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CITY OF DARWIN

COMMUNITY & CULTURAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

MONDAY, 18 JUNE 2012

MEMBERS: Member G I Galton (Chairman); The Right Worshipful, The Lord Mayor, Ms K M Fong Lim; Member R M Knox; Member A R Mitchell; Member R Want de Rowe.

OFFICERS: Chief Executive Officer, Mr B Dowd; General Manager Community & Cultural Services, Mr J Banks; Manager Community Development, Ms K Hearn; Manager Library Services, Ms K Conway; Manager Regulatory Services, Mr D Neall; Manager Liveability, Mrs F Ray; Executive Officer, Ms A Smit.

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Committee's Responsibilities

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| * Recreation & Leisure | * Animal Management |
| * Children & Youth | * Inspectorial Services |
| * Arts and Culture | * Parking Control |
| * Community Services & Support | * Public Libraries |
| * Human Services | * Recreation |
| * Community Use of Halls, Ovals, Playing Fields, Public Pools and other Council Facilities | * Social Planning and Advocacy |
| * Sister Cities Management Community Committee's | * Darwin Entertainment Centre |

THAT effective as of 16 April 2012 Council, pursuant to Section 32 (2)(b) of the Local Government Act 2008 hereby delegates to the Community & Cultural Services Committee the power to make recommendations to Council and decisions relating to Community & Cultural matters within the approved budget.

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Community & Cultural Services Committee Meeting – Monday, 18 June, 2012

1 MEETING DECLARED OPEN

2 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

2.1 Apologies

2.2 Leave of Absence Granted

- A. THAT it be noted that The Right Worshipful, The Lord Mayor, Ms K M Fong Lim is an apology due to a Leave of Absence being previously granted on 30 April 2012 for the period 16 June 2012 to 21 June 2012.
- B. THAT it be noted that Member H I Galton is an apology due to a Leave of Absence being previously granted on 16 April 2012 for the period 16 June to 21 June 2012.

DECISION NO.21\() (18/06/12)

3 ELECTED MEMBERS CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION

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4 CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

4.1 Closure to the Public for Confidential Items Common No. 1944604

COMMITTEE'S DECISION

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

<u>Item</u>	<u>Regulation</u>	<u>Reason</u>
C14.1	8(b)	This item is considered 'Confidential' pursuant to Section 65(2) of the Local Government Act and 8(b) of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations, which states municipal council may close to the public only so much of its meeting as comprises the receipt or discussion of, or a motion or both relating to, information about the personal circumstances of a resident or ratepayer.
C14.2	8(b)	This item is considered 'Confidential' pursuant to Section 65(2) of the Local Government Act and 8(b) of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations, which states municipal council may close to the public only so much of its meeting as comprises the receipt or discussion of, or a motion or both relating to, information about the personal circumstances of a resident or ratepayer.

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4.2 Moving Open Items Into Confidential

4.3 Moving Confidential Items Into Open

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5 WITHDRAWAL OF ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

COMMITTEE'S DECISION

THAT the Committee resolve under delegated authority that all Information Items and Officers Reports to the Community & Cultural Services Committee Meeting held on Monday, 18 June, 2012, be received and all recommendations contained therein be adopted by general consent with the exception of Item Number

DECISION NO.21\() (18/06/12)

6 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES PERTAINING TO THE PREVIOUS COMMUNITY & CULTURAL SERVICES MEETING

COMMITTEE'S DECISION

THAT the Committee resolve that the minutes of the previous Community & Cultural Services Committee Meeting held on Monday, 21 May, 2012 tabled by the Chairman, be received and confirmed as a true and correct record of the proceedings of that meeting.

DECISION NO.21\() (18/06/12)

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

7.1 Business Arising

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8 INFORMATION ITEMS

Nil

**COMMUNITY & CULTURAL SERVICES COMMITTEE
(OPEN A)**
AGENDA ITEM: 9.1
COMMUNITY & CULTURAL SERVICES TEAM UPDATE MAY 2012
REPORT No. 12C0036 KH:es
COMMON No. 1733166
Date: 18/06/2012
Presenter: Katie Hearn, Manager Community Development
Approved: John Banks, General Manager, Community & Cultural Services
PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to provide an overview 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 May 2012.

LINK TO STRATEGIC PLAN

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 Cohesive Community

Outcome

5.1 Community access and inclusion

KEY ISSUES

- Disability Services
- Youth Services
- Arts and Cultural
- Family and Children's Services
- Sister Cities and Community Safety
- Recreation Services and Liveability
- Healthy Communities
- Community Grants

RECOMMENDATIONS

That it be a recommendation to Council:-

THAT Report Number 12C0036 KH:es entitled Community & Cultural Services Team Update May 2012, be received and noted.

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 SUBJECT: COMMUNITY & CULTURAL SERVICES TEAM UPDATE MAY 2012

BACKGROUND

Monthly activity reports are provided to appraise Council of operational activity across the key portfolios.

DISCUSSION

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 Disability Advisory Committee (DAC) meeting of 10 May was attended by the Public and Affordable Housing Advisor and a representative from the Department of Housing, Local Government & Regional Services who provided information and fielded questions regarding the availability of specialised smoke alarms in public housing tenanted by people with hearing impairment. The Committee also discussed purchasing an aqua lift for installation at Nightcliff Swimming Pool and an accessible ramp to complement Council's portable stage with funds from the Disability Access Budget. The minutes of the meeting and the recommendations arising are the subject of a separate report.

The current two year term for DAC membership ends on 30 June and recruitment activities have been undertaken. Eleven nominations from community representatives and three nominations from professional representatives were received. Membership applications were assessed during May by a selection panel and the resultant recommendations for DAC membership for the two year term from 1 July 2012 to 30 June 2014 are the subject of a separate report.

Disability Awareness Week 2012

Disability Awareness Week (DAW) is a week long program designed to highlight the achievements of people with disability and the positive contributions they make to the Darwin community. It also aims to raise public awareness on disability issues. This year Disability Awareness Week will be celebrated from Saturday 1 to Saturday 8 September. The DAW Coordination Committee met on 22 May and some fresh ideas for activities in 2012 were tabled. Nominations for names of inspiring local people with a disability to be Ambassadors for the Week have been called and suggestions for a theme for DAW 2012 have been invited. The next DAW Coordination meeting is scheduled for 20 June.

Community Grants Program

Submissions for the funding of community projects occurring in the second half of 2012 (1 July 2012 – 31 December 2012) and for climate change and environment projects occurring in the 2012/2013 financial year were presented to Council's May round of meetings.

