

COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE

BUSINESS PAPER

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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, 14 August 2012 at 6pm.

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

Apologies/Granting of Leave of Absences

Confirmation of the Minutes

Community Services Committee - 10 July 2012

Declarations of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests

Address of Committee by Members of the Public

Urgent Business

Community Services Reports

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Library Reports

Nil

Notice of Rescission Motions

Nil

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Ray Brownlee
GENERAL MANAGER

Community Services Report No. C13/12



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Introduction

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

This report brings together for Council's acceptance, the minutes of previous meetings adopted by the respective Advisory Committees in May to July 2012.

Issues

As scheduled, the Advisory Committees (listed below) have met and the minutes of the meetings, 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 – May 2012 (endorsed July 2012)
- Multicultural Advisory Committee – May 2012 (endorsed July 2012)
- Multicultural Advisory Committee – July 2012 (to be endorsed after the Local Government elections)
- Older Persons Advisory Committee – June 2012 (endorsed July 2012).

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

The minutes of these Advisory Committee Meetings are now in order to be submitted to the Council for acknowledgement and acceptance.

Recommendation

That the Council acknowledges and accepts the minutes of the following Advisory Committees:

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- Aboriginal Advisory Committee – May 2012
- Multicultural Advisory Committee – May 2012
- Multicultural Advisory Committee – July 2012
- Older Persons Advisory Committee – June 2012.

Attachment/s:

1. Aboriginal Advisory Committee - May 2012
2. Multicultural Advisory Committee - May 2012
3. Multicultural Advisory Committee - July 2012
4. Older Persons Advisory Committee - June 2012

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MINUTES
Randwick City Council Aboriginal Advisory Committee
Meeting 10.00am, 4 May 2012
Yarra Bay House, La Perouse

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Present: Cr Margaret Woodsmith – Randwick City Council
 Gail Cooke – Guriwal Aboriginal Corporation
 Karen Cooley – Guriwal Aboriginal Corporation
 Gary Ella – Randwick City Council (Chair & Minutes)
 Barbara Keeley - Guriwal Respite & Transport
 Yvonne Simms – La Perouse Botany Bay Aboriginal Corporation
 Liz Sinnott – La Perouse Public School

Guest: Garry Ardler – La Perouse Men’s Group

Apologies: Chris Ingrey – La Perouse LALC
 Michael Ingrey – La Perouse Access
 Cr Paul Tracey – Randwick City Council

Acknowledgement of Country: Conducted by

1. Confirmation of Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 3 February 2012 were accepted.

Proposed: Karen Cooley **Seconded:** Liz Sinnott

2. Business arising from previous Minutes

2.1 Reconciliation Action Plans:

Gary Ella provided copies of the ERLGATSIF audit on Reconciliation actions undertaken by the six member Councils of ERLGATSIF.

Action: Gary to follow up with Reconciliation Australia on proposed attendance at future meeting.

2.2 Queen Emma’s Grave Marking:

Yvonne Simms reported that she had spoken with the Cemetery Trust but would report back at a later date on progress. Council should consider establishing a memorial in another La Perouse location. This suggestion was strongly supported by Committee members as ‘Queen Emma’s achievements needed to be formally recognised’.

Action: Gary Ella to research Queen Emma’s contributions and achievements and draft a brief to the Committee for the next meeting. Yvonne Simms to continue negotiating with the Timbery family and Cemetery Trust.

2.3 La Perouse Suburb Sign:

Gary Ella advised the Committee that Council had received a letter from the La Perouse LALC requesting that the name ‘Guriwal’ be used on the proposed La Perouse suburb sign. Yvonne Simms and other Committee members felt that the Bidjigal people should be acknowledged on the sign, and felt that the views of the ‘Elders from the Mission’ who were the traditional custodians of the land, should be taken into consideration.

Action: Gary Ella would continue discussions with the La Perouse LALC the proposals to acknowledge the Bidjigal people.

