Reports of the Community Services Committee Meeting held at 5.30pm on Tuesday, 22 July 2014.

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Minutes of the Community Services Committee held on 22 July 2014

Present Councillor T Rowell (Chairperson)

Councillor W Glynn Councillor M Oates Councillor R Thompson

Director Community Services - Mrs L Deitz

Director Planning and Environment - Mr J Lawrence Acting Manager Assets and Supply Services - Mr W Miller Manager Communications and Marketing - Mrs B Naylor

Manager Community Resources and Development - Mr B McCausland

Manager Cultural Services - Mr M Dagostino

Acting Manager Education and Care Services - Ms G Vickers

Manager Healthy Lifestyles - Mr M Berriman Manager Library Services - Mr G White

Sports Liaison and Recreation Coordinator - Mr G Ripoll

Executive Assistant - Mrs D Taylor

Apologies (Glynn/Oates)

That the apologies from Councillors Brticevic, Lound and Matheson be

received and accepted.

CARRIED

Acknowledgement of Land

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

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no Declarations of Interest at this meeting.

Pecuniary Interests

Nil

Non Pecuniary – Significant Interests

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Non Pecuniary – Less than Significant Interests

Nil

1. COMMUNICATIONS AND MARKETING

1.1 Annual Community Events Update

Reporting Officer

Manager Communications and Marketing

Attachments

Nil

Purpose

To provide Council with information on the planning for three upcoming annual community events, Riverfest, Campbelltown City Garden Competition and the Festival of Fisher's Ghost.

Report

Riverfest

Riverfest will be held on Saturday 30 August 2014, from 11.00am to 3.00pm in Koshigaya Park, Campbelltown.

A number of exciting and interactive workshops and displays will feature at the event to ensure the environmental and multicultural education is rich and entertaining. The stage entertainment includes a flamenco performance, the Sherman and Peabody stage show based on the recently released children's movie, a Japanese drumming group and a children's performance about water conservation.

In acknowledgement of the anniversary of the Campbelltown-Koshigaya Sister City relationship, Riverfest 2014 will also feature a Japanese themed activity tent that will feature origami craft, sushi making as well as information and a display from the Campbelltown Koshigaya Sister Cities Association. A range of other interactive workshops will feature at the event, based around the environment and multiculturalism.

Campbelltown City Garden Competition

Entries in the 2014 Garden Competition opened on Wednesday 18 June. This year there are 12 categories for entrants to choose from, with the introduction of the Anne Haddock Best Cottage Garden category. Other categories include Best Native Garden, Best New Garden, Most Unusual Garden, Best Sustainable Garden, Best Edible Garden, Best Small/Medium Garden, Best Large Garden, Best Senior Citizen Garden, Best Backyard, Best Commercial/Industrial Garden and Best Educational Facility Garden.

Online submissions are welcomed again this year, with entrants also able to access forms from Council's website, the Macarthur Chronicle (24 June edition), Council facilities and Tim's Garden Centre.

Entries in this event close Monday 8 September and judging will take place between 15 and 26 September, with the ceremony to take place in October at a date to be confirmed.

The Festival of Fisher's Ghost

This year's Festival will commence on Thursday 30 October with the opening of the Craft Exhibition and will conclude on Sunday 9 November with the Fun Run and the final day of the carnival at Bradbury.

Key dates for this year's Festival include:

Carnival Friday 31 October to Sunday 2 November

Friday 7 November to Sunday 9 November

Street Parade Saturday 1 November
Fisher's Gig Saturday 1 November
Fisher's Kids Sunday 2 November
Street Fair Saturday 8 November
Fun Run Sunday 9 November

Art Award Exhibition opens 25 October

This year's Street Parade theme will focus around the 30th anniversary of Campbelltown's Sister City relationship with Koshigaya. Participants will be encouraged to incorporate a Japanese theme into their entry; or they may use the history of Fisher's Ghost as the inspiration for their float. Entry forms will be available in August.

The Street Fair will feature a host of stalls throughout Queen Street and Mawson Park, which will become a kids fun zone, with a range of stage entertainment, a petting zoo and free activities. The GYMBUS will be a new addition to this zone, which offers children an opportunity to participate in a range of activities inside a double decker bus that has been refurbished with modified gymnastic and play equipment. The bus includes a fireman's pole, tunnels, slides, trapeze, roman rings, monkey bars, ladders and more to encourage children to climb, roll, slide, swing and dance their way around. A range of accessible soft play activities will also be setup outside the bus. Stallholder applications will open in August.

Craft Exhibition entries will be accepted from Monday 29 September. Categories include hand knitting, crochet, embroidery, machine sewing, patchwork, papercraft, folk art, leatherwork, woodwork, ceramics, pottery, bears/dolls/soft toys, cakes/cookies/cupcakes, jewellery, special ability and open.

A pre-event marketing plan is being undertaken to attract more entries and to ensure the community is aware that residents from across the Macarthur will be able to enter in this year's event.

A save the date flyer has been distributed to all past entrants, as well as local retirement homes and associated businesses within Campbelltown.

The events will be funded through Council's approved budget, sponsorship and a range of in kind contributions and support from local organisations and community groups

Officer's Recommendation

That the information be noted.

Committee's Recommendation: (Thompson/Oates)

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED

Council Meeting 29 July 2014 (Rowell/Lound)

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

Council Resolution Minute Number 131

1.2 Website Statistics - April to June 2014

Reporting Officer

Manager Communications and Marketing

Attachments

Nil

Purpose

To provide Council with information on the visitation patterns for Council's website during the April 2014 to June 2014 period.

Report

Council's website provides a range of information on programs, initiatives, services and events that can be accessed by visitors. With a strong customer service focus, it was designed with easy navigation and web friendly content.

Using Google Analytics, statistics on the usage patterns of our website are obtained for reporting purposes, including information about the total number of visits, most commonly accessed pages and how users are accessing the site.

Since its launch in May 2012, the website has had more than 1,872,300 visits, with 60.4% of these being new or first time visitors, and the balance reflecting return visitors.

During the three month period from 1 April to 30 June 2014, the total number of visits to Council's website was 232,846, resulting in 575,992 page views. The visitation during this period equates to an average of 77,615 visits per month, with 61.3% of these being new visitors to the site. The average duration a visitor spent on the site was 2.4 minutes.

A breakdown of total visits per month, including the top five pages viewed throughout each month (excluding the home page), is listed below. The number of visitors accessing the site via a mobile device (tablets and mobile phones) is also indicated, with 30.8% of all site visits during the period being made from a mobile device, which is in line with previous statistics that have indicated a consistent increase in the use of mobile devices to access Council's website content.

