

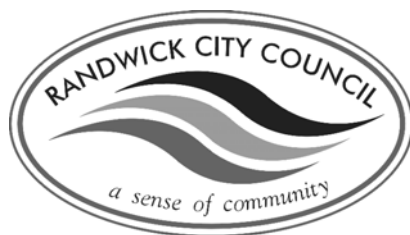


ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

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ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that an Ordinary Council Meeting of the Council of the City of Randwick will be held in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, 90 Avoca Street, Randwick, on Tuesday, 27 May 2008 at 6:00pm.

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Mayoral Minute No. MM25/08



Subject: Request for waiving of fees - use of Munda Street Community Centre by Sydney Multicultural Community Services

Folder No: F2004/08302

Author: Councillor Notley-Smith, Mayor

Introduction

Council has received a request from Sydney Multicultural Community Services (Sydney MCS) for waiving of the fees for use of the Munda Street Community Centre on Thursday 9 April 2009 for their Annual Seniors Carnivale.

Issues

Sydney MCS is a non profit organisation and the proposed Seniors Carnivale is for the direct benefit of senior citizens from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds residing in the Randwick City Council area.

Listed below are the associated fees:

Hire Fee (6 hours from 9am – 3pm)	\$273.00
Refundable deposit	\$350.00.

Financial impact statement

Should Council accept the report recommendation, the financial implication to Council is \$273.00. Given the event is proposed to be held on 9 April 2009, it is recommended that this amount be funded from the 2008/09 Contingency Fund.

Conclusion

It is considered that Council's assistance be given by waiving the associated fees for this worthwhile community event.

Recommendation

That:

- Council vote \$273.00 to cover the fees associated with the use of the Munda Street Community Centre on 9 April 2008 for Sydney MCS's Seniors Carnivale and funds be allocated from the 2008/09 Contingency Fund;
- The event organiser undertakes to appropriately and prominently acknowledge and promote Council's contribution prior to and during the event; and
- The Mayor or his representative shall be given the opportunity to address the event on behalf of Council.

Attachment/s:

Nil

Item MM25/08

Mayoral Minute No. MM26/08

Subject: Australian Red Cross Blood Service -
Request for use of Randwick Town Hall and Waiving of Fees

Folder No: F2004/06050

Author: Councillor Notley-Smith, Mayor

Introduction

A request has been received from the Australian Red Cross to locate their mobile blood bank in the Randwick Town Hall on Friday 13 June 2008.

Issues

In order to facilitate the establishment of the mobile blood bank on 13 June 2008 the Town Hall car park will need to be closed for the day and the fees for the hire of the Town Hall will need to be waived.

Financial impact statement

The foregone cost of hiring the Randwick Town Hall from 8.30am to 5.00pm would be \$637.50.

Conclusion

The Australian Red Cross Blood Service is a national not-for-profit organisation responsible for providing the Australian community with safe, high quality blood and blood products. This is a vital community service which deserves the full support of Council.

Recommendation

That the hire fees be waived to allow the Australian Red Cross to locate their mobile blood bank in the Randwick Town Hall on Friday 13 June 2008.

Attachment/s:

Nil

Item MM26/08

Mayoral Minute No. MM27/08



Subject: Signage - 'Police Patrol This Area'
Folder No: F2004/07501
Author: Councillor Notley-Smith, Mayor

Introduction

Council staff recently installed signage in Kingsford reading "Plain clothed and uniform Police patrol this area."

Issues

The installation of the Police Patrol This Area signage in Kingsford has proved popular with the Police and the Chamber of Commerce. As all commercial areas within the Local Government area are subjected to the same issues it would seem prudent to install these sign in all these areas, rather than only Kingsford. These signs are used as a deterrent to criminal activity in the area. Although crime prevention techniques such as this signage may not stop all crime any action that will result in a reduction in criminal behaviour is worth undertaking.

Financial impact statement

The cost of purchasing and installing the signs is approximately \$2,000 and there are sufficient funds in the 2007/2008 Contingency Fund to cover this cost.

Conclusion

The installation of Police Patrol This Area signs in the remainder of the shopping areas within the Randwick City Council area would be worthwhile crime minimisation works.

Recommendation

That:

- a) Council purchase and install "Police Patrol This Area" signage for all commercial centres, and
- b) this be funded from the 2007/2008 Contingency Fund.

