

**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, 24 April 2012 at 6pm.

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Mayoral Minute No. MM28/12



Subject: Waiving of Fees - St Margaret Mary's Primary School

Folder No: F2010/00096

Author: Councillor Nash, Mayor

Introduction

A request has been received from Ms Cathy Hodgins, Acting Principal, St Margaret Mary's Catholic Primary School Randwick North to hold a sausage sizzle and cake stall outside the Randwick Literary Institute on Election Day, Saturday 8 September 2012.

Issues

Ms Hodgins has requested that Council's application fee of \$160.00 be waived as this is a fundraising activity. The funds raised will go towards the upgrade of their school playground.

Financial impact statement

In the event that Council accepts the report recommendation, the direct financial implication to Council will be \$160.00 which will be funded from the 2011-12 Contingency Fund.

Conclusion

It is considered that Council should support this fundraising activity and that the application fee of \$160.00 be waived.

Recommendation

That

- a) Council vote \$160.00 to cover the application fee for a fundraising activity outside the Randwick Literary Institute on Election Day, Saturday 8 September 2012 and funds be charged to the 2011-12 Contingency Fund;
- b) The event organiser contact the Australian Electoral Commission to seek there approval.

Attachment/s:

Nil

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Mayoral Minute No. MM29/12



Subject: NSW Long Term Transport Master Plan
- Discussion Paper

Folder No: F2005/00932

Author: Councillor Nash, Mayor

Introduction

The State Government has released a Discussion Paper on the New South Wales Long Term Transport Master Plan (the Master Plan) for public feedback until 27 April 2012.

The purpose of the Master Plan is to provide a foundation for long term decision-making and build on the State Government's current transport commitments. It will cover a 20 year time frame and focus on setting objectives for transport and identifying the priorities needed to form an integrated transport system.

The Master Plan will be integrated with other strategic plans such as the Sydney Metropolitan Plan, the 20 year State Infrastructure Strategy, and the NSW Freight Transport Plan.

The Discussion Paper outlines current transport trends, emerging issues and key challenges facing the State over the next 20 years and beyond. It outlines a series of strategic questions to help frame feedback.

Issues

The Discussion Paper provides the Council with the opportunity to raise key transport issues for Randwick City. Council officers have prepared the attached draft submission which outlines these issues, and addresses the relevant strategic questions.

In summary, the submission:

- Supports the Master Plan's integrated, long term approach to transport planning, and the current planning investigations for light rail.
- Emphasises the critical need for integrated, high capacity rail-based public transport to serve Randwick City's key destinations, and in particular the Education and Health Specialised Centre
- Recommends expedited completion of the rail line improvements to Port Botany in line with expected freight increases

Conclusion

The Discussion Paper on the NSW Long Term Transport Master Plan is a positive step towards a strongly integrated planning system.

Recommendation

That the Council endorses the attached submission for forwarding to Transport New South Wales.

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Attachment/s:

1. NSW Long Term Transport Master Plan - Discussion Paper 2012 - RCC Submission

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Randwick City Council Submission
NSW Long Term Transport Master Plan – Discussion Paper 2012

Randwick City Council welcomes the opportunity to comment on the Discussion Paper on the New South Wales Long Term Transport Master Plan.

The whole of government approach to this Master Plan is a positive step, and its integration with other plans including the Sydney Metropolitan Plan, the 20 year State Infrastructure Strategy, and the NSW Freight Transport Plan is strongly supported.

The Council also supports the improved integration within the NSW Government, with Transport for NSW playing the coordinating, planning and policy role across the various transport delivery agencies and operators. Further streamlining of these agencies is also supported, to improve efficiency and avoid conflicting or competing agendas.

The Council is pleased that ongoing work on the light rail strategic plan is progressing, and trusts that its program, and commitment to implementation of light rail can continue to proceed in parallel with finalisation of the Long Term Master Plan and associated strategies.

Response to Strategic questions

The strategic questions most relevant to Randwick City are addressed in this submission as grouped in the relevant headings below.

Objectives of the master plan

Strategic questions

1. Are these objectives appropriate and comprehensive?
2. Do you have any other objectives to suggest for both public transport and roads?
3. Should additional or different objectives be considered for the *NSW Long Term Transport Master Plan*?