Month	Total site visits	Visits using mobile device	Most popular page views during month
April	82,666	27,895	Library – 17,198 Double Demerits scheme – 10,036 Positions vacant information – 7,319 Current positions vacant – 6,984 Kerbside clean up information – 6,586

May	75,795	21,239	Library – 17,119 Positions vacant information – 7,918 Current positions vacant – 7,853 Kerbside clean up information – 6,422 Dogs and cats for sale – 5,103
June	74,385	22,765	Library – 13,800 Positions vacant – 6,902 Current positions vacant – 6,712 Kerbside clean up information – 6,201 Dogs and cats for sale – 5,182
Total visits	232,846	71,899	

In order of popularity, the 20 most commonly viewed pages on the site during the reporting period were:

- 1. Home page
- 2. Library
- 3. Positions vacant general information
- 4. Current positions vacant
- 5. Need a kerbside clean up
- 6. Dogs and cats for sale
- 7. Demerit points scheme and double demerits
- 8. Small dogs and puppies for sale
- 9. Animal Care Facility
- 10. Medium dogs for sale
- 11. Large dogs for sale
- 12. Campbelltown Arts Centre
- 13. Lost dogs
- 14. Campbelltown Sports Stadium
- 15. What's on
- 16. Waste and Recycling Services
- 17. Branch libraries (locations page)
- 18. Halls for hire
- 19. Contact us
- 20. Cats and kittens for sale.

In order of popularity, the top five downloaded documents for the reporting period were:

- 1. Double demerits points flyer 1,314 times
- 2. Campbelltown Sustainable City Development Control Plan 2012 (Part 3) 861 times
- 3. Adopted Fees and Charges 2013-2014 717 times
- 4. Campbelltown LEP zoning maps 539 times
- 5. When do my bins get emptied? Garbage run maps 531 times.

A significant portion of visitors (52%) accessed the website via a Google search, with a further 36% coming to the site directly, via the home page or another specific Council website page. Visitors were also referred to the site through links on other pages, including Council's intranet (staff access), Facebook and SEEK.

The inclusion of links to Council's website in Facebook posts across the 10 Council Facebook pages has also contributed to the popularity of particular pages, such as the double demerits and stadium pages.

Other Council sites

Council also has two additional websites - Fisher's Ghost and Visit Macarthur.

During the reporting period of 1 April to 30 June 2014, the Fisher's Ghost site attracted 2,049 visits, with 78.6% of these being new visitors to the site.

The Visit Macarthur website attracted 37,542 visits, with 71.9% of these being new visitors to the site.

eNewsletters

Council's corporate eNewsletter complements the existing quarterly residential newsletter (letterbox delivery), Council's Facebook pages, and various other communication methods.

The eNewsletter is distributed via email on the first Wednesday of each month and is aimed at keeping subscribers updated on events, Council initiatives, things to do and places to visit, as well as directing traffic to the website through links to further information. There are currently 520 subscribers.

Council's Visitor Information Centre also produces a monthly eNewsletter dedicated to providing information about what's on across the Macarthur region. The Macarthur eNewsletter currently has a subscription base of 800, including residents, local tourism operators and visitor information centres across NSW.

The Campbelltown Arts Centre eNewsletter provides up-to-date information about the Centre's programs and has a current subscription base of more than 2,500. This is supported by an opt-in commercial galleries database and arts organisations database.

Officer's Recommendation

That the information be noted.

Committee's Recommendation: (Glynn/Thompson)

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED

Council Meeting 29 July 2014 (Rowell/Lound)

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

Council Resolution Minute Number 131

1.3 Tourism Website Statistics January to June 2014

Reporting Officer

Manager Communications and Marketing

Attachments

Nil

Purpose

To provide Council with information on the visitation patterns for the Macarthur Tourism website during the period January to June 2014.

History

The redeveloped tourism website for the Macarthur region went live in February 2013.

The updated site provides increased functionality and capabilities, including interactive maps, a route planner, an itinerary builder, filterable lists, site-wide search capabilities, social media integration and mobile and tablet versions.

Report

The tourism website www.macarthur.com.au is a joint initiative between Campbelltown City Council and Camden Council. The site provides a range of tourism related information on the Macarthur region including attractions, events, accommodation, restaurants, shopping centres, function facilities, sporting venues and guided tours.

Google Analytics is used to obtain statistics on the website, including information on the total number of visits to the site, as well as the number of new visitors, return visitors, the most commonly accessed pages and the average number of pages viewed per visit.

During the six month period from 1 January to 30 June 2014, the total number of visits to the Macarthur website was 60,524. This is an 88% increase in visits compared to the previous six month period. Of the 60,524 visits, 73% were new visitors to the site. The number of visitors accessing the site via mobile device was 26,557, more than 43% of all visitors. The total number of pages viewed during the reporting period was 143,753.

In order of popularity, the top three most commonly visited pages, excluding the home page, on the site between January and June 2014 were:

- 1. Dining
- 2. What's On
- 3. Attractions.

The majority of visitors accessed the website via Google (69%), with direct access to the home page the second most common way of reaching the site (16%). Further visitors accessed the site via links / referrals on Sydney.com, Macarthur's Facebook page and Campbelltown Council's website.

E-Newsletters

A monthly e-newsletter dedicated to providing information about What's On in the Macarthur region commenced in November 2012 and currently has 533 subscribers, an increase of 36% since December 2013. The publication is also distributed to local tourism operators and visitor information centres throughout Greater Sydney and NSW each month.

Facebook

The Macarthur Facebook page went live in late 2011. Since this time, fans to the site have increased to the current level of 6,483 likes. The page keeps fans updated with the latest news on attractions, experiences and events in the Macarthur region.

Officer's Recommendation

That the information be noted.

Committee's Recommendation: (Thompson/Oates)

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED

Council Meeting 29 July 2014 (Rowell/Lound)

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

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1.4 Campbelltown's Aboriginal History Brochure

Reporting Officer

Manager Communications and Marketing

Attachments

Campbelltown's Aboriginal History Brochure: an insight into the first peoples of our region (contained within this report)

Purpose

To provide Council with information on a new information pamphlet, 'Campbelltown's Aboriginal History Brochure: an insight into the first peoples of our region'.

Report

An information brochure on Campbelltown's Aboriginal history has been produced in consultation with Tharawal Local Aboriginal Land Council and Campbelltown Aboriginal Community Reference Group which consists of Elders, community members and Aboriginal workers.

The brochure will meet both community and visitor needs for interpretation of Campbelltown's local Indigenous culture, as well as providing a resource for school children.

While the information is accessible online, and at the libraries, limited information in brochure format has been available until now.