Attachment/s:

Nil

Item MM27/08

Mayoral Minute No. MM28/08



Subject: Invitation to Attend Coast to Coast Conference 2008

Folder No: F2005/00646

Author: Councillor Notley-Smith, Mayor

Introduction

An invitation has been received from Professor Karen Edyvane inviting all interested Councillors to attend this year's Coast to Coast Conference to be held in Darwin from Monday 18 August to Friday 22 August 2008.

Issues

Issues being covered at this year's conference cover the whole range of coastal and marine issues on a national, state, regional and local level.

As detailed in Randwick City Council's City Plan, it is important to develop strong partnerships with like organisations in order to benefit from sharing & coordinating resources and information.

Relevant information on the conference has been circulated to all Councillors. Any interested councillors are requested to contact the General Manager as soon as possible for registration purposes.

Financial impact statement

Councillors' attendance at conferences has been allowed for in the 2008/09 budget.

Conclusion

Councillors are encouraged to attend this year's Coast to Coast Conference to develop strong partnerships with like organisations in order for Council to benefit from sharing & coordinating resources and information.

Recommendation

That:

- (a) the invitation from Professor Karen Edyvane for any interested Councillors to attend the Coast to Coast Conference be accepted; and
- (b) any interested councillors advise the General Manager as soon as possible for registration purposes.

Attachment/s:

Nil

Item MM28/08

Mayoral Minute No. MM29/08



Subject: Financial Support - J & B Meoli - Pacific School Games U18 & U14's NSW Wheelchair Basketball Team

Folder No: F2004/07396

Author: Councillor Notley-Smith, Mayor

Introduction

Correspondence has been received from Josh Meoli indicating that he and his brother (Ben) have been selected to represent NSW at the Pacific School Games later this year in Canberra. Josh will be competing with the Under 18's Wheelchair Basketball Team and Ben will be competing with the Under 14's Wheelchair Basketball Team. Council has been asked to assist financially to cover the costs associated with attending this competition.

Issues

In Josh's words, "the Pacific School Games began as a test event for the 1982 Commonwealth Games in Brisbane. Since then, it has become the flagship of the Australian school sport program."

The costs associated with allowing Josh and Ben to attend this competition are considerable and, as they are both residents of Randwick City, I believe support from Council is appropriate.

Financial Impact Statement

A donation under the Mayor's Future Champions Fund of \$800.00 (being \$400.00 per child) has been allowed for in the 2007/08 budget.

Conclusion

The Mayor's Future Champions Fund was established in February 2006 to provide assistance to encourage sporting and academic excellence. This request meets the requirements to qualify for financial assistance under the terms of the fund.

Recommendation

That Council donate \$800.00 (being \$400.00 per child) to help cover the costs involved in allowing Josh & Ben Meoli to represent NSW in Wheelchair Basketball at the 2008 Pacific School Games, such funds to come from the Mayor's Future Champions Fund.

Attachment/s:

Nil

Item MM29/08

Mayoral Minute No. MM30/08



Subject: Local Government Association of Queensland Inc - First National Environment Conference - Cairns - 9-11 July 2008

Folder No: F2007/00121

Author: Councillor Notley-Smith, Mayor

Introduction

I have been invited to speak at the Local Government Association of Queensland Inc, 1st National Environment Conference in Cairns on 9-11 July 2008. I will be presenting 'Carbon Trading', outlining the Randwick's establishment of Australia's first Local Government Emissions Trading Scheme (LGETS) in NSW.

Issues

The Local Government Environment Conference is the first conference of its kind, focusing on the environmental challenges facing Local Governments nationally. The Conference provides Randwick with the opportunity to address Councils outside NSW on issues of carbon trading between Local Government.

Sustainability Project Officer, Helen Morrison, will also attend the conference and assist with follow up information.

Financial impact statement

The cost of attending the Conference is \$1,900 and this will be covered under the Climate Change budget of the Environmental Levy program.

Conclusion

The opportunity to speak at the 1st National Environment Conference highlights Council's leadership in sustainability and the increasing focus on Local Government in understanding and managing the environment and its values.

Recommendation

1. That the report be received and noted.
2. That interested Councillors that wish to attend contact the General Manager.