2.4 Installation of Flag Poles at Yarra Recreational Reserve:

Cr Woodsmith stated that she would speak with Council management on this issue but Council is aware of the Committee's request. Gail Cooke expressed disappointment with the slow progress on this and other issues raised by the Committee.

Action: Gary Ella to report back to the Committee on progress of this project at the next meeting.

2.5 Memorial to Stolen Generations from La Perouse:

The Memorial to the Stolen Generations was a community project which needed the involvement of the whole community. The community needed to agree on a suitable location and design for the Memorial.

Action: Sub-Committee to discuss design and location of proposed memorial.

2.6 Upgrade of Guriwal Bush Tucker Track:

Council and Guriwal Aboriginal Corporation would be signing the MOU at a ceremony planned during Reconciliation Week, 29 May 2012.

Action: For noting.

2.9 Randwick City Banners:

Gary had planned meetings with Two Women Dreaming for possible designs.

Action: Gary to follow-up with Council's Communications Unit and will approach other local Aboriginal organisations and individuals for designs.

2.10 SAVE Update:

Both the Community Garden and Recycling of Bicycle projects with Guriwal were progressing well. The SAVE team would be filming a short segment of a program video presentation and needed to conduct interviews with workers involved at Yarra Bay House. Once there were enough bicycles recycled Council would contact the Roads and Traffic Authority to organise safe cycling session at La Perouse Public School.

Action: Guriwal to continue liaison with Council.

3. New Business**3.1 Outcomes of La Perouse Aboriginal Community Planning Day:**

The outcomes of the La Perouse Aboriginal Community Planning forum had been distribute to participants at the Planning Day. Information from the day was being programmed into the Strengthening Aboriginal Communities Toolkit and would be discussed at the next La Perouse Community Alliance Meeting.

Action: For noting.

3.2 2012 Reconciliation Week & NAIDOC Week Events

Council would stage the Guriwal Bush Tucker Track MOU signing ceremony and provide assistance for the proposed Rock Craving celebration on the La Perouse Mission. Karen Cooley has applied for Federal funding of the Guriwal Family Fun Day to be held in September 2012. Once a date has been finalised Karen would notify Council and schools in the area.

Action: Karen Cooley to notify Council and Schools on the September date of the Guriwal Family Fun Day.

3.3 LACACC Meetings:

The Eastern Beaches Local Area Command Aboriginal Consultative Committee meetings had been poorly attended in recent months mainly because community members were disappointed that the Aboriginal Liaison Officer's (ALO) position was still vacant. The position had been advertised but interviews had not been convened. Members stated that relationships between Police and the Aboriginal community were deteriorating without the position filled and needed to be re-built. Members were also of the view that there should be a male and female ALO position at the Maroubra Police Station, and be filled with 'more life experienced' candidates.

Action: Comments to be raised at next LACACC meeting.

3.4 ERLGATSIF Update:

Gary Ella reported that ERLGATSIF had organised the presentation of the Pauline McLeod Awards for Reconciliation and prizes for the Reconciliation Schools Art Competition for 31 May at Leichhardt Town Hall. Nominations for the Pauline McLeod Awards for Reconciliation were still open, nominations should be forwarded to Gary Ella.

Action: For Noting

4. General Business:

4.1 Road Works on Bunnerong Road and Anzac Pde

Several members of the Committee expressed their disappointment that the Bus Shelter situation on the junction of Anzac Parade and Bunnerong Road at Phillip Bay, known to locals as the 'Bundi', had been moved towards La Perouse on Anzac Parade. The Bundi has a history of being a popular meeting place for the local community for many years. The current location of the Bus Shelter is inconvenience for older community members.

Liz Sinnott also reported that the new road works on Bunnerong Road was attracting 'hoons' and becoming dangerous. She was also concerned with the narrowing of the road and ending of the footpaths at the creek crossing. Cr Woodsmith advised that the Water Board was constructing large pipes for the creek and the footpaths would be eventually extended across the creek. She also mentioned that the road upgrade was a work in process and traffic safety issues would be assessed during the work.

