



6 February 2007

COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT A COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RANDWICK WILL BE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, TOWN HALL, 90 AVOCA STREET, RANDWICK, ON TUESDAY, 13TH FEBRUARY 2007 AT 5:30 PM

Committee Members: The Mayor, P. Tracey, Belleli, Hughes, Matson, Nash, Procopiadis (Deputy Chairperson), Woodsmith (Chairperson)

Quorum: Four (4) members.

NOTE: AT THE EXTRAORDINARY MEETING HELD ON 28TH SEPTEMBER, 2004, THE COUNCIL RESOLVED THAT THE COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE BE CONSTITUTED AS A COMMITTEE WITH FULL DELEGATION TO DETERMINE MATTERS ON THE AGENDA.

1 Apologies/Granting of leave of absences

2 Confirmation of the Minutes

CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY, 5TH DECEMBER, 2006.

3 Declaration of Pecuniary & Non-Pecuniary Interests

4 Addressing of Committee by Members of the Public

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GENERAL MANAGER

Director, City Planning Report 1/2007



SUBJECT:	YOUNG AT HEART 2 - SENIORS FILM FESTIVAL
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DATE:	30 January, 2007	FILE NO:	F2004/07689
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REPORT BY: DIRECTOR, CITY PLANNING

INTRODUCTION:

Following the overwhelming success of the inaugural Young at Heart Film Festival, held as part of Seniors Week 2006, The Festivalists have written to Council requesting sponsorship and support for Young at Heart 2007. Due to popular demand, the proposed screenings, events and activities will once again be held at the Randwick Ritz Cinema during Seniors Week from March 11 – 18, 2007.

The 2nd edition of **“The Young at Heart Film Festival,”** is presented by the Festivalists, a newly formed Sydney-based, “not for profit” organisation and supported by the Department of Disability, Ageing and Home Care (DADHC). The Film Festival offers 8 days of screenings, documentaries, workshops, events, panel discussions, short film awards and parties for Seniors, their families and friends.

The theme for NSW Seniors Week 2007, will again be **“LIVE LIFE!”** The activities, events and opportunities offered at the Young at Heart Film Festival reflect the LIVE LIFE theme, through the promotion of social interaction, active lifestyle and community participation. The Festival also provides an opportunity for Seniors to connect with other Seniors in the community.

In 2006 the Festival attracted over 1000 admissions to its screenings by providing an excellent program and range of activities at affordable prices. A main goal of the 2nd Sydney Seniors Film Festival is to ensure that scheduling, access and pricing allow people of all economic backgrounds and physical ability to take part in the event. The proposed activities and workshops also provide a real opportunity for residents of Randwick to take part in an event at their doorstep without the hassle of travelling far and in a familiar environment.

The Festival aims to target Seniors of all backgrounds living in and around the LGA and promote values that are aligned with the City such as inclusivity, cultural diversity and creativity.

The Festival and its associated events and activities have been supported and organised in consultation with Council’s Older Persons Reference Group.

This report recommends that Council endorse the Festival.

ISSUES:

A main goal of the Festival is to dissolve generation barriers and achieve Community Integration by:

- Ensuring the program reflects the variety of cultures, lifestyles and languages of the diverse Seniors population of the Metropolitan Sydney Area.
- Providing an affordable event together with free workshops aimed at Seniors to develop new skills and interests in camera, editing and acting classes.

Confirmed sponsors for Young at Heart 2007, include DADHC which has expressed a strong interest in being a long term partner, The NSW Film and Television Office (FTO), Captain Cook Cruises and Vasey House Association. The Ritz Cinema is the official venue partner and other financial and in-kind support is anticipated from Renault Australia, Hunter Valley Gardens and Royal Randwick Shopping Centre.

The first edition of Young at Heart attracted 45.3% of residents from Randwick City, which included attendees from the following suburbs: Coogee, Clovelly, Randwick, Kingsford, Chifley, South Coogee, Maroubra, Matraville, Phillip Bay, La Perouse and Malabar. This reflects the focus of the marketing, the Ritz Cinema's catchment area and the support of Randwick City Council. The feedback for the project was overwhelmingly positive, 91.9% of customers enthusiastically expressed their wish to return if a second Seniors Film Festival were held in 2007.

