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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, 12 March 2013 at 6:00 p.m..

Committee Members: The Mayor (T Bowen), Andrews, Belleli, D'Souza, Garcia, Matson (Chairperson), Moore, Nash, Neilson, Roberts, Seng, Shurey (Deputy Chairperson), Smith, Stavrinou and Stevenson

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

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Declarations of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests

Address of Committee by Members of the Public

Privacy warning:

In respect to Privacy & Personal Information Protection Act, members of the public are advised that the proceedings of this meeting will be recorded for the purposes of clause 66 of Council's Code of Meeting Practice.

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Community Services Report No. C3/13



Subject: Randwick City Council Advisory Committee Minutes

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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 August to September 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:

- Access Advisory Committee – November 2012 (endorsed February 2013)
- Multicultural Advisory Committee – November 2012 (endorsed February 2013)
- Older Persons Advisory Committee – November 2012 (endorsed February 2013).

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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- Access Advisory Committee – November 2012
- Multicultural Advisory Committee – November 2012
- Older Persons Advisory Committee – November 2012.

Attachment/s:

1. Access Advisory Committee - November 2012
2. Multicultural Advisory Committee - November 2012
3. Older Persons Advisory Committee - November 2012

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AGENDA

Randwick City Council Access Advisory Committee
Meeting to be held on Thursday 8 November 2012 at 10.00am
Randwick Room, 30 Frances Street, Randwick

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1. **Present:**
2. **Apologies:**
3. Confirmation of Minutes of meeting held on Thursday 11 October 2012:
4. **Business Arising from Minutes:**
 - 4.1 Carers Week Event – Twilight Tour
 - 4.2 NSW World AIDS Day
 - 4.3 Confirmation of meeting dates for 2013
 - 4.4 Eastern Sydney Disability Information Expo
5. **General Business:**
 - 5.1 Mayor's Christmas Party
 - 5.2 Seniors Christmas Concerts
 - 5.3 Norm & Ahmed by Alex Buzo
 - 5.4 ESPIR Service Providers Briefing Session & Engagement Forum
6. **Guest Speaker:** Nil
7. **Information Share:**
8. **Correspondence:**
 - Newsletter of IDEAS September | October 2012
 - TAD Journal Vol 32, No 2, 2012
 - IDEAS Newsletter Issue | Spring Edition 2012
 - Accord Spring 2012
9. **Date of Next Meeting:** Thursday 14 February 2013

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Minutes

Randwick City Council Multicultural Advisory Committee Meeting held on 28 November 2012 at 5.30pm

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1. Present

Cr Llindsay Shurey (Chair)	Randwick City Council
Cr Noel D'Souza	Randwick City Council
Colin Rosenfeld	Randwick City Council
Katherine Zhu	Randwick City Council
Jiabin Gao	Community Representative
Rosa Loria	Community Representative
Peter Schick	Community Representative
Janet Timberg	Community Representative
Lisa Marie Quirk	Visitor

2. Apologies

Ilana Kaplin	Randwick City Council
Ellen Gore	Community Representative
Hendra Mulyanto	Community Representative
Charlotta Oberg	Community Representative
George Varughese	Community Representative

3. Minutes

The Minutes of the meeting held on 17 October were confirmed. Moved by Janet Timberg seconded by Rosa Loria.

4. Business Arising from Previous Minutes

4.1 Citizenship Ceremony

The Committee was informed of the forthcoming Citizenship Ceremonies which will be held on Thursday 6 December and the Australia Day Ceremony on 26 January 2013. Committee members interested in attending the ceremonies should contact Colin Rosenfeld who will organise an official invitation. Rosa Loria asked to be invited to the Australia Day ceremony.

Action: Colin Rosenfeld to arrange an official invitation

4.2 Migrant Story Project

A meeting is planned for December with representatives of Randwick TAFE's Digital Media Unit to finalise the video. The Committee will be informed of the official launch date which is envisaged to be in March to coincide with Harmony Day and the NSW Government's Multicultural Month of activities.

Action: The Committee to be informed of official launch date.