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A total of twenty four applications seeking funding for community projects to the amount of \$149,857.79 and seven applications seeking funding of climate change and environment projects to the amount of \$41,307.00 were received. Projects were prioritised on the basis of outcomes in context of maximum benefit to the Darwin community. Eleven applications were successful for either part or full funding of community projects to the total value of \$42,335.00 and four climate change and environment projects were funded to the total value of \$26,037.00. A special function for the successful applicants for funding will be hosted by the Lord Mayor in Council's Function Room on 22 June 2012

Seniors Month 2012

CSO and the Libraries Project Officer have finalised Council's program of events for Seniors Month 2012 which will be celebrated right throughout August. The program shall include art and photography workshops, a Tai Chi class, two health and wellbeing sessions, a movie night and an aqua aerobic class has been forwarded to the NT Office of Senior Territorians for inclusion in a calendar that is forwarded to all Seniors in the Northern Territory.

Integrated disAbility Action (IdA)

CSO attended a meeting at IdA's office where the NT Minister for Health answered questions from IdA members regarding local disability issues.

Launch of Video Relay Service Kiosk for Deaf Australians

CSO attended the launch of regional Australia's first video relay service kiosk for deaf Australians on 17 May. The Kiosk is located at Deaf NT's office in Casuarina and will improve methods of communication for people with hearing impairment by providing screen images of people using Auslan sign language via video link.

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.

GRINDonline

The GRIND team is working on posting various opportunities for young people including Darwin Festival front of house job vacancies, free theatre workshops, LGBT (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender) mental health information night for teens and a Stop Bullying photo exhibition. The GRIND website can be viewed at www.grindonline.com.au

Youth Advisory Group (YAG)

The YAG's May meeting saw the recommendation of three new members and the resignation of two members at the end of their appointments.

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The GIG GEAR

The GIG GEAR has been accessed 4 times over the period of May 2012. The community groups who accessed the equipment included Seabreeze Festival, NT Writers Centre, Million Paws Walk and Nepalese Society. The GIG GEAR was utilised for Council's Healthy Darwin project and the Fun Bus as part of National Reconciliation Week activities.

Sector networking

The YSO attended the May DARWWYN (Darwin and Remote Workers with Youth Network) meeting, and the Northern Territory Youth Affairs Sub Committee meeting.

Youth Community Engagement

A program proposal has been submitted for Council consideration that seeks to maximise youth opportunities and activities whilst building upon our existing youth engagement work. Two youth capital investments are in progress which include the Youth Activities Kit (wifi enabled trailer that also houses the gig gear) and a portable Stage Kit that will provide full access for people with disability. This equipment will complement the In-Kind Support program.

Arts & Cultural Development

Public Art – Centenary of the Naming of Darwin

The proposed work of Public Art to celebrate the Centenary of the Naming of Darwin has a Council endorsed site, budget and commissioning process. The artwork is currently in concept development stage.

Public Art – HMS Beagle Ship Bell Chime

The Bell Chime continues to be enjoyed by locals and tourists visiting Civic Park. Occasional requests by community groups and members of the public for one-off playing are also being accommodated. Future maintenance of the artwork was subject of a report submitted by the artist and is subject of budget consideration.

Public Art - Pirriyangua Memorial (Mindil Beach) by Koolpinyah Richard Barnes

Fencing and new signage is now in design stage. It is anticipated that a new proposal from the artist with regard to more permanent work will be subject of future report to Council.

Community Arts - Live Music @ Your Library

The program continues to attract new performers via musicians and youth networks and word of mouth. There is great demand for these opportunities during the dry season when many touring musicians visit Darwin.

Community Arts – Poster Noticeboards in The Mall

Responding to Council Decision No. 20\3774 (29/03/11), a framework for the provision of dedicated poster facilities in the CBD has been prepared which identifies possible sites in The Mall. Signage designs will now be prepared for consideration.

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Community Arts - Community Art Space at Civic Centre

Composite, and exhibition of photographs depicting the similarities and differences between Sister Cities Darwin and Haikou, was opened on 18 April 2012 and ended on 31 May 2012. An exhibition of artwork from Sister Cities Darwin and Anchorage, titled *Anchorage/Darwin Art Exchange*, will be shown between 12 June – 26 July 2012, with an exhibition launch planned for Monday 18 June 2012.

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 the school civics program.

Community Centres

Council has three Community Centres that cater for a variety of community activities. They are located at Malak, Nightcliff and Lyons.

A maintenance inspection of Malak Community Centre was carried out by Council's Building Supervisor and the FCSC in May. Lyons and Nightcliff Community Centre maintenance inspections are scheduled for June.

Child Care Centres

Council sponsors seven Child Care Centres in the provision and maintenance of the buildings. Council also assists the Child Care Centres in obtaining grants from the NT Government, Commonwealth Government and project manages the works when applicable.

A maintenance inspection on four (4) of the centre's were carried out by Council's Building Supervisor and the FCSC and the other centre's are scheduled for June.

In April the first assessment and ratings under the new National Quality Framework commencement. In May, Malak Family Centre and Stuart Park Child Care Centre received their assessment notification from the Territory regulatory authority to advise that their assessment and rating process had started.

Fun Bus

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 – Wanguri Park, Wanguri
- Wednesday - Water Gardens, Jingili
- Thursday – Yanyula Park, Anula
- Friday - Civic Park, Darwin

National Reconciliation Week

National Reconciliation Week is celebrated across Australia each year between 27 May and 3 June. The theme for this year was Let's Talk Recognition—with a focus

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on how Australians can better recognise each other, and recognise the contributions, cultures and histories of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

As part of National Reconciliation Week 2012, the Fun Bus hosted a week long program of special activities including, weaving, banner decorating, painting, story telling, music, damper and fresh fruit for morning tea and lots more. Positive feedback was received for the special activities.



National Families Week

National Families Week is an annual event celebrated in Australia during May. The aim of National Families Week 2012 is to celebrate the vital role that families play. This year's theme is *Families make all the difference: helping kids to grow and learn*.

A Family Fun morning was held on Thursday 17 May at Yanyula Park with the Fun Bus, Early Childhood Australia, Asthma Foundation and the Water Safety. Positive feedback has been received from families and participating organisations.



Fun in the Parks

Council's Fun in the Parks is a school holiday program focused on primary school aged children. Fun in the Parks is held at various ovals and parks around Darwin, so children can attend a location close to where they live. The program operates from 10am to 12.30pm every Monday, Wednesday and Friday of school holidays.

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Fun in the Parks attended FREEPS at the Seabreeze Festival, Nightcliff Pool and the Lord Mayor's Biggest Morning Tea in the Mall.

