basketball, triathlon, AFL, touch football, and Oztag. Council has supported all sports as part of its service delivery as well as encouraging major sports to bring events to Campbelltown. Council's facilities have been able to cater for community, school, social, representative sport, club or elite sport events.

In 2012, the following major events have been held in Campbelltown since February:

South West Metropolitan Zone Athletics Carnival Campbelltown Athletics Centre, 4-5 February 2012

This event is the culmination of the local season, with the six (four from Campbelltown, one from Camden and one from Wollondilly) Little Athletics clubs competing in the zone championships. The South West Metropolitan Zone includes 1500 athletes and 400 volunteers. 2000 people attend each day at the event, where winners qualify for the larger regional carnival. The winners at the regional carnival then qualify to compete at the State Championships.

**NSW Junior State Oztag Championships
Victoria Park and Kayess Park, 11-12 February 2012**

The tournament was the largest tournament Oztag has run in its 18 years. Over 130 teams from all over NSW brought 2,080 players to Minto for the tournament. At least 4,000 spectators attended each day and despite the weather interruptions the tournament was a huge success. It was the first time that a state championship was held for juniors with the organisers happy to be able to hold such a large carnival and allow younger competitors to compete at a higher level. Council was able to assist with utilising both Victoria and Kayess Parks, providing assistance with traffic management and parking as well as waste and cleaning services.

**NSW Combined High School Boys Cricket Championships
Raby Sports Complex, Memorial Oval, Bradbury Oval and Jackson Park, 13-16
February 2012**

Campbelltown won the rights to host this week long tournament from other areas in NSW and was able to showcase the recently upgraded clubroom and change room facilities at Raby Sports Complex. Raby is the only complex in NSW that has four turf cricket wickets at one facility, and having eight altogether in Campbelltown enables Council to attract significant tournaments. One hundred and twenty visiting families from all over NSW came to Campbelltown, representing school sport regions. Despite extremely wet weather, Council staff were able to work with the organisers and ensure that all games were played, utilising Council's synthetic wickets and St Gregory's College Campbelltown. Council staff were able to prepare all four turf wickets at Raby for the finals day.

**Campbelltown City Junior Hockey Carnival
Raby Sports Complex, 6 May 2012**

This annual event hosted by the Campbelltown City Hockey Association was very successful with 40 teams from all around the state participating in this event in Under 11, 13 and 15 age divisions. The Hockey Association plays on turf at the Raby Sports Complex and provides an alternative competition to the Macarthur Hockey facility at Narellan. This junior carnival is one of many on the calendar around NSW and provides opportunities to younger age groups to play in a carnival type tournament. The upgraded facilities at Raby assisted the Hockey Association to administer the tournament and cater for the large number of players and spectators. Council assists and supports the Association with preparation of the complex and organising the event.

**Macquarie Sports Netball Clinic – Primary Schools
Coronation Park, 8 May 2012**

One hundred and fifty primary students from ten local schools attended this free event. The students took part in a two hour coaching clinic run by Liz Ellis, Catherine Cox and a number of NSW Swifts players. The children were given a hat and a ball and could then meet the players and obtain autographs and photos.

The upgraded facilities at Coronation Park provide an excellent venue for this clinic. Council assisted by providing access to the venue and liaising with the organisers and schools. This is the fifth time the event has been held at Minto in the last four years.

**Ghosts Masters Softball Tournament
Milton Park Softball Complex, 26-27 May 2012**

Twenty Masters Teams from all around NSW took part in this annual event hosted by the Campbelltown District Softball Association. The Softball Association hosts this tournament each year and it brings visitors to Milton Park to play masters softball. Players of all levels compete against other regions and are able to enjoy the active and social aspects of sport that Masters Sport encourages. An important fixture on the Softball calendar, Council assisted the Association with the logistics of the event as well as ensuring the outfields and surrounding areas meet the tournament needs.

The following event is planned for June:

**Campbelltown Netball Carnival
Coronation Park, 17 June 2012**

This annual event is hosted by the Campbelltown District Netball Association. Each year, associations in NSW are invited to enter their representative teams as a lead up tournament to the State Championships. Over 240 teams compete at this carnival each year. As the last tournament before State Championships, it is an important part of the NSW netball calendar and brings nearly over 4,000 people to Minto on the day.