Action: Gary Ella & Cr Woodsmith to inspect new location of Bus Shelter.

Invitation to Botany Bay City Council

Members suggested that a representative from Botany Bay City Council be invited to a future meeting to discuss their programs for Aboriginal communities.

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Action: Gary Ella to discuss with Botany Bay City Council.

Chris Lyons Memorial Plaque

Yvonne Simms mentioned that the Chris Lyons Memorial Plaque at Yarra Recreational reserve was falling over and could become a safety issue for small children. She asked if Council could either move the plaque or re-set the plaque with a concrete platform.

Action: Gary Ella to discuss with Lyons family, La Perouse Football Club and Open Space unit of Council.

Youth and Employment Steering Committee

NSW Family and Community Services had developed a Youth and Employment Steering Committee within the La Perouse / Maroubra.

Next Meeting: TBC 2012

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Minutes

Randwick City Council Multicultural Advisory Committee Meeting held on 2 May 2012 at 5.15pm

Present

Cr Bradley Hughes (Chair)	Randwick City Council
Colin Rosenfeld	Randwick City Council
Jiabin Gao	Community Representative
Charlotta Oberg	Community Representative
George Varughese	Community Representative

Apologies

Cr John Procopiadis	Randwick City Council
Katherine Zhu	Randwick City Council
Peter Schick	Community Representative
Janet Timberg	Community Representative
Rosa Loria	Community Representative
Ellen Gore	Community Representative
Hendra Mulyanto	Community Representative

1. Minutes

The Minutes of the meeting held on 15 February were confirmed. Moved by Charlotta Oberg and seconded by Cr Bradley Hughes

2. Business Arising from Previous Minutes

2.1 Citizenship ceremony

The Committee was informed of the forthcoming Citizenship Ceremonies which are held on Thursdays. The next ceremony will be held on 7 June. Committee members interested in attending the ceremony should contact Colin Rosenfeld who will organise an official invitation.

Action: For noting.

2.2 Overseas Sister Cities Schools' Cultural Exchange project

The Committee had agreed at the last meeting to finalise this project and allow schools to take responsibility to develop their program with overseas counterparts. A follow up letter was sent to the three remaining interested schools to ascertain the outcome of the project to date. Claremont College had made a number of attempts to liaise without success with a school in Hangzhou. Randwick Boys had decided not to continue with the project. Randwick Girls High considered the allocated school in Hangzhou unsuitable and is now pursuing a new project and has signed a memorandum of understanding with Xiaoshan number 10 High School in China's Zhejiang Province with the support of the NSW Department of Education. The Department of Education has recently initiated a project "Expanding Asia Horizons" which aims to foster relations with schools in Asia.

Action: For noting

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2.3 Harmony Day Festival 2012

Harmony Day celebrations were held as part of the Spot Food and Film Festival on 11 March. The festival had a very high profile and attracted a large audience. The festival also had clear multicultural feel with numerous multicultural food stalls and a diverse range of multicultural entertainment.

The Harmony Day competition with prizes held at the Spot Festival to promote the message attracted 61 entries. People were asked to write "what community harmony means to me" and prizes were awarded. The Committee's views on the event were invited as part of council's evaluation of its event program. A number of suggestions were made including more information on the purpose of harmony day to distribute on the day.

Action: For noting

2.4 Migrant Story Project 2011

Randwick TAFE's Media Unit will commence shooting in early June and six of the 14 applicants who represent a cross section of the Randwick community have been selected for stage one interviews.

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

2.5 Employment Expo

Sydney Multicultural Community Services has organised the Employment Expo to be held on 22 May 2012, 10 am to 2pm at Randwick TAFE. The expo will target newly arrived migrants and refugees. It will be open to all job seekers from the general public. Some 20 service providers will have information stalls including council which is supporting this event. The expo will assist job seekers with details on local jobs and information on employment pathways. There will also be workshops on interview and resume writing skills.

