

## **DARWIN CITY COUNCIL**

### **SIXTY-SEVENTH ORDINARY MEETING OF THE TWENTIETH COUNCIL**

**WEDNESDAY, 27 APRIL 2011**

**MEMBERS:** The Right Worshipful, Lord Mayor, Mr G R Sawyer (Chairman); Member J D Bailey; Member R T Dee; Member R K Elix; Member H I Galton; Member R M Knox; Member G A Lambert; Member R Lesley; Member F P Marrone; Member A R Mitchell; Member K M Moir; Member J L Sangster; Member H D Sjoberg.

**OFFICERS:** Acting Chief Executive Officer, Mr L Cercarelli; General Manager Corporate Services, Mr F Crawley; Acting General Manager Community & Cultural Services, Ms K Hearn; Executive Manager, Mr M Blackburn; Committee Administrator, Ms L Elmer.

**GUESTS:** Janet Durling Chairperson, from Senior Territorian Advisory Council will be in attendance from 5.15 p.m. to brief the Council on the possibility of setting up a Seniors Advisory Council.

Dr Tom Lewis OAM, and Mr Philip Temple from Darwin Military Museum will be in attendance from 5.45 p.m. to brief the Council on Historical Tours.

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# **1 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY**

## **2 THE LORD'S PRAYER**

## **3 MEETING DECLARED OPEN**

## **4 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

### **4.1 Apologies**

THAT the apology from Member J L Sangster, be received and a Leave of Absence be granted

DECISION NO.20\() (27/04/11)

### **4.2 Leave of Absence Granted**

A. THAT it be noted that Member G A Lambert is an apology due to a Leave of Absence being previously granted on 12 April 2011 for the period 27 April 2011 to 2 May 2011

DECISION NO.20\() (27/04/11)

### **4.3 Leave of Absence Requested**

**5 DECLARATION OF INTEREST OF MEMBERS AND STAFF**

**6 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

**6.1 Confirmation of the Previous Ordinary Council Meeting**  
Common No. 1955119

THAT the tabled minutes of the previous Ordinary Council Meeting held on Tuesday, 12 April 2011, be received and confirmed as a true and correct record of the proceedings of that meeting.

DECISION NO.20\() (27/04/11)

**7 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

**7.1 Business Arising**

**8 MATTERS OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE**

## 9 DEPUTATIONS AND BRIEFINGS

### 9.1 Seniors Advisory Council

Common No. 323022

*Ms Janet Durling Chairperson, from Senior Territorian Advisory Council will be in attendance from 5.15 p.m. to brief the Council on the possibility of setting up a Seniors Advisory Council.*

THAT the presentation from the Senior Territorian Advisory Council, in relation to the setting up a Seniors Advisory Council, be received and noted.

DECISION NO.20\() (27/04/11)

### 9.2 Darwin Military Museum

Common No. 293882

*Dr Tom Lewis OAM, and Mr Philip Temple from Darwin Military Museum will be in attendance from 5.45 p.m. to brief the Council on Historical Tours*

THAT the presentation from the Darwin Military Museum, in relation to the Historical Tours, be received and noted.

DECISION NO.20\() (27/04/11)

## 10 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

**11 CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS****11.1 Closure to the Public for Confidential Items**

Common No. 1944604

THAT pursuant to Section 65 (2) of the Local Government Act and Regulation 8 of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations the meeting be closed to the public to consider the Confidential matters referred from Committees including Confidential Committee Items, and the following Items:-

<u>Item</u>	<u>Regulation</u>	<u>Reason</u>
C24.1	8(c)(ii)	Information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to prejudice the maintenance or administration of the law.
C27.1	8(c)(i)	Information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to cause commercial prejudice to, or confer an unfair commercial advantage on, any person.
	8(c)(iv)	Information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to prejudice the interests of the council or some other person.
	8(d)	Information subject to an obligation of confidentiality at law, or in equity.
C29.1	8(d)	Information subject to an obligation of confidentiality at law, or in equity.
	8(c)(ii)	Information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to prejudice the maintenance or administration of the law.
C29.2	8(c)(iv)	Information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to prejudice the interests of the council or some other person.

DECISION NO.20\() (27/04/11)

**11 CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS**

**11.2 Moving Open Items Into Confidential**

**11.3 Moving Confidential Items Into Open**

**12 PETITIONS**

Nil

## 13 NOTICES OF MOTION

### 13.1 Postal Voting

Report No. 10TC0067 (04/10/10) Common No: 1872889

*Notice of Motion from Alderman G A Lambert attached*

## NOTICE OF MOTION

**SUBJECT:** Postal Voting

**REPORT:** Report No. 10TC0067 (04/10/10) Common No: 1872889

I give notice that at the next meeting of Council I will propose:

**THAT the Lord Mayor write to the Minister for Local Government seeking urgent changes to the Local Government Act and Local Government (Electoral) Regulations, as necessary and appropriate, to provide Councils with the option to conduct the 2012 and subsequent Council elections, utilising either postal voting or attendance voting.**

**REASON:**

- Council elections are different to Commonwealth and Northern Territory elections because the resources available to candidates who are supported by major political parties are not available to local government candidates for booth activity.
- Postal voting is more convenient for local government voters;
- Postal voting allows voters extra time to review the ballot paper in the privacy of their own home; and
- Cost savings in running Council elections.

Signed by me at Darwin this ..... day of April 2011.



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**ALDERMAN GARRY LAMBERT**

19/4/2011

**14 COMMITTEE REPORTS****14.1 COMMUNITY & CULTURAL SERVICES (11/04/11)****Presentation of Report by Chairman - Member R Lesley**

The members present at the informal Community & Cultural Services Committee meeting held on Monday, 11 April 2011, noted by consensus, the following motions to be endorsed at the 2nd Ordinary Council meeting on Wednesday 27 April 2011

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**1 Notice of Hearing – Shenannigans Irish Pub**

Document No. 1984318 (04/04/11) Common No. 1944716

THAT the incoming Notice of Hearing from the Northern Territory Licensing Commission, Chairman, Mr Richard O'Sullivan, dated 4 April 2011 in respect to Shenannigans Irish Pub's application for a Permanent Extension to Internal Trading Hours from 02:00 hours to 03:00 hours, Document Number 1984318, be received and noted.

DECISION NO.20\() (27/04/11)

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## NORTHERN TERRITORY LICENSING COMMISSION

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### ***NOTICE OF HEARING***

Application by Shenannigans Irish Pub Pty Ltd

for a Permanent Extension to Internal Trading Hours of Shenannigans

Irish Pub from 02:00 hours to 03:00 hours

To: Mr Johns Banks  
General Manager  
Community & Cultural Services  
Darwin City Council  
GPO Box 84  
DARWIN NT 0801

Via Email: [J.Banks@darwin.nt.gov.au](mailto:J.Banks@darwin.nt.gov.au)

I refer to your recent objection for a permanent extension to the internal trading hours of Shenannigans Irish Pub from 02:00 hours to 03:00 hours and now attach a copy of the Commission's written Decision in which the Legal Member has determined that the objections will proceed to Hearing.

The Hearing will commence at 09:30 hours on Monday 9 May 2011 in the Commission Hearing Room located at 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Enterprise House, corner Woods and Knuckey Streets, Darwin.

As an objector, you are a party to the proceedings and you have certain rights as follows:

- a) No later than seven (7) days prior to the Hearing, you will receive a copy of the Hearing Brief (ie key documents relating to the application) by post or in person;
- b) You are entitled to attend the Hearing, listen to the applicant and their witnesses and ask questions of them so long as your questions relate solely to matters contained in your written objection. The Commission reserves the right to hold any part of a hearing in private if the applicants material is considered of a sensitive nature;
- c) You are entitled to give evidence to the Commission at the Hearing, to call your own witnesses and submit documents so long as your evidence relates solely to matters raised in your written objection;

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- d) Each objector is also a party to the Hearing and is entitled to ask questions of you and your witnesses and to tender their own evidence. They must restrict their inquiry to matters contained in their written objection. You are entitled to ask questions of the objectors and their witnesses.
- e) After the Hearing is complete, the Commission's written decision will be sent to you by post, email or facsimile. For most hearings, the decision of the Commission is final.
- f) This first and FINAL Notice of Hearing has been forwarded to the address you provided to the Director of Licensing.

If you want to discuss any of these matters further, please do not hesitate to contact Inspector Travis Te Whata on 8999 1348.



Richard O'Sullivan  
CHAIRMAN

4 April 2011

# NORTHERN TERRITORY LICENSING COMMISSION

## Decision on Whether Objections Will Proceed To Hearing

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<b>PREMISES:</b>	<b>Shenannigans Irish Pub</b> 69 Mitchell Street DARWIN NT 0800
<b>APPLICANT:</b>	Shenannigans Irish Pub Pty Ltd
<b>NOMINEE:</b>	Michael Rochford
<b>LICENCE NUMBER:</b>	80315480
<b>OBJECTORS:</b>	Commander Kate Vanderlaan on behalf of the Northern Territory Police Mr John Banks on behalf of the Darwin City Council
<b>LEGISLATION:</b>	Sections 4F to 47I of the <i>Liquor Act</i> and Section 28 of the <i>Interpretation Act</i>
<b>DECISION OF:</b>	Philip Timney
<b>DATE OF DECISION:</b>	5 April 2011

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### Summary of Decision

- 1) That the Commission conduct a Hearing in respect of the objections received from Commander Kate Vanderlaan and Mr John Banks.

### Background

- 2) On 17 January 2011, Shenannigans Irish Pub Pty Ltd applied pursuant to Sections 32A of the *Liquor Act* for a permanent extension to the internal trading hours of Shenannigans Irish Pub from 02:00 hours (the following day) to 03:00 hours (the following day) seven days per week.
- 3) The Application was advertised in the NT News on Friday 21 January 2011 and Wednesday 26 January 2011 pursuant to Sections 119(3) and 32A(3)(a) of the Act.

4) The advertisement was as follows:

**LIQUOR ACT AND GAMING MACHINE ACT**

**1st NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR A VARIATION TO LIQUOR LICENCE  
CONDITION AND GAMING MACHINE LICENCE**

**SHENANNIGANS IRISH PUB**

*Shenannigans Irish Pub Pty Ltd, HEREBY GIVE NOTICE that it has applied to the Northern Territory Licensing Commission for a variation to the Gaming and Liquor Licence trading hours at the premises known as "Shenannigans Irish Pub" located at 69 Mitchell Street, Darwin City NT 0800.*

*Proposed variations are:*

- *Extend Liquor and Gaming trading hours of the Shenannigans Irish Pub (not inclusive of Alfresco Areas) from 02:00 hrs (the following day) seven days a week, to 03:00 hours (the following day) seven days a week.*

*The following conditions will be included in the liquor licence:*

- *The Licensee shall take all measures necessary to ensure that noise from the premises does not cause undue disturbance or discomfort to residents of the neighbourhood.*
- *No complimentary drinks shall be supplied between midnight and closing times.*

*The Licensee shall provide to the satisfaction of the Director:*

- a) *An appropriate number of Licensed Crowd Controllers; and*
- b) *Adequate security within the premises and in the immediate area; and*
- c) *Effective illicit drug control measures; and*
- d) *Snack foods at all times; and*
- e) *Complimentary "Tap" water.*

*This is the first notice of application. The notice will be published again on Wednesday, 26 January 2011.*

*The objection period is deemed to commence from Wednesday, 26 January 2011 (date of publication of second notice).*

*Pursuant to Section 47F(2) of the Liquor Act an objection may only be made on the ground that the variation of the licence conditions may or will adversely affect*

- (a) *the amenity of the neighbourhood where the premises the subject of the application are or will be located; or*
- (b) *health, education, public safety or social conditions in the community.*

*Only those persons, organisations or groups described in Section 47F(3) of the Liquor Act may make an objection. Section 47G of the Liquor Act requires the Director of Licensing to inform the applicant of the substance of any objection. This will include the identity and where relevant the address of the objector. Objections to this application should be lodged in writing with the Director of Licensing within thirty (30) days of the commencement date of the objection period (from the date of the second advertisement).*

*For further information regarding this application contact the Director of Licensing on telephone 8999 1800. Objections to this application should be lodged in writing with the Director of Licensing, Licensing, Regulation and*

*Alcohol Strategy, GPO Box 1154, Darwin, within thirty (30) days of the commencement date of the objection period.*

*Dated this 21<sup>st</sup> day of January 2011*

- 5) Pursuant to Section 47F(4)(d) an objection must be lodged within thirty (30) days after the publication of the last notice, namely on or before Friday 25 February 2011
- 6) Section 47F of the Act prescribes the circumstances in which an objection may be made, specifies the grounds for objection and identifies the persons entitled to object to a particular application. Relevant to this application Section 47F provides:

***47F Person may object to certain applications***

- (1) *Subject to this Section, a person, organisation or group may make an objection to the following applications:*
  - (b) *an application for a variation of the conditions of a licence, as notified under Section 32A;*
  - (c) *... ..'*
- (2) *The objection may only be made on the ground that the grant of the licence, variation of conditions, substitution of other premises or material alteration may or will adversely affect –*
  - (a) *the amenity of the neighbourhood where the premises the subject of the application are or will be located; or*
  - (b) *health, education, public safety or social conditions in the community.*
- (3) *Only the following persons, organisations or groups may make an objection under sub-Section (1):*
  - (a) *a person residing or working in the neighbourhood where the premises the subject of the application are or will be located;*
  - (b) *a person holding an estate in fee simple in land, or a lease over land, in the neighbourhood where the premises the subject of the application are or will be located;*
  - (c) *a member or employee of the Police Force acting in that capacity;*
  - (d) *a member or employee of the Fire and Rescue Service within the meaning of the Fire and Emergency Act acting in that capacity;*
  - (e) *an Agency or public authority that performs functions relating to public amenities, including health, education and public safety;*
  - (f) *a community-based organisation or group (for example, a local action group or a charity).*
- 7) Section 47F(1)(b) provides that a person or organisation may object to an application for variation of licence conditions under Section 32A.

8) Turning to the specifics of the objections lodged:

**Objection from Commander Kate Vanderlaan on behalf of the Northern Territory Police:**

9) Section 47(3)(c) allows members of the Northern Territory Police to object to an Application. Commander Kate Vanderlaan is a member of the Police Force acting in that capacity within the meaning of Section 47(3)(c) and stationed at the Nightcliff Police Station. As such Commander Vanderlaan is a valid objector. The objection was lodged on 31 January 2011 and was therefore lodged within the prescribed time limit.

10) Commander Vanderlaan objects to the extension of the trading hours for the premises on the following grounds:

- It is the position of NT Police to oppose any extensions to existing liquor licences, particularly in the Mitchell Street precinct. The arguments put forward by the licensee have little merit;
- An increase in trading hours from 0200 to 0300 will see an increase in alcohol fuelled violence which Police cannot entertain;
- Were this application to be approved it will open the doors for other premises to seek extensions of trading hours;
- There are numerous existing premises in the area catering for the consumption of alcohol till early hours of the morning and there is no justification to increase that number.

**Objection from Mr John Banks on behalf of Darwin City Council ("DCC"):**

11) The DCC is a public Authority within the context of Section 47F(3)(e). Mr Banks is the General Manager, Community & Cultural Services, DCC and in that capacity is entitled to lodge an objection. The letter of objection was lodged on 9 February and was therefore lodged within the prescribed time limit.

12) Mr Banks, on behalf of DCC, objects to the application for extension of trading hours on the following grounds:

- DCC's previously stated view, set out in its submission to the Licensing Commission's "Review of Cheap and Problem Products in Darwin, Palmerston and Rural Areas and, in particular the recommendation that all 4 am licences be revoked and replaced with 2 am licences.
- The adverse impact an extension of hours on the amenity of the neighbourhood and the adverse impact of alcohol on the municipality.

## **Applicant's Response to Objections**

### **Objection from Commander Kate Vanderlaan:**

13) Mr Justin Coleman responded to the Police objection by letter dated 28 February 2011. The response may be summarised as follows:

- An extension of the trading hours by one hour will not add to alcohol fuelled violence or the Police workload as other premises remain open at that time;
- Extending the trading hours will not increase the number of patrons on Mitchell Street but rather will ensure that they are more evenly distributed;
- Shenannigan's licence conditions and voluntary trading restrictions reflect those of 4 am licences and treat the premises as a late night trading venue without the financial benefit of the additional trade;
- Only data relevant to the local area should be considered in considering this application. Data provided to the AHA demonstrates alcohol fuelled violence in the CBD has decreased;
- Proposed restrictions on trade will further impact the viability of the premises and the extension of trading hours will allow the premises to continue to trade commercially;
- The objection is of a generic nature and does not address the specifics of this application or the experience and track record of the Licencee.

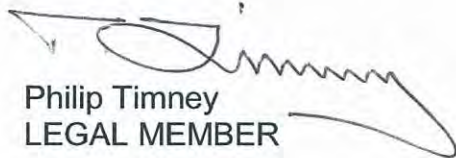
### **Objection from Mr John Banks:**

14) Mr Justin Coleman responded to the objection by DCC via email dated 11 February 2011. Mr Coleman noted that the objection was generalised and based on a DCC policy that does not take account of individual merit or changing circumstances.

## **Determination**

15) The objection on behalf of Police relates to the amenity of the neighbourhood in which the premises are located, namely the Mitchell Street precinct. The objection is relevant to the health and public safety in the community. This objection includes some of the grounds set in Section 47F(2) of the Act and is otherwise validly lodged and should be referred to a Hearing before the Commission.

16) As noted by the applicant, the objection lodged on behalf of the DCC is generic in nature and does not specifically relate to the application currently before the Commission. However, the objection does relate generally to the amenity of the neighbourhood and the health, education, public safety and social conditions in the community within which the premises are located, being the DCC municipality, as required by Section 47F(2). This objection should also be referred to a Hearing before the Commission.