5. General Business:

5.1 Department of Education and Communities budgetary changes

The Committee was informed of proposed loss of the four Institute Multicultural Education Coordinator (IMEC) positions at Sydney Institute including Randwick TAFE. Rosa Loria explained the adverse impact on newly arrived migrants who

require additional help and who will be greatly disadvantaged by loss of these positions. There are 25,000 students at NSW TAFE who identify as being from a multicultural background. The Committee agreed to write a letter of support and concern at the loss of the Randwick position which has partnered Council in a number of successful projects over the years. It was noted that new models were being proposed for Equity Units at Regional Offices of the Department and potential loss of vital teacher support positions.

Action: A letter of concern be sent to General Manger TAFE NSW regarding loss of Randwick IMEC position

5.2 Terms of Reference

The Committee was informed that the existing Terms of Reference were to be reviewed and that any suggestions were welcome. The final TOR will be ratified by Council. It is envisaged that the quorum may be lowered as the attendance level varies during the year and this delays getting the minutes ratified.

Action: For noting

5.3 Harmony Walk

The Community Harmony Walk event, an initiative of Moving Forward Together under the B'nai B'rith organisation which promotes social cohesion, tolerance and anti-racism was held at Coogee Beach on Sunday 21 October at 2pm. Council supported this project which attracted around 400 to 500 participants including members of parliament.

Action: For noting

5.4 Ideas for 2013

At the last meeting with the two new Councillors, the Committee was asked to consider the future direction to achieve more positive outcomes in 2013. Suggestions included guest speakers who could assist the Committee identify priority issues and needs affecting multicultural communities and the impact of new government policies and programs. It was agreed that early in 2013 the Committee formulate some projects or events. Cr D'Souza suggested that Council hold a multicultural event at Matraville in September. It was noted that the Spot and Food Festival incorporates the Harmony Day activities which has a multicultural focus. The Committee was asked to think of some ideas to discuss at the next meeting. It was also suggested that ideas be sought from the community by placing an article in the Mayors column.

Action: For discussion at the next meeting

5.5 Future meetings

It was agreed that future Committee meetings will be held at the Bowen Library at 5.30pm on the 3rd Wednesday, bi-monthly from 20 February 2013.

6. Correspondence:

The correspondence was tabled and discussed at the meeting with copies distributed to members. These included Human Rights Commission's principles to promote and protect the human rights of international students, Colourfest Multicultural Film Festival, Sydney Multicultural Community Services Healthy Ageing Program 3 year funding and new Family Law Early Intervention Clinic.

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7. Guest speaker**Lisa Marie Quirk, Migration to Surf Project at Coogee Beach**

Lisa outlined the project that had been running since 2009 and was now held at Bondi Beach. It was hoped to expand it to include Maroubra Beach. The focus of the project is to make new migrants over 18 years of age, more water safe through better understanding of the surf. The program consists of talks and interactive session with Life Savers giving instruction on how to behave in the surf safely. Lisa asked the Committee for suggestions on how to target and reach multicultural communities who may wish to visit the beach including those that may be fearful through lack of knowledge. The branding of the project requires further consideration as the title is not clear to migrants. Encouraging parents to have their children join the Nippers was one objective. It is also suggested that Council be approached to assist through the grants program. Currently Lisa does the work on a voluntary basis which limits its scope and resources. The Committee recommended that Council erect signs in some Asian languages at dangerous rock fishing spots.

Action: Lisa to be invited to a future meeting to assist with development of the program. Recommend that Council erect signs in Asian languages at dangerous rock fishing spots.

8. Date of Next Meeting: Wednesday 20 February 2013

MINUTES
Randwick City Council
Older Persons Advisory Committee
Meeting held on Wednesday 7 November, Randwick Room

Present

Frida Kitas	Randwick City Council
Cr.Noel D'Souza	Randwick City Council
Cr. Kathy Neilson	Randwick City Council
Lee Barwick	Coast Centre for Seniors
George Gergely	Community Representative
Billee King	Community Representative
Susan McCann	Eastern Sydney Medicare Local
Megan Bower	Junction Neighbourhood Centre
Ben Whitehorn	Randwick Waverley Community Transport
Ron Wood	National Seniors – Randwick Botany Branch
Mike Cornell	National Seniors – Randwick Botany Branch

Apologies

Linda Mearing	Coast Centre for Seniors
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3. Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 3 October 2012 were confirmed.

