

COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE

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COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE

Notice is hereby given that a Community Services Committee of the Council of the City of Randwick will be held in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, 90 Avoca Street, Randwick, on Tuesday, 7 December 2010 at 6:00pm.

Committee Members: The Mayor (M Matson), Andrews, Belleli, Bowen, Hughes, Matthews, Nash, Notley-Smith, Procopiadis, Seng, Smith, Stevenson, Tracey (Deputy Chairperson), White and Woodsmith (Chairperson)

Quorum: Eight (8) members

NOTE: At the Extraordinary Meeting held on 28 September 2004, the Council resolved that the Community Services Committee be constituted as a committee with full delegation to determine matters on the agenda.

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Ray Brownlee
GENERAL MANAGER

Community Services Report No. C21/10



Subject: Arts and Craft Exhibition at Prince Henry Centre
Folder No: F2008/00528
Author: Jaqua Heddle, Manager Community Centre

Introduction

Council at its meeting of 22 September 2009 resolved to:

- a) Give consideration in future budgets to holding an annual art, craft and fashion show at the Prince Henry Centre; and;
- b) Establish a working party to explore the costs, benefits and operability of such a show. The working party, consisting of Councillors Smith, Woodsmith and Stevenson and appropriate Council officers, shall report back to Council by 23 March 2010.

The progress of the working party was also reported to and noted by Council at the 13 April 2010 Community Services Committee Meeting.

This status report describes the work that has been undertaken by Council staff in response to the above resolution, and to take the opportunity to stage the annual arts and craft show in partnership with the Randwick Art Society, as the best approach.

Issues

Background

The working party met on 23 March 2010 with Cr Woodsmith and Cr Smith. Cr Stevenson was unable to attend but received a copy of the meeting notes. At the meeting, two options were discussed. These were:

Option 1: Council staff to oversee all stages of planning, coordination, and implementation of the art and craft weekend show. Also includes managing stall holder selection process. Estimated cost of setting this event is in excess of \$10,000, including weekend staffing costs.

Option 2: Outsource the work for organising and coordinating the annual art and crafts event to an interested local art and craft clubs or associations. Council will provide financial assistance to a maximum value of \$5,000 to cover the cost of venue hire and undertake promotional activities.

In relation to Option 1, the Council does not have the experience or the resources to organise its own arts and craft show. An event of this magnitude requires a dedicated staff member to coordinate and stage the show, as well as be present for the duration of the weekend show.

In relation to Option 2, attempts at attracting a suitable arts organisation to implement Option 2 have been unsuccessful. Typically, local arts organisations are run either on a voluntary basis or have limited capacity to organise shows which extend beyond their own.

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Randwick Art Society

The Randwick Art Society (Art Society) is an active local art society group that exhibits and hold art classes at the Randwick Literary Institute. Last year, the Art Society held its inaugural Arts/Craft Exhibition at the Prince Henry Centre, with the help of funding from Council's Cultural Community Grants Program. Buoyed by a very successful attendance rate, the Art Society will be holding their second Annual Art/Craft Exhibition on the weekend commencing from 25 March 2011, at the Prince Henry Centre. Once again, the Art Society received financial assistance and a waiver of fee grant from Council's Cultural Community Grants Program.

A New Proposal: Joint Arts and Craft Exhibition/Show

Given the initial unsuccessful attempt to secure a local arts organisation to run an exhibition of the Council's behalf, staff approached members of the Randwick Art Society about the possibility of holding a joint Arts and Craft Exhibition/Show. It was put to the Art Society that the paintings of its members will continue to be exhibited in the foyer of the Prince Henry Centre.

The Council's proposal to the Art Society involves extending the Arts and Craft Show by inviting artists to exhibit their craft works in the auditorium. Council will focus on inviting artists specialising in a range of works such as ceramics, jewellery, sculpture, pottery, glass, and fabric based crafts. Like most arts and craft shows or exhibition, the exhibits will be available for sale by the artists themselves or through their representative organisations.

This concept was formally endorsed by the Art Society's committee members and a meeting to discuss in detail the roles and tasks for a joint exhibition took place on 25 October 2010.

Holding a weekend event in partnership with the Art Society provides the best opportunity for a successful outcome. As a co-event organiser, Council's staff will provide support in the following manner:

- Assist in identifying suitable exhibitors through arts and crafts organisations,
- Participate in the vetting process for arts/craft based stall holders
- Fund the cost of venue hire of auditorium where the crafts section will largely be located, and cleaning costs
- Assist in the marketing and promotion of the event
- Engage the services of a coffee cart, and identify appropriate food stall holders
- Provide complementary tea making facilities for exhibitors

The Centre's staff together with the cultural community project officer will implement these tasks on a shared basis as part of their role of activating the centre.

Members of the Art Society will continue to exhibit most of their paintings in the foyer wall, and will also be on site to attend to visitor enquiries and sell their raffle tickets, as they did the previous year. As such there will be sufficient 'guardians' over the weekend to ensure an enjoyable event. In return, the Art Society has requested that it be allowed to ask exhibitors/craft organisations to pay a nominal Randwick Art Society membership fee to qualify as show exhibitor. Proceeds from the fee will go towards the Art Society (an incorporated not-for-profit organisation) to fund various arts classes and improve art equipment/facilities for members, which comprises largely of local residents. This is not an unreasonable request given that it will benefit local residents while supporting a local not-for-profit arts organisation.

