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DARWIN CITY COUNCIL

COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE

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Committee's Responsibilities

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| * Animal Management | * Inspectorial Services |
| * Arts and Culture | * Parking Control |
| * Community Relations | * Public Libraries |
| * Human Services | * Recreation |
| * Community Use of Halls, Ovals,
Playing Fields, Public Pools
and other Council Facilities | * Social Planning and Advocacy |
| * Sister Cities Management Community Committee's | |

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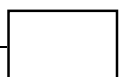


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Community Services Committee Meeting - Wednesday, 15 April, 2009

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Nil



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Community Services Committee Meeting - Wednesday, 15 April, 2009**5 WITHDRAWAL OF ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION****COMMITTEE'S DECISION**

THAT the Committee resolve under delegated authority that all Information Items and Officers Reports to the Community Services Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, 15 April, 2009, be received and all recommendations contained therein be adopted by general consent with the exception of Item Number

DECISION NO.20\() (15/04/09)

6 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES PERTAINING TO THE PREVIOUS COMMUNITY SERVICES MEETING**COMMITTEE'S DECISION**

THAT the Committee resolve that the minutes of the previous Community Services Committee Meeting held on Monday, 16 March, 2008, tabled by the Chairman, be received and confirmed as a true and correct record of the proceedings of that meeting.

DECISION NO.20\() (15/04/09)

7 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES PERTAINING TO THE PREVIOUS COMMUNITY SERVICES MEETING

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Community Services Committee Meeting - Wednesday, 15 April, 2009**8 INFORMATION ITEMS****8.1 Australian Early Development**
Common No. 1542106**COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION**

THAT it be a recommendation to Council:-

THAT the incoming correspondence from Early Childhood Services advising Council of the Australian Early Development Index In Darwin Document Number 1542106, be received and noted.



-----Original Message-----

From: Harley, Sam [<mailto:Sam.Harley@nt.gov.au>]

Sent: Tuesday, 17 March 2009 11:41 AM

To: John Banks; Katie Hearn

Subject: Australian Early Development Index in Darwin

Hi John and Katie

I am the NT Coordinator for the Australian Early Development Index (AEDI). I am responsible for the 2009 implementation of the index for all school sectors and for the NT in general. I would like to try to arrange a convenient time to brief you, and any other relevant stakeholders about the AEDI roll out in the Territory from May.

Simply put, the Index is a developmental survey carried out by teachers (in May 2009) on each transition student in their school. The surveys are sent to a central location (Royal Children's Hospital) where the data is analysed and the findings used to 'paint a picture' of the early childhood development strengths and vulnerabilities in each community and on each of the developmental areas:

- * physical health and well-being
- * social competence
- * emotional maturity
- * language and cognitive skills
- * communication skills and general knowledge

The AEDI has been further enhanced to take into account Indigenous children's culturally related ways of learning and behaving that will be helpful in creating successful learning environments for them at school. The AEDI is "mapped" to WHERE THE CHILDREN LIVE", not where they go to school.

Australia is the first country in the world to implement a national roll out of the EDI. The AEDI is a COAG agreement, and the Australian Government is providing \$16 million to implement the Index across the country in 2009. The survey will be repeated every 3 years.

There have been over 60 pilot communities participate around Australia from 2004-2008 in preparation for 2009 roll out, with many benefits to Councils from the gathering of information on the whole community including:

- * The AEDI provides communities with the opportunity to strengthen collaborations between schools, early childhood services, and local agencies to support children and families.
- * Along with a range of other community indicators, the AEDI can be used by policy makers to plan and evaluate place-based initiatives for children.

- * Communities can use the AEDI to develop and evaluate their efforts to improve children's outcomes

On the AEDI site you can see Council participation around Australia and find information on how Councils have utilised and benefited from the data.

For more information about the AEDI please go to the AEDI website at http://www.rch.org.au/australianedi/edi.cfm?doc_id=6211 or refer to the attached documents:

- * An AEDI General Fact Sheet
- * An AEDI Briefing Paper

I would like to make a time to provide you with a briefing and extend that offer to any relevant Council Officers (including the Mayor) to raise awareness of the upcoming Australian Early Development Index community data and outline some of the benefits of the findings of the Index to Council and the delivery of Council services and programs. I expect that the Deputy Prime Minister will launch the AEDI within the next 2 weeks, and the NT Chief Minister will also be briefed.

Many thanks

Regards
Sam

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Australian Early Development Index (AEDI)

Fact Sheet



Australian Early Development Index

Background

Research shows that investing resources and energy into children's early years, when their brains are developing rapidly, will bring life-long benefits to them and to the whole community. The Australian Early Development Index (AEDI) is a measure of how young children are developing in different communities. This information enables communities and governments to pinpoint the types of services, resources and supports young children and their families need to give children the best possible start in life.



Perth.

The AEDI is conducted by the Centre for Community Child Health (at The Royal Children's Hospital Melbourne and a key research centre at the Murdoch Children's Research Institute), in partnership with the Telethon Institute for Child Health Research,

To date, the AEDI has been undertaken across 62 Australian communities from seven states and territories (with the exception of the Northern Territory). From 2004-2008, AEDI Checklists have been completed on over 56,000 children in their first year of full time school by more than 3,000 teachers from both government and non-government schools.

National implementation

In recognition of the need for all communities to have early childhood development information, and the national and international work completed to date, the Federal Government has provided \$15.9 million for the national implementation of the AEDI. The AEDI will be completed across all Australian schools in 2009. This means every community across Australia will have a comprehensive picture of the early childhood development outcomes for children in their community.

Every child
deserves the
best start
in life

What is the AEDI?

The AEDI is based on the Canadian Early Development Instrument (EDI) and is a population measure of young children's development from a teacher-completed checklist and measures five developmental domains:

- Physical health and wellbeing
- Social competence
- Emotional maturity
- Language and cognitive skills
- Communication and general knowledge

A population measure places the focus on all children in the community. Therefore the AEDI examines early childhood development across the whole community.

It is now known that moving the focus of effort from the individual child to all children in the community can make a bigger difference in supporting efforts to create optimal early childhood development.

The AEDI can be used by communities, schools and policy makers in conjunction with other resources (such as state and national statistics) to plan and evaluate efforts to create optimal early childhood development outcomes.

Both nature and
nurture influence
our children's
development



The AEDI is a
national progress
measure of
early childhood
development

What are the benefits of the AEDI for communities?

The AEDI delivers essential information about early childhood development and provides insights into how children's community and social environments affects their outcomes. For communities the primary aim of the AEDI is to provide data to help them in the development and reorientation of services, supports, systems and infrastructure, thereby enabling communities to improve the health and wellbeing of young children.

The AEDI results helps communities in a number of ways. These include:

- Providing a snapshot about how children in their area are faring in each of the developmental domains of the AEDI.
- Utilising the implementation process of the AEDI to assist in the development and strengthening of relationships between key agencies and stakeholders in the community.
- Facilitating community mobilisation and the development of forward planning and action, based on the results of the AEDI.
- Enabling communities to monitor progress on early childhood development outcomes.

The AEDI pinpoints strengths in communities as well as what can be improved

Being part of the AEDI program provides communities with the opportunity to strengthen collaborations between schools, early childhood services, and local agencies. Along with a range of other community indicators and information, communities can use the AEDI results to plan and evaluate place based initiatives for children so that all children get

the best possible start in life.

Strong communities are good for children

How can schools use the AEDI?

Supporting children in the years before school greatly increases their chances of successful transitions and better learning outcomes whilst at school. The AEDI can help schools to:

- Initiate conversations and partnerships with community early childhood services and local agencies to explore new ways of working together to ensure children get the best possible start.
- Reflect on the development of children in the community as they enter school and to consider and plan for optimal school transition through into the early primary years.
- Reflect on all aspects of children's development, including social and emotional development, in the first year of school.
- Look at the needs of students before entering school and help with planning for the needs of children once at school.



For success at school and life, children need optimal early childhood development

For more information please visit www.aedi.org.au

BRIEFING PAPER

National Rollout of the Australian Early Development Index

The Australian Early Development Index (AEDI) is now emerging as a key measure of early childhood development in Australia. In recognition of the national and international work undertaken to date, the Rudd Government has committed to the national rollout of the AEDI over the next three years. The Australian Early Development Index (AEDI) is a community measure of children's development as they enter school. Based on the scores from a teacher-completed checklist, the AEDI measures five areas of early childhood development:

- Physical health and wellbeing
- Social competence
- Emotional maturity
- Language and cognitive skills, and
- Communication skills and general knowledge

Background

Between 2004 and 2007, 60 geographic areas across all Australian states and territories, with the exception of the Northern Territory, have been involved in the AEDI. The AEDI has been completed on 37,420 children in the first year of full time school by 2,157 teachers from 1,012 schools (both government and non-government). Teachers complete the AEDI checklist on the secure web based data entry system and no identifying information is recorded about the child or teacher. The key outcomes from the first four years of AEDI implementation were:

- Overall nearly a quarter of children surveyed were developmentally vulnerable on one or more developmental areas of the AEDI, however the majority of children were performing well on one or more areas
- Confirmation that the AEDI is a reliable and valid measure of early childhood development for Australia through the AEDI Validity Study
- Agreement by the Council of Australian Governments(COAG) that the AEDI be used as a national progress measure for early childhood development
- Strong support for the AEDI instrument and data collection from state and territory educational authorities and regional/district education offices facilitated the successful AEDI implementation
- Teachers reported completing the AEDI was of benefit to them and a good use of their time
- Schools have used the data for planning, promoting optimal transitions to school and developing partnerships with key community agencies
- The AEDI helped communities raise awareness of the importance of early childhood development, assisted them to work more collaboratively and provided them with information which assisted in developing strategic plans and initiatives to improve outcomes for children

National roll out considerations

A census approach to measuring early childhood development in Australia

The benefits of completing the AEDI on all children in Australia in the first full time year of school and over one year (2009) are:

- It captures the entire cohort of children in Australia at one time point and enables comparisons on early childhood development to be made consistently
- It provides the most robust baseline for measuring early childhood development over time and greater sensitivity for analyses (e.g. enabling the detection of small changes across specific sub-populations that are often of interest such as Indigenous and CALD).
- It enables opportunities for measuring progress over time by state and smaller geographical regions of interest such as suburb, post code, local government area, local health service boundaries and education districts and avoids any potential for disproportionate policy and funding implementation which might bias results.

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Engagement of State and Territory Governments

In order for the national implementation to be successful in 2009, state and territory governments will need to play a central role including:

- Providing high level cross portfolio ministerial support of the AEDI
- Assisting the facilitation of the national rollout by appointing a State and Territory AEDI Coordinator whose role will be to engage and support schools, communities and other stakeholders in the implementation and use of the AEDI

Community and school involvement

Community involvement and ownership of the AEDI process and results is a key component of the national AEDI implementation. State and Territory AEDI Coordinators, with the assistance of the AEDI National Support Centre, will engage and support local communities throughout the AEDI implementation process and assist them to understand and use the results.

The community level AEDI results can be used as a snapshot of children's development as well as a measure of progress over time when the AEDI is repeated. The AEDI School Reports enable schools to consider the development of children on school entry and how schools might be able to support optimal transitions to school and also programs and supports for children once at school. Completing the AEDI and the AEDI Student Reports helps teachers to systematically reflect on the development of children entering school.

Funding

The Australian Government Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations (DEEWR) will fund the national rollout of the AEDI including all funding for the teacher backfill (\$16.9 million). Support for the national rollout will be sought from each state and territory government to fund a State/Territory AEDI Coordinator in each jurisdiction.

Role of the AEDI National Support Centre

The AEDI National Support Centre and the AEDI partnership between the Centre for Community Child Health and the Telethon Institute for Child Health Research will fully support the rollout of the AEDI including:

- Coordinating activity across Australia
- Supporting State and Territory AEDI Coordinators, state and national advisory groups, local communities and schools
- Processing, analysing and mapping the AEDI data
- Continuing the development of the AEDI by:
 - Developing change over time analysis methodologies (by the repeating of the AEDI in the 2004/2007 communities)
 - Conducting the Indigenous(I-AEDI) and Cultural and Linguistically Diverse (CALD) AEDI Validity Studies
- Developing and disseminating a wide range of community tools and resources and evidence based approaches to responding to the AEDI results

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Community Services Committee Meeting - Wednesday, 15 April, 2009**8 INFORMATION ITEMS****8.2 Grant Application for Darwin Youth Precinct under Proceeds of Crime Act 2002 POCA**

Common No. 1428185

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT it be a recommendation to Council:-

- A. THAT the Grant Application for Darwin Youth Precinct under Proceeds of Crime Act 2002 POCA, document number 1544418, be received and noted.
- B. THAT Council endorse the 2009 grant application to the Attorney General's Department under the Proceeds of Crime Act (2002) for the purpose of funding the progression of detailed design plans for the proposed development of a Youth Energy Place (youth centre).





Australian Government
Attorney-General's Department

PROCEEDS OF CRIME ACT 2002 (POCA)

GRANT APPLICATION
February 2009

Applicants to note:

- **Applications close at 5.00 pm on 20 March 2009**
- **Applications not postmarked on or before the closing date will not be accepted**

Application for Funding

Office use only

Application ID No.

Note: Do NOT alter the sequence of the information requested or delete any section

Answer in space provided on the application form and not as attachments

Please be of the Information Privacy Principles contained in the Federal Privacy Act 1988. Personal information about program or service participants should NOT be included without their explicit and informed written consent.

Name of your organisation

Darwin City Council

Name of project

Youth Precinct Development

Location(s) in which the project
will take place

Suburb(s) Municipality of Darwin

Site to be determined through the consultative process.

City/Town/LGA Darwin municipality

State/Territory NT

Postcode(s) 0800

Brief description of project (not more than 50 words) -

(This may be used for publication purposes.)

This project entails the design and construction of a safe, appealing Precinct for young people to participate in a range of leisure and arts activities and employment, training, mentoring and other life-skill development services. Young people will inform all aspects of the Precinct's development and participate in its activities and services via a strength-based approach aimed at reducing the incidence of crime, graffiti and unproductive behaviours.

Total POCA funding requested

\$ 500,000

Program funding is limited to \$500,000 (do not include GST)

Length of project

Years

Months

Note: Maximum time period is 3 years

PART 1 Applicant details

1.1 What is your organisation's primary purpose? Also briefly describe your main activities. (150 words maximum) Include website URL if available.

The Darwin City Council has a central focus in facilitating and providing community facilities and services for the municipality of Darwin. Operating at a grass roots level in a capital city, Council has diverse functions including facilitator, funder, supporter, coordinator, service provider and also provides an avenue for active participation in community life.

Community Development is a strong Council focus, responding to community need, researching social issues, facilitating the development of new community initiatives, developing and coordinating the implementation of Council adopted strategies and importantly capacity building among special population groups. The Community Development Team responds in the following areas:

- | | |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| - Community Development | - Community Safety |
| - Youth Services | - Children's Services |
| - Seniors Services (new initiative) | - Recreation |
| - Arts/Culture | - Disability Services |
| - Community Grants | - Sister Cities (fostering harmony) |

Established advisory and community committees support Council through the provision of advice on issues impacting the community including the Youth Advisory Group, Disability Advisory Committee, Arts & Cultural Development Committee and the Community Safety and Security Advisory Committee. The principles guiding Council's work are: Service, Responsiveness, Involvement, Responsibility and Equity. <http://www.darwin.nt.gov.au/residents.html>

1.2 Are you a not-for-profit organisation?

No ☒ Yes ☐

1.3 ABN

11 503 313 301

1.4 Legal status

Statutory Authority per the Local Government Act 2008

Please attach a copy of your certificate of incorporation and relevant and current insurance policies.

1.5 Your organisation's address

Street address Harry Chan Ave
Darwin

State/Territory

NT

Postcode

0800

Postal address

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State/Territory

Darwin

Postcode

0801

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1.6 Your organisation's contact person for this project

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Position

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PART 2 Proposed project

2.1 Description of project

The project description should provide detailed information about the project activity. It should include:

- the **main goal, purpose or issue** to be addressed by the project
- what you expect to accomplish
- a description of the **project model**, its content, activities and method of delivery
- **specific client or population group**, including numbers of people/communities to be involved in the project and how this group will be recruited to the project, and
- a description of the expected **outputs, outcomes and products** (if applicable)

If you are seeking funding for an existing project, please explain why funding cannot continue under its present source.

Please limit your response to 350 words

Young people face challenges, barriers and disadvantages as they transition into early adulthood. Council recognises that as a city preparing for its future, investment is needed both socially and economically in our youth population. The issues surrounding Darwin's young people include mobile family networks and familial support mechanisms, ad hoc participation in formal education and training systems, high levels of unemployment, high rates of sexually transmitted infections, drug and alcohol misuse and highly publicised incidents of varying levels of youth crime and death.

The project objective is to partner with the youth community and service providers to enhance youth participation in community life by providing equity of access to opportunities and facilities. We seek to establish a venue for safe, positive and genuinely appealing activities that enable young people to come together to recreate, participate, learn, innovate and develop.

The Youth Precinct will provide an inclusive venue for all young people within the municipality by facilitating

- Life skills development (e.g. a commercial kitchen to learn cooking skills, learn basic budgeting etc);
- Vocational programs to assist in gaining employment and training;
- Social events and activities;
- Music and arts programs with access to relevant equipment and mentoring;
- IT equipment and facilities including a wireless hub;
- Mobile services that visit on a regular basis (by not having 'permanent services' situated in the centre will ensure that the area does not become 'stigmatised' in keeping with our youth advice); and
- Resources and amenities for youth who may be at risk of marginalisation.

The project will respond to school excluded young people through the provision of a diverse range of programs whilst empowering young people to be involved in decision making processes affecting their lives.

An external consultant has been engaged to prepare a feasibility study for the Youth Precinct. The process includes four key stages:

- Research – e.g. demographic data and youth studies.
- Consultation and Benchmarking – Reviews of other facility provisions
- Information Analysis – Interactive consultation facilitated by young people eg, sms, Facebook, Youth Consultation Team, MySpace, Beho etc.

• Report Preparation

- o Multiple youth facilitated consultations
- o Youth Advisory Group workshop
- o Youth Precinct visioning workshop
- o Precinct element focus groups
- o Potential user group workshop
- o Stakeholders meetings

Upon completion of the feasibility study, Council shall engage consultants to develop the Detailed Design Plan, again in partnership with the youth community.

The building and/or land then must be procured / built.

By working in partnership with the Northern Territory Government this may occur through the 'gifting' of land. Alternatively, Darwin City Council currently owns a parcel of land which may either be used for this project (dependant upon the location characteristics identified through the Feasibility Study) or it may sold to fund this project (refer previous Council decisions, **Attachment A**).

2.2 Demonstrated need for the project

Please identify how this project meets community need. Where possible, use research or statistics, demographics and indicators of need.

On a frequent basis research, studies and reports are undertaken to identify values and issues of concern and interest to the youth community. Key themes emerge which continue to confirm that young people seek a place of their own to 'hang out', a place where low cost or free services and leisure activities are available, a place that *feels safe and is safe* where other young people are, a place where discrete support and information is available and a place that can be easily accessed.

Compared to all other States and Territories, the Northern Territory has the greatest proportion of youth. 24.5% of our population are aged 0-14 years, compared to the Australian average of 19.6% and the Territory has 39.9% of its population aged 0-24 years compared to the Australian average of 33.5% (source ABS 2007).

Per the Australian Research Alliance for Children and Youth (ARACY) report card on the Wellbeing of Young Australians, we know that of all students aged 15 years, 9% feel awkward and out of place at school. This increases to 17% of Indigenous students (compared to best practice of 5%).

Teenage pregnancy rates for Indigenous young Australians are the highest of all OECD countries. Youth Advisory Group comment indicates that many young people find it difficult to access information and often lack knowledge of supports that might be available.

Australia has 8% of males and 2% of females under Juvenile Justice supervision orders which jumps to 63% of males and 17.5% of females when looking specifically at our Indigenous youth.

27.8% of the Northern Territory population is Indigenous compared to the Australian average of 2.3%. Specifically, the ABS 2006 census of population and housing for the Darwin municipality stated for youth aged between 15 and 19 years old, out of 4,549 youth, approximately;

- 16% were Indigenous
- 74% were non-Indigenous
- 10% did not state status
- 55% were unemployed

Therefore the statistics described previously are further compounded within our municipality.

In addition to Indigenous youth, Darwin has also experienced an increase in refugee families migrating to Darwin, therefore creating new marginalised groups of youth. Creative and appealing mechanisms must be established in order to foster community connection points for these vulnerable groups.

A national survey of young Australians aged 11 to 24 years old conducted by Mission Australia in 2008 found that the top 4 concerns for NT respondents were drugs (26.5%), family conflict (26.1%), physical/sexual abuse (24.6%) and personal safety (23.1%).

The Darwin City Council conducted a survey of 1103 youth (young people surveyed their peers) aged between 12 and 25 years old in Darwin in 2007/2008, approximately 67% of females surveyed were concerned about feeling comfortable and safe in community spaces, particularly around shops and shopping centres, bus depots and bus stops – of all which are popular spots to 'hang out' in the absence of a dedicated youth space.

Overall, respondents perceived that the most common concerns for young people were:

- Gangs and personal safety
- Drugs, alcohol and smoking
- Health including sexual health
- Boredom and a lack of things to do that were easily accessed

The survey discovered that the top three issues affecting the youth in Darwin's municipality were drug abuse, drinking/alcohol and perceptions of gangs.

Council received approximately 1,338 reports from 1 July 2008 to 31 January 2009 of graffiti, with 1,077 of those involving Council's community assets. Monthly reports have indicated that there was a steady increase in the overall total of graffiti reports until January 2009 where there has been a slight decrease in reports. Council has in place a substantial rapid removal program in partnership with the NT Police and has had the large task of completing removal of reports on all Council assets. Council also removed graffiti from a number of non-council assets due to the offensive, obscene or racist nature of the graffiti. The trends also indicated a significantly higher incident of reports to Council assets as opposed to non-council assets with certain areas continually targeted.

Council has partnered with a range of community groups and services in order to share the burden of crime prevention at a local level. Examples include a major partnership with the NT Police for the Wipe Out Graffiti Management program, in-kind support for the Neighbourhood Watch Community Patrols, a Young Women's Sexual Health and Wellbeing program delivered by Mission Australia for young women who do not attend school or are at risk of being school excluded, a number of public art programs that have created community murals and the adoption of CPTED (Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design) principals in all new design and construct initiatives.

The purpose of this dedicated Youth Precinct is to provide a safe, appealing and positive environment for our young people and to redirect the negative trends these statistics highlight.

Refer to Attachment B for a recent newspaper articles.

2.3 Please detail the anticipated impact this project will have.

Specifically refer to how the project will address the demonstrated need that you identified in Part 2.2.

The Darwin City Council has engaged an external consultant to prepare a Darwin Youth Centre Development Feasibility Study and to prepare a preliminary concept design of a multi-functional youth precinct at an estimated cost of \$80,000.

Founded in partnerships, the precinct will support activities including life skill development, recreation, leisure, outdoor activities, music, arts, information technology, visiting service provision and entertainment and meeting space. Such a facility will provide a safe, drug and alcohol free space where young people can be supported to deliver entertainment and leisure options that are created by young people for young people. Examples of this highly effective youth empowerment /development model already adopted by Council can be found in Attachment C (See GRIND youth newspaper identified as Best Practice in Local Government – National Youth Affairs Research Scheme, Pop Art Workshops, X Day, The Big Gig, Meet the Makers DVD etc)

The Centre will provide facilities for a number of 'visiting services'. The reason for not having permanent services operating out of this venue is to ensure that the facility does not become stigmatised thus rendering it inaccessible. Local young people's advice via Council's Youth Advisory Group indicates that whilst a multitude of services exist, young people are apprehensive about accessing help for issues such as mental health services, drug and alcohol, sexual health and wellbeing and personal vulnerability issues. Discretion, a right to privacy and confidentiality impresses as a paramount concern for young people trying to navigate these issues.

To ensure young people are fully engaged in the consultation and project development process, maximum opportunities for honest feedback have been created using interactive mediums young people have identified as suitable. Feedback tools include; project email address independent of Council, Face Book, Bebo and MySpace groups, toll free mobile number for calls and texts, and reply-paid speak up cards. Local young people have also been employed to help the consultant firm gather youth opinion and these young people will lead and facilitate all visioning and consultation workshops.

The adoption of creative and youth appealing communication tools maximises youth participation to ensure the project is fully owned by our youth community whilst addressing their unmet and expressed needs. It is important to note that despite the project being in the planning stages, an inclusive participation model is employed to ensure diverse representation prevent feelings of isolation and reducing antisocial behaviour by providing a positive mechanism for involvement.

The development of the Youth Precinct is anticipated to impact significantly on the community both economically and by maximizing opportunities for and with young people to enable their active participation in all aspects of community life including:

- Providing a safe and inclusive environment for young people
- Assisting in positive social development of young people
- Encourage positive health and well being – encourage healthy life style choices
- Access to facilities, life education and information and resources that facilitate safe and positive choices
- Providing avenues for grass roots community participation
- A diverse range of service providers, Council, community based organisations and groups and young people working together towards the development and delivery of programs and youth initiatives.