The objectives noted in the Discussion Paper are:

- Putting the customer first – to design the transport system around the needs and expectations of the customer
- Economic development – to enable the transport system to support the economic development of the State, with a focus on freight systems
- Planning and investment – to ensure that good planning informs investment strategies
- Coherence and integration – to promote coherence and integration across all modes and all stages of decision-making
- Performance and delivery
- Efficiency
- Environmental sustainability
- Social benefits – to promote greater inclusiveness, accessibility and quality of life
- Safety – in accordance with the safety and regulatory framework.

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Generally the range of proposed objectives seems appropriate. Some objectives are general in nature, while others are more specific. It is suggested that a consistent level of detail and explanation is provided with all objectives, sufficient to clarify the intent and enable performance monitoring over time. With this in mind, the objectives for performance and delivery, efficiency and environmental sustainability should be expanded.

The economic development objective has a focus on freight. While it is agreed that freight is critical, it is also suggested that an economic development objective should be related to servicing the Global Arc of Sydney, and its key employment and strategic centres, such as the Randwick Education and Health Specialised Centre.

Transport issues and modes

Strategic questions

4. In solving the transport problems in Sydney, what transport mode should be the first priority for new investment, bearing in mind the need for a socially equitable and environmentally sustainable transport sector?
5. What do you consider to be the main priorities for investment in Sydney's transport infrastructure?
6. How can the road network be better utilised and enhanced?
7. What are your priorities for public transport services in terms of frequency, reliability, cleanliness and safety?
8. What criteria should determine whether light rail or bus transport should be preferred?
9. How can walking and cycling best be encouraged?
10. What are the current barriers to using multiple transport modes to complete a journey? How can the barriers be addressed?
11. How can the transport requirements of Sydney Airport and Port Botany be best addressed?
12. If there are to be more greenfield land release areas in Sydney, should there be a focus on developing public transport options as part of strategic land use planning for Metropolitan Sydney? How should this policy be given effect?

Prioritisation for transport improvements should not be based solely on mode, as this works against the principle of integration. However, where a clear strategic need exists that can be met in the short to medium term through investment in environmentally friendly public transport, such as light rail infrastructure that would provide a benefit to travellers across the Sydney Metropolitan area; this would be a strong case for prioritisation.

In principle light rail should be preferred over buses where the congestion in the road system and at bus stops has reached capacity, and creates passenger safety hazards with kerbside congestion – such as exists in the peaks in Sydney CBD, Central Station and UNSW. There is physically no capacity to add more buses to

the system, and light rail offers a faster on and off-load process, as well as having the capacity of 3 buses.

Randwick City Council considers there is a clear need for prioritisation of a light rail connection between Sydney CBD and Randwick City, reaching several key destinations for people across the Sydney region including UNSW, Randwick hospitals, Randwick Racecourse, Centennial and Moore Park, and the Sydney Cricket and Football Stadiums.

The road network can be better utilised through provision of viable alternatives to road vehicle travel, together with disincentives to discourage unnecessary car trips. The Master Plan should consider a broad range of transport demand management factors that can be employed to help achieve this outcome. Some examples include promotion of car share/car pool schemes, road pricing systems, and management of parking supply at destinations. A state-wide parking policy would help local government implement consistent practices at the local level that can contribute to the state government's mode share targets.

In terms of prioritisation of qualitative aspects of public transport services, all need to work together, but a frequent and reliable public transport system that meets the needs of travellers must be at the base of any planning.

Walking and cycling can be encouraged through strategic integration with other transport modes. For example, location of a cycle hub with showers, lockers and change facilities in coordination with a light rail stop with CBD access, and close to a major trip generator such as UNSW will encourage students as well as city commuters to cycle safely to their destination. This has the added benefit of replacing cars on the road, through providing a convenient and healthy alternative to driving.

Discouraging or preventing people from taking cycles on trains and buses is a major disincentive to multi-mode transport. Many destinations are an easy cycle distance from a public transport stop, but considered too far to walk. For travellers making longer trips, it is often faster to drive than making several changes using the public transport system, and walking between transport stops. The Master Plan should consider encouragement of cycles on public transport services to ameliorate this disincentive.