In reference to the fashion show, council staff will investigate holding this event as part of a day time Mother's Group activity in the 2011-12 financial year.

Relationship to City Plan

The relationship with the City Plan is as follows:

Outcome 5: Excellence in recreation and lifestyle opportunities.
Key Action: Increase public art, performance spaces and opportunities for creative expression across our City.

Financial impact statement

Randwick City Council has already agreed to waive the Art Society's venue hire fees for the four days over the weekend commencing from 25 March 2011 (Cultural Community Grants). As a joint partner of the Arts and Craft Exhibition, the Council's contribution for including an arts and craft component to this show is shown below:

Venue fees for auditorium and staff support	\$2,960
Coffee cart booking fee	\$ 700
Promotion, banner and publicity	\$ 1,340
Total	\$5,000

As this event was not factored into the current year's annual budget, funding will need to be identified at the December review, to be undertaken in January 2011.

Conclusion

Partnering with the Randwick Arts Society in organising an annual Arts and Craft Exhibition is a cost effective and efficient way for staging a community based event. If the Council were to hold this event alone, the costs would more than double. This methodology is consistent with the Council's Cultural Plan objective of supporting local arts organisations.

It is also a key objective of the draft Events Strategy (soon to be reported to Council), to work with the local community and 'package up' similarly themed events to avoid duplication, and encourage the pooling of resources to deliver the maximum impact for a larger audience.

Recommendation

That Council:

- a) note the partnership arrangements with the Randwick Arts Society;
- b) endorse the proposed arrangements and expenditure as Council's contribution for the staging of a joint Arts and Craft Exhibition with the Randwick Arts Society, to a maximum amount of \$5,000;
- c) funding be identified at the December review in order for this event to be held from Friday 25 to Sunday 27 March 2011; and
- d) Council officers discuss with the Arts Society to hold an annual Arts and Craft Show with an agreed budget allocation.

Attachment/s:

Nil

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Community Services Report No. C22/10



Subject: Historical Photographic Exhibition at
Prince Henry Community Centre
Celebrating Heritage Week 2011

Folder No: F2008/00528

Author: Jaqua Heddle, Manager Community Centre

Introduction

Council made the following resolution at its meeting of 22 September 2009:

That:

- a. A report be prepared in relation to Council holding an event at the new Prince Henry Community Centre on the history of Randwick City Council and its suburbs;
- b. The event include photo displays and stories, video/film of the 150+ years of Randwick City Council and its suburbs; and
- c. Local schools and community groups be incited to attend.

Accordingly, this report proposes a photographic exhibition to be held at the Prince Henry Centre, as part of the NSW Heritage Festival of 2011.

Issues

A working group of council officers met on several occasions to discuss ways for holding an event at the Prince Henry Centre to showcase the history of Randwick.

A historic photographic exhibition is an excellent medium to convey changes to our natural and urban landscapes over time. Council staff were successful in securing a selection of historic photographs from various sources that are considered ideal exhibits.

The NSW Heritage Festival for 2011 commences on 2 April and concludes on 17 April 2011. This state wide festival presents Randwick City Council with an ideal opportunity to mark the event by holding an exhibition of historical photographs of the City's fourteen suburbs. If Council registers its photographic exhibition with the National Trust of Australia, it will promote Council's exhibition free of charge on its website and in the official Heritage Festival Program 2011.

The Festival coincides with the NSW public school autumn holidays, making it impossible for schools to organise formal trips to visit the exhibition as part of their learning activity. However, this issue can be resolved by holding the History of Randwick Photographic Exhibition over a two week period, commencing from 29 March to 8 April 2011. During the first week of the exhibition, activities will primarily be scheduled for school children.

To ensure a successful exhibition of Randwick's historical photographs, it is suggested that the event include the following components/activities:

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1. Staging of the exhibition to begin on Tuesday 29 March-8 April 2011. Schedule activities in the first week to cater to school children. Photographic display only for the second week.
2. Displaying exhibits in the foyer, with written information to accompany framed photographs.
3. Special invitation to local schools as part of its learning curriculum.
4. A relatively low-key launch with morning tea, involving local school children and other interested residents. School children will be encouraged to dress up as figures from our nation's history.
5. Provision of a shuttle bus service between specific key locations and the Prince Henry Centre during the exhibition period.
6. Souvenir merchandise will be available for sale, as part of the State wide Heritage Week event, including the Randwick Book, specially designed canvas bags and mugs printed with all the names of the City's suburbs, and boxed set of postcard size greeting cards of selected photographs.

In relation to the sale of souvenirs described in point 6, the proposed gifts/keepsakes range of merchandise is practical and affordable for visitors and residents. When used or presented as gifts, they serve to promote our City and its fourteen suburbs.

Relationship to City Plan

The relationship with the City Plan is as follows:

Outcome 7a: Our heritage is protected and celebrated.

Key Action: Local history and cultural heritage is recognised, known, preserved and celebrated through community events and mixed media collections.

Financial impact statement

Monday – Friday plus 2 x Saturdays (2 weeks, 9am-4:30pm)

Publicity, artwork and school activities	\$3,273
Photographic Exhibition costs (framing, equipment, music)	\$4,365
Bus shuttle service	\$1,000
Launch food & beverage (morning tea)	\$1,500
Venue hire and cleaning	<u>\$6,452</u>
Total	\$16,590

Contribution from Heritage budget	-\$1,000
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Outstanding amount required	\$15,590
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Should Council approve of the staging of this two week long exhibition, a total of \$15,590 will need to be sought at the December budget review.