Action: For noting

2.6 Greater Sydney Multicultural Interagency (GSMI)

The interagency organised a forum which was held on 26 April at Redfern Town Hall. The interagency is being resourced by the Ethnic Communities Council of NSW. GSMI provides a unified voice to respond to government policies and programs and the needs of CALD people. The Inner and Eastern Sydney Migrant Interagency (IESMI) which Council helps to resource is represented at the GSMI. The forum focused on employment pathways, competition policy, funding for new emerging communities and youth issues. Some 60 people attended the forum which attracted workers from across Sydney.

Action: For information

3. New Business

3.1 Refugee Week

It was noted that Refugee Week is held 17-23 June. According to the Department of Immigration and Citizenship, in the period 1/1/2009 to 1/1/2012 Randwick LGA only attracted 52 humanitarian entrants. Discussions will be held with the Library and Sydney Multicultural Community Services about a possible Refugee Week event.

Action: The Committee will be informed about any proposed Refugee Week event

3.2 East Timor

Cr Hughes expressed an interest in furthering the dialogue with East Timor and the partnership project supported by Council and SSROC. It was noted that \$19000 had been provided for a community centre and Council had played a leading role in supporting community work in East Timor and visitations to council. It was also suggested that Yvonne Langley Walsh be invited to provide an update on her project.

Action: For discussion at the next meeting and investigation by Cr Hughes

3.3 Rotary Club of Randwick

Kate McKenzie has extended an invitation for a representative of the Committee to attend a Randwick Rotary Club meeting, to outline the role of the committee, its projects and any ideas for shared projects. The club had been advised that they were also welcome to send a representative to attend the Multicultural Advisory Committee meeting and meet members. Cr Hughes and Colin Rosenfeld will pursue this matter and liaise with the club.

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

4. Correspondence and local activities

- Employment Expo at Randwick TAFE on 22 May, 10am to 2pm
- Experiences of energy consumption for CALD communities, ECC of NSW
- NSW Government's Multicultural Advantage 2012-2015 Action Plan
- Confirmation of council's membership of Ethnic Communities Council of NSW

Date of Next Meeting: Wednesday 20 June 2012 at 5.15pm Bowen Library.

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Minutes

Randwick City Council Multicultural Advisory Committee Meeting held on 4 July 2012 at 5.15pm

Present

Cr John Procopiadis (Chair)	Randwick City Council
Colin Rosenfeld	Randwick City Council
Jiabin Gao	Community Representative
Charlotta Oberg	Community Representative
George Varughese	Community Representative
Peter Schick	Community Representative
Janet Timberg	Community Representative
Hendra Mulyanto	Community Representative
Kate Mckenzie	Rotary Club of Randwick

Apologies

Cr Bradley Hughes	Randwick City Council
Katherine Zhu	Randwick City Council
Rosa Loria	Community Representative

1. Minutes

The Minutes of the meeting held on 2 May were confirmed. Moved by Janet Timberg and seconded by Jaibin Gao

2. Business Arising from Previous Minutes

2.1 Citizenship ceremony

The Committee was informed of the forthcoming Citizenship Ceremonies which will be held on Thursdays 9 and 16 August. Committee members interested in attending the ceremony should contact Colin Rosenfeld who will organise an official invitation.

Action: For noting.

2.2 Overseas Sister Cities Schools' Cultural Exchange project

Cr Procopiadis informed the Committee that he had successfully put a motion to Council to have this project taken over by Council's Youth Advisory Council. He had proposed to hold a workshop inviting local School Captains and Vice Captains to ascertain their interest. Cr Procopiadis also mentioned that two students from Castellorizo in Greece would be visiting Australia with a sponsorship of Perth City Council and will be visiting Sydney. It was noted that the NSW Department of Education has initiated a project "Expanding Asia Horizons" which aims to foster relations with schools in Asia and local public schools.