Philip Timney  
LEGAL MEMBER

4 April 2011

**14 COMMITTEE REPORTS****14.1 COMMUNITY & CULTURAL SERVICES (11/04/11)****Presentation of Report by Chairman - Member R Lesley**

The members present at the informal Community & Cultural Services Committee meeting held on Monday, 11 April 2011, noted by consensus, the following motions to be endorsed at the 2nd Ordinary Council meeting on Wednesday 27 April 2011

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**2 Fun Bus – Thank You**

Document No. 1975636 (03/11) Common No. 1975636

THAT the incoming notice entitled, 'Fun Bus Thank You for helping make our Flood School like home' from Woolianna School, Document Number 1975636, be received and noted.

DECISION NO.20\() (27/04/11)

Woolianna School



Knowledge is Strength

Woolianna School



Knowledge is Strength



## Darwin City Council—Fun Bus

Woolianna School would like to say a BIG THANK YOU for helping make our Flood School like home.

## Woolianna School Diary – Daly River Evacuates

### Friday the 17<sup>th</sup> February 2011

On Friday we woke up in our own beds. We got up to check the water level because it rained all night. It was high! We listened to the radio and TV. We still had power. It didn't say anything about Daly River yet. We weren't very scared and we didn't think we would have to evacuate.

### Saturday the 18<sup>th</sup> of February 2011

On Saturday we started to pack our bags and everything. We packed our bags because the water was rushing through from the river. The river banks had broken and the water was going the wrong way. While the water was there we swam in the water. We also started killing kangaroos because we needed food. The shop was open but there was too much water to get there. There was water all in the streets. Someone saw a crocodile outside the shop and had fish and turtles in their lounge room. The water was very deep around the Art Centre and the old people started to cry because their houses began to fill up with water. We were frightened, scared and started to panic.

It rained lightly all day and the water kept coming up and into peoples houses. On the TV it said 'All the people in Daly River have to evacuate tomorrow'. We were scared, and worried our houses would get wrecked. We moved all our good stuff up high, like our Wii, Play Stations, Games, photos, DVD's, TV and clothes.

### Sunday the 19<sup>th</sup> of February 2011

First thing in the morning we checked the little ones and put all the furniture up high and headed for the clinic because it was safe. When we walked in the water it was freezing. At the clinic there were Policemen, SES and boats. The boats took us to Five Mile. At the Five Mile we caught the Woolianna bus to School. At the school we had something to eat then waited to catch the bus to Batchelor. The road was very bumpy and Tipperary was boggy. When we got to Batchelor we felt happy.

### Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2011

On Monday we woke up dry and safe. We were at Batchelor College. We went to breakfast with all our families. There was NO school! We were happy. We sat around, we watched T.V, we ate snacks and played tip on the hill. Some people played pool. The Chief Minister, the Bishop and Rob Knight came with Leonie Jones. Leonie spoke to our parents about school. The T.V crews filmed and the N.T news took photos.

### Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> February 2011

In the morning Brendan brought us to Batchelor Area School. We all met in the undercover area. Miranda, Alma, Wendy, Leonie, Jenna and Greg were there. They gave us a new TEGS t-shirt. We looked around the school and then we went to our new class. After lunch we went to the outdoor education centre. Miranda's class went bike riding in the mud and some people fell off their bikes. Alma's class did rock climbing and low ropes then we went to the swimming pool we had fun.

### Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> February- Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March

We did school at Batchelor Area School for over a week. We had two classrooms, one for early childhood and one for middle and upper primary. We did lots of literacy rotations, NAPLAN practice, chance and data, reading, learning and doing activities around Eric Carle's The Very Hungry Caterpillar. We learnt about natural disasters, learnt some new games and played with the Bachelor kids. Miranda brought all our laptops our books and stuff from school so we could do our work. Some schools from Darwin donated pencils, paper, paint and other stuff for us to use.

After school every day Anthony from sport and rec took us for swimming, cricket, touch rugby and soccer.

We had delicious meals for breakfast, lunch and dinner at the dining room. All the food was made by Batchelor Institute, the Army and the Navy. On school days they made us recess and lunch and we ate it at the school.

On Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> of March we had an excursion to Darwin. The TEGS front office met us in Darwin and took all of us to the movies to watch 'Gnomeo and Juliet' then went to Leanyer Water Park. The big kids went on Thunder Storm, Go Bananas and Blue Blast.

Our time in Batchelor has been exciting, fun, scary, new and interesting. We have been very well looked after by lots of people. We want to say thankyou to the Batchelor Institute, Victoria Daly Shire, Teachers, TEGS, The Army, The Navy, Red Cross, Sport and Rec, Batchelor Area School, Batchelor Crèche, Mick from NT Cricket, AFL NT, NTES, NT Police, SES, Trevor from Batchelor Pool, RLSS, Mark (Batchelor Outdoor Education Centre), The schools that donated supplies for us to use, and many more. THANKYOU.

### Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March – Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> March

We are all being sent home. We are looking forward to getting home but know there will be a lot of work to do.

By: Woolianna School Kids

March 2011

**14 COMMITTEE REPORTS****14.1 COMMUNITY & CULTURAL SERVICES (11/04/11)****Presentation of Report by Chairman - Member R Lesley**

The members present at the informal Community & Cultural Services Committee meeting held on Monday, 11 April 2011, noted by consensus, the following motions to be endorsed at the 2nd Ordinary Council meeting on Wednesday 27 April 2011

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**3 Community & Cultural Services Team Report – March 2011**  
Report No. 11C0047 KH:es (05/04/11) Common No. 1733166

ENCL: NO

**DARWIN CITY COUNCIL**

DATE: 5/4/2011

**REPORT****TO:** 2<sup>nd</sup> ORDINARY COUNCIL /OPEN A**APPROVED:** JB**FROM:** GENERAL MANAGER COMMUNITY &  
CULTURAL SERVICES**APPROVED:** KH**REPORT NO:** 11C0047 KH:es**COMMON NO:** 1733166**SUBJECT:** COMMUNITY & CULTURAL SERVICES TEAM REPORT – MARCH  
2011**ITEM NO: 14.1.3**

This report provides Council with an update of activities undertaken within the Community Development program during March 2011 and 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 Development Team has prepared their own sections to appraise Council of operational activities during March 2011.

**REPORT:****COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT****Human Resources**

Recruitment activities have now been completed for the maternity leave Arts & Cultural Development position and Youth Services Officer. Allison Gray has commenced in the Arts portfolio and Sean Pardy in the Youth area. Fiona Ray has also commenced as Manager Liveability, which oversees Recreation Services and undertakes a range of policy, research, planning and special projects.

**Events**

Preparatory meetings have commenced for the 2011 Homeless Connect event to be held on May 24 at Casuarina pool from 9-1.00. This year the event aims to commence with an early morning breakfast for guests arriving early. Early indications suggest a very supportive community services sector who are keen to reengage with the event this year. Finn O'Branagain is again assisting the Manager Community Development with event preparations.

**Workforce Wellbeing Committee**

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Planning has commenced to offer staff yoga programs and onsite skin checks with an emphasis on provision to the outdoor workforce. The program is expected to run in late May and early June.

### **Capacity Building**

Council has worked in partnership with GPT and Music NT to support the development of an in-house youth music program and part time youth identified position at Casuarina Square Shopping Centre. The role will see the employment of a young person in a programming and event coordination role with mentoring from Council and Music NT. This is a positive initiative from Casuarina Square and will work to positively engage the youth community with this space.

### **Staff Development**

The Manager Community Development attended the 2011 Trends in Community Engagement with Social Media conference in late February. Remarkable and highly innovative activity is apparent in Council's across the country who are using a range of social media tools to engage with their communities in a low cost manner. Learning's from the forum will be presented to the Middle Managers and Chief Officers Group in April.

A lunchtime Public Relations Institute event coordinated by Creative Territory entitled 'Social and Traditional Media Trends During Cyclone Carlos' was attended by the Manager Community Development in late March. Findings included the strong role played by ABC Radio and social media during times of crisis or adverse events. More detailed analysis is available for interested Members.

The Family & Children's Services Officer participated in the 2011 Local Government Management Challenge held in Adelaide in March and reported the program as a significant learning opportunity.

Local Government Managers Australia (NT Branch) held their annual conference in March I Darwin, which was opened by the Lord Mayor. A number of Council managers attended over the course of the day and varied and topical program provided.

## **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 next DAC meeting is scheduled for 14 April at Casuarina Library Meeting Room.

### **International Women's Day 2011**

Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> March was the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of International Women's Day and celebration events were held globally throughout the month of March. The 2011 International Women's Day theme was recognition of a century of the social, political and economic achievements of women, and their remarkable endurance, across the world.

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Council provides sponsorship and in-kind support for the International Women's Day Walk event annually and this year the event was even more successful than in previous years. The 2011 International Women's Day All Ages Walk, Lunch and Celebration event was held on Saturday 5 March and was jointly facilitated by Council, United Nations Association Australia NT and Council of the Ageing NT, with some funds provided by the NT Government's International Women's Day grant scheme.

The event commenced at 9.00am when walkers assembled at Civic Park. The Walk commenced at 9.30am and proceeded for 45 minutes along an identified route through the CBD. The Walk was led by the Lord Mayor in conjunction with His Honour the Administrator, Mr Tom Pauling and Mrs Pauling, Larrakia Traditional Owner, Bilawarra Lee, Minister for Women's Policy, Hon Malarndirri McCarthy MLA, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly NT, Hon Jane Aagaard MLA and the Northern Territory Commissioner of Police and CEO of Fire and Emergency Services, Mr John McRoberts. Walkers were accompanied by a police escort as well as two police women on horseback. Community members who didn't wish to walk the entire route joined in part way, or attended the celebration after the Walk.



The Walk concluded at the Civic Centre, where a light lunch was served and entertainment provided in the Function Room. Guest speakers at the event included Larrakia Traditional Owner, Bilawarra Lee, Minister for Women's Policy, Hon Malarndirri McCarthy MLA, the Northern Territory Commissioner of Police and CEO of Fire and Emergency Services, Mr John McRoberts and Ms Robyn Lesley, CEO, COTA NT. The celebration featured musical entertainment by young musician, Josefina Huq and a dance performance by Alama Dance Group in addition to a Mini-Expo of information stalls which were set up on the balcony adjacent to the Function Room. The event was attended by approximately 120 people and gained positive media coverage. Celebrations concluded at 1.00pm.

## Community Grants Program

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Council's Community Grants Program provides funding for projects that directly benefit the Darwin community. Each year Council allocates \$100,000 for community projects and this year an additional \$50,000 for community based climate change and environment projects has been allocated.

Submissions are currently being invited from community organisations for funding of community projects occurring in the second half of 2011 (30 June 2011 – 31 December 2011) and for climate change and environment projects occurring in the 2011/2012 financial year. Applications close on Friday 8 April. Advertisements inviting applications appeared in the NT News on Saturday 5 March and in the Darwin Sun on Wednesday 9 March. Program guidelines and application forms are available from Council's website or by contacting Nancy McCann on phone number 8930 0645 or via email to [communitygrants@darwin.nt.gov.au](mailto:communitygrants@darwin.nt.gov.au)

### **Seniors Month 2011**

CSO and the Libraries Project Officer have commenced planning Council's program of events for Seniors Month 2011 which will be celebrated right throughout August.

### **Disability Awareness Week 2011**

Disability Awareness Week 2011 is scheduled for Thursday 1 – Thursday 8 September.

### **Guide Dogs SA.NT**

CSO provided an update on Council's disability services and the activities of the Disability Advisory Committee to the Group Manager, Service Delivery and the Manager, Vision and Sensory Services from the Adelaide office of Guide Dogs SA.NT when they visited Darwin during March.

## **ARTS & CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT**

### **Arts and Cultural Development Advisory Committee (ACDAC)**

ACDAC's second meeting for 2011 is scheduled for Thursday 14 April 2011. The public art program is particularly active at the moment with a number of maintenance issues being managed and new opportunities identified.

### **Arts Sector Forum**

The Arts Sector Forum was held on Thursday 3 March 2011, 4 – 6 pm, presented by facilitator Renai Grace (Creative Sight / Positive Solutions), to around 50 attendees. The Open Forum was successful in generating dialogue around current needs within the arts sector and how Council could respond to these. The need for an artist locator database for Darwin emerged as a strong theme of the Forum.

### **Live Music @ Your Library**

Musicians and libraries staff have reported an increase in audience numbers at the live music concerts at City and Casuarina libraries which continue to be popular.

### **Public Art – The Mall**

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GOBO lighting projections by Larrakia artists Dotty Fejo, Joe Raymond and Denise Quall have now been installed in Raintree Park, projected upon the old Woolworths building after sunset every night. Fabrication of wooden signage inlays by these three artists is almost complete and these will soon be installed in The Mall.

Interpretative signage for the works by Katrina Tyler and Graham Badari is awaiting installation.

Selected photos for the This Is My Darwin photo competition will be announced in April 2011. These will be used on temporary banner signage in The Mall.

### **Public Art – Centenary of the Naming of Darwin**

Council has endorsed a site at the north western end of Bicentennial Park for a new work of Public Art commemorating the Centenary of the Naming of Darwin.

Following consultation with Larrakia organisations, a consultant will be engaged to prepare a project brief for artists interested in the proposed opportunity.

### **Public Art – Nightcliff Pool Mural**

The Recreation team have identified an opportunity for a new mural at the Nightcliff Pool including a community engagement process in the concept design stage. Following consultation with Larrakia organisations this opportunity will be advertised to local artists.

### **Public Art – HMS Beagle Ship Bell Chime - maintenance**

Maintenance work is currently being undertaken on the Bell Chime to determine why a number of the bells have ceased working following Cyclone Carlos.

### **Public Art - Traveller's Walk Mosaic - maintenance**

The repaired section of the mosaic is being stored at the Operations Centre awaiting safe vehicle access to the Traveller's Walk area to enable installation.

### **Public Art – Mindil Beach Burial Mound - Pirryangua Pukemani Poles - maintenance**

The artist has identified the need for maintenance work at the site due to a termite infestation. Advice is being sought on how to best undertake this maintenance while conserving the integrity of the work.

### **Community Art Space**

In March the Community Art Space hosted a Harmony Day Art Exhibition with work by six local primary schools: Anula Primary School, Ludmilla Primary School, Manunda Terrace Primary School, Millner Primary School, Nightcliff Primary School and Wanguri Primary School. An exhibition launch was held on Harmony Day (21 March 2011) with live entertainment by 'Ambon John' and international food. Over 30 people attended including a group of students from Millner Primary School.

In April an exhibition by Larrakia artist Kenny Hopkins will be held in the Space, with an opening function planned for Friday 15 April at 5 pm. All are welcome.

### **Recycled Art Festival**

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The 2011 Recycled Art Festival is planned for Friday 11 – Saturday 12 November 2011.

### **Recycled Art Program**

Recycled Jewellery Workshops facilitated by local artists will be held at the Casuarina Library Courtyard Bazaar on Friday 1 April, at The Big Gig at Casuarina Pool on Friday 8 April and at Homeless Connect at Casuarina Pool on Tuesday 24 May.

### **Darwin Artist Locator Database**

A need identified in The Arts Sector Forum for an online artist database resulted in a proposal to develop an online tool that will enable a connection and information for the community and business to engage with the arts. Council aims to further consult with artists and creative industries groups to pilot an online artist database/ locator. To enable this project a grant application for the Northern Territory Arts Grants Program, Presentation and Promotion was submitted on 31 March 2011. Outcome will be announced 1 July 2011.

## **YOUTH PROJECTS**

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.

### **GRIND**

GRIND continued formal meetings in March and is currently focusing on organising and promoting the BIG GIG. The GRIND website [www.grindonline.com.au](http://www.grindonline.com.au) is being utilised as an access point for event promotion. The electronic marketing campaign has been strong with youth created promotional elements being placed on YouTube, Facebook and key stakeholder websites as well as being distributed throughout the electronic newsletters of community organisations. The link for "more information" regarding the event is [www.grindonline.com.au](http://www.grindonline.com.au)

Following on from the success of Twenty Things to do in Twenty Minutes (now with 29,000 views), the next most popular hit for the website is the post about The BIG GIG.

### **Youth Advisory Group (YAG)**

The YAG March meeting prioritised organisation for The BIG GIG. Key stakeholders were invited to the meeting including Neighbourhood Watch NT, Corrugated Iron Youth Arts, Valve Head Productions and Multicultural Youth NT. The group was discussed the parameters of the event, the promotional messages and shaping the program for our visitors from Timor Leste.

The YAG Facebook site has been a key element in promotion of The BIG GIG. The YAG has been creating videos about the local bands that will be performing at the

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event and slowly releasing them via their Facebook page. This generates interest not only of the event itself but of the YAG Facebook identity. The event has over 300 attendees confirmed and over 2000 people have been invited.

#### **Youth Services Officer:**

Sean Pardy commenced as the Youth Services Officer in March.

#### **THE BIG GIG**

The BIG GIG organisation is in full swing. Meetings with key stakeholders have been held, including representatives from NT Police, Transport Security, security providers, Casuarina Square, stallholders, activity organisers, food vendors, participants and all funding bodies. The Youth Advisory Group members have again played a critical role in shaping and promoting the event.

#### **THE GIG GEAR**

The GIG GEAR has been accessed over 3 weekends in March. There have been 10 enquiries regarding the use of the gear with an unmet need emerging for a small microphone and amplifier for speeches and small community and neighbourhood style events.

#### **Networking**

The Youth Services Officer and Youth Services Trainee attended the February meeting of DARWWYN.

### **FAMILY & CHILDREN'S SERVICES**

The Family & Children's Services Coordinator (FCSC) manages Council's Community and Child Care Centres, the Fun Bus, Fun in the Parks, special projects and facilitates school visits to Council.

#### **Child Care Centres**

Council sponsors seven Child Care Centres in the provision and maintenance of the buildings.

In March, FCSC facilitated a meeting with the Child Care Centre Directors and Council's Building Maintenance Team to discuss priority maintenance planning for Darwin City Council sponsored child care centres for the financial year 2011/2012.

A maintenance inspection was carried out by Council's Building Supervisor and the FCSC on 4 of the centres during March and the other centres are scheduled for inspection during April.

