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City Life Committee Meeting

Monday, 23 July 2018 5.30pm





Notice of Meeting

To the Lord Mayor and Aldermen

You are invited to attend a City Life Committee Meeting to be held in Meeting Room 1, Level 1, Civic Centre, Harry Chan Avenue, Darwin, on Monday, 23 July 2018, commencing at 5.30pm.

SCOTT WATERS CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

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<u>CITY OF DARWIN</u>

CITY LIFE COMMITTEE MEETING

MONDAY, 23 JULY 2018

- MEMBERS: Member G J Haslett (Chair); The Right Worshipful, The Lord Mayor, K Vatskalis; Member A Arthur; Member P Pangquee.
- OFFICERS: Chief Executive Officer, Mr S Waters; Acting General Manager City Life, Mr M Grassmayr; Acting Manager Vibrant Communities, Ms T Sellars; Acting Manager Regulatory Services, Mr C Brown; Manager Library Services, Mrs K Conway; Acting Manager Liveability and Customer Services, M C Beacham; Executive Assistant, Ms K Long.

Enquiries and/or Apologies:

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Committee's Responsibilities

THAT effective as of 26 September 2017 Council, pursuant to Section 32 (2)(b) of the Local Government Act, hereby delegates to the City Life Committee the power to make recommendations to Council and decisions relating to City Life matters within the approved budget:

- Access and Inclusion
- Arts and Culture
- Community Development
- Community Engagement
- Customer Services
- Darwin Entertainment Centre

- Darwin Safer City
- Families and Children
- Libraries
- Recreation, Leisure & **Events**
- **Regulatory Services**

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- 4.2 Declaration of Interest by Staff
- 5. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING/S Common No. 1955119
- 5.1 <u>Confirmation of the Previous City Life Committee Meeting Minutes</u>

THAT the Committee resolve that the minutes of the previous City Life Committee Meeting held on Monday, 18 June 2018, tabled by the Chair, be received and confirmed as a true and correct record of the proceedings of that meeting.

5.2 Business Arising

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6. DEPUTATIONS AND BRIEFINGS

Nil

7. CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

Common No. 1944604

7.1 <u>Closure to the Public for Confidential Items</u>

THAT pursuant to Section 65(2) of the Local Government Act and Regulation 8 of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations the meeting be closed to the public to consider the following Items:-

<u>ltem</u>	Regulation	<u>Reason</u>
C15.1	8(c)(iv)	information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to prejudice the interests of the council or some other person
C17.1.1	8(c)(iv)	information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to prejudice the interests of the council or some other person
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7.2 Moving Open Items Into Confidential

7.3 Moving Confidential Items Into Open

8. WITHDRAWAL OF ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

THAT the Committee resolve under delegated authority that all Information Items and Officers Reports to the City Life Committee Meeting held on Monday, 23 July 2018 be received and considered individually.

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9.1 OFFICERS REPORTS (ACTION REQUIRED)



ENCL: CITY LIFE COMMITTEE/OPEN

AGENDA ITEM: 9.1.1

MINUTES ARTS AND CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING 3 JULY 2018

REPORT No.: 18CL0070 RH:es COMMON No.: 3831526 DATE: 23/07/2018

Presenter: Arts and Cultural Development Coordinator, Robyn Higgins

Approved: Acting General Manager City Life, Matt Grassmayr

PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to present the 3 July 2018 minutes of the Arts and Cultural Advisory Committee for information and the Committee's Busking Interest Group Report, and seek Council's endorsement of recommended Chairperson Appointment to the Committee.

LINK TO STRATEGIC PLAN

The issues addressed in this Report are in accordance with the following Goals/Strategies as outlined in the 'Evolving Darwin Towards 2020 Strategic Plan':-

Goal

4 Historic and Culturally Rich City

Outcome

4.2 Community life rich in creativity

Key Strategies

4.2.1 Encourage the growth and development of the arts

KEY ISSUES

- The Arts and Cultural Development Advisory Committee (ACDAC) minutes of 3 July 2018 are provided at **Attachment A.**
- ACDAC has made a recommendation to Council for a Chairperson for its current term and has directly appointed a Deputy Chair in accordance with the Terms of Reference.
- The ACDAC Busking Interest Group has provided a report with recommendations to amend City of Darwin procedures on busking/street entertainment (Attachment B).
- ACDAC Committee endorsed the Busking Interest Group's revised procedures on busking/street entertainment for recommendation to Council for consideration.

RECOMMENDATIONS

THAT it be a recommendation to Council:-

- A. THAT Report Number 18CL0070 RH:es entitled Minutes Arts And Cultural Development Advisory Committee 3 July 2018, be received and noted.
- B. THAT Council appoint Ms Jane Tonkin as Chairperson of the Arts and Cultural Development Advisory Committee for the current term to 14 March 2020 in accordance with the Committee's Terms of Reference.
- C. THAT a community engagement process at the "consult level" is undertaken with stakeholders to inform the development of new procedures for Busking/Street Entertainment as detailed in **Attachment B** to Report Number 18CL0070 RH:es entitled Minutes Arts and Cultural Development Advisory Committee 3 July 2018.
- D. THAT a further report is presented to Council following consultation with stakeholders in order to consider new procedures for Busking/Street Entertainment.

BACKGROUND

The ACDAC met on 3 July 2018 and draft minutes are provided at Attachment A.

DISCUSSION

Appointment of Chairperson

In accordance with the Arts and Cultural Development Advisory Committee (ACDAC) Terms of Reference, at the 3 July 2018 meeting the Committee made a recommendation to Council for a Chairperson until 14 March 2020 and directly appointed a Deputy Chair.

Busking Proposal

At the 8 November 2017 ACDAC Meeting, busking was raised as an agenda item. It was discussed in relation to attempts to revitalise The Mall and more broadly as a development and income opportunity for performers. A Busking Interest Group (comprised of ACDAC members and relevant sector advisors) was subsequently formed and met twice, on 20 March and 9 April 2018, to develop draft recommendations for presentation to ACDAC. These draft recommendations were circulated to ACDAC prior to the meeting held on 3 July 2018 and were subsequently endorsed.

Current Procedure

Busking in City of Darwin is currently only permitted in The Mall, in designated zones (as detailed on a map provided to the buskers as per **Attachment C**) and there are four permits available per day. Applicants must come in person to Council on the day to receive their permit. Previously, permits to busk (provide Street Performance by donation) were distributed by Tourism Top End on behalf of Council, however this was taken back by Council to enable City of Darwin to improve this opportunity.

Busking in other Municipalities

Busking is limited in the City of Darwin compared to other capital cities:

- In City of Melbourne buskers who do not use any dangerous goods in their performance may generally busk anywhere in the municipality except for the Bourke Street Mall, designated Circle Act sites and other restricted areas as specified. The permit costs \$20 per year.
- City of Brisbane has no guidelines and performers can busk anywhere they like in the CBD without a permit. There are areas that are highly sought after as exceptions that require licence by audition but these licenses and auditions are free of charge.
- In Palmerston, buskers may operate in Goyder Square between the hours of 7:30am and 10:30pm. There is no cost for a permit and it is valid for 1 month. There are no advertised limits on how many permits are issued.
- In New York, Street Performers usually do not need a permit unless you use a sound device such as a loud speaker, megaphone, or stereo, or to perform in or next to a park.

Busking Interest Group Report

The Busking Interest Group report (**Attachment B**) recommends that Council adopt the following changes to its busking procedure from 30th June 2018 to be reviewed in 12 months:

- Busking permits be issued on a yearly, seasonal and weekly basis. 1 year at \$30, 4 months at \$20 and a weekly for \$5
- That busking be permitted in all council publicly owned spaces and commercial areas including malls, footpaths and parks throughout Darwin
- That the current permit times be extended to 10pm Sunday to Thursday, 12 midnight Friday and Saturday
- That customer services move to an on line busking permit application and digital data collation
- That guidelines are developed for use by NT police, council employees, retailers, street performers and the public including but not limited to:
 - Performances in the Mall will continue to be limited to the 4 designated areas as identified on the Council Map.
 - Permits are per person and non-transferable.
 - Limited permits are available (20 x One Week Permits, 30 x Four Month Permits, 50 x One Year Permits) and they are valid only

between the dates of issue between 9.00am and 10.00pm from Sunday to Thursday, and from 9.00am to Midnight on Friday and Saturday.

- Permits require performers to agree that they will not obstruct pedestrian or vehicle traffic or entrances to shops or buildings. They will leave at least 1 meter distance from public amenities (i.e bins, bubblers, seats, playgrounds) building or walkway entrances and exits. They will also allow at least 1 meter space for free movement of pedestrians on all footpaths.
- Performers are only permitted to remain in the same location for less than 2 hours, at which time they must relocate to another location over 150 metres from the original location.
- Performers agree to a 'move on' policy. If they are asked to move on by a nearby business or stakeholder twice in a session (sessions are maximum 2 hours) they will relocate to a different site over 150 meters away.
- Permits are only available for activity on Council publicly owned spaces and commercial areas in City of Darwin including malls, footpaths and parks.
- Performers are not permitted to perform if they are intoxicated and/or consuming alcohol or smoking.
- Other permits or licenses for use of council parks and facilities override busking/street performer permits (this includes but is not limited to City of Darwin activities and events, weddings, community events, licensed food trucks etc). Performers are required to agree that they will not play within 150 meters of other license holders unless agreed with the license holder.
- City of Darwin reserves the right to revoke or limit permits at any time if I fail to comply with these conditions.
- That a stakeholder meeting between interested parties be held annually to review the effectiveness and implementation of the busking guidelines and operation.

While the recommendations contained in the Busking Interest Group's report would support a vibrant and active city and provide enhanced opportunities for street performers, there was limited consultation in developing the recommendations. Further consultation should be undertaken in order for Council to consider the recommendations from the Busking Interest Group.

CONSULTATION PROCESS

In preparing this report, the following City of Darwin officers were consulted:

- Team Leader Customer Services
- Regulatory Operations Supervisor
- Darwin Safer City Program Coordinator
- Digital Marketing and Communications Officer

Manager Records •

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SUBJECT:

- Youth Events and Training Officer •
- Acting Family and Children's Services Coordinator
- Climate Change and Environment Trainee •

In preparing this report, the following External Parties were consulted:

COMMITTEE 3 JULY 2018

- Arts and Cultural Development Advisory Committee •
- President, Street Performance Australia

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

There is no City of Darwin Busking or Street Performance Policy, however these activities fall under the Arts and Cultural Development Policy 007 and the policy's objectives.

BUDGET AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

The Busking Interest Group recommendations include the adoption of new fees and charges:

Current Fees at 1 July 2018	Proposed Fees July 2018 – June 2019					
Entertainment Buskers Permit: One Day (\$4.00 including GST)	Entertainment Buskers Permit: One Week (\$5.00 including GST) Four Months (\$20.00 including GST) One Year (\$30 including GST)					
Access to Power in Public Place One Day (\$55.00 including GST)*	Access to Power in Public Place One Day (\$55.00 including GST)*					
*For buskers this is restricted to Raintree Park, The Mall	*For buskers this is restricted to Raintree Park, The Mall					

RISK/LEGAL/LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

These guidelines fall within Territory Summary Offences Act and Darwin City Council By-Laws.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

The conditions of approval for a Busking Permit require that buskers agree that they will pick up and lawfully dispose of rubbish or other litter associated with the activity. This is captured on the Application Form.

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COUNCIL OFFICER CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION

We the Author and Approving Officers declare that we do not have a Conflict of Interest in relation to this matter.

ROBYN HIGGINS ARTS AND CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR

MATT GRASSMAYR ACTING GENERAL MANAGER <u>CITY LIFE</u>

For enquiries, please contact Matt Grassmayr on 89300633 or email: m.grassmayr@darwin.nt.gov.au.

Attachments:

Attachment A: Draft Arts and Cultural Advisory Committee Minutes 3 July 2018

Attachment B: Busking Interest Group Report including Recommendations

Attachment C: The Mall Busking Map



DRAFT MINUTES



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ARTS & CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE Tuesday 3 July 2018 12.30pm – 2.00pm

Meeting Room 1, City of Darwin Civic Centre

1 PRESENT

Members

Alderman Andrew Arthur Louise Partos Anja Tinapple Jane Tonkin CJ Fraser-Bell Marita Smith Chairperson, City of Darwin Executive Officer, Artback NT Acting Senior Arts Broker, Arts NT Executive Producer, CIYT Director, Darwin Fringe Festival Performer and Educator, Essington School

City of Darwin Staff

Robyn Higgins Ron Quinn Arts and Cultural Development Coordinator Manager Infrastructure Maintenance

Elected Member, City of Darwin

City of Palmerston

Observer

Alderman Gary Haslett Leah Sanderson

2 APOLOGIES

Members Alderman Robin Knox Eliza Nolan James Gough Sean Pardy Britt Guy Alternate Delegate, City of Darwin Strategy Officer, Tourism NT Business Manager, Darwin Entertainment Centre

Community Development Officer – Art & Culture,

Business Manager, Darwin Entertainment Centre Executive Director, Brown's Mart Arts Director, Accomplice

Apologies noted. Committee quorum achieved.

3 SPECIAL ITEM

Members welcome and orientation/induction for new committee 2018-2020 was conducted with facilitation from Sally Clifford, Matrix On Board. Members were provided with Welcome Packs, notified of Council policy on confidentiality, privacy and conflict of interest and invited to contact the ACDC at any time for clarification or information on the role of ACDAC, the Arts and Cultural Development Program, and City of Darwin structure and processes.