The project process is and will continue to foster a high level of youth involvement during its development, construct and operational stages. This approach will see young people from all walks of life encouraged to participate in community life. It is well evidenced that disenfranchised young people are frequently those that have limited connections with community thus increasing their vulnerability.

The very visible impact of all levels of Government partnering in this initiative is the communication of a clear and positive message to the youth population and the broader community alike; that is, that young people are worthy of investment, that elected decision makers listen and respond to the needs of the youth and families, and that young people's views and contributions in community life are important and effective.

2.4 How does this project reflect current research, good practice models and government strategic plan?

The first progress report on the implementation of the Northern Territory Government's 'Closing the Gap' initiative was released on 24 February 2009. The report highlighted key issues of concern for Territorians including:

- Personal safety and safety in the community,
- The critical need to implement youth development programs and develop local solutions to crime and family violence,
- Long term commitment is needed to address the underlying social and environmental factors contributing to child sex abuse.

The initiative highlights that increased certainty in personal and community safety can be obtained through a solid child protection system, youth development and juvenile diversion programs, effective alcohol and drug management, adequate policing and the engagement of the community in developing local solutions to crime and family violence.

The Australian Institute of Health and Welfare released a report in 2008* which emphasized the priority to reduce alcohol and substance abuse and its impact on families, safety and the wellbeing of the community. The report highlighted studies showing that just under 300,000 Australian teenagers have experienced or felt their safety is under threat as a result of others consuming alcohol*. The provision of a venue that can respond to young people's need to recreate and develop new skills in a supported environment (that is supported and is drug and alcohol and free) provides an avenue for safe and accessible community participation. It is well evidenced that community participation enhances positive youth development and assists young people in reaching their full potential as capable and active citizens in later life.

The Darwin City Council undertook an extensive process of consultation, research, Council workshops and community surveying to develop a youth strategy 'Loud & Clear 2009 – 2014'. Over 1200 young people were surveyed by young people. Throughout the process a number of key concerns were identified, particularly the need for a place to go for the youth community, and the importance of a safe and secure place for Darwin's young people to socialize at whilst learning new skills. Part of this need can be achieved by developing avenues for young people to learn and sample new experiences that will encourage positive life style choices.

Council's work with young people, employing a youth empowerment and strength based model has been recognised as best practice on several occasions. Highlighted in the National Youth Affairs Research Scheme for Best Practice in Local Government, showcased during a Stateline (ABC TV) documentary, for an award in LGANT Best Practice in Local Government for GRIND youth newspaper and during a YACVIC Youth In The Spotlight (Youth & The Media conference) in Melbourne in 2003 (refer Attachment D).

The City of Cockburn in Western Australia operates all youth services from the new Cockburn Youth Centre which opened September 2008. The centre provides a local point for services targeted at youth, provides activities at a small fee and offers a membership to the centre. This centre will be further examined when developing the final model for the administration and operation of the Darwin Youth Centre in partnership with our youth community.

The Northern Territory Government (NTG) is currently in the process of developing their 'Territory 2030' Strategic Plan. The key themes of this plan will include 'Closing the Gap on Indigenous Disadvantage' (refer to the opening paragraph in this section), infrastructure requirements (what major infrastructure, such as this Centre, do the NTG need to plan for over the next few years), health and well being and workforce development.

* Australian Institute of Health and Welfare 2008 *Making progress: the health, development and wellbeing of Australia's children and young people*. Cat. No. PHE 104. Canberra: AIHW

2.5 Is your project working with Indigenous issues or communities? No ☐ Yes ☒ Indigenous communities are the primary focus ☐
OR
There will be some Indigenous involvement: ☒

2.6 Has a conflict of interest been identified? No ☒ Yes ☐ Please attach a supporting statement as to why a conflict of interest should not impact on the organisation's application for funding ☐

2.7 Which of the POCA priority areas does your project address? Indicate one or more of the following:

☐ INDIGENOUS PRISONER THROUGH CARE

☒ CRIME PREVENTION (if Crime prevention please specify what type/s below)

☐ Diversion or prevention projects

☒ Early intervention projects with families, children and schools (particularly youth that are excluded from a school environment – high levels of truancy)

☒ Environmental crime (reduction of graffiti)

☒ Youth crime

☐ Property crime such as robbery, domestic burglary and motor vehicle theft

☐ Fraud and scams

☐ Crime prevention for seniors (personal and financial security)

☒ Fear of crime (perception of crime)

☒ Family and Domestic Violence (young people surveyed in the formulation of Council's Youth Strategy, Loud & Clear identify family violence as a personal concern)

☒ Anti-social behaviour

☐ Security related infrastructure

PART 3 Project objectives and work plan

3.1 Project objectives – What are the project's objectives?

(these objectives should be consistent with the project description in section 2 and the aims listed in section 2.1 of this application. You can have more or less than 4 objectives.)

Objective 1: Completion of Feasibility Study, including cost estimates

Funded by Darwin City Council

Objective 2: Completion of Detailed Design Building Plans

Resourced through this grant funding

Objective 3: Completion of Youth Centre building and Service

To be funded by Darwin City Council and other project partners yet to be determined

Objective 4: Positive engagement of Young People

Reduction in frequency of youth related crime including graffiti, improved community perceptions of young people in community space, visible delivery of young people participating positively in community activities

Overall objective of building the Youth Centre

Please add more objectives if required.

3.2 Project work plan

Note: Copy the table below if you have more than 4 objectives. Use a separate page for each objective. These objectives should be the same as those listed in the previous section (3.1).

Objective 1 - Completion of Feasibility Study, including cost estimates

Activity	Performance measures How will you measure the success of each of your activities?	Outcomes What are the expected outcomes that will result from the activities you undertake?
Background Research • Commenced September 2009 • To be completed by 27 th April 2010	An outline developed which will enable progression to progress to next activities.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Previous and relevant studies reviewed. • Demographic profile developed. • Preliminary site investigation • Trend analysis of operation of youth services/facilities completed
Consultation & Brand marketing • Commenced 27 th March 2010 • Completed 18 th May 2010	Total number of stakeholders engaged Total number of feedback received Validating statement completed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Key stakeholders engaged. • Youth awareness campaign has raised project profile. • A range of 'interactive feedback tools' as comparable platforms for youth established. • A youth-based consultation team employed & tested. • Youth Advisory Group workshop held. • Youth precinct visioning workshop completed. • Focus Group sessions completed. • Key stakeholder meetings held. • Youth/community input and consultation analysed to determine programming options. • Review of other facility provisions within the agreed catchment completed. • Design brief completed. • Analysis of concept plan completed. • Draft concept plans tested. • Financial projections completed. • Study finalised • Report presented to Darwin City Council and endorsed by Elected Members
Information Analysis • Commenced 24 th April 2010 • Completed 20 th July 2010	Appropriate recommendations developed (within the defined parameters) Financial projections completed which will allow us to review early the next stages.	
Report Preparation • Commenced 20 th July 2010 • Completed by 31 st Aug 2010	Report completed and endorsed by Darwin City Council	

Activity	Performance measure How will you measure the success of each of your activities?	Outcomes What are the expected outcomes that will result from the activities you undertake?
Detail the activities you intend to undertake to realise your objective and the timeframe in which activities will commence and complete. Undertake tender process to engage consultants Commence Sept 2009 Completed end Dec 2009	Preferred consultant determined	Prior to awarding a contract the consultant would prove they carry all necessary qualifications, OHS policies and practices plus insurance (workers compensation, public liability, indemnity etc)
Consultant engaged Commence Jan 2010 Completed Feb 2010	Consultant engaged	Consultant engaged
Detailed Design Plan Commence Feb 2010 Completed 30 June 2010	Report completed and endorsed by Darwin City Council	Detailed Design Plan completed including:- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identified site • Construction costs • Design plans • Quantity surveyor & • Engineering reports Ongoing maintenance and operational costs identified

Not funded via this application
Objective 3 – Completion of Youth Centre Building and Service

Activity Detail the activities you intend to undertake to realise your objective and the timeframe in which activities will commence and completion	Performance measures How will you measure the success of each of your activities?	Outcomes What are the expected outcomes that will result from the activities you undertake?
Further stakeholder engagement	Note, all aspects of the project will be informed by community and particularly youth community consultation as this process is identified as a key pillar and a critical tool in fostering youth ownership of the initiative.	Public consultation completed
Funds sourced	100% of required funding sourced	Funds sourced from other levels of Government and agencies to complete the project (in conjunction with our own funds)
Permits and building approvals		I used those completed including all searches etc All appropriate permits, licences and approvals in place
Construction		A 'safe' building completed which adheres to Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design principles (ie natural surveillance, good connection to public transport)
Fit out of Centre		All fittings and hardware (i.e. information technology, kitchens, amenities) in place
Service providers and Centre staff	Attendance rates Range of programs and activities offered	Based on model resourced as part of Objective 1 – visiting services providers contracted and Centre staff employed A safe space for young people to 'hang out' and recreate.

Not funded via this application

Objective A: Positive Engagement of Young People (Reduction in frequency of youth related crime including graffiti, improved community perceptions of young people in community spaces, visible delivery of young people participating in positively in community activities)

Activity	Performance measures	Outcomes
<p>Explain the objectives you intend to undertake to achieve your objective and the influence in which activities will contribute and complete.</p>	<p>How will you measure the success of each of your activities?</p> <p>Exact targets to be determined in</p>	<p>What are the expected outcomes that will result from the activities you undertake?</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Engage with potential service users and service providers to create existing visiting service model 	<p>Number and diversity of services provided.</p> <p>Number of services accessed by young people including access to informational resources.</p>	<p>Improved youth and community support services access for young people improving lifestyle choices</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop facility management model that maximises youth participation including operational requirements in partnership with young people eg. drug and alcohol free zones etc 	<p>Number and range of programs and activities on offer to young people as requested by service users</p> <p>Number of operational decisions endorsed by management structure (to be developed as the project progresses)</p>	<p>Young people engaged in caring for and assisting with managing their facility and environs.</p> <p>Reduction in graffiti vandalism in public spaces.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop program of activities for various operation Implement positive media campaign promote facility 	<p>Number of events and activities provided by young people for young people</p> <p>Quarterly measures of graffiti incidents (expected to reduce by 20-25%)</p> <p>Number of positive media reports concerning young people</p>	<p>Positive engagement of young people in meaningful activities including youth employment</p> <p>Improved public perception of the status of young people in the community</p>

3.4 Staffing to meet agreed work plan

Include the contingency plans you have to ensure staffing will be maintained during the term of the grant.

Strategic Leisure has been engaged as an external consultant to undertake a Feasibility Study and to prepare the preliminary concept design for the youth facility.

Internal Project Team established to work through all phases of this project – refer Item 7.4. Note key stakeholders such as Office of Youth Affairs, Chief Minister's Department etc are invited to participate on the project team as required.

A further consultant/architect will be engaged to develop the Detailed Design Plans.

A number of key stakeholders have already been engaged:-

- Darwin City Council Lord Mayor
- Northern Territory Chief Minister & Minister For Youth
- Office of Youth Affairs
- Chief Ministers Youth Round Table
- Youth Advisory Group & GRIND youth newspaper team
- Several community agencies have also indicated advisory support and partnership interest in the project (see support documentation, item 6.2)

Preliminary discussions underway with the Dept of Families, Housing, Community Services & Indigenous Affairs (FaCSIA) to investigate potential partnership opportunities. Meetings have also occurred with the Senior Advisors for the Minister for Youth (NTG).

For the past two decades Darwin City Council has auspiced the Northern Territory Youth Affairs Network (NTYAN) and The Darwin and Rural Workers with Youth Network (D.A.R.W.W.Y.N) which acts as the peak body for youth affairs, youth information clearing house and youth advocacy for the Territory. This network is now located in the community sector and representation will be invited from the network as the project progresses.

3.5 Subcontractors

Does your project require you to subcontract any activities?

Note: this section must be completed for throughcare programs involving the provision of services by providers other than the applicant

No ☐

Yes ☒

► Provide the names of the contractors or subcontractors and the services they will be delivering/providing. If you do not know the names of the contractors at this stage, indicate an intention to use such services. You will need to provide this detail at a later stage (if your application is successful).

Contractor or subcontractor	Services to be provided
To be awarded via tender process	Completion of the Detailed Design Plan

3.6 Assets

Will you need to acquire any assets in order to undertake any activities?

No ☐

Yes ☒

► Provide a list of assets you need to acquire, a description and estimate of the cost. If you do not know details at this stage, indicate an intention to purchase or lease assets. You will need to provide this detail at a later stage (if your application is successful).

Assets	Description of Asset
Land	Parcel of land to be determined. DCC currently owns a parcel of land or alternatively NTG may gift a parcel of land. The preferred site will be identified through the consultation process.

Building	If a suitable building cannot be found, a purpose built youth space will be constructed
Other assets	e.g. IT equipment, musical instruments, commercial kitchen facilities, basic gig gear including shade, PA, portable stage and inflatable sound shell

3.7 *Intellectual Property*No ☐Yes ☒

Provide a list of documents you intend to develop.

Will you need to develop any project materials, such as information leaflets, or advertising materials to promote your activity?

If you do not know details at this stage, indicate an intention to develop such materials. You will need to provide this detail at a later stage (if your application is successful) and submit all materials to the Department for approval prior to distribution.

Description	
Web page	Refer Attachment C for examples of Council's Youth Projects work including issues of the GRIND youth newspaper, a MEET the MAKERS DVD, a Stateline program featuring Council's GRIND youth newspaper.
Comment Cards	
Posters and Fact Sheets	

3.8 Given that POCA funding is **NOT** recurrent, what is your exit strategy?

How will you conclude the project? For example, how will you refer clients on to other services? What will happen to staff at the end of the project? What will happen to capital items?

Note: Projects without an appropriate exit strategy will not be considered for funding.

Council has in place a well established corporate Capital Works program and an increase in building maintenance funds and an operational grant will be provided annually. Council will also be actively exploring all funding, philanthropic and partnership opportunities in the coming months to locate potential investors.

At this time, Darwin City Council is actively seeking a partnership with the Northern Territory Government who have indicated support and an ongoing commitment to the concept of the Youth Centre.

Preliminary discussions with the Dept of Families, housing, Community Services & Indigenous Affairs (FaHCSIA) are being arranged to determine possibility of a partnership to build the Centre and possibility of ongoing interests in the management of the centre.

Fee for service and self funding models will be thoroughly explored through Phase 1 – Feasibility Study

PART 4 BUDGET

4.1 Supply a detailed budget for the project

Please note -

- A maximum of \$500,000 per project is available under s298 of the *Proceeds of Crime Act 2002*
- Include all expenditure and financial contributions and income from all sources
- Income for the grant cannot be generated by related project activities, i.e. ticket or book sales
- Any budget expenditure items that exceed \$2,000 will require a breakdown
- Incorporate into your budget the contractual requirements for
 - (i) public liability insurance of \$10m, other relevant insurance required and workers compensation insurance for all project employees; and
 - (ii) an independent financial audit (if grant over \$20,000)
- Include the cost of the final evaluation as a separate item
- Allow for cost increases relating to fuel and rent, as well as CPI and annual wage increases.

Note: 'in-kind contributions', being the non-monetary component (if any) of the Funding and any Other Contributions, are separately identified from any monetary components of the Funding and any Other Contributions.

PROJECT INCOME

	YEAR 1	YEAR 2	YEAR 3	TOTAL
	GST Exclusive			
<i>Proceeds of Crime Act grant</i>	500,000			\$500,000
Your financial contribution	80,000		Up to 2.3 million dollars pending possible sale of land (refer Council decision 20/0256 27/05/08 Attachment A)	\$80,000
Your contributions in kind (if applicable) List all	Project Management in-kind Promotional and marketing activities Printing costs	Project Management in-kind	Project Management in-kind	
Any other income source (if applicable) Name of source: Financial or in-kind contribution: Purpose for which the contribution will be used				
TOTAL INCOME	580,000			580,000

Note: If you receive financial contributions from another source, please attach a recent letter(s) of support from that source(s), with details of those contributions as they related to the proposed project.

Budget Notes

Refer to **Attachment E** for letters of support. We will not know the full cost of construction and ongoing maintenance until the Detailed Design Plans are completed. The intention of this application is to fund the Design Plan.

Also refer to **Attachment F** for a Risk Analysis

PROJECT EXPENDITURE – EXCLUDING GST

	YEAR 1	YEAR 2	YEAR 3	TOTAL
Total costs of salaries	<p>All of these costs are covered by Darwin City Council's Operational Budget as this initiative has been identified by Council as a high priority.</p> <p>The purpose of the grant application is to fund the Detailed Design Plan required in order to build the Centre.</p> <p>Once the Design Plans have been finalised we will know exactly what funds are required to complete the construction – it is at this point in time that we will seek partnership opportunities with Govt agencies in the Northern Territory.</p>			
Salaries on-costs				
Workers compensation insurance				
Public liability insurance				
Professional indemnity insurance				
Administrative costs				
Audit				
Feasibility Study	\$74,016			
Design Fees	\$271,413.60			
Engineering Fees	\$180,942.40			
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	\$527,272			
<p>Note: Total income must equal total expenditure</p> <p>Total expenditure should not be greater than \$500,000 unless you will receive cash income in addition to POCA funds</p>				
GST	\$52,727			
TOTAL EXPENDITURE including GST	\$579,999			

Applicant/Other Funding Partner Cash Contributions			
Name of Funding Partner and purpose for which contribution will be used	\$	\$	\$
Sub Total - Applicant/Other Funding Partner Cash Contribution	\$	\$	\$
TOTAL ACTIVITY CASH CONTRIBUTIONS	\$	\$	\$

IN-KIND CONTRIBUTIONS (name of contributor and description of in-kind support)
Year 1
Year 2
Year 3

4.2 Budget notes: (include number of staff and salary levels and breakdown of items over \$2,000)

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4.3 Do you have sufficient resources to complete the last phase of the project before the final payment is made? No ☐ Yes ☒

PART 5 Evaluation

- 5.1 Will your evaluation be internal or external? Internal ☒ External ☒

- 5.2 Have you made adequate provision in your budget for the costs of the evaluation? No ☐ Yes ☒

5.3 How will you evaluate your project?

If your project is successful the final payment is dependent upon Departmental acceptance of your final evaluation. Therefore the Department needs to be satisfied that your evaluation strategy will provide all the information required. It is important that you outline the methodology, tools and timeframes that you expect to use throughout the project.

Council's Community Development Team employs an action research model that provides for a hands on approach to evaluation. This model ensures all key aspects of community service delivery are evaluated as an important and dynamic component of our normal practice. All key activities including consultations, stakeholder meetings, projects, planning, forums and community events are reviewed and evaluated as they evolve or depending on the activity, at its conclusion.

The goals of the inbuilt evaluation process are to reflect and improve on our service response, its strategies and also to acknowledge and celebrate that aspects identified as being delivered well. This is achieved through regular self, peer and team reflections, team forums that present best practice models and by including a formal feedback and evaluation tool in projects where possible.

Council has a strong history of its capacity to effectively engage young people by employing a strength based and youth empowerment model. One driver for the success of this work is the ongoing evaluation that occurs and the formal evaluation process that occurs annually. All young people who participate in Council's projects and programs are invited to comment on their experiences with Council as an organization, their experience of staff interactions, the resources and facilities and the services of the Youth Projects Team. This approach has helped build capacity and enhances accountability to our community.

If this initiative is successful in securing funds, the culture of evaluation is embedded in our approaches from inception. Whilst the project appears to have many unknowns in terms of actual location and design, it is the participatory process that informs and drives this community project as it unfolds. At each stage of the project, frequent and active consultation coupled with community feedback and evaluation occurs which then shapes and drives the end product.

Further, the internal and dynamic evaluation process provides for a deep tacit knowledge base to be developed of what works with community and what does not (Wadsworth, 1997). Simple but evidence based reviews of every aspect of the project include, what worked, what needs improvement, did we reach the people we were aiming to, how do we know, what do we need to replicate for next time? What can we learn from our community who have expertise in living in our community?

Wadsworth Y (1997); *Everyday Evaluation On The Run 2nd Edition*, Allen & Unwin

PART 6 Community Support

5.1 How have you engaged with other organisations, groups or individuals in developing this proposal and who did you consult?

Note: Projects involving prisoner throughcare will require support from the relevant prison/detention centre (evidenced by a letter of support). Post-release programs will also need support from the relevant post-release service providers (eg, Centrelink or the State or Territory Housing Authority).

In early 2008, Council established a joint response to managing graffiti vandalism in the community and formed a close partnership with the NT Police and the City of Palmerston to develop and deliver the program. Key stakeholders including Neighborhood Watch groups and the broader community were also invited to partner with Council in an effort to help shape the program. These organizations were invited to partner with Council to facilitate equitable access to resources and information so that the most robust and efficient crime reduction program could be delivered.

The development of the youth precinct project is similar in approach in that it is recognised that the best outcomes for young people can only be achieved through collaboration. As the project has begun with a substantial commitment from Council evidenced in the funding of the Feasibility Study, the consultative and partnership stages of the project are still in the makings.

Local media have reported on the possibility of a youth centre development and this has generated a great deal of community interest. Council's Youth Advisory Group have prioritized the centre as the key initiative to be achieved in Council's new Youth Strategy and a number of youth service providers have documented their keenness to be part of the development. The Chief Minister's Round Table of Young Territorians has also documented its strong support for the centre.

The DARWWY network have been consulted and a number of key youth service providers have also indicated their support. The Feasibility Study is planning consultations at the time of preparing this application and of note is that a number of young people have been employed to help facilitate genuine youth consultation. Angicare NT, Headspace, Corrugated Iron Youth Arts, Centacare NT, Music NT, Happy Yess, the Chief Minister's Round Table of Young Territorians and Council's Youth Advisory Group have all provided support to this proposal. Major consultations process will also occur in the coming months which will see the number of stakeholders engaged in the project increase substantially.

B.2 Please detail what other support there is for this project from the community

- Please substantiate community support, for example, by attaching letters of support or providing contact details for elaboration/verification
- Applications for projects in Indigenous communities or for Indigenous people need to demonstrate that they have the support and agreement from appropriate Indigenous communities and community leaders

Stakeholder	Role	Skills/Experience	Letter of Support Provided
Name Position Organisation Contact Telephone	What will they do in relation to the final activity		
The Hon Paul Henderson Office of the Chief Minister NT Government Chief Minister Ph 8901 4072	Project partner Possible funding body Potential in-kind support and project management support	Governance Responsibility for leading Territory Government affairs	No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Anne Buxton Executive Director Anglicare NT	Potential for visiting services to be collocated Potential advisory role in shaping and operating the facility	Anglicare NT is a major and primary youth service provider that services the NT.	No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Mark Smith Manager Music NT	Potential for program delivery specifically targeting music skills development, contemporary music development and youth entertainment. Potential advisory role in shaping and operating the facility	Music NT is the peak body for emerging and young local musicians and artists. It has advocacy, service delivery and peak agency functions.	No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Jane Tonkin Executive Director Corrupted Iron Youth Arts	Potential for program delivery specifically targeting youth arts, youth entertainment and youth skill development programs. Potential advisory role in shaping and operating the facility.	Well established direct service provider in youth arts and community development, event management and skill development programs	No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Katie Chaffo Chairperson Youth Minister's Round Table of Young Territorians	Potential precinct users Potential advisory role in shaping the facility		No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Yianna Paterakis DAISY Client Service Coordinator CentreCare	Potential for visiting services to be collocated Potential advisory role in shaping and operating the facility	CentreCare is a major service provider for the Territory	No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

PART 7 Project management capacity

7.1 Describe your organisational structure including the composition of your board/committee and each member's lines of responsibility.

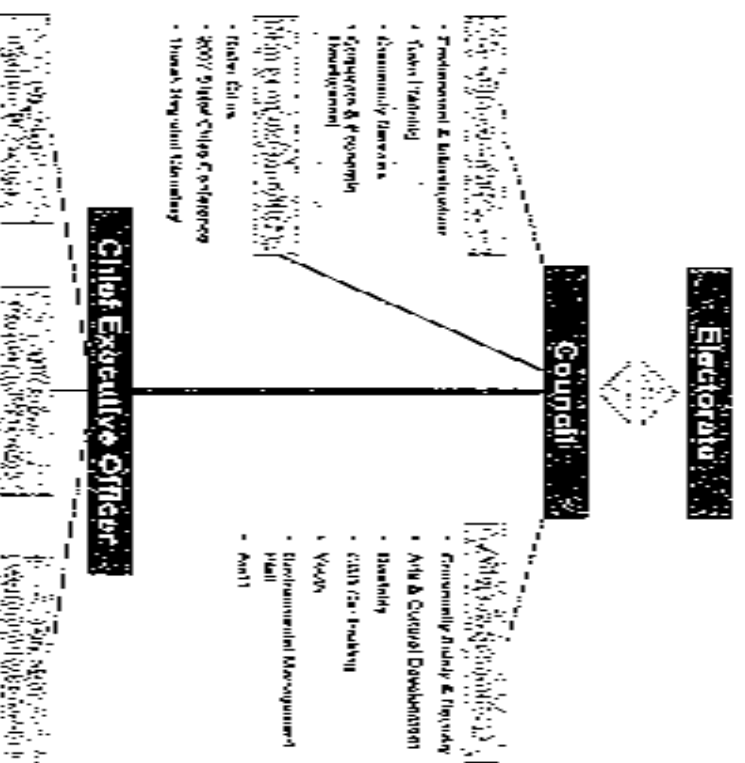
The Darwin City Council provides a broad range of community services. The Council comprises of four central departments:

1. Community and Cultural Services Department – responsible for animal control and education, arts and cultural development, community planning, community support services, policy development, disability support, community grants, youth projects, children's services, sister cities, community events, regulatory services, parking control, public libraries, recreation and public arts.
2. Corporate & Economic Services Department – oversees city centre management, economic development, financial services, human resource management, the information systems, property services, records, risk management and tourism.
3. Infrastructure Services Department (*previously known as Technical Services*) - responsible for car parking, cemeteries, Council buildings, drainage, environment management, parks and reserves, roads, town planning input, traffic management and waste management.
4. Chief Executive Department – responsible for the overall leadership of the organisation, communications and marketing, climate change and the environment and strategy and performance outcomes.