Attachment/s:

Nil

Item MM30/08

Mayoral Minute No. MM31/08



Subject: Commemoration of the World War I
90th Anniversary and the Australian Soldiers'
Contribution to the Battles of the "Western Front"

Folder No: F2008/00317

Author: Councillor Notley-Smith, Mayor

Introduction

I have been approached by the French Consul General, Mr Lionel Majeste-Larrouy and the president of the French Veterans Association of NSW, Mr Theodore Arfaras, to commemorate the 90th anniversary of World War I and the significant contributions of the Australian soldiers to the battles of the "Western Front".

Issues

In 1917 the NSW government dedicated the land on which the Matraville Soldiers' Settlement stood, with tenancy restricted by Act of Parliament to war widows. The streets are named after the famous World War I Battlefields of France.

In commemorating this anniversary and as a tribute to the Australian soldiers who played such a decisive role in the battles of the "Western Front", Mr Majeste-Larrouy and Mr Arfaras have organised for the production of street name blades within the Soldier Settlement area to the same design as the City of Paris.

This will be a gift from the people of France and the French Veterans Association of NSW to the people of Randwick.

To mark the occasion an event in partnership with the French Consulate and the French veterans Association of NSW is planned for Saturday 28 June 2008. The event will be held at "Memorial Reserve" at the entrance to the Soldier Settlement subdivision.

The event also coincides with a visit by a French frigate to Sydney. The frigate is scheduled to visit Botany Bay at the day of the event. The personnel from the frigate together with RSL members will be invited to attend. The UNSW Band Regiment has also agreed to participate in the event.

In addition to the formal ceremony it is also envisaged to invite the members of the surrounding community to take part in a range of community activities. The details of the event are currently being finalised in liaison with the French Consulate.

Financial impact statement

The total cost of the event will be approximately \$10,000. This includes the hiring of the Marquee, sound system, entertainment and refreshments for the day. The French Consulate will also contribute to the event.

Conclusion

This unique event will commemorate the Australian soldiers' contribution to the battles of the "Western Front" particularly the battle at Somme. It furthers the cultural and historical links of Randwick with France.

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Recommendation

That Council:

- a) Receive and note the report; and
- b) Allocate \$10,000 from the 2007/2008 contingency fund toward this event.

Attachment/s:

Nil

Item MM31/08

Mayoral Minute No. MM32/08



Subject: Australasian 2008 Management Challenge Runners Up

Folder No: F2008/00032

Author: Councillor Notley-Smith, Mayor

Introduction

On Friday, 4 April 2008, a composite team from Randwick City Council and its Sister City, Temora Shire Council achieved the NSW first place title in the 2008 LGMA Management Challenge at the 'Joan Sutherland Performing Arts Centre' at Penrith.

As a result, the team represented NSW in the **Australasian Final** of the Challenge which was held on the Gold Coast on 24–25 May 2008, prior to the LGMA National Congress on 25-28 May 2008.

Issues

The Australasian Runners Up title was achieved by the Randwick City Council/Temora Shire Council team. This is an outstanding result for both Councils. "The Temwick Tuskers"; a merger of both the Council's names, consisted of the following council staff:

Sharon Plunkett - Property Coordinator (captain), Tony Lehmann - Manager Integrated Transport Management, Karen Purser - Coordinator Research and Knowledge Management, Karl Gray - Compliance Officer from Randwick City Council and Kris Dunstan - Director of Environmental Services and Elizabeth Smith - Financial Accountant from Temora Shire Council. Anne Warner, Coordinator Integrated Planning, was the team mentor.

Financial impact statement

The cost for attendance to the Australasian final was allowed for in Council's training budget.

Conclusion

The LGMA Management Challenge is respected throughout Australia and New Zealand for its hands on approach to leadership development, real work place relevance and extraordinary value. The "Temwick Tuskers" were able to demonstrate a high level of management skill in obtaining the Runners Up title at the Australasian Championship.

Recommendation

That the members of the 2008 Management Challenge Team be congratulated on their tremendous efforts in being the runners up in the Australasian Final.