The Festival is becoming a high profile event attracting many Seniors during the week long celebrations. As a flagship event of NSW Senior's Week, the Festival benefits from state-wide exposure, also as part of the extensive NSW Seniors Week Campaign, the attendance at Young at Heart 2007 is expected to double. The Festival also attracts celebrities, actors and filmmakers to Randwick. The program's contingent of premieres and special guests will in turn attract media attention which, Randwick City Council, as a supporting partner, is ideally poised to capitalise on.

The inaugural edition of the Festival involved many local shops and restaurants. The restaurants were able to promote their menus to the festival patrons, and benefited from the large crowd during the festival. Many shops and businesses were also partners of the Festival and showed a great interest in promoting their services and products at the event.

By Sponsoring Young at Heart 2007, Randwick City Council and its residents will benefit from the success of the Film Festival and ensure that the event remains in Randwick. As noted above, nearly half the patrons that attended last years events were residents of Randwick. The Festivalists aim to work with Randwick Tourism committee to further promote Randwick City through the Festival.

Please see attachment for a more detailed sponsorship outline, submitted by the organisers.

RELATIONSHIP TO CITY PLAN:

The relationship with the City Plan is as follows:

Outcome: 2: A Vibrant and Diverse Community

Direction: Enrich our range of Community Services that meet our Community Needs

Key Actions: Celebrate the range of cultures and people within Randwick City.

FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

The Festivalists, Young at Heart 2007 Film Festival are requesting that Council become a major partner of the event and contribute \$5,000.00 + GST towards the entire program, inclusive of in kind support. The in kind support may include waiving venue hire costs, assisting with printing, advertising and marketing (including flyers, catalogue distribution) and other mail outs.

In the event Council accepts the report recommendations, the total financial impact of The Film Festival will be \$5,000.00, which represents approximately 7 percent of the \$80,000 budget spent on the Festival.

An amount of \$5,000.00 has been allocated in the 2006/07 Community Development Budget to cover this sponsorship contribution.

CONCLUSION:

The Film Festival will provide a great opportunity and easy access for Randwick Seniors to take part in a major Seniors Week event.

The proposed Festival will show Council's commitment for the provision of high quality, affordable and accessible cultural activity for the City's senior citizens.

RECOMMENDATION:

That:

- (a) Council agree to contribute \$5,000.00 sponsorship (inclusive of in-kind support) toward the Young at Heart Film Festival, as per the Community Development Budget 2006/2007;
- (b) all publicity material relating to the Young at Heart Film Festival acknowledge Council's contribution by displaying the Council Logo and promoting Council's contribution as a Community Partner. Council will also receive acknowledgement in all major speeches and introductions; and
- (c) the Mayor or his representative shall be given the opportunity at Opening or Closing Night Galas to address the Young at Heart Festival, on behalf of Council.

ATTACHMENT/S:

Nil

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Director, City Planning Report 2/2007



SUBJECT:	YOUTH WEEK 2007
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DATE:	24 January, 2007	FILE NO:	F2004/07708
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REPORT BY: DIRECTOR, CITY PLANNING

INTRODUCTION:

National Youth Week 2007 is an annual event which not only celebrates the contribution that young people make to the community, but provides a platform for positive opportunities enabling young people to come together to share their ideas, views and concerns through networking, talking, learning, raising issues and having fun. Implemented jointly by federal, state and local government and coordinated by the Australian Government Department of Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs (FaCSIA), National Youth Week will take place from 14 to 22 April 2007. The slogan for 2007 is 'Launch Yourself.' The purpose of this report is to provide Council with information on the planned National Youth Week activities.