Darwin City Council is also supported through the advice of a number of Advisory and Community Committees whose members are appointed under the Local Government Act 2008.

Of particular importance to this initiative is Council's Youth Advisory Group (YAG). The YAG has been involved in developing Council's new Youth Strategy – Loud & Clear 2009-2014 and worked hard to ensure a diverse range of young people helped to inform Council's new framework. As a result, approximately 1200 young people were surveyed by their peers and the key research themes now inform Loud & Clear. The Youth Advisory Group comprises of 15 young people (aged between 12 and 20 years old), youth worker representation, Council's Youth Services Officer and an Alderman.

Organization Chart



7.2 Detail your organisation's experience in managing community based projects in the local area if you have a copy of an evaluation/overview of a relevant grant project undertaken over the last two years, please attach it to your application.

The Cultural & Community Services Department develops and manages a multitude of community projects, events and services. Part of our role as a capital city council, includes the provision of funds and in-kind support for community groups and agencies, dispersing \$100,000 annually in community grants and over \$300,000 annually in support for community agencies and activities.

Council is often considered as a community leader and frequently occupies the role of project manager and innovator. Of relevance to this grant application is evidence of our Youth Projects team's capabilities in the planning, development and implementation of securing grant funds for the delivery of youth leisure activities. It is these examples that demonstrate that the planning process is just as critical as the end product.

It is through this process that young people learn new skills, learn work, planning, event management, design, promotions, community engagement and leadership skills. An example that demonstrates this process and Council's capabilities was the Pop Art Youth Workshops with grant funding from the Foundation For Young Australians. This initiative saw young people plan and host a series of skills workshops that featured Kar Cuchen and Action Film sharing their skills and experiences in cartooning, animation and writing with over 100 young people. A full evaluation report is attached.

The Cultural & Community Services Department has also project managed a multitude of grant funded projects including capital works for its 7 Child Care Centres with both Territory and Federal funds, numerous grant funded works each year, numerous playground installations with NT Government funding, the Fun Bus mobile children's play group service (NT Government funding) and the Northern Territory Youth Affairs Network for 2 decades.

All grant funded works have been evaluated, funds acquired and projects delivered.

See Attachment G

7.3 Detail any other relevant project management experience

The Darwin City Council has undertaken various projects in recent years providing varying levels of project experience including:

Graffiti Management Program – Wipe Out Graffiti

- Council's Cultural & Community Services Department formed a partnership with the City of Palmerston and the NT Police and developed a multifaceted graffiti management program. The program was informed by best practice crime prevention models, community consultation and borrowed from the successful interventions of local authorities both nationally and overseas.
- With an expenditure of \$425,000 per annum, the Graffiti Management program involves rapid removal activities, provision of free removal resources to the community, reporting of all graffiti vandalism (including photographing) to NT Police for inclusion in intelligence database and facilitation of stakeholder discussion with the view to developing a shared response to graffiti management. The program also supports the provision of education programs, development of legal spaces in recognition that graffiti does and will occur and provides a resident reporting telephone hotline.
- In addition, program evaluation is ongoing and community members who access removal resources provide detailed feedback on the success or otherwise of the intervention.
- Council regularly hosts interdepartmental discussions to evaluate program implementation and to deliver program improvements as they are required.
- To date the program has received in excess of 1200 reports of graffiti which have resulted in rapid removal activities.
- Carriage of program operations is tasked to the Building Services Department and all policy development and evaluation and community liaison is the responsibility of the Cultural & Community Services Department.

Darwin Entertainment Centre

- The Darwin City Council engaged in a major project to upgrade the infrastructure at the Darwin Entertainment Centre (DEC).
- The DEC can accommodate performances or events of almost any nature and size, the DEC has hosted major national and international acts in addition to Darwin-based artists.
- The project was an estimated \$9.2 million which only required \$4250k of grant funding, which covered the public art aspect. The project was delivered on time and under budget.
- The DEC project was an award winning, nationally recognized community infrastructure project, which is the Darwin City Council's highest value building asset.

China Town Car Park

- The Darwin City Council built and owns the "China Town" car park, worth an estimates \$15 million. The 500 bay public car park has access from both Smith Street and Mott Court, incorporating a basement, ground floor and 7 upper levels.

Animal Pound

- The Darwin City Council through a tender and contract process constructed a new animal pound facility in 2008, with the contract worth approximately \$1.7 million.
- The construction of the new animal pound accommodates 30 cats and 30 dogs with areas allocated for future expansion.
- The project comprised of a provision of services to the location of a future transportable office building.

Pavement Reconstruction

- In 2007 the Darwin City Council completed a reconstruction of the Smith Street pavement from Daly Street to Knuckey Street worth \$1.8 million.

7.4 Identify the relevant qualifications/experience of members of your organisation's LOCAL Management Committee

Name	Position	Qualifications/Experience
Brendan Dowd	Chief Executive Officer	Bachelor Engineering (Civil), a Master of Business Administration a Graduate Diploma in Municipal Engineering , and more than 20 years experience in Local Government.
Luccio Cercarelli	General Manager Infrastructure	Bachelor Business & Engineering (Civil) Diploma, a diploma in Local Government Administration, more than 17 years experience in Local Government
Drossa Eleakis	Manager, Strategic Projects	Bachelor of Engineering 9 years experience in Local Government and more than 10 years experience as Senior Engineer in the private sector
John Banks	General Manager, Community & Cultural Services	Bachelor Applied Science (Env.Health) Masters of International Management; Graduate Diploma Occupational Health & Safety Management, Certified Safety Consultant, 27 years experience in Local Government
Katie Hearn	Manager Community Development	Registered Nurse (Div 2) Dip App Soc Sc (Community Welfare) Bachelor Social Work Masters Management (in progress) 14 years experience in working with young people including young people who are homeless, SAAP services and child protection, youth suicide and case management services. 8 years in local government community and youth services.
Liam Carroll	Manager Business Services	FMAAT – Fellow Association of Accounting Technicians (UK), FAiCD – Fellow Australian Institute of Company Directors, ACCA – Association of Chartered Accountants (Level 1 UK) 17 years accounting / financial experience, 7 years local government management experience
Peter Lindwall	Strategic Town Planner	Bachelor of Town Planning Advanced Diploma of Social Sciences Diploma of Counselling
Kin Leong	Youth Project Officer	Bachelor of Arts, currently completing Bachelor of Laws, 3 years experience in Local Government, over 10 years experience in working with young people and event management
Grant Fenton	Manager Communications and Marketing	Diploma in Business Management (Marketing) 15 Years Experience as Event Public Relations, Event Management and Marketing Contractor in Government, Community and Private Sector; Former Director on Board of Management for Drophy Family and Youth Services; Former Director of Customised Training Solutions (5 years) specialising in Vocational Training for long-term unemployed (including youth focussed training) Facilitated Youth Leadership projects, Mentor programs and motivation

sessions for young girls athletes.

PART 8 Applications to other agencies

- 8.1 Does your organisation have a current or planned application for grant funding for this particular project with any other agency? No ☒ ➤ Go to 9.1
 Yes ☐ ➤ Provide the following details

Current application(s)

Agency name	Name of Program or Grants Scheme	Year of current application	Amount of funding sought	Status of application	Date you expect to learn the result of your application

Planned application(s)

Agency name	Name of Program or Grants Scheme	Year of planned application	Amount of funding sought

PART 9 Previous and current government funding

9.1 In the last five years, has your organisation managed funding from:

- an Australian government organisation;
- a state/territory government organisation; or
- a local government organisation

No ☐ ► Go to 9.2

Yes ☒ ► Provide details below of most recent examples of Australian, State/Territory or local government funding managed by your organisation. Use an attachment as necessary.

Year(s) funded	Amount \$	Agency
2009	10,000	Beyond Blue via Office of Youth Affairs

Under which Programme funding was approved

National Youth Week

Purpose or project description

Develop in partnership with young people National Youth Week program which incorporates the dissemination of mental health information to young people. Project entitled The Big Gig.

Name of government officer

Phone number

Debra Zupp

(08) 8999 3864

Name of government department

Dept of Health and Families

Year(s) funded	Amount \$	Agency
2001-2009	2000 multiple grants	NT Government Office of Youth Affairs

Under which Programme funding was approved

Office of Youth Affairs - School Holidays Activity Grants & National Youth Week Grants

Purpose or project description

Funds provided to plan, host and deliver youth leisure and entertainment activities planned and provided by young people for young people

Name of government officer

Phone number

Debra Zupp

(08) 8999 3864

Name of government department

Office Of Youth Affairs - Director

Year(s) funded	Amount \$	Agency
2001	15000	Office of Crime Prevention NT

Under which Programme funding was approved

Crime Prevention Community Grants

Purpose or project description

Project engaged with approximately 200 young people over a 12 month period. Graffiti Measures saw a number of young artists employed to work with young people to design and paint 12 toilet block murals as a means of reducing graffiti.

Name of government officer

Phone number

Grants Officer

(08) 8999 6274

Name of government department

Department of Justice

Year(s) funded	Amount \$	Agency
Annually until 2008	23,000 annually till 2008	NT Government Dept of Health and Families

Under which Programme funding was approved

Family and Children's Services

Purpose or project description

Operational grant to provide the NTYAN and DARWWY network. Council auspiced this youth network and contributed substantial in-kind funding over two decades. The program now sits in the community sector at the request of Council.

Name of government officer	Phone number
Sue Rizqallah	(08) 8999 2773

Name of government department

Department of Health & Families

9.2 If you answered 'No' to 9.1, please provide examples of your organisation's experience over the last five years in administering and accounting for funds it has received or its capacity to administer funds

N/A

PART 10 Lodging your application

Note: Incomplete applications may not be assessed.

10.1 How to lodge your application

All applications are required to be postmarked.

If an application is received after the closing date and not postmarked on or before 5.00 pm 20 March 2009 it will not be accepted for consideration. Faxed or e-mailed applications will not be accepted.

Submit **one (1) original** with all supporting documentation and **three (3) copies** of the Application Form and letters of support. Only **ONE** copy of the annual report, financial statements and relevant evaluations are required. ALL should be unbound, completed and signed. Please do not send any bulky attachments such as CDs or DVDs.

Send to:

POCA 2009 NSO Funding Round
Strategic Policy Coordination Branch
Criminal Justice Division
Attorney-General's Department
Robert Garran Offices
National Circuit
BARTON ACT 2500

10.2 Further information

For further information, contact:

Strategic Policy Coordination Branch
Attorney-General's Department
Robert Garran Offices
National Circuit
BARTON ACT 2500

Telephone: (02) 6250 6711
Facsimile: (02) 6273 0912
Web: <www.crimeprevention.gov.au>
E-mail: poca@ag.gov.au

10.3 Freedom of Information

Your completed application, as documents in the possession of this Department, is subject to the operation of the *Freedom of Information Act 1982* and could, subject to the provisions of that Act, be released pursuant to a request made under it.

10.4 Privacy

If you are awarded a *Proceeds of Crime Act 2002* Grant, under the terms of the Funding Agreement you will be obliged to meet the requirements of the Information Privacy Principles contained in the Federal *Privacy Act 1988*.

These principles cover the collection, storage, use and disclosure of personal information. Under these principles, you should ensure that any personal information you may collect and hold is accurate, relevant to the purpose for which it was collected, up to date and not misleading. In most cases, personal information should not be used or disclosed to another person, body or agency without the individual's consent.

Individuals have the right to access their personal information and to complain if they think their personal information has been mishandled.

Information about the Privacy Act can be found at <www.privacy.gov.au>

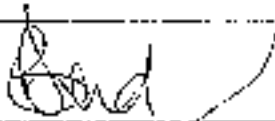
You should pay close regard to these principles in developing your project proposal. For example, if you are presenting case studies or evaluation data, personal information should be de-identified. *Personal Information about program or service participants should NOT be included without their explicit and informed written consent.*

10.5 Declaration by organisation's representative

Declaration

- The information given in this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge
- I am duly authorised to make this application
- I have read, understood and agree to abide by the requirements of the *Proceeds of Crime Act 2002 – Section 298 Programs of Expenditure: Guidelines for Funding Applications*
- I understand that officers of the Department may seek clarification of any aspect of this application and may make independent inquiries of other agencies and/or referees
- If successful, I agree to complete the project acquittal and audit requirements within the specified time
- If successful, I understand that this application may form part of the Proceeds of Crime Funding Agreement
- This organisation will contact the Australian Government Attorney-General's Department immediately if any information in this application changes or is found to be incorrect
- I have read and observed the provisions of the *Federal Privacy Act 1988* in respect of information provided in this application

Signature



Name (please print)

Brendan Dowd

Position

Chief Executive Officer

Date

20 March 2009

Application checklist

10.6 Are the following documents clearly marked and attached:

- | | | |
|---|--|---|
| • a statement to a conflict of interest, if applicable | No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> |
| • a copy of the organisation's Incorporation certificate, or other legal documentation? | No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> |
| • copies of relevant and current insurance policies? | No <input type="checkbox"/> | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| • letters of support from community stakeholders specific to this application? | No <input type="checkbox"/> | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| • letters of support from financial partner(s)? | No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> |
| • copy of any evaluation/review of previous successful grant project? | No <input type="checkbox"/> | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| • Have you included a copy of the organisation's latest Annual Report? | No <input type="checkbox"/> | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| • Have you included an audited financial statement or statement of income and expenditure for the last financial year? | No <input type="checkbox"/> | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| • Have you signed the declaration at the end of the Application Form? This must be signed by the organisations delegate, eg Chair or President of the organisation. | No <input type="checkbox"/> | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

Thank you for your interest

Feedback

10.7 Feedback Sheet

To help better inform the community about funding under section 298 of the Proceeds of Crime Act 2002, please let us how you found out about this funding round:

- ☐ Major national newspaper
- ☐ Koon Mo I
- ☒ Regional newspapers
- ☐ The Attorney-General's Department or Crime Prevention website
- ☐ Other websites
- ☐ State Government officials
- ☐ Service providers
- ☐ A colleague
- ☐ Conference
- ☐ Other (please specify) _____

OPEN SECTION

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Community Services Committee Meeting - Wednesday, 15 April, 2009**8 INFORMATION ITEMS****8.3 Urban Enhancement Playgrounds 2009**

Common No. 1545181

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT it be a recommendation to Council:-

THAT the Report To Chief Officers Group regarding Urban Enhancement Playgrounds 2009 (**Attachment A**) Document Number 1545181, be received and noted.



ENCL: NO

DARWIN CITY COUNCIL

DATE: 23/3/09

REPORT**TO:** COG**APPROVED:****FROM:** GENERAL MANAGER COMMUNITY &
CULTURAL SERVICES**APPROVED:****REPORT NO:** 09C0048 SD:kl**APPROVED:****COMMON NO:****SUBJECT:** URBAN ENHANCEMENT PLAYGROUNDS 2009**ITEM NO:****SYNOPSIS:**

The Urban Enhancement Program is a Northern Territory Government (NTG) annual program. The NTG has provided funding for play equipment and lighting in the Fannie Bay Electorate.

This report presents the recommended parks for upgrade.

GENERAL:**PARKS:**

Worgan Park – Worgan Street, Parap (Lyons Ward). This park previously had play equipment, which was removed in 2007 due to age and damage. Numerous queries have been received from residents as to if and when this would be replaced.

Hinkler Park – Hinkler Crescent, Fannie Bay (Lyons Ward). As with Worgan Park (above) this park has previously had play equipment in it, which was removed due to age and damage. Resident enquiries re its replacement have been received.

McDonald Park – Holtze St, Parap (Lyons Ward). The equipment in this park is aging and does not meet standards.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

The Urban Enhancement Program is a fully funded NTG program. There would be an expected increase in operational costs as a result of any upgrade works. The exact cost is yet to be quantified.

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STRATEGIC PLAN IMPLICATIONS:

The issues addressed in this Report are in accordance with the following Goals/Strategies of the Darwin City Council 2008 – 2012 as outlined in the 'Evolving Darwin Strategic Directions: Towards 2020 and Beyond':-

Goal

- 1 Achieve Effective Partnerships and Engage in Collaborative Relationships

Outcome

- 1.1 Improve relations with all levels of Government

Key Strategies

- 1.1.4 Play a strategic role in the planning and developmental processes that impact Darwin

Goal

- 2 Enhance Darwin's Active, Positive and Flexible Lifestyle

Outcome

- 2.4 Increase community facilities

Key Strategies

- 2.4.1 Provide facilities and programs which encourage healthy lifestyle choices

Goal

- 3 Assist Individuals and the Community Stay Connected with the Darwin Region

Outcome

- 3.1 Promote the use of public spaces

Key Strategies

- 3.1.1 Enhance public spaces and encourage greater use by the community

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:

This issue is not considered confidential.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS:

Nil.

PUBLIC RELATIONS IMPLICATIONS:

Positive resident feedback would be expected.

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COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS:

All works are undertaken in accordance with Australian Standards.

DELEGATION:

Nil.

CONSULTATION:

To be undertaken prior to the various construction activities.

PROPOSED PUBLIC CONSULTATION PROCESS:

To be developed.

APPROPRIATE SIGNAGE

N/A.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

THAT it be a recommendation to Council:-

- A. THAT Report Number 09C0048 SD:kl entitled "Urban Enhancement Playgrounds 2009", be received and noted.
- B. THAT Council endorses the following parks for equipment upgrade in the 2009 Urban Enhancement Program:
 - i). Worgan Park
 - ii). McDonald Park
 - iii). Hinkler Park

SIMONE DRURY
COMMUNITY RECREATION CO-
ORDINATOR

JOHN BANKS
GENERAL MANAGER COMMUNITY &
CULTURAL SERVICES

Any queries on this report may be directed to Simone Drury on 8930 0027

ENCL: NO

DARWIN CITY COUNCIL

DATE: 06/04/09

REPORT**TO:** COMMUNITY SERVICES
COMMITTEE/OPEN A**APPROVED:** JB**FROM:** GENERAL MANAGER COMMUNITY &
CULTURAL SERVICES**APPROVED:** DN**REPORT NO:** 09C0051 DN:mh**COMMON NO:** 1330602**SUBJECT:** REGULATORY SERVICES STATISTICAL REPORT – JANUARY,
FEBRUARY AND MARCH 2009**ITEM NO: 9.1****SYNOPSIS:**

This report is the result of a request for a quarterly report detailing statistics relating to Regulatory Services to be presented to each Community Services Committee meeting.

GENERAL:**Infringements issued and withdrawn**

	January 09	February 09	March 09
CBD Issued	925	890	1347
CBD Withdrawn	23	43	34
Litter Issued	0	0	0
Litter Withdrawn	0	0	0
General Issued	1	0	0
General Withdrawn	0	0	0
Suburban Issued	58	46	70
Suburban Withdrawn	5	11	11
Carparks Issued	166	59	173
Carparks Withdrawn	1	2	10

Increase in March due to staffing levels operating at full capacity.

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Infringements Income

	January 09	February 09	March 09
CBD	\$17720	\$17490	\$21610
Litter	\$0	\$0	\$0
General	\$0	\$130	\$0
Suburban	\$1470	\$1730	\$2490
Carparks	\$3330	\$2460	\$2090
Total	\$22520	\$21810	\$26190

Customer Action Requests

	January 09	February 09	March 09
Abandoned vehicles	31	53	31
Itinerants	1	3	1
Long Grass	26	28	19
Litter	6	3	3
Other By-law Offences	1	0	2
Traffic Regulation Offences	31	25	26

Public Places

	January 09		February 09		March 09	
	AM	PM	AM	PM	AM	PM
People Spoken To	765	765	384	1108	325	401
People Observed	1308	1973	1309	2252	1625	1322
Notices Issued	16	7	14	15	0	2
Infringements Issued	0	0	0	0	0	0

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ANIMAL MANAGEMENT:

Infringements issued and withdrawn

	January 09	February 09	March 09
Dog Issued	57	58	27
Dog Withdrawn	12	15	3
Cats Issued	0	0	0
Cats Withdrawn	0	0	0

January and February substantial amount of withdrawals were reissued.

Infringements Income

	January 09	February 09	March 09
Dogs	\$3050	\$3210	\$4610
Cats	\$0	\$0	\$0

Customer Action Requests

	January 09	February 09	March 09
At Large	58	59	62
Nuisance	5	7	13
Menace Person	0	8	6
Menace Animal	0	2	0
Attack Person	7	5	4
Attack Animal	3	6	3
Pick Ups	31	30	28

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Impounding - Dogs

	January 09	February 09	March 09
Total Impounded	80	66	93
Remaining In Pound	17	23	12
Reclaimed	54	42	40
Handed Over To RSPCA & PAWS	11	8	21
Euthanised	14	18	33

Impounding - Cats

	January 09	February 09	March 09
Total Impounded	43	35	40
Remaining In Pound	40	0	18
Reclaimed	0	0	0
Handed Over To RSPCA & PAWS	16	8	7
Euthanised	27	68	21

Registration - Dogs

	January 09	February 09	March 09
Renewals	498	431	538
New Registration	160	185	164
Deceased	41	40	36
Departed	94	151	135

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Registration - Cats

	January 09	February 09	March 09
Renewals			
New Registration	42	53	20
Deceased	1	1	0
Departed	3	7	0

Licence To Keep More Than Two Dogs

	January 09	February 09	March 09
New	5	4	6
Renewal	3	3	13

Licence To Keep More Than Two Cats

	January 09	February 09	March 09
New	0	0	0
Renewal	0	0	0

Declared Dog Register

	January 09	February 09	March 09
Entered	5	0	2

Fence Inspections

	January 09	February 09	March 09
Adequate	3	17	3
Renewal	2	2	1

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Seizure Warrants

	January 09	February 09	March 09
Warrants	0	0	0

Barking Complaints

	January 09	February 09	March 09
Complaints	14	11	19

COMMUNICATION

	January 09	February 09	March 09
Communications Enquiries	418	433	523
Street Parade Permits Issued	1	3	2

FINES RECOVERY UNIT

Infringements sent to Fines Recovery Unit

	January 09	February 09	March 09
CBD	231	119	177
Dogs	20	15	14
Litter	0	0	0
By-Law	0	0	0
Suburban	14	8	10
Car parks	35	32	23
Total	300	174	224

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Income From Fines Recovery Unit

	January 09	February 09	March 09
Income	\$9628	\$7616	\$2976

Income low for March due to non processing of payments and new staff at Department of Justice.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

THAT it be a recommendation to Council that Report Number 09C0051 entitled, Regulatory Services Statistical Report – January, February and March 2009, be received and noted.

DAVE NEALL
MANAGER REGULATORY SERVICES

JOHN BANKS
GENERAL MANAGER COMMUNITY &
CULTURAL SERVICES

Any queries on this report may be directed to Dave Neall on 89300421

ENCL: NO

DARWIN CITY COUNCIL

DATE: 06/04/09

REPORTTO: COMMUNITY SERVICES
COMMITTEE/OPEN A

APPROVED: JB

FROM: GENERAL MANAGER COMMUNITY &
CULTURAL SERVICES

APPROVED: DN

REPORT NO: 09C0052 DN:mh

COMMON NO: 1330602

SUBJECT: REGULATORY SERVICES MONTHLY UPDATE - MARCH 2009

ITEM NO: 9.2**SYNOPSIS:**

This report provides Council with an update of activities undertaken within the Regulatory Services Section during March 2009. It is presented for Council's information.

GENERAL:**Parking****CBD Parking**

During this month, CBD parking enforcement has been operating at full capacity. Mall patrols are conducted throughout the day by individual parking officers who are assigned specific times to patrol. The Officers concentrate on signage being placed too close to the tactile strip, busking without a permit, skateboarders and riding bicycles within the Mall.

Suburban Parking

Suburban Parking Officers carry out patrols of the following shopping centres: Cullen Bay, Fannie Bay, Parap, Nightcliff, Alawa, Casuarina, Hibiscus, Karama, Rapid Creek and Stuart Park. They action any complaints in suburban areas relating to any traffic offences and regulate parking in timed zones and disabled bays.