The Master Plan and associated strategies should address integration of the Airport Rail link ticketing and pricing with the City Rail network. The current additional cost is a disincentive to both travellers and workers at the airport, as well as residents/travellers accessing the Green Square area. These inconsistencies in pricing are inequitable, and act as a disincentive to multi-mode trips by public transport.

Similarly, any new light rail service, and the existing extended Inner West Light rail service should be fully integrated and aligned with the public transport pricing and ticketing system – and not be limited to discounts for monthly, quarterly or annual tickets.

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*Transport***Strategic questions**

13. What are the key transport objectives for your region?
14. How can different levels of government and the non-government sector work more effectively together to improve the transport outcomes for the regions?
15. In what form can CountryLink best serve the needs of the regions over the long term?
16. How should regional connections be improved to meet future freight and passenger demands?

Strategic transport objectives for Randwick City focus on delivery of integrated, high capacity public transport services to our major employment centres and destinations, and in particular the Randwick Education and Health Specialised Centre. This need is supported by many years of consistent research and planning, including a City-wide Transport Study undertaken to inform the Randwick City Plan – our 20 year community strategic plan. More recently, the Randwick Education and Health Specialised Centre Discussion Paper and Precinct Plan highlight the critical need for rail-based mass transit public transport to support the current and future growth demands for Randwick City's largest employment centre.

Randwick City Council is working closely with the State Government and key stakeholders and destinations within the Sydney CBD-Randwick corridor to identify and plan for current and future transport needs. This is a constructive and welcome process. The Council has arranged Memoranda of Understanding with multiple stakeholders including UNSW, the Australian Turf Club, the City Of Sydney, Local Area Health Network, Centennial Park and Moore Park Trust and Sydney Cricket Ground Trust to work together with the State government to introduce rail-based public transport to our Local Government Area.

The Council supports the transport round-table process introduced by the State government to bring different levels of government together with non-government stakeholders, and looks forward to positive tangible outcomes to these ongoing discussions.

A suggestion to further improve coordination of government transport planning activities is to ensure that Transport NSW and the various delivery agencies actively plan for and identify important related infrastructure needs to ensure the success of the Long Term Transport Master Plan. This would include, for example, requirements for bus and rolling stock layovers and storage depots.

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*Freight transport***Strategic questions**

17. What investments are needed across NSW to improve the efficiency of freight movement?
18. How can the NSW Government best support an efficient freight system as well as meeting community expectations for safety and amenity in residential areas?
19. What are the impediments to greater use of high productivity vehicles and how can these be overcome?

For Randwick City, completion of the planned improvements to the Port Botany Freight rail line and intermodal terminal is a critical priority, and should be in place as the expanded Port facilities are completed in the near future, to avoid further congestion and conflict on the surrounding limited road network. The Council is pleased to note that some preparatory works are underway, but considers this program should be expedited to align with the expected major increase in freight movements.

While more efficient and productive road freight vehicles may provide improvements to carbon emissions and noise, this is not considered an appropriate alternative to increasing the capacity of freight movements by rail from Port Botany.

*Funding of transport***Strategic questions**

20. How much would people be prepared to pay for further investment in the transport system and what would be the expectation flowing from these investments?
21. Given the limitations on funds available for future transport investment, what mechanisms should be employed to manage demand?
22. Should new revenues or charges be explored to deliver the transport infrastructure needs within a realistic timeframe?
23. If further road user pricing were to be introduced, how should this operate? For example, by distance travelled? By vehicle type? Or should it be area based?

Randwick City Council supports public funding of public transport, including light rail, and that significant level of investment should be demonstrated by the State Government in transport infrastructure, to ensure Sydney's status and effectiveness as a global city.

Appropriate travel demand management mechanisms should be employed to assist the State Government in meeting its public transport, walking and cycling targets, and better manage road usage. Several mechanisms should be investigated, and it is recommended these include a state-wide parking policy to

set consistent guidelines for parking supply at major destinations and employment centres.

Further detailed investigations into the costs and benefits of the options of road user pricing and other charges applied to the Sydney road and broader transport network is recommended to inform the finalisation of the Master Plan and associated Infrastructure Strategy.

This is a critical aspect of the master plan in identifying priorities for transport improvements while also providing suitable funding and governance mechanisms to ensure these priorities are realised.