In kind Support

The Fun and Games In-kind Support program supported eight community events during May 2012; Urban Adventure Challenge, ActivateNT, Karama Library, RSPCA Million Paws Walk, Lord Mayor's Biggest Morning Tea, May Day Community Event, FREEPS and National Families Week.

Sister Cities Program and Community Safety

Community Safety

City of Darwin continues to maintain representation on a number of inter-agency committees concerned with safety and actions items identified as being of Council control. The Inter Agency Task Force Coordination Group met 9 and 23 May.

International Relations

Nominations were opened for all Sister City Community Committees for the 2012 – 2014 term. To date 29 nominations have been received, with approximately 50% being from community members new to Sister Cities.

Anchorage

The Anchorage Committee met 16 May. The Anchorage and Darwin Community Art Exchange has been exhibited in Anchorage, with Mayor Sullivan attending the opening. Two teachers from Darwin on a study tour to the United States met with Mayor Sullivan and visited the exhibition in Anchorage. The Darwin opening of the exhibition will be held 18 June. The Committee is investigating a community film night for the Darwin celebrations of the 30th Anniversary of the Sister City relationship between Darwin and Anchorage.

Dili

The Dili Committee met 1 May. In May the Dili Committee made the second instalment of support for the basketball facilities at No. 3 School Tuana-Laran. Additionally a donation of books was made to Action for Change Foundation, for their new Library.

Ambon

The Ambon Committee met 3 May. At this meeting the Committee discussed the student and teacher exchange, sponsorship of the Indonesian speaking competition and support for an Indonesian cultural event. The Mayor of Ambon advised he would visit Darwin at the end of May. His schedule has since changed and he will be visiting Darwin 12 – 14 June, leading a 14 strong delegation.

Haikou

COMPOSITE: A Sister Cities Photographic Competition exhibition continues to attract visitors to the civic centre and lots of positive feedback. The Committee sponsored the Mandarin section of the Language Teachers Association of the Northern Territory Senior Language Speaking Competition held 26 May. The Lord

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Mayor and Committee members attended where they spoke with students and presented awards to category winners.

Kalymnos

A reception for the 30th Anniversary of the Sister City relationship between Kalymnos and Darwin will be held 7 June. A small delegation from Kalymnos is planning to visit Darwin for the occasion. Planning for a stall at Glenti is currently underway.

CONSULTATION PROCESS

Nil.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil.

BUDGET AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

Nil.

RISK/LEGAL/LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

Nil.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil.

COUNCIL OFFICER CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION

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

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COMMUNITY & CULTURAL SERVICES COMMITTEE (OPEN A)**AGENDA ITEM: 9.2****LIBRARIES INFORMATION UPDATE FOR MAY 2012****REPORT No. 12P0005 KC:md****COMMON No. 1943023****Date: 18/6/12****Presenter: Karen Conway, Manager Library Services****Approved: John Banks, General Manager Community & Cultural Services****PURPOSE:**

The purpose of this report is to provide an update of May 2012 detailing events and comments relating to City of Darwin Libraries (CODL).

LINK TO STRATEGIC PLAN:

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

Goal

2 Enhance Darwin's Active, Positive and Flexible Lifestyle

Outcome

2.2 Increase recreational, leisure and heritage experiences

KEY ISSUES:

This report provides an overview of library activities for the past month including the activities and attendance at the libraries during Library and Information Week and at National Year of Reading events.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

THAT it be a recommendation to Council:-

THAT Report Number 12P0005 entitled, Libraries Information Update for May 2012 be received and noted.

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 SUBJECT: LIBRARIES INFORMATION UPDATE FOR MAY 2012

BACKGROUND:

The purpose of this report is to provide a report detailing events and comments relating to City of Darwin Libraries and report on Library and Information Week and National Year of Reading events.

DISCUSSION:

Library and Information week is celebrated nationally in May with events at all libraries. This year we had events planned for every day of the week. Activities included a flash mob on Monday morning, where at 7.30am on the corner of Tiger Brennan and Stoddart Drive over 30 library staff and community members sat and read their books to promote the importance of reading, whilst commuter traffic drove by. Tuesday during Library and Information Week is Library Technician Day and to celebrate we held a morning tea for our Library Technicians. On Wednesday evening we hosted the Biggest Book Club where book club members and other members of the community were invited to visit the library and talk about their favourite books. They were given the opportunity to pitch their favourite book for two minutes. Barry Jonsberg MC'd the evening and it was attended by over 30 people including visitors to Darwin. Thursday the City Library held an information staff in the mall, and on Friday Casuarina Library held an information stall at Casuarina Square from 9am until 7.30pm to promote the Library and the National Year of Reading to the community.

An induction of new Library Assistant Natalie Pellegrino happened this month. Greg Boxsell has returned to his substantive position at Casuarina Library and Judith Treloar and Karen Cocks have moved to the City Library for 3 months.

There has been an increase in visitors to Karama Library who come to use computers and the WiFi. Karama has also ordered new furniture, including bean bags for the youth area, new chairs for the reading area and new signage for the shelving. A new external after hours chute is being installed so customers can return their library items when the shopping centre is closed. Seniors at Karama for May was a card making workshop conducted by library staff. Seven people attended and once more the feedback was very positive.

Computers @ Your Library sessions are available at all libraries and provide instructions on how to use the Internet and set up an email account. The sessions are generally for small groups however we also conduct one on one sessions for customers with specific questions or interests. This month we have introduced a new program of training for our customers who are requiring basic computer skills.

In consultation with Council's Marketing Department, Norsign has produced and installed external library signage with new branding at Casuarina Library. Signage for the other three libraries is being rolled out over the next few months.

One of the self-service check out units at Casuarina is having some issues; losing connection to the server and so its use has been limited in the past month. Technicians have organised software to monitor network activity / availability on the self-service unit so they can track why it is losing the server connection. It is envisaged that the issue will be resolved.

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Seniors Month

The Libraries Project Officer and Community Services Officer have finalised the program of events for Seniors Month in August. The libraries were successful with an application to the Office of Senior Territorians for a grant of \$1460 to fund two art workshops with Jasmine Jan during the month.

Collection Development

Casuarina Library is managing a lending pedometer scheme. The pedometers have been added to our collection like normal library items, to be lent out to the community. We will promote them to customers and staff.

Final orders from library suppliers Peter Pal and Bolinda have arrived. Our spending through James Bennett, the Northern Territory Government funding, is now complete, although we will continue to receive pre-ordered resources from popular authors until the end of the financial year. The Northern Territory Library (NTL) tender for the supply of library items to public libraries in the NT is up for renewal this coming financial year. A new contract is not expected to be finalised until August. This will most likely result in a gap of new items being added to our libraries until the contract is awarded and we are able to place orders with the preferred supplier.