Events and activities organised by Randwick City council for this year are commensurate with the aims of National Youth Week and will encourage young people to: share ideas; attend live events; have their voices heard on issues of concern to them; showcase their talents; celebrate their contribution to the community; take part in competitions; and have fun! Following are the activities proposed for Youth Week 2007 and facilitated by Randwick City Council in collaboration with Woollahra Council, Waverley Council, City of Botany Bay Council, WAYS and The Shack Youth Services:

- **Short Film Competition and Presentation Night including several film making workshops** - in collaboration with Metro Screen and ABC Message Stick.
- **Bondi Blitz** in partnership with Waverley Council, Woollahra Council, WAYS and The Shack.
- **Basketball Competition** in partnership with Waverley Council, Woollahra Council, WAYS and The Shack.
- **Youth Forum** in partnership with Waverley Council, Woollahra Council, WAYS and The Shack.
- **Youth Dance Party** – in partnership with PCYC and Botany Council, WAYS and The Shack.
- **Beat the Drum for Youth Week** – drumming workshop at Bowen Library
- **Relaunch and rename of Pizza and Pages** – Bowen Library.

ISSUES:

The following is a summary of the proposed activities planned for Youth Week 2007:

Short Film Competition and Presentation Night

In its fourth year the Short Film Competition and Presentation night will provide an opportunity for young people to showcase their talents, develop skills, contribute to the community and be heard on issues that concern them. In an attempt to facilitate participation from a broader section of the youth community two important changes will be made to the event for 2007: First, two new entry categories (story boards and screen plays) are proposed to be added with two workshops held at the Bowen Library to facilitate entries. Secondly, a series of film making workshops conducted by Metro Screen and Message Stick will be held from January onwards to encourage young people from South Coogee Housing Estate, La Perouse, The Shack Youth Centre and the broader community to participate.

The Short Film Competition is open to all young people aged 12-25 years, living, working or studying within the Randwick Local Government Area. Eligible entrants include individuals, youth service providers and school, university and TAFE students. The presentation night and film viewing will be sponsored by the Ritz cinema and held on Monday 16 April at 6.30 pm. Prizes will be awarded to winners of the categories and all finalists will receive a certificate of merit.

Pizza and Pages

This event is a new addition to the National Youth Week program and has successfully run at Bowen Library for several years. Young people are invited to select books for the libraries collections, and discuss books they have read over pizza. It will be renamed and relaunched on Wednesday 18 April from 4 pm to 5:30 pm.

Beat the Drum for Youth Week 2007

Beat the Drum for Youth Week is a free drumming workshop which will be held for the first time in Youth Week at Bowen Library on Thursday 19 April from 6 pm to 7:30 pm. Well known drummer Philippe Lincy will spend 90 mins with a group of 25 young people teaching them the basics of playing the West African djembe drum.

Bondi Blitz

Bondi Blitz is an open air live music event which has been a feature of National Youth Week for 16 years. Bands and other acts will be selected by a committee of young people and will include local artists. This event also provides an opportunity to promote youth services in the eastern region and to disseminate information on a wide range of subjects including health and safety. A range of other activities, including a free learn to surf clinic run by 'Let's Go Surfing', will be held. The event is to take place next to the skate park at Bondi Beach on Saturday 24 March 2007 from noon to 5 pm. Randwick City Council is involved in the planning of this event and will provide in-kind support, in relation to advertising and promotion, and staff resources on the day. Waverley Council will use its public liability for the event.

Youth Forum

The Youth Forum will be held at WAYS Youth Service at 63a Wairoa Ave Bondi Beach on Thursday 29 March from 8:30 am to 3 pm. This will be the 13th Youth Forum and will explore the issue of crisis management with reference to mental health particularly suicide.

Schools from Randwick, Waverley and Woollahra will be invited to attend. Each school generally sends up to 8 students. In the past, Randwick Girls, Randwick Boys,

Marcellin, South Sydney, Emanuel and Brigidine Schools have been involved in this event.

Randwick City Council staff will assist with the planning of the forum, liaise with schools in the local government area and assist on the day.

3 on 3 Basketball Competition

The 3x3 basketball competition will be held at Randwick Girls High School on Monday 26 March from 3:30 pm to 5:30 pm.