4 DECLARATION OF INTEREST IN ANY ITEMS ON THE AGENDA Nil

5 ACCEPTANCE OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

That the minutes of the meeting held on 8 May 2018 be accepted as a true and accurate.

Moved: CJ Fraser-Bell
Seconded: Jane Tonkin
Carried

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6 BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

6.1 Busking Proposal

The ACDAC working group busking proposal was circulated prior to meeting and received approval from 4 members prior to the meeting as tabled with no amendment. One of the members stated that from a tourism perspective they could see 'added benefit to the local economy by the lingering of visitors and locals as they enjoy street performance through:

- Increased positive marketing word of mouth and social media
- Increased visitor length of stay leading to higher spend
- Shifting the perspective that everything in Darwin is expensive (to visit and live) The ACDC queried whether adding advice regarding Public Liability would be recommended by ACDAC because buskers will not be covered by CoD insurance and that it would be good to cross-reference the proposal with the goals of the Arts Plan. Changing wording to clarify the difference between 'policy' and 'guidelines' was also highlighted for correction. 'Guidelines' was chosen as most appropriate as the recommendations are for operational changes only and fall within the vision of the Arts and Cultural Policy 007. The committee advised the ACDC to consult regulatory services and develop draft guidelines as an additional attachment to form a report to council. Committee members committed to making final endorsement of the document via email before its recommendation to City Life.

Action: That the busking proposal be developed by the ACDC into a Report for Council and circulated to the ACDAC prior to City Life Committee for final endorsement.

Recommendation: That the final busking report and revised guidelines be putforward to City Life as an ACDAC recommendation to Council.Moved: CJ Fraser-BellSeconded: Jane TonkinCarried

6.2 Update on Public Art Proposal – Carved Tree

The ACDC reported back to the committee on the proposed gift of Public Art from Yanyula Park (a carved fallen tree from Cyclone Marcus) to the City of Darwin. The Committee accepted that their recommendation to investigate the temporary acquisition of the work was not accepted by City Life as, in the interim, the artist had removed the work to their studio. The artist can follow general City of Darwin Public Art Policy and Guidelines processes and submit a proposal in the format required by Council.

7 GENERAL BUSINESS

7.1 Recommendation of Chairperson

ACDC informed the committee of the requirement to nominate and recommend a chairperson and appoint deputy chair. The ACDC also informed the Committee that the nominations were only able to be taken by non-council representatives as per instruction from the Acting CEO and Vibrant Communities Manager. The committee was additionally advised that this may be an interim appointment as committee Terms of Reference, processes and procedures are under review this year. Rotating

chair arrangements were discussed as an option and for a potential trial. A Chairperson was voted on and recommended to Council and a deputy chair was appointed for a year's term in line with the Terms Of Reference.

Recommendation: That Council be advised that CJ Fraser-Bell was elected by the ACDAC as the Deputy Chairperson of the Arts and Cultural Development Advisory Committee for the current term till 14 March 2019. Moved: Jane Tonkin Seconded: Anja Tinapple Carried

Recommendation: That Jane Tonkin be appointed by Council as the Chairperson of the Arts and Cultural Development Advisory Committee for the current term till 14 March 2020.

Moved: Anja Tinapple

Seconded: Marita Smith

Carried

- 6.1 ACD Coordinator Update Carried over to next meeting.
- 6.2 Members' Update Carried over to next meeting.
- 7. ANY OTHER BUSINESS Carried over to next meeting.
- **MEETING CLOSE** 8. Meeting closed at 2 pm

9. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – 4 September 2018 12.30pm – 2.00pm

All meetings are held in Meeting Room 1 (upstairs) at the Civic Centre.

Busking Interest Group Report for the City of Darwin Arts & Cultural Development Advisory Committee

9th April, 2018

Background:

The Arts and Cultural Development Advisory Committee (ACDAC) supports the CBD revitalisation under the Vibrant Darwin program. ACDAC identified a gap in current City of Darwin practices towards street performers. The committee endorsed the formation of a working group to increase the level, ease and quality of Busking in the City of Darwin in line with Council's commitment to ensuring Darwin is a vibrant active city.

Contributors:

Our initial meeting was on the 27th of November 2017 with Alderman Andrew John Arthur, Hemlock Mejarne (President, Street Performance Australia Pty Ltd - Peak advocacy and safety certification body for Australian Street Performance), James Gough (promoter and Business Manager Darwin Entertainment Centre), CJ Fraser-Bell (Independent producing artist and Darwin Fringe Festival Director). After reporting back to ACDAC an additional meeting was held on the 28th of February 2018 with Alderman Arthur, James Gough, Mark Smith (Director of Music NT, peak body) and Angela O'Donnell (Arts NT). Further discussion was held with Jason Hanna from the Milestone hospitality group and committee member of the Darwin City Waterfront Retailers Association.

Discussion of current busking operations:

- 1. The group agreed that busking and street performance serves many functions in cities around the world and in Darwin:
 - a. Busking opportunities contribute to a vibrant arts culture by providing income for artists whilst allowing for growth and refinement of their performance practice.
 - b. Live street performance improves public feel and visitor experience, driving word of mouth marketing and positive conditions for growth in the tourism, retail and hospitality sectors.
 - c. There is evidence that for drinking districts that include pubs, clubs cafes and restaurants, provision of entertainment, including street performers, reduces the level of violence on the streets, particularly late at night (International Centre for Alcohol Policies, 2002).
- 2. Entertainers are unlawfully busking after hours, particularly in Mitchell Street on a Friday and Saturday. This could lead to complications with their insurances if there are Public Liability issues.

3. There are two bylaws that inform Council's busking operations:

102 Musical instruments, &c.

A person shall not, without a permit, on a public place or other land under the control of the council:

(a) use a musical instrument; or

(b) for the purpose of announcing an auction, public performance, sale, meeting or similar gathering, ring a bell or use a musical instrument or any means of amplification or public address.

109 Control of certain activities in malls and other public places

(1) A person shall not, without a permit, in a public place, perform or offer entertainment, make a painting or drawing or take a photograph or film of a person or thing for commercial purposes or address persons assembled there.

5. At present Council issues buskers permits for the use of the Smith St Mall only. City Life has identified half a dozen suitable busking sites in the mall after consultation with retailers.

Buskers permits are issued only in person (no online applications) upon receipt of \$3.50 and are in effect from 9am -5pm **on the day of issue only**, or from 10am -2pm Saturday and Sunday weekend period.

All applications are paper based with considerable impact on Customer Services staff who have found innovative ways to speed up the system. Of particular concern is that the current paper-based process does not allow for data retention and hinders CoD's capacity to review activity and chart development.

Busking operations need to be managed to ensure that busking and street performance is always a positive addition to our city but Council does not have a Busking Policy document to inform stakeholders. At the moment the minimum requirements are listed on a one page application.

- There are no busking opportunities through council outside of the Smith St Mall. Markets (Mindil, Parap, Nightcliff, Malak) engage their own performers and buskers through their own criteria during their operations.
- 7. Many other Councils of similar and different sizes have developed or adopted busking policies to varying levels of complexity. For example:

a. City of Melbourne:

- i. 20-page Guidelines document.
- ii. The permit can be applied for in person, by post or on line
- iii. \$20 per year, \$10 for 3 months. Reapplications, \$10.
- iv. Applicants must undergo an in-person Safety, Amenity and Performance Review.
- v. Busking is permitted anywhere within the commercial zoned council areas.

- vi. Special permits are required for the Pavement Art, Bourke Street Mall and the Circle Acts areas, the later two requiring auditions.
- vii. Performers are not covered by Council Public Liability and are encouraged to pursue their own cover although this is not compulsory.
- viii. The prescribed penalty for a breach of the busking permit under the Activities Local Law 2009 is \$500. The prescribed penalty for failing to comply with a notice to comply is \$1000.

b. City of Brisbane:

- i. Has NO guidelines document
- ii. You can busk anywhere you like in the CDB without a permit
- iii. The exception is the Queens St Mall, Reddacliff Place, South Bank and the Valley Malls. These areas require a licence by audition, but it is free of charge.
- c. **Palmerston City Councils'** 4 page policy and permit application was agreed to as a good example of a short document that outlined a policy, guidelines, and permit application.
- d. **Hemlock** recounted his vast experience in this area, as a consultant on many of these policies and the group read through a number of different permits and policies from other Councils including Adelaide, Sydney and Cairns. It was unanimously decided Council should create short busking guidelines to inform their future operations.

Recommendations:

1. That council adopt the following changes to its busking procedure from 30th June 2018 to be reviewed in 12 months:

- A: Busking permits be issued on a yearly, seasonal and weekly basis. 1 year at \$30, 4 months at \$20 and a weekly for \$5
- B: That busking be permitted in all council publicly owned spaces and commercial areas including malls, footpaths and parks throughout Darwin.
- C: That the current permit times be extended to 10pm Sunday to Thursday, 12 midnight Friday and Saturday

2. That customer services move to an on line busking permit application and digital data collation

3. That guidelines are developed for use by NT police, council employees, retailers, street performers and the public including but not limited to

- a. Retaining the specific policy and busking sites within the Mall, in recognition of it's status as a sought after and high traffic area.
- b. Identification of Pavement Art areas, and a Circle Work space for larger shows, taking into account lighting and performance space.
- c. That buskers cannot remain in the same spot for more than 2 hours. They must relocate if they wish to continue after their initial 2 hr window.
- d. That all buskers adhere to an agreement to 'move on'. If they are asked to move on by a nearby business or stakeholder twice in a session, that they relocate to a different site.
- e. That buskers take up no more than a 3x3 metre space without a further council facilities permit. Activities outlined in paragraph b. would be exempt from this requirement.
- f. That buskers respect appropriate behaviour standards in public, to be briefly outlined in the policy.
- g. That a safe distance between entrance and exits and pedestrian traffic be specified to inform buskers of appropriate busking sites. (eg. buskers leaving 1 metre distance of walkway for pedestrians)
- h. That no amplification is to be used on a busking permit unless in a specified amplified area (eg, the Mall, Raintree Park and other appropriate locations)
- i. That buskers are recommended but not required to organise their own public liability insurance as they will not be covered by Council
- j. That additional permits for use of council parks and facilities override busking permits e.g permits for weddings, community events etc.
- 4. That a stakeholder meeting between interested parties be held annually to review the effectiveness and implementation of the busking guidelines and operation.

(Including for example, shops & shopping centres, Darwin City & Waterfront Retailers Association (DCWRA), Larrakia Nation, Darwin Entertainment Centre (DEC), the Waterfront Corporation, Australian Hotels Association NT, Music NT, Tourism NT, buskers and artists etc)

References:

City of Palmerston Busking Permit online link

http://www.melbourne.vic.gov.au/SiteCollectionDocuments/busking-guidelines-2011.pdf https://www.lifehacker.com.au/2016/04/australian-busking-laws-explained/

International Center for Alcohol Policies. (2002). Violence and Licensed Premises. Washington DC

Background Notes: Initial Meeting

Busking Interest Group

20th March, 2018

• The intent of CoD Strategic Plan – Evolving Darwin towards 2020 supports the development of a Street Performance industry:

Goal 1 Collaborative, inclusive and connected community – 1.2.1, 1.2.3

- 1.2 Desirable places and open spaces for people
- 1.2.1 Enhance places and open spaces
- 1.2.3 Ensure accessibility and connectivity of spaces
- 1.2.4 Provide for diversity of uses and experiences in public places and open spaces
- 1.2.5 Participate and partner in activities that contribute to a safer Darwin

Goal 2 Vibrant, flexible tropical lifestyle – 2.1.5, 2.2.1, 2.2.2)

- 2.1 Improved access and connectivity
- 2.1.5 Enhance access and use of neighbourhood spaces and hubs
- 2.2 A sense of place and community
- 2.2.1 Develop a vibrant and active central business district
- 2.2.2 Develop vibrant suburban centres of activity
- What became evident from our last meeting is that busking could be integral to expanding our homegrown talent base and definitely more discussion needs to be had on this with some amazing ideas floating around about the need to grow local capacity and connecting young artists on a performance pathway that pays. It is recommended ACDAC ratify the continuation of the Busking Interest Group to develop further policy that capitalises on the opportunities for our local industry.
- Can the shut off time for permits be 2am, 4am or do we even need one? Why not 24/7, like Melbourne and Brisbane, where market forces drive the times?
- Should City of Darwin contract a pro busker for late night busking in Mitchell entertainment precinct? Playing easy listening, this could be a very simple and cost effective way to reduce violence on the streets. CoD placed musicians in council spaces with the Safer Cities Program, although not in the Entertainment precinct of Mitchel St.



- B# BUSKING AREA
- STALL AREA (POWERED) S#
- **P#** POWER OUTLET

- 15AMP SINGLE PHASE 5.
- 6. 15AMP SINGLE PHASE
- 7. 15AMP SINGLE PHASE
- 8. 15AMP SINGLE PHASE
- 9. 10 AMP DOUBLE SINGLE PHASE
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DRAWING No. 5216/13/09

ENCL: CITY LIFE COMMITTEE/OPEN

AGENDA ITEM: 9.1.2

MINUTES YOUTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE 5 JULY 2018

REPORT No.: 18CL0071 LB:es COMMON No.: 3842529

DATE: 23/07/2018

Presenter: Youth Events and Training Officer, Lisa Burnett

Approved: Acting General Manager City Life, Matt Grassmayr

PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to present to Council the 5 July 2018 minutes of the Youth Advisory Committee meeting and a summary of outcomes from the annual Youth Advisory Committee 2018 Quiz4Dili Fundraiser.