We had our first teleconference with OverDrive, the company engaged to supply our e-books. The process is moving along quite steadily. A website has been designed and we will begin choosing resources shortly. OverDrive is currently working on the Eziproxy connection with Northern Territory Libraries to make the resources available through our libraries catalogue. We are hoping to have the e-books available in July.

City of Darwin resource funding has been used to purchase replacement items of popular authors for all libraries. We have also spent \$2000 on foreign language DVDs. Weeding is ongoing with all collections to eliminate damaged or older items and to identify subject gaps. Over 2,000 items were weeded from the collection during the month of May.

The National Year of Reading

National Year of Reading 2012 events are continuing at all libraries. Throughout term 2 of the school calendar, library staff have arranged to visit all year 1 classes in the Darwin region. Staff conduct a library session with each class and each child receives a postcard invitation to join the library, which they take home to their parents. On presentation of the postcard at the library, the child is joined as a library member and receives a library bag, National Year of Reading sticker, tattoo, pencil case and luggage tag. The response from all schools has been positive and encouraging, with all schools engaging in the program.

Banners have been installed on the exterior walls of City Library and Casuarina Library by The Exhibitionist, to promote the National Year of Reading.

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Children and Youth Services

Nemarluk School now comes regularly to Casuarina twice a week and regular childcare centre story times and regular immigration centre story times continue to happen. Nightcliff Library staff manned a stall at the Seabreeze Festival with staff reading stories and conducting craft activities for the children.

National Simultaneous Storytime at all Libraries

National Simultaneous Storytime is a campaign organised by the Australian Library and Information Association, in which a picture book, written and illustrated by an Australian author and illustrator, is read simultaneously to children in a variety of venues around Australia. This year's book *The Very Cranky Bear* by local author Nick Bland was selected. It's a wonderful Australian tale about friendship and sacrifice and teaches that appearances aren't important. The City Library had a very special guest story teller, Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim, who did a fantastic job and added a huge growl that made all the children jump. A total of 136 children and 52 adults attended the event.

Young Territory Author (YTA) Awards workshops

Design Your Own Book Cover, with author and artist Di Lucas, was held at Casuarina on Saturday morning. Di demonstrated how to create a professional and eye catching book cover. A group of 15 young people attended, including past YTA winners and some very enthusiastic new members who are writing and entering a book for the first time. Di had the group engaged for the duration of the morning, getting them to have a go at creating their own cover themselves. The staff received positive comments from parents and the children thanking us for holding the workshop.

Local author Barry Jonsberg held a Creative Writing workshop after school. The workshop offered tips and advice on how to produce a winning book for the competition. Barry gave a run down on his various books and his writing experience. Unfortunately Barry had just over an hour but it could easily have gone for the entire afternoon, if not all day. The group hung on his every word, and he was incredibly skilled at getting our problem talkers to get on with it.

To celebrate National Reconciliation Week story time at Casuarina was attended by Minister Malarndirri McCarthy and featured bi-lingual baby board books, produced by NTL.

Kaos at Karama Library

It was a very successful Kaos at Karama this month with 18 youth attending the event. The event was hosted by Jack Tinapple who conducted a drumming workshop with the young people. The night went very smoothly and the library looked like a music school with the entire group participating in the event. After the pizzas were eaten Jack encouraged the group to mirror the rhythms that he made and then to make up their own. This was the favourite part of the night.

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Training

- The Children and Youth Services Librarian attended the Children's Book Council of Australia's Multi Storied Conference in Adelaide.
- A number of library staff attended a Blue Shield Australia Disaster Recovery Workshop. This was a good networking occasion and provided invaluable information on using social media as a communication method during times of disaster.
- The Collection Development Librarian attended a 'Women in Sport' Leadership forum which was facilitated by the Department of Sport & Recreation.

Other training this month for library staff included a:

- tour of the Northern Territory Library
- suicide prevention workshop
- OH&S Conference
- RFID demonstration

Displays and promotions

The libraries send an electronic newsletter each month to over 3600 subscribers. The newsletter promotes our coming events and new resources added to the libraries' collections. Customers can book online to attend library events.

Karama Library has an exhibition of five paintings by local artist Rosemaree Ludlow.

CONSULTATION PROCESS:

Nil

POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

Nil

BUDGET OR RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS:

Nil

RISK/LEGAL/LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS:

Nil

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS:

Nil

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COUNCIL OFFICER CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION:

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

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**COMMUNITY & CULTURAL SERVICES COMMITTEE
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AGENDA ITEM: 9.3
LIVEABILITY UPDATE MAY 2012
REPORT No. 12C0042 FR:kl
COMMON No.
Date: 18/6/2012
Presenter: Fiona Ray, Manager Liveability
Approved: John Banks, General Manager Community & Cultural Services
PURPOSE:

The purpose of this report is to provide Council with an update of activities undertaken within the Liveability Section during May 2012.

LINK TO STRATEGIC PLAN:

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

Goal

2 Enhance Darwin's Active, Positive and Flexible Lifestyle

Outcome

2.2 Increase recreational, cultural and heritage experiences

KEY ISSUES:

- Policy and Research
- Healthy Darwin
- Recreation
- Swimming Pools

RECOMMENDATIONS:

THAT it be a recommendation to Council:-

THAT Report Number 12C0042 entitled, Liveability Update for May 2012 be received and noted.

BACKGROUND:

Monthly activity reports are provided to Council to raise issues of strategic and policy interest, major projects and to share information on operational activities being undertaken across the section.

DISCUSSION:

LIVEABILITY PROJECTS

Installation of Training Lights at Charles Darwin University

Charles Darwin University (CDU) is leasing Council owned sporting fields adjacent to Lakeside Drive. One of the sporting fields, used for training by University Uzzuri Football Club, was identified as the preferred location to install training lights with funding provided by the NT Department of Natural Resources, Environment, The Arts and Sport.

Council Decision no.20\3566 of 24 January 2011, agreed to progress the proposed installation of lights to the Development Consent Authority. A process was then facilitated by Major Projects, CDU to develop project specifications and the tender process.

Environmental considerations were included in the Tender and Selection process with the successful tender incorporating the following -

- A user pays system whereby the lights are managed by users and automatically turned off at a set time. This ensures that lights are on only when in use, representing a significant efficiency and energy use saving.
- Accreditation under the Australian Standard Environmental Management System.
- Competitive whole of life operating and maintenance costs.