The eight page A5 brochure, developed by the Campbelltown Visitor Information Centre in partnership with Council's Community Resources and Development Section, provides an insight into the first peoples of the Campbelltown region. The guide also features details on the Aboriginal community in Campbelltown prior to European settlement, initial contact with Europeans and the Appin massacre, as well as information on the Aboriginal community today.

The brochure is available from the Campbelltown Visitor Information Centre, Campbelltown City Council and is also available online from the Macarthur tourism website www.macarthur.com.au and Council's website.

Officer's Recommendation

That the information be noted.

Committee's Recommendation: (Oates/Thompson)

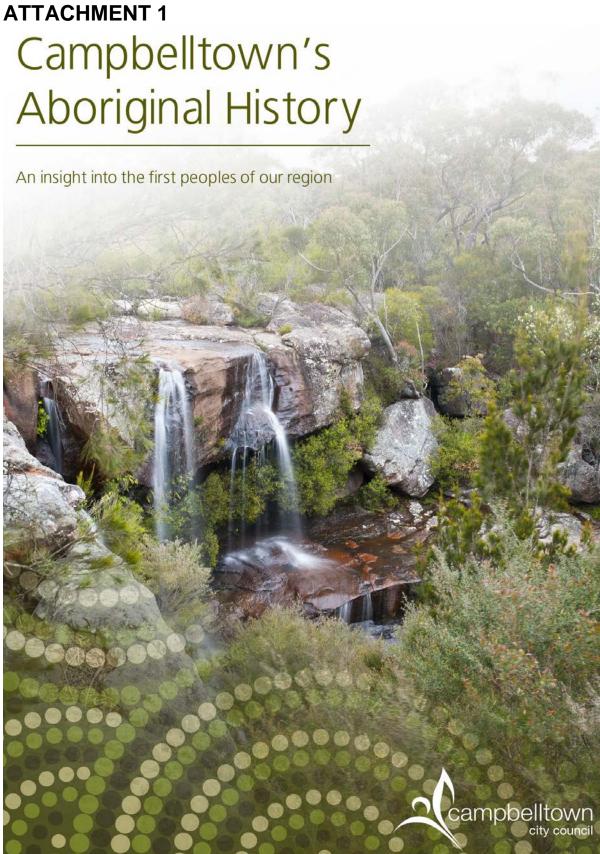
That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

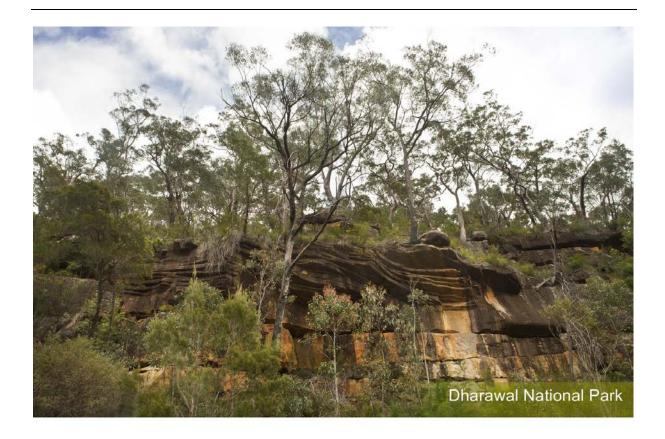
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That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

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An Aboriginal History of Campbelltown

There is evidence that Aboriginal people have lived and cared for their traditional lands for more than 70,000 years, even up to 120,000 years. They have a complex society based on what is sometimes known as "The Dreamtime" and "The Dreaming". The Dreamtime was when Aboriginal creators lived on the earth and formed the landforms, animals and plant life, as well as the time of laying down of the law.

The Dreaming is the continuation of the life cycle, living under the law, and continues even today. As the world changes, the Dreaming continues. Underpinning and strengthening Aboriginal culture is the strong spiritual and physical connection that Aboriginal people have with the land (sometimes known as "Country").



Prior to colonisation, it is estimated there were between 500 and 700 different clans / nations of Aboriginal and / or Torres Strait Islander peoples, each with their own unique languages and cultures.

In what is now known as the Macarthur region, the Dharawal people continue to be acknowledged as the Traditional Custodians. Dharawal people cared for and inhabited land from Botany Bay to the Shoalhaven River and Nowra and inland to Camden. A traditional totem of the area is recognised as the lyrebird.

Dharawal people were able to move from area to area in safety and to maintain resources for many thousands of years before colonisation. They moved between the areas now known as Campbelltown, Liverpool, Camden and Picton, and occasionally as far as Parramatta.

Natural resources supplied all their material needs. The land of the Georges River and its tributaries provided water, food and shelter. The streams and swamplands offered a variety of food. The forest lands sheltered possums, lizards, kangaroos and wallabies and there were roots, berries and seeds to gather. Birds also provided meat and eggs.

Along the Georges River, sandstone eroded, forming rock overhangs which provided shelter. Those facing north, caught the sunlight and held warmth through the night. The walls of these shelters were often decorated with images and hand stencils outlined in red ochre, white clay or charcoal.





Initial contact with the Europeans

A short while after the Europeans landed in Sydney, a number of cattle were lost, having strayed from their herdsman. They wandered south and were found in the area now known as the Macarthur region. As a result, the area became known as the 'Cowpastures'.

Local Dharawal people saw these strange animals and sketched their characteristics on the walls of a sandstone shelter. The animals had no horns, having been polled to prevent injury during their long sea voyage, and the unknown artist clearly depicted their hooves. There is no doubt that the animal sketched in what is known as the 'Bull Cave', is one of the original herd which became lost, as it is depicted without its horns.

From the accounts of other tribes, the first encounter with cattle was a terrifying experience, and this fear is evident by the size of the Campbelltown drawings, where the bulls dominate the walls of the rock shelter. Governor King commented that the Aborigines climbed trees until the animals had passed.

As the colonial settlement expanded, some Europeans formed a close rapport with the local Aboriginal community. Charles Throsby of Glenfield was accompanied by Dharawal men when he explored the Southern Highlands area, and was a persistent critic of European treatment of local Aboriginals. Hamilton Hume and his brother John, made the first of a number of long exploratory trips southwards with a young Aboriginal friend named Duall. The Aboriginal knowledge of the land meant they were very resourceful exploring companions for the Europeans.

Aboriginal knowledge of the land and skills in tracking were integral in solving the murder of Fred Fisher, a local legend who is still remembered today. After the disappearence of Fred and subsequent sighting of his ghost by John Farley, an investigation was opened, and it was suggested Aboriginal trackers be brought in to help uncover his whereabouts. A tracker from Liverpool named Namut Gilbert was brought in. The ground was marshy around the area he was searching. He tasted the water in the puddles and announced 'white fellow's fat there'. The investigation team followed the puddles, prodding the ground until they discovered Fred's body.