LINK TO STRATEGIC PLAN

The issues addressed in this Report are in accordance with the following Goals/Strategies as outlined in the 'Evolving Darwin Towards 2020 Strategic Plan':-

Goal

2 Vibrant, Flexible and Tropical Lifestyle

Outcome

2.3 Increased sport, recreation and leisure experiences

Key Strategies

2.3.4 Enhance services for youth

KEY ISSUES

- Presentation of 5 July 2018 Youth Advisory Committee minutes at Attachment A.
- Youth Advisory Committee appointment to be formally endorsed.
- Quiz for Dili, the Youth Advisory Committee's annual fundraiser for Action for Change Foundation (ACF), a not for profit youth organisation in Dili, Timor Leste was held on Thursday 29 June 2018 at the Darwin Trailer Boat Club and raised \$2082.
- This report provides an overview of the event and reports on funds raised for the charity.

RECOMMENDATIONS

THAT it be a recommendation to Council:-

A. THAT Report Number 18CL0071 LB:es entitled Minutes Youth Advisory Committee 5 July 2018, be received and noted.

- B. THAT Council appoint the following as a member of the Youth Advisory Committee for a three (3) year term from 6 July 2018 to 3 June 2021 in accordance with the Local Government Act:
 - i) Andy Leung
- C. THAT Council note \$2082 was raised in support of Action for Change via the 2018 Quiz4Dili Youth Advisory Committee fundraiser.

BACKGROUND

PREVIOUS DECISIONS

DECISION NO.22\0442 (27/02/18)

Minutes Youth Advisory Committee 7 December 2017

Report No. 18CL0001 LB:es (19/02/18) Common No. 3703462

- B. THAT Council appoint the following as members of the Youth Advisory Committee for a three (3) year term from 1 January 2018 to 30 December 2020 in accordance with the Local Government Act:
 - i) Khayla De Ausen ii) Jane Alia iii) Sauching Leung iv) Zakelli Xie v) Lisa Dillon

DECISION NO.21\5269 (28/03/17)

Draft Minutes Youth Advisory Committee 2 March 2017 and Appointments Report No. 17C0020 RH:kl (21/03/17) Common No. 3496925

B. THAT Council appoint the following as members of the Youth Advisory Committee for a three (3) year term from 2 February 2017 to 28 February 2020 in accordance with the Local Government Act 2008:

i) Ms Emily Ford
ii) Ms Kailey Coble
iii) Ms Rebecca Jennings
iv) Ms Hannah Illingworth
v) Mr Emmanuel Klemis
vi) Mr Kyaw (John) Naing

DECISION NO.21\5515 (27/06/17)

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Minutes Youth Advisory Committee 1 June 2017

18CL0071 LB:es

Report No. 17C0047 RH:es (20/06/17) Common No. 3556739

B. THAT Council note that \$4,487 was raised in support of Action for Change following the 2017 Quiz4Dili Youth Advisory Committee fundraiser.

MINUTES YOUTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE 5 JULY 2018

C. THAT Council note its contribution of dollar for dollar fundraising matching for \$1000 in support of the 2017 Quiz4Dili Youth Advisory Committee funds raised.

DISCUSSION

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SUBJECT:

REPORT NUMBER:

The 5 July 2018 Youth Advisory Committee minutes are presented for information at **Attachment A**.

Youth Advisory Committee Member Appointment

Members are appointed for a three year term after which time they may either resign or re-apply for membership. Applicants are selected based on age (12 - 25 years), interest, a genuine willingness to commit to monthly meetings and provide youth advice into Council projects and consultations. It was recommended that Andy Leung be appointed.

Quiz4Dili 2018

The purpose of the Youth Advisory Committee's Quiz4Dili annual event is to raise funds for Action For Change (ACF) a not for profit organisation founded and run by young people living in Timor Leste. ACF is a relatively small organisation that has had a positive impact on improving the lives of over 2300 Timor Leste youth in its short 5 years of operation. Action for Change provides programs in English language, computer skills and information technology, public management as well as other special projects in the community.

This year's fundraiser was held on Thursday 28 June 2018 at the Darwin Trailer Boat Club. Youth Advisory Committee members were active and led all levels of planning and delivery of the event, from promotion, to prize gathering, seeking of community support and all aspects of event coordination and logistics on the night. The event raised a total \$2082.

Youth Advisory Committee was successful in gaining support from the following businesses and organisations:

- Elijah's Kitchen
- Darwin Aboriginal Art Fair
- Story Projects
- Skinnyfish Music
- Perambulator Management

- Mrs Lia Finocchiaro MLA
- Mr Luke Gosling OAM, MP

Certificates of appreciation have been prepared and sent to all above supporters.

CONSULTATION PROCESS

In preparing this report, the following City of Darwin officers were consulted:

- Youth Events and Training Officer
- International Relations Project Officer

In preparing this report, the following External Parties were consulted:

• Youth Advisory Committee

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

The recommendations in this report are consistent with Policy No 008 – Community Participation, Access and Inclusion and the City of Darwin Youth Strategy - Young Darwin 2016 – 2021.

BUDGET AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

A total of \$2082 will be donated to Action for Change via international electronic funds transfer.

RISK/LEGAL/LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

Nil.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil.

COUNCIL OFFICER CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION

We the Author and Approving Officers declare that we do not have a Conflict of Interest in relation to this matter.

LISA BURNETT YOUTH EVENTS AND TRAINING OFFICER

MATT GRASSMAYR GENERAL MANAGER CITY LIFE

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Attachment A: Minutes Youth Advisory Committee 5 July 2018



DRAFT MINUTES

Youth Advisory Committee Meeting Thursday 5 July 2018 5.30pm – 7.<u>30pm</u> Library Hub

1. MEETING OPENED

The meeting of the Youth Advisory Committee was opened at 5.50pm by Chair Emily Ford.

2. PRESENT

Alderman George Lambrinidis Lisa Burnett Alicia Kent Sau-Ching Leung Emmanuel Khemis Lisa Dillon Zakelli Xie Emily Ford Andy Leung	Elected Member (Alternate) Youth Events and Training Coordinator Youth Services Trainee YAC Member YAC Member YAC Member YAC Member YAC Member Observer
Andy Leung	Observer

APOLOGIES

Alderman Robin Knox	Elected Member
Jane Alia	YAC Member
Rebecca Jennings	YAC Member
Kailey Coble	YAC Member
John Kyaw Naing Yusuf	YAC Member

WELCOME OBSERVERS AND GUESTS

Welcome observer Andy Leung.

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the 5 May 2018 and notes of 7 June 2018 were accepted as a true and accurate record by the following members:

Emily Ford (Moved), Sauching Leung (Seconded)

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4. ENDORSEMENT OF NEW MEMBER

Recommendation: THAT Andy Leung be recommended for appointment to the Youth Advisory Committee as a community representative for the term 6 July 2018 to 3 June 2021.

Emily Ford (Moved), Zakelli Xie (Seconded)

Members in favour: Zakelli Xie, Lisa Dillon, Emily Ford, Emmanuel Khemis, Sau-Ching Leung

4.1 BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

Nil

4.2 Youth Charter

Members reviewed the draft Youth Charter designs and provided feedback on the content as well as nominating their preferred design.

ACTION	Youth Services staff to follow up regarding whether the document should carry the City of Darwin logo or the YAC logo. A draft with the reworked text to be provided to YAC at the August meeting.
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4.3 Action for Change Fundraiser

Members discussed the Quiz4Dili event held on Thursday 5 July at the Trailer Boat Club. Alderman Lambrinidis, also provided feedback as an attendee of the event. Consensus from those attending was that it was a successful endeavour with YAC raising \$2081.80 from ticket sales and raffles.

	Youth Services staff to prepare a report to Council requesting a \$1000
ACTION	funding contribution as per the Community Committee Project Funding Policy.

5. Terms of Reference Review

Members reviewed YAC's Terms of Reference.

ACTION	A draft of proposed changed to be provided to YAC at the August
ACTION	meeting for further review.

5. GENERAL BUSINESS

5.1 Professional Development Opportunities

Members were provided with the opportunity to suggest some areas for YAC to undertake professional development. Ideas included social media, community engagement and public speaking.

ACTION	Youth	Services	staff	to	follow	up	and	present	YAC	with	some
ACTION	profes	sional deve	elopme	ento	opportui	nities	s at th	e August	meetir	ng.	

7. MEETING CLOSED

7.40pm.

Next YAC meeting scheduled:

5.30pm – 7.30pm, Thursday 2 August 2018 Library Hub, City of Darwin Civic Centre

Contact Person: Aimee Biskup Coordinator Youth Engagement 08 8930 0635 0400 779 066

ENCL: CITY LIFE COMMITTEE/OPEN

AGENDA ITEM: 9.1.3

REVIEW POLICY NO. 001 - ANIMAL MANAGEMENT - GENERAL

REPORT No.: 18CL0056 CB:kl COMMON No.: 2078949

DATE: 23/07/2018

Presenter: Acting Manager Regulatory Services, Conneil Brown

Approved: Acting General Manager City Life, Matt Grassmayr

<u>PURPOSE</u>

The purpose of this report is to seek Council endorsement of the Draft revisions to Policy No. 001 Animal Management – General. The draft policy will be presented for public comment for a period of three weeks.

LINK TO STRATEGIC PLAN

The issues addressed in this Report are in accordance with the following Goals/Strategies as outlined in the 'Evolving Darwin Towards 2020 Strategic Plan':-

Goal

5 Effective and Responsible Governance

Outcome

5.3 Good governance

Key Strategies

5.3.1 Demonstrate good corporate practice and ethical behaviour

KEY ISSUES

- Policy No. 001 Animal Management General (**Attachment A**) was adopted in February 2010, the policy is being reviewed in line with the new term of Council.
- Council endorsed the new Dog and Cat Management Strategy 2018-2022 in April 2018 to replace the previous Animal Management Plan.
- The Draft Policy No. 001 Animal Management General (Attachment B), has been updated to reflect the new strategy.

RECOMMENDATIONS

THAT it be a recommendation to Council:-

A. THAT Report Number 18CL0056 CB:kl entitled Review Policy No. 001 Animal Management - General, be received and noted.

- B. THAT Council endorse the Draft Policy No. 001 Animal Management -General as contained at Attachment B to Report Number 18CL0056 CB:kl entitled Review Policy 001 Animal Management – General.
- C. THAT a community engagement process at the "inform level" is undertaken for the Draft Policy No. 001 - Animal Management - General as contained at Attachments B to Report Number 18CL0056 CB entitled Review Draft Policy No. 001 - Animal Management - General Policy.

BACKGROUND

PREVIOUS DECISIONS

DECISION NO.22\0305 (12/12/17)

Policy Management – 22nd Council

Report No. 17CP0049 VG:ph (12/12/17) Common No. 2078949

- C. THAT Council endorse the principles outlined in the Policy Framework document at **Attachment B**, as amended, to Report Number 17CP0049 VG:ph entitled Policy Management 22nd Council.
- D. THAT Council endorse the Council Policy Review Schedule at **Attachment C** to Report Number 17CP0035 VG:ph entitled Policy Management 22nd Council.

DISCUSSION

Polices are reviewed once per term of Council or in response to significant changes in legislation or other circumstances which affect its effectiveness and validity.

Draft Policy No. 001 Animal Management - General

Policy No. 001 – Animal Management - General (**Attachment A**) is required to be updated as Council adopted the Dog and Cat Management Strategy 2018-2022 in April 2018 to replace the existing Animal Management Plan.

The changes made in the Draft Policy No. 001 Animal Management - General (**Attachment B**) were to ensure the policy was strategically aligned with the Dog and Cat Management Strategy 2018-2022. In addition policy definitions, scope and related documents have been updated. The policy has been revised to the new City of Darwin template.

The policy now aligns with the goals and implementation measures that Council will aim to deliver under the new strategy:

• Responsible Pet Ownership

- Registration, Licencing and De-sexing
- Nuisance Barking
- Dog Attacks
- Pet in public Places
- Pound Operations

Council undertook considerable consultation with the community and stakeholders to determine the Dog and Cat Management Strategy 2018-2022. As the proposed policy has been revised to strategically align with this document it is recommended that Council endorse the Draft Policy No. 001 Animal Management - General for consultation at the "inform level".

CONSULTATION PROCESS

The Draft Policy No. 001 Animal Management – General will be open for public feedback for a period of three weeks in accordance with City of Darwin Policy No. 025 – Community Engagement at the level of Consult "Inform".

This report was considered by the Executive Leadership Team on Tuesday 12 June 2018 and now referred to the City Life Committee for consideration.

In preparing this report, the following City of Darwin officers were consulted:

- Regulatory Services Operations Supervisor Animals
- Regulatory Services Operations Supervisor Parking
- Regulatory Services Operations Supervisor Generals
- Regulatory Services Operations Supervisor Administration
- Manager Engagement & Participation

In preparing this report, the following External Parties were consulted:

Nil

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Each Council Policy is required to be reviewed once in the term of each Council. The existing Council Policy 001 Animal Management - General was adopted in February 2010 and will be superseded by the updated policy once endorsed.

BUDGET AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

Nil

RISK/LEGAL/LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

Compliance and Enforcement actions are undertaken in accordance with legislation and under the authority provided through the Local Government Act and City of Darwin By-laws.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

COUNCIL OFFICER CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION

We the Author and Approving Officers declare that we do not have a Conflict of Interest in relation to this matter.