Randwick City Council has been invited to assist in organising the event by providing in kind support including organising local publicity, contacting local schools, organising prizes and assisting on the day.

Under 18 Youth Dance Party

The dance party will be held at PCYC Bunnerong Rd Daceyville on a date to be fixed from 7.30 pm to 11.30 pm and will cost \$12 per entry.

In the past, PCYC has run the party and assumed responsibility for public liability insurance as well as organising qualified security and first aid officers to ensure the event is managed appropriately. This event will occur only if renovation of the PCYC is complete.

RELATIONSHIP TO CITY PLAN:

The relationship with the City Plan is as follows:

Outcome 2:	A vibrant and diverse community
Direction 2b:	Enrich our range of community services that meet our community's needs
Key action:	Celebrate the range of cultures and people within Randwick City
Outcome 5:	Excellence in recreation and lifestyle opportunities
Direction 5b:	A range of cultural, sporting and leisure activities
Key action:	Increase public art, performance spaces and opportunities for creative expression across our City.
Outcome 3:	An informed and engaged community
Direction 3b:	Council actively promotes the community services offered by other agencies
Key action:	Create information hubs at our libraries and throughout our City which enrich the exchange and inter flow of information.

FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

The Financial impact to Council for the above activities is \$4,800 which has been previously allocated within the 2006/2007 Community Development for Youth Week activities and \$360 from Bowen Library. To assist with the costs of offering these events, a grant of \$2,200 has been applied for from the NSW Department of Community Services.

CONCLUSION:

National Youth Week 2007 will provide a great opportunity to recognise and celebrate the contribution and talents of young people living in Randwick City.

The proposed activities will provide continued visibility of Council's commitment to servicing all people in the community.

RECOMMENDATION:

That:

- a) Council note and endorse the proposed activities planned for National Youth Week 2007 in Randwick City;
- b) All publicity relating to National Youth Week 2007 acknowledge Randwick City Council by displaying its logo; and
- c) The Mayor or his representative shall be given the opportunity to address young people on behalf of Council during a National Youth Week activity.

ATTACHMENT/S:

Nil

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Director, City Planning Report 3/2007



SUBJECT:	SENIORS WEEK 2007		
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DATE:	30 January, 2007	FILE NO:	F2004/07689
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REPORT BY: DIRECTOR, CITY PLANNING

INTRODUCTION:

NSW Seniors Week is an initiative supported by the State Government and coordinated and funded by the Department of Ageing, Disability and Home Care (DADHC). This initiative is held annually, on a national basis to celebrate, highlight and affirm the positive contributions older people make to their local community. Seniors Week 2007 will be from March 11 - 18 and the theme for this year is "LIVE LIFE."

Each year Randwick City Council acknowledges Seniors in the area by organising events and activities during Seniors Week. In 2007, it is proposed that Council in partnership with local service providers hold an "Older Persons Expo" at Council's Community Centre at Munda Street on Wednesday 14 March, from 10am – 3pm. The purpose of the Expo is to showcase various services available to Seniors in Randwick City and provide information to Seniors to access these services.

By providing representation from a wide-range of service providers and displaying information on services and support available in Randwick City, residents and Senior citizens will benefit from this event that will aim to promote social interaction, active lifestyle and community participation. The Older Persons Expo is a significant community event and opportunity for Council to increase awareness about services, programs and activities available to Seniors in Randwick City.

Randwick City has a culturally diverse Seniors population. The Expo focuses on Seniors of all cultural backgrounds who live in Randwick, this demonstrates Council's ongoing commitment to servicing and supporting all members of the community.

The proposed Older Persons Expo has been organised in consultation with Council's Older Persons Reference Group.

The purpose of this report is to provide Council with information on the various service providers that will be represented at the Older Persons Expo and seek Council's endorsement to hold the Expo.