Conclusion

Many of the buildings in the photographs still exist today, albeit in a different urban context. These photographs show very clearly the past and is likely to encourage discussions about the positive and negative impacts of urbanisation. It should be an enjoyable, informative and thought provoking exhibition for people of all ages.

Holding the exhibition a week in advance of the NSW Heritage Festival will enable school children to attend the exhibition as part of a class excursion. Staging the exhibition on the two Saturdays give working residents, their children and visitors the opportunity to view the historic exhibits over the two week period, with the second week coinciding with the NSW Heritage Festival.

Recommendation

That Council:

- a) endorse the proposed arrangements and expenditure for staging a two week long Historic Photographic Exhibition of Randwick City and its suburbs, to a maximum amount of \$15,590; and
- b) funding be identified at the December review in order for this event to be held from Friday 25 to Sunday 27 March 2011.

Attachment/s:

Nil

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Community Services Report No. C23/10



Subject: Council's Advisory Committee Minutes

Folder No: F2006/00216

Author: Shane Lowe, Coordinator Community Planning & Partnerships

Introduction

At the 10 March 2009 Community Services Committee it was resolved that the minutes of the Advisory Committees be presented to the Community Services Committee.

Issues

As scheduled, the Advisory Committees (listed below) have met and the minutes of the meeting, which reflect discussions and outcomes, are attached.

The minutes will also be available on Council's website after each meeting.

This report includes minutes from:

- Aboriginal Advisory Committee – September 2010 (endorsed November 2010)
- Access Advisory Committee – October 2010 (endorsed November 2010)
- Multicultural Advisory Committee – September 2010 (endorsed November 2010)
- Older persons Advisory Committee – October 2010 (endorsed November 2010)

Relationship to City Plan

The relationship with the City Plan is as follows:

Outcome: An Informed and Engaged Community.

Direction: Effective communication methods and technology are used to share information and provide services.

Financial impact statement

There is no direct financial impact for this matter.

Conclusion

It is recommended that Council acknowledges and accepts the minutes of the attached Advisory Committees.

Recommendation

That Council acknowledges and accepts the minutes of the following Advisory Committee meetings:

- Aboriginal Advisory Committee – September 2010
- Access Advisory Committee - October 2010
- Multicultural Advisory Committee – September 2010
- Older Persons Advisory Committee – October 2010.

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Attachment/s:

1. Aboriginal Advisory Committee Minutes September 2010 Meeting
2. Access Advisory Committee Minutes October 2010 Meeting
3. Multicultural Advisory Committee Minutes September 2010 Meeting
4. Older Persons Advisory Committee Minutes October 2010 Meeting

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MINUTES
Randwick City Council Aboriginal Advisory Committee
Meeting held on 24 September 2010 at Yarra Bay House
La Perouse

Present:

Cr Margaret Woodsmith – Chairperson, Randwick City Council
 Roslyn Field – La Perouse Local Aboriginal Land Council
 Barbara Keeley - Guriwal Respite & Transport
 Michael Ingrey – Lapa Youth Haven
 Yvonne Simms – La Perouse / Botany Bay Aboriginal Corporation
 Gary Ella – Randwick City Council (minutes)

Apologies:

Liz Sinnott – Principal – La Perouse Public School
 Carrine Liddell – Lapa Youth Haven
 Karen Cooley – Manager – Guriwal Aboriginal Corporation
 Gail Cooke – Secretary - Guriwal Aboriginal Corporation
 Tracey Cooley – Break Through

Acknowledgement of Country: Conducted by Roslyn Field.

1. Confirmation of Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 14 July '10 were confirmed.
 Proposed: Michael Ingrey Seconded: Roslyn Field

2. Business arising from previous minutes 14 July 2010**2.1 Queen Emma's grave marking:**

Cr Woodsmith, Gary Ella and Yvonne Simms visited Queen Emma's site after the previous meeting on 14 July. Cr Woodsmith advised that Council would assist with a suitable marking / headstone, but needed to be advised by the site 'Deed Holder' on appropriate action.

Action: Yvonne Sims to identify Deed Holder and write to Council with suggestions of appropriate actions.

2.2 Queen Emma Timbery Public Art Proposal:

The Committee was advised that Council's submission for an Arts Australia grant was unsuccessful and that Gary Ella and Shane Lowe were planning to meet with Laddie Timbery in the near future to discuss alternate funding sources or modifying the project.

Action: Gary Ella to keep the Committee up to date with the progress of the funding / modification alternatives.

2.3 Dog Litter Bins along Frenchmans Bay Reserve Walk:

Committee recommended that Dog Litter Bins be placed along the Frenchmans Bay Reserve Walk. Committee members would like to see more Council Ranger patrols and suggested that Council consider employing an Aboriginal in a Ranger position to work in the area.

Action: Gary Ella will seek advice from City Services to find out if Dog Litter bag dispensers could be installed along Frenchmans Bay Reserve Walk and at Yarra Recreational Reserve.

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2.4 Motor Bike Use of the Frenchmans Bay Reserve Walk and the Bush Tucker Track:

Members advised that they had witnessed a greater number of Police Patrols since this issue was reported to the Local Area Command Aboriginal Consultative Committee (LACACC) in July and police requested that incidents be reported to them as they occur.