CONNEIL BROWN ACTING MANAGER REGULATORY SERVICES

MATT GRASSMAYR ACTING GENERAL MANAGER <u>CITY LIFE</u>

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Attachments:

Attachment A: Current Policy No. 001 Animal Management - GeneralAttachment B: Proposed Draft Policy No. 001 Animal Management – General

Current Policy



Title:	Animal Management - General
Policy No:	001
Adopted By:	Council
Next Review Date:	23/02/2014
Responsibility:	General Manager City Life
Document Number:	2117829

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1 Policy Summary

This Policy addresses:

- Animal Management Plan,
- Pets in Drains
- Cat Registration
- Number of Cats Allowed
- Dangerous Dogs
- Exercise Areas
- Impounded Dogs
- Licences to Keep Additional Dogs
- Registration Fees
- Electronic Tags
- Dog Restriction Areas

2 Policy Objectives

The policy provides direction in the application of the City of Darwin (Animal Management) By-laws.

3 Background

Animal management is an important function of the Council. Registration of dogs and a By-law dealing with dogs has been in force for many years. The By-law was last reviewed in 2007 and new provisions added dealing with Cats.



4 Policy Statement

Part A Animal Management Plan

Council Policy is to adopt an Animal Management Plan from time to time. The current Animal Management Plan is appended to this policy.

Part B Pets in Drains

It is not Council policy to extract pets from drains. The responsibility for pets entering and being removed from drains lies with the owner.

In special cases where Council assistance is required a minimum fee will be charged to the owner on an hourly basis.

Part C Cats

Registration

Pursuant to By law 56 (4) Darwin City By-laws (Part 3 Animal Management) that it be a requirement of registration that dogs and cats over the age of three months be fitted with an approved permanent electronic subcutaneous implant from 1st October 2008.

Number of Cats Allowed

Pursuant to By law 58 (1) City of Darwin By Laws (Part 3 Animal Management) for the period 1st July 2008 to 30th June 2009 the number of cats or class of cats per premises shall be unlimited.

From 1st July 2009 pursuant to By law 58 (1) City of Darwin By Laws (Part 3 Animal Management) the number of cats or class of cats per premises shall be two (2) excluding those cats registered in 2008/2009.

Part D Dogs

Dangerous

Council will control dangerous dogs through the existing by-law provisions rather than making a new by-law to ban particular breeds of dog.

A Declared Dogs Register onto which dogs which breach by-laws in relation to at large, attack and menace are entered has been established pursuant to By law 55 of City of Darwin By Laws (Part 3 Animal Management).

Exercise Areas

THAT pursuant to By law 62 (1) City of Darwin By Laws (Part 3 Animal Management) all parks, reserves, gardens and beaches under Council's care and control with the exception of East Point Reserve be declared dog exercise areas and that no ovals are exercise areas. That the buffer zone adjoining Lee Point Road is a dog exercise area. That bitches in oestrus are not permitted in exercise areas.



Conditions for the use of these areas are:

- In exercise areas dogs shall be accompanied by the owner.
- In exercise areas dogs are not required to be restrained by a lead unless
 organised sporting activities are in progress or the dog is within 10 metres or
 as otherwise sign posted of playground equipment or barbecue facilities or
 the dog is being exercised on a cycle or pedestrian path within the area.
- In exercise areas dogs will not contravene any provisions of Part 3 City of Darwin By Laws (Part 3 Animal Management) .
- Owners must act in accordance with any signs relevant to particular areas.

Impounding Extension

For the purpose of By-law 80 of the City of Darwin By Laws (Part 3 Animal Management) dogs at large which are unregistered or unidentified or registered dogs which are unable to be returned to an owner are impounded.

All dogs impounded shall be held for four (4) working days after the expiration of which time the pound manager may arrange for the destruction or disposal of the dog.

Licences To Keep More Than Two

THAT pursuant to By law 58 (1) City of Darwin By Laws (Part 3 Animal Management) that the number of dogs, declared dogs, class of dogs per premises shall be two (2).

Licences for exemption from these provisions are to be viewed as a concession rather than a right and will be granted only after thorough consideration. New applications for licences to keep more than five dogs in a residential area will not be granted.

Registration Fees

In setting dog registration fees Council will provide concessions for aged and invalid pensioners and owners who are members of the NACA. Only one concession will apply per dog.

Where a registered dog dies or leaves the municipality in the first six months of registration for the financial year, registration fees may be refunded on a pro-rata basis.

Where a licence to keep more than two (2) dogs has been issued for the financial year and is no longer required within the first six months of issue, licence fee may be refunded on a pro-rate basis.

Where a dog is de-sexed in the first six months of registration the registration fee for an entire dog may be refunded on a pro-rata basis.

Electronic Tags – Registration Requirement

Pursuant to By law 56 (4) City of Darwin By Laws (Part 3 Animal Management) that it be a requirement of registration that dogs and cats over the age of three months be fitted with an approved permanent electronic subcutaneous implant from 1st October 2008.



Restriction Areas

Dog exclusion areas:

- The Mall is a dog exclusion area at all times.
- The East Point Reserve from the area bounded by the entry gateway and Lake Alexander fence is a dog exclusion area at all times.
- THAT pursuant to By law 62 (2) (a) City of Darwin By Laws (Part 3 Animal Management) the markets whilst operating are dog restricted areas.
- THAT pursuant to By law 62 (2) (a) City of Darwin By Laws (Part 3 Animal Management) all playgrounds and the area within 10 metres of any playground is a dog restricted area.
- THAT pursuant to By law 62 (2) (a) City of Darwin By Laws (Part 3 Animal Management) all public BBQs and the area within 10 metres of any public BBQ is a dog restricted area.

5 Legislation, terminology and references

Part 3 (Animal Management) City of Darwin By Laws.

6 Implementation and delegation

The General Manager City Life is responsible for managing implementation of this policy

7 Evaluation and review

This policy should be reviewed once in the term of each Council or more often as required.



1 Purpose

The purpose of the policy is to provide a proactive, responsive, evolving approach to animal management that is consistent with Council's Dog and Cat Management Strategy 2018-2022. This policy will provide direction in the application of the City of Darwin (Animal Management) By-laws.

This policy provides the framework to address:

- Safety
- Responsible Pet Ownership
- Registration, Licencing and De-sexing
- Nuisance Barking
- Dog Attacks
- Pet in Public Places
- Pound Operations

2 Scope

Animal management is an important function of the City of Darwin. The Council objective is to continue to evolve and be responsive in its regulatory approach while it supports and encourages responsible dog and cat ownership.

Council has endorsed the Dog and Cat Management Strategy 2018-2022 to establish clear guidelines for the management of Council's Animal Management By-Laws and policies. The Animal Management Policy has been strategically aligned to the Dog and Cat Management Strategy 2018-2022.

3 Policy Statement

This policy relates to the activities undertaken in accordance with legislation or Council policy and relates to enforcement of animal management requirements. The policy ensures that Council's Animal Management approach to enforcement practices are lawful, safe, fair, practical, educational and consistent.

3.1 Safety

Community safety is a priority for Council and by-laws are designed to ensure a safe community for all members. Council provides regulation and management of dogs and cats to ensure public safety. Council has authority and will enforce by-laws to remedy or mediate any threats involving these animals.

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3.2 Responsible Pet Ownership

There are social, health and companionship benefits to owning pets. Pet owners need to be aware of their responsibilities to ensure their pets are cared for appropriately, are controlled in public places and do not adversely impact on others.

Responsible Dog and Cat owners need to ensure that:

- Their dog/cat has adequate food, shelter and water at all times.
- They can meet the ongoing costs associated in caring for their pets such as vaccinations, maintenance of health and welfare).
- Their dog/cat is registered and microchipped.
- They provide appropriate obedience training which will help meet the dog's social needs.
- They are aware of all relevant City of Darwin Animal Management By-Laws.
- They provide regular exercise.
- They maintain effective control of their pets at all times.

3.3 Registration, Licencing and De-sexing

3.3.1 Registration

Dogs and cats that are over twelve weeks (3 months) of age and have been in Darwin for one month are required to be registered with Council and microchipped with a national pet register. Registration of a dog or cat assists Council in identifying dogs and their owners. It assists Council in returning lost pets to their owners quickly provides Council with statistics to inform future planning so that animals and their owners can benefit from having outdoor space to exercise and enjoy activities.

Electronic Tags – Registration Requirement

Pursuant to By-law 56 (4) City of Darwin By-Laws (Part 3 Animal Management) it is a requirement of registration that dogs and cats over the age of three months be fitted with an approved permanent electronic subcutaneous implant.

<u>Fees</u>

Council has annual, five (5) year and lifetime registration fee options. Where a dog or cat is de-sexed in the first six months of registration the registration fee for an entire dog or cat may be refunded on a pro-rata basis.

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Annual Registration - Where a registered dog or cat dies or leaves the municipality in the first six months of registration for the financial year, registration fees may be refunded on a pro-rata basis.

Five (5) Years Registration - Where a registered dog or cat dies or leaves the municipality in the first two and half (2.5) years of registration, registration fees may be refunded on a pro-rata basis.

Life Time Registration - Where a registered dog or cat dies or leaves the municipality in the first five (5) years of registration, registration fees may be refunded on a pro-rata basis.

Any request for a refund on a pro-rata basis must be in writing from the registered owner.

3.3.2 Licences to Keep More Than Two (2) Dogs/Cats on Premises

Under Council By-Laws, owners can keep two registered dogs or cats on one property. A dog or cat owner who wants to keep more than two dogs/cats on their property will be required to apply for a licence from Council. Council will make an assessment of the application that will include consultation with neighbours and whether the premises are suitable and have adequate fencing.

Licences are to be viewed as a concession rather than a right and will be granted only after thorough consideration. All annual licence renewals may be subjected to an inspection of the property in which the licence was granted to ensure the premises are still suitable to keep more than 2 dogs. New applications for licences to keep more than five dogs in a residential area will not be granted.

Licencing Fees

Where a licence to keep more than two (2) dogs or cats has been issued for the financial year and is no longer required within the first six months of issue, the licence fee may be refunded on a pro-rate basis.

3.3.3 De-Sexing

De-sexing and vaccinating cats and dogs are important for their wellbeing. Council supports and encourages de-sexing and vaccination of domestic cats and dogs. De-sexing is also a key tool in tackling pet over-population and unwanted pets.

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Owners of a de-sexed dog or cat under 12 months of age will receive a once-off free registration when registering their dog or cat for the first time. Council also offers a variety of concessions for dogs and cats that are de-sexed. Council organises subsidised de-sexing/registration days targeting marginalised pet owners and recognised organisations which promote responsible pet ownership.

3.4 Nuisance

3.4.1 Barking

Dogs that are habitual barkers can be a nuisance to the owners and neighbours. An authorised person will undertake a comprehensive and impartial investigation to gather sufficient evidence to confirm whether the barking is excessive. This investigation takes time and during this process, Council officers seek to balance the needs of the complainant, the needs of the animal owners, the welfare of the animals involved and the requirements of the law.

3.4.2 Fence Rushing/Fighting

Some dogs fence rush and fence fight due to frustration or to determine their territory, others dogs cannot resist rushing and barking at movement outside of their property. Fence rushing/fighting is a behaviour that is usually learned and it is the responsibility of the dog owner to correct this behaviour before it becomes a nuisance.

Dogs that habitually fence rush/fight may be investigated for a category two (2) dog attack or category three (3) dog cause nuisance.

3.4.3 Category Three (3) Declared Dog

A Category Three (3) Declared Dog is a dog that habitually breaches any offences under Animal By-Laws 65-71 causing nuisance.

3.5 Dog Attack

Council has established and defined two (2) levels of dog attack.

Category One - The dog bites, or holds a person or animal in its mouth, whether or not the holding is accompanied by biting, shaking, pulling or pushing or the person or animal suffers an injury, physical or otherwise.

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Category Two - The dog approaches, chases, menaces, harasses or rushes at a person or animal in a manner endangering or causing fear, alarm or distress to the person or animal. This may include some cases where a dog rushes a fence as pedestrians go by and there is a potential of an attack.

If a dog commits an attack, the owner of that dog may be guilty of an offence, the owner of the dog may be prosecuted and fined.

3.5.1 Declared Dogs Register

Council maintains a declared dog register which records the details of dogs that have committed certain offences and the details of the owner of the dog. A dog that is placed on the declared dog register will have additional conditions placed on the dog's registration. These conditions relate to the dog's care and control.

These conditions may include:

- Placing signage at premises where the dog is usually kept with the words "Warning Dangerous Dog" clearly legible and visible from all boundaries of the property (for category 1 and 2).
- Only allowing the dog in public places when it is in the care of a person over the age of 17 and that person can control the dog.
- Registering the dog as a declared dog and paying the appropriate fees.
- Microchipping the dog.
- Placing a muzzle on the dog every time the dog is outside the premises where it is usually kept.

3.6 Pets in Public Places

There are some areas within the Darwin Municipality where owners cannot take their dogs. There are number of reasons why Council may declare an area to be restricted, including concerns for public health, safety and environment protection.

There are many suitable on-leash and off-leash exercise areas in the Darwin Municipality including the dog park in the suburb of Muirhead.

3.6.1 Exercise Areas

Pursuant to By-Law 62 (1) City of Darwin By-Laws (Part 3 Animal Management) all parks, reserves, gardens and beaches under Council's care and control, with the exception of East Point Reserve, are declared

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dog exercise areas. No ovals are exercise areas. The buffer zone adjoining Lee Point Road is a dog exercise area. Bitches in oestrus are not permitted in exercise areas.

Conditions for the use of these areas are:

- In exercise areas dogs shall be accompanied by the owner.
- In exercise areas dogs are not required to be restrained by a lead unless organised sporting activities are in progress or the dog is within 10 metres or as otherwise sign posted of playground equipment or barbecue facilities or the dog is being exercised on a cycle or pedestrian path within the area.
- In exercise areas dogs will not contravene any provisions of Part 3 -City of Darwin By-Laws (Part 3 Animal Management).
- Owners must act in accordance with any signs relevant to particular areas.