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Mayoral Minute No. MM30/12



Subject: Friends of the La Perouse Museum -
Request for Financial Assistance

Folder No: F2004/07396

Author: Councillor Nash, Mayor

Introduction

A request has been received from the Friends of the La Perouse Museum for assistance in the purchase of two items of significant historical importance to the City of Randwick.

Issues

The two items for consideration are the "Altar Stones" that were used in the very first Catholic Christian service held in Australia and a bronze reproduction of the engraved eucalyptus tree trunk which was used to mark the grave of chaplain Pere Receveur.

The set of four inscribed altar stones formed the first altar which was used for the first Catholic funeral service for Father Pere Receveur. The stones were found in the wreck of one of the La Perouse ships in the Solomon Islands and have enormous historical significance for Randwick City, the Parish of Malabar and to the Catholic faith across Australia.

The stump of the original Eucalyptus tree from Frenchman's Cove at La Perouse was engraved by the crew of the "Coquille" in 1824 to mark the grave of our first Chaplain Pere Receveur. The original tree trunk is currently located in the National Maritime Museum in Paris and is in extremely fragile condition. Fortunately in the 1980's an exact copy was made and it is this copy which is proposed to be used for the moulding for the bronze replica.

Financial impact statement

Two quotes have been supplied from France which, on current exchange rates, equate to approximately \$9,500.00. It is proposed to vote a grant of \$10,000.00 to cover the purchase of both items with the Friends of the La Perouse Museum meeting all other packaging, transportation and freight costs.

Conclusion

These two items will always remain the property of Randwick City Council and will be lent to the Friends of the La Perouse Museum for exhibition to the public at the La Perouse Museum located in Anzac Parade, La Perouse.

Recommendation

That Council approve the purchase of the "Altar Stones" that were used in the very first Catholic Christian service held in Australia and a bronze reproduction of the engraved eucalyptus tree trunk which was used to mark the grave of chaplain Pere Receveur, with the \$10,000.00 to come from the 2011-12 Contingency Fund.

Attachment/s:

Nil

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Mayoral Minute No. MM31/12



Subject: Waiving of Fees for Coogee to Bondi Ocean Swim

Folder No: F2010/00096

Author: Councillor Nash, Mayor

Introduction

An application has been received from Ms Joanna Kyriazakos, the organiser of the Coogee to Bondi 5km Ocean Swim. The swim is being held on Wednesday 25 April 2012, commencing at Coogee Beach and finishing at Bondi Beach. It is expected that there will be approximately 300 participants.

Issues

The organiser advises that this event has successfully been run for the last three years. Due to popular demand it has again been planned for this year as there has been a surge of interest for endurance swims due to a substantial growth in the ocean swimming community.

Ms Kyriazakos is requesting Council to waive the associated fees for this event. An entry fee of \$75.00 will be charged to each competitor to better meet the costs of staging such an event. Any money left over will be donated to the Volunteer Coast Guard. Council's fees include:

Hire of lifeguard @ \$200.50 p/h x 4 (public holiday)	\$802.00
Hire of two Jet Skis (1 hour @ \$59.00)	\$118.00
Hire of Coogee Beach	\$154.10
Total	\$1,074.10

Financial impact statement

In the event that Council accepts the report recommendation, the direct financial implication to Council will be \$1,074.10 which will be funded from the 2011-12 Contingency Fund.

Conclusion

It is considered that the Coogee to Bondi 5km Ocean Swim is a worthwhile community event and it is recommended that costs be allocated to cover the associated fees.

Recommendation

That:

- a) Council vote \$1,074.10 to cover the fees associated with the Coogee to Bondi Ocean Swim and funds be charged to the 2011-12 Contingency Fund;
- b) The event organiser undertake to appropriately and prominently acknowledge and promote Council's contribution prior to and during the event; and
- c) The Mayor or his representative be given the opportunity to address the event on behalf of Council.

- d) The applicant be advised to apply through our Cultural Grants Programme for consideration of any further funding and this application must be received by Council no later than July 2012.
- e) The organisation provide a report to Council on how the funding (cash and/or in kind) was spent immediately after the event.

Attachment/s:

Nil

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Mayoral Minute No. MM32/12



Subject: 2012 LGMA Management Challenge
Folder No: F2010/00123
Author: Councillor Nash, Mayor

Introduction

For nearly 20 years, councils from all over Australia and New Zealand have regarded the LGMA Management Challenge as Australia's premier forum for current and emerging local government leaders.