#### **Fun Bus**

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The Fun Bus continues to provide high quality mobile play group services for children 0 to 5 years, their parents and carers. The Fun Bus operates weekdays 9.30am to 11.30am in parks and reserves for a total of 40 weeks each year.

- Monday - Bagot Community, Ludmilla
- Tuesday - Old McMillans Park, Coconut Grove
- Wednesday - Water Gardens, Jingili
- Thursday - Malak Caravan Park, Malak
- Friday - Civic Park, Darwin

The Fun Bus Celebrated Harmony Day on Wednesday the 16 March in collaboration with Early Childhood Australia – NT Branch and Territory Childcare Group at Malak Community Centre. Positive feedback has been received from families and participating organisations. The event attracted approximately 400 people over the morning.

The Fun Bus Project Officer Coordinator and a staff member from Casuarina Library exchanged positions for a day as part of their Professional Development program.

### **Fun in the Parks**

Council's Fun in the Parks is a school holiday program focused on primary school age participants. The program operates from 10.00am to 12.30pm every Monday, Wednesday and Friday of school holidays.

The Fun in the Parks program attended the Centenary of the Naming of Darwin celebrations on 19 March 2011 at Raintree Park.

### **In kind support**

The Fun and Games equipment program supported, five (5) community events in March 2011.

### **School Civic Visits**

Darwin City Council facilitates School Civic Visits for Primary School as well as Middle School students to assist Teachers to meet their curriculum requirements in the area of Governance.

In March, three (3) School Civic Visits were held for Stuart Park Primary School. A total of hundred (100) year 4 and 5 students attended.

### **LGMA Management Challenge**

In March the FCSC attended the 2011 LGMA Management Challenge as part of a team of 6 DCC staff members including the Executive Manager as Mentor. The Challenge promoted team work, attracting and retaining staff, breaking down silos by developing inter-departmental relationships, building capacity, thinking outside the box and improving organisational culture.

### **National Law and National Regulations**

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The National Quality Framework for Early Childhood Education and Care is proposed to come into effect from 1 January 2012. The new National Quality Framework will be underpinned by the National Law and National Regulations. Together, they will set new National Quality Standards for long day care, family day care, preschool (kindergarten in some jurisdictions) and out of school hours care services in all States and Territories. A draft of the National Regulations has been released and individuals and organisations are invited to give feedback to DEEWR by the 14 April 2011 (DEEWR, 2011).

### **SISTER CITIES PROGRAM AND COMMUNITY SAFETY**

The Senior Community Development Officer - Cultural Liveability (SCDO) coordinates the Sister Cities program, Council's International Relations matters and a range of community development activities including walkways and community wellbeing.

#### **Community Safety**

DCC continues to maintain representation on a number of inter-agency committees concerned with safety and actions items identified relevant to Council. SCDO attends fortnightly meetings of the Inter-agency Taskforce Coordination Group (ITCG) and quarterly meetings of the Casuarina Business Precinct CPTED group. The Casuarina Liquor Accord Committee, which normally meets quarterly, last met in October 2010.

#### **Sister Cities**

An open rate of 51.2% (up from 46.77%) and a click rate of 9.8% (considerably lower than January's rate of 17.74%) was achieved for the March eNewsletter. The distribution list grew by 30% since the last edition. Opens were registered in USA, China, Indonesia and Australia.

Darwin City Council will be hosting a Sister City Night promotional event as part of the 2011 Arafura Games. Held on the 9<sup>th</sup> of May, the event will showcase all of Council's sister city relationships. Details of the event are in the process of being finalised.

The Sister City program was successful in securing a fundraising night at the Deckchair Cinema. Our event will be held on the 20<sup>th</sup> of June 2011. Plans for this event are underway.

#### **Delegations**

A delegation of representatives from Haikou, China, lead by Mr Lin Beichuan visited Darwin from 28<sup>th</sup> February to 2<sup>nd</sup> of March. During their visit the delegation visited the Royal Darwin Hospital, attended a briefing by the Australia China Business Council, and attended a Sister Cities briefing at which upcoming projects between Darwin and Haikou were discussed.

On March 28<sup>th</sup> 2011, three young people from Dili arrived in Darwin to undertake two weeks work experience with Council and other Youth Service providers. They are currently in Darwin, hosted by a local family.

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### **Anchorage**

The Anchorage Sister City Community Committee last met on the 3<sup>rd</sup> of February for an informal meeting. An Anchorage School and a Darwin School have been selected to participate in a Pen Pal project. Formal letters of introduction have been sent to each school from the Lord Mayor.

Three schools have contributed artworks to the Anchorage and Darwin Art exchange project. They will be packaged and sent to Anchorage for the combined art exhibition on April 21<sup>st</sup>. The exhibition will be hosted in Darwin from June 7<sup>th</sup> 2011.

### **Kalymnos**

Quorum for the February meeting of the Kalymnos Sister City Community Committee was not achieved. SCDO met and discussed Council's possible involvement in the Pan Hellenic Games with the organisers of the Games. The renovations of the Greek Hall are yet to be completed; therefore the Greek museum project has not progressed.

### **Dili**

The Dili Sister City Community Committee met on the 29th of March. At this meeting the Committee received a presentation from the representatives from Action For Change Foundation (ACF) who are currently in Darwin undertaking their work experience program.

### **Ambon**

The Ambon Sister City Community Committee meeting for February was cancelled due to cyclone Carlos. SCDO is still awaiting formal acceptance of the student and teacher exchange proposal from the Mayor of Ambon in order to progress that project.

### **Haikou**

The Haikou Sister City Community Committee met on the 28<sup>th</sup> of March. The Australia China Friendship Society, Darwin Branch has been commissioned to develop a Sister City dance which will be performed on the Sister Cities Night at the Arafura Games (9<sup>th</sup> May). The project brief for the commissioned artwork for Haikou Show Window has been finalised and a short list of artists developed.

## **RECREATION SERVICES**

### **Activate NT 2011 – Monday, March 14<sup>th</sup> – Friday, May 20<sup>th</sup> (10 weeks).**

Activate NT 2011 has exceeded all expectations. The Media Launch was well attended by representatives of the media as well as local politicians and program ambassadors. The Registration Days at The Mall, Casuarina Square and Palmerston Shopping Centre were all well attended by the general public and garnered considerable registrations.

The Activate NT Health and Lifestyle Expo, a new initiative in 2011, was a resounding success with approximately 50 service providers and community organisations taking stalls and providing information and demonstrations to the

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crowds that attended. Over 600 people came along, many of whom registered for Activate NT on the day.

There has been such an overwhelming response to Activate NT this year that we were forced to close registrations at the end of Week One to try to ensure that classes were not overcrowded and the activity suppliers were not stretched beyond capacity. The final count for registered participants is 771.

Attendances have been high across the program calendar for the first few weeks, but we are anticipating a slow-down over the next few, especially with the Easter, ANZAC Day and May Day Public Holidays, so have a number of promotional platforms in place to help keep people on track.

### **Arafura Games**

Dates: Saturday 07 May – Saturday 14 May, 2011.

Council provides cash and in-kind support to the Arafura Games organisers. Recreation Services is co-ordinating all the requirements for the Games on behalf of Council as per the sponsorship agreement.

Recreation Services will also be providing a FREEPS on Sunday 08 May in The Games Hub, Marrara.

### **FREEPS**

Recreation Services is again supporting a number of community events by supplying FREEPS, this year in conjunction with the Seabreeze Festival and Arafura Games.

Saturday 30 April (3-6pm) at Nightcliff Pool in conjunction with the Seabreeze Festival.

Sunday 08 May (3-6pm) in The Games Hub, Marrara in conjunction with Arafura Games.

EOIs have been sent to all past providers and those who expressed interest in 2009 and 2010, and an ad has been produced by Council's Media and Marketing section to run in The NT News on Saturday April 02 seeking further Expressions of Interest.

### **Ovals**

Dry Season Oval Allocations commence the first week of April, and applications have been received for every Council Oval in the municipality except Jingili at this stage.

Removable Rugby goal posts are currently being installed at Jingili Oval.

AFL goal posts have not yet been removed from Gardens Oval 1 or Nightcliff Oval due to the continuing rains making the surface too soft to bring a crane in without causing damage. Parks are dealing with this matter and will attend to it at the

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earliest opportunity. User groups have been made aware of the situation, and we will do what we can to ensure the safety of all users in the interim.

### **Swimming Pools**

Shade cloths have now been replaced at Casuarina Pool. Other installations at Parap and Nightcliff Pools will follow once all safety and structural issues have been addressed. Free sunscreen is continuing to be offered to all patrons in the meantime.

Casuarina Pool was also the site of the Vorgee Northern Territory Open and Age Championships, held 17-20 March.

Parap Pool's Wednesday lunchtime Aqua aerobics class has been included in the Activate NT weekly calendar, with 25+ participants attending each of the three weeks of the program so far, with a mix of returning and new patrons enjoying the activity each week.

### **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

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### **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
- 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.

### **CLIMATE 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, Community and Cultural Services.

### **COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS:**

Nil. This report is informational.

### **DELEGATION:**

This report is presented for information only.

### **CONSULTATION:**

Each Community Development Team member has contributed to this report.

### **PROPOSED PUBLIC CONSULTATION PROCESS:**

Not pertinent to this report.

### **APPROPRIATE SIGNAGE:**

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Not pertinent to this report.

**RECOMMENDATIONS:**

That it be a recommendation to Council:-

THAT Report Number 10C0047 KH:es entitled, Community & Cultural Services Team Report – March 2011, be received and noted.

**KATIE HEARN**  
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**GENERAL MANAGER**  
**COMMUNITY & CULTURAL SERVICES**

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**14 COMMITTEE REPORTS****14.1 COMMUNITY & CULTURAL SERVICES (11/04/11)****Presentation of Report by Chairman - Member R Lesley**

The members present at the informal Community & Cultural Services Committee meeting held on Monday, 11 April 2011, noted by consensus, the following motions to be endorsed at the 2nd Ordinary Council meeting on Wednesday 27 April 2011

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**4 Regulatory Services Monthly Update – March 2011**

Report No. 11C0046 DN:mrg (05/04/11) Common No. 1330602

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## DARWIN CITY COUNCIL

DATE: 5/4/2011

### REPORT

TO: 2<sup>ND</sup> ORDINARY COUNCIL/OPEN A

APPROVED: JB

FROM: GENERAL MANAGER COMMUNITY &  
CULTURAL SERVICES

APPROVED: DN

REPORT NO: 11C0046 DN:mrg

COMMON NO: 1330602

SUBJECT: REGULATORY SERVICES UPDATE MARCH 2011

#### ITEM NO: 14.1.4

#### **SYNOPSIS:**

This report provides Council with an update of activities undertaken within the Regulatory Services section during March 2011.

#### **GENERAL:**

##### **CBD Parking**

During the month of March, Regulation of CBD parking was carried out by seven Rangers regulating all areas of on street CBD parking and off street Council car parks. Rangers actively patrolled the Mall to ensure there were no breaches of the By-Laws.

CBD Rangers continued to regulate parking enforcement in the CBD Plaza (Woolworths) car park.

##### **Suburban Parking**

Rangers conducted regular patrols for suburban parking enforcement. Patrols were conducted at Casuarina, Cullen Bay, Parap, Nightcliff, Fannie Bay, Hibiscus, Rapid Creek, Alawa, Karama and Stuart Park. The Suburban Rangers regulated all disabled bays, timed zones, vehicles for sale in a public place and complaints received from the public.

The Suburban Rangers also regulated parking in the Casuarina Village car park.

##### **Waterfront Precinct**

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Two Rangers continued to regulate parking at the Waterfront Precinct on weekends and on request regulated the area Monday to Friday. The Precinct was also patrolled early mornings for breaches of By-Law 103 Camping/Sleeping in a Public Place.

Pay and Display parking meters have recently been installed at the Waterfront Precinct and regulation by Council Rangers has commenced.

### **Generals**

Generals Rangers actioned notices for abandoned vehicles, long grass, litter complaints and a full range of By-Law offences. Regulatory Services continued to work closely with the Manager of Infrastructure in relation to long grass complaints, relative procedures to provide a better level of customer service and to meet appropriate timeframes for the finalisation of jobs.

### **Weekend Markets**

Rapid Creek, Parap and Nightcliff Markets continued to be patrolled every weekend. Patrol hours are between 9.00am and 1.00pm on Saturdays and Sundays.

### **Public Places**

Public Places Rangers continued to patrol Mindil Beach, East Point and Vestey's Beach for illegal camping. Due to the approaching dry season the problem of illegal camping increases and as a result information sheets in four languages are being distributed to all hostels and campervan hire companies within the City and in person to all campers at Mindil Beach, Vestey's and East Point Reserve informing campers and visitors of the Council By-Laws.

The aim of the public places program is to minimise breaches of By-Law 103, in particular persons camping/sleeping in public places and the obstruction of public facilities. Rangers also worked in conjunction with Police and the Immigration Department.

Two Council Rangers attended a Patrol Network Meeting and shared information with other organisations in relation to local trends and activity.

### **Road Closures and Events**

Two Rangers assisted with the 100 Year Naming of Darwin Celebrations in Raintree Park .

### **Animal Management**

Pound activity was steady through March with 23 cats impounded. The majority of those cats were feral with 3 being re-homed through the PAWS program. Impounded dog figures were also consistent with 48 animals being impounded, 20 of those were returned to owners and 15 were found new homes through the PAWS program.

With the re-emergence of Dingo sightings in the northern suburbs Council Rangers implemented a patrol strategy to monitor wild dog activity. This includes trapping being conducted at the Shoal Bay Waste Disposal Site and selected localities around Leanyer.

In Darwin's northern suburbs, Council Registration Officers continued to achieve positive results with a steady stream of Licence and Registration applications received during the month.

### **Education**

Council's Animal Education Officer (AEO) continues to represent Council by attending Top End Pet Expo Committee meetings leading up to the event (Sunday 17 April 2011).

Two Rangers attended the Defence Force Welcome to Darwin Family Fun Day and Community Expo 2011, on 13 March 2011. Council's By-Laws were discussed with new residents and promotional materials including information sheets and registration forms were given away.

Council's AEO attended the City Library Story Time on 25 March. Positive and safe interaction with dogs was the theme of discussion.

### **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**

7.1.6 Develop contemporary management policies and by-laws

### **LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:**

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Nil.

**CLIMATE IMPLICATIONS:**

Nil.

**PUBLIC RELATIONS IMPLICATIONS:**

No immediate public relations implications have been identified in respect to this report.

**COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS:**

Nil.

**DELEGATION:**

Nil.

**CONSULTATION:**

Regulatory Services Team Leaders have contributed to this report.

**PROPOSED PUBLIC CONSULTATION PROCESS:**

Nil.

**APPROPRIATE SIGNAGE**

Nil.

**PROPOSED PUBLIC CONSULTATION PROCESS:**

Nil.

**APPROPRIATE SIGNAGE**

Nil.

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**RECOMMENDATIONS:**

That it be a recommendation to Council:-

THAT Report Number 11C0046 DN:mrg entitled Regulatory Services Update March 2011, be received and noted.

**DAVE NEALL**  
**MANAGER REGULATORY SERVICES**

**JOHN BANKS**  
**GENERAL MANAGER COMMUNITY &**  
**CULTURAL SERVICES**

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**14 COMMITTEE REPORTS****14.1 COMMUNITY & CULTURAL SERVICES (11/04/11)****Presentation of Report by Chairman - Member R Lesley**

The members present at the informal Community & Cultural Services Committee meeting held on Monday, 11 April 2011, noted by consensus, the following motions to be endorsed at the 2nd Ordinary Council meeting on Wednesday 27 April 2011

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**5 Libraries Information Update for March 2011**

Report No. 11P0004 KC:md (05/04/11) Common No. 1943023

ENCL: NO

## DARWIN CITY COUNCIL

DATE: 5/4/2011

### REPORT

TO: 2<sup>nd</sup> ORDINARY COUNCIL / OPEN A

APPROVED: JB

FROM: GENERAL MANAGER  
COMMUNITY & CULTURAL SERVICES

APPROVED: KC

REPORT NO: 11P0004 KC:md

COMMON NO: 1943023

SUBJECT: LIBRARIES INFORMATION UPDATE FOR MARCH 2011

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#### ITEM NO: 14.1.5

#### **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 Library Trainee began studying Certificate III in Library and Information Studies at Charles Darwin University this month.

Volunteers continue to help out with shelving, mending and other administrative tasks. We currently have seven regular volunteers.

We hosted a tour of 20 students from Charles Darwin University who are learning English. They joined the library, had a tour and observed a story time.

We held the official opening of the Casuarina Library courtyard with attendances from schools, other libraries, Chief Officers Group, Elected Members, Council staff, meeting room users and library customers.

In the past month we have ordered and received a large range of new resources, specifically material for non-English speakers to learn English. These have been added to all library collections.

March is the deadline for the expenditure of the library resources allocation (LRA) funds from Northern Territory Library. Library managers and collection development staff have committed all funds. During the last financial year we have ordered 4,952 items totalling \$141,565.

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We still have some funding available to purchase popular author new releases as they become available. Any requests for new titles from now until the new financial year will be purchased using Darwin City Council funds.

The library amnesty has been running for two months and finishes on 31<sup>st</sup> March. So far we have had over 2500 billed items returned. During May we will be conducting a comprehensive stock take at all libraries. A stock take has never been done and this will clean up our library database to make certain that the status of library items as listed on Virtua are in fact correct and items are not 'hidden' amongst the shelves. Once the stock take has been completed we will be engaging a debt collector to recover outstanding items.

Live Music every Friday at lunchtimes at Casuarina and the City Libraries continues to be well attended and there is no shortage of local musicians willing to come and play.

## **SPECIAL EVENTS**

### **Tracey Wickham visit**

In celebration of International Women's Day, former Olympic swimmer and author Tracey Wickham gave a talk at Casuarina Library on 7 March. It was well attended with an audience of all ages including many young people from our local swimming clubs.