Action: The Committee will be kept informed of the outcome of the workshop

2.3 Harmony Day Festival 2012

The Committee was informed that an evaluation report had been completed on the Harmony Day activities. Council's Harmony Day celebration was held as part of the Spot Food and Film Festival on 11 March. The festival had a very high profile and attracted a large audience. The festival also had a clear multicultural feel with numerous multicultural food stalls and a diverse range of multicultural

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entertainment. The Committee requested that a copy of the report be provided to assist with planning for next year.

Action: A copy of the report will be provided to the Committee for information

2.4 Migrant Story Project 2011

Six participants have been interviewed by students at Randwick TAFE's Media Unit. The participants represent a cross section of the Randwick community. It is envisaged that after final production work is completed a launch of the DVD will be held later in 2012.

Action: The Committee will be informed about the launch of the DVD

2.5 Employment Expo

The Committee was informed that the Employment Expo organised by Sydney Multicultural Community Services with support of Council for newly arrived migrants and refugees was held on 22 May at Randwick TAFE. The event attracted 20 job service providers and 250 students and residents attended the event which had information stalls and workshops.

Action: For noting

2.6 Refugee Week

Council in conjunction with Sydney Multicultural Community Services held a Refugee Week event at Bowen Library on 27 June. Six local school students from refugee backgrounds told their inspiring stories. Multicultural entertainment was provided to the 50 people who attended the event including two local school principals.

Action: For information

2.7 East Timor

As Cr Hughes was unable to attend the meeting this issue was held over to the following meeting for Cr Hughes to provide an update and further discussion.

Action: For discussion at the next meeting and investigation by Cr Hughes

3. New Business

3.1 Rotary Club of Randwick

Kate McKenzie accepted an invitation to attend the meeting and gave an outline of the activities of the Randwick Rotary Club. These included student exchange, projects with UNSW, mental health issues, polio eradication and other health projects of Rotary International. Kate also mentioned the opportunity to undertake a joint project with Council. It was suggested that after the Council election in September, representatives of the Committee attend a Rotary club evening meeting. Charlotta shared some of her experiences in Sweden with the Rotary Club, especially in relation to employment projects.

Action: For discussion at a future meeting after the Council election

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4. Correspondence and local activities

- Cancer Council NSW on line resources in multicultural languages
- Flavours from around the World multicultural food and performing arts event, Randwick Town Hall 10.30am to 2.30pm on 7/8/12 supported by Council.
- Learn about your Council for Italian speakers to be held with Eastern Sydney Multicultural Access project on 26/7/12 at 11am in Council Chambers.

Date of Next Meeting:

To be advised in view of the September Council elections

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MINUTES
Randwick City Council
Older Persons Advisory Committee
Meeting held on Wednesday 6 June, Randwick Room

Present

Cr.Margaret Woodsmith	Randwick City Council
Cr.Geoff Stevenson	Randwick City Council
Frida Kitas	Randwick City Council
Lee Barwick	Coast Centre for Seniors
Susan McCann	Division of General Practice
Billee King	Community Representative
George Gergely	Community Representative
Ron Wood	National Seniors – Randwick Botany Branch
Mike Cornell	National Seniors – Randwick Botany Branch

Apologies

Keith Francis	Community Representative
Susan McCann	Division of General Practice
Jan Muller	Junction Neighbourhood Centre
Linda Mearing	Coast Centre for Seniors

1. Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 4 April and 2 May 2012 were confirmed.

2. Business Arising from Minutes**2.1 Volunteer Morning Tea**

Frida reported that over 80 volunteers from a range of community organisations in Randwick City attended the Mayor's Volunteer Morning Tea on Thursday 31 May at the Lodge Room. Frida thanked Cr.Woodsmith for being master of ceremonies for the event. Lee thanked Council on the behalf of the Coast Centre for organising the morning tea.

Action: For information.