The Management Challenge is an annual competition designed to develop new and improved skills in effective team processes, issue resolution and situational leadership.

It is my great pleasure to inform you Randwick City Council's team 'E-mission' won this competition and are the 2012 LGMA Management Challenge winners for NSW.

Issues

The competition involved a written task on Sustainability and the Council and then a Challenge Day was held in each capital city. On this day teams came together to apply their skills to tasks that typify management in the local government environment. The tasks are crafted to develop individual and team competencies in predetermined management areas.

Following the judges' deliberations over a period of weeks Randwick City Council was announced as the winner for NSW.

The make up of the team representing Randwick City Council includes a Sergeant of Police from the Eastern Suburbs Local Area Command and the members are:

- Nick Renneberg (team captain) – Supervisor, Nursery
- Eugene Sangster, Ganger
- Renee Saville, Employee Services Officer
- Renee Holmes, Sergeant of Police
- Adrian McKeown, Development Officer
- Janice Dennany, Environmental Health Officer

The General Manager and staff involved in the 2012 LGMA Challenge will now be representing NSW in 2012 Australasian Final. This event is being held in Melbourne on 21 and 22 June 2012.

Financial impact statement

The LGMA provides partial funding and other costs associated with the preparation and attendance at the Australian Final has been funded within the current Learning and Development budget.

Conclusion

Congratulations to the 'E-mission' team members and staff involved in the 2012 LGMA Management Challenge and good luck in the 2012 Australasian Final.

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Recommendation

That Council extend their congratulations to all involved in the 2012 LGMA Management Challenge and give their best wishes to the team for the Australasian Final.

Attachment/s:

Nil

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Mayoral Minute No. MM33/12



Subject: Clovelly Surf Club - Request for Additional Funding

Folder No: PROJ/10399/2010

Author: Councillor Nash, Mayor

Introduction

A request has been received from the Clovelly Surf Life Saving Club (SLSC) seeking financial assistance from Council due to a shortfall of funds required to complete the third and final stage of their building program.

Issues

This final stage of building works involves work in the lower hall to build an administration area, training area with associated amenities and some waterproofing and storage upstairs.

The Club has received all relevant building approvals and is in possession of a final quote. Unfortunately the quote has come back higher than the Club had anticipated. With the additional architect and engineer inspection fees, the Club has a \$21,000.00 shortfall which is beyond the Club's financial resources, hence their request for urgent Council assistance with this matter.

Financial impact statement

The additional amount of \$21,000 will be funded from Council's 2011-12 Budget or Infrastructure Reserve and repaid by the Buildings for our Community Program at a future stage.

Conclusion

The Clovelly Surf Life Saving Club is an integral part of the local community and has been saving lives and providing our youth with a healthy lifestyle for many years now. It is important for Council to support the Club and its long term future in our area.

Recommendation

That Council provide financial assistance in the amount of \$21,000 in order to complete the third and final stage of the building program for the Clovelly Surf Life Saving Club, with funds to be allocated from Council's 2011-12 Budget or Infrastructure Reserve and repaid by the Buildings for our Community Program at a future stage.

Attachment/s:

Nil

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Mayoral Minute No. MM34/12



Subject: Sydney Children's Hospital Gold Coin Week

Folder No: F2004/06257

Author: Councillor Nash, Mayor

Introduction

A request has been received from the Sydney Children's Hospital asking for Council's support to promote its annual Gold Coin Week campaign in an attempt to raise vital funds for the hospital. The Sydney Children's Hospital would like to display their banner to advertise Gold Coin Week from 24 May through to 12 June 2012.

Issues

Sydney Children's Hospital would like to display their banner to advise the local community of this fundraising activity.

Costings are as follows:

Installation and removal of four banners @ \$680.00 per banner	\$2,720.00
Hire of banner poles @ \$600.00 per week	
x two weeks x four banners	<u>\$4,800.00</u>
Total:	\$7,520.00

In addition, the Randwick City Library Service will collect gold coin donations for two weeks prior to Gold Coin Week for the Sydney Children's Hospital from each session of Babies Love Books, Bop 2 Books and Kids Club. Children and their parents will be asked to wear something yellow to these sessions to show their support for Gold Coin Week.