### **Jackie French Author visit**

After being postponed because of Cyclone Carlos, Jackie's visit to Darwin started on Thursday 10 March with an author talk to after school children at Nightcliff Library followed by an evening parenting session 'Rocket your Child into Reading' for adults at Casuarina Library.

The next day started with a talk to primary school children at Karama Library, then Jackie read two of her picture books at the City Library's story time. After a look around Parliament House and lunch, Jackie was set up in the Civic Centre function area for another talk to over 110 primary school children and mixed adults.

The Saturday morning writers workshop was well presented with favourable comments from all participants. All Jackie's events were booked out in advance and well attended. Staff from Angus and Robertson attended all events to sell her books.

### **Defence Family Day & Expo**

Library staff represented the libraries at the expo at the Foskey Pavilion on Sunday 13 March. We were part of a stall that included the DCC's Animal Education Officer and other community services staff. A lot of interest was shown by new-to-Darwin defence families for our children's services, especially story times and KAOS. We gave away pens, bookmarks and library bags. Two families signed up as library members on the day.

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### **Marie Munkara Author Talk**

Winner of the 'Territory Read' Book of the Year for 2010, Marie Munkara spoke at Nightcliff Library on 17 March about her return to her family on Bathurst Island after being raised in Melbourne and the subsequent writing of her award winning book 'Every Secret Thing'. Marie's very interesting and entertaining talk was well attended and much appreciated.

### **Diane Lucas Writing Workshop**

To celebrate Harmony Day, NT picture book writer Diane Lucas presented a half day writing workshop for adults on 21 March entitled 'Creating Children's Picture Books in Northern Australia'. Although only 11 people booked, 14 attended and enjoyed the informative workshop. After lunch Diane presented a session of Babes 'n Books. Her books 'Waterlilies', 'Brumbies in the Night', and 'Walking with the Seasons in Kakadu' were on sale at both events.

### **John Heffernan Author Talks**

Popular children's author John Heffernan gave a series of one hour talks about his books at two libraries on 30 March. Primary and middle schools were invited to send along classes which resulted in 50 people at Nightcliff Library and 106 people at Casuarina Library.

## **CHILDREN AND YOUTH SERVICES:**

This month's story time theme at the City Library has been 'Pets' and Tess, the DCC's Animal Education Officer and Nina Bellairs' dog Rex made guest appearances at one preschool session to the delight of the children. At Casuarina Library there was a visit from Hector the Cat and the Road Safety Educator at story time. Hector simplified the message to the preschoolers of the importance of wearing a seatbelt, a helmet and spoke about general road safety rules. As usual, Hector the Cat was mobbed by his little fans.

Story time sessions for Namarluk School and local child care centres continue at the City Library. The Panda Cubs conduct Mandarin story time at Casuarina Library on Tuesday mornings.

The junior and youth after school book clubs continued in March and both groups have regular members. Both book club members have been involved in preparations for the Youth Week Bazaar at Casuarina Library on 1<sup>st</sup> April.

## **KAOS:**

Following on from the successful 'boys only night' at Nightcliff Library last month a 'girls only night' KAOS was held at City Library on Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> March with Body Shop consultants conducting a community workshop for young girls.

## **DISPLAYS:**

Story time theme	New Books
Nursery Rhymes	School Holiday Program

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Women's Biography (International Women's Day)  
 Visiting authors (Jackie French, Diane Lucas, Marie Munkara and John Heffernan)

### **STAFF TRAINING:**

NAPCAN Mandatory Reporting training  
 Two week induction program for new staff at Casuarina Library

### **INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY/VIRTUA:**

Basic Internet and email classes are ongoing at Casuarina, Nightcliff and the City Libraries as well as the Internet Club at Casuarina and the City. Nightcliff Library has had full attendance for basic Internet and email sessions in March and a customer gave positive feedback on the instruction and delivery of the basic Internet class.

The library management system, Virtua, is scheduled for an upgrade over the Easter long weekend.

### **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** Enhance Darwin's active, positive and flexible lifestyle  
**Outcome** Increase recreational, leisure and heritage experiences  
**Key Strategies**  
 2.2.1 Enhance library facilities

**Goal** Enhance Darwin's active, positive and flexible lifestyle  
**Outcome** Promote family friendly & healthy activities  
**Key Strategies**  
 2.3.3 Provide facilities and programs which encourage healthy lifestyle choices

**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

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**LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:**

Nil.

**CLIMATE IMPLICATIONS:**

Nil.

**PUBLIC RELATIONS IMPLICATIONS:**

No immediate public relations implications have been identified in respect to this report.

**COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS:**

Nil.

**DELEGATION:**

Nil.

**CONSULTATION:**

Nil.

**PROPOSED PUBLIC CONSULTATION PROCESS:**

Nil.

**APPROPRIATE SIGNAGE:**

Nil.

**RECOMMENDATIONS:**

THAT it be a recommendation to Council:-

THAT Report Number 11P0004 entitled, Libraries Information Update for March 2011 be received and noted.

**KAREN CONWAY**  
**MANAGER LIBRARY SERVICES**

**JOHN BANKS**  
**GENERAL MANAGER**  
**COMMUNITY & CULTURAL SERVICES**

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**14 COMMITTEE REPORTS****14.1 COMMUNITY & CULTURAL SERVICES (11/04/11)****Presentation of Report by Chairman - Member R Lesley**

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**6 Council's Child Care Centre's - Renewal Of Leases**

Report No. 11C0027 TS:KL (05/04/11) Common No. 1968826

**ENCL:** YES

**DARWIN CITY COUNCIL**

**DATE:** 5/4/2011

**REPORT**

**TO:** 2<sup>nd</sup> ORDINARY COUNCIL /OPEN A

**APPROVED:** JB

**FROM:** GENERAL MANAGER COMMUNITY &  
CULTURAL SERVICES

**APPROVED:** KH

**REPORT NO:** 11C0027 TS:KL

**APPROVED:** TS

**COMMON NO:** 1968826

**SUBJECT:** COUNCIL'S CHILD CARE CENTRES - RENEWAL OF LEASES

**ITEM NO: 14.1.6**

**SYNOPSIS:**

Council's sponsored Child Care Centres current leases expire on the 30 June 2011. This report presents a change to the leases and approval for the signing and sealing of Council's seven (7) Child Care Centres leases.

**GENERAL:**

**PREVIOUS DECISIONS**

**Decision No. 20\3335 (19/10/10)**

- A. THAT Report Number 10C0129 KH:kl entitled, Discussion Paper – Council Child care Centres, be received and noted.

**Decision No. 20\1587 (26/5/09)**

- A. THAT Report Number 09C0075 entitled, Advice on Format and Content of Pending Child Care Centre Environment, Policy and Research Report, be received and noted.
- B. THAT Council endorses the format and methodology contained with report Number 09C0075 for the proposed Child Care Centre Report.

**REPORT**

Darwin City Council sponsors seven Child Care Centre's through the provision and maintenance of the buildings. On 30 June 2011 all peppercorn lease agreements for these buildings expire and require renewal. This report recommends the signing and sealing of lease agreements for:

- Casuarina Child Care Centre Inc.

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- Karama Community and Children's Centre Inc.
- Malak Family Centre Inc.
- Mitchell Street Child Care Centre Inc.
- Nightcliff Family Centre Inc.
- Parap Family Centre Inc.
- Stuart Park Neighbourhood and Child Care Centre Inc.

Previous agreements have been legalistic, difficult to interpret and cumbersome to apply. The new leases will be relatively simple and easily interpreted by the volunteer Management Committees. The new leases will reflect all of the standard clauses required to ensure Council's interests are provided for. From the Council Sponsored Childcare Centre's Risk Assessment Report July 2010 by Deloitte the following items will be included in the lease agreements:

- The Maintenance Responsibility Schedule – Attachment A
- Management Committee Requirement:
  - All members to undergo a Criminal and Working with Children Check.
  - All members to complete Governance Training and receive information on the Management Committee's role and responsibilities.
  - Within 14 days of the Management Committee's Annual General meeting details of the members appointed will be provided to Council along with, their names, contact details and position .

All Lease Agreements contain identical clauses and are for a period of three years expiring at midnight on 30 June 014.

### **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

As per the previously described Memorandum of Lease, the annual rental for the term of these agreements for each centre is one (1) dollar per annum payable on the 30<sup>th</sup> day of June in each year during the term of the agreement if demanded by the Lessor. Costs for drawing up the agreements by Cridlands. Council and Tenants responsibilities are detailed in Attachment 1.

### **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**

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## 5 Facilitate and Maintain a Cohesive Community

### **Outcome**

#### 5.1 Facilitate community access and inclusion

### **Key Strategies**

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

### **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 community's needs and expectations.

### **LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:**

Section 26 (2) of the Local Government Act 2008 requires that the affixing of the common seal to a document must be authorised or ratified by resolution of the council; and must be attested by the signatures of the CEO and at least one member of the council.

The leases will be legally binding agreements and will be drafted by Cridlands to ensure Council's interests are provided for.

### **CLIMATE IMPLICATIONS:**

N/A

### **PUBLIC RELATIONS IMPLICATIONS:**

Council continue its support of community and children's services.

### **COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS:**

Nil

### **DELEGATION:**

The Local Government Act requires that Council's Common Seal be only used on resolution of Council.

### **CONSULTATION:**

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Corporate Services (Contracts) Staff  
Community & Cultural Services

**PROPOSED PUBLIC CONSULTATION PROCESS:**

None for the purposes of this report.

**APPROPRIATE SIGNAGE**

N/A

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### **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

THAT it be a recommendation to Council:-

- A. THAT Report Number 11C0027 TS:kl entitled Council's Child Care Centres - Renewal Of Leases, be received and noted.
- B. THAT the following be included in the new leases of Council's Child Care Centre premises for a period of three (3) years from on June 2011 expiring at midnight on 30 June 2014:
  - i. The Maintenance Responsibility Schedule (**Attachment A**).
  - ii. Management Committee requirements of:
    - All members to undergo a Criminal and Working with Children Check.
    - All members to complete a Governance Training and receive information on the Management Committee's role and responsibilities.
    - Within 14 days of the Management Committee's Annual General meeting details of the members appointed will be provided to Council along with, their names, contact details and position .
- C. THAT Darwin City Council, pursuant to Section 26 (2) of the Local Government Act 2008, hereby authorises all relevant documentation relating to the Seven Council Child Care Centre Leases to be executed under the Council's Common Seal and signed by the Lord Mayor and Chief Executive Officer.

**TANIA SELLERS**  
**FAMILY & CHILDREN'S SERVICES**  
**COORDINATOR**

**JOHN BANKS**  
**GENERAL MANAGER COMMUNITY &**  
**CULTURAL SERVICES**

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## Attachment A

### Maintenance Responsibility Schedule

#### CHILD CARE CENTRES

#### SCHEDULE OF RESPONSIBILITIES FOR TENANT AND COUNCIL

Item	Tenant's responsibility	Council's Responsibility
<i>Air conditioning</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All Cleaning.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Repair and replace air conditioners.</li> </ul>
<i>Asbestos</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Asbestos register and kit be kept in a prominent position near the front entrance of the Centre.</li> <li>Ensure that all staff are aware of it's location and the procedure should an accident occur involving asbestos.</li> <li>Ensure all staff and contractors refer to the Asbestos Register PRIOR to commencing any works at the Centre.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Provide and maintain a asbestos register and kit.</li> <li>Ensure all contractors refer to the Asbestos Register PRIOR to commencing any works at the Centre.</li> <li>Complete the work/access procedure form in conjunction with the Contractor.</li> </ul>
<i>Building</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Notify Council of any accidents, damage or incidents which require maintenance to the building.</li> <li>Notify Council of licence related building maintenance requirements.</li> <li>Keep the Premises clean, tidy and in good repair.</li> <li>Determine and document the specific need of the centre relating to any requests to Council for building alterations and other capital improvements.</li> <li>Any alteration to the premises need written consent from the Council.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Assess all requests and Notify tenant of outcome.</li> <li>Ensure satisfactory completion of approved works.</li> <li>Undertake works required to bring the structure of the premises and the surrounds to appropriate standards to meet the required regulations. This excludes items identified as the Tenant's responsibility in this document.</li> <li>Repair structural defects.</li> </ul>

Item	Tenant's responsibility	Council's Responsibility
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All structures erected by the Centre e.g. shade cloth, awnings, blinds and internal dividers/fencing.</li> </ul>	
<i>Cleaning</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All cleaning.</li> </ul>	
<i>Ceiling and internal walls</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All cleaning.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Repair and/or replacement due to structural faults.</li> </ul>
<i>Curtains/Drapes/Blinds</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Repair or replacement as required.</li> </ul>	
<i>Cyclone preparation</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Centre's Cyclone Plan to reflect Council's Cyclone Guidelines.</li> <li>Submit Centre's Cyclone Plan to Council annually, with three afterhours contact numbers.</li> <li>Centre to follow their Cyclone Plan.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cyclone precautions as per Councils Guidelines.</li> <li>Council to advise when building is safe to reoccupy.</li> </ul>
<i>Doors (including cupboard doors)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All cleaning.</li> <li>Replacement of locks and keys resulting from lost keys.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Repair and replacement due to age, structural fault or vandalism or as required under regulations.</li> </ul>
<i>Electrical wiring and fittings in building</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Test and tag any equipment which the tenant owns.</li> <li>Replacement of light globes.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All building wiring from main supply, to and including the switchboard, power points, switches and light fittings.</li> <li>Annual RCD testing and test and tag any equipment which Council owns and maintains.</li> </ul>
<i>Equipment needed to meet Regulations</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All equipment required to operate as a child care centre.</li> <li>All equipment owned by the tenant.</li> </ul>	

<b>Item</b>	<b>Tenant's responsibility</b>	<b>Council's Responsibility</b>
<i>Fire safety equipment</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Report defects or loss.</li> <li>• Regularly checking the system.</li> <li>• Replace batteries to the smoke alarms.</li> <li>• Refill extinguishers when discharged through carelessness or other improper use.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Maintain fire safety equipment.</li> <li>• Annual inspection.</li> </ul>
<i>Floor surfaces and coverings</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All cleaning.</li> <li>• Report defects.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Repair and/or replacement due to wear and tear.</li> </ul>
<i>Flyscreens</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All cleaning.</li> <li>• Report defects.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Maintain and replace flywire.</li> <li>• Install additional fly screens if required under regulation.</li> </ul>
<i>Garbage and Recycling</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Removal of hard rubbish/pruning's.</li> <li>• All regular domestic waste handling.</li> </ul>	
<i>Glass</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Regular cleaning.</li> <li>• Replacement of broken or cracked windows arising from carelessness or improper activity.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Replacement due to breakage arising from structural fault, vandalism or storm damage.</li> </ul>
<i>Grant Applications</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Obtain approval from Council for any building related applications.</li> <li>• Obtain approval from Early Childhood Policy and Regulations for any items with licencing implications and standard requirements.</li> <li>• Complete application and obtain quotes.</li> <li>• Project manage non building</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Assess all requests and advise outcome.</li> <li>• Project manage capital up grade to the building.</li> <li>• All works to meet all relevant statutory bodies requirements/standards.</li> <li>• Ensure satisfactory completion of approved works.</li> <li>• Acquit funding for works</li> </ul>

Item	Tenant's responsibility	Council's Responsibility
	<p>related grant funding applications.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All works to be completed by a qualified tradesperson meeting all relevant statutory bodies requirements and standards.</li> </ul>	<p>Council project manage.</p>
<i>Grounds</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Keep all entry/exit areas clear and sweep regularly.</li> <li>Keep paths and pavement clean.</li> <li>Seek Council approval for any modification to the grounds.</li> <li>Maintain all grounds by cutting the grass, including nature strips, pruning, replacing trees, bushes, flowers if required.</li> <li>Remove dead foliage.</li> <li>Seed grassed areas.</li> <li>Supply and apply mulch.</li> <li>Weed garden beds.</li> <li>Maintenance of garden hoses, sprinklers etc.</li> <li>Cleaning and weeding of pavement and driveway.</li> <li>Provide, repair and replace sandpits, soft fall and playground equipment.</li> <li>Provide and repair cold water coolers/bubblers.</li> <li>All structures erected by the tenant, e.g. shade cloth, awnings, blinds.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Major repair of pavement, driveway and car park.</li> <li>Pressure clean paths and pavement due to build up of mould.</li> <li>Repair and replacement of fences.</li> <li>Remove graffiti from external areas.</li> <li>Advice on trees and landscaping.</li> </ul>
<i>Insurance</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Public liability.</li> <li>Contents.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Building and Fixtures.</li> </ul>

Item	Tenant's responsibility	Council's Responsibility
<i>Intercom system</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Service and maintenance charges.</li> <li>• Replacement.</li> <li>• Installation.</li> </ul>	
<i>Keys and locks</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To notify loss of keys.</li> <li>• Pay for replacement of lost or damaged keys.</li> <li>• Pay for additional keys.</li> <li>• Pay for re-keying costs to building, if loss of key is deemed by Council a security risk to building.</li> <li>• Ensure Council receives a set of Centre's keys.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To install and maintain all locks.</li> </ul>
<i>Light Globes (internal and external)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To be replaced by Tenant.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•</li> </ul>
<i>Painting</i>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Internal and external, as per Council's cyclic building maintenance program.</li> </ul>
<i>Permanent fixtures e.g. Oven, Dishwashers and Ceiling fans</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Regular cleaning of all fixtures.</li> <li>• Repair and/or replace if damaged through carelessness or improper use.</li> <li>• Cost of replacement if owned by the Tenant e.g. dishwashers/ washing machines and wall fans.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Repair and replace the Oven/stove to value of \$900.</li> <li>• Repair and replace when required the following items: hot water system, sinks, toilets, ceiling fans, bench tops and built in cupboards.</li> </ul>
<i>Pest control</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To keep all areas in a clean and hygienic state.</li> <li>• Minor pest control as required.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ants and cockroaches eradication quarterly.</li> <li>• Termite treatment as required.</li> </ul>
<i>Plumbing</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Clearing of toilets and sewerage pipes blocked through carelessness or improper misuse.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Replacement of damaged or corroded plumbing fittings, toilet bowls, cisterns and taps.</li> </ul>

Item	Tenant's responsibility	Council's Responsibility
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Repairs or works required for drainage purposes, including broken and root blocked sewerage pipes, drains and pits.</li> <li>Repair leaking taps.</li> </ul>
<i>Occupational, Health and safety</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Meet all health and safety and licensing requirements.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Rectify health and safety requirements relating to the building.</li> </ul>
<i>Roof, external walls, spouting and downpipes</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Notify Council of any damage to roof.</li> <li>Ensure no alterations to roof whatsoever.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cleaning of guttering and downpipes.</li> <li>Repair or replace guttering and downpipes.</li> <li>All maintenance and repair of the structure of the premises as required.</li> </ul>
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**14 COMMITTEE REPORTS****14.1 COMMUNITY & CULTURAL SERVICES (11/04/11)****Presentation of Report by Chairman - Member R Lesley**

The members present at the informal Community & Cultural Services Committee meeting held on Monday, 11 April 2011, noted by consensus, the following motions to be endorsed at the 2nd Ordinary Council meeting on Wednesday 27 April 2011

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**7 Youth Advisory Group Minutes 2 March 2011 Preparation for Big Gig, Acknowledgement of Successful Grind Article and Resignation of One Member**

Report No. 11C0040 NM:kl (05/04/11) Common No. 1972286

ENCL: YES

## DARWIN CITY COUNCIL

DATE: 5/4/2011

### REPORT

TO: 2<sup>nd</sup> ORDINARY COUNCIL /OPEN

APPROVED: JB

FROM: GENERAL MANAGER COMMUNITY &  
CULTURAL SERVICES

APPROVED: KH

REPORT NO: 11C0040 NM:kl

APPROVED: NM

COMMON NO: 1972286

SUBJECT: YOUTH ADVISORY GROUP MINUTES 2 MARCH 2011 PREPARATION  
FOR BIG GIG, ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF SUCCESSFUL GRIND  
ARTICLE AND RESIGNATION OF ONE MEMBER

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ITEM NO: 14.1.7

#### **SYNOPSIS:**

This report presents the minutes of the Youth Advisory Group (YAG) meeting held on the 2 March 2011 (**Attachment A**) for Council's consideration and details a recommendation arising from the minutes for Council's consideration.