3.6.2 Restriction Areas

East Point Reserve

The East Point Reserve from the area bounded by the entry gateway and Lake Alexander perimeter fencing, including the beach area, is a dog exclusion area at all times. Guide dogs are permitted.

The Mall

The Mall is a prohibited area at all times for members of the public walking with their animals. Guide dogs are permitted.

Markets Areas

The Mindil, Nightcliff, Parap and Rapid Creek markets whilst operating are dog restricted areas. Guide dogs are permitted.

Playgrounds

All playgrounds and the area within 10 metres of any playground are dog restricted areas. Guide dogs are permitted.

BBQs

All public BBQs and the area within 10 metres of any public BBQ are dog restricted areas. Guide dogs are permitted.

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3.7 Pound Operations

Dogs or cats that are at large, which are unregistered or unidentified, are impounded. Registered dogs or cats that are at large and where the owner cannot be immediately be contacted are impounded.

All dogs or cats that have been impounded shall be held for four (4) working days after the expiration of which time the pound manager may arrange for the destruction or disposal of the dog or cat.

4 Definitions

Authorised Person means a person who is authorised by an Act, Regulation or By-Law to exercise prescribed powers.

Compliance refers to an agency, corporation, or person meeting or taking steps to comply with relevant laws and regulations or is penalised for non-compliance. **Council** means the City of Darwin.

Enforcement means a range of procedures and actions taken by Council to ensure that a person or organisation complies with their statutory obligations.

5 Legislative References

Part 3 (Animal Management) City of Darwin By-Laws.

6 Procedures / Related Documents

City of Darwin Policy No 026 - Complaints Handlings and Review of Decisions City of Darwin Policy No 032 - Policy and Procedures Framework City of Darwin Policy No 047 - Regulatory – Miscellaneous City of Darwin Policy No 033 – Privacy Policy City of Darwin Dog and Cat Management Strategy 2018-2022

7 Responsibility / Application

The Council, Chief Executive Officer and General Manager City Life are responsible for ensuring that this policy is adhered to and understood.

The Manager of Regulatory Services is accountable for maintaining the currency and accuracy of this policy, associated procedures and guidelines.

Regulatory Services will enforce compliance activities within the Darwin municipality in line with this policy.

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This Policy will be reviewed once per term of Council or in response to significant changes in legislation or other circumstances which affect its effectiveness and validity.

8 Document Control

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ENCL: CITY LIFE COMMITTEE/OPEN

AGENDA ITEM: 9.1.4

WALKWAY 104 – CRAIG CRESCENT TO LOT 4528 (LITCHFIELD COURT UNIT COMPLEX) COCONUT GROVE – CONSULTATION OUTCOMES

REPORT No.: 18CL0073 CB:kl COMMON No.: 3525788 DATE: 23/07/2018

Presenter: Acting Manager Leisure and Customer Experience, Clare Beacham

Approved: Acting General Manager City Life, Matt Grassmayr

PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to provide Council with the consultation outcomes for closure options of Walkway 104 (Craig Crescent to Lot 4528 Litchfield Court Unit Complex, Coconut Grove).

LINK TO STRATEGIC PLAN

The issues addressed in this Report are in accordance with the following Goals/Strategies as outlined in the 'Evolving Darwin Towards 2020 Strategic Plan':-

Goal

1. Collaborative, Inclusive and Connected Community

Outcome

1.2 Desirable places and open spaces for people

Key Strategies

1.2.2 Provide secure and clean public places and open spaces

KEY ISSUES

- Walkway 104 is currently open 24 hours. It was requested Council consider closing it from 10.30pm 5.00am each night due to reports of nuisance, anti-social behaviour and possible other criminal activity occurring in the walkway.
- There are numerous reports from residents surrounding the walkway of nuisance, anti-social behaviour and possible other criminal activity occurring in the walkway.
- A Neighbourhood Level community consultation was undertaken between Friday 28 May and Friday 15 June.
- Very little feedback was received from the community during the consultation period. One resident supported the closure and one resident opposed the closure.
- There is strong support from stakeholders, NT Police and Department of Housing, to close the walkway each night due to ongoing issues in and around the walkway.

RECOMMENDATIONS

THAT it be a recommendation to Council:-

- A. THAT Report Number 18CL0073 CB:kl entitled Walkway 104 Craig Crescent To Lot 4528 (Litchfield Court Unit Complex) Coconut Grove – Consultation Outcomes, be received and noted.
- B. THAT Council proceed with a night-closure of Walkway 104 Craig Crescent to Lot 4528 (Litchfield Court Unit Complex), Coconut Grove, from 10:30pm to 5:00am each night.

BACKGROUND

PREVIOUS DECISION

DECISION NO.22\0445 (27/02/18)

Northern Suburbs Walkway Review

Report No. 18CL0017 MG:kl (19/02/18) Common No. 3525788

- B. THAT Council extend the closing time of Walkway 81 Amsterdam Circuit to Trower Road, Wagaman from 7:00pm to 9:00pm each night.
- C. THAT a Neighbourhood community consultation process is undertaken to assess closure options for Walkway 179 – Abbott Crescent to Osbourne Road, Malak and that Council undertake a 6 month trial closure of Walkway 179 - Abbott Crescent to Osbourne Road, Malak, from 9.00pm to 5:00am each night.
- D. THAT a Neighbourhood community consultation process is undertaken to assess a night-closure option for Walkway 104 – Craig Crescent to Lot 4528 (Litchfield Court Unit Complex), Coconut Grove, from 10:30pm to 5:00am each night.
- E. THAT a further report is presented to Council at the conclusion of the consultation process to assess the outcomes and the views of the local residents regarding closure options for Walkways 104 Craig Crescent to Lot 4528 (Litchfield Court Unit Complex), Coconut Grove and 179 Abbott Crescent to Osbourne Road, Malak

DISCUSSION

Walkway 104 is located between 26 and 28 Craig Crescent and connects with Litchfield Court, Nightcliff. This walkway is currently open 24 hours and provides a thoroughfare for residents in the Litchfield Court Unit Complex to access the Nightcliff Shopping Centre.

Council has received numerous reports from residents surrounding Walkway 104 of incidence of nuisance, anti-social behaviour and possible other criminal activity occurring in the walkway and have requested that Council consider closing the walkway. As Walkway 104 provides an essential access route to the Nightcliff Shopping Centre only a night-time closure is appropriate.

A Neighbourhood Level community consultation was undertaken between Monday 28 May and Friday 15 June. The consultation was designed to provide the local residents with information about the walkway and seek their views on options for closure times. Consultation activities included a fact sheet to residents and online survey. Full details of the consultation are provided in **Attachment A**.

Residents were asked how often they used Walkway 104 and whether they supported a closing time of 9.00pm – 5.00am or 10.30am – 5.00am each night.

Very little feedback was received during the consultation period. Only one resident responded to the survey and one resident responded via phone.

The resident who responded to the survey does not use the walkway and would prefer it was closed from 10.30pm - 5.00am. However they state the anti-social behaviours are also occurring in daylight hours.

One resident was opposed to closing the walkway as they utilised it on a daily basis, however once it was explained it was only a night-time closure they supported the proposal.

Stakeholder Feedback

There is strong support from stakeholders to close Walkway 104. The Department of Housing and Community Development's Public Housing Safety Officers (PHSOs) have stated that the walkway causes problems, as an avenue for people to run away, and as an access point for people to go into Litchfield Court and cause noise and disturbances. There is support from the PHSOs to close this access route, particularly at night.

NT Police have advised there have been ongoing daily issues with this walkway and also state people use the walkway to run away from them at night when responding to incidents. NT Police would support night-time closures of Walkway 104.

There is concern from the Department of Health that closing the walkway will have a negative impact on adjoining properties. There is a fear that if people are unable to use the walkway as an access route at night they will either jump or cut fences of neighboring properties instead, particularly the Nightcliff Dialysis Centre.

Given the very small number of responses from the local residents and the strong support from stakeholders to close the Walkway at night, this report recommends that Walkway 104 be closed from 10.30pm – 5.00am each night.

CONSULTATION PROCESS

A Neighbourhood Level community consultation was undertaken between Friday 18 May and Friday 9 June, in accordance with the City of Darwin's Community Engagement Policy 025. Details of the consultation are provided in **Attachment A**.

In preparing this report, the following City of Darwin officers were consulted:

- Manager Engagement and Participation
- Darwin Safer City Program Coordinator
- Recreation Services Officer

In preparing this report, the following External Parties were consulted:

- NT Police
- Department of Housing and Community Development

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

The City of Darwin Policy No. 056 – Walkways provides guidance in relation to the management of Darwin's walkways. The policy states: Council will maintain and improve the existing network of walkways across the municipality to ensure accessibility and amenity for the community. Issues arising from behaviours in and around a walkway will be investigated on a case-by-case basis. Council will work with residents, relevant authorities and other stakeholders to consider appropriate options and determine a response.

BUDGET AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

Council continues to close ten walkways at night. In the 2017/18 financial year \$15,230 including GST was expended on these walkway closures.

There is no budget allocation for expenditure required for changes to the status of walkways.

Costs associated with the installation of gates and security to undertake a night-time closure of Walkway 104 would need to be provided through existing operational budgets. The installation of gates is estimated at \$5000. The monthly cost to lock/unlock the walkway is estimated at \$130 including GST.

RISK/LEGAL/LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

In accordance with Section 187 of the Local Government Act, and Regulation 20(3) of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations, the Council may, of its own volition, temporarily close a laneway under its care, control and management.

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ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

COUNCIL OFFICER CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION

We the Author and Approving Officers declare that we do not have a Conflict of Interest in relation to this matter.

CLARE BEACHAM ACTING MANAGER LEISURE AND CUSTOMER EXPERIENCE

MATT GRASSMAYR ACTING GENERAL MANAGER <u>CITY LIFE</u>

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Attachments:

Attachment A: Community Consultation Report – Walkway 104



Community Consultation Report

Walkway 104 – Craig Crescent to Lot 4528 (Litchfield Court Unit Complex)

1. BACKGROUND

Residents surrounding Walkway 104 have complained about nuisance resulting from the Walkway usage and have requested closure of the Walkway.

The City of Darwin Policy No. 056 – Walkways provides guidance in relation to the management of Darwin's walkways. The policy states: Council will maintain and improve the existing network of walkways across the municipality to ensure accessibility and amenity for the community. Issues arising from behaviours in and around a walkway will be investigated in a case-by-case basis. Council will work with residents, relevant authorities and other stakeholders to consider appropriate options and determine a response.

Council Decision

D. THAT a Neighbourhood community consultation process is undertaken to assess a night-closure option for Walkway 104 – Craig Crescent to Lot 4528 (Litchfield Court Unit Complex), Coconut Grove, from 10.30pm to 5.00am each night.

E. THAT a further report is presented to Council at the conclusion of the consultation process to assess the outcomes and the views of the local residents regarding closure options for Walkways 104 – Craig Crescent to Lot 4528 (Litchfield Court Unit Complex), Coconut Grove and 179 – Abbott Crescent to Osbourne Road, Malak

2. OBJECTIVES

The objectives of this consultation program are:

 To inform and seek feedback from the local residents on the proposed closure of the walkway.

3. APPROACH

The approach was consistent with the City of Darwin's Community Engagement Policy 025. It was a neighbourhood level consultation designed to provide the local residents with information about walkway and the background to the proposed closure. Feedback has also been sought from key stakeholders. The consultation period was for 3 weeks and commenced Monday 28 May.

4. ISSUES

- While walkways provide a convenience for residents, they have historically been a source of nuisance, and disruption to the peace and comfort of the residents of properties that adjoin them.
- Records show that residents near Walkway 104 have reported to Council numerous incidences of nuisance and anti-social behaviour, and possible other criminal behaviours, which occur mainly during night.

5. BENEFITS

• The Walkway provides easy access for the residents in the Litchfield Court Unit Complex.

6. STAKEHOLDERS

Stakeholder	Interest	Engagement
Local residents	Connectivity and accessibility Antisocial behavior Amenity	Fact sheet
Stakeholders – NT Police, Dept Housing and Community Development	Antisocial behavior Noise / impact on residents Safety	email

7. MATERIAL

Information was provided and community could respond via:

- Fact sheet sent to residents in area shown in Appendix A
- A survey was used to collect responses
- Respondents could also respond via phone or email
- Email was sent to stakeholders



City of Darwin maintains walkways across the municipality to ensure accessibility and connectivity of public spaces. City of Darwin has received requests to review the status of Walkway 104 and we want your feedback.

Tell us which option you prefer and why.

Where is Walkway 104?

Walkway 104 is located between and 26 and 28 Craig Cresent and connects to Litchfield Court.

Why is the Walkway important?

Walkway 104 provides a thoroughfare for residents to access the Nightcliff Shopping Centre.

What are the issues?

- There have been reports of anti-social behaviour.
- Residents are affected by noise at night.

For more information on these options and to take the survey go to https://www.surveymonkey. com/r/Walkway104 or contact Council's Manager Engagement and Participation on 8930 0197 or engage@darwin.nt.gov.au

What are the Walkway options?

feedback

closes

15 June 2018

OPTION 1:

Walkway closure from 9pm to 5am This allows residents to utilise the thoroughfare during the day. The closure at night will reduce anti social behaviour.

OPTION 2:

Walkway closure from 10.30pm to 5am This allows time for residents to return home following late night shopping at Nightcliff Shopping Centre. The closure at night will reduce anti social behaviour.