Whilst the City of Darwin is pursuing the installation of energy efficient LED lighting in parks and walkways, the technology is yet to be developed to a standard where it is able to meet the standard required for lighting sporting fields. The City of Sydney is in discussion with the industry and anticipate that an appropriate LED product for that purpose may be available in 12 months.

The application will be considered by the Development Consent Authority on 8 June 2012.

Urban Enhancement Funds

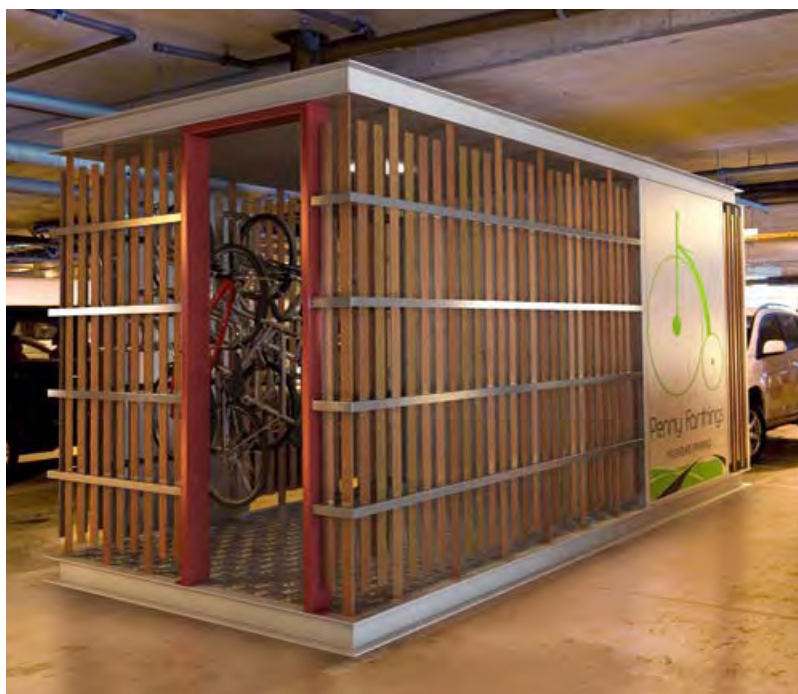
In March this year a request was made to the Minister for Lands and Planning to hold over retained urban enhancement grants for the purpose of committing the funds to the pilot walkway lighting project. The Minister has agreed that \$258,819 can be put towards the project.

Decision No. 20\4443 of 27 September 2011 includes a process of consultation will guide the upgrade project . Community and Cultural Services will work closely with Infrastructure on this important community safety initiative.

Bike Pod China Town Car Park

Installation of a bike pod will be Council's next initiative to enhance cycling infrastructure in the Darwin CBD. The pod will be installed in the China Town car park, with direct access from Smith Street.

The pod will contain parking for 12 bikes, 12 lockers and a shower. Bicycle NT are in strong support of the project and have identified that the provision of shower facilities for cyclists is a critical area of unmet need.



Super Tuesday Bike Count, 4th September 2012

Council participated in the Super Tuesday Bike Count for the first time in September last 2011. The count is a national initiative designed to provide a snapshot of bicycle commuting. It is a valuable source of information for infrastructure planning and investment.

Darwin's busiest commuter routes in 2011 were identified as the intersections of the Rapid Creek footbridge where 186 riders were counted over the two hour period, the intersections of Daly and Cavenagh and Daly and Smith Street saw 230 cyclists, with 101 cyclists counted at Rocklands Drive and Florey Street and 88 at the intersection of Casuarina and Nightcliff Road.

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Council will be participating in the 2012 count on 4th September 2012 with the Department of Lands and Planning.

RECREATION

Ovals

The 2012 Dry Season Oval Hire Allocations for weekly sports training and competition commenced at the start of April. A summary of usage by the relevant NT Peak Sporting bodies currently hiring each Council oval is provided in the table below:

Oval	User Group	Usage
Anula	NT Rugby League (Brothers)	Training - Seniors, Juniors
Bagot	Football Federation NT (Mindil)	Training - Seniors, Juniors
Dinah Beach	NT Cricket	Competition - Juniors
Fannie Bay	Football Federation NT (Port Darwin)	Training - Juniors
Gardens One	NT Cricket (Waratahs)	Training - Seniors, Juniors
	AFL NT	Competition - Seniors, Juniors Training - Juniors
Gardens Two	Softball NT (Waratahs)	Training - Seniors, Juniors
	Football Federation NT (Port Darwin)	Training, Competition - Seniors
Jingili	Football Federation NT (Hellenic)	Training - Seniors
	AFL NT (Thunder Jnrs, Banks Snrs)	Training - Seniors, Juniors
Kahlin	NT Cricket (Darwin)	Training - Seniors, Juniors
	Football Federation NT (Casuarina, Olympic, DFL)	Competition - Seniors, Juniors
Malak	Football Federation NT (Casuarina, Olympic, DFL)	Training - Juniors Competition - Seniors, Juniors
Moil	NT Rugby League (Nightcliff)	Training - Juniors
Nakara	AFL NT (Thunder Jnrs)	Training - Juniors
	Football Federation NT (Uni Azzurri)	Training - Juniors
Nightcliff	NT Cricket (Nightcliff)	Training - Seniors, Juniors
	NT Cricket (Nightcliff)	Competition - Seniors, Juniors
Tiwi	NT Cricket	Competition - Seniors, Juniors
Wagaman	Football Federation NT (Olympic)	Training - Seniors
	Softball NT (St Marys)	Training - Seniors, Juniors
Wanguri	Football Federation NT (Casuarina)	Training - Juniors
	NT Cricket	Competition - Seniors, Juniors
Wulagi	Football Federation NT (Garuda)	Training - Seniors
	NT Cricket	Competition - Seniors, Juniors

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Swimming Pools

The April 2012 monthly summary of revenue and patron attendance for each pool indicates a slight increase compared to the previous month and also for the same period in 2011, (with the exception of Casuarina).

	Patron Attendance			Revenue		
	Parap	Casuarina	Nightcliff	Parap	Casuarina	Nightcliff
April 2012	4921	3622	5899	\$18,969.60	\$10,319.80	\$18,622.90
March 2012	4404	3552	5711	\$15,346.20	\$10,321.80	\$16,321.70
April 2011	4277	7707	4777	\$13,096.70	\$17,911.10	\$14,679.60

FREEPS

FREEPS as part of Seabreeze Festival was held at Nightcliff Pool on Saturday, 5 May 2012 from 3pm to 6pm.

The Orange POPP (Public Outdoor Ping Pong) table was on-site as part of the activities, in addition to Council's Fun In The Parks team with Giant Games and a jewellery-making workshop. Inflatable activities included a water-slide and community information tables staffed by Royal Lifesaving Society NT and ActivateNT Darwin.