Generals

Council places a public notice advertisement in the Northern Territory News every six weeks advising the general public of the offence under By Law 101 (which relates to vehicles for sale in public places). A dedicated Generals Officer is tasked to investigate customer action requests covering abandoned vehicles, long grass, litter, storage containers on public places, stacking and storing of items in public places and encroachment on to a public place from private property.

Two teams of Regulatory Officers were rostered on Sundays between 9am and 1pm. One team patrolled Rapid Creek markets regulating parking breaches whilst the other team regulated parking breaches pertaining to disabled and taxi bays at the Nightcliff markets and impounded dogs found at large.

Public Places

Officers noticed an early arrival of overseas and interstate backpackers this month. According to reports received from the officers the visitors are complying with Darwin City Council By-Laws. Information sheets stating it is an offence to camp in a public place and where it is legal to camp in Darwin were distributed. Officers recorded the vehicle registration and names of the campers spoken to and informed them if they are found to be camping in a public place they will be issued an infringement.

ANIMAL MANAGEMENT

Control

This wet season period has been quite busy with frequent storms occurring which in turn pushed up impounding figures. At times the pound has been near full capacity. Council's policy of microchipping cats and dogs has improved both the time period the animals are returned to owners and also the percentage of animals returned.

Registration and licences figures have continued to rise with the employment of a full time registrations officer. Customer action requests remained steady with very few serious dog attacks during this period. Dog at large complaints together with pick ups increased marginally.

With the heightened public awareness of cat issues and the availability of cat traps provided by Council there has been a significant rise in the number of impounded cats. Feral cats seem to be the main concern within the municipality with a limited number of these cats considered suitable for re-homing.

Education

This month has seen a slight increase in barking dog complaints received and handled by the Animal Education Officer. This is probably the result of more activity in the suburbs with people returning from holidays and school recommencing.

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Monthly advertising in the NT News continued to run advising about pet registration and microchipping which seems to have increased the publics awareness and responsibilities of pet ownership.

There are no particular implications relating to this report.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

THAT it be a recommendation to Council that Report Number 09C0052 entitled Regulatory Services Monthly Update - March 2009, be received and noted.

DAVE NEALL
MANAGER REGULATORY SERVICES

JOHN BANKS
GENERAL MANAGER COMMUNITY &
CULTURAL SERVICES

Any queries on this report may be directed to Dave Neall on 89300421

ENCL: NO

DARWIN CITY COUNCIL

DATE: 06/04/09

REPORT**TO:** COMMUNITY SERVICES
COMMITTEE/OPEN A**APPROVED:****FROM:** GENERAL MANAGER COMMUNITY &
CULTURAL SERVICES**APPROVED:** KH**REPORT NO:** 09C0062 KH:mrg**COMMON NO:** 1517201**SUBJECT:** COMMUNITY SERVICES TEAM REPORT - MARCH 2009**ITEM NO: 9.3****SYNOPSIS:**

This report provides Council with an update of activities undertaken within the Community Services program during March 2009. It is presented for Council's information.

GENERAL:

This report provides an update of activities within the Cultural & Community Services portfolio and selected projects. Each Officer within the Community Services Team has prepared their own sections to appraise Council of operational activities.

REPORT:**COMMUNITY SERVICES MANAGEMENT****2009/2010 Budget Process**

The past month has involved considerable administration in the preparation of department operational budgets. The Community Services Team submitted 30 new initiative bids in response to strategic development activities (Youth Strategy, Seniors, Arts etc) and unmet community need monitored over the past year.

Project Management Review

Deloitte undertook a review of Council's Project Management practices and Community Services have provided feedback regarding a standardized project management system that may operate inter-departmentally.

Graffiti Management

For the month of March a total of 274 graffiti reports have been received by Council. Of those reports 217 pertained to graffiti occurring on Council assets and 57 on

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private facilities. Hot spots during March were Malak, Karama, Wagaman, Parap and Wanguri.

Youth Energy Precinct (YEP)

Preparation for community consultation activities that are specially targeting the youth community has been underway. Five young people have been employed in a casual capacity to co-facilitate visioning workshops and to ensure youth comment is genuine and obtained by young people for young people. Community comment cards have been widely distributed and several hundred feedback cards were gathered during the Big Gig, National Youth Week closing concert.

The GRIND On Line (transition of GRIND hard copy to internet) web site has now been designed by some local young people and is ready to go live. The site will be a major tool in gathering youth feedback. Although a more lengthy process, facilitating young people to gather feedback from their peers, and providing young people with leadership and skill facilitation opportunities ensures Council will be provided with authentic feedback whilst maximising youth participation opportunities.

The Community Services Department also submitted a major grant application for \$500,000 from the Proceeds of Crime Act, Attorney General's Department to go towards funding a detailed design for the Youth Energy Precinct. Senior Officers met with Chief Ministerial staff to seek a support letter to accompany the application however the letter from government was not provided in time for the grant application and is still yet to be supplied.

NTYAN conclusion

Council staff met with the new provider who successfully tendered for the Northern Territory Youth Affairs Network. The Human Services Training and Advisory Council have just commenced operating the youth sector peak. Council has provided all necessary network information and now formally concludes its role after a 20 year contribution to the youth sector.

Australian Early Childhood Index (AEDI)

The AEDI is a national initiative coordinated by the Royal Children's Hospital (Melbourne) that provides information to help communities understand how their local children are progressing developmentally and in comparison to children nationally and in other communities. The AEDI draws upon the strengths of community resources and services and identifies areas for improvement.

This year is the first time the AEDI will be implemented in the Territory. This important research considers key developmental areas of physical health and wellbeing, social competence, emotional maturity, language and cognitive skills and provides governments and services with useful insights tool in informing the development of programs and services at a local level. Access to local information is timely whilst Council reviews its Children's Services response. A guest speaker has been arranged to inform the Community Services Committee in greater detail.

Schools First (NAB)

This awards based funding program is soon to be on offer to the Territory and Council has provided assistance with networks and local agencies that may be

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interested in showcasing their schools and community based partnerships. The Schools First initiative, a national education project aims to build stronger partnerships between schools and their local communities.

\$15 million over three years is available for a national award program, regional workshops to show schools and communities how to improve student learning by building successful partnerships and the creation of a knowledge bank of resources for schools and local communities to draw on. A workshop will be held in Darwin on April 16th, 2009.

National Local Government Awards

Due for submission on April 17th, Community Services is currently preparing applications for its work in youth services and for its graffiti management program.

Human Resources

Following a reshaping of the position, recruitment activities will continue in efforts to fill the Children and Community Services role. This position manages the Fun Bus, Fun In The Parks, Community and Child Care centre access, Civics program and a range of community based initiatives.

Children's Services Regulations & Licensing

Community Service staff attended the NT Government Children's Services Licensing Unit public forum regarding proposed changes for Children's Services regulations for licensing and registration. The forum was an opportunity to provide comment regarding some of the licensing changes including the need for staff in child care with above 20 children to engage at least 1 teaching staff member, minimum training requirements for staff and facility operating plans to name a few. Council is a stakeholder as landlord of 7 child care centres and also supports community management committees.

Secure Taxi Rank Project

Facilitation is continuing with stakeholder engagement in the secure taxi rank project. Responses to the preferred evaluation methodology are in the process of being assessed by Department of Planning and Infrastructure (DPI) and the evaluation will shortly commence and be overseen by DPI. The outcome of the evaluation will be disseminated to stakeholders including the taxi and mini bus industries, residents, NT Police, Department of Justice, the Australian Hotels Association (AHA) and Council.

The trial period for the rank concluded in February and has been extended for a further three months with both Council and the AHA committing to further resources to maintain the concierge and security service.

Darwin Entertainment Centre

Community Services has commenced negotiations with the NTG Department of Natural Resources, Environment, the Arts and Sport in relation to the development of a new triennial agreement. Regular meetings continue with DEC's General Manager to provide information and support regarding forecast requirements and funding negotiation updates.

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Parap Site Re-development

Strategic Leisure has furnished Council with a “Write-Back Brief” detailing the master plan for the Parap site re-development. A formal request to the NTG Sport and Recreation has been made inviting contribution to the Master Plan process. Council is awaiting a response.

Walkways

In conjunction with the Lord Mayor and Aldermen, Community Services participated in the walkway “listening post” on March 14 which was considered to be a reasonably successful public consultation. Work continues with Corporate Services, in reviewing stages of the consultant’s draft report.

Cavanagh Street Car-park Re-development

In conjunction with the Infrastructure Department, Community Services participated in the early planning stages of the Cavanagh Street car-park redevelopment, in particular a concept meeting with architects.

Affordable Housing Developments

Community Services continues to meet with key non-government housing groups to keep abreast of key Federal and Territory government policy and resource initiatives in relation to social and affordable housing.

Presentation to Planning Institute of Australia’s National Conference

CCS completed a concept paper and visual presentation, in conjunction with IT, to support the General Manager’s role as a key-note speaker at the PIA conference.

Meeting with Kimberley MLC

CCS met with the Honourable Member, Pastoral and Mining, of the Western Australian parliament to provide information regarding Council’s Community Development projects as well as policies regarding homelessness and affordable housing.

COMMUNITY SERVICES (CSO)

The Community Services Officer has carriage of disability services, community events, community grants, seniors and community development activities.

Disability Advisory Committee (DAC)

The Planning/Parking sub-committee of the Disability Advisory Committee met on 23 March 2009. It was necessary to elect a new Chairperson of the sub-committee as Lynne Strathie is now Chair of DAC and can not concurrently serve as the Chair of a DAC sub-committee. Rosemary Burkitt was elected unopposed as Chairperson for the term until 30 June 2010. Amongst the issues discussed at the meeting was the installation of tactile ground surface indicators for the visually impaired at Nightcliff Shopping Centre and the damaged footpath between Hart Crescent and Trower Road, Nightcliff. The minutes from the meeting will be presented to the next Disability Advisory Committee meeting which is scheduled for 23 April 2009.

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Community Grants Program

Council's Community Grants Program assists projects or events directly benefiting and promoting the City of Darwin and which have broad community appeal. The funding is disbursed bi-annually in July and January each year.

Submissions are currently being invited for funding of projects occurring in the second half of 2009 (1 July 2009 – 31 December 2009) through the first round of the 2009/2010 Community Grants Program. Applications close on Friday 17 April 2009. Program guidelines and application forms are available from Council's website or by contacting Nancy McCann on phone number 8930 0645.

Disability Awareness Week 2009

Disability Awareness Week (DAW) is a week long program designed to highlight the achievements of people with a disability and the positive contributions they make to the Darwin community. It also aims to raise public awareness on disability issues. This year Disability Awareness Week will be celebrated from Thursday 3 to Thursday 10 September 2009. The first planning meeting for DAW 2009 was held on 31 March and was well attended by representatives from across the sector. The opening event on Thursday 3 September 2009 has been confirmed and will be held at the Deckchair Cinema. Regular preparation meetings will continue until celebrations commence.

Publications

Two of Council's publications, Darwin for the Over 60s and Disability Services Directory are currently being updated. Due to the complimentary service listings, one publication entitled 'Seniors and Disability Services Directory' will be produced which will also reduce production time and cost. The Directory is intended as a resource for seniors, people with a disability and their carers and is in the final stages of compilation. It is expected that the new publication will be printed by the end of April 2009.

Inter-agency Networks

Disabled Parking Harmonisation Scheme

Community Services staff attended meetings convened by LGANT regarding the Disabled Parking Harmonisation Scheme. Progress of the scheme, which aims to harmonise all state and local government disabled parking scheme guidelines into a national Disability Parking Scheme, was provided by the Department of Planning and Infrastructure. Feedback was provided regarding many aspects of the proposed national Scheme and information sharing as to how each Council currently administers their respective Disability Parking Schemes occurred. Public consultation regarding the proposed National Disability Parking Scheme will be undertaken by the national committee throughout June 2009.

The Big Issue/Community Street Soccer Program

Council provided a meeting room for a representative from The Big Issue, an organisation that facilitates a magazine initiative and community street soccer program that benefit homeless and marginalised people in other states, to meet with representatives from local community organisations. Outcomes from the meeting

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were positive and plans for commencement of The Big Issue programs in the Territory were progressed.

Draft Disability (Access to Premises/Buildings) Standards

Council staff and members of Council's Disability Advisory Committee attended a briefing on Draft Disability (Access to Premises/Buildings) Standards which was held at Charles Darwin University Casuarina campus on 5 March 2009. The Briefing was well attended by representatives from all levels of Government, disability organisations and local Building Certifiers. The purpose of the Briefing was for a representative from the Australian Human Rights Commission to explain the differences between the current Standards and the draft Standards and the impact the proposed changes will have on all stakeholders.

International Women's Day Photographic Exhibition 2009

The International Women's Day Photographic Exhibition 2009 consisted of large black and white photographs of twenty women with disabilities. A booklet summarising the life and achievements of the twenty women chosen to be the photographic subjects accompanied the exhibition. Council sponsored a photograph of Tahnee Afahaamango, a local swimmer who has achieved outstanding success in international swimming. The CSO attended the opening of the exhibition on 6 March 2009 and Council was recognised at the opening event as well as in the accompanying booklet.

International Women's Day March 2009

Council provided in-kind support to the inaugural International Women's Day Walk on Sunday 8 March 2009 which was facilitated jointly by the United Nations Association of Australia and the Multicultural Council of the Northern Territory Inc. Walkers assembled at the Council Car Park in Cavenagh Street and marched along Cavenagh Street to the Tree of Knowledge at the Civic Centre where refreshments were served by Council. The speakers at the event, which was attended by approximately 90 people, were Hon Malarndirri McCarthy, Senator Trish Crossin and Alderman Robyn Lesley.

NT Falls Prevention Management Committee

Council was invited to become a member of the NT Falls Prevention Management Committee which is convened by the Coordinator Safety and Injury Unit, Department of Health and Families. The committee was formed last year in response to an identified need to promote communication and coordination of services in the NT that interact with our older community to address the significantly high rates of falls in the NT. Membership currently includes representatives from: Council of the Ageing, Frontier Services, General Practice Network NT, St John Ambulance Services NT, Arthritis and Osteoporosis NT, Department of Health & Families, Senior Territorians, Masonic Homes and D&R Community Services. The CSO attended a meeting of the NT Falls Prevention Network on 19 March 2009 and discussions centred around resources and availability of exercise programs to assist in falls prevention.

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ARTS & CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT

Arts and Cultural Development Advisory Committee (ACDAC)

ACDAC's second meeting for the year is scheduled for 23 April 2009. The committee will have the opportunity to review its list of Priorities for the 2009-2010 financial year with associated activities, costs and timeframes which have now been scoped and endorsed by Council. Other items include the launch and promotion of the Charles Darwin Commemorative Artwork, the Recycled Art Program and the Traveller's Walk Mosaic which has been damaged and requires repair.

Charles Darwin Commemorative Artwork

Artist Anton Hasell has been submitting regular update reports and advises that he envisages installing the Charles Darwin Commemorative Artwork in May 2009. He has completed casting the bronze bells, brass bell and bird sculptures for the sculpture, with the bust of Charles Darwin still to be cast. Four aluminium light poles and lights will also be installed at this time to light the artwork at night ensuring visibility.

Construction work will begin in late April to install power and communication lines in Civic Park ready for the artwork installation.

A public launch of the artwork is scheduled for the afternoon/evening of 1 July 2009 (Territory Day) in Civic Park in conjunction with a major community arts event titled "Origins", coordinated by Corrugated Iron Youth Arts in partnership with the Darwin Symphony Orchestra, Darwin Chorale, Darwin Theatre Company and Charles Darwin University. Council has committed its in principle support for the project and this is addressed in a separate report. Council will also assist with promotion of the event.

Darwin 200

20 transparent banners featuring the Darwin City Council logo, Darwin 200 logo and an advertisement for the Supercrocilions exhibition at the Museum and Art Gallery of the NT have been installed in Gilruth Ave throughout March 2009. They may be reinstalled at this site later in the year or at alternative banner sites as the opportunity arises.

Council has commissioned a Darwin200 postcard (in partnership with the Northern Territory Government and Charles Darwin University), cotton bags, banners and car magnets for distribution at Council events in 2009 branded as "Darwin200" events.

The Beagle Project – Bell Gift

Mr David Lort-Phillips, co-founder of the Beagle Project, has advised that he plans to be in Darwin in September 2009 to attend the Charles Darwin Symposium at Charles Darwin University (22-24 September 2009). This may present an opportunity to make a presentation of the brass ship's bell to the Beagle Project. Artist Anton Hasell is awaiting advice on the technical specifications of the bell required, which Mr Lort-Phillips says has been referred to The Beagle Project technicians.

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Chinatown Art Plinth

Council has resolved to purchase the Chime Conservatory sculpture by Dr Anton Hasell currently exhibited at the Chinatown Car Park in Smith St. The sculpture was installed in March 2008 and initially contracted for a twelve month loan. Acquisition of the sculpture was supported by ACDAC.

Further opportunities to incorporate the sculpture in arts events and projects will be investigated, as will other opportunities to facilitate temporary public art installations in the CBD.

Recycled Art Program

The Australia Council have been contacted for advice in preparing a submission for a Creative Communities Partnership Initiative grant to establish a Recycled Art Program in Darwin in collaboration with Darwin Community Arts, Charles Darwin University, Larrakia Development Corporation, Arts NT and other stakeholders. Further funding opportunities will be pursued.

Recycled Jewellery Workshop

A pilot recycled art event, in the form of a jewellery making workshop, is being held as part of this year's Youth Week event, The Big Gig. The workshop will be held from 4–6 pm on Saturday 4 April in Brown's Mart Theatre and creations will be on display at Casuarina Library throughout the rest of April. Council will provide equipment and basic jewellery making materials for use at the workshop, and has called upon the community to donate unwanted jewellery to the event.

Live Music at Casuarina Library

On Friday lunchtimes during April, May and June Casuarina Library will host a live music concert series featuring some of Darwin's best musical talent. The program incorporates contemporary and classical music from both established and emerging artists, and all performers receive a performance fee. This is a pilot project which may continue in the next financial year provided that feedback is positive and that further funding can be secured.

Traveller's Walk Mosaic

Damage to the Traveller's Walk Mosaic was observed on Friday 27 March and as this is possibly due to vandalism a police incident report has been submitted. The lower half of the outer circle in the middle of the mosaic has been broken off and was left in pieces on the ground. The pieces have been collected, the site assessed for any potential safety hazards and the matter will be referred to ACDAC for advice.

YOUTH SERVICES

The Youth Projects section facilitates involvement of young people in Council's processes and decision making, creates and hosts youth exclusive events and activities in partnership with young people, hosts a Youth Services trainee position, advocates for the needs of young people and coordinates youth specific community information tools.

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GRIND

GRIND continues to meet regularly. Significant work has been undertaken in delivering a youth focused website to further the ability for GRIND to broaden its reach to the youth community. The website will go live in April and can be found at www.grindonline.com.au and was the product of a school holiday program presented by Council and was facilitated by a young web designer.

GRIND has been the key group in coordinating promotion for The BIG GIG, designing a highly professional banner, the main poster that is constantly receiving favourable feedback from the community, and generating the all important “word of mouth” hype guaranteeing success of the event.

Youth Advisory Group

The Youth Advisory Group met in March and welcomed two new recruits. YAG is working on the overall production of “The Big Gig” and have formed smaller working groups to organise key components of the event. The group provided positive feedback regarding the Smith Street Connection and noted the appreciation of Council for YAG’s active involvement in the development of “LOUD & CLEAR: Youth Strategy 2009-2014).

Youth Services Trainee

The Youth Services Trainee continues to assist Youth Services in all its projects, of particular note this month is the trainees assistance in the production of high quality promotional material for The BIG GIG, the Youth Energy Precinct (YEP) Feasibility Study, the Library’s Caught Red Handed group and a Sister Cities visual presentation.

National Youth Week 09

Youth Projects continues to plan “The Big Gig” to be held during National Youth Week 2009 on Saturday 4 April. The event is the official closing celebration for National Youth Week '09 and has involved young people at all levels of the planning, implementation and delivery of the event. The event has provided young people with real training and work experience in production and stage management to promotion and public relations.

Youth Energy Precinct

Youth Services has drawn together six young people to work with Strategic Leisure to coordinate and provide expert advice on consultation with young people in the community regarding the Youth Energy Precinct Feasibility Study. The group is representative of Darwin’s diverse community and demonstrates Council’s commitment to rigorous and relevant youth consultation. The group will utilise the new GRIND website as well existing social networking sites such as Facebook, MySpace and Bebo – representing a new and exciting way we can engage and obtain the views and opinions of the community.

CHILDREN & COMMUNITY SERVICES

This project area which is currently unstaffed whilst recruitment activities are undertaken, manages Council's Community and Childcare Centres, coordinates the

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Fun Bus and Fun in the Parks programs, a range of community information tools and special projects and facilitates school visits to Council.

Community Centres

Council's Community Centres at Malak (MCC) and Nightcliff (NCC) continue to operate at capacity under the effective management of user groups and tenants in partnership with Council.

Works have been completed which replaced floor covering to the remaining offices at NCC that had not already been upgraded. All offices now have had carpet replacement in the last two years. Included in the resurfacing works was the meeting room which will give this area a much needed update.

Demand for the meeting room at NCC continues to be very high with constant requests to provide an air-conditioned venue for meetings and other small gatherings. The meeting room is heavily booked by long term tenants who have office space leases at the centre. Due to the high demand from the tenants this leaves limited capacity for casual user access. The availability of air conditioned low cost meeting rooms is identified as a current unmet community need as the NCC meeting room is booked to maximum capacity.

Malak Community Centre small hall has been identified as a possible option to air-condition. Currently Malak is not utilised to a maximum level due to being a non air-conditioned venue. Community Services staff are working with Building Services to identify possible funding sources to improve this venue and respond to community need.

Fun Bus

The Fun Bus continues to provide high quality mobile play group services for children 0 to 5 years, their parents and carers. Operating weekday mornings in parks and reserves for 40 weeks annually, the Fun Bus is now delivering its Dry season program;

Monday - Bagot Community
 Tuesday - Old McMillan's Park Coconut Grove
 Wednesday - Water Gardens Jingili
 Thursday - Malak Caravan Park Malak
 Friday - Civic Park Darwin

Fun in the Parks

Council's Fun In The Parks is school holiday program focused on the Primary school age group and held at various ovals and parks around Darwin so children can attend a venue close to where they live. The program operates from 10am to 12.30pm every Monday Wednesday and Friday of the school holidays. Fun in the Parks recommences on Monday 6th April but will not operate during Easter.

Child Care Centres

Council sponsors seven Child Care Centres in the provision and maintenance of the buildings. Council also assists Centre's in obtaining grants from the NT and

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Commonwealth Governments and project manages the works where applicable. Council is assisting the Malak Family Centre with documentation to help with the certification for building works in the toddler's room that has been an ongoing issue for over four years. The works to this room were not completed by Council and as such, proved a problem when the works were not certified.

SISTER CITIES PROGRAM

Sister Cities Promotions

The Manager of Communications and Marketing and the Sister Cities Officer (SCO) met with a local sign writer, and discussed the design of a sign for the Darwin International Airport and creation of complete signage concept to promote Council and the Sister Cities program.

2010 Multicultural Council of the NT (MCNT) Calendar

The SCO has been approached by MCNT and informed of their invitation to have a Sister Cities theme for their 2010 Cultural Diversity Calendar. The 2010 calendar will have an international theme and feature artwork sourced from school students residing overseas in each of Darwin's Sister Cities including Sister Cities of Palmerston and Alice Springs.

All SCCC agree that this would be a great opportunity to engage schools from within our Sister Cities and local schools to contribute to this calendar and raise awareness of the Sister Cities program.

Ambon

2009 Arafura Games

Council have been notified that a delegation of 22 athletes, coaches and officials will be participating in the 2009 Arafura Games. This translates to 372 participants from Indonesia at this year's Arafura Games.

Kormilda College/ State Senior High School Number 5 (SMU5) Project

Preliminary discussions have been held between Kormilda College and the Ambon SCCC to determine the viability of establishing a holiday program in Darwin for a number of high school students from SMU5 for 2 week exchange.

Kormilda College supports this project and suggested that Kormilda College contribute by absorbing the boarding and study costs for the students whilst in Darwin. The Ambon SCCC intends to fund all travel expenses and associated costs to bring the students from Ambon to Darwin.

A separate report will be submitted to Council outlining costs and the progress of this initiative in the near future.

ANZAC Day Visit to Ambon, Gull Force

An appeal has been made to the Ambon SCCC of the possibility of re-establishing a pilgrimage for Gull Force veterans and other war veterans and their families to Ambon for ANZAC Day.

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The SCO and Community Representatives will make contact with a number of organisations including the appropriate Military Departments to ascertain if any ceremonies are currently being held in Ambon to mark ANZAC Day.

2009 Darwin Ambon Yacht Race

The Lord Mayor will be hosting a reception for the participants and organisers of the 2009 Darwin Ambon Yacht Race at the Civic Centre on Thursday 15 July 2009.

Anchorage

Anchorage Navy League

Whilst visiting Anchorage earlier on this year, one of the Anchorage SCCC Community members met with the Anchorage division of the Navy League of the United States. This organisation runs a program to locate all missing US submarines destroyed during WWII. Once located a plaque is placed in the town/city in which the submarine was located to mark its whereabouts.