2.5 Designated Ranger position for an Aboriginal person to work in the area:

Whilst this proposal was deemed to have merit it was agreed that it should be considered for inclusion as part of a possible Reconciliation Action Plan that included an Aboriginal employment strategy, cultural awareness training and communication protocols.

Note: Members of the Committee congratulated Randwick City Council on its successful Eco-living Fair and looked forward to being involved with future Fairs. Members suggested: that promotion for the Fair could have been more widespread; and that the La Perouse LALC might consider sustainability workshops at Yarra Bay House.

2.6 Speed Humps on Goolagong Place and Murrong Place:

Members were informed that Council had considered the issue of Speed Humps and Restricted Parking Signs for the La Perouse Aboriginal Mission but the proposal did not fit the guidelines. Council had written to Guriwal Aboriginal Corporation in regards to this matter.

Members were disappointed with Council's decision and maintained that speeding cars on the Mission was a major issue. Members of the Committee would seek to speak with the new Mayor after the upcoming election on this issue.

2.7 Greek Epiphany Festival at La Perouse – 9 January 2010

The traffic issues associated with the annual Greek Epiphany Festival at La Perouse had been discussed by the current Mayor and Festival organisers, and the local Aboriginal community at a LACACC meeting. Additional parking would be made available on the day at private and public venues including Yarra Bay House.

2.8 Naming of Points / Reserves:

This issue is with the La Perouse LALC's cultural heritage sub-committee.

Action: Roslyn Field to advise Council on agreed names.

2.9 La Perouse Suburb Sign:

A La Perouse suburb sign has not been erected at the time of the meeting. There has been no formal action on this issue since the last meeting but Cr Woodsmith stated that Council would welcome a submission from the Committee. The submission needs to include the possible designs and information on the language group used for wording of the sign.

Action: The La Perouse LALC will provide a submission to Council regarding the dual name suburb sign for La Perouse. Committee members will provide advice, possibly through La Perouse LALC cultural heritage sub-committee.

2.10 Installation of Flag Poles and Protocols:

Council will take advice from the Aboriginal community on when it was appropriate to fly the Australian, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Flags at half-mast.

Action: Gary Ella will continue to investigate possibility of installing flag poles at Prince Henry Community Centre and Yarra Recreational Reserve.

2.11 Guriwal Bush Tucker Track – MOU:

Guriwal Aboriginal Corporation to provide Council with a business plan before the MOU can be finalised.

Action: Guriwal Aboriginal Corporation and consultant John Morse to finalise business Plan.

2.12 Cultural Awareness Training:

Council's training does not provide cultural awareness training at present but is willing to consider incorporating a session into its Induction Courses.

Action: Gary Ella to investigate and include cultural awareness training in future planning.

2.13 Mural on Belmore Road:

Council's Senior Environmental Planning Officer – Heritage had previously investigated the possibility of refreshing the Mural and would when time permitted look into to it further. Gary Ella will keep Members informed with progress on this project.

2.14 Nude Bathing on Frenchmans Bay Beach:

This issue was raised at a LACACC and members stated that they had seen an increase in police patrols but it remains a major issue. Local residents are still seeing nude bathers and feel there is a threat to the safety of their children. Members are concerned that predators will be attracted to the area, specifically where the sand dune restoration work has been undertaken. Members have witnessed people leaving the fenced off area and have suspicions about their behaviour.

Action: Several suggestions were made for immediate action to make this area safer: Thinning out of undergrowth of the dune restoration area; a Life Saver program to be implemented at Frenchmans Bay; Beaches at La Perouse patrolled by police on a more regular basis; and signs erected saying 'This Area is Patrolled and Monitor by NSW Police'

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2.15 2011 NAIDOC Week Celebrations:

A tentative booking had been made for the function centre at the Prince Henry Centre for the proposed 2011 NAIDOC Dinner. An organising committee needed to be established to commence planning and to view the facility.

2.16 Flowers:

Council sent flowers on behalf of the Council and the Committee to the Ingrey and Simms families, who recently lost family members. Appreciation was expressed by families.

2.17 Pauline McLeod Awards for Reconciliation:

Barbara Keeley expressed her disappointment that the Awards were not named in honour of a local Aboriginal elder. It was explained the Awards had been running for 9 years and were presented by the Eastern Region Local Government Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Forum and named after Pauline McLeod due to her outstanding work locally. Nominations for the Awards are encouraged from the La Perouse community.

The La Perouse NAIDOC committee would initiate their own Community Service Awards during 2011.

3. New Business

3.1 Reconciliation Action Plan:

There was a discussion on the definition of Reconciliation and actions that community members needed to take to promote the Reconciliation process. Gary Ella provided information on existing / proposed Reconciliation Action Plans in the region. Members recommended that Council consider drafting its own Reconciliation Action Plan in consultation with the Aboriginal community.

Yvonne Sims recommended that the Stolen Generations from La Perouse be recognised in the proposed RAP and that an annual Aboriginal Elders Dinner be supported by Council.

3.2 Local Government Aboriginal Network Conference:

Members expressed their disappointment with the short notice prior to the Parramatta LGAN Conference being held, acknowledging that it was not a Randwick City Council problem. Gary Ella gave an overview of the agenda and discussions. Although the Conferences are mainly convened for Local Council staff and Councillors community members are welcome. Council will provide assistance for a member of the Committee to attend future LGAN Conferences.