Financial impact statement

Should Council accept the report recommendation, the financial implication to Council is \$7,520.00 which will be charged to the 2011-12 Contingency Fund.

Conclusion

Council's support of Gold Coin Week will further strengthen the long term partnership between Council and the Sydney Children's Hospital. The hospital provides a vital service to our local community and Council should contribute towards such a worthy cause.

Recommendation

That:

- a) Council supports the Sydney Children's Hospital in promoting their annual Gold Coin Week 2012 Campaign by waiving the fees associated with the installation and dismantling of four banners and the hire of Council's banner poles for the Sydney Children's Hospital in the amount of \$7,520.00 (to be allocated from the 2011-12 Contingency Fund); and
- b) the organisers undertake to appropriately and prominently acknowledge and

promote Council's contribution prior to and during their fundraising week.

Attachment/s:

Nil

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Mayoral Minute No. MM35/12



Subject: World Kindness Australia - Request for Council Support

Folder No: F2011/00470

Author: Councillor Nash, Mayor

Introduction

An invitation has been received from the Chairman of World Kindness Australia inviting Randwick City Council to join both Woollahra and Waverley Councils in the World Kindness Australia campaign to challenge bullying through the appointment of Goodwill Ambassadors to promote and celebrate various community kindness initiatives.

Issues

It is proposed that Council get involved with World Kindness Australia and our neighbouring Councils and put a stop to bullying through some of the following initiatives:

- Council sign a 'Declaration of Support' for the campaign with a photo officially accepting the certificate of membership to World Kindness Australia;
- a Mayoral announcement of Council's membership of World Kindness Australia and the appointment of Goodwill Ambassadors with a press release;
- a Mayoral invitation to all schools, parent groups and community organisations with an invitation to attend an information day on the Cool to be Kind Awards and Goodwill Ambassador program;
- a Mayoral invitation to the local State and Federal members of Parliament to join Council in providing a letter of support;
- invite a Council staff member to become official Goodwill ambassador to network and promote workplace initiatives leading up to world kindness week;
- provide a web link to World Kindness Australia with the Governors Message available on Council's website;
- provide a 'Kindness Column' on the Council website for members of the community to contribute stories. Utilise this to send to local papers hoping they may create a kindness column.
- attend and co host an awards dinner for presentation of the annual 'Cool To Be Kind Awards'; and
- provide a local point of contact World Kindness Australia C/O mail address and email address eg. ambassador@randwick.nsw.gov.au

The declaration of support to be signed by Council would take the following form:

DECLARATION OF SUPPORT

As duly elected Members of Council, we the undersigned, on behalf of the council, hereby declare our ongoing support to World Kindness Australia and its endeavours to create a kinder society for our children to ultimately inherit.

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Each year our Council appointed Goodwill Ambassadors will support community events, recognise schools, individuals and organisation's achievements through the "Cool To be Kind Awards" leading up to World Kindness Week.

By accepting membership we acknowledge and take to heart the African adage that it "Takes a Village to Raise a Child." Through our active participation we commit to creating an inclusive and kinder community and fully support World Kindness Australia's initiatives, here at home and on the global stage.

Financial impact statement

The costs to Council would be limited to the time that a staff member would need to dedicate to being a goodwill ambassador, which would include sitting on the OH&S Committee and attending an external meeting every two months. There would also be minimal staff time required to set up a web link to World Kindness Australia. Other initiatives are at no cost to Council. Sufficient funds exist in Council's budget to support this worthwhile initiative.

Conclusion

The number of tragic teenage deaths across the country in recent years is simply unacceptable. The time has come for the wider community to stand up and do whatever it can to stop bullying and harassment of our children in all its ugly forms, be it physical or mental.

Recommendation

That Council:

- a) sign a declaration of support for World Kindness Australia;
- b) invite Council staff to express their interest in becoming Goodwill Ambassadors;
- c) support in principle co-hosting the Goodwill event to be held later in 2012; and
- d) assist World Kindness Australia in other worthwhile community initiatives wherever possible.