Attachment/s:

Nil

Item MM32/08

Mayoral Minute No. MM33/08



Subject: Waiving of Fees - Surf Life Saving Sydney Inc - Touch Football Activity

Folder No: F2004/08302

Author: Councillor Notley-Smith, Mayor

Introduction

An application has been received from George Fatseas, Director Youth Development, Surf Life Saving Sydney Inc. seeking Council's assistance in the waiving of fees for a touch football activity to be held at Maroubra Beach on Sunday, 1 June 2008.

Issues

This low key event is a youth development touch football event and will be for youth members of Surf Life Saving Sydney Clubs. This non-profit community beach activity gathers the local community and visitors to the beach and its surrounds and draws many competitors to enjoy the day.

Listed below are the associated fees:

Application Fee	\$134.90
Beach Hire	\$417.40
TOTAL:	\$552.30

Financial impact statement

Should Council accept the report recommendation, the financial implication to Council is \$552.30 and currently there are sufficient funds in the Contingency Fund 2007/2008 to cover these contributions.

Conclusion

On previous occasions Randwick Council has provided considerable support for Surf Life Saving and it is considered that Council's assistance be given by waiving the associated fees to this worthwhile event.

Recommendation

That:

- a) Council vote \$552.30 to cover the fees associated with this touch football activity to be held at Maroubra Beach on Sunday, 1 June 2008 and funds be allocated from the Contingency Fund 2007/2008;
- b) The event organiser undertakes to appropriately and prominently acknowledge and promote Council's contribution prior to and during the event; and
- c) The Mayor or his representative shall be given the opportunity to address the event on behalf of Council.

Attachment/s:

Nil

Item MM33/08

Mayoral Minute No. MM34/08



Subject: Rick Pendelton - Des Renford Aquatic Centre - Waiving of Fees

Folder No: F2006/00108

Author: Councillor Notley-Smith, Mayor

Introduction

Council has received a request for assistance from Mr Rick Pendelton, a squad swimmer at Des Renford Aquatic Centre, who has been selected to represent Australia at the 2008 Beijing Paralympic Games. He is currently training 30 hours per week and due to these commitments is unable to maintain a fulltime job. He has requested that his Squad fees be waived up until the Beijing Paralympic Games to reduce his financial burden and to allow him to concentrate on his training and competition goals.

Issues

Rick Pendelton has been a World Record holder for his classification and discipline. This has required a large time commitment which has reduced his ability to maintain a full time position. He currently receives a small grant from the Australian Sports Commission and NSW Institute of Sport which does not meet his day to day living and squad fee commitments.

An assessment of the applicable fees to be waived are as follows:

▪ Squad Fees	(4 months)	\$ 145.00 per month
TOTAL:		\$ 580.00

Financial impact statement

Should Council accept the recommendation, the financial implication to Council is \$580.00 and this is able to be funded from the Mayor's Future Champion's Fund.

Conclusion

It is considered that Council's assistance be given by waiving the Squad Fees for 4 months to assist Mr Pendelton in achieving his Paralympic goals.

Recommendation

That:

- Council vote to waive Squad Fees at Des Renford Aquatic Centre in the amount of \$580.00 and that this amount be funded from the Mayor's Future Champion's Fund.
- Rick Pendelton undertake to appropriately acknowledge Council's contribution.

Attachment/s:

Nil

Item MM34/08

Mayoral Minute No. MM35/08



Subject: Bayside Swim Club - Des Renford Aquatic Centre - Waiving of Fees

Folder No: F2006/00108

Author: Councillor Notley-Smith, Mayor

Introduction

Council has received a request for assistance from Mr Steve McFayden, President of Bayside Swimming Club, who is staging a Bayside under 12 Open Carnival on Monday, 9 June and the Bayside Club Championships on Saturday 27 September 2008.

Issues

The Bayside under 12 Open Carnival is a new competitive swimming event that is anticipated to attract over 200 athletes and 300 spectators from a number of Swimming Clubs across Sydney. The primary goal in staging this carnival is to raise funds for Bayside Swimming Club to support ongoing activities at Des Renford Aquatic Centre and provide an opportunity for members to compete against other swimming clubs within the state.

The Bayside Club Championships are an internal Club event in which members compete to become the Club Champion in a number of events and is seen by the Club as the most important internal event of the year.

An assessment of the applicable fees to be waived are as follows:

▪ Pool Hire Fee	\$ 650.00 each event
TOTAL:	\$ 1,300.00

The MOU with Maroubra Swimming Club states that "other clubs that hire the DRAC facilities, hire on terms that are no more advantageous than that of Maroubra Swim Club".