However, as with most areas across the nation, the interaction between settlers and Aboriginal people wasn't always peaceful.



The Appin massacre

Relations between Europeans and the Aboriginal people began to deteriorate in 1814, with the first of a series of attacks and acts of aggression throughout the region. As these escalated in severity and frequency, so too did retaliation between the Aboriginal inhabitants of the area and the European settlers.

On 9 April 1816, Governor Macquarie ordered the military to apprehend all Aborigines in the southern districts because of their hostility in the previous two years and their recent attacks on settlers. The orders made no distinction between groups of friendly and aggressive Aborigines.

Charles Throsby of Glenfield was concerned that fear and ignorance on behalf of the Europeans would result in indiscriminate killings. He wrote to the Sydney Gazette in defence of a local Aboriginal man thought to be involved in an attack, stating that any violence perpetrated was in retaliation 'for the barbarity practised by our own countrymen'.

In April 1816, Macquarie ordered Lieutenant Charles Dawes to capture the Cowpastures Aboriginal people. A report submitted by a captain of soldiers sent to the Cowpastures detailed the considerable support the Europeans gave the Dharawal people who had become entangled in this war. Among those who showed their contempt for the way the local Aboriginal people were being treated were John Warby and Hamilton Hume. Hume is noted as lying to the soldiers in an attempt to protect the local people, and Warby is suspected of having set off to try and warn the Dharawal people.

On 17 April 1816, the soldiers attacked, which resulted in the loss of most of the local Dharawal people. This became known as the Appin Massacre. The massacre is remembered in April each year, when Winga Myamly Reconciliation Group and the local Aboriginal community meet to remember the loss of lives.





The Aboriginal community today

Today, Aboriginal people who live in the Macarthur area are of different Aboriginal nations. There is a large diversity of Aboriginal people, mainly from NSW, but also from other parts of Australia.

Some Aboriginal nations represented in Campbelltown include Wiradjuri, Gamileroi, Yorta Yorta, Gumbainggyr, Yuin and Ngunawal, all from the NSW region. There are also people from other states and the Torres Strait Islands.

The Aboriginal community in Macarthur is diverse, but through their unique cultures they hold shared values of respect, family and community, and continue to work together to build on community strengths.

There are currently almost 5000 Aboriginal people living in the region, sharing their unique knowledge and culture with the broader community. Several Aboriginal organisations provide services for the community, and there are a range of Aboriginal groups which support wellbeing and cultural activities.





2. COMMUNITY RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT

2.1 Fisher's Gig 2014

Reporting Officer

Manager Community Resources and Development

Attachments

Nil

Purpose

To provide Council with information on the planning for Fisher's Gig 2014.

History

Fisher's Gig, a music event that showcases the talents of young local performers, has been part of the annual Festival of Fisher's Ghost celebrations since 1998. The event has grown from a band competition known as the Macarthur Music Challenge to a professional development opportunity and music festival displaying the talents of local young people.

Report

Fisher's Gig will be held at Bradbury Oval on 1 November 2014 from 2.00pm to 9.00pm as part of the Festival of Fisher's Ghost. The event will feature headline music acts performing with six local bands.

More than a youth music festival, Fisher's Gig is recognised as a professional platform for aspiring musicians and provides a supportive environment for young people to develop skills in event management and performance. It also provides a large scale youth event where young people are free to engage with and celebrate youth culture in safe, drug and alcohol free environment.

Preselection heats will be held on the 25 and 26 July 2014 at Greg Percival Community Centre, Ingleburn. The preselection heats are an opportunity to source six local bands to perform with the headlining acts with judging by youth and music industry representatives as well as an audience vote. Acoustic and solo performers will also be under consideration for involvement in Fisher's Gig.

The Youth Entertainment Reference Group is a group of young volunteers that assists in the coordination of Fisher's Gig with the support of Council staff. The group is involved in the planning, promotion and delivery of this event and provide hands on support and leadership at the event.

This year's Fisher's Gig will be funded through a combination of Council's approved budget, an Indent Partnership Grant from Music NSW, and a range of in-kind contributions and support from local organisations.

Fisher's Gig will be promoted across the Campbelltown LGA through a variety of media formats including print, social media and on Council's website.

An evaluation report on Fisher's Gig will be provided to Council following the event.

Officer's Recommendation

That the information be noted.

Committee's Recommendation: (Oates/Glynn)

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED

Council Meeting 29 July 2014 (Rowell/Lound)

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

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2.2 Consumer Directed Care - Home Care Places

Reporting Officer

Manager Community Resources and Development

Attachments

Nil

Purpose

To seek Council's endorsement of an application to the Department of Social Services through the 2014 Aged Care Approvals Round, for 95 Home Care places to be managed by Macarthur Community Options service.

History

Consumer Directed Packaged Care is an initiative of the Australian Government for selected community aged care providers to deliver innovative service models, which will provide care recipients and their carers with greater control over the design and delivery of the care services they receive.

Consumer Directed Packaged Care places are only allocated to existing Approved Providers as defined under the *Aged Care Act 1997* and are only allocated to Providers who are approved to provide flexible care.

Council at the meeting of 18 December 2012 resolved to endorse a submission for Macarthur Community Options to become a provider for the Australian Government's Consumer Directed Care for people over 65 years.

Macarthur Community Options has been recognised for their expertise and experience in the area of complex case management for frail aged with the application being successful.

Report

The change in funding arrangements for aged and disability services from block funding to individualised funding continues to be rolled out. The most recent example is for home care places, where approved organisations, such as Campbelltown City Council, can apply to provide services to a specific number of aged people that fits within their service capacity.

All places must be offered on a Consumer Directed Care basis, that is, the consumer directs the use of the funding within the guidelines of the program. Services then are tailored to the needs and wishes of individual clients.

Due to the short turnaround for the submission of applications it was not possible to prepare an application and get Council's approval prior to the closing date on 4 July 2014. A preliminary application has been forwarded to the Department of Social Services, noting that the application still required Campbelltown Council's endorsement.

Council is now required to send a signed application, executed under the Seal of Council, to the Department of Social Services before the Department will consider the application.

Officer's Recommendation

- 1. That Council endorse an application to the Department of Social Services through the 2014 Aged Care Approvals Round, for 95 Home Care places to be managed by Macarthur Community Options service.
- 2. That the application be signed and executed under the Common Seal of Council.
- 3. That subject to notification of success, the Funding Agreement from the Department of Social Services be accepted and signed by the General Manager, on behalf of Council.