3.3 Funding Sources for Future Events:

Members sought Council assistance to identify funding sources for possible future events including an Aboriginal Foster / Carers Dinner and activities during Breast Cancer Awareness Day.

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3.4 Lend Lease Community Day:

On 23 September the Lend Lease Foundation Volunteers program undertook a works program at Yarra Bay House. Work included: sections of the House's guttering was either replaced or repaired in preparation for water tanks; garden beds were constructed; wheelchair access ramps were installed; rubbish cleared; and picnic chairs and tables installed around the property. Members are going to nominate the Foundation for a number of community service awards to express their appreciation.

3.5 La Perouse Aboriginal Community Alliance:

Aboriginal Affairs NSW has coordinated the establishment of a La Perouse Aboriginal Community Alliance. Terms of Reference and Membership of the Alliance has been agreed to by the Aboriginal community and will be signed off on at the next Alliance meeting, which will be attended by the NSW Minister of Aboriginal Affairs. The Alliance will become the leading consultative body for the Aboriginal community residing in the La Perouse LALC boundaries.

Close Meeting: 11.30am

Next Meeting: 11 November 2010

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MINUTES
Randwick City Council Access Advisory Committee
Meeting held on Thursday 14 October, 11am at the
Randwick Room.

Present

Cr. Margaret Woodsmith	Randwick City Council
Frida Kitas	Randwick City Council
Vince Bates	Headeast
Melinda Ross	Sunnyfield
Dianne Thian	Community Representative
Andrew Blair	Community Representative
Chris Donnellan	Randwick City Council
Terry Fletcher	Community Representative
Phillip Sundstrom	Community Representative

Apologies

Tess Protey	Junction House
Jessica Blair	Community Representative
Anne Patterson	Community Representative

1. Minutes

The Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 9 September were confirmed.

2. Business Arising from Previous Minutes**2.1 Carers Week (17 - 30 October)**

Frida reported that Council celebrated Carers Week by holding a community Open Day at the Prince Henry Hospital Nursing and Medical Museum, Little Bay on Saturday 9 October. The event was well attended and a range of information and resources for carers were disseminated on the day. The event was supported by the Prince Henry Hospital Trained Nurses Association, Clovelly Community Bank, Carers NSW and the Bondi Girl Guides Association.

Action: For Information.

2.2 An Inclusive Randwick City

Frida tabled additional copies of *An Inclusive Randwick City*, as requested by Committee members at the previous meeting. Council continues to welcome feedback from residents, service providers and community organisations in regards to the document.

Action: For Information.

2.3 Therapeutic Gardening Workshop

Frida reported that Council held a Therapeutic Gardening workshop on 16th of October at Council's Community Nursery to celebrate Mental Health Week. The workshop was well attended. Feedback on the day indicated a continued interest and need for gardening workshops for people of all ages with mobility impairments.

Action: For Information

2.4 Access issues from previous meeting

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Frida reported that the requests for additional accessible parking spaces in Randwick City will be proposed at the Traffic Committee meeting in November. The requests were jointly proposed by members of Council's Access and Older Persons Advisory Committees. The Committee also requested an additional two accessible parking spaces on either side of Belmore Road, Randwick.

Action: Frida to forward the request for additional accessible parking spaces on Belmore Road to City Services on the behalf of the Access Committee and provide an update early in 2011.

3. New Business

3.1 Sunnyfield Carer Workshops

The Committee was informed that Sunnyfield will be holding a series of Carer workshops from the 13th October until the 3rd of November 2010. Workshops sessions will include Planning for the Future, Person Centred Approach and Plans, Coping Skills and Navigating Services. The workshop sessions will be held at Sunnyfield's Maroubra Office, 3rd Floor Bowen Library and Community Centre. The workshop sessions are free and available to families living in St George, Sutherland and the Eastern Suburbs. Respite options are available for Sunnyfield clients. Frida tabled handouts at the meeting.

Action: For noting.

3.2 Access Statement Resolution

The Committee was informed that to further promote access, Council has resolved to include the following statement: "Wheelchair accessible venue" or "Wheelchair accessible location." on the advertising, invitations and publicity material for Council events and activities. The purpose of the statement is to assist people who have a mobility impairment and their carers to participate in Council's community activities. The statement will be applied where appropriate - Committee members noted that the access statement resolution will be of benefit to all members of the community.

Action: For noting.

3.3 Enchanted Evening Ball

To celebrate International Day of People with a Disability, a formal ball will be held for people with a disability, their carers and friends on Saturday 20 November from 6pm to 10pm at the Prince Henry Centre, Little Bay. Tickets are limited and cost \$10 per person, inclusive of refreshments. The Ball has been organised by Junction House, Holdsworth Community Centre and Services and is supported by Randwick City Council. Contact Tess for tickets and transport on 9389 2689.

Action: Frida to circulate publicity for Ball to the Advisory Committee.

3.4 Kensington Oval

Dianne reported that residents are continuing to exercise their dogs off the leash at Kensington Oval making it difficult for vulnerable members of the community to access the park, particularly during the times of 4.30pm - 5.30pm on weekdays.

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Action: Frida to follow up this matter with Janine Burke, Coordinator of Rangers and provide an update at the November meeting.