ActivateNT Darwin 2012

The 2012 ActivateNT Darwin program is currently in its sixth week with 422 participants registered. Registrations have remained open throughout the duration of the program to maximise the opportunity for people to participate. Participants have been kept informed of upcoming program events through a weekly email newsletter and regular Facebook updates.

Various Council facilities have been utilised as venues for the program in 2012 which include:

- Nightcliff Swimming Pool
- Parap Swimming Pool
- Casuarina Swimming Pool
- Nightcliff Foreshore (Fitness Equipment, Seabreeze Slab, shared bikepath)
- Parap Recreational Facility
- Malak Community Centre
- Lyons Community Centre
- Nightcliff Community Centre
- Casuarina Library Community Room
- Jingili Water Gardens
- East Point Reserve (Lake Alexander and surrounds)
- Dinah Beach Oval
- Bicentennial Park (The Cenotaph and surrounds)

On Sunday May 20, Alderman Mitchell led a Dragonfly Walk around the Waters Ward starting and finishing at the Anula Regional Playground, followed by a healthy breakfast for participants to socialise and meet others from their community. Residents were also invited to attend the Dragonfly Walks in the Chan and Richardson Wards on Sunday June 3. The Lord Mayor and Aldermen Elix, Worden, Mitchell, Lambert and Want de Rowe were involved in leading these walks.



Healthy Darwin

Healthy Darwin continues to provide low cost healthy programs for low income earners. To date the program has had 55 low income earners sign up, with a further 80 people participating in our many specialised healthy programs throughout the Darwin Municipality.

The first HEAL (Healthy Eating, Activity and Lifestyle) program commenced with clients of CarersNT. HEAL is an education program that incorporates physical activity and education sessions facilitated by exercise professionals. The program is in its third week with 10 participants attending weekly. Healthy Darwin has also linked with Danila Dilba Medical Service to develop an appropriate delivery model of the HEAL program to their indigenous clients.

Weekly women's group at Bagot community have commenced. Working with partners from Amity Community Services, CatholicCare and the NT Department of Health the group facilitates learning around a range of health and wellbeing issues, as well as providing a healthy weekly cook up on the homemade flour drum stove.

Healthy Darwin has sponsored the annual Beat a Path Walk at East point in partnership with the Heart Foundation. Around 100 people participated in this event.

As part of Healthy Darwin support to the ActivateNT program the first ever Moonlight Sessions have been run in various open spaces around Darwin. The sessions are aimed at engaging young adults in physical activity and include Basketball workshops with Hoops4Health, Urban Adventure Challenge and Street Soccer.

Free Mini Health Checks with Casuarina Community Health have continued with a special families week stall set up outside Centrelink in Casuarina. Over 50 people came to check their blood sugar, blood pressure and hear about Healthy Darwin as well as try our tasty and healthy beef and vegetable kebabs.

Our work with special groups continues to remain strong with the 12 week Tai Chi course with the Danila Dilba seniors group attracting around 15 participants weekly. Monthly nutrition sessions with the Cooking with Culture migrant group also continues. The first nutrition session has been held at Pete's Place (a mental health drop in centre) to give clients an opportunity to learn more about managing chronic disease and eating the right foods.

Healthy Darwin engaged with Danila Dilba's youth group to create a skills development program for two young Aboriginal males. The program will see the men help with the development and delivery of specialised indigenous programs whilst building their own skills in providing Healthy lifestyle programs.

The Healthy Darwin Reference group held their first meeting in May. The group made up of a diverse mix of government and non government service providers is focussed on providing valuable feedback and advice on Healthy Darwin projects.

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CONSULTATION PROCESS

Nil.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil

BUDGET and RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

Nil

RISK/ LEGAL/ LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

Nil

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

COUNCIL OFFICER CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION:

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

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**COMMUNITY & CULTURAL SERVICES COMMITTEE
(OPEN A)**
AGENDA ITEM: 9.4
REGULATORY SERVICES UPDATE
REPORT No. 12C0034 TW:mrg
COMMON No. 1330602
Date: 18/6/2012
Presenter: Terry Wright, A/Manager Regulatory Services
Approved: John Banks, General Manager, Community & Cultural Services
PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to provide Council with an update of activities undertaken within the Regulatory Services section during May.

LINK TO STRATEGIC PLAN

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

KEY ISSUES

Parking Enforcement
Animal Management
Public Places

RECOMMENDATIONS

THAT it be a recommendation to Council:-

THAT Report Number 12C0034 TW:mrg entitled Regulatory Services Update, be received and noted.

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 SUBJECT: REGULATORY SERVICES UPDATE

BACKGROUND

Monthly reports are provided to Council to provide information on the operational activities undertaken by Regulatory Services.

DISCUSSION

Abandoned Vehicles

Council Rangers will investigate whether a reported vehicle has been abandoned and in some cases will need to make enquiries with Police to determine whether it has been stolen.

If the vehicle has been abandoned in a public place, Council Rangers, will issue a notice to the owner/driver requesting the vehicle to be removed within 24 hours if the vehicle is unregistered or unroadworthy or within 7 days if the vehicle is currently registered.

Pursuant to Northern Territory Traffic Regulation 65(1), Rangers can only action complaints on abandoned vehicles if the vehicle is on land under the care and control of Council. If the vehicle is on private land, Rangers will then inform the competent authority of the complaint.

Council has regulations in place to remove, or require owners to remove, vehicles abandoned within the Municipality. Rangers will begin proceedings to serve notice on the owner of an abandoned vehicle within 24 to 48 hours of receiving a complaint about the vehicle's presence. Complaints can be made to Council in person at Customer Service, by phone or by email.

For the period of April to May Council received 53 reports of alleged abandoned vehicles within the Municipality. 43 vehicles were removed after Rangers issued Notices , 3 vehicles were towed by Council to the abandoned vehicle compound or to the crusher and the remainder of vehicles are either waiting to be towed or still under investigation.

Animal Management

The Regulatory Services Section has undertaken a review of the overall approach to addressing barking dog complaints within the municipality. To improve liveability in the city and achieve real outcomes for pet owners and long term improvement in noise reduction for residents, Council has combined an educational, consultative and regulatory approach leading to a successful resolution of barking complaints. Council has incorporated the instructional skills of the Animal Education Officer in providing assessments and advice to dog owners, at the same time brokering closer relationships between neighbours. This approach has long term benefits and is showing positive and cost effective strategy for resolving barking dog complaints.