Committee's Recommendation: (Thompson/Glynn)

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED

Council Meeting 29 July 2014 (Rowell/Lound)

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

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3. CULTURAL SERVICES

3.1 2015 Campbelltown Arts Centre Dance 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 Dance Board requesting \$90,000 funding support for the delivery of Campbelltown Arts Centre's 2015 Contemporary Dance Program.

Report

The Australia Council for the Arts Dance Board provides funding for organisations that can demonstrate commitment and investment into the creation of new and innovative work that develop Australian dance. These grants support programs and services that benefit a range of dance artists. These can include national and international reciprocal partnerships, professional development programs such as mentor programs, masterclasses, workshops, international exchanges, management support and peer evaluation.

The Centre's Contemporary Dance Program has successfully been funded through the Australia Council annually since 2009. The funding has provided opportunities for a range of Australian and international artists to work in new ways, and within new contexts, through the substantial commissioning and presentation of new dance work.

The 2015 Contemporary Dance Program will continue to build on support toward the development of new and innovative contemporary dance works; showcasing the highest calibre artists and provide access for community and schools through connected public programming for ongoing audience education and development. The program will consist of several key projects, including commissioning new works to be developed collaboratively between dance and music artists to be presented at Campbelltown Arts Centre as a major festival, 'I Can Hear Dancing' scheduled for 2015.

Campbelltown Arts Centre will produce and present its 2015 Contemporary Dance Program under the artistic direction of the Curator Contemporary Dance.

Officer's Recommendation

- 1. That Council endorse the submission to the Federal Government through the Australia Council for the Arts Dance Board requesting \$90,000 funding support for the delivery of Campbelltown Arts Centre's 2015 Contemporary Dance 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.

Committee's Recommendation: (Thompson/Oates)

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED

Council Meeting 29 July 2014 (Rowell/Lound)

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

Council Resolution Minute Number 131

3.2 Australia Council for the Arts Grant Submission - Live Art Program

Reporting Officer

Manager Cultural Services

Attachments

Nil

Purpose

To seek Council's endorsement of a submission to the Australia Council for the Arts requesting up to \$35,000 towards Campbelltown Art Centre's 2015 Live Art Program.

Report

The Australia Council for the Arts through the Emerging and Experimental Arts Section's Creative Australia: New Art (Creative Development) initiative is aimed towards supporting artists, curators and producers to develop ambitious experimental art projects and partnerships that intersect with broader culture, and lead to major new works.

Campbelltown Arts Centre's Live Art Program was initiated in 2010. It engages Australian and international artists to develop projects that critically explore and engage with the local community through participation, dialogue and interaction over a multi-year engagement process. Previous successful Live Art Programs including Minto Live, Site Lab and Temporary Democracies (Airds) have proven the capacity of site based works to revitalise civic areas and make contemporary art practice readily available to local audiences.

Campbelltown Arts Centre proposes to submit an application to the Australia Council for the Arts requesting up to \$35,000 for a period of research and development in preparation for a major offsite project in 2015. The program would be curated by a guest artist and include creative developments and a series of public outcomes. Local residents would be involved in each stage of the creative process from consultation to performance.

If successful with this application, there is a second round of funding available to successful applicants for the presentation of projects.

Officer's Recommendation

- 1. That Council endorse a submission to the Australia Council for the Arts requesting up to \$35,000 towards Campbelltown Art Centre's 2015 Live Art 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.

Committee's Recommendation: (Thompson/Oates)

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED

Council Meeting 29 July 2014 (Rowell/Lound)

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

Council Resolution Minute Number 131

3.3 2014 Festival of Fisher's Ghost Art Award Update

Reporting Officer

Manager Cultural Services

Attachments

Nil

Purpose

To inform Council of the forthcoming Festival of Fisher's Ghost Art Award which will be held as part of Campbelltown's annual Festival of Fisher's Ghost.

Report

The annual Fisher's Ghost Art Award exhibition will be held at Campbelltown Arts Centre from Saturday 25 October to Sunday 14 December 2014. The official opening and award presentations will be held on Friday 31 October.

This year marks the 52nd year of the award with prize money in excess of \$40,000. The major prize is the Open category and the winning artist is awarded \$20,000 with the work becoming part of the Centre's permanent collection.

Previous exemplary winners include artists Justene Williams 2013, Raquel Ormella 2012, Alan Jones 2011 and Michael Lindeman 2010. The Award is an annual event that draws an audience of over 400 guests, many families and friends of participating artists from the local community and greater Sydney Region.

Entries for the award opened to the public on Tuesday 1 July and will close on Friday 19 September. The Award has a tailored set of categories that allow artists to enter works closely linked to their practice, style and medium. The categories include Open, Traditional, Contemporary, Drawing and Printmaking, Sculpture, Photography and Macability. Additionally, the following awards are also available for entry; the James Gleeson Award, Macarthur Award, Aboriginal Ward, Campbelltown Emerging Artist and Wollondilly Award. The Schools Only awards remain open for primary and secondary students.

Officer's Recommendation

That the information be noted.

Committee's Recommendation: (Oates/Glynn)

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED

Council Meeting 29 July 2014 (Rowell/Lound)

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

Council Resolution Minute Number 131

4. CUSTOMER SERVICE

No reports this round

5. EDUCATION AND CARE SERVICES

5.1 Sustainability of Mobile Toy and Book Library

Reporting Officer

Manager Education and Care Services

Attachments

Nil

Purpose

- To seek Council's endorsement of a Variation to The Benevolent Society Communities
 for Children Community Partner Agreements for funding of up to \$11,250 over a three
 month period from July to September 2014 to sustain the Mobile Toy and Book Library
 service for Rosemeadow, Ambarvale and Claymore.
- 2. To seek Council's endorsement of further funding of \$2,500 for a period of six months from July to December 2014 from Uniting Care Burnside to sustain the Mobile Toy and Book Library service visits for the Small Feats supported playgroup at Glenfield.

History

The Mobile Toy and Book Library service has been operating since 2006. The Benevolent Society extended its existing partnership with Council, to run a fully funded Mobile Toy and Book Library 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 Mobile Toy and Book Library in Airds, Claymore, Minto, Macquarie Fields and Glenfield.

Report

The Mobile Toy and Book Library provides access to 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, including where appropriate, referring children to other local organisations and support services.

The Benevolent Society

The Benevolent Society has advised Council that five year funding agreements are confirmed for their Communities for Children program, through the Department of Social Services, however their funding is changing. The Benevolent Society is currently awaiting a new funding agreement for Communities for Children by the Department of Social Services on satisfactory terms to The Benevolent Society.

The Benevolent Society is currently reviewing all of their Communities for Children funded programs whilst they await the Department of Social Services guidelines and specifications, to ascertain individual service eligibility for ongoing funding under this program.