#### **GENERAL:**

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

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 March YAG meeting welcomed representatives from various community organisations, Council's Libraries and the GRIND team who will partner with the Youth Services section in facilitating the BIG GIG during National Youth Week 2011. Youth Services was successful in obtaining grants from both the Northern Territory Government and Neighbourhood Watch NT totalling \$32,000 for the BIG GIG event which will be held on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> April at Casuarina Swimming Pool.

An exciting aspect of this year's BIG GIG is the arrival of a group of young people from Action for Change from Dili, East Timor, who will work with Council and the project partners to help organise the BIG GIG while learning new skills.

The resignation of Tameka (Mikki) Borton from YAG due to a clash of meeting times with university classes was noted.

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### **RECOMMENDATION:**

THAT Council receive the resignation of Tameka (Mikki) Borton from the Youth Advisory Group.

Another discussion item at the meeting was that young GRINDER Lang Williamson's article on GRIND Online magazine entitled '20 things to do in 20 minutes' has had over 20,000 hits. Members consider that this is a very positive achievement and recommend that a letter of congratulations be sent to Lang from the Lord Mayor.

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

THAT a letter be forwarded from the Lord Mayor to Lang Williamson congratulating him on the success of his article in Council's GRIND Online youth magazine entitled '20 things to do in 20 minutes'.

### **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**

5 Facilitate and Maintain a Cohesive Community

#### **Outcome**

5.1 Facilitate community access and inclusion

#### **Key Strategies**

5.1.4 Encourage and recognise volunteers

### **LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:**

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

### **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS:**

Not relevant to this report.

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**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

**DELEGATION:**

Matters contained within this report are not recommended for delegation.

**CONSULTATION:**

Youth Advisory Group membership

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### **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

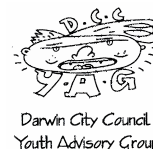
THAT it be a recommendation to Council:-

- A. THAT Report Number 11C0040 NM:kl entitled Youth Advisory Group Minutes 2 March 2011 Preparation for Big Gig, Acknowledgement of Successful Grind Article and Resignation of One Member, be received and noted.
- B. THAT a letter be forwarded from the Lord Mayor to Lang Williamson congratulating him on the success of his article in Council's GRIND Online youth magazine entitled '20 things to do in 20 minutes'.
- C. THAT Council receive the resignation of Tameka (Mikki) Borton from the Youth Advisory Group.

**KATIE HEARN**  
**MANAGER COMMUNITY**  
**DEVELOPMENT**

**JOHN BANKS**  
**GENERAL MANAGER COMMUNITY &**  
**CULTURAL SERVICES**

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**MINUTES OF THE DARWIN CITY COUNCIL  
YOUTH ADVISORY GROUP (YAG) MEETING  
HELD WEDNESDAY 2 MARCH 2010**

ATTACHMENT A

**Chair:** Declan Coffey

**Minutes:** Lang Williamson

**1. PRESENT**

Declan Coffey  
Katie Withers  
Angus Robson  
Alexa Morris-Lovell  
Sita Valadian  
Lang Williamson  
Michael Hall  
Joel Lawton  
Felix Baker  
Caitlin Buralli  
Zenia Xu  
Honeylyn Lisson  
Olivier Fourcard  
Rosie Huq  
Colin Simpson  
Zac Rudge  
Tracy-Dale Middleton  
Vicki Schultz  
Jane Tonkin  
Damilan Pree  
Peta Khan  
Kelly Blumberg  
Sean Pardy  
Katie Hearn  
CJ Fraser-Bell  
Liam Parry-Mills

DCC Libraries  
Valve Head Productions  
MYNT  
Neighbourhood Watch NT  
Neighbourhood Watch NT  
Corrugated Iron Youth Arts  
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**2. APOLOGIES**

Luxmy Chandran, Cons. Karen O'Dwyer, Mark Smith

**3. TEAM BUILDER**

Liam facilitated a team building exercise.

**4. NATIONAL YOUTH WEEK**

Discussion regarding National Youth Week commenced with a 'Meet the Team', with various individuals introducing themselves and outlining their respective organisation's activities. Various issues were discussed.

**Neighbourhood Watch**

- Neighbourhood Watch's funding is aimed at under 21's.
- Office of Youth Affairs aims at 12-25 years.
- Age limitations to be discussed later.

### **Office of Youth Affairs**

- Merchandise to be ordered from Office of Youth Affairs.

### **Corrugated Iron**

- Corrugated Iron Youth Arts running three days of activities, including banner painting, in the lead up to National Youth Week.
- BIG GIG to be used as a launch pad for 'Watch my Space' cyber bullying campaign.

### **MYNT**

- MYNT will be providing volunteers and will be manning a stall on the day.

### **Council Libraries**

- Council's Libraries will be launching National Youth Week with 'Yard Bazaar' on 1<sup>st</sup> April at Casuarina library.
- Library booth at BIG GIG to promote libraries and have gaming consoles.

### **Bands**

- Children Collide confirmed as headline act.
- Bands contacted to play at Big Gig:
  - o Abbey Bradhurst
  - o Battle of School Bands run by Brian Manning
  - o Darwin Original Boys
  - o Calabria's Falls
  - o Bear Essence
  - o Faces In The Fire

### **Activities**

- Confirmed activities
  - o Horizontal Bungees
  - o Gladiators
  - o Sumos
  - o Challenger
- Rock wall unconfirmed
- Corrugated Iron activities on the day
  - o Circus/Acrobatics
  - o Creation of banners
  - o Art
  - o Face paint
  - o Watch my Space
- Activity Suggestion: Silent Disco – Olive.
- Chill out zone confirmed to be in children's pool.

### **Television Commercial**

- Corrugated Iron will be organising television commercials.
- Television Commercial:
  - o Youth to be featured
  - o Featuring Casuarina Pool in some way
- Suggestions:
  - o Incorporating paint swipe retro BIG GIG poster
  - o Moving BIG GIG from Civic Park to Casuarina Pool
  - o Interactive internet advertisement
  - o Local music preferred over music from Children Collide
  - o Incorporate Epic Central to justify cost to Corrugated Iron
  - o Advertisement meeting group: Caitlin, Angus, Declan, Honeylyn, Katie
- Film to be completed by around 14<sup>th</sup> March to enable necessary approvals.

### **Casuarina Square/Area**

- Casuarina Square to be contacted about promotion and use of venue during Epic Central.
- Youth Shack has Beyond Blue funding, could be used as part of Youth Week.
- Katie to write to NTG to request that free bus travel be made available for the National Youth Week BIG GIG event.
- Bollards to be considered for safety of pedestrians when crossing road from Casuarina Bus Exchange to Casuarina Pool

### **Casuarina Pool**

- Rain protection/Sunscreen/Insect Repellent to be organised
- Free earplugs to be provided

## **5. OTHER BUSINESS**

- Activate media launch discussed and all welcome to attend.
- Ted talks briefing advice given – positive feedback.
- Lang's article on GRIND Online magazine entitled '20 things to do in 20 minutes' has had over 20,000 hits – all members agreed that this is quite an achievement.

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

THAT a letter be forwarded from the Lord Mayor to Lang Williamson congratulating him on the success of his article in Council's GRIND Online youth magazine entitled '20 things to do in 20 minutes'.

## **8. CLOSE**

Meeting closed at 6:45 pm.

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# 20 THINGS TO DO IN 20 MINUTES

By Lang | Thursday, 2 December | [7 Comments](#)

20 things to do in 20 minutes. When you're so bored you can feel your eyeballs melting and you just need something, ANYTHING to do.

1. Read a newspaper: the local newspaper can be read in twenty minutes. Just spend five minutes reading headlines, five minutes on an interesting news story and five minutes reading the comics. The remaining five minutes are to rage at opinion pieces, news stories and letters to the editor.
2. It is possible to draw a picture in twenty minutes. Look around for inspiration, do you see anything that could be interesting.... If not, just chuck in a dinosaur and see what happens.
3. Make 20 paper aeroplanes. Everyone knows that paper aeroplanes are cool.
4. Visit this website and start cooking! I particularly like the creamy bacon chicken pasta.  
<http://busycooks.about.com/od/fastestrecipes/a/20minute.htm>

5. Write a letter. These are so much better than emails because they are old school and they come with stamps.
6. Despite belief to the contrary, in 20 minutes you can ring your grandmother or grandfather and make their day.
7. If you play a musical instrument, a simple song like the Mario theme can be learned in 20 minutes.
8. You can watch an episode of that 70's show on youtube if you type in the url quick enough.
9. To test to see if you have too many shoes, try relacing/refitting all your shoes. If it's not possible to do in 20 minutes, then you have too many shoes.
10. Go clean your room. If it is not too messy, then 20 minutes is enough to clear your desk of rubbish and move enough stuff off your floor to walk on.
11. Try playing a simple tune on glasses with different amounts of water in them.
12. Learn how to skip backwards (unless you are unco like me).
13. Play a game of age of empires. Seriously, if you give yourself lots of stuff and cheat, you could probably fit two or three in.
14. Go through your yearbook(s) and laugh at yourself.
15. You can give your pet a bath. If you have fish, take a bath with them.
16. Do some homework. You probably can't do all of it but you'll be 20 minutes further than you would be otherwise.
17. Find an old t-shirt and give it a make over. Pens, paint, scissors and safety pins can all be used to turn that old t you haven't worn in three years into the envy of the rest of your clothes.
18. Think of all the hilarious four letter words you could get tattood on your knuckles. Don't actually get them done though. If a tattoo takes only 20 minutes it's probably not a very good one.
19. Photoshop your friends heads onto pictures of dogs wearing outfits and put them on facebook.
20. This article can, indeed, be written in 20 minutes!

## 7 RESPONSES TO "20 THINGS TO DO IN 20 MINUTES"

01

**LANG** commented on December 3rd, 2010 at 12:43 am

See all that stuff that can be done twenty minutes... if you do them all then that is nearly seven hours, or one day. So you can spend all day doing stuff then write about it in the last twenty minutes

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# 02

**KIN** commented on December 3rd, 2010 at 12:02 pm

Great article Gangsta!

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# 03

**MENTOR FOR YOUTH** commented on February 1st, 2011 at 3:31 am

Love it! All of these are great ideas and you inspired me. I have bookmarked this page and have also written my own blog post on 10 things to do in 10 minutes. Check it out and let me know what you think...

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# 04

**MARIE** commented on February 13th, 2011 at 9:39 am

Actually, the Mario theme song is a lot more complicated than expected. Well, at least on the guitar when you're trying to memorize it, it is.

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# 05

**CASEY** commented on February 13th, 2011 at 12:32 pm

Please don't take a bath with your pet fish. :/

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06

**PRINCE OF BLOOD** commented on February 13th, 2011 at 1:50 pm

Haha, NICE! Good list man. Come check me out, Prince of Blood, at the holiday inn in Goose Creek. I play there nightly.

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07

**LIOR** commented on March 1st, 2011 at 2:02 am

It took me 20 minutes to read this article 😊  
And yes I AM a slow reader xD

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Darwin City Council  
Youth Projects  
invites young  
people aged



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**Lior**: It took me 20 minutes to read this article 😊 And yes I AM a slow reader



between 12 and 20 years to apply to be part of Council's Youth Advisory Group (YAG). YAG meets monthly to discuss and inform Council on issues affecting young people, as well as organising and hosting projects.

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**Marie:** Actually, the Mario theme song a lot more complicated than expected Well, at least on the guitar when...

**Mentor For Youth:** Love it! All of these are great ideas and you inspired me. I have bookmarked this page and have.



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**14 COMMITTEE REPORTS****14.1 COMMUNITY & CULTURAL SERVICES (11/04/11)****Presentation of Report by Chairman - Member R Lesley**

The members present at the informal Community & Cultural Services Committee meeting held on Monday, 11 April 2011, noted by consensus, the following motions to be endorsed at the 2nd Ordinary Council meeting on Wednesday 27 April 2011

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**8 Fist Full of Films Sponsorship Request 2011**

Report No. 11C0049 AR:es (05/04/11) Common No. 1964025

ENCL: YES

**DARWIN CITY COUNCIL**

DATE: 05/04/2011

**REPORT****TO:** 2<sup>nd</sup> ORDINARY COUNCIL /OPEN**APPROVED:** KH**FROM:** GENERAL MANAGER COMMUNITY &  
CULTURAL SERVICES**APPROVED:** KH**REPORT NO:** 11C0049 AR:es**APPROVED:** AR**COMMON NO:** 1964025**SUBJECT:** FIST FULL OF FILMS SPONSORSHIP REQUEST 2011**ITEM NO: 14.1.8****SYNOPSIS:**

This report presents a sponsorship application by Screen Arts NT to host the Fist Full of Films Festival 2011 on Friday 3 and Saturday 4 June 2011. Council was a sponsor of the 2010 event including the in-kind provision of Civic Park as the venue. This report seeks a determination from Council in respect to this request for sponsorship, which if funded would require a budget variation.

**GENERAL:***Previous Decisions*

Decision No. 20\2460 (23/02/10)

THAT Council sponsor Fist Full of Films 2010 to the amount of \$10,000 plus \$5,000 in-kind support from the Arts events and activities budget number 05/221004/300/320.

**REPORT**

Fist Full of Films was established in 1999 and is the Territory's only annual short film competition.

The 12<sup>th</sup> annual Fist Full of Films Festival will be held Friday 3 and Saturday 4 June 2011 in Civic Park and Brown's Mart. Screen Arts NT, who presented the 2010 Festival, have applied to Council for sponsorship for the 2011 event.

Fist Full of Films is a well established annual event in the NT arts calendar, building capacity in the NT filmmaking sector by providing a platform for NT filmmakers to showcase their works. It supports both established and emerging filmmakers and has strong Indigenous representation. It provides a structured opportunity for local

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filmmakers to showcase their work locally as well as to network with other industry representatives.

The 2011 event will feature the screening of approximately 50 films over 2 nights in Civic Park and Brown's Mart. An audience of up to 1,200 people across the two nights is expected. As per the 2010 event, the 2011 Fist Full of Films Festival will incorporate workshops and other professional development opportunities for local screen artists.

Darwin City Council sponsored the 2010 event with \$10,000 cash and \$5,000 inkind. Support was also provided to a previous event in 2008 through the provision of a Community Grant. As per the 2010 event, Screen Arts NT have requested \$10,000 cash and \$5,000 in-kind towards the 2011 Fist Full of Films Festival from a projected budget of \$44,500.

It is recognised that this level of sponsorship would position Council as one of the major sponsors of the event and this would be acknowledged accordingly in the promotion of the event.

It is recommended that Council again consider sponsorship for the 2011 Fist Full of Films Festival in recognition of the vital role that the Festival plays in supporting the screen arts and filmmaking community in Darwin. Council should note however this request is currently unfunded and a fourth quarter budget variation would be required.

### **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

In 2010, Council sponsored the event from the Arts Operational budget. At this stage of the financial year, current budget allocations in arts and community development are fully committed.

Should Council elect to support this request for sponsorship, the amount of \$15,000 (\$10,000 cash and \$5000 inkind) is currently unfunded and a fourth quarter budget variation would be required.

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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**

5.2.2 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:**

Nil pertaining to this report.

### **CLIMATE IMPLICATIONS:**

Nil pertaining to this report.

### **PUBLIC RELATIONS IMPLICATIONS:**

Sponsorship of this major event, which is based in Council's own Civic Park and which aims to position itself as a National Film Festival, presents a range of positive association opportunities for Council as an active supporter of the arts.

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 pertaining to this report.

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**DELEGATION:**

A Council decision is required.