2.2 Alzheimer's Information Expo

The Committee was informed that the Alzheimer's Community Awareness Day will be held on Wednesday 13 June from 10am to 2pm at Randwick Town Hall. Residents and visitors will be able to speak directly with staff from Alzheimer's Australia NSW and the Dementia Advisory Service on the day. Information will be available in a range of community languages on existing services and support in Eastern Sydney.

Action: For noting.

3. General Business**3.1 Playwriting and Performance Workshop**

The Committee was informed that Council will be holding an intergenerational Playwriting and Performance workshop on Saturday 18 August from 10am to

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4pm at Bowen Library and Community Centre. The workshop will be facilitated by local actor/director Bill Conn and acclaimed playwright Hilary Bell. Places are limited and registrations are essential. Applicants must live, work or study in Randwick City and be 16 years and over to participate in the workshop. Morning tea and lunch will be provided.

Action: Frida to table posters/registration forms at the July meeting.

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3.2 Twilight Concert Series

The Committee was informed that Council will be holding All that Jazz Randwick vintage clothing fair on Saturday 23 May (10am – 5pm) and Sunday 24 May (10am – 4pm) at Randwick Town Hall. The fair will feature over 20 dealers in vintage fashion, entertainment by Aubrey & Purton, Katie's Sweetheart Retro Café, and Dressed for the Voyage - an exhibition of costumes. Entry to the fair is free. Frida tabled flyers/posters at the meeting.

Action: For noting.

Guest speaker: Suzanna Kukulovski, Green Money Program

- Green Money is an initiative launched in March 2012 and is being delivered to 10,000 residents in Randwick in partnership with Randwick City Council.
- Green Money is an Australian first green rewards program designed to reward participants for helping the environment.
- The program is free to anyone living in a free-standing house in Randwick.
- Once they have registered, participants earn points every time they recycle, these points can then be redeemed online (or saved).
- Green Money are continually adding to the list of participating local businesses to the program which include Blooms The Chemist, Maloney's etc.
- The program aims to reduce the amount of landfill and to identify what areas are doing well in recycling.
- The program also aims to better educate residents about the importance of recycling - 30% of people do a good job, 30% do a poor job and the remaining do not recycle at all.
- Green Money Program rewards people for achieving better results and encourages them to become green ambassadors.
- Benefits include: revenue creation for local businesses, the program also encourages residents to shop locally, as well as achieving a reduction in waste.
- Green Money is an innovative program that people can use on a day-to-day basis which has a positive impact on the environment.
- The program also allows for households to engage with their local community and government. (To date, 1,500 people have signed up to the program - there is capacity for 10,000 people to join).
- By providing the program in Randwick, it is hoped that Green Money will be able to roll it out to the rest of Australia
- Green Money are in discussions with numerous Councils in Victoria and New Zealand, and are looking to start a phone service.

- To register and for more information log on to greenmoney.com.au. Frida thanked Suzanna for attending the meeting as a guest speaker.

Action: For noting.

Information Share

- Ron reported that Susan Ryan, Aged Rights Commissioner will be giving a presentation on funeral funds at the next National Seniors Meeting. Ron also thanked Council for the Ignite series of local history talks held at Maroubra Seniors.
- Lee reported that the Coast Centre are now on face book and offer language classes. There has been a great response to the concerts they recently held at the Centre.
- Cr.Stevenson reported that Council are investigating the possibility of establishing a Men's Shed to increase community participation rates and provide improved networking opportunities for older isolated men living in Randwick City and surrounding areas. Kooloora and Soldiers Settlement Community Centres secured funding from the Community Building Partnerships (CBP) grant program in 2011, to build a men's shed in south ward.
- Frida reported that she attended the Homelessness NSW 2012 Getting Results Conference in Newcastle on 14 May 2012.

Correspondence

- CPSA The Voice Newsletter, June 2011
- The Junction News, Winter Edition 2011
- The Little Bay Coast Centre for Seniors Newsletter

Date of Next Meeting: Wednesday 2 July 2012.

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