In the interim, The Benevolent Society has offered Council a variation to the existing Communities for Children Community Partner Agreement for funding of up to \$6,250 for Rosemeadow and Ambarvale, and a Variation to the existing Communities for Children Community Partner Agreement for funding of \$5,000 for Claymore, over a three month period from July to September 2014.

In order for Council to receive the funding extension for Rosemeadow and Ambarvale, Council was required to sign and return the Variation to the Communities for Children Community Partner Agreement 2012-2014 to The Benevolent Society by 29 June 2014.

Uniting Care Burnside

Uniting Care Burnside has also offered Council further funding of \$2,500 for a period of six months from July to December 2014 to sustain the Mobile Toy and Book Library visits to the Small Feats supported playgroup, which will operate from Blinman Park Glenfield during Terms 3 and 4, 2014.

The Mobile Toy and Book Library has been successful in providing 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.

Officer's Recommendation

- 1. That Council endorse the Variations to The Benevolent Society Communities for Children Community Partner Agreements for funding of up to \$11,250 over a three month period from July to September 2014 to sustain the Mobile Toy and Book Library service for Rosemeadow, Ambarvale and Claymore.
- 2. That Council endorse further funding of \$2,500 for a period of six months from July to December 2014 from Uniting Care Burnside to sustain the Mobile Toy and Book Library service visits for the Small Feats supported playgroup at Glenfield.

Committee's Recommendation: (Glynn/Oates)

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED

Council Meeting 29 July 2014 (Rowell/Lound)

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

Council Resolution Minute Number 131

5.2 Long Day Care Professional Development Programme

Reporting Officer

Manager Education and Care Services

Attachments

Nil

Purpose

To seek Council's endorsement of an application to the Federal Government, through the Department of Education, for funding of up to \$189,210 over three years to provide professional development for educators employed in Council's long day care services.

Report

The Federal Government has redirected unallocated funding from the Early Years Quality Fund to a new professional development programme known as the Long Day Care Professional Development Programme.

The programme will provide funding to assist educators employed in long day care services to meet the qualification requirements under the National Quality Framework and to improve practice to ensure quality outcomes for children. Funding will be allocated based on the full time equivalent hours of educators, with additional funds available for each Early Childhood Teacher employed in long day care services.

Education and Care Services proposes to submit an application for funding of up to \$189,210 over three years to provide professional development for educators employed in Council's long day care services.

If successful, the funding would enable Education and Care Services to provide a number of options for supporting the professional development of educators. This would include the costs of obtaining formal Early Childhood qualifications; costs associated with replacing staff absent from work due to attendance at professional development activities; for the provision of specifically targeted training courses or attendance at sector conferences.

Officer's Recommendation

- 1. That Council endorse the funding application to the Federal Government for funding through the Long Day Care Professional Development Programme of up to \$189,210 over three years to provide professional development for educators employed in Council's long day care services.
- 2. That subject to notification of success, the funding agreement be accepted and signed by the General Manager on behalf of Council.

Committee's Recommendation: (Oates/Thompson)

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED

Council Meeting 29 July 2014 (Rowell/Lound)

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

Council Resolution Minute Number 131

5.3 Changes in Community Support Programme Funding for Family Day Care

Reporting Officer

Acting Manager Education and Care Services

Attachments

Letter from the Australian Government Department of Education regarding changes in Community Support Programme Funding for Family Day Care Services (contained within this report)

Purpose

To advise Council of changes to the Community Support Programme funding provided by the Department of Education for Family Day Care services.

History

Family Day Care provides a unique and essential service to the residents of the Campbelltown Community. It is a customised Education and Care Service that caters for education and care of children in stimulating learning environments within the educator's home. Children's experience in Family Day Care is unlike any other form of child care. This small group environment is particularly of benefit to children with additional needs, for families that require short period care and for families who cannot access normal long day care services such as shift workers.

Campbelltown City Council Family Day Care currently has 67 Family Day Care educators providing education and care for 550 children within the Campbelltown community.

The Community Support Programme (CSP) assists child care providers to establish or maintain viable services in parts of the country where they might not otherwise be viable or able to meet the unique requirements of the community, such as in disadvantaged or regional and remote areas.

Report

The Australian Government Department of Education has written to Council to advise the current Community Services Programme funding agreement for Family Day Care will be terminated effective 30 June 2015.

From 1 July 2015 all Family Day Care Service applying for support from the CSP will be assessed under similar eligibility criteria to those which apply to other service care types. Providers will be required to reapply and must meet prescribed eligibility criteria to receive funding under the CSP.

The criteria restricts eligibility for CSP funding to Family Day Care services that are the sole provider of Family Day Care in the surrounding area. In addition, an annual cap of \$250,000 on CSP Operational Support payments will be introduced for Family Day Care Services.

Family Day Care services that are ineligible for CSP funding will still be able to administer Child Care Benefit and Child Care Rebate on behalf of families.

Education and Care Services staff have reviewed the new funding guidelines and anticipate that Council will not meet the eligibility criteria and therefore CSP funding will cease as of 1 July 2015. This will mean a loss of funding of approximately \$330,000 annually to the operating budget for Council's FDC.

Education and Care Services continues to review Family Day Care service operation to ensure delivery of a quality program with a focus on financial sustainability. Council's Family Day Care scheme is projected to operate in a cost neutral position for the 2014-2015 financial year.

A future briefing will be provided to Council regarding changes in Community Support Programme Funding for Family Day Care Services.

Officer's Recommendation

That the information be noted.

Committee's Recommendation: (Oates/Thompson)

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED

Council Meeting 29 July 2014

This item was moved forward and dealt with in conjunction with correspondence item 6.1 - Local Government NSW.



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Dear Service Provider,

I am writing to you in your capacity as the authorised person for Campbelltown City Council to advise you that from 1 July 2015 all existing Family Day Care services providers will be required to meet prescribed eligibility criteria to receive funding under the Community Support Programme (CSP). The eligibility criteria, which are outlined in the CSP Programme Guidelines, require services to be the sole Family Day Care (FDC) service located in a regional, remote or disadvantaged area and to demonstrate that there is unmet demand for child care in that area. A cap of \$250,000 per financial year on the amount of Operational Support FDC services can receive will also be introduced from 1 July 2015.

As you will be aware, the CSP is a supplementary payment for FDC services, in addition to Australian Government fee assistance and any levies that services choose to charge. CSP Operational Support is not a fee subsidy for families, nor is it a payment to educators, and services should consider this when reviewing business models.