Attachment/s:

Nil

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Mayoral Minute No. MM36/12



Subject: Request to assist the Eastern Beaches
Local Area Command with their 150
years event celebrations

Folder No: F2010/00038

Author: Councillor Nash, Mayor

Introduction

In 2012 the NSW Police Force celebrates 150 years of policing. The NSW Police Force are holding a number of commemorative events and each command will also hold their own celebrations during the year.

Council has been asked by the Eastern Beaches Local Area Commander to assist in the planning and staging of their celebratory event and to be a sponsor of the event through financial and in-kind contribution. In the course of the planning process to date, council staff were asked by the Police to provide them with event management and graphic design expertise.

As part of the 150 years of policing celebrations, the Eastern Beaches Local Area Command will host two events - A Blue and White Charity Ball (17 November) and a Charity Golf Day (4 May).

The Blue and White Charity Ball will raise money for Police Legacy and will bring together leading social, corporate and political leaders within our local community to celebrate this milestone and also raise money for a worthwhile cause. It will also create networking opportunities for people living and working in the City of Randwick, Sydney's Eastern Suburbs and beyond.

This Mayoral Minute outlines the work that is currently being undertaken by council staff in planning for the EBLAC events, and seeks Council's approval for additional resource/expertise required from different sections of the Council as well as additional financial assistance.

Issues

Council's Events Officer has been assisting the Police with event management planning and liaising with external suppliers of event related goods and services required for their Charity Ball. The work will amount to an Events Officer spending approximately 140 hours; and one Graphic Designer for a total of 35 hours, over the course of the year until November 2012.

Request for financial assistance

Recently, the Council has been asked to develop the design and cover the costs for the following promotional items:

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Design item	Printing	Cost	Paid by
Promotional banner flags x 8 designs. Banners to promote the milestone and to be used at future events.	External	\$3,100.00 approximately	Council
Blue and White Ball invitation	External		
Specialised envelope	External		
RSVP/Payment form	External		
Entrée card	External		
Reply paid envelope	External	\$2,150.00 approximately	Council
Event Program (approx. 34 pages)	External	\$2,250.00	Council
Auction display sheets	In-house		Council
Total:		\$7,500.00	

The amount of financial assistance being requested is \$7,500.00 to cover the cost of promotional items associated with the two events.

In recognition of this partnership, Council will be acknowledged as an event partner and receive logo placement on the event invitations and programs. The Mayor will also be invited to speak at the Charity Ball and Council will receive a complimentary table as a sponsor.

Other sponsors have been asked to contribute \$10,000.00 to be named as a key event sponsor.

Financial impact statement

The contribution from Council will total \$7,500.00 in cash sponsorship and could be allocated from the 2011-12 Contingency Fund.

Conclusion

It is important for Council to support our Local Area Command and the NSW Police Force and to commemorate this milestone with them. The contributions by Council will assist our local area police in holding a fitting celebratory event and will go a small way in thanking them for keeping our community safe and for congratulating them in reaching this important milestone.

Recommendation

That Council approve the financial and in-kind support be provided to the Eastern Beaches Local Area Command as outlined in this report.

Attachment/s:

Nil

Mayoral Minute No. MM37/12



Subject: Seeking Council approval to re-sign
Randwick's Sustainability Agreement
with the University of New South
Wales

Folder No: F2005/00104

Author: Councillor Nash, Mayor

Introduction

This Mayoral Minute seeks Council's support and approval the re-signing of our Sustainability Agreement with the University of New South Wales (UNSW).

Issues

Over the past number of years Council and UNSW have undertaken a number of cooperative projects with various faculties and departments of UNSW under the auspices of our Sustainability Agreement, first signed with the University in 2006.

The Sustainability Agreement was recognised at the time of its first signing as an innovative approach between local government and an academic research and educational institution due in part to the opportunities it provided for both organisations. On the one hand, Council was lending support to engage with student programs and courses to help them work on practical on-ground projects where practicable, of benefit to Council and its community, while enabling Council to access some of the innovative areas of research and learning within and across the various Centres and faculties of the University.

In the past this cooperation has included involvement with Faculties of Built Environment, Centres for Water and Wastewater, Energy and Environmental Markets, multi-media, architecture and photovoltaic engineering departments. There remains considerable opportunity in re-signing our Sustainability Agreement and reinvigorating our connection with UNSW and its various programs and research centres.