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Fact sheet sent to local residents

8. FEEDBACK

Residents

There were only two responses received from local residents, one survey response and one phone call. The survey respondent provided the following feedback:

Question	Response
How often do you use Walkway 104?	Never
What is your preferred closing time: 9pm – 5am	10.30pm – 5am
10.30pm – 5am Other	
Please provide comment to help us understand your preference	The issues with the walkway are 24 hours a day so you may as well keep inconvenience to a minimum for those non-troublemakers using the walkway.
Do you have any other feedback?	There is a rather obvious drug supply operation that has been utilizing that laneway in daylight hours for years, closing the laneway at night isn't going to prevent that.

The respondent that phoned in was upset at the prospect of the walkway closing as she uses it every day.

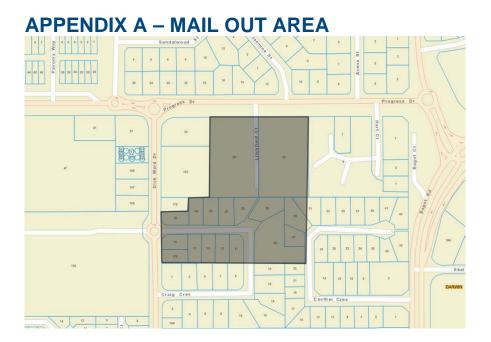
Stakeholders

Department of Housing and Community Development

As previously advised, the Public Housing Safety Officers have stated that the laneway does cause problems, as an avenue for people to run away as well as an another access point for people to go into Litchfield Court and cause noise and disturbances. There is support from the PHSOs to close this access route, particularly at night.

NT Police

NT Police advised there has been ongoing daily issues with this walkway and would support the night-time closures.



ENCL: CITY LIFE COMMITTEE/OPEN

AGENDA ITEM: 9.1.5

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM 2018 – ENHANCED ACTIVITIES

REPORT No.: 18CL0072 KS:kl COMMON No.: 3681960

DATE: 23/07/2018

Presenter: Community Events Producer, Kylie Salisbury

Approved: Acting General Manager City Life, Matt Grassmayr

PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to seek Council endorsement for the proposed enhanced activities for the 2018 Christmas Program.

LINK TO STRATEGIC PLAN

The issues addressed in this Report are in accordance with the following Goals/Strategies as outlined in the 'Evolving Darwin Towards 2020 Strategic Plan':-

Goal

1. Collaborative, Inclusive and Connected Community

Outcome

1.1 Community inclusion supported

Key Strategies

1.1.1 Develop and support programs, services and facilities, and provide information that promotes community spirit, engagement, cohesion and safety

KEY ISSUES

- At the 1st Ordinary meeting on 14 November 2017, Council requested that the 2018 Christmas Program include a calendar of events utilising Council facilities in all wards.
- Council referred an amount of \$105,000 to the 2018/2019 budget process for consideration to provide for enhanced Christmas activities in 2018.
- An amount of \$50,000 has been provided in the 2018/2019 Municipal for enhanced Christmas activities.
- This report details the proposed enhanced activities to be conducted at Council facilities in each ward utilising the additional allocation provided in the 2018 Christmas budget.
- The 2018 Christmas Program will be enhanced to provide a greater experience across the municipality with the support of existing community events and increased daytime decorations in The Mall.

RECOMMENDATIONS

THAT it be a recommendation to Council:-

- A. THAT Report Number 18CL0072 KS:kl entitled Christmas Program 2018 Enhanced Activities, be received and noted.
- B. THAT Council endorse the following 2018 enhanced Christmas activities:
 - Chan Ward: Nightcliff Library Family Christmas Event
 - Lyons Ward: Christmas Lights Launch Event
 - Waters Ward: Karama Christmas Family Fun Day
 - Richardson Ward: Casuarina Pool Family Christmas Party
 - The Mall: Additional Daytime Decorations

BACKGROUND

PREVIOUS DECISIONS

DECISION NO.22\0496 (13/03/18)

Review of Christmas 2017

Report No. 18CL0014 KS:kl (13/03/18) Common No. 3681960

B. THAT Council refer an additional amount of \$105,000 to the 2018/2019 budget process for enhanced Christmas events to be delivered across the municipality as part of the 2018 Christmas in Darwin Program.

DECISION NO.22\0189 (14/11/17)

Christmas in Darwin 2018

Common No. 3690839

THAT a Christmas in Darwin plan for 2018 include a calendar of events utilising Council facilities in all wards.

DISCUSSION

At the 1st Ordinary meeting on 14 November 2017, Council requested that the 2018 Christmas Program include a calendar of events utilising Council facilities in all wards. Council referred an amount of \$105,000 to the 2018/2019 budget process for consideration to provide for enhanced Christmas activities as detailed in Report Number 18CL0017 KS:kl entitled Review of Christmas 2017. The proposed activities were:

Library Christmas decorations	\$50,000
Support for DCWRA Christmas Boutique Market	\$10,000
Karama Family Fun Day	\$15,000

Casuarina Pool Family Christmas Party	\$15,000
CBD daytime decorations	<u>\$15,000</u>
Total	\$105,000

Following budget deliberations an amount of \$50,000 has been provided in the 2018/2019 Municipal for enhanced Christmas activities. The 2018 Christmas Program was reviewed and amended to incorporate enhanced activities in line with the additional funding allocation.

Enhanced activities have been proposed that will build on the previous community goodwill and momentum at events that Council has previously supported. Funding has been allocated towards program activities rather than library decorations in order to deliver experiences across the municipality in 2018. It is also proposed that an allocation will be made for decorations in The Mall as it was acknowledged that while the new CBD decorations delivered in 2017 provided a wonderful ambience during the evenings, additional non-illuminated decorations are required to provide an improved experience for patrons during the day.

The enhanced activities for the 2018 Christmas Program will achieve Council's desire to provide engagement and participation opportunities for the community in all four Council Wards. The proposed enhanced activities include:

- Chan Ward: Nightcliff Library Family Christmas Event
- Lyons Ward: Christmas Lights Launch Event
- Waters Ward: Karama Christmas Family Fun Day
- Richardson Ward: Casuarina Pool Family Christmas Party
- The Mall: Additional Daytime Decorations

CONSULTATION PROCESS

In preparing this report, the following City of Darwin officers were consulted:

- Project Officer Library
- A/Manager Leisure and Customer Experience

In preparing this report, the following External Parties were consulted:

• Dreamedia

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

The 2018 Christmas Program is consistent with City of Darwin Policy No 008 – Community Participation, Access and Inclusion.

BUDGET AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

Council provides an annual budget for the City of Darwin Christmas Program. In 2018/2019 the allocated operating budget is \$135,209 which includes \$18,000 sponsorship and \$2,000 in-kind for Carols by Candlelight.

An additional amount of \$50,000 has been allocated for the 2018 City of Darwin Christmas Program. The table below details the proposed expenditure for the enhanced activities for the 2018 Christmas Program:

Event	Budget allocation
Chan Ward: Nightcliff Library Family Christmas Event	\$10,000
Lyons Ward: Christmas Lights Launch Event	\$10,000
Waters Ward: Karama Christmas Family Fun Day	\$10,000
Richardson Ward: Casuarina Pool Family Christmas Party	\$10,000
The Mall: Additional Daytime Decorations	\$10,000
Total	\$50,000

The additional allocation of \$50,000 has been provided for Christmas 2018, further budget consideration would be required if the enhanced activities were to become program features in future years.

RISK/LEGAL/LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

Nil

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

COUNCIL OFFICER CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION

We the Author and Approving Officers declare that we do not have a Conflict of Interest in relation to this matter.

KYLIE SALISBURY COMMUNITY EVENTS PRODUCER

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ENCL: CITY LIFE COMMITTEE MEETING/OPEN AGENDA ITEM:

LIVING CHRISTMAS TREE

REPORT No.: 18CL0036 CB:kl COMMON No.: 3681960

DATE: 23/07/2018

9.1.6

Presenter: Acting Manager Leisure Events & Customer Service, Clare Beacham

Approved: Acting General Manager City Life, Matt Grassmayr

PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to present Council with options for planting an appropriate tree that, in years to come could serve as a living decorated Christmas tree.

LINK TO STRATEGIC PLAN

The issues addressed in this Report are in accordance with the following Goals/Strategies as outlined in the 'Evolving Darwin Towards 2020 Strategic Plan':-

Goal

1. Collaborative, Inclusive and Connected Community

Outcome

1.2 Desirable places and open spaces for people

Key Strategies

1.2.1 Enhance places and open spaces

KEY ISSUES

- THAT Council investigate the planting of an appropriate tree that, in years to come, could serve as a living decorated Christmas tree.
- Senior Technical Officer Parks and Reserves has provided information regarding locations and tree species for consideration.
- Options for both a suitable location and selection for tree species were considered.
- Council is establishing a Tree Re-establishment Advisory Committee to present recommendations on the preferred species to plant following Cyclone Marcus.

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SUBJECT:

THAT it be a recommendation to Council:-

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LIVING CHRISTMAS TREE

- A. THAT Report Number 18CL0036 CB:kl entitled Living Christmas Tree, be received and noted.
- B. THAT Council proceed with the planting of a living Christmas Tree, a Araucaria Cunninghami (Hoop Pine), at the existing vacant tree pit at the Knuckey Street end of The Mall.

BACKGROUND

PREVIOUS DECISIONS

DECISION NO. 22\0496 (13/03/18)

Review of Christmas 2017

Report No. 18CL0017 KL:kl (13/03/18) Common No. 3681960

C. THAT Council investigate the planting of an appropriate tree that, in years to come could serve as a living decorated Christmas tree for the City of Darwin, with a report back to Council by July 2018.

DISCUSSION

City of Darwin currently displays an artificial Christmas tree located at the Bennet Street end of The Mall. This continues to be the most suitable location for an artificial Christmas tree as it is visible from a distance and works with the gateway from the Waterfront to the CBD. Cruise Ship visitor numbers are high in December and the tree has been a drawcard and a popular spot to take a photograph.

Council has requested options be investigated for planting an appropriate tree that in years to come could serve as a living decorated Christmas tree. Council is establishing the Tree Re-establishment Advisory Committee (TRAC) which will present recommendations to Council on the preferred species of trees to plant in future landscaping in the aftermath of Cyclone Marcus. Council may wish to consider referring this matter to the Committee for consideration.

The Senior Technical Officer Parks and Reserves has investigated locations and tree species and has provided a Living Christmas Tree Selection Report **Attachment A.** The report details the following information:

Location:

The locations considered in the Living Christmas Tree Selection Report include:

• An existing tree pit at the bottom of The Mall where a tree has recently died and had to be removed.

- Civic Park
- Bicentennial Park
- Establishing a new tree pit at the Bennet Street end of The Mall.

The report also considered using an existing and large established NT native tree in any one of the aforementioned locations (such as the Alstonia actinophylla – Northern Milkwood, in Civic Park) from which decorations and lights could easily be hung.

Species of Tree:

A number of trees were identified as options to be considered a 'Christmas Tree'. Consideration was given to the visual impact of the tree and also the chance of survival. All of the trees have semblance to a typical northern hemisphere Christmas tree that could be pruned to a useful shape for decorations and are listed in order of preference:

- 1. Araucaria cunninghamii (Hoop Pine) Most resemblance to a traditional Christmas Tree, reasonable chance of surviving.
- 2. Callitrus intratropica (Northern Cypress Pine) Strongest chance of survival, variable appearance and may look untidy.
- 3. Araucaria heterophylla (Norfolk Island Pine) resembles a traditional Christmas tree but with least chance of survival.

Recommendation:

The Living Christmas Tree Selection Report recommends Council establishes an Araucaria Cunninghami (Hoop Pine) at the existing vacant tree pit at the bottom of The Mall to provide the best opportunity to establish a living Christmas Tree for future decorative purposes.

CONSULTATION PROCESS

In preparing this report, the following City of Darwin officers were consulted:

- A/General Manager City Operations
- Manager Infrastructure Maintenance
- Coordinator Parks & Reserves
- Senior Technical Officer Parks & Reserves

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil

BUDGET AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

Drainage and rectification works would need to be investigated to establish a Hoop Pine at the existing tree pit at the Knuckey Street end of The Mall. Cost estimates for these works are:

- Up to \$7,000 if no substantial drainage or rectification works are required
- \$20,000+ for substantial drainage and rectification works

Ongoing maintenance costs would be minimal. There is no funding allocation, establishing a living Christmas tree would need to be resourced through existing operational budget.

RISK/LEGAL/LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

It should be noted that there is no guarantee that any 'Christmas Tree' style tree will grow successfully and that it could take approximately 10 years before the tree reaches a suitable size for decorations.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

Trees provide a variety of environmental benefits to the community and need to be managed within budgets and resourcing for maintenance to provide the best long term outcome for the community.

COUNCIL OFFICER CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION

We the Author and Approving Officers declare that we do not have a Conflict of Interest in relation to this matter.

CLARE BEACHAM ACTING MANAGER LEISURE AND CUSTOMER EXPIENCE

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Attachments:

Attachment A: Living Christmas Tree Selection Report

Living Christmas Tree Selection Report

Itemised below are a selection of trees that have been considered as a 'Christmas Tree'. All of the trees have semblance to a typical northern hemisphere Christmas tree that could be pruned to a useful shape for decorations.

The optimum size for planting is a tree in a 25 litre pot size, 1.5 to 2 metres tall that will then adapt and grow into its surroundings. Sourcing these suitably sized trees of either the Hoop or Norfolk Island pine, may see them needing to be shipped from interstate.