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Several low level dog attacks were reported with fines being issued and fencing conditions placed on the offending dogs. The procedures for Dog At Large and Impounding of Animals were reviewed to include provisions for when an animal is impounded as a consequence of storm or firework activity. Licensing and Registration were a key focus during May with Council records indicating an increase in figures.

Animal Education

The Animal Education Officer attended the RSPCA Million Paws Walk for 2012 at the Jingili Water Gardens on 20th May as an exhibitor. A Council display provided educational fact sheets, information pamphlets and free gifts to members of the community. It was a very successful fundraising event for the RSPCA as just over 700 registrations were received on the day, a good result.

For the last month after-hour patrols have been conducted by two Rangers and the Animal Education Officer along the Nightcliff foreshore area to ensure voluntary compliance. Officer ensured that dogs were walked on a lead along the pathway and that owners are also carrying poo bags with them to collect after their dogs. Education and appropriate action has been taken and positive feedback received from the public with Council's presence in the area.

At this point in time the Animal Education Officer is collating information regarding Council's research into developing its own Pet Park within the Darwin Municipality.

The Animal Education Officer has also completed a comprehensive dog behaviour assessment report with temperament and recommended training techniques for an individual investigation. This formal approach to dog complaints will be adopted as an additional tool for dog owners requiring specific training advice for their dogs.

The Animal Education Officer is also involved in the annual Royal Darwin Show for 2012 at the Showgrounds, she is in charge of the table designs inside the newly painted shed where Council will showcase their services. There is a focus on the visual merchandising of the Animal Management stall to incorporate Council's new corporate logo and provide a fresh attractive look.

CONSULTATION PROCESS

Nil.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil.

BUDGET AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

Nil.

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RISK/LEGAL/LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

Nil.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil.

COUNCIL OFFICER CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION

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

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**COMMUNITY & CULTURAL SERVICES COMMITTEE
(OPEN A)**

AGENDA ITEM: 9.5

**MEETING NOTES DISABILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE 9 FEBRUARY 2012 AND
MINUTES 10 MAY 2012**

REPORT No. 12C0037 NM:es

COMMON No. 2253976

Date: 18/06/2012

Presenter: Nancy McCann, Community Services Officer

Approved: John Banks, General Manager, Community & Cultural Services

PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to present the meeting notes of the Disability Advisory Committee (DAC) meeting of 9 February 2012 (**Attachment A**) and the minutes of the DAC meeting of 10 May 2012 (**Attachment B**) for Council's information and details the recommendations arising from the minutes for Council's consideration.

LINK TO STRATEGIC PLAN

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':-

Please identify the one goal and outcome related to this Agenda Item

Goal 5 Facilitate and Maintain a Cohesive Community

Outcome 5.1 Facilitate community access and inclusion

KEY ISSUES

The meeting notes of Council's Disability Advisory Committee (DAC) meeting of 9 February 2012 and minutes of the DAC meeting of 10 May 2012 are presented for Council's information and consideration of the recommendations arising from the meeting is requested.

RECOMMENDATIONS

THAT it be a recommendation to Council:-

- A. THAT Report Number 12C0037 KH:es entitled Meeting Notes Disability Advisory Committee 9 February 2012 and Minutes 10 May 2012, be received and noted.

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- B. THAT the Disability Advisory Committee recommends that funds from the 2011/2012 Disability Access budget be expended on the purchase and installation of a new pool access hoist at Nightcliff Swimming Pool .
- C. THAT the Disability Advisory Committee recommends that funds from the 2011/2012 Disability Access budget be expended on the purchase of a disability access ramp to complement the portable stage being purchased for use at community events.

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BACKGROUND

Council's Disability Advisory Committee is established pursuant to Section 54 of the NT Local Government Act 2008 to inform and advise Council in relation to its responsibilities to ensure equity of access to people with disability in the application of procedures and the provision of services and facilities. Advice is provided through representatives selected for their awareness and specialist knowledge of disability.

DISCUSSION

At its meeting of 10 May 2012 DAC members agreed that a new access hoist should be purchased and installed at Nightcliff Swimming Pool as the existing hoist is in need of replacement. It was also agreed that an access ramp be purchased to complement the portable stage which is being purchased for use at community events. The cost of the access hoist and the access ramp are estimated to be approximately \$10,000 each which can be covered by existing funds in the Disability Access Budget.

Recommendation:

THAT the Disability Advisory Committee recommends that funds from the 2011/2012 Disability Access budget be expended on the purchase and installation of a new pool access hoist at Nightcliff Swimming Pool .

Moved: Lynne Strathie.

Seconded: Rosemary Burkitt.

Carried.

Recommendation:

THAT the Disability Advisory Committee recommends that funds from the 2011/2012 Disability Access budget be expended on the purchase of a disability access ramp to complement the portable stage being purchased for use at community events.

Moved: Lynne Strathie.

Seconded: Rosemary Burkitt.

Carried.

CONSULTATION PROCESS

Members of the Disability Advisory Committee.
 Team Leader Capital Works.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

The Disability Advisory Committee assists Council meet the objectives of its Community Access Plan and to consider and provide effective disabled access throughout the municipality.

BUDGET AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

The cost of the access hoist and the access ramp are estimated to be approximately \$10,000 each. There is currently approximately \$22,000 available in the Disability

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Access Budget.

RISK/LEGAL/LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

The Committee is an Advisory Committee established under the NT Local Government Act 2008.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

Not pertinent to this report.

COUNCIL OFFICER CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION

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

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Attachment A - Meeting Notes Disability Advisory Committee 9 February 2012
Attachment B - Minutes Disability Advisory Committee 10 May 2012



MEETING NOTES
DISABILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
 2.00 - 3.30pm, Thursday 9 February 2012
 Casuarina Library Meeting Room
 Bradshaw Terrace, Casuarina

1. PRESENT

Lynne Strathie	Chair, Community Representative
Rosemary Burkitt	Deputy Chair, Community Representative
Adrian Riessen	Community Representative
Alasdair McGregor	Specialist Representative
Pero Peric	Specialist Representative
Alderman Allan Mitchell	Elected Member, Darwin City Council
David Cash	Infrastructure Dept, Darwin City Council
Nancy McCann	Community Services Dept, Darwin City Council

2. APOLOGIES

Deborah Bampton	Community Representative
Martin Blakemore	Community Representative
Gerald Grady	Community Representative
Debb Lovett	Community Representative
Peter Mahony	Community Representative
Robert Reid	Community Representative
Aja Whelan	Community Representative
Julie Moore	Specialist Representative

3. DECLARATION OF INTEREST IN ANY ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

None declared.