Financial impact statement

There is no direct financial impact for this matter.

Conclusion

As with Council, our locally placed University is highly respected and recognised for its innovative and practical environmental improvement and sustainability programs. The Sustainability Agreement between both organisations will enable us to support and extend our sustainability efforts through stronger collaborations and opportunities as they arise.

Recommendation

That Council supports the re-signing of our Sustainability Agreement with UNSW as a meaningful way of extending our collaboration and cooperation on practical environmental improvements and sustainability outcomes for our community.

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Attachment/s:

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Mayoral Minute No. MM38/12



Subject: Extension of 3 Council Ecological Footprint project with Waverley and Woollahra Councils

Folder No: F2008/00383

Author: Councillor Nash, Mayor

Introduction

This Mayoral Minute seeks Council's endorsement for a three (3) year continuation of the 3 Council Ecological Footprint project between Randwick, Waverley and Woollahra Councils.

Issues

The 3 Council collaboration, to tackle environmental issues and reduce resource consumption across Randwick, Waverley and Woollahra Councils, was originally funded by the NSW Environmental Trust for a 3 year period. Although the externally funded project was completed in 2010, the success of the collaboration led to the 3 Councils agreeing to extend the project by 12 months to June 2012.

A recent meeting of the General Manager's of Randwick, Waverley and Woollahra has agreed the collaboration between the 3 Councils continues to reap positive benefits for the residents of our 3 local government areas as well as achieving substantial environmental outcomes. They have agreed to a 3 year continuation of the project subject to the endorsement of Council.

A number of our high profile projects being delivered through our 3 Council collaboration and reported previously include:

- Compost Revolution, household organics composting and worm farming for residents;
- Our Barrett House Sustainability Demonstration project in Randwick;
- The Water Audits achieving enormous savings for small business and part funded by Sydney Water;
- Our "Sustainability Street" community groups working within their own local networks and neighbourhoods;
- The extensive program of community education workshops and activities; and
- The tips, guide and information presented on the 3 Council www.reduceyourfootprint.com.au website.

Council will continue to be updated on projects as they progress. The collaboration will also continue to pursue appropriate sponsorship or external grants to assist in adding value or additional projects to those already initiated as part of the collaboration between the 3 Councils.

Financial impact statement

The total cost for each Council is \$140,100 which will be paid through the Waste levy and Waste and Sustainability Improvement Program.

Conclusion

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The successful coordination of programs, events and activities between Randwick, Waverley and Woollahra Councils through the 3 Council Ecological Footprint project has gained a high profile across the local government sector and recognition for the range of issues tackled and positive results generated.

Recommendation

That Council endorse the three (3) year continuation of the 3 Council Ecological Footprint project as outlined above.

Attachment/s:

Nil

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Mayoral Minute No. MM39/12



Subject: Local Government Chief Officer's Group Meeting

Folder No: F2008/00390

Author: Councillor Nash, Mayor

Introduction

At its ordinary meeting held 24 June, 2008 Council resolved to endorse the General Manager's membership application for the Local Government Chief Officers Group. The purpose of this report is to advise Council of the General Manager's attendance at the group conference to be held in Alice Springs, Northern Territory in July 2012.

Issues

The Local Government Chief Officers' Group is the peak professional development network of Australia and New Zealand Local Government Chief Executives. The objectives of the Local Government Chief Officers Group are:

1. To act as a forum for the exchange of experience and information between Chief Officers to benefit their Councils in particular and local government in general.
2. To utilise the experience and knowledge of Chief Officers at various government and organisational levels.
3. To facilitate the professional development and training of Chief Officers.

As always, another major benefit of this Group is the opportunity to network one on one with other CEO's and industry leaders to see exactly how they are dealing with the myriad of challenges currently being faced by local government.

Financial impact statement

The cost of travel, accommodation and meals has been allowed for in the 2011-12 training budget.

Conclusion

Randwick City Council is recognised within the Local Government industry as a leader and an innovator. The ongoing exchange of experiences and information within this leading group will keep Randwick at the forefront of local government and provide exciting opportunities for Council to explore.

Recommendation

That Council note the General Manager's attendance at the annual conference of the Local Government Chief Executive Officers' Group to be held Alice Springs, Northern Territory in July 2012.

Attachment/s:

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