Currently, Maroubra Swim Club have their fees waived for their Development Carnival to be held on the 25 May 2008. But at this time, have not requested to have their fees waived for their Club championships and Council has never waived these fees.

Financial impact statement

Should Council accept the recommendation, the financial implication to Council is \$1,300.00.

Conclusion

The Bayside Under 12 Open Carnival is a worthwhile local community event which provides income to Des Renford Aquatic Centre in the form of 'secondary' spend and entrance fees for spectators during one of the quietest income generating months of the year. This event is the annual fundraiser for Bayside Swimming Club and provides the Club with an opportunity to raise funds for its ongoing activities at Des Renford Aquatic Centre and is an opportunity for swimmers to compete against their peers.

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To waiver the fees of the Bayside Club Championships would give them more advantageous terms than Maroubra Swim Club and possibly in breach of the MOU.

Recommendation

That:

- a) Council vote to waive the \$650.00 fees associated with the Bayside under 12 Open Carnival to be held on Monday, 9 June 2008 and that this amount be funded from the 2007/2008 Contingency Fund.
- b) the Bayside Swim Club undertake to appropriately and prominently acknowledge and promote Council's contribution, prior to and during the event (by Council logo being prominently displayed on all promotional materials such as flyers, newspaper advertisements, etc,).
- c) Council decline to waiver the fees for the Bayside Club Championships.

Attachment/s:

Nil

Item MM35/08

Mayoral Minute No. MM36/08



Subject: Update - Wind Turbine Trial within
Randwick City

Folder No: F2005/00230

Author: Councillor Notley-Smith, Mayor

Introduction

To update Council on the trialling of wind turbines within Randwick City.

Issues

In October 2007, Council agreed to my proposal to investigate sites for the trial of 2 small scale wind turbines in Randwick City (Mayoral Minute 113/2007, 29 October 2007 refers).

During the consideration of sites and research carried out on the technology available for this trial, I have been in contact with a new company being established in Australia to manufacture and install such wind turbines. This new company has offered Randwick the opportunity to participate in a trial of their own small scale turbines at no financial cost. This company is currently testing related electrical equipment for compliance with appropriate Australian standards and importing a number of the turbines from the United Kingdom where the parent company, Windsave is based until manufacturing commences in Australia.

The offer to Randwick is to work with the Australian company to trial up to 5 small scale wind turbines for a period of 6 to 12 months. As this timing is in keeping with the October approval of Council for our trial of wind turbines, I would like to propose that we consider finalising arrangements for the testing of up to 5 of these small scale wind turbines at appropriate sites within Randwick City.

Financial impact statement

The cost of preparing the applications as well as the assessment of the application by independent planning consultants will be approximately \$15,000 - \$18,000. Council has already set aside funding for this project as a part of the Environmental Levy Program.

Conclusion

This is a positive outcome for Council and its community.

Recommendation

That Council approve the investigation and trialling of up to 5 small scale wind turbines for a period up to 12 months.

Attachment/s:

Nil

Item MM36/08

Mayoral Minute No. MM37/08



Subject: Meeting with the Minister for Lands -
Acquisition of Land at La Perouse

Folder No: F2004/07159

Author: Councillor Notley-Smith, Mayor

Introduction

Representatives of the La Perouse community have approached me regarding the sale of Crown Land in La Perouse.

I proposed that Council and the Department of lands hold a meeting, which will include the Minister, re; Council's acquisition of land adjoining 29 Goorawahl Avenue, La Perouse.

Issues

The property fronts land managed by the National Parks & Wildlife Service, with uninterrupted views of Congwong Bay. Future possibility of road works to connect Anzac Parade and Goorawahl Avenue will be compromised by the closure and sale of this parcel of land.

Financial impact statement

There is no direct financial impact for this matter.

Conclusion

It is proposed that Council meets with the Department of Lands to detail its strongest objection to the closing of this unformed Crown Public Road. The incorporation of this area into the adjoining property owners' parcel of land will increase the land size considerably and may potentially allow them to develop the land well in excess of what is suitable and currently in place at La Perouse. As mentioned above, the future possibility of road works to connect Anzac Parade and Goorawahl Avenue will be compromised by the closure and sale of this parcel of land.