If the tree grows successfully (no guarantee), it would perhaps be around 10 years before it is of a suitable size for decorations/lights

Location

There is an existing tree pit at the bottom of The Mall (pictured below). If this location was chosen then rectification work (drainage issue) would need to be investigated and a new tree could be re-planted. If there were no substantial drainage issues the estimated cost would be around \$6-7000, otherwise \$20,000+.



If a brand new tree pit was to be considered at the Bennett Street end of The Mall then around \$40,000 would be an estimate for construction costs.

If Civic or Bi-Centennial Park were chosen then the cost would be cheaper, depending on positioning of the planting location in open parkland, and whether protective fencing would be required \$3-4000. Maintenance costs would most likely be minimal once established.

Tree Species

Of the species below I would rank their choice in the following order:

- 1. *Araucaria cunninghamii* (Hoop Pine) Most 'Christmas Tree looking with a reasonable chance of surviving into the future
- 2. *Callitrus intratropica* (Northern Cypress Pine) Strongest chance of survival, but can look straggly
- 3. Araucaria heterophylla (Norfolk Island Pine) Christmas looking tree but with least chance of survival

1. Araucaria cunninghamii (Hoop Pine)



Araucaria cunninghami (Hoop Pine) is an adaptable tree that is capable of growing on a variety of soils provided the annual rainfall exceeds 750mm. As a result it occurs in rainforests and rainforest edges along the east coast of Australia from the Macleay River in New South Wales up as far north as Cape York Peninsula and extending into PNG.

Hoop Pine is a symmetrical, cone-shaped tree and gets its common name from the outer layer of bark which forms scale-like horizontal hoops. The branches are whorled and the leaves are very fine and pointy.

Because of its adaptability to a variety of conditions Hoop Pine is an established commercial plantation tree throughout south-east Queensland. Regular watering is essential for the first two years in the ground. Once properly established the tree is fairly resilient and will often continue to grow slowly provided it gets enough moisture. They can grow into large trees in their preferred subtropical climate.

2. Callitrus intratropica (Northern Cypress Pine)



Tree to 24 metres, endemic to Australia, occurs in WA, NT, CYP and NEQ. Used in timber plantations in the Howard Springs area. This species produces an essential oil in the stem which is highly aromatic, emitting a piney odour. Habitat: Occurs on sandy soils in open woodland, and on rocky outcrops of laterite, sandstone, and quartzite.

3. Araucaria heterophylla (Norfolk Island Pine)



An evergreen timber and ornamental conifer native to Norfolk Island. The wood of large trees is used in construction, furniture, and shipbuilding. In nature the Norfolk Island pine can grow to a height of 60 metres (200 feet), with a trunk sometimes reaching 3 metres (10 feet) in diameter.

The branches are arranged in symmetric whorls, and the trunks are characteristically straight. The leaves of young plants are needle like and curve upward to a point, while those of mature trees are scalelike and densely overlapping. They are not easy to grow in Darwin being susceptible to the wet season climate and water logged root systems.

Utilise and Existing Tree



An alternative option is to consider using an existing and large established NT native tree in any one of the aforementioned locations (such as the Alstonia actinophylla – Northern Milkwood, as pictured above in Civic Park) from which decorations and lights could easily be hung.

Recommendation:

Based on technical advice and investigations establishing an Araucaria cunninghami (Hoop Pine) at the existing vacant tree pit at the Knuckey Street end of The Mall would provide the best opportunity to establish a living Christmas tree for future decorative purposes.

ENCL: CITY LIFE COMMITTEE/OPEN

AGENDA ITEM: 9.1.7

PETITION – TRIAL LIGHT TOWER AT GARDENS OVAL ONE

REPORT No.: 18CL0074 CB:kl COMMON No.: 3246533

DATE: 23/07/2018

Presenter: Acting Manager Leisure and Customer Experience, Clare Beacham

Approved: Acting General Manager City Life, Matt Grassmayr

PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is a petition requesting a temporary light tower be used to trial the effects of proposed permanent light towers at Gardens Oval One.

LINK TO STRATEGIC PLAN

The issues addressed in this Report are in accordance with the following Goals/Strategies as outlined in the 'Evolving Darwin Towards 2020 Strategic Plan':-Goal

2 Vibrant, Flexible and Tropical Lifestyle

Outcome

2.3 Increased sport, recreation and leisure experiences

Key Strategies

2.3.2 Position Darwin as a host centre for local, national and international sport and other events

KEY ISSUES

- A petition containing 23 signatures was presented to Council requesting a trial light tower be placed at Gardens Oval One to represent the effect of proposed permanent light towers
- At its 2nd Ordinary meeting on 26 June 2018 Council resolved to proceed with the installation of lighting at Gardens Oval to a maximum of 300lux.

RECOMMENDATIONS

THAT it be a recommendation to Council:-

- A. THAT Report Number 18CL0074 CB:kl entitled Petition Trial Light Tower at Gardens Oval One, be received and noted.
- B. THAT Council advise the members of the petition that a temporary light tower trial will not be conducted.

BACKGROUND

PREVIOUS DECISIONS

DECISION NO.22\0880 (26/06/18)

Request for Trial Light Tower at Gardens Oval 1

Document Number 3833774 (26/06/18) Common No. 3246533

Member M Palmer presented the Petition.

B. THAT, in accordance with By-law 153(7)(a), the Petition regarding the request for a trial light tower at Gardens Oval 1be referred to a City Life Committee Meeting.

DECISION NO.22\0895 (26/06/18)

Gardens Oval Lights - Additional Information

Report No. 18CL0067 CB:kl (26/06/18) Common No. 3246533

- B. THAT Council proceed with installation of lighting at Gardens Oval to a maximum of 300lux.
- C. THAT tenders be invited on a 'Design and Construct', all in basis and that tenders be assessed, inter alia, on value for money, whole of life costs and warranties provided, and that consideration also be given to those solutions that demonstrate the least impact on surrounding residential neighbours.
- D. THAT hours of use be restricted to no later than 9pm Monday to Saturday.
- *E.* THAT seasonal allocation agreements with sporting associations detail the following operational lighting parameters, to be reviewed on an annual basis:

Day	Time	Lux Level
Monday	6-9pm	100 lux (training)
Tuesday	6-9pm	100 lux (training)
Wednesday	6-9pm	100 lux (training)
Thursday	6-9pm	100 lux (training)
Friday	6-9pm	300 lux
Saturday	6-9pm	300 lux
Sunday	Not in use	

DISCUSSION

A petition containing 23 signatures was presented to Council at its 2nd Ordinary meeting on 26 June 2018, requesting a trial light tower be placed at Gardens Oval One to represent the effect of proposed permanent light towers as detailed below:

We, the undersigned, hereby

Request the City of Darwin Council have NTAFL carry out a trial to include one temporary tower with 16 of the proposed lights rotated in the four directions, that will represent the light from the four light towers at Gardens Oval 1 they are wanting to have constructed.

This is to ensure the lifestyle and amenity of the residents residing on the ridges surrounding Gardens Oval 1 are not adversely affected by them and will provide definitive evidence of light glare on high rise residential complexes within close proximity to tall light towers with high lux output.

At this meeting Council resolved tenders be invited on a 'Design and Construct' for the installation of lighting at Gardens Oval to a maximum of 300lux. As such Council does not have an endorsed design for the lighting proposal. It is not possible to conduct a trial when key factors such as the number and the height of light poles and the type and number of luminaires are unknown.

Further, given that Council has determined that lighting be installed there is no requirement for a trial. It is recommended that members of the petition be advised that a trial will not be undertaken.

CONSULTATION PROCESS

In preparing this report, the following City of Darwin officers were consulted:

- Deputy Chief Executive Officer
- Committee Administrator
- Recreation Services Officer

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

City of Darwin Policy No. 046 - Recreation and Healthy Lifestyle provides a framework to support equitable and inclusive use and management of Council's network of active reserves and recreation facilities.

The decision to light Gardens Oval One is consistent with the strategy and actions outlined in the *Sports Field Plan 2016 – 2026*, specifically to "in partnership with relevant Peak Sporting Bodies and clubs, support the provision of training lights on a case-by-case basis, having regard to site conditions, constraints and demonstrated demand."

BUDGET AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

There is no budget allocation for a trial of light towers at Gardens Oval. If a trial was to proceed, budget and resource allocation would be required.

RISK/LEGAL/LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

Darwin City Council by-law 153 (7)

Where a member presents a petition to a meeting no debate on or in relation to it shall be allowed and the only motion that may be moved is:

- (a) that the petition be received and consideration stand as an order of the day for the meeting or for a future meeting; or
- (b) that the petition be received and referred to a committee or officer for consideration and a report to the council.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

COUNCIL OFFICER CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION

We the Author and Approving Officers declare that we do not have a Conflict of Interest in relation to this matter.

CLARE BEACHAM ACTING MANAGER LEISURE AND CUSTOMER EXPERIENCE

MATT GRASSMAYR ACTING GENERAL MANAGER <u>CITY LIFE</u>

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9.2 OFFICERS REPORTS (RECEIVE & NOTE)



QUARTER 4 - CITY LIFE PERFORMANCE REPORT 2017/18

REPORT No.: 18CP0069 VG:ks COMMON No.: 1230662

DATE: 23/07/2018

Presenter: Manager Strategy & Outcomes, Vanessa Green

Approved: Acting General Manager City Life, Matt Grassmayr

PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to provide Council with the 4th Quarter Performance Reports for 2017/18 relating to the City Life programs.

LINK TO STRATEGIC PLAN

The issues addressed in this Report are in accordance with the following Goals/Strategies as outlined in the 'Evolving Darwin Towards 2020 Strategic Plan':-

Goal

5 Effective and Responsible Governance

Outcome

5.3 Good governance

Key Strategies

5.3.3 Understand and manage Council's risk exposure

KEY ISSUES

- Performance in this report measures progress towards achieving Council's 2017/18 Municipal Plan
- The performance of City Life programs are tracking positively as expected for the 4th quarter.
- Financial performance is only included where KPIs require it. All other financial performance is reported to Council via monthly financial reporting and quarterly budget reviews.
- Action performance for quarter 4 (July 2017 to June 2018) will generally be reported as 100% complete, unless there is exception.
- All key performance indicators for the financial year are now reported on.

RECOMMENDATIONS

THAT the Committee resolve under delegated authority:-

THAT Report Number 18CP0069 VG:ks entitled Quarter 4 - City Life Performance Report 2017/18, be received and noted.

BACKGROUND

In accordance with the Local Government Act Council prepares a Municipal Plan and Annual Report each year.

The Municipal Plan outlines Council's service delivery plan which includes key actions, budgets, and key performance indicators.

Legislation requires that Council's Annual Report must contain an assessment of the Council's performance against the Municipal Plan including key actions, budgets and key performance indicators and subsequently provides a high level assessment of progress towards achieving the longer term Strategic Plan.

To support the Annual Report process, quarterly reports are presented for Council consideration. This is in line with best practice reporting for local governments in other states.

The City Life Committee has oversight of the following Municipal Plan Program Profiles:

- Arts and Culture
- Community Development
- Community Engagement
- Customer Services
- Darwin Entertainment Centre
- Darwin Safer City
- Families and Children
- Libraries
- Recreation, Leisure & Events
- Regulatory
- Youth

DISCUSSION

Performance Reports provide an assessment of performance against actions and key performance indicators (KPIs) for each Program Profile.

Performance of the City Life areas is tracking positively as expected for Quarter 4 and the Performance Reports are provided at **Attachment A**.

Financial Performance

Council maintains a rigorous financial performance and reporting process which includes monthly financial reports and quarterly budget reviews. It is relevant to consider the quarterly budget review data in line with the quarterly performance reports as they closely align to the program profile structure in the Municipal Plan. To ensure data integrity is maintained, these reports will not be reproduced. Data has been included where it relates to the performance of a key performance indicator.

Action Performance

Action performance for Quarter 4 should generally be reported as 100% complete unless there is an exception.

Actions represent the key functions and outputs delivered by each service program.

There are no areas of major concern at the end of Quarter 4.

KPI Performance

Key performance indicators will be reported on as required and dependent on whether they are a quarterly or annual KPI. For example, community satisfaction is reported annually as opposed to each quarter. However once an annual KPI falls due it will be displayed in each quarterly report thereafter.

The majority of KPI results continue to be within an acceptable range.

For noting:

- Library visitation data has been impacted by technical issues with the door counter mechanism at Nightcliff Library during the first quarter, a closure period at the three (3) libraries over the Christmas period and closure of the Karama Library during the fourth quarter.
- The annual operational budget at the Darwin Entertainment Centre is slightly under expended. The year end result is 85% expenditure vs budget and is subject to change as year-end processing continues.
- Community satisfaction ratings at for the Customer Experience program are lower than targeted. 56% of the community were satisfied with contact made by Council with a higher level of satisfaction expressed by those residents who had lived in Darwin for more than 10 years. It is also noted that for this year, dissatisfaction decreased at a faster rate demonstrating a positive shift is occurring towards more positive ratings.
- Of the 700 residents surveyed, 65 residents indicated that they had accessed the front counter service. 58% of those people were satisfied with the quality of service.

- The level of satisfaction with Council's recreation and leisure services remained consistent with the previous year however is still lower than the targeted level of satisfaction. In 2017/18 54% of survey respondents were satisfied with a moderate level of satisfaction, 3.7 out of 5.
- Council's target for reuniting animals with their owners is 85%. In 2017/18 74% of animals were reunited with their owners and a further 17% were transferred to rehoming organisations.
- Community satisfaction with safety in parks increased by 11% from the previous year. The overall result of 31% of residents satisfied remains below the target of 60%.

CONSULTATION PROCESS

In preparing this report, the following City of Darwin officers were consulted and provided input:

• All City Life key reporting staff

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

There are no direct policy implications as a result of this report and decision.