The Australian Government is making these changes to target funding to where it is needed and make it a fair, sensible and sustainable programme. These changes will also bring the support offered to FDC through the CSP into line with the support provided to other child care service types. The Australian Government wants to ensure that the funding is directed to services that are seeking to set-up and operate in areas of need, in regional, remote and disadvantaged communities, where they otherwise may not be viable consistent with objectives of the programme. The objective of the CSP is that it assists child care providers to establish or maintain viable services in parts of the country where they might not otherwise be viable.

The changes are also consistent with the Australian National Audit Office's (ANAO) 2012 audit of the programme which pointed to key differences between the eligibility criteria for FDC and other care types, such as Long Day Care (LDC) and recommended that the Government review the programme's eligibility criteria. The ANAO noted that 71 per cent of CSP funding in 2011-12 was allocated to Family Day Care which accounted for 10 per cent of all children in care. In contrast, 21 percent of CSP funding was allocated to Long Day Care and Outside School Hours Care which accounted for approximately 90 per cent of all children in formal care.

The Australian Government has asked the Productivity Commission to inquire into the nation's child care system. The realignment, streamlining and better targeting of funds does not pre-empt the outcomes of the Productivity Commission Inquiry.

The CSP changes have no bearing on Campbelltown Family Day Care being an approved FDC service for the purposes of the family assistance law and administering Child Care Benefit (CCB) and Child Care Rebate (CCR) on behalf of families. The changes do not prevent Campbelltown Family Day Care from



providing care to families. In addition, families using Family Day Care will still be eligible for the higher rate of Child Care Benefit of up to \$5.32 per hour compared to \$3.99 per hour for Long Day Care.

The Commonwealth will terminate all funding agreements under the CSP for FDC services effective 30 June 2015. Service providers will need to reapply if they wish to be assessed for eligibility for funding under the CSP from 1 July 2015 onwards. You are being provided with 12 months' notice of the changes to allow time for you to make adjustments to your business model. The Department of Education will send Campbelltown Family Day Care a formal notice of termination in 2015.

The Department will be working closely with FDC peak bodies to ensure that services have access to support and advice to assist with transitioning to the new arrangements.

If you have any questions in relation to the information contained in this letter please contact the Child Care Access Hotline on 1800 670 305 or alternatively you can email enquiries to familydaycare@education.gov.au

Yours sincerely

Lee Robinson NSW/ACT State Early Childhood Education and Care Australian Government Department of Education 28 May 2014

6. HEALTHY LIFESTYLES

6.1 Revised Policy - Swimming Achievement Awards

Reporting Officer

Manager Healthy Lifestyles

Attachments

Swimming Achievement Awards Policy (contained within this report)

Purpose

To seek Council's endorsement on the Swimming Achievement Awards Policy.

History

The abovementioned policy was adopted by Council on 11 February 1992, was last reviewed on 8 March 2011 and is now due for review in accordance with the Records and Document Management Policy.

Report

The abovementioned policy has been reviewed in accordance with Council's Record Management Policy and the adopted procedure for Policy Development and Review.

The Swimming Achievement Awards Policy has been reviewed and found that no changes were required. It is recommended that the policy be adopted and a new review date set.

Officer's Recommendation

- 1. That the revised Swimming Achievement Awards Policy as attached to this report be adopted.
- 2. That the Policy review date be set at 30 June 2017.

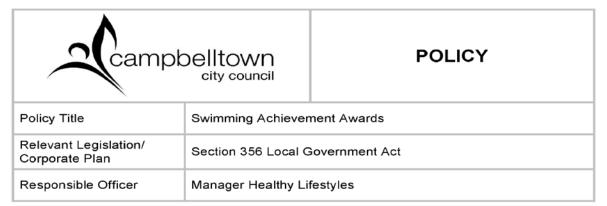
Committee's Recommendation: (Glynn/Thompson)

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

Council Resolution Minute Number 131

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.



Policy details may change prior to review date due to legislative changes, therefore this document is uncontrolled when printed.

Objectives

To reward local swimmers who achieve a high standard of excellence in individual competitive swimming.

Policy Statement

Any swimmer who is a local resident and has been awarded a gold medal at a State or National event conducted by Swimming Australia will have their achievement acknowledged by Campbelltown City Council with a 12 month swimming pass to all Council's Leisure Centres.

Scope

This policy applies to residents of Campbelltown Local Government Area.

Definitions

For the purpose of this policy a State gold medal is a first place achievement at a State level event conducted by the State governing body – NSW Swimming in conjunction with Australian Swimming. A National gold medal is a first place achievement in any event at an Australian Championship competition conducted by the Australian governing body - Swimming Australia.

Legislative Context

Section 356 of the Local Government Act (as amended).

Principles

The Competitor must be a local resident and have achieved first place at a State and / or National swimming carnival conducted by Swimming Australia and / or NSW Swimming. The competitor will receive a 12 month swimming pass dated from the date of medal receipt.

Responsibility

Manager Healthy Lifestyles

Effectiveness of this Policy

The policy will be reviewed on a three-year basis to ensure the appropriate level of recognition.

END OF POLICY STATEMENT

6.2 Waminda Oval Fencing Proposal

Reporting Officer

Manager Healthy Lifestyles

Attachments

- 1. Photos of Waminda Oval fencing proposal (contained within this report)
- 2. Aerial photo showing proposed location of fencing (contained within this report)

Purpose

To seek Council's approval for the erection of fencing at Waminda Oval that assists East Campbelltown Eagles Rugby League Club manage game day operations, and addresses the concerns of the local community.

History

At its meeting on 13 August 2013 Council resolved to explore the feasibility of alternate models of temporary fencing that are more robust yet removable within 24 hours which may present as a compromise to address the concerns of both interested sporting groups and the local community.

Report

In researching temporary fencing options, Council officers compiled a range of examples from other facilities from around Sydney and across the Campbelltown LGA. These options included post and rail, cable fencing, tubular steel and chain wire fencing.

Council officers contacted local residents who had made representations to Council in 2013 about the use of temporary fencing and offered them the opportunity to be presented with the selected options. Residents were invited to provide comments and alternate ideas that would allow East Campbelltown Eagles Rugby League Club to erect temporary fencing on game day without impacting on the aesthetics of the park and access to the community.

Council officers then met with representatives of East Campbelltown Eagles Rugby League Club and discussed the range of suitable options for temporary fencing that would best meet the Club's objectives on game day; meet Council's requirements for erection and removal on the same day; and meet the concerns of local residents.

After consulting with both residents and the East Campbelltown Eagles Rugby League Club, Council officers have made the following proposals:

- That the existing kopper log fence along Waminda Avenue be replaced by a 1.2m high black chain wire fence from the Community Hall to the first house, with three access areas. The proposed fence would be of same size and style to that of newly developed Benham Oval
- Sleeves be placed below ground level at 10m intervals at the back of the No 2 field and poles be supplied that could be erected on game day with hooks to hang the mesh covering used by the club
- Sleeves could also be placed around the front of the playground as well so the fence can be placed around it, ensuring the playground remains outside of the fenced area
- The access gate to Darwin Road to be left open for access for residents to the open space outside of the fenced area on game day.