**CONSULTATION:**

Ms Dixi Joy Bankier, Fist Full of Films Coordinator  
Manager Community Development  
Community Services Officer  
Arts and Cultural Development Officer

**PROPOSED PUBLIC CONSULTATION PROCESS:**

Nil.

**APPROPRIATE SIGNAGE**

Appropriate acknowledgement of Council sponsorship including the use of Council's logo on advertisements for the event would be a requirement of the sponsorship.

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**RECOMMENDATIONS:**

THAT it be a recommendation to Council:-

- A. THAT Report Number 11C0049 AR:es entitled Fist Full of Films Sponsorship Request 2011, be received and noted.
- B. THAT Council sponsor the Fist Full of Films Festival 2011 to the amount of \$10,000 cash plus \$5,000 in-kind support and refer this amount to the fourth quarter budget variation process.

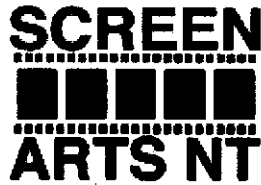
OR

- C. Council decline the request for sponsorship for the Fist Full of Films 2011.

**ALICE RAE**  
**ARTS & CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT**  
**OFFICER**

**JOHN BANKS**  
**GENERAL MANAGER COMMUNITY &**  
**CULTURAL SERVICES**

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**Darwin City Council  
Sponsorship Proposal**



**SCREEN ARTS presents the 12<sup>th</sup> annual . . .**

**Fist Full of Films Festival 2011**

**4 & 5 June**

**Civic Park & Browns Mart  
Darwin City**

**2011 Program**

**Day #1 Friday 3 June**

5pm – 7.30pm      FISTIVAL CLUB Browns Mart Courtyard & Bar  
7.30pm – 9.30pm      Screening – selected short film & music clip entries  
10pm – 12am      Entertainment @ Happy Yess

**Day #2 Saturday 4 June The GALAH Awards**

5pm – 7.30pm      FISTIVAL CLUB Browns Mart Courtyard & Bar  
7.30pm – 10pm      Screening FINALIST FILM & MUSIC CLIP entries  
10pm – 10.30pm      The GALAH Awards Ceremony  
10pm – 1am      Entertainment @ Happy Yess

Excerpts from some of the emails received the week after FFoFF 2010 -

- *I found Fist Full 2010 to be extremely valuable, and the move to the park is a fantastic one.*
- *everyone enjoyed it....great location, well organized, good structuring of film program etc.*
- *Congratulations on the FFoFF. A Tour De Force. A Glittering Success.*
- *Congratulations on a fabulous Festival!! I thought it was terrific... and I've been hearing good feedback around the traps also.*

The overwhelming success of our 2010 festival was, in the most part, due to the outdoor cinema's city central location in Civic Park that enabled free access to audiences of over 1000 people to view 77 NT made films and music clips on the big screen. The partnership with Brown's Mart and Happy Yess gave the festival a headquarters for our food stalls, bar and industry development, networking and celebratory activities. Merging the two locations provided a true festival arena.

Alderwoman Robyn Leslie represented DCC at the competition finalist screening and Galah Awards, speaking to an audience of over 500, of DCC's support of the festival, film and the arts. Robyn is sure to confirm the suitability of Civic Park as an outdoor cinema and a film festival venue. Also of the great atmosphere and the high quality of the films and clips screened. The acquittal report provided to DCC for our 2010 sponsorship support will also provide the detail of the success of the festival.

2010 entries, including 24 Indigenous content entries, truly showed the diversity of screen stories produced by a talented creative sector of varied skill levels. Importantly 17 sponsored Galah Awards were presented, acknowledging the Territory's outstanding filmmakers. As the only annual film festival, competition and awards in the NT our filmmakers rely on this event to gain credits to advance their careers. 2010 proved we have a vibrant, vast and viable screen culture and sector worthy of a festival and programmed activities and events of this level.

Again in 2011 we will provide Darwin with a film festival experience comparable to other capital cities. With Civic Park as the gathering point for the filmmaking community, the arts and creative sectors. As well as providing audiences with free access to around 50 Territory made shorts films and music clips.

## 2011 Areas of Focus

### Governance

The Hon. Gerry McCarthy, MLA, Minister for the Arts has provided a one-off grant to perform a feasibility study into the delivery of FFF and skills development activities across the NT, particularly to growth towns. This process will formalise the operating structure and activities of Screen Arts as the NT's screen resource and development organisation. This process will happen over the first half of 2011 but not intrude upon the delivery of the Fist Full of Films festival 2011.

### Funding

Screen Australia has provided annual funding for Fist Full for a number of years however changes in its funding framework mean these funds are no longer available to Screen Arts and Fist Full. 2011 will see investigation and securing of additional funding sources. These are likely to impact on operations in the second half of 2011. We are proposing a high impact but smaller screening program for 2011 whilst we secure new funding sources.

### Fist Full Program

The 2011 Fist Full screening program will happen over two nights in Civic Park. Friday 3 June sees the best of the non-shortlisted entries screen, providing our budding filmmakers with a public exhibition opportunity. Saturday 4 June we will screen the short film and music clip finalist entries and present the sponsored Galah Awards. On both evenings the Brown's Mart Courtyard will host the FISTIVAL Club for socialising and networking and after the screenings Happy Yess will provide the entertainment, encouraging patrons to stay, gather and share viewing experiences.

### Industry Development

Screen Arts continues to seek and respond to opportunities that bring the screen industry together and to encourage training, mentoring and skill sharing experiences. In 2011 we will maintain our sector contact by promoting opportunities, supporting workshops and linking industry members to extend networks and increase collaborations.

### 2011 Sponsorship and In-Kind Support

We request the same level of support provided by DCC in 2010.

- \$5,000 in kind support for the use of Civic Park, staging, utilities and customer service staff time.
- \$10,000 cash sponsorship toward the costs to deliver the festival. Please see attached budget.

The support provided in 2010 made a significant difference to the festival program. We were overwhelmed with the helpful, friendly, supportive, and professional assistance from the DCC Customer Service Staff, particularly Amanda, Sue and Kate. The cash sponsorship was split across production, wages and venue expenses.

### Leveraging DCC's support as a Major Sponsor

- The Lord Mayor or his representatives are invited to launch, speak and attend screenings, with invitations forthcoming.
- DCC attracts major sponsor logo positioning and acknowledgements on appropriate promotional and marketing materials.
- DCC is promoted as a major sponsor included in year round correspondence.
- The Civic Park and Brown's Mart venues will allow DCC to display promotional banners or signage.
- DCC major sponsor logo included in all screen programs - in Darwin and touring the NT and interstate, also our DVD compilation for sale.
- We are open to co promotional media opportunities to assist promote DCC's contribution to the festival, screen and the arts.

The same staff as in 2010 will be producing the 2011 festival and will liaise with DCC Customer Service staff.

Dixi Joy Bankier – Producer

SCREEN ARTS and FFF 2011

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## Darwin City Council Request for In-Kind Support 2011

**Civic Park** – use as the venue for FFoFF 2011 – June 4 & 5

**Staging** – use of a portable stage, in which we mount the big screen for optimum viewing from Civic Park.

**Power** – access to 3 phase power for lighting. The big screen is powered by its own generator.

### **Lighting**

- Access to turn off direct lighting in screening area during screenings.
- Decorative and safety lighting to be determined

**Sprinklers** – onsite to be turned off 3 – 6 June

**Lawns** – request site to be mowed 3 June.

**Gardens** – possible tree trims and maintenance, particularly near big screen area if required.

**Customer Service staff** – site walkthrough and liaison, access, information and instruction, time to be determined.

**Rubbish Bins** – borrow available small rubbish bins which DCC may have available.

### **Pick up and drop off point / loading zone and access**

- All set up vehicles will use the allocated space in front of Browns Mart (opposite the bus terminal). And the driveway entrance into Civic Park from Smith St nearest to Browns Mart.
- The road nearest to the Christ Church Cathedral will be road blocked with signage from 3pm – 12 midnight on 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> June, to allow for the set up and pack down of the big screen and the big screen vehicle and generator to be parked on the road. (as in 2010)

**Parking** – using general public parking spaces on Smith, Harry Chan and Bennett Streets, the Supreme Court and DCC car park, Harry Chan Avenue parking bays. The event will not infringe on parking spaces during business hours.

**Council owned waste receptacles on site** – festival staff will empty these into our skip as required.

## **FFoFF Facilitation**

### **Hours of festival activity**

Friday 3 June      From 9am – 12am – for set up until midnight for big screen pack up.

Saturday 4 June    From 3pm – 12am - for big screen set and pack up, and pack down of festival paraphernalia.

Sunday 6 June will see the hire tables and chairs packed and secured near the Browns Mart fence line for collection on Monday AM.

**The Big Screen** – Large inflatable screen 6 high x 5.2 meters across with sound system. Located at Christ Church Cathedral end of site.

**Viewing Area** – 35 x 35 meters - area used during Darwin Festival for the Lighthouse and launch.

**The Audience** - Estimate audience 200 – 600 people each of the 2 evenings.

- Viewing Area – 35 meters by 35 metres
- 25 tables & 150 chairs – hired + additional chairs that can be borrowed.
- Smoking area defined.
- Ground seating 300 + on lawn, with audience encouraged to bring rugs and cushions
- Signage stipulating alcohol restrictions.

**Browns Mart courtyard** – fencing may be taken down that faces Civic Park to allow the two venues to become one over the 2 days of the festival.

**Toilets** – Browns Mart toilets.

**Parking** – using general public parking spaces on Smith, Harry Chan and Bennett Streets, the Supreme Court and DCC car park, Harry Chan Avenue parking bays. The event will not infringe on parking spaces during business hours. Loading zone

**Security Person(s)** - Crowd control and venue security  
 2 x security person - 5pm – 12midnight each of the 2 nights.  
 1 x security person - 12midnight – 8am each of the 2 AM's.

#### **Alcohol**

- Will be served and drunk in the Browns Mart Courtyard.
- During screenings from 7pm – 11pm each night alcohol will be taken to the audience area in Civic Park.
- The Browns Mart venue will apply for the liquor licence for extended hours and area.  
 Re Julie Blyth Browns Mart venue manager.

The trepidation of Racing, Gaming and Licensing on allowing alcohol purchased in Browns Mart to be taken into Civic Park to be consumed was unwarranted, as our 24 hour security recorded no incidents of alcohol being abused or removed from the park and no trouble before, during or after the 4 day festival. Browns Mart and FFoFF staff maintained open verbal communication with Licensing before and after the festival, and reported on the success of the special liquor licence, and foresee no barriers in gaining this licence again in 2011.

**Rubbish** – additional rubbish bins on site and a skip, delivery and removal by contractor.

Contact for DCC Customer Service staff –  
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**2011 BUDGET**  
**FIST FULL OF FILMS**

<b>INCOME</b>	<b>2011</b>	<b>CONF'D</b>
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<b>APPLICANT [CASH &amp; INKIND]</b>		
Festival Lead up work	1000	1000

<b>COMMUNITY/PARTNER SUPPORT</b>		
Darwin City Council [Cash]	10000	
Darwin City Council [inkind]	5000	
Brown's Mart Bar Split	600	
TVC Sponsorship	2000	2000
Dwn Community Arts [Insurance]	300	300
Sponsored prizes	2000	2000

<b>OTHER IN-KIND</b>		
Volunteers - on site	1600	1600
Volunteer - Admin support	2000	

<b>Arts NT requested amount</b>	<b>20000</b>	
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<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>44500</b>	<b>6900</b>
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<b>EXPENDITURE</b>	<b>2011</b>	<b>THIS GRANT</b>
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<b>STAFF &amp; PERSONNEL</b>		
Producer	9000	5000
Production Manager	1500	1500
Volunteer - Admin	2000	
Volunteer - On Site	1600	
Project Support	400	

<b>TRAVEL COSTS</b>		
Fuel	200	

<b>ADVERTISING/PROMOTION</b>		
Printed material	500	500
Artwork	500	500
TVC Creation	500	500
TV Advertising	2000	
Print Advertising	700	500
Distribution	200	200

<b>PRODUCTION COSTS</b>		
DVD production for screening	6800	6800
Venue & Site Logistics	5000	
Equipment Hire	2500	
Brown's Mart Venue [Toilets]	200	
Staging, tables, chairs etc	1500	1500
Security	1600	
Ambulance	100	
Catering [judges/crew]	400	
Production Materials	400	
Prizes	2000	
Rubbish removal	300	

<b>ADMINISTRATION</b>		
Accounting & Audit	300	
Administering Body	3000	2000
Insurance	300	
Communications	500	500
Office consumables	500	500

<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURE</b>	<b>44500</b>	<b>20000</b>
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**14 COMMITTEE REPORTS****14.1 COMMUNITY & CULTURAL SERVICES (11/04/11)****Presentation of Report by Chairman - Member R Lesley**

The members present at the informal Community & Cultural Services Committee meeting held on Monday, 11 April 2011, noted by consensus, the following motions to be endorsed at the 2nd Ordinary Council meeting on Wednesday 27 April 2011

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**9 Dili Youth Working for Change**  
Common No. 1951444 (11/04/11)

THAT the tabled Media Release presented by the General Manager Community & Cultural Services on Dili Youth Working for Change, be received and noted.

DECISION NO.20\() (27/04/11)

<http://www.abc.net.au/local/stories/2011/04/06/3183899.htm?site=darwin>

## **Dili youth working for change**

By Nicole Foote

### **Three young people from Dili, East Timor have come to Darwin to work on the Big Gig as part of National Youth Week**

With life still difficult for young people in Dili, Action for Change Foundation (ACF) is a non government organisation looking for ways to make a difference.

Run by young East Timorese they've created a space for the youth of Dili to access information, job, computer and English skills as well as join in on a Ping Pong for Peace tournament.

Darwin City Council is currently hosting three young board members of ACF to work alongside Darwin's youth community for National Youth Week.

There's no room on their dance cards this week as the volunteers spend time with the City Council, Corrugated Iron, Red Cross, Browns Mart, 32 degrees and Music NT in Darwin.

Learning a variety of organisation skills, Secretary for the foundation Venancio "Venny" de Jesus has found his time in Darwin eye opening.

"It's been really good to learn about customer service, administration and how to work in an institution."

A personal favourite for Venny was visiting the four public libraries around Darwin.

"We only have one library in Dili and it belongs to the National University so it's not a public library.

"We will try to buy books here in Darwin to take back for Action for Change."

Originally from the Manatuto district in East Timor, Mr de Jesus lives in Dili with his uncle as he attends the National University.

He hopes that this youth exchange will be the first of many between the sister cities Darwin and Dili.

"It would be good having more training in the future and to create Action for Change friendships."

All three volunteers are helping put the Big Gig on this Friday.

The culmination of Youth Week in Darwin, headlining at the Big Gig this week is Children Collide with local bands Bear Essence, Abbey Rose, Faces in the Fire and more.

"It's a very exciting event as it's run by youth for youth in Darwin so it's fantastic for Young East Timorese to be a part of it."

While there are many young bands and musicians in Dili, Venny can't see something like the Big Gig happening there soon.

"We lack the resources for the youth to create an event like this."

Darwin City Council's Youth Advisory Group will be presenting the Big Gig on Friday 8 April from 2pm - 8pm at Casuarina Pool.



**14 COMMITTEE REPORTS****14.2 CORPORATE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (19/04/11)****Presentation of Report by Chairman - Member K M Moir**

Recommendations from the Corporate & Economic Development Committee Meeting held on Tuesday, 19 April 2011

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**1. Corporate Services Monthly Report - March 2011**

Report No. 11A0062 (08/04/11) Common No. 339108

THAT Report Number 11A0062 entitled, Corporate Services Monthly Report – March 2011, be received and noted.

DECISION NO.20\() (27/04/11)

**2. Listing of Cheques/EFT Payments - March 2011**

Report No. 11A0063 (08/04/11) Common No. 339125

THAT Report Number 11A0063 entitled, Listing of Cheques / EFT Payments – March 2011, be received and noted.

DECISION NO.20\() (27/04/11)

**3. Financial Report to Council – March 2011**

Report No. 11A0064 (08/04/11) Common No. 339122

THAT Report Number 11A0064 entitled, Financial Report to Council – March 2011, be received and noted.

DECISION NO.20\() (27/04/11)

**14 COMMITTEE REPORTS****14.2 CORPORATE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (19/04/11)****Presentation of Report by Chairman - Member K M Moir**

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**4. Fees and Charges 2011-12**

Report No. 11A0059 (08/04/11) Common No. 1977405

- A. THAT Report Number 11A0059 entitled, Fees and Charges 2011-12, be received and noted.
- B. THAT Council adopts the proposed Fees and Charges for the 2011-12 financial year as shown in **Attachment A**, effective from July 1 2011.
- C. THAT facility hire, for the purposes of Fees and Charges, states three levels of fees, being:-
  - The full fee payable,
  - The concessional fee for regular weekday use by non-profit community organisations, and
  - A concessional fee for either one-off events on Friday evenings or weekends, or events which span more than the sessional use specified.
- D. THAT non-profit organisations requesting concession fees to be negotiated must submit their request to Council in writing.
- E. THAT for the purposes of Fees and Charges, the definition for eligibility for concessional fees is:-

A self-help group (not operated by commercial interests and stated as non-profit by statutory declaration), or a non-profit community organisation (incorporated under the Associations Act).

DECISION NO.20\() (27/04/11)

**14 COMMITTEE REPORTS****14.2 CORPORATE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (19/04/11)****Presentation of Report by Chairman - Member K M Moir**

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**5. Monthly On-Street and Off-Street Parking Statistics – March 2011**

Report No. 11A0065 (08/04/11) Common No. 376351

THAT Report Number 11A0064 entitled, Financial Report to Council – March 2011, be received and noted.