4. Guest speaker: Kim Tipoki & Stephanie Holt, Holdsworth Community Centre & Services

- Kim is the Manager of Disability Care Services and Stephanie is the Coordinator of Disability Services at Holdsworth Community Centre.
- Core services include: Community Transport, Aged and Disability services, Carers and Volunteer Programs.
- There are also services for Children and Families – OOSH programs.
- Social recreation programs for adults include dancing, bowling, gym and art classes and Saturday programs.
- The Robert Moore Respite (RMR) program is run by volunteers for adults with a disability at Vaucluse. The program involves 12 x clients and 5 x volunteers and structured activities including art, morning tea, fitness and sport activities.
- The program is funded by Ageing Disability & Home Care (ADHC) for clients with mild to moderate disabilities.
- Community Participation and social recreation programs include outings to movies, theatre performances and the museum.
- Carers services involve referral, advocacy and support – there are 11 special groups for carers. Groups include parents of children with Autism, carers of people of with dementia, mens groups, political advocacy groups and young carer groups.
- Holdsworth secured funding in June to expand their Dementia programs to cover the 5 LGAs. (Prior to June 2010, Holdsworth provided 2 x Dementia programs for clients living in Woollahra).
- There has been an increase in clients and services – Dementia day programs are offered 5 days a week from Tuesday to Saturday. 10 clients per group.
- The highest number of carers accessing services and support are from the Randwick LGA.
- In addition to Centre-based day care, Holdsworth provides bus outings to enable clients to access the community.
- Kim tabled information kits and copies of Holdsworth Community Centre's Annual Report for 2009/10 at the meeting.
- Frida thanked Kim and Stephanie for attending the Access Advisory Committee meeting as guest speakers.

Action: For Information.

5. Information Share

- Vince reported there will be a Yo-Yo a Go-Go event held on Friday 22 October at Ward Park, Surry Hills to celebrate International Mental Health Day & Month. Free BBQ included. For all enquiries contact Charmaine on 9698 6558.
- Melinda reported that Sunnyfield have secured funding to run yoga classes and a support group for clients in 2011. Sunnyfield will also be relocating from Maroubra to a new office in Marrickville in December.

5 Correspondence

- IDEAS E-News, Issue 8, 2010
- PWD E-Bulletin, Issue 64 September 2010
- Headeast News, Issue 45 Spring 2010
- Miroma Rhythms Issue 4 September 10 – Nov 2010

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6 Date of Next Meeting:

To be held on Thursday 11 November from 10am to 11.30am, Randwick Room.

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**Minutes of Meeting
Randwick City Council Multicultural Advisory Committee
Meeting held on 8 September 2010 at 5.15pm**

Present

Cr Bradley Hughes	Randwick City Council
Colin Rosenfeld	Randwick City Council
Katherine Zhu	Randwick City Council
Peter Schick	Community Representative
Vicki Boiles	Community Representative
Hendra Mulyanto	Community Representative

Apologies

Hiroko Nakao	Community Representative
George Varughese	Community Representative
Rosa Loria	Community Representative
Janet Timberg	Community Representative

1. Minutes

The Notes of the meeting held on 4 August were confirmed by Vicki and Katherine and incorporated into the minutes of the 8 September meeting.

2. Business Arising from Previous Minutes**2.1 Citizenship ceremony**

The next Citizenship Ceremony will be held on 30 September and 14 October. Peter Schick and Hendra Mulyanto stated that they wished to attend the next ceremony as committee representatives. Also, Katherine tabled bookmarks with website address of My Language and they will be made available at the next ceremony. The site provides access to resources on the internet in more than sixty languages. The project is an initiative of national libraries multicultural librarians.

Action: Colin Rosenfeld to arrange for invitations to be sent.

2.2 East Timor

It was noted that Ms Eileen Birchmeier from the Rotary Club of Randwick had received correspondence from Nadia Arrage, a former member of the committee. Nadia has resigned from the Rotary Club. Ms Birchmeier advised that Rotary Club does support projects in East Timor and very recently gave support to RAWCS (Rotary Australia World Community Service) in Timor Leste. As there was nothing further to report on this matter it will be removed from the agenda. Cr Hughes will make further enquires about use of funds from the SSROC project and inform the committee when appropriate and after his tip to Indonesia where material are acquired.

Action: Cr Hughes to provide feedback in the future

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2.3 Overseas Sister Cities

The committee had been informed that at the July 2010 Council's Community Services Committee meeting, it was resolved that Council write to its overseas sister cities to assess their level of interest in engaging local schools in a cultural exchange program. Patricia South had mentioned the successful art project at Mosman Council with a province in China and suggested that contact be made or an invite be extended to Mosman Council to attend a committee meeting. The committee was also informed that Randwick's Mayor and Councillors had attended in July, the Sister Cities National Conference and a report had been submitted to council on the outcome of the conference. A copy of the council report was tabled at the meeting for information and it was agreed to consider this report and any other council initiatives at the next meeting.

Action: The Sister Cities National Conference report to be discussed at the next meeting

2.4 Committee representation of overseas students from UNSW

Mr Hendra Mulyanto and Ms Hiroko Nakao had been welcomed as new community representatives at the previous meeting. Both are international students at UNSW. It was suggested at the previous meeting that Council consider inviting international students from Randwick TAFE to join the committee. The students were asked to comment on some of the issues facing international students. They replied that there is still a perception that the area around the university and Kingsford is not safe. Colin Rosenfeld informed the committee that council has a crime prevention and safety plan that addresses many of these issues. Hendra informed the meeting that some assaults on students were not reported to police and cited a recent case at Kensington Park. Hiroko was unable to attend the meeting but had forwarded some points in an email. A copy of the email was given to Peter Schick for the local Crime Prevention Committee. The points raised by Hiroko included; Shuttle bus has limited bus stops within the campus, minimal buses running at night, buses stop at bus stops, car parks, and taxi loading area. Escort services: This service is available to the bus stop by security officers, not sure of frequency and access. Hendra tabled a copy of a flyer from UNSW "RU Safety Smart" which publicised safety week activities during 23-27/8 at UNSW.