4. Business Arising from Minutes**4.1 Twilight Tour – Prince Henry Nursing & Medical Museum**

The Committee was informed that over 90 people attended the Twilight Tour at the Prince Henry Hospital Nursing and Medical Museum on Wednesday 17 October in celebration of Carers Week. Frida thanked Billee King and the Trained Nurses Association for their support.

Action: For noting.

4.2 World AIDS Day Events & Fundraising

The Committee was informed that RCC will have an information stall at Coogee Family Fun Day at Goldstein Reserve on Saturday 1 December to highlight, celebrate and support World AIDS Day. RCC will raise funds on the behalf of the South Eastern Sydney Local Health District HIV/AIDS & Related Program for charities Camp Goodtime and the International Network of Positive Women, Indonesia.

Action: For information.

4.3 Confirmation of meeting dates for 2013

Frida reported that an Advisory meeting has not been scheduled for December and that the Committee will reconvene in February 2013. Frida thanked members for their participation and contribution to the Committee during 2012.

Action: Frida to email Committee members 2013 OPAC meeting dates.

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5. General Business

5.1 ESPIR Service Provider Briefing Session & Forum

Frida reported that RCC will support Eastern Sydney Medicare Local to hold a briefing session and engagement forum for local service providers on the Partners in Recovery (PIR) program in Eastern Sydney. The briefing session will be held on Wednesday 14 November from 10am to 12.30pm at Randwick Town Hall. The purpose of the session is to update services who will be involved with the Partners in Recovery (PIR) program in Eastern Sydney. Frida tabled invitations.

Action: For noting.

5.2 Seniors Christmas Concerts

The Committee was informed that RCC will be inviting Senior's in the Randwick City area to the annual Seniors Christmas Extravaganza at South Sydney Juniors on Wednesday 5 December. There will be a morning concert commencing at 10am and an afternoon concert commencing at 3pm. Light refreshments will be provided. Numbers for both concerts are limited and bookings are essential on 1300 722 542. Frida tabled flyers.

Action: For noting.

5.3 The Mayor's Christmas Party

Frida reported that Committee members will be invited to attend the Mayor's Christmas Party in recognition of their valued contribution to RCC and the local community. The event will be held on Friday 14 December from 6.30pm at the Prince Henry Centre, 2 Coast Hospital Road, Little Bay.

Action: For noting.

5.4 Norm and Ahmed by Alex Buzo

The Committee was informed that RCC will present a free performance of Norm and Ahmed by acclaimed playwright Alex Buzo in conjunction with The Actors' Forum. The performance will be held from 1pm on Saturday 17 November at Bowen Library and Community Centre. No bookings are required. Afternoon tea provided. Frida tabled flyers.

Action: For information.

5.5 Eastern Sydney Disability Information Expo

The Committee was informed that Randwick and Waverley Councils will host the Eastern Sydney Disability Information Expo to celebrate International Day of People with a Disability. The Expo will be held on Saturday 15 December from 11am to 3pm at Oxford Street Mall, Bondi Junction. Disability services and organisations will promote services and support programs for people with a disability and their carers living in Eastern Sydney. The Expo is a project of the Eastern Sydney Aged & Disability Services Interagency.

Action: For noting.

5.6 Christmas Cheer Donations & Gifts

The Committee was informed that RCC has distributed a total of \$2,400 in Christmas Cheer Donations to eleven Senior groups, clubs and organisations within Randwick City. RCC has also offered a gift of a concert performance to nine local aged care facilities and hostels. Each facility will have the opportunity to experience a performance from acclaimed Sydney based cellist, Rachel Scott or ukulele driven duo Aubrey & Purton. Committee members agreed the changes to the Christmas gift program will greatly benefit our residents in aged care facilities.

Action: For information.

6. Guest Speaker: Nil

7. Information Share:

Committee members provided a service update.

8 Correspondence

- SENC Newsletter Issue 29, 2012
- The Voice Newsletter, November 2012

Date of Next Meeting: Wednesday 6 February 2013.

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Community Services Report No. C4/13



Subject: Activities Proposed for 2013 NSW Seniors Week

Folder No: F2006/00218

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Introduction

This report has been prepared to inform the Council of upcoming events to mark 2013 NSW Seniors Week. NSW Seniors Week is an initiative supported by the State Government and coordinated by NSW Department of Family and Community Services, Ageing, Disability and Home Care (ADHC).