DECISION NO.20\() (27/04/11)

**6. Third Quarter Budget Review 2010/11**

Report No. 11A0055 (30/03/11) Common No. 978289

A. THAT Report Number 11A0055 entitled, Third Quarter Budget Review 2010/11, be received and noted.

B. THAT **Attachment A, B & C** of Report Number 11A0055 entitled, Third Quarter Budget Review 2010/11, be adopted.

DECISION NO.20\() (27/04/11)

**14 COMMITTEE REPORTS****14.2 CORPORATE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (19/04/11)****Presentation of Report by Chairman - Member K M Moir**

Recommendations from the Corporate & Economic Development Committee Meeting held on Tuesday, 19 April 2011

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**7. Minutes of the Audit Committee meeting held on 17 March 2011**

Report No. 11A0061 (08/04/11) Common No. 353196

- A. THAT Report Number 11A0061 entitled, Minutes of the Audit Committee meeting held on 17 March 2011, be received and noted.
- B. THAT the recommendations contained in the Minutes of the Audit Committee meeting held on 17 March 2011, be adopted.

DECISION NO.20\() (27/04/11)

**8. Invitations Accepted or Declined by the Lord Mayor during March 2011**

Report No. 11TC0020 MB:sv (04/04/11) Common No. 381402

THAT Report Number 11TC0020 MB:sv entitled, Invitations Accepted or Declined by the Lord Mayor during March 2011, be received and noted.

DECISION NO.20\() (27/04/11)

**C28 COMMITTEE REPORTS****C28.3 ENVIRONMENT & INFRASTRUCTURE (18/04/11)****Presentation of Report by Chairman - Member R K Elix**

Recommendations from the Environment & Infrastructure Committee Meeting held on Monday, 18 April 2011

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**1. Climate Change & Environment Team Report Update – March/April 2011**  
Report No. 11TS0050PR:nh 12/04/11) Common No. 1792647

THAT Report Number 11TS0050PR:nh entitled Climate Change & Environment Team Report Update - March/April 2011, be received and noted.

DECISION NO.20\() (27/04/11)

**2. Infrastructure Maintenance – March 2011 Quarterly Report**  
Report No. 11TS0052 KS:nf (01/04/11) Common No. 1887505

THAT Report Number 11TS0052KS:nf entitled, Infrastructure Maintenance – March 2011 Quarterly Report, be received and noted.

DECISION NO.20\() (27/04/11)

**3. Capital Works – March 2011 Quarterly Report**  
Report No. 11TS0057SMCD:KB (04/04/11) Common No. 1541601

THAT Report Number 11TS0057SMCD:KB entitled, Capital Works – March 2011 Quarterly Report, be received and noted.

DECISION NO.20\() (27/04/11)

**C28 COMMITTEE REPORTS****C28.3 ENVIRONMENT & INFRASTRUCTURE (18/04/11)****Presentation of Report by Chairman - Member R K Elix**

Recommendations from the Environment & Infrastructure Committee Meeting held on Monday, 18 April 2011

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**4. Infrastructure – Design, Planning & Projects – March 2011 Quarterly Report**

Report No. 11TS0058DL:lm (06/04/11) Common No. 1832896

THAT Report Number 11TS0058:DL:lm entitled, Infrastructure – Design, Planning & Projects – March 2011 Quarterly Report, be received and noted.

DECISION NO.20\() (27/04/11)

**5. Waste & Recycling Quarterly Report – March 2011**

Report No. 11TS0059MN:kb (06/04/11) Common No. 1738353

THAT Report Number 11TS0059MN:KB entitled, Waste And Recycling March 2011 Quarterly Report, be received and noted.

DECISION NO.20\() (27/04/11)

**6. Nightcliff Foreshore and Cliffs Asbestos Materials Dumped Around the Time of World War II and Cyclone Tracy – April 2011 Update**

Report No. 11TS0064 MF (01/04/11) Common No. 996234

THAT Report Number 11TS0064 MF entitled Nightcliff Foreshore And Cliffs Asbestos Materials Dumped Around The Time Of World War II And Cyclone Tracy – April 2011 Update, be received and noted.

DECISION NO.20\() (27/04/11)

**C28 COMMITTEE REPORTS****C28.3 ENVIRONMENT & INFRASTRUCTURE (18/04/11)****Presentation of Report by Chairman - Member R K Elix**

Recommendations from the Environment & Infrastructure Committee Meeting held on Monday, 18 April 2011

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**7. Cullen Bay Landscaping**

Report No. 11TS0049 DC:LM (21/03/11) Common No. 1254915

*At the Environment & Infrastructure Committee Meeting held on Monday, 18 April 2011, this item was laid on the table and to be referred to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Ordinary Council Meeting on Wednesday, 27 April 2011.*

- A. THAT Report Number 11TS0049 DC:LM entitled, Cullen Bay Landscaping, be received and noted.
- B. THAT Council endorse the payment of \$100,000 (GST exclusive) to the Cullen Bay Mariner Management Corporation, noting the changes to the previously approved concept drawings (Council Decision Number 20/2182), namely plant species.

DECISION NO.20\() (27/04/11)

**8. Alcohol Control Signage – In Prescribed Areas**

Common No. 1254915

THAT a review of Alcohol Control Signage be undertaken in prescribed areas.

DECISION NO.20\() (27/04/11)

## 15 OFFICERS REPORTS

### 15.1 Freedom of Entry – Royal Australian Navy

Report No. 11TC0026 MB:md (05/04/11) Common No. 1960587

*Report Number 11TC0026 MB:md attached.*

ENCL: NO

**DARWIN CITY COUNCIL****DATE:** 5/04/11**REPORT****TO:** 2<sup>nd</sup> ORDINARY/OPEN**APPROVED:** MB**FROM:** EXECUTIVE MANAGER**REPORT NO:** 11TC0026 MB:md**COMMON NO:** 1960587**SUBJECT:** FREEDOM OF ENTRY – ROYAL AUSTRALIAN NAVY**ITEM NO:** 15.1**SYNOPSIS:**

The purpose of this report is to inform Council that Tony Thomas, Chief Petty Officer of the Navy Community Engagement Program has advised that they wish to exercise their Freedom of Entry to the City of Darwin on Saturday 30 July 2011 being Navy week.

**GENERAL:**

It is believed that the 'Freedom of Entry' ritual originated in the medieval struggle for power between the British barons and rapidly growing city and borough corporations in England. In those days it became customary for a body of armed men seeking admittance to a city to be challenged at the city gate by the city marshal and his garrison. Over the years it became practice for the city to use this same ritual if it wished to honour a group of body of soldiers.

When a 'Freedom of Entry' ceremony is held, the Mayor officiates, and the invitation list generally includes state and federal members of parliament, Aldermen, representatives of the Defence Forces and a cross-section of people from the community. It is usual to hold a reception after the ceremony.

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Below is a list of 'Freedom of Entries' that have been performed in the City of Darwin.

NAME	DATE OF MARCH
Royal Australian Air Force	June 1966
121 Light Anti Aircraft Battery Royal Regiment of Australia Artillery	22 May 1967
Her Majesty's Australia Ship MELVILLE	26 September 1969
Royal Australian Navy	30 April 1975
7 <sup>th</sup> independent Rifle Co. of the Royal Australian Infantry Corp	7 July 1979
NW Mobile Force Darwin	3 July 1982
HMAS Darwin	25 October 1985
No 13 Squad Royal Australian Air Force	22 April 1994
2 <sup>nd</sup> Cavalry Regiment Australia Regiment Army	6 May 1995
Northern Command Australian Defence Force	17 July 1998
5 <sup>th</sup> /7 <sup>th</sup> Battalion Royal Aust Regiment	30 November 2001
Australian Army Band	13 September 2003
HMAS Darwin	15 October 2005
Royal Australian Navy	12 August 2006
Australian Army Band Darwin	3 May 2008
NORCOM	23 August 2008
Royal Australian Navy	11 July 2009
2 <sup>nd</sup> Cavalry Regiment	31 October 2009

### The Royal Australian Navy

The Royal Australian Navy was granted 'Freedom of Entry' to the City of Darwin on 30<sup>th</sup> April 1975. They have exercised their 'Freedom of Entry' during Navy week on 12<sup>th</sup> August 2006 and 11<sup>th</sup> July 2009.

The Royal Australian Navy event will be made up of members from HMAS Darwin, Coonawarra, Patrol Boat Group and Naval cadets. The Navy has a week long program of activities ending with the march of the troops in Darwin City.

The Navy Drill Team will perform in Raintree Park for 30 minutes prior to the march.

The 'Freedom of Entry' event would include a march from Esplanade along Knuckey Street with flying colours, guns and military band. The challenge will take place on the corner of Smith Street and Knuckey Street. The march would continue along Knuckey Street and turn right into Cavanagh Street to the Civic Centre.

A civic reception for 300 people will be held at Civic Park for the troops and guests at which the Lord Mayor addresses the guests.

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### **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

Funding for Freedom of Entry has been included in the 2011/12 budget estimates.

### **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**

- 1.1.3 Develop partnerships and joint projects with other levels of government

#### **Goal**

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

#### **Outcome**

- 2.2 Increase recreational, cultural and heritage experiences

#### **Key Strategies**

- 2.2.2 Promote Darwin as a host city for sport, culture and other events

#### **Goal**

- 6 Promote Brand Darwin

#### **Outcome**

- 6.2 Promote our Darwin city

#### **Key Strategies**

- 6.2.1 Promote Darwin's history, particularly its WWII experiences

### **LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:**

There are no direct legal implications arising from the recommendation from management.

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**ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS:**

There is no significant impact on environmental sustainability.

**PUBLIC RELATIONS IMPLICATIONS:**

A media plan will be prepared to maximise coverage of what is a very popular community event.

**COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS:**

Nil

**DELEGATION:**

Nil

**CONSULTATION:**

Consultation will take place between the Royal Australian Navy.

**PROPOSED PUBLIC CONSULTATION PROCESS:**

Nil

**APPROPRIATE SIGNAGE**

A road closure will be in place for the march. Appropriate signage for the road closure will be in place.

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CAVALRY REGIMENT

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**RECOMMENDATIONS:**

THAT the Committee resolve under delegated authority:-

THAT Report Number 11TC0026 MB:md entitled, Freedom of Entry – Royal Australian Navy be received and noted.

**MAXINE DOWLEY**  
**EVENTS COORDINATOR**

**MARK BLACKBURN**  
**EXECUTIVE MANAGER**

Any queries on this report may be directed to Maxine Dowley on 8930 0684 or  
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## 15 OFFICERS REPORTS

### 15.2 Statehood

Report No. 11TC0027 MB:as (19/04/11) Common No. 1763246

*Report Number 11TC0027 MB:as attached.*

ENCL: YES

## DARWIN CITY COUNCIL

DATE: 19/04/11

### REPORT

TO: 2<sup>nd</sup> ORDINARY COUNCIL/OPEN

APPROVED: MB

FROM: EXECUTIVE MANAGER

REPORT NO: 11TC0027 MB:as

COMMON NO: 1763246

SUBJECT: STATEHOOD

**ITEM NO: 15.2**

#### **SYNOPSIS:**

This report has been prepared in response to a letter received from the Mayor of Alice Springs Town Council requesting Darwin City Council's support for a suggested resolution on Statehood.

It is noted that Darwin City Council has an existing decision on Statehood passed in May 2010 as detailed in the report.

#### **GENERAL:**

In May 2010 Darwin City Council supported the principle of Statehood for the Northern Territory.

- A. THAT Report Number 10TC0028 entitled, Overview of Concepts and Issues Regarding the Prospect of The Northern Territory's Transition to Statehood be received and noted.
- B. THAT Council supports the principle of Statehood for the Northern Territory.

DECISION NO.20\2740 (04/05/10)

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At the LGANT General Meeting held in November 2010 the following motion was passed:

That the Local Government Association of the Northern Territory (LGANT):

- 1 affirms its principle for the support of Statehood;
- 2 recognises the tensions concerning the relationship between the capital centre and regions as an obstacle to the Territory moving forward;
- 3 recognises the concentrations of political power in the capital centres as impacting upon these tensions;
- 4 identifies the process of designing and endorsing a constitution for a new State as a unique opportunity to address these tensions and move forward as a united and inclusive Territory. And further recognises the opportunity to address these tensions to create a modern and new constitution where other States have failed to do so;
- 5 respectfully requests the Statehood convention process include the following for discussion and consideration;
  - a a constitution statement that reflects the rights and responsibilities of all people of the new State, including specific statements in relation to regions;
  - b constitutional formula that ensures equitable distribution of financial resources across the regions, particularly discretionary and non-essential infrastructure; and
  - c constitutional protection of regions in the way that political power is dispersed.

The Alice Springs Town Council is requesting that Councils, Shires and major representative bodies adopt the following motion **Appendix A**

*That Darwin City Council supports discussions at the NT Statehood Constitutional Convention seeking to enshrine protection of the interests of the regions in any new constitution and endorses the resolution (detailed above) passed at the November LGANT General Meeting.*

Council will be able to view a nine minute presentation on the subject at the meeting prior to making any decision on the matter as requested by the Mayor of Alice Springs Town Council.

Statehood is now a key goal of the Government's *Territory 2030 Strategy*. Objective 2: A Strong and Vibrant Democracy states: "Territory Statehood achieved by 2020 or earlier if the community desires".

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The former Northern Territory Statehood Steering Committee made a number of recommendations to the Standing Committee on Legal and Constitutional Affairs which included the holding of constitutional conventions in two distinct phases separated by a consultation period.

The first convention is now being planned to take place in Darwin from 3 to 12 November 2011. The first convention will produce a draft consultation document

The second convention is being considered for Alice Springs to be comprised of the same participants on as an yet unspecified date in 2013. The second convention will produce a final draft constitution for consideration by the Northern Territory Legislative Assembly and delivery to the Commonwealth.

As a directive of the Council, it may wish to write to Alice Springs Town Council to advise them of Darwin City Council's existing Decision No 20V/2740 on Statehood.

### **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

Nil at this stage

### **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

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### **Key Strategies**

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

### **Goal**

7 Demonstrate Effective, Open and Responsible Governance

### **Outcome**

7.1 Effective governance

### **Key Strategies**

7.1.5 Be active in the review and development of relevant legislation

### **Goal**

7 Demonstrate Effective, Open and Responsible Governance

### **Outcome**

7.2 Display strong and effective leadership, within Council and across Government

### **Key Strategies**

7.2.2 Display Council's leadership across all levels of Government

### **Goal**

7 Demonstrate Effective, Open and Responsible Governance

### **Outcome**

7.2 Display strong and effective leadership, within Council and across Government

### **Key Strategies**

7.2.4 Keep abreast of Australian and world trends to ensure Darwin is prepared and can make informed decisions

### **LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:**

Nil

### **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS:**

Nil

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**PUBLIC RELATIONS IMPLICATIONS:**

Potentially positive insofar as Council has an existing Council decision on Statehood

**COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS:**

Nil

**DELEGATION:**

Nil

**CONSULTATION:**

Nil

**PROPOSED PUBLIC CONSULTATION PROCESS:**

Nil

**APPROPRIATE SIGNAGE**

Nil

**RECOMMENDATIONS:**

THAT it be a recommendation to Council:-

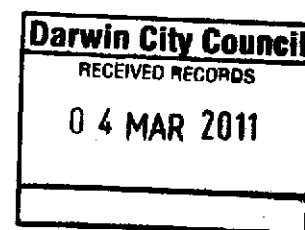
THAT Report Number 11TC0027 MB:as entitled, Statehood Be received and Noted.

**MARK BLACKBURN  
EXECUTIVE MANAGER**

Any queries on this report may be directed to Mark Blackburn on 8930 0516 or  
[m.blackburn@darwin.nt.gov.au](mailto:m.blackburn@darwin.nt.gov.au)



Mayor's Office



15 February 2011

Mr Brendan Dowd  
Chief Executive Officer  
Darwin City Council  
GPO Box 84  
DARWIN NT 0871

Dear Mr Dowd

**RE: STATEHOOD**

At the LGANT General Meeting held in November 2010 the following motion was passed:

*That the Local Government Association of the Northern Territory (LGANT):*

- 1) *affirms in principle support for Statehood;*
- 2) *recognises the tensions concerning the relationship between the capital centre and regions as an obstacle to the Territory moving forward;*
- 3) *recognises the concentration of political power in the capital centre as impacting upon these tensions;*
- 4) *identifies the process of designing and endorsing a constitution for a new State as a unique opportunity to address these tensions and move forward as a united and inclusive Territory. And further recognises the opportunity to address these tensions to create a modern and new constitution where other States have failed to do so;*
- 5) *respectfully requests the Statehood convention process include the following for discussion and consideration:*
  - a) *a constitution statement that reflects the rights and responsibilities of all people of the new State, including specific statements in relation to regions;*
  - b) *a constitutional formula that ensures equitable distribution of financial resources across the regions, particularly discretionary and non-essential infrastructure; and*
  - c) *constitutional protection of regions in the way that political power is dispersed.*

As a follow up to that resolution, the Alice Springs Town Council is requesting that Councils, Shires and major representative bodies adopt the following motion:

***That Darwin City Council supports discussions at the NT Statehood Constitutional Convention seeking to enshrine protection of the interests of the regions in any new constitution and endorses the resolution (detailed above) passed at the November LGANT General Meeting.***

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Please find enclosed a DVD which contains a short (9 minute) presentation on this subject which we would ask be played to your Council/Shire/Representative Body prior to any discussion on this matter.

Only through united, active collaboration can this message of protection of the interests of the regions be delivered to the delegates to the Statehood Convention in a manner that will ensure inclusion. We seek your support.

Should you have any questions, please contact Alderman John Rawnsley on 0427 066 279 or [rawnsleyj@gmail.com](mailto:rawnsleyj@gmail.com) for further information.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Damien Ryan', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Damien Ryan  
**MAYOR**

Enc.