ISSUES:

The Expo provides a comprehensive set of information for Seniors accessing services and aims to enable them to increase health and well being and knowledge of community care options. The Expo also highlights many support and interest groups

for Seniors and encourages Seniors to develop additional interests and skills by becoming involved in community-based programs and activities. As part of the Expo, Council will also be promoting services that it provides to Seniors.

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- Library Services will promote services available such as the community bus and Seniors Gold card.
- Bushland and Nursery will promote pocket park activities and bushland groups.
- RCC Sustainability will disseminate information on reducing energy consumption.
- RCC Home Maintenance and Modifications will promote services available.
- Council's Community Road and Safety Officer will provide information on Pedestrian Safety.

HOME & COMMUNITY CARE SERVICES

- General Home and Community Care information will be disseminated on local and affordable support services for frail, older people, older people with disabilities and their carers to assist them to continue living independently in their own homes.
- The Junction Neighbourhood Centre (JNC), South East Neighbourhood Centre (SENC) and Home Care NSW will promote the many services types available such as transport, meals and home assistance.

COMMUNITY HEALTH

- A.I.M for Fitness (POW) will provide workshops on Falls Prevention, Tai Chi and Yoga exercises specifically modified for Seniors.
- South Eastern Sydney Division of General Practice (SESDGP), Home Medicines Review (HMR) and National Prescribing Services (NPS) will have information tables.
- Aged Care and Rehabilitation Team (POW) will provide information on mental health and transition to nursing homes.
- Warren Reid (Dementia Advisor) will provide information on Dementia, incorporating information on Alzheimers.
- Council of the Ageing (COTA) NSW will disseminate information on Medication Management and promote their healthy ageing education program.

ADVICE & REFERRAL SERVICES

- The Aged Care Rights Services (TARS) will provide referral and advocacy on the behalf of older people.
- Centrelink (Maroubra) to provide information on retirement, pensioner education supplement, disability, sickness and carers.
- Eastern Sydney Multicultural Access Project (ESMAP) Information on how older people from CALD backgrounds can access home and community care through bilingual workers.
- Sydney Multicultural Centre will promote a variety of community services for older people from CALD backgrounds in key languages.
- Commonwealth Carers Respite Centre will disseminate information on all respite options available in the Randwick City.
- Kingsford Legal Centre.

EDUCATION, TRAINING & SUPPORT SERVICES

- National Seniors Association Randwick/Botany Branch, Volunteers and Training Services Maroubra (VAST), Computer Pals (Kingsford) and Eastern Suburbs Community College will disseminate information on courses and programs on offer for Seniors.

EMERGENCY SERVICES

- State Emergency Services (SES), Police, Ambulance and Fire Brigade Services will provide information on Community Safety.

EXERCISE & LEISURE

- Coast Centre for Seniors and UNSW Lifestyle Gym will showcase a range of leisure activities and lifestyle programs to ensure older people remain fit and healthy.

RELATIONSHIP TO CITY PLAN:

The relationship with the City Plan is as follows:

Outcome 2:	A Vibrant and Diverse Community
Direction:	Enrich our range of community services that meet our community needs/strong partnerships between Council, community groups and government agencies.
Key Actions:	Support the provision of services and facilities to meet the needs of our Target Groups.

FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

Applications for funding have been granted from the Department of Disability, Health & Ageing for a total of \$1,000 for the purposes of the Older Persons Expo.

In the event Council accepts the report recommendations, the total financial impact of the Older Persons Expo will be \$3,800. This includes printing, advertising, hiring, refreshments and catering. This amount is scheduled in the 2006/07 budget for the Seniors Week event.

CONCLUSION:

The proposed Expo will provide continued visibility of Council's commitment to supporting and serving members of the community and especially highlight the needs of older people in Randwick City.

RECOMMENDATION:

That:

- a) Council note and endorse the proposed Older Persons Expo planned as part of Seniors Week 2007 in Randwick City; and
- b) Council agree to fund the amount of \$3,800 towards the Older Persons Expo, this amount to being accessed via the Community Development budget.

ATTACHMENT/S:

Nil

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Confidential Items (Closed Session)

Notices of Rescission Motions