Cr Hughes suggested letters of support to be sent to council's safety committee and local police area command, recommending a Multicultural Liaison Officer (MLO) position for this area.

Action: Issues facing international students to be discussed at the next meeting. Cr Hughes to raise the MLO position with the Safety Committee

2.5 Cultural Celebration

The committee was informed at the last meeting that a cultural celebration will be held around the date of Harmony Day, which is celebrated nationally on 21 March 2011. The Prince Henry Community Centre site has been muted as a potential site. The Committee had suggested Coogee Beach as a more high profile accessible location. The current budget allocation for this event is \$10,000 which would be insufficient for an event at Coogee Beach. Additional funds would need to be sought from council for a higher profile outdoor event to cover infrastructure costs. The Committee was informed that Council's Events Team

proposed to hold the event on Sunday 20 March at La Perouse next to the French Museum. This would facilitate involvement of the local Aboriginal community. The committee supported this idea but questioned the current budget allocation.

Action: For noting

3. New Business:

3.1 Chinese Speakers Information Day

Colin and Katherine informed the meeting that they are planning to hold an information day in November in the Bowen Library for the Chinese speaking community, similar to those already held for the Russian, Indonesian and Spanish speaking communities. It is anticipated that the event will run from 4pm to 7pm and 15 to 20 service providers will be invited to participate.

Action: A progress report will be given at the next meeting

Correspondence:

Refugee Council of Australia

Council had received a survey of Refugee Welcome Zone initiatives that the refugee council is compiling. Whilst there is a very small number of humanitarian entrants settling in Randwick, council holds an annual event to highlight the plight of refugees and celebrate their contribution during Refugee Week. It was also suggested that feedback from the recent refugee week event held in June at the Randwick Library be discussed at the next meeting, including the results of the satisfaction survey.

Action: Refugee Week event to be discussed

A guided library tour for people from non English speaking backgrounds.

A brochure provided on this new initiative for information.

Date of Next Meeting:

Bowen Library Auditorium, Wednesday 17 November 2010 at 5.15pm

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MINUTES
Randwick City Council
Older Persons Reference Group
Meeting held on Wednesday 6 October 2010

Present

Cr. Margaret Woodsmith	Randwick City Council
Frida Kitas	Randwick City Council
Billee King	Community Representative
Shirley Smith	Computer Pals
Keith Francis	Community Representative
George Gergely	Community Representative
Simon Bennetts	South East Neighbourhood Centre
Megan Bowyer	The Junction Neighbourhood Centre
Ron Wood	National Seniors – Randwick Botany Branch
Mike Cornell	National Seniors – Randwick Botany Branch

Apologies

Marlene Kerr	Coast Centre for Seniors
Linda Mearing	Coast Centre for Seniors
Susan McCann	Division of General Practice
Anna Lipoma	Sydney Multicultural Community Services
Sharon Blunt	Randwick/Waverley Community Transport

1. Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held in September were confirmed.

2. Business Arising from Minutes**2.1 NRMA Road Safety for Seniors Presentation**

The Committee was informed that over 80 people attended the NRMA Road Safety for Seniors presentation at Bowen Library and Community Centre on Thursday 2nd September. Feedback from participants indicated that an additional presentation would be beneficial within the next 12 months.

Action: For information

2.2 Prince Henry Open Day (October 9)

Frida reminded the Committee that the Prince Henry Open Day will be held on Saturday 9 October from 10am to 4pm at the Prince Henry Hospital Nursing and Medical Museum, Little Bay. This community event has been organised by Randwick Council and is supported by The Prince Henry Trained Nurses Association and Clovelly Community Bank. Flyers were tabled at meeting.

Action: For Information.

2.3 Therapeutic Gardening Workshop

Frida reminded the Committee that Council will be running a Therapeutic Gardening workshop on Saturday 16 October from 11am to 3pm at Council's Community Nursery. Booking are essential. Flyers were tabled at the meeting.

Action: For Information

2.4 An Inclusive Randwick City

Frida tabled copies of the document An Inclusive Randwick City, as requested by the Committee at the previous meeting.

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Action: For Information.

2.5 Access Issues from previous meeting

Frida reported that the requests for additional accessible parking spaces within Randwick City will be proposed at the Traffic Committee meeting in November. The requests were jointly proposed by members of Council's Access and Older Persons Advisory Committees. Frida will provide an update early in 2011.

Action: Frida to provide an update to members of the Older Persons and Access Advisory Committees in 2011.

3. General Business

3.1 Sunnyfield Carer Workshops

The Committee was informed that Sunnyfield will be holding a series of Carer workshops from the 13th October until the 3rd of November 2010. Workshop sessions will include Planning for the Future, Person Centred Approach & Plans, Coping Skills and Navigating Services. The workshop sessions will be held at Sunnyfield's Maroubra Office, 3rd Floor Bowen Library and Community Centre. Frida tabled handouts at the meeting.