This initiative is held annually on a national basis to thank, recognise and celebrate the vast contributions older people make to their local community. NSW Seniors Week will be held from 17 – 24 March. The theme for this year is "LIVE LIFE".

Each year Randwick City Council acknowledges Seniors living in Randwick by organising activities and events during and around Seniors Week. In 2013, Randwick City Council in partnership with local services and organisations will offer activities and events to reflect the theme "LIVE LIFE." The proposed activities have been organised in consultation with Randwick City Council's Older Persons Advisory Committee. Residents and visitors will benefit from these events which aim to promote social interaction, healthy lifestyles and community participation.

Issues

Randwick has a culturally diverse Seniors population. The proposed activities and events focus on Seniors and carers from all cultural backgrounds who live in Randwick. It also serves to demonstrate the Council's ongoing commitment to servicing and supporting this section of the community. In addition, the activities and events organised by Randwick City Council are commensurate with the objectives of NSW Seniors Week.

The following is a summary of the proposed activities and events planned for Seniors Week 2013:

Cinema Screening of the Film, *Great Expectations*

Randwick Council in partnership with the Ritz Cinema Randwick will host a special screening of the Charles Dickens classic *Great Expectations* on Sunday 17 March from 2pm to 4pm.

Council will purchase a number of tickets to offer as a gift of appreciation to Seniors who volunteer with local services such as the Junction Neighbourhood Centre, Randwick Meals on Wheels and Kooloora Community Centre. Council will promote information on available services and support programs for Seniors and carers living in Eastern Sydney and surrounding areas.

Back to Prince Henry

Randwick Council in partnership the Prince Henry Hospital Trained Nurses Association will host Back to Prince Henry on Saturday 23 March at the Nursing and Medical Museum, Little Bay from 10am to 4pm. Seniors and their family members will have the opportunity to explore the colourful history of the Prince Henry Hospital and take

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a fascinating glimpse into a bygone era. Back to Prince Henry will showcase a range of community services in Randwick City and surrounding areas and provide information on how Seniors can access these services. Council will promote services that it provides to Seniors such as the Home Maintenance and Modification Service (HMMS), Over 50s Fitness Program and the Library Home Service.

Cultural Bridges

Randwick Council in partnership with Eastern Sydney Multicultural Access Project (ESMAP) will present Cultural Bridges, a multicultural concert on Thursday 21 March at Randwick Town Hall from 11am to 2pm. The concert will showcase performances from around the world to highlight, reflect and celebrate the diverse range of cultures and people within Randwick City. Randwick Waverley Community Transport and Meals on Wheels will promote their services to Seniors and carers from non-English speaking backgrounds who do not typically access these services, due to a number of cultural barriers.

Twilight Tour

Randwick Council in partnership with The Prince Henry Hospital Trained Nurses Association will host a Twilight Tour at the Prince Henry Nursing and Medical Museum, Little Bay on Wednesday 17 April from 6.30pm – 9pm. This interactive tour and presentation is a unique opportunity for all members of the community to discover more about the fascinating history of the Prince Henry Hospital (formerly known as the Coast Hospital) from its origins in 1881 to 2003, when it finally closed its doors.

Playwriting & Performance Workshop

Randwick Council will hold an intergenerational Playwriting and Performance Workshop at Bowen Library and Community Centre on Saturday 20 April from 10am to 4pm. This workshop is designed for Seniors and younger people to develop their skills in performance and script writing and to encourage creative collaborations between generations.

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 needs/strong partnerships between Council, community groups and government agencies.

Financial impact statement

The total financial impact for the above activities will be \$6,000. This includes printing, advertising, facilitator fees, venue hire, refreshments and catering. The cost will be funded by the Community Development annual budget. Randwick Council has also secured a grant of \$1000 from the NSW Department of Family and Community Services, Ageing, Disability and Home Care (ADHC) to help cover the full cost of planned events and activities for Seniors Week 2013.

Conclusion

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

Recommendation

That Council note and endorse the proposed activities and events planned as part of Seniors Week 2013 in Randwick City.

Attachment/s:

Nil

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