The Anchorage SCCC discussed the ties between Darwin and the USS Peary and the relevance of this ship to Darwin's military history. Discussion will continue at future meetings to progress this initiative.

Anchorage Fire Officer Exchange Program

The Lord Mayor will be hosting a Farewell Function for the current Anchorage Fire Officer and his family, Matthew Lambert on Thursday 4 June 2009.

Dili

Fundasaun Hafoun Rai Timor (FHRT) Youth program

A request has been received from the Director of FHRT for Council's assistance in establishing ongoing friendships between young people in Dili with young people in Darwin. Facilitating an opportunity for young people from Dili to practice their English and learn about Australian culture would be a positive experience for all.

In consultation with the Youth Services Officer the SCO will discuss this project and progress this initiative. The Dili SCCC are interested in establishing a long term relationship with FHRT and other youth organisations. A report will be submitted to Council to encourage sending a delegation from Darwin, including young people to initiate communication with this group.

Haikou

2009 Arafura Games

Council has been notified that a delegation of athletes, coaches and officials from Haikou will be participating in the 2009 Arafura Games.

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RECREATION SERVICES

Ovals

Dry season applications for oval usage have been received and allocations finalised.

Playgrounds & Exercise Stations

Three additional parks have been nominated for upgrade before the Urban Enhancement Program run by the Northern Territory Government ceases in June 2009. The three parks are:

- Worgan Park – Fannie Bay
- McDonald Park – Parap
- Hinkler Park - Parap

Community consultation will commence on these two parks in April and installation will be during May/June.

The successful contractor has been engaged to supply and install the exercise equipment at Nightcliff. Omnitech will be working with local Landscape Architects, Clouston and Associates, to arrange the supply and install in the coming months. Due to the equipment being sourced from Europe for its quality, installation is not expected to commence until July with completion by 13 August.

There will be a total of 11 playgrounds upgraded in 2008/09 and the first set of exercise stations in the Territory will also be completed.

Netball Courts

There have been some delays with the construction of the new outdoor netball courts at Marrara. Netball NT and Darwin Netball Association have extended their use of the Parap courts until the end of May and they are only being used for training purposes at this stage. There are no plans to utilise the Parap courts once the new courts are complete.

Activate NT

Activate NT Darwin launched on 15 March 2009 and will run for ten weeks until 24 May. Registrations for Darwin have already topped last years tally of 160 with over 180 participants registered. Activities include Heart Foundation walking, Tai Chi, aqua-aerobics, group exercise classes, cycling, family fun days, shopping centre tours and nutrition information nights. Participants will pay a \$30 registration which will cover most activities in the program over the ten weeks they will also receive a goodie bag with the full program and a t-shirt. The goal for Darwin in 2009 is to attract 300 participants.

FREEPS 2009 (All FREEPS are scheduled 3.00-6.00pm.)

- Sat May 02nd - Nightcliff Foreshore as part of Seabreeze Festival
- Sun May 10th - Marrara Central as part of Arafura Games
- Sun August 16th - Jingili Water Gardens Regional Playground
- Sun Sept 13th - Casuarina Swimming Pool

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Arafura Games 2009

Planning for the Arafura Games is well underway with arrangements for the use of Casuarina Swimming Pool for training and competition, road closures for cycling and triathlon events and placement of signage being organised between Recreation Services, Regulatory Services and Customer Services.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

Nil pertinent to this report.

STRATEGIC PLAN IMPLICATIONS:

The issues addressed in this Report are in accordance with the following Goals/Strategies of the Darwin City Council 2008 – 2012 as outlined in the 'Evolving Darwin Strategic Directions: Towards 2020 and Beyond':-

Goal	Achieve Effective Partnerships and Engage in Collaborative Relationships
Outcome	Effectively engage with community

Key Strategies

Develop ways in which Council can enhance relationships and work collaboratively with Community Groups

Goal	Facilitate and Maintain a Cohesive Community
Outcome	Facilitate community access and inclusion

Key Strategies

- 5.1.1 Create more opportunities for the community to access services and facilities
- 5.1.2 Encourage employment opportunities within the Council for marginalised members of the community
- 5.1.3 Improve access for people with disabilities
- 5.1.5 Improve coordination with residents and other service providers

Goal	Facilitate and Maintain a Cohesive Community
Outcome	Promote Darwin's culture

Key Strategies

- 5.2.1 Promote and support activities and programs that celebrate cultural diversity
- 5.2.2 Create opportunities for the expression of cultural diversity through art
- 5.3 Support harmony within the community

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5.3.2.1.1 Develop and support programs to promote community spirit, cohesion and safety

Goal Promote Brand Darwin

Outcome Promote our Darwin city

Key Strategies

6.2.4 Strengthen international relationships through Sister Cities and other activities

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:

Nil pertinent to this report.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS:

Nil.

PUBLIC RELATIONS IMPLICATIONS:

No immediate public relations implications have been identified in respect to this report however there is potential media interest in any Council activity. Council's Chief Officers Group review all reports and potential issues or media interest is brought to the attention of the General Manager, Cultural & Community Services.

COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS:

Nil. This report is informational.

DELEGATION:

This report is presented for information only.

CONSULTATION:

Each Community Service Team Officer has contributed to this report.

PROPOSED PUBLIC CONSULTATION PROCESS:

Not pertinent to this report.

APPROPRIATE SIGNAGE

Nil.

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RECOMMENDATIONS:

That it be a recommendation to Council:-

THAT the report number 09C0062 entitled, Community Services Team Report – March 2009, be received and noted.

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DARWIN CITY COUNCIL

DATE: 06/04/09

REPORT**TO:** COMMUNITY SERVICES
COMMITTEE/OPEN A**APPROVED:** JB**FROM:** GENERAL MANAGER
COMMUNITY & CULTURAL SERVICES**APPROVED:** KC**REPORT NO:** 09/P0004 KC:md**COMMON NO:** 1518200**SUBJECT:** LIBRARIES INFORMATION UPDATE FOR FEBRUARY 2009**ITEM NO: 9.4****SYNOPSIS:**

This report is the result of a request for a monthly report detailing events and comments relating to Darwin City Council Libraries (DCCL) to be presented to each Community Services Committee meeting.

GENERAL:

The official re-opening of Casuarina Library was held at Casuarina Library on Monday 9 February. The Lord Mayor unveiled a plaque to commemorate the \$1.6 million refurbishment that was completed in December 2008. Sixty invited guests attended the opening.

The library organised a program of events for the week to celebrate the refurbishment. A music in the library program was held each day during lunchtime and a country rock band performed on Wednesday evening. These all proved popular with customers especially the band on Wednesday evening.

Various organisations were invited to give an information talk in our living room areas. Talks were on Orchids, Native Plants, Alzheimers & Healthy Living. Library customers and staff attended these.

Redlocks the Clown also visited the Casuarina Library during the official re-opening week. Every afternoon he entertained the library customers throughout the library with magic tricks and juggling. The children also enjoyed the opportunity to make balloon animals with him.

We have had many enquiries regarding the meeting room at Casuarina Library and most of our regular user groups have returned and placed forward bookings for the year.

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CHILDREN & YOUTH SERVICES:

Story times were ongoing at the 4 libraries. Thirty five sessions were conducted with an average attendance of 39.

Babes and Books recommenced in February at the Casuarina Library. Once again this program is very popular with Darwin's young families and 297 caregivers and babies attended the sessions held weekly on a Wednesday afternoon.

Nemarluk Special School visited our newly refurbished Casuarina Library and the carers were very pleased with story time sessions and the children's area. They also expressed an interest in continuing story time sessions, starting in February and continuing fortnightly there after.

The Wiggles were invited to attend our reopening but were unable to attend so instead they donated 20 complimentary tickets to their Darwin show in April. We ran a competition where children that borrowed picture books on their card during February were eligible to go in the running to win a ticket for themselves & one parent or carer to go to The Dorothy the Dinosaur show and also meet Dorothy. This was a great way of getting children to borrow on their own library card. Winners have been notified and the show is on April 10.

Caught Read Handed (CRH)–youth book club has recommenced at Casuarina Library on a fortnightly basis. We have had a strong response to the group with the first meeting attracting 19 children ranging in age from 7 – 15 years. They shared afternoon tea and enjoyed sharing their recommendations on good books to read. They also talked about starting a Caught Read Handed recommends brochure which could act as an advertisement for CRH as well as informing young people of some good reads. The following meeting in February Kin (DCC Youth Officer) & Cullem (DCC Youth Trainee) visited the Caught Read Handed Youth Group and talked about the Big Gig, National Youth Week event. Eighteen children attended the session and were very happy to be part of the Big Gig.

The first KAOS of the year was held at Karama Library. Ten children attended and used the library resources, surfed the Net, karaoke-d on the Singstar, played PS and Xbox games machines.

Breakfast with Books @ Casuarina Library was held one Saturday morning as part of the reopening program. Children and Youth Services staff read stories and sang songs with an enthusiastic group of young children and their parents. The staff received lots of comments of appreciation from the parents on how it was a lovely morning sharing stories with others.

The Education Officer from Crocosaurus Cove & her baby Crocodile made a special visit to our regular story time session and excited the young children who had the opportunity to hold the croc.

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DISPLAYS:

The Anula School Visual Arts program model display was in the display cabinets at Casuarina and photos featured in the NT News.

The exhibition 'Dawn to Dusk: being creative about depression : an exhibition to inspire dialogue' was set up at Casuarina Library with relevant material relating to this topic made available. The exhibition consisted of six banners and a small launch by the organisers was also held to promote this display.

Library Lovers	Bombing of Darwin display
KROC Awards	Circus story time theme
Dogs	Council information
Food	New children's books (JPBs)
Weather	Alan Moore
Short Listed Territory Authors (NT Book of the Year)	

STAFF TRAINING:

Armed Hold up
 Harassment Free workplace
 Guardian
 Virtua Library Management system
 Time Management @ CDU

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY/VIRTUA:

The Self Check-Out machines are proving popular with our customers. While there was a slow start to get them up and running with a few minor problems, our customers are now beginning to become familiar with them and are using them.

We are trialling sending overdue notices by "SMS". Currently we are only sending them to Karama Library members who have overdue items. So far we have had a good response to getting overdue items returned. After two weeks 65% of the overdue items were returned. There was no negative feedback from the customers who received the overdue notice by SMS.

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STRATEGIC PLAN IMPLICATIONS:

The issues addressed in this Report are in accordance with the following Goals/Strategies of the Darwin City Council 2008 – 2012 as outlined in the 'Evolving Darwin Strategic Directions: Towards 2020 and Beyond':-

Goal Enhance Darwin's active, positive and flexible lifestyle

Outcome Increase recreational, cultural and heritage experiences

Key Strategies

2.2.1 Enhance library facilities

2.2.5 Provide facilities and resources that promote Darwin as a city rich in culture, harmony and diversity.

Goal Facilitate and Maintain a Cohesive Community

Outcome Facilitate community access and inclusion

Key Strategies

5.1.1 Create more opportunities for the community to access services and facilities

RECOMMENDATIONS:

THAT it be a recommendation to Council:-

THAT Report Number 09/P0004 entitled, Libraries Information Update for February 2009, be received and noted.

KAREN CONWAY
MANAGER LIBRARY SERVICES

JOHN BANKS
GENERAL MANAGER
COMMUNITY & CULTURAL SERVICES

Any queries on this report may be directed to Karen Conway on extension 5210.

OPEN SECTION

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Community Services Committee Meeting - Wednesday, 15 April, 2009**9 OFFICERS REPORTS****9.5 Libraries Statistical Report for January, February & March 2009**

Report No.09P0005 KC:md (06/04/09) Common No.1518200

Report Number 09P0005 has been distributed separately with the Business Papers.

ENCL: YES

DARWIN CITY COUNCIL

DATE: 06/04/09

REPORT**TO:** COMMUNITY SERVICES
COMMITTEE/OPEN A**APPROVED:** JB**FROM:** GENERAL MANAGER COMMUNITY &
CULTURAL SERVICES**APPROVED:** KH**REPORT NO:** 09C0055 KL:ems**APPROVED:** KL**COMMON NO:** 1552543**SUBJECT:** YOUTH ADVISORY GROUP MINUTES 4 MARCH 2009 AND
APPOINTMENT OF NEW MEMBERS**ITEM NO: 9.6****SYNOPSIS:**

Minutes of the Youth Advisory Group (YAG) meeting held on the 04th March, 2009 are presented for Council's consideration. This report provides youth comment in respect of National Youth Week 2009 and further planning for "The Big Gig" on Saturday 4th April. In addition, this report recommends the appointment of new Youth Advisory Group members and tables the resignation of one member.

GENERAL:

This report is referred to the Open section at the discretion of the General Manager Community & Cultural Services.

PREVIOUS DECISION NO. 19/1648 (15/06/05)

- B. THAT Council continue to support youth participation opportunities that emerge through the work of the GRIND youth newspaper team and the Youth Advisory Group

REPORT

The second meeting of the Youth Advisory Group (YAG) for 2009 welcomed two applicants to the committee. The first section of meeting welcomed two guest speakers; Luccio Cercarelli, General Manager Infrastructure, presented the proposed Smith Street Connection. Followed by Amy Robinson, seeking YAG support in setting up "Cup Cake Art of the Top End" during The BIG GIG. Both presentations were warmly received by YAG, with positive feedback given to the Smith Street Connection and support given to Amy's project.

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Following the special guests, the group discussed the Office of Youth Affairs Grant and the funding received from *beyondblue* to coordinate “The Big Gig” closing celebration for National Youth Week 2009. “The Big Gig” will be presented in partnership with Corrugated Iron Youth Arts and Music NT on Saturday 4 April at Brown’s Mart and Civic Park.

The event will be free and feature a national headline act “Fire! Santa Rosa, Fire!” and 5 local support acts – “The Aviators”, “Zed Major”, “Crassic Park”, Josefina Huq and Liam Parry-Mills. The interior of Brown’s Mart will be transformed into a “Chill Out” Space and will feature a recycled jewellery workshop, games and couches. Tasks for the day were assigned.

MEMBERSHIP

The two new applicants heard from existing members who outlined key achievements they felt they had attained while on YAG and reflected on the commitment required and Council’s expectations of YAG.

Current members and those whose appointment is pending, are aged between 12 and 20 years, span both tertiary and secondary education sectors and several are employed either in a casual, part time or full time capacity. The group is diverse in ethnicity and indigenous youth are also represented.

The following people are recommended for appointment:

Patrick McCann
 Liam Parry-Mills

Fifteen members will continue on in 2009 as part of their 3 year appointments, thus meeting the Committee’s Terms of Reference of at least 15 representatives.

Amy McKay forwarded her resignation from YAG and expressed her well wishes for the future of the group. YAG accepted her resignation and expressed their thanks and appreciation for her valued contribution over the last two years.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

There are no financial implications pertaining to this report.

ACTION PLAN IMPLICATIONS:

5 FACILITATE AND MAINTAIN A COHESIVE COMMUNITY

5.1 Facilitate community access and inclusion

Key Strategies:

5.1.4 Encourage and recognise volunteers

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APPOINTMENT OF NEW MEMBERS

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:

The Youth Advisory Group (YAG) is an advisory committee established under Section 54 of the NT Local Government Act 2008.

PUBLIC RELATIONS IMPLICATIONS:

There are no public relations implications arising from this report.

COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS:

Not relevant to this report.

DELEGATION:

Nil.

CONSULTATION:

New members have been recruited through print media advertising in GRIND, the NT NEWS, Darwin Sun, posters and promotion through network meetings and word of mouth.

PROPOSED PUBLIC CONSULTATION PROCESS:

Nil

CONCLUSION

YAG functions as an advisory committee, expert in youth experiences and issues. The committee provides a supported forum for youth participation in local government and has attracted membership that is rich in diversity and motivated to represent their peers. It remains critical that Council be proactive in continuing to seek advice from YAG for genuine youth participation opportunities to be realised.

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RECOMMENDATIONS:

THAT it be a recommendation to Council:-

- A. THAT Report Number 09C0055 entitled, Youth Advisory Group Minutes 4 March 2009 and Appointment of New Members, be received and noted.
- B. THAT the Youth Advisory Group Minutes of 4 March 2009 attached to Report Number 09C0055 be received and noted.
- C. THAT Council appoint:-

Patrick McCann
 Liam Parry-Mills

as members of the Youth Advisory Group (YAG) for a 3 year term from 30 April 2009 to 29 April 2012 in accordance with Section 54 of the NT Local Government Act 2008.

- D. THAT Council receive the resignations of:-

Amy McKay

KIN LEONG
YOUTH SERVICES OFFICER

JOHN BANKS
GENERAL MANAGER
COMMUNITY & CULTURAL SERVICES

Any queries on this report may be directed to Kin Leong on extension 5635

**MINUTES OF THE DARWIN CITY COUNCIL
YOUTH ADVISORY GROUP (YAG) MEETING
HELD WEDNESDAY 4 MARCH 2009**

1. PRESENT

Chantelle Dobunaba	
Patrick McCann	
Jacqui Willcocks	
Ailsa Leibrick	
Caitlin Buralli	
Liam Parry-Mills	
Tameka Borton	
Candy Wang	
Zenia Xie	
Callum Poole	DCC
Alderman Jo Sangster	DCC
Kin Leong	DCC
Luccio Cercarelli	DCC
Amy Robinson	Guest

2. APOLOGIES

Kaitlyn Goodger
Shannon Hee
Maharishi Dasgupta
Virginia Cardona
Tom Wickham

3. TEAM BUILDER

YAG agreed to delay the team builder to provide an opportunity to discuss the Smith Street Connection

4. SMITH STREET CONNECTION

Luccio Cercarelli – General Manager Infrastructure presented the proposed “Smith Street Connection”. The proposal was well received by YAG and expressed appreciation for the level of consultation with the group. YAG remarked on the importance of seating and the increased green spaces in the CBD.

5. AMY ROBINSON – “CUP CAKE ART OF THE TOP END”

Amy presented an opportunity for her to contribute “Cup Cake Art of the Top End” during The BIG GIG. The project involves young people sitting around a table sharing stories while decorating their own cup cake. The finished product is photographed with the decorator and placed in a dedicated ‘zine. YAG were keen to have the project incorporated as part of The BIG GIG.

6. NATIONAL YOUTH WEEK 2009

The following people volunteered for the following tasks:

Set up

Jacqui
Mikki
Ailsa
Zenias

Clean up

Chantelle
Caitlin
Liam
Candy

Promotion

GRIND

Info Stalls

Ailsa

YAG Info Table

Chantelle

Stage/Production Manager

Kaitlyn

Chill-Out space

Caitlin
Zenias
Chantelle

7. COUNCIL UPDATE

LOUD & CLEAR: Youth Strategy 2009-2014

Council approved "*Loud & Clear: Youth Strategy 2009-2014*" with extremely positive feedback and expressed its thanks to all the young people involved in its formulation. Particular mention was made of the young people who prepared and presented at the Council workshop in November 2008.

Youth Precinct

Kin informed YAG that consultation regarding the proposed Youth Precinct will begin in March with a special workshop scheduled for YAG with Strategic Leisure after National Youth Week.

Sister Cities' Committees

YAG were asked if there was any interest in becoming involved in Council's various Sister Cities' Committees and if word could be passed through their own networks.

6 potential members attended YAG for the first time. Kin outlined the roles and responsibilities of YAG. Jessica, Finn and Rishi gave a brief summation of YAG and their impressions of what it meant to be on YAG.

8. OTHER BUSINESS

YAG Recruitment

- Two potential new members attended their first YAG meeting.
- Kin outlined Council's expectation of YAG and its members responsibilities under the Local Government Act.
- Ailsa talked about her experience with YAG and what it means to be a member.

ACTION: THAT

- Patrick McCann
- Liam Parry-Mills

be nominated as members of the Youth Advisory Group for a three year term

ACTION: THAT YAG accept the resignation of Amy McKay and formally express its thanks to Amy for her much appreciated involvement in YAG

Roles for the next meeting

Chair: Jacqui Willcocks

Minutes: Chantelle Dobunaba

Team Builder: Patrick McCann/Liam Parry-Mills

Munchies: Caitlin Buralli

9. CLOSE

Meeting closed at 7:10pm

Next meeting Wednesday 01 April at 5:00pm

ENCL: YES

DARWIN CITY COUNCIL

DATE: 06/04/09

REPORT**TO:** COMMUNITY SERVICES
COMMITTEE/OPEN A**APPROVED:** JB**FROM:** GENERAL MANAGER COMMUNITY &
CULTURAL SERVICES**APPROVED:** KH**REPORT NO:** 09C0059 NM:ems**APPROVED:** NM**COMMON NO:** 1519344**SUBJECT:** INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY MARCH AND CORPORATE
MEMBERSHIP OF UNITED NATIONS ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA
NORTHERN TERRITORY (UNAANT) INC.**ITEM NO: 9.7****SYNOPSIS:**

This report provides an overview of the International Women's Day March and Morning Tea which was held on Sunday 8 March 2009 and concludes with a recommendation that it become an annual event jointly facilitated by United Nations Association of Australia NT Division (UNAANT), Multicultural Council of the Northern Territory (MCCNT) and Darwin City Council. The report also discusses the invitation from UNAANT to Council to become a corporate member and recommends that Council become a corporate member of UNAANT Inc for the annual cost of \$65.00.

GENERAL:**PREVIOUS DECISIONS**

DECISION NO.20\1228 (24/02/09)

- A. THAT the Invitation from the United Nations Association of Australia & President, UNAA Northern Territory to participate in the International Women's Day Walk – 8 March 2009, Document Number 1519344, be received and noted.
- B. THAT Council support the International Women's Day Walk on Sunday, 8 March 2008 commencing at 10.30 am and concluding in the grounds of the Civic Park, Harry Chan Avenue, Darwin, themed as 'Women are our Future', be endorsed by Council.

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REPORT

International Women's Day March

An invitation from the United Nations Association Australia NT Division (UNAA NT) for Council to support a march that was to be held on Sunday 8 March 2009 in celebration of International Women's Day (IWD) was endorsed by the Community Services Committee at its meeting of 9 February 2009. The IWD March was jointly facilitated by (UNAA NT) and Multicultural Council of the Northern Territory (MCCNT) and Council supported the event by providing a venue and refreshments for morning tea.

The march commenced at the Council car park alongside the GPO in Cavenagh Street and progressed along Cavenagh Street to Harry Chan Avenue where it concluded in the grounds of the Civic Centre at the Tree of Knowledge. Morning tea and official speeches were held in the staff tea room adjacent to the Tree of Knowledge. The speeches by the Hon Malarndirri McCarthy, Minister Assisting the Chief Minister on Multicultural Affairs, Senator Trish Crossin and Alderman Robyn Lesley, Deputy Lord Mayor of Darwin City Council were appreciated by all.



The event was deemed a success with approximately 90 attendees, many of whom commented on the quality of the speeches and expressed gratitude at being able to shelter inside away from the sun and possible rain at the conclusion to the march.



Given the success and positive outcomes of the March it is recommended that the International Women's Day March and Morning Tea become an annual event jointly facilitated by ANAANT, MCCNT and Darwin City Council.

Corporate Membership of United Nations Association of Australia Northern Territory (UNAAANT) Inc.

An invitation has been extended to Council from UNAAANT to become a corporate member of the Association. The Northern Territory Division of the United Nations Association of Australia (UNAA) is part of the World Federation of United Nations Associations. UNAA promotes the aims and ideals of the United Nations by educating Australians about the global work that the United Nations carries out.

UNAAANT undertakes activities and special programs based on humanitarian principles that promote human rights, peace, security, intercultural social development, gender issues, the environment, and United Nations reform.

The annual corporate membership fee of UNAAANT is \$65.00. It is recommended that Council support the programs and underlying principles of UNAAANT by becoming a corporate member.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

International Women's Day March

It is anticipated that an annual budget of \$1,000.00 would be required to support the IWD March event. This includes staff costs, waiver of permit fees, cost of refreshments and limited print media advertising.

Corporate Membership of United Nations Association of Australia Northern Territory (UNAAANT) Inc.

The annual corporate membership fee of UNAAANT is \$65.00.

Both the event and corporate advertising can be absorbed by the Community Development Activities budget item no. 221001/300.

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STRATEGIC PLAN IMPLICATIONS:

The issues addressed in this Report are in accordance with the following Goals/Strategies of the Darwin City Council 2008 – 2012 as outlined in the 'Evolving Darwin Strategic Directions: Towards 2020 and Beyond':-

Goal

5 Facilitate and Maintain a Cohesive Community

Outcome

5.2 Promote Darwin's culture

Key Strategies

5.2.1 Promote and support activities and programs that celebrate cultural diversity

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:

Nil.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS:

There are no environmental implications arising from matters contained in this report.

PUBLIC RELATIONS IMPLICATIONS:

No immediate public relations implications have been identified in respect to this report. There is potential media interest in any Council activity and Council's Chief Officers Group review all reports and potential issues or any media interest is brought to the attention of the General Manager, Cultural & Community Services.

COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS:

Nil.

DELEGATION:

Not applicable.