Recommendation

That a meeting take place between Council and the Department of Lands to outline Council's objection to this proposal.

Attachment/s:

Nil

Item MM37/08

Mayoral Minute No. MM38/08



Subject: United Nations Association of
Australia - World Environment Day Awards - 6 June,
2008, Melbourne

Folder No: F2007/00121

Author: Councillor Notley-Smith, Mayor

Introduction

I have been invited to attend the United Nations Association of Australia (UNAA), World Environment Day Awards, in Melbourne on 6 June 2008. Randwick City Council is a finalist in the category of 'Excellence in Water Management'; 'Retrofitting Randwick for Water Conservation'.

Issues

The United Nations Association of Australia Awards is part of the celebrations for United Nations' World Environment Day (5 June). The Awards acknowledge action taken at a local level to address global environmental issues. The 2008 United Nations World Environment Day theme, 'Kick the Habit! Towards a Low Carbon Economy', and the 2008 International Year of Planet Earth focus particular attention on global warming and on the responsibility of countries, companies and communities to de-carbonise their lifestyle.

Financial Impact Statement

The cost of attending the Awards is \$1000.

Conclusion

The opportunity to attend the United Nations Association of Australia Awards as a finalist recognises Council's leadership in water management through Council's 'Retrofitting Randwick for Water Conservation'.

Recommendation

That:

- a) the report be received and noted; and
- b) the Mayor or his representative attends the Awards Presentation Dinner in Melbourne where the Award winners will be announced.

Attachment/s:

Nil

Item MM38/08

Mayoral Minute No. MM39/08



Subject: Changing Bodies Changing Minds -
Aboriginal Youth Camp

Folder No: F2004/06272

Author: Councillor Notley-Smith, Mayor

Introduction

I have been approached by Arthur Little, Aboriginal Community Police Liaison Officer, to assist with funding of the Changing Bodies Changing Minds – Aboriginal Youth Camp.

The project aims to provide education and information about the range of options to youth entering their teenage years and providing opportunities to break the cycle of pregnancies at a young age and showing them alternative pathways.

In addition information will be provided on:

- Puberty
- changing body images
- healthy eating and nutritional information
- obesity,
- drug and alcohol
- sexuality
- personal hygiene and
- career choices

Issues

The La Perouse Aboriginal community has been reported in the press recently specifically concerning issues related to sexual assaults, teenage pregnancies, alcohol abuse and this particular project offers an alternative to breaking that cycle

Financial impact statement

The total cost of this project to Council will be \$3000. This will include a three day camp for 20 young Aboriginal boys and girls between the ages of 9 and 13 years. The funding will provide accommodation, transportation, all meals and activities relating to team building.

Conclusion

This particular project will identify and address the associated problems of health issues that have been identified by Health workers within the Aboriginal community specially relation to sexually transmitted infections, teenage pregnancies and binge drinking among young people within the Aboriginal community.

Recommendation

That Council

1. Receive and note this report.
2. Allocate \$3000 from the contingency fund toward this project.

Attachment/s:

Nil

Item MM39/08

Mayoral Minute No. MM40/08

Subject: Ride for Life - Request for Financial Assistance

Folder No: F2005/00163

Author: Councillor Notley-Smith, Mayor

Introduction

A request for financial assistance has been received from the organisers of the annual "Ride for Life" event being held in Centennial Park on Sunday 17th August, 2008.

Issues

Over the last four years, a small group of cancer survivors and other interested people have developed a community cycling event named "Ride for Life" which has so far raised more than \$170,000.00 to assist the Department of Oncology at the Prince of Wales Hospital.

Financial impact statement

Funds for this event have been allowed for in the Council Contingency Fund budget for 2008/09.

Conclusion

Despite their best efforts, this support group is not raising the level of funds that they'd hoped for in their efforts to support the fight against cancer. It is appropriate that Council support this event.

Recommendation

That Council:

- (a) contribute an amount of \$3,000.00 as a donation to the Department of Oncology at the Prince of Wales Hospital;
- (b) contribute a banner to publicise this worthwhile event; and
- (c) advertise this important community event in Council's Mayoral Column.

Attachment/s:

Nil

Item MM40/08