Netball NSW allocates its major championships each year to different associations and regions. Since its upgrade in 2010, Coronation Park Netball Complex is now one of a few facilities in NSW that is able to host these large tournaments. Campbelltown Netball has been selected to host the NSW State Age Netball (Division 1 and 2) Championships at Coronation Park in 2013. This is an excellent achievement for Campbelltown as the event is expected to be larger than the State Championships held at Coronation Park in 2010 when over 150 teams from all over NSW competed. Council is expected to contribute largely to the planning and logistics of hosting this major event.

Officer's Recommendation

That the information be noted.

Committee's Recommendation: (Kolkman/Thompson)

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED

Council Meeting 5 June 2012 (Oates/Rule)

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

Council Resolution Minute Number 94

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

4.2 Council's Sports Projects

Reporting Officer

Manager Healthy Lifestyles

Attachments

Nil

Purpose

To seek Council's endorsement to proceed with the projects identified for Capital development via Council's Sports Projects Program 2011-2012.

History

Council was briefed on 15 May 2012 on the outcomes of the 2011-2012 Sport and Recreation Grants.

Council was further briefed on 22 May 2012 on the proposed projects that could be started immediately and be completed before the next season changeover in September 2012.

Report

It should be noted that the following Capital development projects were identified and prioritised in a report to Council on 3 May 2011. Council was unsuccessful in attracting an external grant from the NSW Office of Communities, Sport and Recreation. Council has the opportunity to proceed with these projects with the \$200,000 allocated in 2011-2012 budget. Each club would still maintain the 25% contribution towards each project.

These projects have been re-assessed by Council staff and are listed below:

Campbelltown District Softball Association

Milton Park

Extension of awning and fencing upgrade on Diamonds 1, 2 and 4

Project cost:	\$18,000
Council contribution:	\$13,500
Club contribution:	\$4,500

Campbelltown Caspers Baseball Club

Mary Brookes Park

New baseball batting tunnel

Project cost:	\$13,000
Council contribution:	\$9,750
Club contribution:	\$3,250

Eschol Park Little Athletics Club

Eschol Park

Extension of awning for spectators

Project cost:	\$21,000
Council contribution:	\$15,750
Club contribution:	\$5,250

Campbelltown Touch Association

Kayess Park

Construction of a shade shelter

Project cost:	\$27,400
Council contribution:	\$20,550
Club contribution:	\$6,850

Ingleburn RSL Little Athletics Club

Bob Prenter Reserve

Upgrade to long jump facility

Project cost:	\$12,000
Council contribution:	\$9,000
Club contribution:	\$3,000

Ingleburn Tennis Club (next to Macquarie Fields Leisure Centre)

Macquarie Fields Tennis Courts

Replacement of two synthetic tennis courts

Project cost:	\$53,000
Council contribution:	\$39,750
Club contribution:	\$13,250

East Campbelltown Junior Rugby League Club

Waminda Oval

Construction of new toilet facility

Project cost:	\$100,000
Council contribution:	\$75,000
Club contribution:	\$25,000

Total cost of projects:	\$244,400
Total club contribution:	\$61,100
Total Council contribution including contingency:	\$200,000

Officer's Recommendation

1. That Council write to all clubs notifying them of the outcome of the Sport and Recreation Facility Grants.
 2. That Council write to the clubs identified in the report notifying them that Council will conduct these works with the club's agreed contribution.
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Committee's Recommendation: (Kolkman/Bourke)

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED

Council Meeting 5 June 2012 (Oates/Rule)

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

Council Resolution Minute Number 94

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

5. LIBRARY SERVICES

5.1 HSC Lecture Series 2012

Reporting Officer

Manager Library Services

Attachments

Nil

Purpose

To advise Council that the Library Service will present a series of HSC lectures for Year 12 students in the Macarthur region

Report

The HSC Lecture series is now well established and provides an excellent opportunity for HSC students to receive specialised advice and assistance during final exam preparations.

The lectures have been prepared in consultation with local high schools and in partnership with Camden, Wollondilly and Wingecarribee Councils.

This year Campbelltown Library Service will be hosting the following sessions:

Area of Study: Belonging

Minto Community Library - Thursday 6 June 6pm-7.30pm

Presenter, Larry Grumley is a Head English Teacher, senior HSC marker and author of numerous English HSC and preliminary study guides including the Excel series and the Warrigal series. Cost of session is \$7.50.

Essay Writing and Study Skills

HJ Daley Library - Wednesday 13 June 5.30pm-7.30pm

Presenter, Joe Awkar has completed a Bachelor of Teaching/ Bachelor of Arts with a major in Economics and has over eight years of teaching experience and 12 years of tutoring experience. He has extensive experience in the teaching of HSC subjects and has been involved in HSC marking for several years. Cost of session is \$7.50.