CONSULTATION:

Nil.

PROPOSED PUBLIC CONSULTATION PROCESS:

Nil.

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APPROPRIATE SIGNAGE

Not applicable.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

THAT it be a recommendation to Council:-

- A. THAT Report Number 09C0059 entitled, International Women's Day March and Corporate Membership of United Nations Association of Australia Northern Territory (UNAANT) Inc, be received and noted.
- B. THAT the International Women's Day March and Morning Tea be supported by Council annually and jointly facilitated by United Nations Association of Australia Northern Territory (UNAANT), Multicultural Council of the Northern Territory (MCCNT) and Darwin City Council.
- C. THAT Council accept the invitation to become a corporate member of United Nations Association of Australia Northern Territory (UNAANT) Inc. at the cost of \$65.00 annually.

NANCY McCANN
COMMUNITY SERVICES OFFICER

JOHN BANKS
GENERAL MANAGER COMMUNITY & CULTURAL SERVICES

Any queries on this report may be directed to Nancy McCann on Ext 5645.



The United Nations Association of Australia - NT Division



Patron: His Honour Mr Tom Pauling AO QC, Administrator of the Northern Territory
Vice Patron: The Hon Jane Aagaard, Speaker of the Northern Territory Legislative Assembly

INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY WALK Women Are Our Future

Sunday 8th March, 2009 10.30 am Darwin

Join us for the inaugural International Women's Day Walk in Darwin - assembling 10.15 am at the Darwin City Council Car Park in Cavenagh Street. Commencing at 10.30 am, progressing along Cavenagh Street and concluding at the Tree of Knowledge, Darwin Civic Centre.

Refreshments provided by Darwin City Council from 11.00 am with these Speakers: the Hon Malarndirri McCarthy, Minister Assisting the Chief Minister on Multicultural Affairs, Senator Trish Crossin and Alderman Robyn Lesley, Deputy Lord Mayor, Darwin City Council.

An official 2009 International Women's Day Event proudly sponsored by and in partnership with the Northern Territory Government, Senator Trish Crossin, the Multicultural Council of the Northern Territory and Darwin City Council. To register for the International Women's Day Walk and for more information, contact Christine Fletcher on 0419 829 509 or Dorothy Fox on 0410 935 264.



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Crowd takes to city streets for women



SOLIDARITY: About 100 marched in Darwin for International Women's Day yesterday. Picture: JUSTIN SANSON

By ALYSSA BERTS

ABOUT 100 women, children and the odd bloke marched in Darwin for the city's first International Women's Day Walk yesterday.

The colourful flag-waving group got off to a rocky start when an expected police escort did not arrive, and a moody ute driver sped past keeping.

But they got into the groove and mastered interactions with the help of Darwin's Zonta Club president and NT Ombudsman, Carolyn Rickards, who resumed traffic control duties.

Organised by the United Nations Association of Australia (UNAA) NT branch, the walk drew the young and old in their shorts, saris or silver hijabs. Islamic Centre member Marhaba Haidar turned up with a big group of women and children, and said it was important to take part in the walk.

"Women in society are strong and vibrant and we just want to show that," she said.

Women's Policy Minister Muluwerri McCarthy was backed up

Aboriginal cop honoured



THE Territory's top crop of women this year includes a police officer who was the first Aboriginal woman to reach the rank of sergeant in the NT police.

Rosanna Bred (pictured) became a sergeant in 2006 after serving with the police since 1988. She has carried out duties in places such as Darwin, Alice Springs, Arnhemland, Tiwi Islands and Daly River.

And last week she was among five women to be honoured in a tribute to Northern Territory women.

Sgt Bred said it was a "significant personal achievement" and an honour.

by her Borroloola team. Three women, aged four, six and eight. She said the walk was for the "little ones".

"Too many of our kids grow up seeing violence as a normal way of life, and it's not normal," she said.

The group finished its march along Cavenagh St to share juice and coffee at the Darwin City Council building.

while Ms McCarthy and others such as Darwin councillor Robyn Lesley addressed the crowd. Ms McCarthy lauded of the NT Government's new contentious mandatory reporting of domestic violence legislation, which she said was aimed at changing society's attitudes to violence.

"Women and children are often the most vulnerable," she said.



UNITED NATIONS ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA NORTHERN TERRITORY (UNAANT) Inc.

PATRON

*His Honour Mr Tom Pauling AO QC
Administrator of the Northern Territory*

VICE-PATRON

The Hon. Jane Augard, Speaker NT Legislative Assembly

INFORMATION SHEET AND MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

The Northern Territory Division of the United Nations Association of Australia is the newest UNAA division in Australia and is part of the World Federation of United Nations Associations.

UNAA promotes the aims and ideals of the United Nations by educating Australians about the global work of the UN. The UNAANT supports our Governments in their commitment to the UN and promotes and organises networks, programs, and activities for members and for the communities.

The people of the Northern Territory live in a region enriched by the diversity of its people, the uniqueness of its environment and by the stability of its democratic institutions. People are its greatest resource. The Territory has the largest percentage of traditional indigenous people in Australia. Traditional societies and the multicultural composition of the Territory's communities give this region a profile unlike any other.

UNAANT activities include special programs based on humanitarian principles that promote human rights, peace, security, intercultural social development, gender issues, the environment, and United Nations reform.

Against this backdrop, the UNAANT Division is dedicated to providing the Northern Territory community with opportunities for shaping outcomes by participating directly in programs, events, conferences and seminars, and recognition of special international and national celebrations.

The UNAANT is the community-based part of the national and international family of United Nations organisations. By becoming a member of the United Nations Association of Australia Northern Territory Inc your support and participation can help make a positive difference.



UNITED NATIONS ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA
NORTHERN TERRITORY (UNAANT) Inc.

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Title: _____

Address: _____

Post Code: _____

Phone: H. _____ Mobile _____ Wk _____

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Professional or general experience: _____

MEMBERSHIP FEES:	\$35	ORDINARY
	\$15	CONCESSION/STUDENT
	\$40	FAMILY
	\$65	CORPORATE

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Email: fletch44@bigpond.net.au

Mobile: 041 982 9509

ENCL: YES

DARWIN CITY COUNCIL

DATE: 06/04/09

REPORT**TO:** COMMUNITY SERVICES
COMMITTEE/OPEN A**APPROVED:** JB**FROM:** GENERAL MANAGER COMMUNITY &
CULTURAL SERVICES**APPROVED:** KH**REPORT NO:** 09C0060 AR:ems**APPROVED:** AR**COMMON NO:** 1514581**SUBJECT:** YWCA DARWIN BROTHERS PROJECT STRAW BALE MOSAIC SEAT
IN HOLZERLAND PARK MALAK**ITEM NO: 9.8****SYNOPSIS:**

This report recommends that Council grant permission to the YWCA Darwin Brothers Project to install a new artwork in Holzerland Park, Malak, in the form of a straw bale mosaic seat.

GENERAL:

The Brothers Project, based in Malak, is a program of the YWCA Darwin and facilitates leadership and mentoring opportunities for disadvantaged young men in Darwin. Melanie Mitchell, coordinator of the Brothers Project wrote to Council in February 2009 requesting permission for a group of young men involved with the Brothers Project to construct and install a new artwork in Holzerland Park, Malak in the form of a straw bale mosaic seat. The project was to form part of "Harmony Day" celebrations in the Park on 21 March 2009. Although the date for Harmony Day 2009 has now passed, the project is planned to go ahead pending approval from Council.

A site visit was conducted with the Manager Infrastructure Maintenance, the Team Coordinator Parks and Reserves and the Arts and Cultural Development Officer where proposed sites for the artwork were discussed and maintenance issues identified. A site facing the supermarket at the back of the Malak Shopping Centre was identified.

It was noted that Holzerland Park has few seats, that the proposed seat would fulfil a need for the community and that it would also have the potential to become a source of community pride and ownership. The group has consulted with Neighbourhood Watch and has their support, as noted in their application.

Issues identified by Council officers include the need for lighting of the seat to ensure the safety of people using the seat, the need to place the seat in an area where it will

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 HOLZERLAND PARK MALAK

not be damaged by tree roots, and the need to preserve access for grass cutting and mowing around the seat.

The seat will be a solid structure built from straw bales and mud, with a concrete base and mosaic tiling covering the structure. The Brothers Project will be working with a tradesperson to ensure the structure is safely constructed.

YWCA has indicated their willingness to maintain the structure, however Council must be prepared to take on maintenance of the seat in the future. YWCA have been advised that Council's policy in regards to Public Art provides for the de-accessioning of works after a certain time period or where damage has been suffered by the works.

Support for this proposal will facilitate community involvement in the arts and community ownership of public spaces, which is in line with Council's current Five Year Arts Plan.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

There are no financial implications for Council associated with the construction and installation of the work.

A maintenance budget should not be required at this stage. It is envisioned that a Public Art Maintenance budget may be created in future years and that maintenance of the proposed Straw Bale Mosaic Seat would be covered by this budget.

STRATEGIC PLAN IMPLICATIONS:

The issues addressed in this Report are in accordance with the following Goals/Strategies of the Darwin City Council 2008 – 2012 as outlined in the 'Evolving Darwin Strategic Directions: Towards 2020 and Beyond':-

Goal

5 Facilitate and Maintain a Cohesive Community

Outcome

5.2 Promote Darwin's culture

Key Strategies

5.2.2 Create opportunities for the expression of cultural diversity through art

Goal

5 Facilitate and Maintain a Cohesive Community

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Outcome

5.3 Support harmony within the community

Key Strategies

5.3.2 Develop and support programs to promote community spirit, cohesion and safety

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:

Nil pertaining to this report.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS:

Nil pertaining to this report.

PUBLIC RELATIONS IMPLICATIONS:

No immediate public relations implications have been identified in respect to this report, however there is potential for media interest in any Council activity. Council's Chief Officers review all reports and potential issues or any media interest is brought to the attention of the General Manager Community and Cultural Services.

COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS:

The need for appropriate lighting of the area in which the seat will be installed has been addressed by the Brothers Project. The chosen site is lit by street lighting.

DELEGATION:

Nil.

CONSULTATION:

Melanie Mitchell, YWCA Darwin Brothers Project Coordinator
 Manager Infrastructure Maintenance
 Team Coordinator Parks and Reserves
 Arts and Cultural Development Officer

PROPOSED PUBLIC CONSULTATION PROCESS:

Nil.

APPROPRIATE SIGNAGE

Nil pertaining to this report.

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 HOLZERLAND PARK MALAK

RECOMMENDATIONS:

THAT it be a recommendation to Council:-

- A. THAT Report Number 09C0060 entitled, YWCA Darwin Brothers Project Straw Bale Mosaic Seat in Holzerland Park, Malak, be received and noted.
- B. THAT Council grant permission for the installation of a straw bale mosaic seat in Holzerland Park, Malak, at the site identified, with the understanding that all relevant safety and access issues will be addressed by the YWCA Darwin Brothers Project.

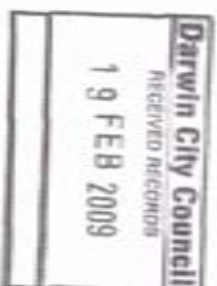
ALICE RAE
ARTS & CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT
OFFICER

JOHN BANKS
GENERAL MANAGER COMMUNITY &
CULTURAL SERVICES

Any queries on this report may be directed to Alice Rae on 89300674



X = PROPOSED SITE OF STRAW BALE MOSAIC SEAT IN HOLZERLAND PARK, MALAK



To: Darwin Arts Council

Re: MALAK SEATING PROJECT

Attention: Ms Alice Rae

Dear Ms Rae,

I am writing in relation to the Malak Seating Project that the YWCA has proposed for a Hanbury Day event.

We have been successful in a funding submission and wish to pursue the construction of a straw bale seat in Albezard Park.

The construction of the seat will involve a youth worker, tradesperson and three young men. Once the seat is constructed it will be mosaiced.

The seat will sit on concrete pavers which should discourage the seat sinking, hay bales will then be placed on these pavers with layers and layers of mud. The dimensions of the seat are included in this correspondence. The location of the seat has involved consultation with Malak Neighbourhood Watch

and local residents. After these discussions a spot in Holzerland Park has been decided upon which are shown in the photographs enclosed.

If you have any further questions do not hesitate in contacting me on the numbers on my contact card.

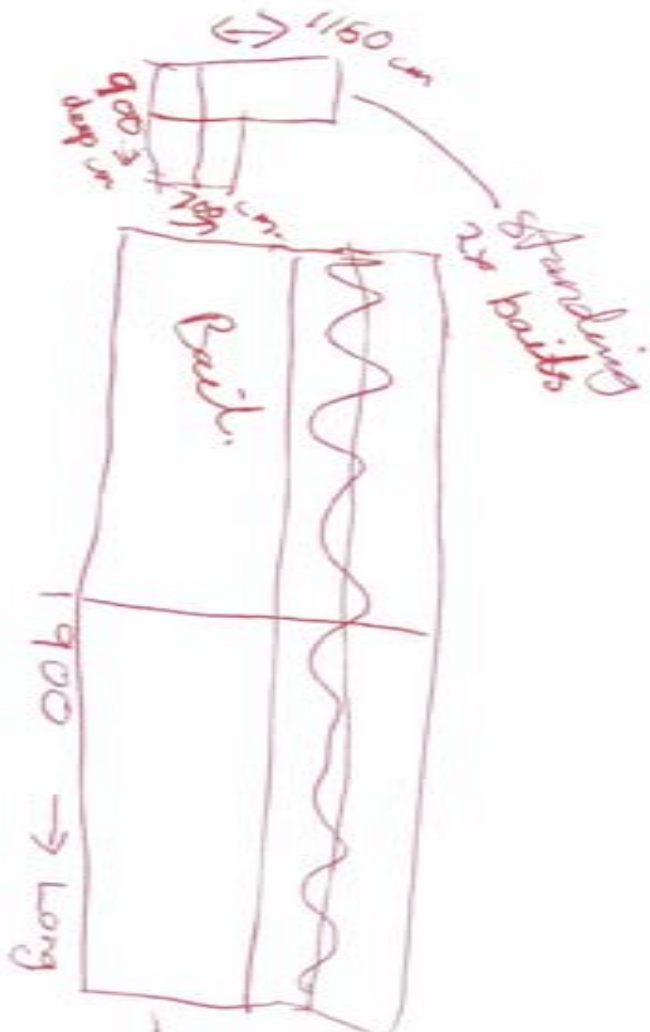
I look forward in hearing from you soon,

Regards

Melanie Mitchell.

17/2/2009





We chose

Not good at diagrams but

I can explain how it will be put together.
As hogs heads vary slightly in size this is
approximate.

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Sister project by area of drawing and

89m x 127m.

ENCL: YES

DARWIN CITY COUNCIL

DATE: 06/04/09

REPORT**TO:** COMMUNITY SERVICES
COMMITTEE/OPEN A**APPROVED:** JB**FROM:** GENERAL MANAGER COMMUNITY &
CULTURAL SERVICES**APPROVED:** KH**REPORT NO:** 09C0061 AR:Mrg**APPROVED:** AR**COMMON NO:** 1338781**SUBJECT:** SPONSORSHIP FOR ORIGINS EVENT AND PUBLIC LAUNCH OF
CHARLES DARWIN COMMEMORATIVE ARTWORK (BEAGLE SHIP
BELL CHIME)**ITEM NO: 9.9****SYNOPSIS:**

In November 2008 Council pledged its support in-principle for the community arts project, "Origins", being coordinated by Corrugated Iron Youth Arts in partnership with the Darwin Symphony Orchestra, Darwin Theatre Company, Darwin Chorale and Charles Darwin University.

A formal sponsorship application has now been received. This report recommends that Council participate as a major sponsor of the event, which revolves around the launch of Council's new and most major public artwork, "The HMS Beagle Ship Bell Chime" and also features the world premiere of a new work performed by the Darwin Symphony Orchestra.

GENERAL:

This report is referred to the Open section at the discretion of the General Manager Community & Cultural Services.

Previous Decisions

Decision No. 20\1014 (25/11/08)

- C. THAT Council register its support in-principle for the proposed Corrugated Iron Youth Arts partnership event planned for 2009 to commemorate Darwin 200.

Decision No. 20\0507 (29/07/08)

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- B. THAT the Lord Mayor write to the institution constructing the Beagle ship with an invitation to visit Darwin and to offer a bell as a gift to the Beagle Project for installation on the replica Beagle ship
- C. THAT Council endorse the commission of an additional bell by artist Anton Hasell as a gift to the Beagle Project for installation on the replica Beagle ship.
- D. THAT an amount of \$10,000 be identified in the budget review to be allocated towards the commission of an additional bell by artist Anton Hasell to gift to the Beagle Project for installation on the replica Beagle.

REPORT

In October 2008 Corrugated Iron Youth Arts approached Council with a proposal to incorporate the launch of its new artwork, "The HMS Beagle Ship Bell Chime" by Anton Hasell, with a major arts event in Civic Park. The event, titled "Origins", celebrates the significant anniversaries of Corrugated Iron Youth Arts (25 years), the Darwin Symphony Orchestra (20 years), Darwin Theatre Company (50 years) and the Darwin Chorale (25 years). It also celebrates "Darwin200", the 200th birthday of Charles Darwin, and incorporates the theme of Darwin's theory of evolution.

Council's Arts and Cultural Development Advisory Committee recommended support for the project and in November 2008 Council provided its in-principle support for the project. A formal application for sponsorship has now been received from Corrugated Iron Youth Arts.

The event, to be staged on 1 July 2009 (Territory Day) in Civic Park, promises to be a major arts event on the Darwin calendar. The project coordinator Alex Ben Mayor of Well Theatre Company has extensive experience in managing large scale public art performance works in Australia and at international festivals.

Taking the theme of evolution, *Origins* interprets Darwin's scientific theories through video projection, music and movement, and has sought the participation of a number of sets of twins and a large group of pregnant women from the community to increase its artistic impact. The event incorporates the world premiere of a composition by British composer Michael Stimpson, "The Age of Wonders" on the theme of evolution, the fourth movement of which has been commissioned by the Darwin Symphony Orchestra especially for "Darwin200" in 2009. Also included will be performances by the Darwin Chorale, Darwin Theatre Company actors, and approximately 120 young people involved with Corrugated Iron Youth Arts.

The launch of Council's new artwork is a key feature of the event and the bells in Civic Park will be incorporated in the performance through music and dance. It is anticipated that the bells will be played "live" by the performers.

The event will commence around 7.30 pm, soon after the finish of Territory Day fireworks at Mindil Beach (scheduled to start at sunset around 7 pm) and will run for

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2 hours. It will be an open access, inclusive, “walk in” free public event and a crowd of around 2,000 – 3,000 people is expected. The use of fireworks at the event will be strongly discouraged.

Given the investment made by Council in the Charles Darwin Commemorative Artwork project, it is fitting that a spectacular event launch this project during the official year marking Charles Darwin’s 200th birthday.

Sponsorship details

In summary, this request seeks both a cash and in-kind contribution totalling an investment of \$15,000 to assist with this major production. Council are clear beneficiaries given the launch of its public artworks are celebrated during the event.

Corrugated Iron Youth Arts has requested that Council consider hosting a welcome function for sponsors in the Civic Centre prior to the event, at which the Lord Mayor would introduce the performance and speak about Council’s new artwork. Hosting of a welcome function may be considered part of the in-kind sponsorship offered.

This recommended sponsorship would place Council as one of three major sponsors of the event, which is likely to attract significant local, national and international media attention as the world’s major arts event celebrating “Darwin200”.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

This report recommends a sponsorship contribution of \$10,000 cash and \$5,000 in-kind, totalling \$15,000.

Council earmarked resources in this financial year for Darwin200 activities, promotions and events. Funds are identified within current budget allocations to sponsor this event and no further resources are required. Budget Item No 05/221040/300/104 (WO 17606).

The in-kind allocation of \$5,000 would assist with publicity, promotions, Civic Park, preparations (lighting/power etc), banners, staging, labour and practical support. The in-kind budget will be administered through Customer Services, and would include the hosting of a welcome function prior to the event.

STRATEGIC PLAN IMPLICATIONS:

The issues addressed in this Report are in accordance with the following Goals/Strategies of the Darwin City Council 2008 – 2012 as outlined in the ‘Evolving Darwin Strategic Directions: Towards 2020 and Beyond’:-

Goal

2 Enhance Darwin’s Active, Positive and Flexible Lifestyle

Outcome

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2.3 Promote family friendly activities

Key Strategies

2.3.1 Promote and host family orientated recreational and leisure activity

Goal

5 Facilitate and Maintain a Cohesive Community

Outcome

5.2 Promote Darwin's culture

Key Strategies

5.2.2 Create opportunities for the expression of cultural diversity through art

Goal

6 Promote Brand Darwin

Outcome

6.1 Increase Council's profile

Key Strategies

6.1.1 Provide strategic sponsorship for major events

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:

The *Origins* event will be promoted as a fireworks free event, however Council currently has no authority to ban the use of fireworks on Territory Day on Council owned land.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS:

Nil.

PUBLIC RELATIONS IMPLICATIONS:

As a major public Arts event, *Origins* is likely to attract significant local, national and international media attention. Council's Communications and Marketing Team will work with the Project Team to assist with event promotion.

COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS:

The use of fireworks during the event, which falls on "Territory Day" 1 July 2009, will be strongly discouraged.

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DELEGATION:

Requires a full Council decision.

CONSULTATION:

Alex Ben Mayor, Project Coordinator
 Jane Tonkin, Corrugated Iron Youth Arts
 Emma Di Muzio, Darwin Symphony Orchestra
 Arts and Cultural Development Advisory Committee (ACDAC)
 General Manager Community and Cultural Development
 Manager Community Services
 Manager Infrastructure Projects
 Manager Communications and Marketing
 Customer Services
 Lord Mayor's Secretary
 Arts and Cultural Development Officer

PROPOSED PUBLIC CONSULTATION PROCESS:

Nil.

APPROPRIATE SIGNAGE

As a key sponsor of the event Council will negotiate key opportunities for logo and banner placement.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

THAT it be a recommendation to Council:-

- A. THAT Report Number 09C0061 entitled, Sponsorship For Origins Event And Public Launch Of Charles Darwin Commemorative Artwork (Beagle Ship Bell Chime), be received and noted.
- B. THAT Council provide sponsorship of \$10,000 cash and \$5,000 in-kind towards the *Origins* event, which will incorporate the launch of the Charles Darwin Commemorative Artwork from existing budget allocations.

ALICE RAE
ARTS & CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT
OFFICER

JOHN BANKS
GENERAL MANAGER COMMUNITY &
CULTURAL SERVICES

Any queries on this report may be directed to Alice Rae on 8930 0674



Corrugated Iron Youth Arts

a fresh approach to performing arts for young people

Kate Heann
Manager Community Services
Darwin City Council
GPO Box 84
Darwin NT 0801

24 March 2009

Dear Katie

Re: *Origins*

Thank you for your support of the *Origins* project.

Alice Rees' interest and vision of linking the performance element with Council's launch of the Bets has been instrumental in shifting the project along. We see *Origins* as another wonderful collaboration with Darwin City Council and we thank you for supporting the event with both funds and through venue support offered through Civic Park.

The *Origins* event is significant in that it is the City of Darwin's key public event for Darwin200 - the worldwide celebration of the birth of Charles Darwin.

This project is also exciting because it is providing an impetus for a joint production between Darwin City Council, Corrugated Iron, Charles Darwin University, Darwin Symphony Orchestra and the Darwin Choral.

There is great excitement around the idea of having the Orchestra perform at this event and of course this is the most expensive component but we are happy to advise that we have secured some corporate support toward the production costs of the orchestra and we are currently talking with Australian Business Arts Foundation about further avenues.

A Council allocation of \$30,000 will assist the project significantly. Discussions with Council staff indicate that there are a number of in-kind support elements that will also be provided and continued discussion can put out exactly what this means.

The project is budgeted to run at about \$67,000. I have attached the budget we submitted to Arts NT. I am very happy to talk through the detail of this if required and to discuss about where DCC funds are allocated.

We see Darwin City Council as a significant partner in this project and think it ideal that we have found an opportunity to work you in the launch of the Bets to be installed in Civic Park. We think this is a wonderful extension to our already valuable working relationship and we are keen to ensure that Council's launch of the Bets is a wonderful community event.

As I mentioned on the phone we have been considering ways to ensure sponsors, partners and contributors to this event are looked after. To this end we are hoping that Council will host a function in the early part of the evening's proceedings on the 1st July. If Council is going to have a function to launch the Bets, the 'sponsors' function could follow on from this, both prior to the commencement of the performance. We see the balcony area being ideal as it will overlook the building of the *Origins* setting prior to the performance. Invited to attend would be representatives of businesses and agencies that are supporting *Origins*, Council affiliates, Corrugated Iron and Orchestra sponsors.

Please find following an outline of the *Origins* project. Let me know if there is any additional information that would be helpful at this stage.

Kind regards

Lane Tarkin
Executive Producer

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Corrugated Iron Youth Arts Inc is assisted by the Northern Territory Government through the Department of Natural Resources, Environment & the Arts and the Commonwealth Government through the Australia Council, its funding and advisory body, and the Attorney General's Department.