Action: For noting

3.2 Playwriting and Performance Workshop.

The Committee was informed that Council will be running a Playwriting and Performance workshop on Saturday 23 October from 10am to 4pm at Bowen Library and Community Centre. The workshop will be facilitated by award winning playwright Hilary Bell and actor/director Bill Conn. Places are limited. You must be 16 years and over to register your interest for the workshop. Lunch will be provided. Frida tabled posters and registrations forms at the meeting.

Action: For noting.

3.3 Positive Ageing Forum

Frida reported that the Aged Care Psychiatry Service at the Prince of Wales Hospital will be presenting a Positive Ageing Forum on Monday 8th November from 1pm at South Sydney Junior Rugby Leagues Club. The programme on the day will include a panel of experts addressing strategies for achieving positive ageing - in addition there will be representative from a variety of local community organisations. Billee King will also be interviewed at the forum, as an exemplar of successful ageing. Bookings are essential. Please call Filomena Romano 9382 3753 for all enquiries. Flyers were tabled at the meeting.

Action: For noting.

3.4 Shafana & Aunt Sarrinah

The Committee was informed that Council in conjunction with The Actors Forum will be presenting a free professionally moved play reading of *Shafana & Aunt Sarrinah* by award winning playwright Alana Valentine. The play reading will be held on Saturday 13 November from 1pm at Bowen Library Theatre, Level 3, Bowen Library and Community Centre. Attendees will be able to meet Alana Valentine at the event and celebrate the Currency Press launch of her play. Afternoon tea will be provided. No booking are required. For all enquiries contact Frida Kitas on 9399 0972 or email frida.kitas@randwick.nsw.gov.au

Action: Frida to circulate flyers/posters to Committee members

Guest speaker – Megan Bowyer, Junction Neighbourhood Centre, Maroubra

- Megan is the Activities and Assessment coordinator at JNC.
- Core services include Aged & Disability programs.
- These involve 2 x day away groups, a short outing group and a shopping group for RWCT clients who are not able to manage shopping on their own.
- The shopping service involves picking up clients and taking them to Eastgardens where they are assisted by a volunteer or worker to do their shopping. The shopping service is offered on Mondays.
- This one-on-one service is also a form of social support.
- JNC also provide in-home as part of the NRCP program.
- They also provide information, advocacy, referral, casework, family support and a Volunteer and Services Training (VAST) program.
- Outreach services offered at the Centre include: EATS (Eastern Area Tenants Service), Australian Hearing and Kingsford Legal Centre.
- The Sydney City Family Relationship Centre also provides outreach at JNC on Monday and Fridays. Clients must book an appointment for this service.
- Other activities offered at the Centre include knitting groups, English and craft classes. JNC has secured funding to set up a Broadband kiosk to provide one-on-one training to Seniors to use computers and the internet.
- JNC have created brochures for all their services in a range of community languages including Russian, Greek, Chinese, Italian and Indonesian.
- Until further notice the Centre is closed on Wednesdays.
- Megan tabled a range of brochures and information kits at the meeting.

Action: For Information

Information Share

Nil

Correspondece

- Randwick Waverley Community Transport Newsletter Oct-Dec 2010
- CPSA THE Voice Newsletter, October 2010
- The Junction News, Spring/Summer Edition 2010

The meeting ended at 11.15am

Date of Next Meeting: To be held on Wednesday 3 October 2010 from 10.00am to 11.30am, Randwick Room.

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Community Services Report No. C24/10



Subject: Status Report Children and Youth programs in South Maroubra

Folder No: F2009/00217

Author: Shane Lowe, Coordinator Community Planning & Partnerships

Introduction

In 2009, Council provided a grant of \$20,000 to The Shack Youth Services (\$12,000) and the Kool Kids Club (\$8,000) to provide specialised focused programs for children aged 9-24 years who live in and around Lexington Place Maroubra.

Both programs were developed and began at the start of Term 2, 2010. The Shack Youth Services and Kool Kids Club have provided the following information on the progress of both programs

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1. Coral Sea Kids

The Kool Kids Club program is currently running activities on a Thursday afternoon between 3-5pm in Coral Sea Park near the playground. Art/Craft provided opportunities for the children to express themselves through art and included activities such as surfboard art, rhythm instrument making, painting a banner and rules to be hung in the shelter each week. The "Play 4 Life Program" provides a range of healthy sports related activities to build strong life skills and development of sportsmanship and teamwork.

A naming competition was held to formalise the name of the program and was won by an 8 year old Aboriginal boy, Kayde, who called the program "Coral Sea Kids". The program has been very well attended with up to 70 children participating in the new program.

2. The Shack Youth Services

The programme has been successfully attended by a great mix of young people who were new to The Shack and those who have participated before. A highlight of the program was the high level of respect and courtesy the young people had shown towards each other.

Activities provided by the program included Luna Park, 2 trips to Laser Skirmish, Ice Skating and watching NRL finals at The Shack. Most young people caught the Shack bus to the centre. A total of 64 young people participated.

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.

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Financial impact statement

There is no direct financial impact for this matter.

Conclusion

The program of activities are providing children and young people in and around Lexington Place and South Maroubra the opportunity to participate every week in a range of safe educational, recreational and fun activities. Both services thank Council for the additional funding and report that their objectives are being met and in some areas surpassed.

Recommendation

That the report be received and noted.

Attachment/s:

Nil

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