BUDGET AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

There are no direct budget or resource implications as a result of this report. If any budget variances are identified throughout the year they will be dealt with via normal Financial Management procedures.

Work is progressing to integrate Council's budget and actual results into the quarterly reports on an ongoing basis.

RISK/LEGAL/LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

This report and decision supports implementing the overall intent of the Local Government Act for local government strategic and municipal planning and performance management.

Ongoing benefits also include more robust and accountable reporting in the Annual Report and more informed performance guiding the development of future Strategic and Municipal Plans.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no direct environmental implications as a result of this report and decision.

COUNCIL OFFICER CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION

We the Author and Approving Officers declare that we do not have a Conflict of Interest in relation to this matter.

VANESSA GREEN MANAGER STRATEGY & OUTCOMES

MATT GRASSMAYR ACTING GENERAL MANAGER <u>CITY LIFE</u>

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Attachments:

Attachment A: Quarter 4 Performance Report 2017/18 (provided separately and

available electronically on the City of Darwin website)

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10. INFORMATION ITEMS

10.1 <u>Minutes Bombing of Darwin and Military History Advisory Committee 13</u> June 2018 Document No. 3845014 (23/07/2018)

The item is Attachment A.





MINUTES BOMBING OF DARWIN & MILITARY HISTORY ADVISORY COMMITTEE 2.00 - 3.00 pm, Wednesday 13 June 2018 Meeting Room 1, City of Darwin

1. PRESENT

The Hon Kon Vatskalis Alderman Andrew Arthur Mr Stephen Gloster Mr Tony Simons Mr Norm Cramp Mr Trevor Cox Ms Meghan Bailey

Ms Sheree Jeeves Ms Josie Matthiesson Ms Jessica Bool Mrs Karen Long Major Peter Darlington WO Richardson Ms Linda Fazldeen The Right Worshipful, The Lord Mayor (Chair)

RSL Aviation Historical Society of the NT President Darwin Military Museum Manager Tourism Top End General Manager Department of Veterans' Affairs Deputy Commissioner NT City of Darwin Acting General Manager City Life City of Darwin Executive Manager Community Events Producer Executive Assistant Defence Defence Defence Defence NT, Director Community Engagement, Department of Trade, Business and Innovation – *Item 6.2*

2. APOLOGIES

Ms Meg Cotter

Ms Susan Kirkman

Alderman Gary Haslett

Tourism NT Trade and Industry Marketing Executive Department of Tourism and Culture, Executive Director, Infrastructure and Corporate Services Alternate

The meeting opened at 2.05 pm, Alderman Arthur chaired the meeting

3. DECLARATION OF INTEREST IN ANY ITEMS ON THE AGENDA - Nil

4. ACCEPTANCE OF PREVIOUS MINUTES 11 APRIL 2018, Attachment A

The minutes of the meeting of the 11 April 2018 were received as a true and accurate record.

Cramp/Bailey, Carried

5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES 11 APRIL 2018

5.1 Back to the Track 2020 – Council's Decision No. 22\0776, 29 May 2018

THAT City of Darwin hosts a Lord Mayor reception for Back to the Track 2020 as part of events to commemorate the 75th Anniversary of the end of World War II in 2020.

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The Decision was noted by the Committee. Council's Community Events Producer, Jessica Bool will be in touch with Back to the Track 2020 to speak further regarding this project.

6. GENERAL BUSINESS

- 6.1 Bombing of Darwin Day Commemorations 2019 Ms Jessica Bool
 - Introduced herself and background
 - 2019-2021 tenders for infrastructure and audio visual were released on the 7 June 2018 with deadline of 28 June 2018.
 - Over the coming weeks will be revising the Bombing of Darwin newsletter and looking at converting it to digital.

Lord Mayor requested that Darwin's multi-cultural community be extended an invitation to lay a wreath at the commemorative service.

Action - Community Events Producer, Jessica Bool

- 6.2 Armistice Day 2018 Ms Linda Fazldeen
 - Thanked Council for the financial support for the Centenary of Armistice commemorations in 2018.
 - Street light banners and paraphernalia design work is underway.
 - Other regions and councils undertaking similar activities.
 - National Program has been agreed by the Veterans' Minister.
- 6.3 Darwin Cenotaph Renewal Mr Stephen Closter
 - Darwin RSL has written to the Minister in respect to the grant and is awaiting a response.
 - The renewal proposal has been altered slightly flagpoles will remain in current location and eternal flame will be electrical.
 - The detailed design and documentation will be submitted to Council.
- 6.4 Members' Update

Norm Cramp

 Visitor numbers to the Darwin Military Museum starting to pick up. Exhibits with equipment glitches can take a number of weeks to fix.

Tony Simons

- Solar power panels have been turned on.
- Negotiations to acquire a P-3 military aircraft have been successful. An official event will be held.
- A bid has been placed for a RAAF F18 Hornet.

Josie Matthiesson

• Will work closely with Jessica on comms for 2019 Bombing of Darwin Day.

Trevor Cox

• Advised the Committee on data collected on tourism satisfaction.

Stephen Gloster

• Thanked Council and Defence for involvement on Anzac Day.

Sheree Jeeves

• Updated the Committee on Smart Cities Switching on Darwin Project.

Linda Falzdeen

- Anzac Spirits Study Tour applications are now open for 2019 year 9 and 10 students and teachers as a chaperone.
- Discussions occurring with Hawaii for a reciprocal study Peace in the Pacific Study Tour.

Defence

• Anzac Day was a great day. Thanks to all.

Megan Bailey

- Federal Government's 2018/2019 funding for the Department of Veterans' Affairs
- NT's 2018 Queen's Birthday Honours recipients Major Lance Johnson

7. ANY OTHER BUSINESS - Nil

8. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Date:15 August 2018Time:2.00 pmVenue:Meeting Room 1

9. MEETING CLOSED - 2.44 pm

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MINUTES OF THE CITY LIFE COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE TWENTY-SECOND COUNCIL HELD IN MEETING ROOM 1, CIVIC CENTRE, HARRY CHAN AVENUE ON MONDAY, 18 JUNE 2018 COMMENCING AT 5.30PM.

- MEMBERS: Member G J Haslett (Chair); The Right Worshipful, The Lord Mayor, K Vatskalis; Member A Arthur; Member P Pangquee; Member E Young.
- OFFICERS: Chief Executive Officer, Mr S Waters; Acting General Manager City Life, Mr M Grassmayr; Acting Manager Vibrant Communities, Ms T Sellers; Acting Manager Regulatory Services, Mr C Brown; Manager Engagement & Participation, Ms S Jeeves; Executive Assistant, Ms K Long.
- APOLOGY: The Right Worshipful, The Lord Mayor, K Vatskalis
- GUESTS: Nil

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1. MEETING DECLARED OPEN

1.1 Election of Acting Chair for City Life Committee Meeting for 18 June 2018

The Deputy Chief Executive Officer called for nominations for an Acting Chair.

(Young/Arthur)

THAT Member Pangquee be elected as Acting Chair for the City Life Meeting for 18 June 2018, as Elected Chair, Member Haslett is attending via Electronic Attendance.

DECISION NO.21\0847 (18/06/18)

Carried

The Acting Chair declared the meeting open at 5.30 pm

2. APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE Common No. 2695036

2.1 Apologies

(Arthur/Young)

THAT the apology from The Right Worshipful, The Lord Mayor, K Vatskalis, be received.

DECISION NO.22\0848 (18/06/18)

Carried

2.2 Leave of Absence Granted

Nil

3. ELECTRONIC MEETING ATTENDANCE Common No. 2221528

3.1 <u>Electronic Meeting Attendance Granted</u>

(Young/Arthur)

THAT Council note that pursuant to Section 61 (4) of the Local Government Act and Decision No. 21\0009 – 16/04/12, the following member was granted permission for Electronic Meeting Attendance at this the City Life Committee Meeting held on Monday, 18 June 2018:

• Member G J Haslett

DECISION NO.22\0849 (18/06/18)

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- 4. DECLARATION OF INTEREST OF MEMBERS AND STAFF Common No. 2752228
- 4.1 Declaration of Interest by Members
- Nil
- 4.2 Declaration of Interest by Staff
- Nil

5. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING/S Common No. 1955119

5.1 Confirmation of the Previous City Life Committee Meeting Minutes

(Haslett/Arthur)

COMMITTEE'S DECISION

THAT the Committee resolve that the minutes of the previous City Life Committee Meeting held on Monday, 21 May 2018, tabled by the Acting Chair, be received and confirmed as a true and correct record of the proceedings of that meeting.

DECISION NO.22\0850 (18/06/18)

5.2 Business Arising

Nil

6. DEPUTATIONS AND BRIEFINGS

Nil

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7. CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

Common No. 1944604

- 7.1 Closure to the Public for Confidential Items
- Nil
- 7.2 Moving Open Items Into Confidential
- Nil
- 7.3 Moving Confidential Items Into Open

Nil

8. WITHDRAWAL OF ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

(Arthur/Young)

COMMITTEE'S DECISION

THAT the Committee resolve under delegated authority that all Information Items and Officers Reports to the City Life Committee Meeting held on Monday, 18 June 2018 be received and considered individually.

DECISION NO.22\0851 (18/06/18)

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9.1 OFFICERS REPORTS (ACTION REQUIRED)

9.1.1 <u>Minutes Access and Inclusion Advisory Committee 23 May 2018</u> Report No. 18CL0057 TJ:es (18/06/18) Common No. 3805042

(Haslett/Arthur)

THAT it be a recommendation to Council:-

- A. THAT Report Number 18CL0057 TS:es entitled Minutes Access and Inclusion Advisory Committee 23 May 2018, be received and noted.
- B. THAT Council extends the appointments of the following Community Representatives to the Access and Inclusion Advisory Committee for the term 1 July 2018 to 30 September 2018 in accordance with the Local Government Act to enable a recruitment process to be undertaken:
 - i) Ms Debbie Bampton
 - ii) Ms Cassandra Jevdenijevic
 - iii) Ms Lynne Strathie
- C. THAT Council endorse the revised Access and Inclusion Advisory Committee Terms of Reference at **Attachment B** to Report Number 18CL0057 TS:es entitled Minutes Access and Inclusion Advisory Committee 23 May 2018.

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9.1.2 <u>Review of Policy 025 - Community Engagement</u> Report No. 18CL0064 SJ:kl (18/06/18) Common No. 1612461

(Young/Arthur)

THAT it be a recommendation to Council:-

- A. THAT Report Number 18CL0064 SJ:kl entitled Review of Policy 025 Community Engagement, be received and noted.
- B. THAT Council endorse the Draft Policy No. 025 Community Engagement as contained at Attachment B to Report Number 18CL0064 SJ:am entitled Review of Policy 025 – Community Engagement.
- C. THAT a community engagement process at the "consult level" is undertaken for Draft Policy No. 025 – Community Engagement as contained at Attachment B to Report Number 18CL0064 SJ:am entitled Review of Policy 025 – Community Engagement and a further report be presented to Council following the consultation period.

Carried

9.1.3 <u>Review of Policy 085 - Compliance and Enforcement</u> Report No. 18CL0055 CB:kl (18/06/18) Common No. 3367725

(Arthur/Young)

THAT it be a recommendation to Council:-

- A. THAT Report Number 18CL0055 CB:kl entitled Review of Policy 085 Compliance and Enforcement, be received and noted.
- B. THAT Council endorse the Draft Policy No. 085 Compliance and Enforcement as contained at Attachment B to Report Number 18CL0055 CB:kl entitled Review of Policy 085 – Compliance and Enforcement.
- C. THAT Council endorse the Draft Enforcement Guidelines as contained at Attachment C to Report Number 18CL0055 CB:kl entitled Review of Policy 085 – Compliance and Enforcement.
- D. THAT a community engagement process at the "consult level" is undertaken for Draft Policy No. 085 - Compliance and Enforcement and the Draft Enforcement Guidelines as contained at **Attachments B and C** to Report Number 18CL0055 CB:kl entitled Review of Policy 085 – Compliance and Enforcement and a further report be presented to Council following the consultation period.

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9.2 OFFICERS REPORTS (RECEIVE & NOTE)

Nil

10. INFORMATION ITEMS

10.1 Draft Notes Youth Advisory Committee 7 June 2018 Document No. 3821183 (18/06/2018)

(Young/Arthur)

COMMITTEE'S DECISION

THAT the Committee resolve under delegated authority:-

THAT the Draft Notes of the Youth Advisory Committee meeting held on the 7 June 2018, **Attachment A**, Document Number 3821183, be received and noted.

DECISION NO.22\0852 (18/06/18)

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11. QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS

(Arthur/Young)

THAT the following Questions by Members be received and noted.

DECISION NO.22\0853 (18/06/18)

Carried

11.1 Darwin Velodrome Upgrade Common No. 3091378

Member G Haslett queried the Darwin Velodrome upgrade.

The Acting General Manager City Life provided an update on the Darwin Velodrome Upgrade scope of works and that key stakeholders have been advised of Council's decision which was moved into open at the 1st Ordinary meeting held on the 12 June 2018.

11.2 Lowrie Court Malak

Common No. 3823849

Member A Arthur queried Lowrie Court Malak vehicle access through the park.

The Deputy Chief Executive Officer responded and advised that this matter will be taken on notice. The Acting Manager Regulatory Services advised that Rangers are investigating this matter.

12. GENERAL BUSINESS

Nil

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13. CLOSURE OF MEETING

Common No. 2695131

(Young/Arthur)

The meeting closed at 6.11 pm.

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Confirmed On:

Monday, xx xxxx xxxx

Chair:

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