HSC Student Information Session
HJ Daley Library - Wednesday 20 June 5pm-6.30pm

This free session will be presented by Council's Reference Service Librarian.

Creative Writing Workshop
Ingleburn Community Hall - Tuesday 3 July 2pm-3.30pm

Presenter, Anna Maria Dell'oso is a well-known Australian writer, journalist and critic. Her acclaimed book *Songs of the Suitcase* (HarperCollins) won the Steele Rudd Award. Anna currently divides her time between teaching and writing fiction. She has recently been awarded a Breaking New Ground Grant by the Literature Board of the Australia Council.

Anna has lectured in Creative Writing at the University of Newcastle and run writing workshops in schools and libraries throughout New South Wales.

The HSC Lecture series is being widely promoted throughout the area and bookings can be made at the HJ Daley Library.

Officer's Recommendation

That the information be noted.

Committee's Recommendation: (Bourke/Thomas)

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED

Council Meeting 5 June 2012 (Oates/Rule)

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

Council Resolution Minute Number 94

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

5.2 'Lifelong Learning' Advice Service

Reporting Officer

Manager Library Services

Attachments

Nil

Purpose

To advise Council of a new online 'Lifelong Learning' advice service being provided through Council's Library Service.

Report

Free access to a 'Lifelong Learning' advice service is being provided through Council's Libraries in partnership with Tutoring Australasia, the providers of the popular 'YourTutor' online tutoring service for school students.

'Lifelong Learning' is aimed specifically at mature age students, new migrants, job seekers and people with low literacy and numeracy skills. The service will provide assistance to users around creating resumes, job applications, basic maths, English language skills, including grammar, punctuation and general writing skills, as well as research skills and online searching. 'Lifelong Learning' experts can also provide a second set of eyes for reviewing letters and other documents and help develop confidence and skills for people re-engaging with study.

The service is free to users and can be accessed from Council Libraries or from home through the Council's new website between 6.00pm and 10.00pm Monday to Friday. Once connected, users will interact with an online tutor who will provide live advice and assistance across a range of learning areas. Users of 'Lifelong Learning' will need to use their library card to gain access to the service.

Officer's Recommendation

That the information be noted.

Committee's Recommendation: (Thomas/Thompson)

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED

Council Meeting 5 June 2012 (Oates/Rule)

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

Council Resolution Minute Number 94

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

5.3 Visiting Author - Donna Mulhearn

Reporting Officer

Manager Library Services

Attachments

Nil

Purpose

To inform Council that the Library Service will be hosting Visiting Author, Donna Mulhearn at the HJ Daley Library on Wednesday 13 June 2012.

Report

Donna Mulhearn is an Australian peace activist and writer who embarked on a personal pilgrimage in July 2002, which saw her living in a Buddhist nunnery in Tibet and later war-torn Baghdad. At the age of thirty four, Donna had become disillusioned by her career as a journalist and political adviser and set off on a journey of self-discovery.

Donna is the author of Ordinary Courage a personal memoir about her experience as a human shield in the war in Iraq in 2003. Donna's account is moving and thought provoking and provides a vivid account of the first Gulf War from the perspective of the ordinary people who were directly impacted by it. She later returned as a humanitarian aid worker to set up a shelter for street kids in Baghdad and assist homeless families. During this time she survived constant bombing and being kidnapped by fighters.

The author visit is free and will commence at 2:00pm at the HJ Daley Library on Wednesday 13 June 2012.

Officer's Recommendation

That the information be noted.

Committee's Recommendation: (Bourke/Thompson)

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED

Council Meeting 5 June 2012 (Oates/Rule)

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

Council Resolution Minute Number 94

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

6. GENERAL BUSINESS

Nil.

Confidentiality Motion: (Kolkman/Thompson)

That the Committee in accordance with Section 10 of the *Local Government Act 1993*, move to exclude the public from the meeting during discussions on the items in the Confidential Agenda, due to the confidential nature of the business and the Committee's opinion that the public proceedings of the Committee would be prejudicial to the public interest.

CARRIED

20. CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

20.1 2012 Olympic Ambassador Program

Reason for Confidentiality

This report is **CONFIDENTIAL** in accordance with Section 10A(2)(d) of the *Local Government Act 1993*, which permits the meeting to be closed to the public for business relating to the following: -

- (d) commercial information of a confidential nature that would if disclosed:
 - (i) prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 5.42pm.

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CHAIRPERSON