ARTISTIC MERIT

BACKGROUND

Corrugated Iron is the premiere youth arts organisation in the Top End and in this year celebrating 25 years of working with young people in theatre, performance, dance, circus and multimedia.

Aware that several other key arts organisations in Darwin are celebrating similar milestones, Corrugated Iron began exploring the potential for a large scale, outdoor project that would offer an opportunity for these organisations to work together. The result is a shared public performance that enables the Darwin community to celebrate the international bicentenary of Charles Darwin's birth and the 150th anniversary of the publication *On the Origin of the Species* in a local way.

Our initial development has led to an integrated performance project involving the peak cultural organisations of Darwin hosted, appropriately, by Darwin City Council in Civic Park. Capitalising on the strength of local diversity, Corrugated Iron Youth Arts (25 years), the Darwin Symphony Orchestra (20 years), Darwin Chorale (25 years), Darwin City Council, and Charles Darwin University, unite for the first time to present *Origins*.

THE EVENT

Origins will be a free public performance in Civic Park, Darwin City, on the 1st July 2009, the day the Territory celebrates self-government.

Darwin City Council will unveil the large scale public sculpture commission *The HMS Bangle Ship Bell Chime*. This impressive array of 11 handmade bells will add another layer to the score of the performance.

Corrugated Iron's Workshop Program will provide the performer base - approximately 60 young performers supported by a core group of emerging artists and creative professionals.

Darwin Symphony Orchestra will perform the world premiere of the work they have commissioned from UK composer Michael Simpson as part of the Darwin200 celebrations and are keen to perform the entire four sections composed by Simpson.

Charles Darwin University students will work on the project as part of their studies and contribute to the production through costuming, multimedia project elements and design concepts, supported by creative professionals.

Darwin Chorale will perform work that aligns with the theme of the performance and are active participants acknowledging the value of key community organisations coming together for this presentation.

THE PRESENTATION

On 1st July, Civic Park, in the heart of Darwin, will become home to *Origins* - where the science of Charles Darwin will be artistically interpreted and celebrated with the public.

Origins will be the City of Darwin's key public event for Darwin200 - the worldwide celebration of the birth of Charles Darwin. As a recognition of our city's namesake and as visceral link to the evolution of life on this planet, this event is of great symbolic importance to the Darwin community.

Combining some of Darwin's best young performers from Corrugated Iron, professional multimedia designers working with design students from Charles Darwin University, and a connection between the community choir Darwin Chorale and the Darwin Symphony Orchestra, *Origins* looks set to be the most ambitious public work created in Darwin this year. A celebration, an exploration and a public sculpture launch combined into a multimedia and theatrical outdoor extravaganza.

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Corrugated Iron Youth Arts Inc is assisted by the Northern Territory Government through the Department of Natural Resources, Environment & the Arts and the Commonwealth Government through the Australia Council, its funding and advisory body, and the Australia Council's Department.

THE PROCESS

Corrugated Iron began exploring the potential for a large scale, outdoor project that would offer an opportunity for a range of organisations to work together towards an international celebration with a distinctive local flavour.

An initial development funded by Arts NT has led to the creation of an integrated performance project. Whilst the partners are working on separate components each shares a creative vision of celebrating the cultural and artistic vibrancy of Darwin. The combined creative outcome will respond to the needs of partners including organisations celebrating their birthdays, DCC having a platform to publicly launch the bells installed in Civic Park and the DSO having a platform to perform the work they commissioned to celebrate Charles Darwin's birthday.

Outcomes - Origins will:

- be the City of Darwin's key public event for Darwin@DS - the worldwide celebration of the birth of Charles Darwin.
- provide an extraordinary opportunity for the key partners - Corrugated Iron, DCC, DSO and CDU - to collaborate, pooling talents and resources to create a large-scale artistic interpretation of the science of Charles Darwin;
- unite the community in a public celebration of Darwin's creative industries;
- provide a significant setting from which Darwin City Council can launch the public bells installed in Civic Park in commemoration of Charles Darwin;
- provide an opportunity to feature the DSO's world premiere commission.

Benefits for NT artists - Origins will:

- provide an opportunity for participating artists to work on an event that incorporates a variety of artforms, extending their experience to breadth rarely possible in one show.
- extend the support bases of each of the participating artistic groups and their members.
- offer the participating artists and artsworkers a cross-disciplinary environment in which to thrive, learn, share and explore.
- enable artists to display their work at a peak public event of deep symbolic importance to Darwin, increasing and extending the scope of their audiences.

Benefits to community as audience/participants - Origins will:

- include community participation through CDU students and groups such as Childbirth Education Association. Whilst CDU students have the opportunity to present work at the university, their work is less often seen in public formats such as this large scale performance. The inclusion of community groups in the performance seeks to provide an experience that is integrating and rewarding.
- offer a show to the Darwin community that is free, accessible and stimulating. It will include the orchestra, young performers, multimedia, visual installations through the park, choral performance and circus.

For location/region - Origins will:

- offer an addition to the annual Territory Day celebrations that marks significant milestones of local arts companies
- provide a unique and accessible events that sees Darwin participate in the international celebrations of our city's namesake.

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Please note that you are entitled to provide specific and individual instructions for responses to your clients.

ENCL: NO

DARWIN CITY COUNCIL**DATE:** 06/04/09**REPORT****TO:** COMMUNITY SERVICES
COMMITTEE/OPEN**APPROVED:** JB**FROM:** GENERAL MANAGER COMMUNITY &
CULTURAL SERVICES**APPROVED:** DN**REPORT NO:** 09C0063 DN:mh**COMMON NO:** 1330602**SUBJECT:** SUPPLEMENTARY PARKING REGULATION OF THE NORTHERN
SUBURBS**ITEM NO: 9.10****SYNOPSIS:**

This report provides information to Council on the supplementary regulation of parking in Darwin's suburban areas in response to customer complaints in conjunction with officer observation, regulation and enforcement.

GENERAL:

Previously Council regulated parking in suburban areas using two specific Regulatory Officers. These officers primarily responded to complaints received from members of the public in relation to breaches of NT Road Regulations-Australian Road Rules and the contravention of Council By-Laws.

The Suburban Parking Officer (Golf Patrol) enforces all regulations during their daily patrol relative to; yellow lines, disabled and taxi zones, customer requests and parking regulation enforcement through select privately owned public carparks.

In suburban areas such as Casuarina Square, Karama, Northlakes and Nightcliff Shopping precincts, Council responds and regulates mainly complaint based matters. Areas regulated pertaining to customer complaint include disabled parking bays, taxi and mini bus parking.

The second of the Officers involved with suburban enforcement is the General Officer. This officer responds to general customer complaints and is responsible for enforcing mainly breaches of the Darwin City Council By-Laws and the Local Government Act. Breaches investigated by the General Officer include long grass reports, abandoned vehicles, stacking and storing on public places, discharging of waste, litter and encroachment onto public places.

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Council received a total of 816 complaints between January 2008 and January 2009 from members of the community that were actioned and investigated by Golf Patrol and the General Officer. The following figures represent a breakdown of customer complaints received and investigated by suburban officers.

Long Grass	59
Litter	31
Traffic Regulation Offence	231
Abandoned Vehicle	485
TOTAL	816

These figures indicate a large number of legislation breaches throughout the suburban areas of Darwin. With all Regulatory Officers now proactively patrolling and regulating observed breaches of the NT Traffic Regulations-Australia Road Rules during their routine patrols and investigations it is envisaged that long term traffic breaches will decrease as breaches are addressed more efficiently and effectively.

To successfully achieve this type of regulation Regulatory Officers have for the past 12 months been multi-skilled throughout the regulatory section. This has provided officers with the skills and competence necessary to enforce all Council By-Laws and associated Acts. With this in mind it is now foreseeable that Regulatory Services have the required resources and the capacity to not only effectively investigate customer complaints but also regulate observed traffic breaches eventuating in compliancy or the issuing of an infringement notice.

The observed regulation of parking breaches will focus on vehicles parked on verges and driveways. This type of breach inconveniences pedestrians utilising the footpath forcing them to deviate around the vehicle onto the roadway. This can be a dangerous undertaking especially for those with a disability, mothers walking with their children and for elderly members of the community. This supplementary regulation together with public recognition that breaches of this type are being regulated could help prevent potential pedestrian accidents and would encourage community compliance.

Council would have to take into account that a number of streets within the Darwin municipal area have limited on street parking spaces. Many residents park their vehicles on verges and driveways to alleviate on street traffic congestion. Regulation discretion would have to be exercised by the attending officer to ensure residents are not being disadvantaged by a lack of parking opportunities in conjunction with the supplementary parking regulation.

This level of service is provided to meet the needs of the community whilst portraying Council as being consistent, equitable and transparent.

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FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

Nil

STRATEGIC PLAN IMPLICATIONS:

The issues addressed in this Report are in accordance with the following Goals/Strategies of the Darwin City Council 2008 – 2012 as outlined in the 'Evolving Darwin Strategic Directions: Towards 2020 and Beyond':-

Goal

7 Demonstrate Effective, Open and Responsible Governance

Outcome

7.1 Effective governance

Key Strategies

7.1.1 Continuously review service delivery to meet the communities' needs and expectations

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:

Nil

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS:

Nil

PUBLIC RELATIONS IMPLICATIONS:

The Northern Territory Traffic Regulations, Australian Road Rules and the Local Government Act pertain to this activity.

Council may receive an increase in the amount of complaints received from members of the public pertaining to the receipt of an infringement notice for a parking breach where they had been parking their vehicle previously for a lengthy period of time without being infringed.

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COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS:

The regulation of vehicles parked on verges and driveways outside residential properties could help prevent potential pedestrian accidents and injury.

DELEGATION:

Nil

CONSULTATION:

When regulating a new area the first week is spent issuing warning notices, placed on vehicles, before infringements start to be issued.

PROPOSED PUBLIC CONSULTATION PROCESS:

Typically car parking regulation generates some negative community comment therefore advertising any future supplementary regulation by Council is preceded by public notice.

APPROPRIATE SIGNAGE

Nil

RECOMMENDATIONS

That it be a recommendation to Council:-

- A. THAT Report Number 09C0063 entitled, Enforcement of Parking in the Northern Suburbs, be received and noted.
- B. That Regulatory Officers regulate observed breaches of the NT Traffic Regulations, Australian Road Rules and associated Acts for which they are the competent authority for enforcing.

DAVID NEALL
MANAGER REGULATORY SERVICES

JOHN BANKS
GENERAL MANAGER COMMUNITY & CULTURAL SERVICES

Any queries on this report may be directed to David Neall on 89300421.

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Community Services Committee Meeting - Wednesday, 15 April, 2009**10 SISTER CITIES COMMUNITY COMMITTEE ITEMS****10.1 INFORMATION ITEMS**

Nil



ENCL: YES

DARWIN CITY COUNCIL**DATE:** 06/04/09**REPORT****TO:** COMMUNITY SERVICES
COMMITTEE/OPEN A**APPROVED:** JB**FROM:** GENERAL MANAGER COMMUNITY &
CULTURAL SERVICES**APPROVED:** KH**REPORT NO:** 09C0058 SF:ems**APPROVED:** SF**COMMON NO:** 302550**SUBJECT:** 2008 - 2010 KALYMNOS SISTER CITY COMMUNITY COMMITTEE
ACTION PLAN**ITEM NO: 10.2.1****SYNOPSIS:**

This report presents to Council the 2008-2010 Kalymnos Sister City Community Committee Action Plan as prepared and adopted by the Kalymnos Sister City Community Committee (Kalymnos SCCC).

GENERAL:

The Kalymnos SCCC Action Plan includes both ongoing and short-term objectives and actions appropriate for each individual Sister City Community Committee.

This report recommends that Council endorse the Kalymnos Sister City Community Committee Action Plan for the period of 2008-2010. Although the plan was created during 2008, it is now presented for formal endorsement.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

Each SCCC has an annual budget allocation of \$4000 to be used for Sister Cities projects as outlined in their Action Plans.

Any allocation of funds detailed in the Kalymnos SCCC Action Plan will require further reports with specific project details. Financial implications will be presented to Council for their consideration and endorsement.

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 ACTION PLAN

STRATEGIC PLAN IMPLICATIONS:

The issues addressed in this Report are in accordance with the following Goals/Strategies of the Darwin City Council 2008 – 2012 as outlined in the 'Evolving Darwin Strategic Directions: Towards 2020 and Beyond':-

Goal

5 Facilitate and Maintain a Cohesive Community

Outcome

5.2 Promote Darwin's culture

Key Strategies

5.2.1 Promote and support activities and programs that celebrate cultural diversity

Goal

6 Promote Brand Darwin

Outcome

6.2 Promote our Darwin city

Key Strategies

6.2.4 Strengthen international relationships through Sister Cities and other activities

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:

None pertaining to this report.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS:

Not applicable.

PUBLIC RELATIONS IMPLICATIONS:

No immediate public relations implications have been identified in respect to this report. There is potential media interest in any Council activity and Council's Chief Officers Group review all reports. Potential issues or any media interest is brought to the attention of the General Manager, Cultural & Community Services.

COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS:

No Community Safety implications specific to this report.

DELEGATION:

None for this report.

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ACTION PLAN

CONSULTATION:

The attached Action Plans were written in consultation with each Sister City Community Committee.

PROPOSED PUBLIC CONSULTATION PROCESS:

None for this particular report.

APPROPRIATE SIGNAGE

Not applicable to this report.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

THAT it be a recommendation to Council:-

THAT Report Number 09C0058 entitled, 2008 - 2010 Kalymnos Sister City Community Committee Action Plan, be received and noted.

SAMANTHA FRENCH
SISTER CITIES OFFICER

JOHN BANKS
GENERAL MANAGER COMMUNITY &
CULTURAL SERVICES

Any queries on this report may be directed to Samantha French on 89300695

2008/2010 Action Plan Kalymnos Sister City Community Committee

Aim of the Sister City Program

To increase international understanding and foster world peace by furthering international communication, friendship and exchange at the person-to-person level through city-to-city affiliations.

Sister Cities Community Committees (provided by the Sister Cities Management Committee)

Objectives	Actions	Expected outcomes	Timeline	Status
Assessment by each Community Committee of their individual Sister City relationship	Assessment of current status / performance based on the recently developed assessment criteria for new and existing Sister City relationships, and the following three criteria: (i) level of communication with Sister City (ii) history, outcomes to date, benefits seen (iii) current and proposed projects	Clarification of future direction and a framework for identifying continued projects to support the identified focus of each relationship.		June 2010

Each sister city relationship is unique and offers its own individual benefits and characteristics. Each has its own focus but collaboratively Darwin's sister city relationships work within a unified framework supporting the overall objectives of the Sister City Program.

2008/2010 Action Plan Kalymnos Sister City Community Committee

Focus of the Haikou Sister City Community Committee

Primary Focus: Historical, cultural, educational and commercial links.
Recognition, celebration and support the Greek Community in Darwin and Kalymnos through arts, cultural, friendship and sporting programs.
Commemoration of historical links between both cities.

Secondary Focus: Identification of potential projects for mutual benefit to the communities of both Darwin and Kalymnos.

Objectives:

1. Improve community contact database
2. Raise public awareness and promote the relationship with Kalymnos
3. Foster and promote Cultural and Educational exchanges
4. Project facilitation
5. Fundraising

1. Network and partnership building

Item No.	Actions	Expected outcomes	Budget	Timeline	Status
1.1	Collation of committee member's contacts and ongoing development of a database of agencies, community groups and individuals in both Kalymnos and Darwin.	Networking of groups & shared project resources (e.g. joint fund raising - resulting in increased capacity and cooperation and decreased competition.		Ongoing	Create a suitable mailing / emailing list for community engagement and networking purposes.
1.2	Information provision and linking of groups, agencies and resources for capacity building.	Invitation of interested parties to committee meetings to explore networking opportunities.		Ongoing	

2008/2010 Action Plan Kalymnos Sister City Community Committee

2. Raise public awareness and promote the relationship with Kalymnos

Item No.	Actions	Expected outcomes	Budget	Timeline	Status
2.1	Establish permanent promotional signage, to make the general public aware of the SC relationship.	Establish a promotional display at the Darwin International Airport and the Kalymnos Airport promoting the Sister Cities relationship and encourage tourism.	TBA		<p>13/03/08 – Dec No. 19\5869</p> <p>B. THAT the Sister Cities Management Committee supports the establishment of a promotional Kalymnos display.</p> <p>C. THAT The Lord Mayor write to the Mayor of Kalymnos informing him of the proposed display and the intention to purchase promotional items from Kalymnos to be displayed around Darwin following endorsement of the project.</p> <p>D. THAT a letter be written to Tourism NT and Tourism Top End requesting brochures and multimedia materials on Darwin and the Northern Territory to be displayed at the Kalymnos airport in Greece.</p>
2.2	Update Council website promoting the relationship between Kalymnos and Darwin and incorporating links to other related websites.	Strengthen relations through improved contacts and increase local awareness		Ongoing	<p>4/3/09</p> <p>Committee to review the text on the Council webpage and provide feedback to SCO.</p>
2.3	Acknowledge special holidays/events significant to Kalymnos, Greece and the local Greek Community			Ongoing	<p>18/2/09</p> <p>SCO to coordinate with the assistance of Kalymnos SCCC promotional displays at a number of community events to promote the SC relationship between Kalymnos and Darwin e.g.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Greek Glenti • Ocki Day celebrations (28 October) • Greek National Day (1st Sunday after the 25th March) • Pensioner Easter Sunday Lunch (hosted by the Greek Community)

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3. Foster and promote Cultural and Educational exchanges

Item No.	Actions	Expected outcomes	Budget	Timeline	Status
3.1	Facilitate vocational, cultural and education exchanges and visits between Kalymnos and Darwin.	Establish better communications, strengthen relationships by opportunities identified and progressed for mutual benefit.		TBA	
3.2	Support and participate in delegations to Kalymnos. Receive and host visiting delegations from Kalymnos.	Strengthen relations through improved contacts between the Mayors and their organisations.		Ongoing	

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4. Project Facilitation

Item No.	Actions	Expected outcomes	Budget	Timeline	Status
4.1	<p>Identification of existing projects/links in Kalymnos, Greece.</p> <p>Development (within contacts database) of a register of existing projects.</p>	Valuable resource for contacts in Kalymnos and around Darwin. To advise and assist in range of projects.		Ongoing	
4.2	Assist Council in the identification and facilitation of projects.	Direct Council involvement to build the Sister City relationship.		Ongoing	
4.3	<p>All existing projects / groups requesting assistance and needs identified with Kalymnos community explored as potential projects for involvement - including timelines, cost, resource requirements, legal and political implications.</p> <p>Identification of priority of those projects deemed feasible and appropriate for community committee involvement.</p>	Realistic overview of project requirements identified within the Kalymnos community.		Ongoing	

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5. Fundraising

Item No.	Actions	Expected outcomes	Budget	Timeline	Status
5.1	Undertake fundraising, including co-operation with other SCCC on fundraising activities. (National Sister Cities Day Fundraising Event – Deckchair Cinema	Raise additional funds for projects Receive 'dollar for dollar' additional funds		2 July 2009	12/2/09 Kalymnos SCCC nominated Costa Miaoudis to assist SCO to plan the upcoming fundraising event at Deckchair and to represent the Kalymnos SCCC. Combined SCCC event being held at the Deckchair Cinema on Thursday 2 July 2009 to raise funds for SC projects.

ENCL: YES

DARWIN CITY COUNCIL

DATE: 06/04/09

REPORT**TO:** COMMUNITY SERVICES
COMMITTEE/OPEN A**APPROVED:** JB**FROM:** GENERAL MANAGER COMMUNITY &
CULTURAL SERVICES**APPROVED:** KH**REPORT NO:** 09C0056 SF:ems**APPROVED:** SF**COMMON NO:** 302554**SUBJECT:** MINUTES OF THE AMBON SISTER CITY COMMUNITY COMMITTEE
MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 26 MARCH 2009 WITH
RECOMMENDATIONS**ITEM NO: 10.2.2****SYNOPSIS:**

This report presents the Minutes of the Ambon Sister City Community Committee meeting held on 26 March 2009 and are presented to the Community Services Committee for information.

GENERAL:

The purpose of this report is for the Community Services Committee to receive and note the minutes of the Ambon Sister City Community Committee meeting held on Monday 26 March 2009.

Recommendations from the Ambon Sister City Community Committee meeting held on 26 March 2009 are:

THAT the Ambon Sister City Community Committee recommends to the Community Services Committee that the carry forwards funds of \$2000 from the 2007/2008 budget already allocated towards sponsoring artists from Ambon to travel to Darwin to perform at cultural events now be re-allocated to fund travel expenses to bring students from SMU5 in Ambon on a short exchange in Darwin.

(Gregory/Millner)

Carried

Previous Decisions:

Decision No. 20\0508 (29/07/08)

- D. THAT \$2000 be allocated from the 2007/2208 Ambon Sister City budget towards the sponsorship of Ambonese artists/performers to perform in

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cultural events being held in Darwin in 2008, and further more that funds not expended by 30 June 2008 be carried forward to the 2008/2009 budget.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

Budget Item Number 05/224001/300 (W1581)

The Ambon Sister City Community Committee has an annual budget allocation of \$4000. Total funds of \$5597 are currently available to be spent, however must be expended by 30 June 2009, this includes \$2000 carried forward from the 2007/2008 budget allocated to bring artists/performers from Ambon to Darwin for local Indonesian cultural events.

STRATEGIC PLAN IMPLICATIONS:

The issues addressed in this Report are in accordance with the following Goals/Strategies of the Darwin City Council 2008 – 2012 as outlined in the 'Evolving Darwin Strategic Directions: Towards 2020 and Beyond':-

Goal

5 Facilitate and Maintain a Cohesive Community

Outcome

5.2 Promote Darwin's culture

Key Strategies

5.2.1 Promote and support activities and programs that celebrate cultural diversity

Goal

6 Promote Brand Darwin

Outcome

6.2 Promote our Darwin city

Key Strategies

6.2.4 Strengthen international relationships through Sister Cities and other activities

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:

None pertaining to this report.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS:

None pertaining to this report.

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PUBLIC RELATIONS IMPLICATIONS:

No immediate public relations implications have been identified in respect to this report. There is potential media interest in any Council activity and Council's Chief Officers Group review all reports. Potential issues or any media interest is brought to the attention of the General Manager, Cultural & Community Services.

COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS:

None pertaining to this report.

DELEGATION:

None applicable.

CONSULTATION:

No consultation required for this report.

PROPOSED PUBLIC CONSULTATION PROCESS:

No public consultation required for this report.

APPROPRIATE SIGNAGE:

None for this report.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

THAT it be a recommendation to Council:-

- A. THAT Report Number 09C0056 entitled, Minutes Of The Ambon Sister City Community Committee Meeting Held On Thursday 26 March 2009 With Recommendations, be received and noted.
- B. THAT the carry forwards funds of \$2000 from the 2007/2008 budget already allocated towards sponsoring artists from Ambon to travel to Darwin to perform at cultural events now be re-allocated to fund travel expenses to bring students from SMU5 in Ambon on a short exchange in Darwin.

SAMANTHA FRENCH
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JOHN BANKS
GENERAL MANAGER COMMUNITY &
CULTURAL SERVICES

Any queries on this report may be directed to Samantha French on 89300695

**MINUTES****AMBON SISTER CITY COMMUNITY COMMITTEE MEETING****Thursday 26 March 2009****5:00pm****Meeting Room 1****DARWIN CITY COUNCIL CIVIC CENTRE****1. Meeting Opened at 5:08pm****2. Present**

Sue Pattiselanno	Community Representative
Christine Silvester	Community Representative
Leigh Gregory	Community Representative
Judy Miller	Community Representative
Ken Waugh	Community Representative
Linda Fazldeen	Community Representative
Samantha French	Sister Cities Officer
Mr Arvinanto Soeriaatmadja	Second Secretary, Indonesian Consulate
Mr Wahono Yulianto	Vice Consul, Indonesian Consulate Darwin
Jherry Matahelumual	Indonesian Consulate

Apologies

Rick Setter	Chair
Angela Setter	Observer
John Pattiselanno	Observer
Ken Conway	Observer
Kerin Coulehan	Observer
Alderman Kerry Moir	Elected Member, DCC
Alderman Garry Lambert	Elected Member, DCC

Leigh Gregory chaired the meeting in the absence of Rick Setter.

Leigh welcomed the visitors from the Consulate of the Republic of Indonesia to our meeting.

3. Minutes

- 3.1 The minutes of the Ambon SCCC meeting held on 12 February 2009 were accepted as a true and accurate record.
(Silveste/Fazldeen) Carried

4. Business Arising**4.1. SMU5 Project**

- It was determined that the most appropriate time of the year to bring students from Ambon to Darwin for short exchange be carried out in the month of August as this will coincide with Indonesian School holidays and Darwin School terms.
- SCO advised the Committee she had received cost estimates price from Council's contracted travel agent with regards to the estimated cost for someone to travel from Denpasar to Darwin based on

current fares/currency rates as at today. As no dates had been determined this is only an estimate and will change depending on the fares and time of year etc.