Although a range of alternative options were discussed by both groups, the option of permanent fencing along Waminda Avenue was acceptable. It was specifically requested to have breaks in the fence, similar to Benham Oval, at a height of higher than Benham Oval.

The cost to erect the fencing as proposed would be \$14,000 which could be managed within the 2014-2015 Healthy Lifestyles budget.

Officer's Recommendation

- 1. That Council approve the replacement of the existing fence on Waminda Avenue, as outlined in the report.
- 2. That Council approve the proposal to assist East Campbelltown Eagles Rugby League Club erect temporary fencing on game day, as outlined in the report.

Committee Note: Mr Logue addressed the Committee regarding the proposal.

Mr Draper address the Committee regarding the proposal.

Committee's Recommendation: (Thompson/Glynn)

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

Amendment (Borg/Lound)

- 1. That Council approve the replacement of the existing fence on Waminda Avenue, as outlined in the report subject to the fence height being increased to 1.4 metres.
- 2. That Council approve the proposal to assist East Campbelltown Eagles Rugby League Club erect temporary fencing on game day, as outlined in the report.

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Further Amendment (Oates/Greiss)

- 1. That Council approve the replacement of the existing fence on Waminda Avenue, as outlined in the report.
- 2. That Council approve the proposal of East Campbelltown Eagles Rugby League Club to erect temporary fencing on game day, as outlined in the report.

WON and became part of the Motion.

Council Resolution Minute Number 131

That the above amendment **Moved** Councillor Oates, **Seconded** Councillor Greiss be adopted.

WAMINDA OVAL FENCING PROPOSAL





Waminda Oval Fencing options



6.3 Lynwood Park Synthetic Turf Proposal Update

Reporting Officer

Manager Healthy Lifestyles

Attachments

Nil

Purpose

To update Council of the Lynwood Park synthetic turf proposal.

History

At its meeting on 6 May 2014 Council was advised of a request from Macarthur Football Association for assistance in funding a synthetic turf field at Lynwood Park.

Council resolved that in consideration of the matters outlined in the report, Council accept the grant of \$500,000 from the Federal Government and subject to the agreement of the Macarthur Football Association to provide a contribution of \$200,000, Council contribute the balance of funding to a maximum amount of \$700,000 to enable construction of a synthetic soccer surface at the Lynwood Park facility.

Report

Council was also advised at its meeting on 6 May 2014 that Macarthur Football Association submitted a grant under the ClubGRANTS program Category 3 to fund the redevelopment at Lynwood Park. If successful, the grant would cover the shortfall for the synthetic turf project as well as other peripheral projects at Lynwood Park.

On the 23 June 2014 Macarthur Football Association was formally notified that their application was unsuccessful. It is anticipated that the Minister for Trade and Investment will announce the next ClubGRANTS Fund Category 3 later this year.

Council officers will meet with Macarthur Football Association to finalise the project timelines for construction.

Officer's Recommendation

That the information be noted.

Committee's Recommendation: (Rowell)

Note: Due to the lack of a seconder this matter will need to be determined by Council at its meeting to be held 29 July 2014.

Council Meeting 29 July 2014

Having declared an interest in regard to Item 6.3, Councillor Kolkman left the Chamber and did not take part in debate nor vote on this item.

Council Meeting 29 July 2014 (Rowell/Mead)

That the information be noted.

Council Resolution Minute Number 132

That the information be noted.

A **Division** was called in regard to the Resolution for Item 6.3 - Lynwood Park Synthetic Turf Proposal Update with those voting for the Motion being Councillors Dobson, Greiss, Hawker, Lake, Lound, Matheson, Mead and Rowell.

Voting against the Resolution were Councillors Borg, Brticevic, Thompson, Oates and Glynn.

At the conclusion of the discussion regarding Item 6.3, Councillor Kolkman returned to the Chamber for the remainder of the meeting.

7. LIBRARY SERVICES

7.1 Free Tax Help

Reporting Officer

Manager Library Services

Attachments

Nil

Purpose

To advise Council of a free Tax Help service offered by the Australian Taxation Office (ATO).

Report

Following on from the success of this service in previous years, a Tax Help Service offered by the ATO will again be made available to members of the community at the HJ Daley Library and Glenquarie Library.

Tax Help is a network of community volunteers, trained by the ATO, who provide a free and confidential service to help people complete their tax returns during the tax period. Tax Help is suitable for people earning up to \$50,000 a year with fairly straight forward tax affairs. Tax Help is suitable for people on low incomes including seniors, students, people from non-English speaking backgrounds, people with a disability and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People.

The service will be available from mid-July through to 31 October 2014. Bookings are essential and can be made through the Library Service.

Officer's Recommendation

That the information be noted.

Committee's Recommendation: (Thompson/Oates)

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

Council Resolution Minute Number 131

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

7.2 StrokeSafe Talk at the HJ Daley Library

Reporting Officer

Manager Library Services

Attachments

Nil

Purpose

To advise Council of a StrokeSafe Talk provided by the National Stroke Foundation to be held at the HJ Daley Library on 9 September 2014 as part of Stroke Week.

Report

The National Stroke Foundation is a non-profit organisation that works with stroke survivors, carers, health professionals, government and the public to reduce the impact of stroke on the Australian community.

In Australia, someone has a stroke every ten minutes. In order to raise awareness and help communities understand and prevent strokes, the National Stroke Foundation is inviting libraries to host a StrokeSafe Talk.

The StrokeSafe Ambassador Program offers free talks held by passionate and professional speakers who talk about what stroke is, the effects of stroke, how to prevent a stroke, how to recognise the signs and what to do if someone is having a stroke. The StrokeSafe Ambassador Program is just one of the many initiatives of the Foundation aimed at helping communities understand and prevent stroke – Australia's second biggest killer.

Campbelltown City Library will be hosting a StrokeSafe Talk at the HJ Daley Library on Tuesday 9 September 2014 from 3.00pm to 4.00pm.

The StrokeSafe Talk will be promoted across the Campbelltown Local Government Area to relevant organisations, through flyers and on Council's website.

Officer's Recommendation

That the information be noted.

Committee's Recommendation: (Glynn/Thompson)

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

Council Resolution Minute Number 131

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

8. GENERAL BUSINESS

Nil.

20. CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

No reports this round

There being no further business the meeting closed at 5.55pm.

T Rowell CHAIRPERSON