## 15 OFFICERS REPORTS

### 15.3 Amendment Policy 16 – Elected Members General

Report No. 11TC0028 MB:as (19/04/11) Common No. 1763246

*Report Number 11TC0028 MB:as attached.*

ENCL: YES

## DARWIN CITY COUNCIL

DATE: 19/04/11

### REPORT

TO: 2<sup>ND</sup> ORDINARY COUNCIL/OPEN

APPROVED: MB

FROM: EXECUTIVE MANAGER

REPORT NO: 11TC0028 MB:as

COMMON NO: 1763246

SUBJECT: AMENDMENT POLICY 16 – ELECTED MEMBERS GENERAL

#### ITEM NO: 15.3

#### SYNOPSIS:

This report has been prepared in response to a Council Decision to ensure the intent of the “Indemnity External Boards” Section 4 of Policy 16 is both effective and lawful.

It is recommended that Council adopt the proposed amendments to the policy as contained in this report.

#### PREVIOUS DECISION

THAT in light of Document Number 185835 regarding the inadequacy of Council Policy 016, that an immediate review of the Policy be undertaken to ensure that the intent of the policy is both effective and lawful.

DECISION NO.20\3109) (17/08/10)

#### GENERAL:

Further advice was sought and received from Cridlandsmb in respect to the earlier advice relating to the duties of elected members who have been appointed directors of a company limited by guarantee and incorporated under the Corporations Act.

#### **Attachment A**

Policy 16 has been amended in accordance with the advice received by Cridlandsmb and is attached for endorsement by Council. **Attachment B**

In addition a draft formal Deed of Agreement has been prepared in accordance with the proposed amendment to the Policy. The draft Deed provides for the elected members to be indemnified to the fullest extent by law **Attachment C**

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Prior to signing a Deed of Agreement each elected member should obtain his or her own independent legal advice in relation to the Deed and the member's rights and obligations in relation to their role as directors of the company. Council may consider it appropriate to pay the reasonable costs of obtaining such advice.

### **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

Nil at this stage.

### **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**

7.1.5 Be active in the review and development of relevant legislation

7.1.6 Develop contemporary management policies and by-laws.

#### **Outcome**

7.2 Display strong and effective leadership, within Council and across Government

#### **Key Strategies**

7.2.1 Display contemporary leadership and management practices within Council

7.2.4 Keep abreast of Australian and world trends to ensure Darwin is prepared and can make informed decisions

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**LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:**

See attached Legal Advice in **Attachment A**

**ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS:**

Nil

**PUBLIC RELATIONS IMPLICATIONS:**

Positive in that Council is displaying contemporary leadership and management practices within Council.

**COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS:**

Nil

**DELEGATION:**

Nil

**CONSULTATION:**

Nil

**PROPOSED PUBLIC CONSULTATION PROCESS:**

Nil

**APPROPRIATE SIGNAGE**

Nil

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**RECOMMENDATIONS:**

- A. THAT Report Number 11TC0028 MB:as entitled, Amendment Policy 16 – Elected Members General be received and noted.
- B. THAT Council endorse the proposed amendments to Policy 16 Elected Members General as detailed in **Attachment B**

**MARK BLACKBURN**  
**EXECUTIVE MANAGER**

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Our Ref: RGG 20110277  
Your Ref:

11 March 2011

**Attention: Mark Blackburn**

Darwin City Council  
GPO Box 84  
DARWIN NT 0801

Dear Mark

**Indemnities for elected members**

I refer to your instructions to advise in relation to Council's Policy No. 016. ("the Policy") titled "Elected Members General" and particularly paragraph 4, headed "Indemnity External Boards".

1. Paragraph 4 of the Policy provides:

Council will indemnify Elected Members appointed by Council to the position of Director of external boards of management, in respect of any liability incurred in the exercise of their duties as directors of those boards.

2. You have referred back to my earlier advice dated 11 August 2010, relating to the duties of elected members who have been appointed directors of Darwin Performing Arts Centre, a company limited by guarantee and incorporated under the *Corporations Act* ("the Act") and a "subsidiary" of DCC, given DCC's control of the composition of its board. In that advice I raised issues regarding the efficacy of the indemnity provided for under paragraph 4 of the Policy, on the grounds that:

- (a) there is no apparent consideration for the indemnity and it is not contained in an enforceable instrument, e.g. a Deed of Indemnity signed by DCC; and
- (b) section 199A(2) of the Act limits the ability of a related body corporate to provide such an indemnity. That section provides:

A company or a related body corporate must not indemnify a person (whether by agreement or by making a payment and whether directly or through an interposed entity) against any of the following liabilities incurred as an officer or auditor of the company:

- (a) a liability owed to the company or a related body corporate;
- (b) a liability for a pecuniary penalty order under section 1317G or a compensation order under section 1317H, 1317HA or 1317HB;

- (c) a liability that is owed to someone other than the company or a related body corporate and did not arise out of conduct in good faith.

This subsection does not apply to a liability for legal costs.

3. Addressing the formalities of an indemnity, section 58 of the *Law of Property Act* is relevant. That section provides:

**58 Guarantees to be in writing**

- (1) No proceeding may be commenced on a promise to guarantee a liability of another unless the promise on which the proceeding is commenced, or some memorandum or note of the promise is –
- (a) in writing; and
- (b) signed by the party to be charged, or by some other person lawfully authorised by the party.
- (2) A promise in writing, or a memorandum or note of a promise, is not to be treated as insufficient for the purpose of this section only because the consideration for the promise does not appear in writing or by necessary inference from a written document.

Whilst the section refers to a “guarantee”, the provisions arguably also apply to an indemnity, which is in effect “a promise to guarantee a liability of another”. As such, to avoid any doubt and ensure the terms of the indemnity are clear, I suggest that when an elected member is appointed by DCC to an external board, a formal Deed of Indemnity should be prepared and executed under the seal of DCC. Such a practice also provides certainty and supports good governance.

4. You will note that section 199A(2) of the Act does not absolutely proscribe any form of indemnity and these provisions can, will and have changed over time. I suggest that the indemnity should provide for the elected member to be indemnified to the fullest extent permitted by law.
5. I suggest that paragraph 4 of the Policy should be amended to reflect these considerations and I suggest the following wording:

Council will indemnify Elected Members appointed by Council to the position of a director of an external board of management or an external board of directors, to the fullest extent permitted by law, in respect of any liability incurred by the Elected Member in the exercise of his or her duties as a director of those boards. In each case, a formal Deed of Indemnity is required to be entered into and executed under the seal of Council.

6. It is pertinent to note the provisions of section 41 of the *Local Government Act*, which provides:

#### 41 Immunity from liability

- (1) No civil or criminal liability lies against a member of a council for an honest act or omission done or made in the exercise, or the purported exercise, of the member's official functions.
- (2) A civil liability that would, but for subsection (1) lie against a member of a council lies instead against the council.

This section would not likely extend to liability incurred by an elected member acting as a director of a company or association, but may provide some guidance in the drafting of specific indemnities.

7. Finally, you should also consider the terms of the paragraph in the Policy headed "Protection – Legal Proceedings". I presume that the "initial investigation into the matter" would include legal advice as to the prospects and risks of defamation proceedings. For clarity you may wish to add the words "including legal advice" immediately after the words "initial investigation into the matter".

In deciding whether to support such an action, it is pertinent to note that any defamation proceedings will be in the name of the elected member and, if successful, any damages arising from those proceedings will be payable to the elected member, not DCC. In proceedings is where an elected member is sued for statements he or she has made, the immunity under section 41 of the *Local Government Act* will not necessarily extend to either the defence costs or any damages arising from such proceedings.

You may wish to consider the policy issues arising in such circumstances and I will be pleased to advise further as required.

I trust that this addresses the issues raised and will be pleased to advise further as required.

Yours sincerely  
**CRIDLANDS MB**



**Richard Giles**  
**Partner**

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Title: *Elected Members - General*  
 Policy No: *016*  
 Adopted By: *Council*  
 Next Review Date: *Refer' Policy and Procedure Framework'*  
 Responsibility: *Chief Executive Officer*  
 Document Number: *1752534*

Version	Decision Number	Adoption Date	History
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## 1 Policy Summary

This Policy covers the rules determined by Council governing Elected Member rights and responsibilities additional to those specified in the Local Government Act and related legislation.

The Policy covers:

- Indemnity - External Boards
- Information Technology Support
- Invitations To Public Meetings
- Protection – Legal proceedings
- Reports on Conferences
- Requests For Reports
- Responsibility For Rates And Charges
- Titles
- Use Of Resources

## 2 Policy Objectives

To provide a clear framework for Elected Members in relation to rights and responsibilities additional to those specified in legislation for the guidance of Elected Members and Council's administration.

## 3 Background

From time to time Darwin City Council makes policies clarifying its expectations in relation to the way Elected Members interact with the Council's administration.

## 4 Policy Statement

### **Access to Council Information**

Refer Policy 027 'Elected members Access to Council Information'.

### **Indemnity - External Boards**

Council will indemnify Elected Members appointed by Council to the position of Director of an external board of management, or an external board of directors, to the fullest extent permitted by law, in respect of any liability incurred by the Elected Member in the exercise of his or her duties as a director of those boards. In each case, a formal Deed of Indemnity is required to be entered into and executed under the seal of Council.

### **Information Technology Support**

- A. Council will provide Elected Members with an Information Technology package consisting of:
  - a. Dell Latitude D630 Notebook
  - b. Dell 3110cn Networked Colour Laser Printer
  - c. Dell All in one Printer/Fax/Scanner 948
  - d. Wireless networking router/modem
  - e. ADSL broadband Internet access
  - f. Dell 19" UltraSharp (1908WFP) Wide Screen Flat Panel LCD Monitor
- B. Council will support the Information Technology package for the term of the 20<sup>th</sup> Council, after which the ownership will pass to the Elected Member, along with all responsibility for support and maintenance.
- C. Elected Members may substitute items within the Information Technology package for a mobile/smart phone or a digital camera or other IT approved equipment. The total cost of the individual member package will not exceed \$3673.
- D. If an Elected Member does not complete at least 75% of their term then the components of the Information Technology package will be offered to the Elected Member to purchase at the current written down value.

### **Invitations To Public Meetings**

That all Elected Members be notified of and invited to public meetings called by the Council..

**Protection – Legal Proceedings**

Council will assist in the protection of Elected Members who have been misrepresented or defamed in any way in the course of their duties by meeting the cost of an initial investigation into the matter including legal advice to determine if any legal proceedings should be instigated, and subject to further decision of Council, support action when considered necessary.

**Reports on Conferences**

Elected Members attending Conferences/Seminars as a Council representative must provide written reports to the appropriate Committee.

**Requests For Reports**

All requests for reports should be raised through the various committees and be referred to Council for approval however matters of urgency may, with the consent of Council, be raised under General Business.

**Responsibility For Rates And Charges**

Elected members are requested to:

- Note that the responsibility of ensuring that rates and charges owing by them to Council are paid rests solely with them; and,
- Advise the General Manager Corporate Services when they acquire or dispose of property, so that such transaction can be noted in the listing of property in which elected members hold an interest.

(Section 37 of the Local Government Act regarding the qualifications of members, requires that all rates and surcharges must be paid within six months of becoming due and payable, otherwise the member will be disqualified from holding office).

**Titles**

The Local Government Act as of 1 July 2008, does not nominate the title to be applied to Members of a Council, other than for:- Principal Member = Lord Mayor.

- i. For the purpose of having a title other than “member” all members of Council except for the member elected as Lord Mayor or Deputy Lord Mayor, shall have the title of “Alderman”.
- ii.
- iii. For all formal documentation prescribed by legislation such as delegations, minutes of meetings etc a member shall be described as a ‘Member’ or ‘Elected Member’.

**Use Of Resources**

A suitable room in the Civic Centre will be made available for use by Elected Members for the conduct of Council business

**5 Legislation, terminology and references**

Part 4.2 of the Local Government Act.

## Deed of Indemnity

**Darwin City Council**  
Council

**[NAME OF ELECTED MEMBER]**  
Elected Member

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**cridlandsmb**  
lawyers

Level 9, Mitchell Centre  
59 Mitchell Street  
Darwin NT 0800

Telephone: (08) 8943 0400  
Facsimile: (08) 8943 0499  
Reference: RG 20110277

**Deed made on**

**2011**

**Parties**

**DARWIN CITY COUNCIL** of Harry Chan Avenue, Darwin in the Northern Territory of Australia

(**“Council”**)

[insert name and address of Elected Member] in the Northern Territory of Australia

(**“Elected Member”**)

**Recitals**

- A. The Company is a company limited by guarantee incorporated under the *Corporations Act* (Cth).
- B. The Council:
  - (1) is a municipal council under the *Local Government Act*;
  - (2) is the principal member of the Company; and
  - (3) has the right to appoint directors of the Company.
- C. The Elected Member is an elected member of the Council.
- D. At the request of the Council, the Elected Member has agreed to consent to act and be appointed by the Council as a director of the Company, upon condition that the Council indemnify the Elected Member in respect of liabilities incurred by the Elected Member in acting as a director of the Company upon and subject to the terms and conditions referred to in this deed.

**This deed provides**

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**1. Definitions and interpretation**

**1.1 Definitions**

In this deed, unless inconsistent with the context or subject matter, the following terms shall have the following meanings:

**Act** means the *Corporations Act* (Cth).

**Company** means Darwin Performing Arts Centre ACN 009 624 248, a company limited by guarantee and incorporated under the Act.

**Indemnity** means the indemnity provided by the Council as set out in this deed.

**1.2 Interpretation**

In this deed:

- (a) headings are for convenience only and do not affect interpretation;

and unless the context indicates a contrary intention:

- (b) a reference to any person includes that person's executors, administrators, successors, substitutes and permitted assigns, including any person taking by way of novation;
- (c) a reference to this deed or to any other agreement, deed or document includes, respectively, this deed or that other agreement, deed or document as amended, novated, supplemented, varied or replaced from time to time;
- (d) words importing the singular include the plural (and vice versa), words denoting a given gender include the other gender and words denoting individuals include corporations (and vice versa);
- (e) a reference to any legislation or to any section or provision of any legislation includes any statutory modification or re-enactment or any statutory provision substituted for it and ordinances, by-laws, regulations and other statutory instruments issued under any legislation;
- (f) if more than one person is under an obligation to act or not to act under this deed, the liability of those persons so identified binds each of them severally and every two or more of them jointly;
- (g) if more than one person receives the same benefit under this deed the benefit is to be enjoyed by each of them severally; and
- (h) references to "winding up" shall when applied to individuals be deemed to refer to bankruptcy.

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## **2. Indemnity**

- (a) The Council irrevocably and unconditionally indemnifies and agrees to keep indemnified the Elected Member from and against all liabilities, claims, actions, suits, proceedings, demands, losses, damages, costs, fees and expenses (legal or otherwise) whatsoever incurred or arising out of or in connection with or in consequence of the Elected Member, in his or her capacity as a director of the Company or in the course of, or in connection with him or her accepting his or her appointment as a director of the Company:
  - (i) performing the duties, powers, imposed upon him or her in relation to that office by applicable law, or
  - (ii) failing, neglecting or omitting to perform any such duties,
 other than any liability incurred or arising out of actual dishonesty or mala fides on the part of the Elected Member.
- (b) The Indemnity is:
  - (i) limited only to the extent, if any, provided in any applicable law; and
  - (ii) intended to and shall continue to operate notwithstanding the resignation or termination of directorship of the Elected Member.

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## **3. Terms of Indemnity**

The Council further covenants and agrees with the Elected Member that the Indemnity and the

liability of the Council under this Deed shall not be abrogated, prejudiced or affected:

- (a) by the granting of time, credit or any indulgence or concession to the Council or by any omission, neglect or by any other dealing, matter or thing which but for this provision, could or might operate to abrogate, prejudice or affect this Indemnity it being the intention of the parties hereto that this Indemnity and the obligations of the Council shall be absolute and unconditional in any and all circumstances; or
- (b) by any other acts, omissions, laches or defaults on the part of the Elected Member whereby the whole or part of the liability of the Council to the Elected Member would but for this provision have been affected or discharged.

## **4. General**

### **4.1 Costs**

Each party must pay its own costs and expenses (including legal fees, costs and disbursements on a solicitor own client basis) in connection this deed and with exercising, enforcing or preserving, or attempting to exercise, enforce or preserve its rights against the other under this deed, including in connection with a default under this deed.

### **4.2 Severability**

In the event that any one or more of the provisions of this deed shall be invalid, void, illegal or unenforceable in respect of any law the validity, existence, legality and enforceability of the remaining provisions of this deed shall not in any way be affected prejudiced or impaired thereby.

### **4.3 Proper law**

This deed shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the law for the time being in force in the Northern Territory of Australia and the parties submit to the jurisdiction of the Supreme Court of the Northern Territory in respect of all matters arising hereunder or relating hereto.

### **4.4 Notices**

Any notice, demand, consent, writing or other communication required to be given or made under or pursuant to this deed shall be deemed to have been duly given or made when delivered in writing or sent by registered post to the party to which such notice of demand or consent is required or permitted to be given or made under this deed at the addresses specified for such party in this deed.

### **4.5 Variation or amendment**

No amendment or variation of the provisions of this deed shall be effectual or enforceable unless in writing and executed by all of the parties to this deed.

**Executed as a deed**

**The Common Seal** of the **DARWIN CITY COUNCIL** was affixed by or in the presence of its authorised officers:

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Signature of Lord Mayor

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Signature of Chief Executive Officer

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Name of Lord Mayor

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Name of Chief Executive Officer

**Executed** by **[insert name of Elected Member]** in the presence of:

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Signature of Elected Member

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Full name of Witness

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Signature of Witness

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**16 INFORMATION ITEMS AND CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED**

Nil

**17 REPORTS OF REPRESENTATIVES**

**18 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS**

**19 GENERAL BUSINESS**

**20 DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING**

THAT the next Ordinary Meeting of Council be held on Tuesday, 17 May 2011, at 5.00 p.m. (Open Section followed by the Confidential Section), Council Chambers, 1st Floor, Civic Centre, Harry Chan Avenue, Darwin.

DECISION NO.20\() (27/04/11)

**21 CLOSURE OF MEETING TO THE PUBLIC**

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

DECISION NO.20\() (27/04/11)

**22 ADJOURNMENT OF THE MEETING (MEDIA LIAISON)**