- Denpasar Darwin return per person will cost approximately \$1150. Traveler will need to arrange this sector with Lion Air as this sector cannot book by Sandra Lewfatt Travelworld. The passenger will also need to arrange their own visas and payment of fiscal tax and any other associated cost.
- SCO advised the committee that in 2007 the travel arrangement to bring Oom Zeth to Darwin from Ambon was booked by Hellen de Lima from PT Sandy Delima Tours and Travel agent. Council reimbursed the travel expenses upon receipt of a tax invoice from Hellen de Lima.
- A total amount of \$2097 was expended for 1 person to travel from Ambon to Darwin return including travel, stopover accommodation and associated fees for visas, taxes in 2007.
- SCO to contact Mr Yulianto or Mr Soeriantmadja at the Indonesian Consulate before the next meeting to obtain contact for a reliable money transfer business used for transactions in Indonesia.
- This will enable Council to transfer the balance of money raised from Kormilda and Council to be placed in the bank for SMU5 to finalise this project.
- It was suggested that this project would be beneficial to all the schools in Ambon, not isolated to SMU5.

ACTION: SCO to provide further cost breakdown of travel and associated costs to travel from Ambon to Makassar by Garuda then Makassar to Bali to Darwin by Jetstar. Also that a quote be obtained from Hellen de Lima from PT Sandy Delima Tours and Travel for travel during August.

ACTION: That the SCO contact Phil Blumberg at the Department of Education to ascertain if any students will be coming to Darwin this year from Ambon.

RECOMMENDATION: THAT the Ambon Sister City Community Committee recommends to the Community Services Committee that the carry forwards funds of \$2000 from the 2007/2008 budget already allocated towards sponsoring artists from Ambon to travel to Darwin to perform at cultural events now be re-allocated to fund travel expenses to bring students from SMU5 in Ambon on a short exchange in Darwin.

(Gregory/Millner)

Carried

4.2. 2008/2010 Ambon Action Plan

The Ambon Action plan was received and noted as an information item.

4.3. Ambon SCCC Budget

- A total of \$5597 is available for future projects, however must be expended by 30 June 2009.

- This total includes \$2000 carried from the 07/08 budget for sponsorship of an Ambonese artist.
- A recommendation was raised in item 4.1 as to the allocation of the \$2000 carried forward funds from the 07/08 budget.

4.4. 2009 Arafura Games

- SCO advised that an email was received from Ambon informing that delegation of 22 will be participating in the 2009 Arafura Games from Ambon.
- Mr Soeriaatmadja advised that a total of 250 athletes were participating in the 2009 Arafura Games from across Indonesia. They were not aware of the delegation from Ambon.

ACTION: SCO to keep the staff at the Indonesian Consulate informed on the travel details and delegation numbers from Ambon coming to Darwin.

4.5. ANZAC Day Visit to Ambon, Gull Force

- SCO had no further updates.

ACTION: Sue Pattiselanno to make contact with a number of people involved in the organization of the last Anzac Day visit to Ambon including Major Paul Rosenwieg.

4.6. 2009 Fundraising Event – Thursday 2 July

- SCO advised that the fundraising committee will meet on Tuesday 31 March 2009 to discuss to progress of this event.

4.7. Indonesian Garden at CDU

- The committee discussed the validity of obtaining and growing nutmeg or cloves in Darwin for the CDU Indonesian Garden.
- Further discussion will take place at the next meeting with after sourcing information about growing cinnamon trees in Darwin.
- Jherry suggested that cinnamon is also grown in Ambon, but was not as well known as clove or nutmeg.
- Ambon SCCC advised that an agreement has been made with a shipping company in Central Java that the shipping of item from Surabaya to Darwin will be free of charge, this was negotiated to bring artwork from Indonesia to Darwin for the garden.
- This item to be discussed further at the next scheduled meeting.

ACTION: Linda to investigate with her contacts the feasibility of obtaining and growing cinnamon in Darwin.

ACTION: SCO to meet with representatives from the Indonesian Consulate to discuss further the possibility of commissioning artwork or obtain local contacts to purchase artwork for the CDU Indonesian Garden.

5. General Arising

5.1. 2009 Darwin/Ambon Yacht Race

- A letter has been received by Council from the Organising Committee for the 2009 Darwin to Ambon Yacht Race requesting support from Council for this year's event.
- SCO advised that a Lord Mayoral reception will be held on the 18 July 2009 for the participants and organizers of the 2009 Darwin Ambon Yacht Race.

5.2. Upcoming Cultural Event

- Mr Yulianto and Mr Soeriaatmadja flagged some upcoming events planned for 2009, including an Indonesian Cultural night which will be held at the Mindil Beach markets. This will be held collaboratively with the Multicultural Council NT and the organisers of Mindil Beach.
- The Indonesian Consulate will be strongly supporting the progress and planning of the 2009 Pesona Indonesian festival also.
- Council has been asked to support these upcoming events.

ACTION: SCO will meet with representative from the Indonesian Consulate in the coming weeks to discuss Council's involvement with the upcoming cultural events.

6. Meeting Closed

Meeting closed at 6:24pm

7. Date and time of next meeting

Date: Thursday 7 May 2009

Time: 5.00pm

Venue: Meeting Room 1

ENCL: YES

DARWIN CITY COUNCIL

DATE: 06/04/09

REPORT

TO:	COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE/OPEN A	APPROVED:	JB
FROM:	GENERAL MANAGER COMMUNITY & CULTURAL SERVICES	APPROVED:	KH
REPORT NO:	09C0057 SF:ems	APPROVED:	SF
COMMON NO:	232546		
SUBJECT:	INFORMAL MEETING NOTES OF THE DILI SISTER CITY COMMUNITY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 1 APRIL 2009 WITH RECOMMENDATIONS		

ITEM NO: 10.2.3**SYNOPSIS:**

This report presents the Informal Meeting Notes of the Dili Sister City Community Committee meeting held on 31 March 2009 and are presented to the Community Services Committee with recommendations.

GENERAL:

A full quorum was not achieved at this meeting; therefore the Informal Meeting Notes for the meeting held on the 31 March 2009 will be presented at the next scheduled Dili Sister City Community Committee meeting for endorsement by the committee.

Recommendations from the Dili Sister City Community Committee meeting held on 31 March 2009:

- A. THAT the Dili Sister City Community Committee recommends to the Community Services Committee that Council supports the upcoming canvas stretching workshop being held in Dili from the 13-17 April 2009 by funding the cost of accommodation and materials to the maximum value of \$500 from the Dili Sister City Community Committee budget for 2008/2009.
- B. THAT the Dili SCCC recommends to the Community Services Committee that a delegation, including young people from Darwin be sent to Dili to initiate a relationship between Dili Sister City Community Committee and FHRT.
- C. THAT the Dili Sister City Community Committee recommends to the Community Services Committee that the existing funds of \$4000 from the 2008/2009 Dili SCCC budget be allocated to send a delegation to Dili to

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progress this new initiative with FHRT and to progress projects and to strengthen existing relationships with other Dili organisations.

REPORT:

Charity Fundraising Event – “Off Cut Show”

Council has been approached by Don Whyte from Don Whyte Framing, a small business in Darwin. Don Whyte Framing has for many years supported the local Arts community and provides sponsorship where possible to schools and emerging artists. In the past 3 years they have hosted and administered a charity fundraising exhibition called “The Off Cut Show”.

This show is an exhibition of donated work from local artists and some interstate artists. All funds raised from the sale of artwork are in turn gifted to a charity.

In 2007, the funds raised from “The Off Cut Show” were given to emerging art centres in Timor-Leste. They received art materials and funds were also provided to one student to cover the cost of accommodation and living expenses whilst he studied photography in Indonesia.

A strong relationship has formed between Don Whyte and the Art Centre’s in Timor-Leste, through the financial support raised from the yearly exhibition. The National Directorate of Culture in Timor-Leste has requested that a workshop be held in Dili in the form of canvas stretching between the 13-17 April 2009. 16 participants are registered to attend this workshop already.

Don Whyte has committed to deliver this workshop, by providing his expertise and time free of charge.

A request has been received by Council to support this initiative by providing funds to cover the cost of accommodation for trainers whilst in Dili for the workshop.

DCC would be promoted at every opportunity, in the lead up to the 2009 Off Cut Show.

The Dili SCCC supports this initiative and is interested in developing an ongoing and working relationship with Don Whyte Framing with the intent to carry out joint fundraising ventures in the future for the benefit of people of Dili and Darwin.

Fundasaun Hafoun Rai Timor (FHRT)

A summary report from Lynne Bigg detailing her visit to Timor-Leste in January 2009 was tabled at the February Dili SCCC meeting for the committee consideration.

Lynn reiterates the requests for support from the Director of FHRT, Mr Jose de Jesus to the committee.

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FHRT have secured funding from an organization in France called Peace and Sport Monaco through one of their projects "Project to Educate Youth for Non Violence Through Sport".

FHRT are very keen to establish ongoing friendships between young people from Dili and Darwin, to enable their young people opportunity to practice their English and learn about Australian culture, by interacting with each other.

This can be achieved by sending people from Darwin to Dili to act as trainers or establish ongoing train the trainer programs whilst providing an opportunity for young people in Dili to be more culturally aware.

The Dili SCCC are eager to assist this group on a long term basis, rather than with one off assistance by involving young people from Darwin e.g. YAG or GRIND to establish links with Dili young people.

PREVIOUS DECISIONS:

DECISION NO.20\1012 (25/11/08)

- A. THAT the Dili Sister City Community Committee focus its resources for the term 1 July 2008 to 30 June 2010 towards youth focused projects with the appropriate community organisations based in the Dili District in Timor-Leste.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

Budget Item Number 05/224001/300 (W1583)

The Dili Sister City Community Committee has an annual budget allocation of \$4000 from the 2008/2009 budget for committee projects.

Total funds of \$4001 is currently available to be spent, however must be expended by 30 June 2009.

STRATEGIC PLAN IMPLICATIONS:

The issues addressed in this Report are in accordance with the following Goals/Strategies of the Darwin City Council 2008 – 2012 as outlined in the 'Evolving Darwin Strategic Directions: Towards 2020 and Beyond':-

Goal

- 5 Facilitate and Maintain a Cohesive Community

Outcome

- 5.2 Promote Darwin's culture

Key Strategies

- 5.2.1 Promote and support activities and programs that celebrate cultural diversity

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Goal

6 Promote Brand Darwin

Outcome

6.2 Promote our Darwin city

Key Strategies

6.2.4 Strengthen international relationships through Sister Cities and other activities

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:

None pertaining to this report.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS:

None pertaining to this report.

PUBLIC RELATIONS IMPLICATIONS:

No immediate public relations implications have been identified in respect to this report. There is potential media interest in any Council activity and Council's Chief Officers Group review all reports. Potential issues or any media interest is brought to the attention of the General Manager, Cultural & Community Services.

COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS:

None pertaining to this report.

DELEGATION:

None applicable.

CONSULTATION:

No consultation required for this report.

PROPOSED PUBLIC CONSULTATION PROCESS:

No public consultation required for this report.

APPROPRIATE SIGNAGE

None for this report.

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RECOMMENDATIONS:

THAT it be a recommendation to Council:-

- A. THAT Report Number 09C0057 entitled, Informal Meeting Notes Of The Dili Sister City Community Committee Meeting Held on 1 April 2009 With Recommendations, be received and noted.
- B. THAT Council supports the upcoming canvas stretching workshop being held in Dili from the 13-17 April 2009 by funding the cost of accommodation and materials to the maximum value of \$500 from the Dili Sister City Community Committee budget for 2008/2009.
- C. THAT a report be presented to Council with respect to sending a delegation from Darwin to Dili to initiate a relationship between Dili Sister City Community Committee and Fundasaun Hafoun Rai Timor.

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DILI SISTER CITY COMMUNITY COMMITTEE MEETING
Tuesday 31 March 2009
12:30pm
Meeting Room 1
DARWIN CITY COUNCIL CIVIC CENTRE

Meeting Open at 12:38pm

1. Present

Lynne Bigg	Community Representative
Alderman Greg Jarvis	Elected Member
Alderman John Bailey	Elected Member, DCC
Samantha French	Sister Cities Officer

2. Apologies

Veronica Pereira	Community Representative
Catherine Halkon	Community Representative
Ana Gil	Community Representative
Lynne Bigg	Community Representative
Neil Chadwick	Community Representative
Leigh Gregory	Community Representative
Christine Hughes	Observer

Due to lack of quorum, an informal meeting was held.

3. Minutes

- 3.1 Minutes of the last Dili Sister City Community Committee meeting 17 February 2009.

All minutes were accepted as a true and accurate record.
(Ald Bailey/Ald Jarvis) Carried

4. Business Arising

- 4.1 2008/2010 Dili Action Plan
- Action plan noted as an information item and will remain as a standing item on each agenda.
- 4.2 Fundasaun Hafoun Rai Timor (FHRT)
- This item will be discussed in general business.
- 4.3 Dili SCCC Budget
- SCO advised the \$4001 is available to be spent on projects from the 2008/2009 budget, however must be expended by 30 June 2009.
- 4.4 2009 Sister Cities Fundraising Event
- SCO informed the committee that she met with a representative from each SCCC yesterday to discuss the upcoming SC fundraising event.

- Meeting notes will be circulated to all SCCC after each meeting to keep them informed on the progress of this event.
- Lynn asked to be added to fundraising mailing list and committed to attend should Catherine Halkon not be available, to ensure Dili SCCC is represented.

5. General Business

5.1 Charity Fundraising Event – “Off Cut Show”

- Alderman Bailey was approached on behalf of Council by Don Whyte from Don Whyte Framing, a small business in Darwin.
- Don Whyte Framing has for many years supported the local Arts community and provides sponsorship where possible to schools and emerging artists. In the past 3 years they have hosted and administered a charity fundraising exhibition called “The Off Cut Show”.
- This show is an exhibition of donated work from local artists and some interstate artists. All funds raised from the sale of artwork are in turn gifted to a charity.
- In 2007, the funds raised from “The Off Cut Show” were given to emerging art centers in Timor-Leste. They received art materials and funds were also provided to one student to cover the cost of accommodation and living expenses whilst he studied photography in Indonesia.
- A strong relationship has formed between Don Whyte and the Art Centre’s in Timor-Leste, through the financial support raised from the yearly exhibition. The National Directorate of Culture in Timor-Leste has requested that a workshop be held in Dili in the form of canvas stretching between the 13-17 April 2009. 16 participants are registered to attend this workshop already.
- Don Whyte has committed to deliver this workshop, by providing his expertise and time free of charge.
- A request has been received by Council to support this initiative by providing funds to cover the cost of accommodation for trainers whilst in Dili for the workshop.
- DCC would be promoted at every opportunity, in the lead up to the 2009 Off Cut Show.
- The Dili SCCC supports this initiative and is interested in developing an ongoing and working relationship with Don Whyte Framing with the intent to carry out joint fundraising ventures in the future, for the benefit of people of Dili and Darwin.

RECOMMENDATION: THAT the Dili Sister City Community Committee recommends to the Community Services Committee that Council supports the upcoming canvas stretching workshop being held in Dili from the 13-17 April 2009 by funding the cost of accommodation and materials to the maximum value of \$500 from the Dili Sister City Community Committee budget for 2008/2009.

(Ald Bailey/Bigg)

Carried

5.2 Airnorth

- SCO advised in February 2009 an email was received from Marie-Claire Cull, Marketing Manager for Airnorth requesting an invitation to attend the Dili SCCC meetings as an observer.
- An invitation was extended to Marie-Claire for today's meeting; however she was unavailable but was hoping to attend a future Dili SCCC meeting.

5.3 Fundasaun Hafoun Rai Timor (FHRT)

- A summary report from Lynne Bigg detailing her visit to Timor-Leste in January 2009 was tabled at the February Dili SCCC meeting for the committee consideration.
- Lynn reiterates the requests for support from the Director of FHRT, Mr Jose de Jesus to the committee.
- FHRT have secured funding from an organization in France called Peace and Sport Monaco through one of their projects "Project to Educate Youth for Non Violence Through Sport".
- FHRT are very keen to establish ongoing friendships between young people from Dili and Darwin, to enable their young people the opportunity to practice their English and learn about Australian culture, by interacting with each other.
- This can be achieved by sending people from Darwin to Dili to act as trainers or establish ongoing trainer the trainer programs whilst providing an opportunity for Dili young people to be more culturally aware.
- The Dili SCCC are eager to assist this group on a long term basis, rather than with one off assistance by involving young people from Darwin e.g. YAG or GRIND to establish links with Dili's young people.

ACTION: SCO to meeting with Council's YSO, Kin Leong and discuss how to involve young people in this initiative.

RECOMMENDATION: THAT the Dili SCCC recommends to the Community Services Committee that a delegation, including young people from Darwin be sent to Dili to initiate a relationship between Dili Sister City Community Committee and FHRT.

(Bigg/Ald Jarvis)

Carried

RECOMMENDATION: THAT the Dili Sister City Community Committee recommends to the Community Services Committee that the existing funds of \$4000 from the 2008/2009 Dili SCCC budget be allocated to send a delegation to Dili to progress this new initiative with FHRT and to progress projects and to strengthen existing relationships with other Dili organisations.

(Bigg/Ald Jarvis)

Carried

6. **Meeting Closed at 1.20pm**
7. **Date and time of next meeting**
Date: Tuesday 12 May 2009
Time: 12:30pm
Venue: Meeting Room 1

Summary Report to the Darwin Dili Sister City Committee, Darwin City Council

Visit to Dili by Lynne Bigg, Chair of Darwin Dili Sister City Committee, January 2009

During my visit to Timor-Leste in January 2009 I was able to visit Arte Moris at Comoro, Comorian Sisters of Charity at Balide, and Fundasaun Hufenan Rai Timor at Duro Pito. Unfortunately, I was not able to meet with Ruben Dais, the Dili District Administrator. I was not able to visit the HIAM Health Centre nor Atauro Island.

1) Dili District Administration

a) level of communication with Sister City

While in Dili I was only able to communicate with Ruben Dais via SMS. He was in Samsi when I arrived and he returned to Dili when I was at Lacaule.

b) history, outcomes to date, benefits seen

2000 -2002 - DCC supplied a lawn mower, water pump and irrigation equipment, seed and fertiliser for the purpose of restoring and maintaining the main sports oval in Dili.

2003 - 2004 - D/DSSC agreement signed. Consideration was given to supporting the establishment of a main library in Dili.

2004 - D/DSSC delegation visited Dili.

2007 - Timor-Leste delegation headed by DCC to enable the members to attend the ASCA conference in Darwin. Dili District Administration suggested priority list for support from D/DSSC. Training in waste management was the priority. Dili District Administration to supply the names of the people who would come to Darwin for some training.

2009 - D/DSSC still waiting for the names of the people who are to come to Darwin for training.

c) current and proposed projects

No significant progress made with the supply of names of people to come to Darwin for training.

2) Arte Moris

a) level of communication with Sister City

General communication is by email, phone and personal visit.

b) history, outcomes to date, benefits seen

2003 - D/DSSC presented Arte Moris with valuable art supplies for the artists in residence at Arte Moris.

2004 - Arte Moris held an exhibition at CDU.

2005 - 2008 - The Arte Moris complex (grounds and buildings) became home to many hundreds of refugees during the internal violence and displacement of those years. All displaced persons had to be out of the grounds by Christmas 2008. D/DSSC provided humanitarian aid in the form of fly traps to improve the health of the community and rice for emergency food relief during this time.

c) current and proposed projects

2009 - Money was presented to Arte Moris for the purchase of art supplies.

During my visit I sensed a wonderful air of optimism and hope:

- (i) Gabrielle and I now no longer live at the centre. They are trying to distance themselves to some extent.
- (ii) An Australian fellow has been appointed as the new director of Arte Moris.
- (iii) The grounds are gradually being cleared and restored.
- (iv) The buildings have all been cleaned and tidied up but they need a lot of maintenance given the number of people who lived in the complex throughout the last 3 years.
- (v) The artistic programs are being restored.
- (vi) An order for new art supplies was being prepared the week I was visiting. Arte Moris purchases its art supplies from Jacksons in Perth. Gabrielle explained to me that they buy through the main outlet in Perth as Jackson's pay the freight for them. We discussed the best way to get around bank fees and transaction charges. If the committee was to give

more money in the future for art supplies, it may be best to send the money directly to Jackson in Perth.

3) Cameroonian Sisters of Charity at Bullele

a) level of communication with Sister City

General communication is by email, phone and personal visit

b) history, outcomes to date, benefits seen

2005 – 2008 – The Cameroonian Sisters of Charity at Bullele – had up to 20,000 people at times, taking refuge within the grounds during the internal violence and displacement of their young. All displaced persons had to be out of the grounds by Christmas 2008. D/DSSC provided humanitarian aid in the form of fly traps to improve the health of the community and rice for emergency food relief during this time.

c) current and proposed projects

2009 – Money was presented to the Cameroonian Sisters of Charity for the purchase of sports equipment for children.

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- (iii) The school programs are being restored for the school students.
- (iv) A youth group for boys and girls called 'Youth for Peace' has been established. Many of the younger people have previously been involved in the musical arts groups. The focus of the group is on:
 - (v) Music – playing instruments and singing
 - (vi) Sport – Soccer football (soccer), basketball and volley ball
 - (vii) Training the trainers for national sports.

ACTION

- 1) Investigate the possibility of library exchanges – training and visits between the Darwin City Council, O'Loughlin College and other libraries (Court House, Parliament House, CDU and Glenview school etc) and Sister Guilhemina.
- 2) Investigate orthopaedic training possibilities in Australia.
- 3) Consider sending a sewing machine or two to Sister Guilhemina.
- 4) Investigate the possibility of retired teachers and librarians going into Bullele.

4) HIAM Health Clinic

a) level of communication with Sister City

General communication is by email, phone and personal visit

b) history, outcomes to date, benefits seen

2005 – 2008 – Materials printed in Tetun were purchased and presented to the HIAM Clinic for the children within its many programs.

c) current and proposed projects

Due to limits on my time I was not able to visit the HIAM clinic in January.

5) Atunra Island Project

a) level of communication with Sister City

General communication is by email, phone

b) history, outcomes to date, benefits seen

2007 – Money was presented to the community kindergarten project to purchase much needed materials.

c) current and proposed projects

2008 – the Aloia Foundation has become the major funder of the community kindergarten project.

6) Fundasun Hafan Rai Timor (FHRT)

a) level of communication with Sister City

General communication, via email, was initiated by José de Jesus, the Director of the Program. He heard about the D/ISSC from someone involved with the Atauro Island Project.

b) history, outcomes to date, benefits soon

2008 – Youth Action for a Sustainable Future is a new project in Maíro Pito, Dili that is currently run by volunteers who are seeking funding for their project. The project brief is attached

c) current and proposed project

Background

This project has been established by 4 key young men who live in Maíro Pito, a very poor area of Dili. They decided to try and turn the area around by offering some educational courses for the young people who have nothing to do but fight and cause trouble. For the previous 18 months the area was very dangerous. They aim to have 50% male and 50% female participation. They have an action plan for the next 5 years 2008-2013.

José de Jesus, the Director, is an electrical engineer. He graduated in 2005 from the University in Dili. One of the young men is studying law and the other two are studying English/Education at the university.

Project

To date the project offers educational courses in English (most young people want to learn English) and computer studies. The tutors borrow off each other and teach each other. They also offer sport (volley ball, soccer and basketball) and are preparing to offer an electrical training course. All courses have a well developed curriculum. The students have to do some community work if they attend the courses. Each month they have to collect the rubbish and clear the drains in the area.

All the courses run for 3 months, – November to February; March to May, June to August; and September to November.

Classes are held daily and each class runs for 2 hours. The courses are open to everyone. The English courses currently running (January 2009) include 3 groups of students in the basic course, 1 group in the pre-intermediate and 1 group in the intermediate. The groups range in size but the larger groups have 52/43/41 students attending.

Participants

Some of the young people enrolled in the courses are students (both secondary school and tertiary) but most are unemployed.

Fees and expenses

The course fee for 3 months is \$US5.00. The money goes towards the cost of electricity and rent. The facility they rent has about 4 rooms. They are very small with dirt floors. They are very crowded and very hot but the students are all very keen to learn. Currently, all the teachers are volunteers because the project has not received any funding to date.

Project Data

There are 400 students on the books at January 2009. Their details are neatly recorded in a journal.

Potential Relationship with Darwin

The question they asked me repeatedly was: *What can the young people of Darwin do for them?*

Points to investigate

The potential for the Darwin City Council to print handbooks for the students? They could email the text. We print it and then send back the printed copies. Printing is very expensive in Dili. Alternatively, we could buy them the equipment to print their own materials.

Recommendation

- 1) That the Darwin Dili Sister City Committee consider supporting this group of young people and their Project
- 2) That the Darwin Youth Forum from the Darwin City Council consider becoming involved. The Timorese young people are really interested in the possibility of some interaction with young people from Darwin.

Lynne Egan

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Chair
Darwin Dili Sister City Committee

15 February 2008

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COMMITTEE'S DECISION

THAT the Committee resolve under delegated authority that information contained in Item 11.1 be received and noted.

DECISION NO.20\() (15/04/09)