4. ACCEPTANCE OF PREVIOUS MINUTES OF 13 OCTOBER 2011 (Attachment A)

It was moved by Rosemary Burkitt and seconded by Adrian Riessen that the minutes from the meeting held 13 October 2011 were a true and accurate record however as a quorum was not achieved, the minutes could not be endorsed.

5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES OF 13 OCTOBER 2011

As a quorum was not achieved an informal meeting was held.

5.1 RECHARGE Scheme

Nancy currently liaising with staff from Nillumbik Shire Council in Victoria regarding the possible rollout of the scheme in Darwin.

5.2 Facility Access Survey results

Outgoing letters to Minister for Tourism, Minister for Transport, Australian Paralympic Committee and General Manager Arafura Games advising of Survey results were noted.

5.3 Access to accessible car parks within Woolworths complex, Darwin

Outgoing letter to Chief Executive Officer, Woolworths Supermarkets was noted. Dave and Nancy advised that Woolworth's Property Manager had met them on site and had undertaken to instigate improvements.

5.4 Specialised Smoke Alarms in public housing for deaf and hearing impaired persons.

As discussed at the last DAC meeting, Nancy contacted the Chief Minister's Public and Affordable Housing Advisor who offered to attend a DAC meeting to discuss the provision of smoke alarms in public housing for deaf and hearing impaired persons. It was agreed that the Advisor should be invited to the next DAC meeting.

ACTION: Nancy to invite Public and Affordable Housing Advisor to DAC's next meeting.

5.5 Proposed Masterplan for Civic Park

Nancy advised that DAC will be consulted when the Masterplan for Civic Park is being developed.

6. ACCESS ACTION LIST

6.1 Access to Taxi Stand on Cavenagh Street, adjacent to Woolworths
Crossover for access to taxi rank completed December 2011.

6.2 Access to accessible car parks within Woolworths complex, Darwin City
Refer item 5.3.

8.3 Lack of Pedestrian Access at Vanderlin Drive, Karama
Department of Lands and Planning have undertaken to install a pedestrian refuge near the intersection of Vanderlin Drive and Kalymnos Drive, Karama. Pero advised that contract has been awarded and work will be completed in the near future.

8.4 Lack of Pedestrian Crossing across Leanyer Drive near Hibiscus Shopping Centre
Proposed upgrade is on NT Government's forward works program.

8.5 Proposed Fishing Pontoon or Platform at Rapid Creek
Department of Lands and Planning have advised that the fencing design of the fishing platform is being adjusted so that the platform has capacity for rod fishing from wheelchair height whilst still meeting Australian Standard height specifications for fencing.

7. GENERAL BUSINESS**7.1 Resignation from DAC of Fabio Finnocchiaro**

Fabio's resignation letter was noted. Fabio represented the Department of Lands and Planning's Building Advisory Services on DAC for almost ten years and Committee members wish to acknowledge Fabio's valuable contribution and support.

8. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Date: 10 May 2012

Time: 2.00pm - 3.30pm

Venue: Casuarina Library Meeting Room
Bradshaw Terrace, Casuarina

9. MEETING CLOSED

Meeting closed at 3.35pm.



MINUTES
DISABILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
2.00 - 3.30pm, Thursday 10 May 2012
Casuarina Library Meeting Room
Bradshaw Terrace, Casuarina

1. PRESENT

Lynne Strathie	Chair, Community Representative
Rosemary Burkitt	Deputy Chair, Community Representative
Deborah Bampton	Community Representative
Martin Blakemore	Community Representative
Debb Lovett	Community Representative
Adrian Riessen	Community Representative
Alasdair McGregor	Specialist Representative
Pero Peric	Specialist Representative
Alderman Allan Mitchell	Elected Member, City of Darwin
David Cash	Infrastructure Dept, City of Darwin
Nancy McCann	Community Services Dept, City of Darwin
Ella Maguire	Public and Affordable Housing Adviser
Cheryl Day	NT Dept Housing, Local Government & Regional Services
Naomi Kishtoo	NABS Interpreter

2. APOLOGIES

Gerald Grady	Community Representative
Peter Mahony	Community Representative
Robert Reid	Community Representative
Aja Whelan	Community Representative
Julie Moore	Specialist Representative
Armando Padovan	Specialist Representative

3. DECLARATION OF INTEREST IN ANY ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

None declared.

4. ACCEPTANCE OF PREVIOUS MINUTES OF 13 OCTOBER 2011 AND NOTES OF 9 FEBRUARY 2012

Minutes from the meeting held 13 October 2011 and notes of 9 February 2012 were accepted as a true and accurate record.

Moved: Martin Blakemore. Seconded: Deborah Bampton. Carried.

5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

5.1 RECHARGE Scheme

Nancy currently liaising with staff from Nillumbik Shire Council in Victoria regarding the possible rollout of the scheme in Darwin.

5.2 Draft City of Darwin Community Access Plan (CAP) 2012 - 2017

The content and layout of the draft CAP 2012 – 2017 were discussed. The Committee approved the layout concept however agreed that some photographs were not suitable and that background colour should be kept as pale as possible so as to enhance readability of text. It was also suggested that the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities should be referenced.

5.3 Specialised Smoke Alarms in public housing for deaf and hearing impaired persons.

The Public and Affordable Housing Advisor and a representative from the Department of Housing, Local Government & Regional Services were in attendance to provide information and field questions. The Committee was informed that all public housing tenants are regularly advised of the availability of specialised smoke alarms for people with hearing impairment. DAC members provided comment regarding the suitability of the type of smoke alarms provided. The Public and Affordable Housing Advisor undertook to follow up the possibility of a broader smoke alarm subsidy scheme being introduced into the Northern Territory and will inform DAC as information becomes available.

6. ACCESS ACTION LIST**6.1 Access to accessible car parks within Woolworths complex, Darwin City**

Upgrade of accessible car parks completed by Woolworths in March 2012.

6.2 Lack of Pedestrian Access at Vanderlin Drive, Karama

A pedestrian refuge has been installed near the intersection of Vanderlin Drive and Kalymnos Drive, Karama by the Department of Lands and Planning. Signage has also been installed but is visually blocked by its proximity to another sign. Pero advised that the problem with the signage will be rectified in the near future and the project will be complete.

6.3 Lack of Pedestrian Crossing across Leanyer Drive near Hibiscus Shopping Centre

Proposed upgrade is on NT Government's forward works program.

6.4 Proposed Fishing Pontoon or Platform at Rapid Creek

Dave advised that the design of the fishing platform is completed and tenders have been called for installation of the platform by the NT Government.

7. GENERAL BUSINESS

7.1 Introduction of *Building Amendment (Disability Access and other Matters) Bill 2012*

Incoming letter from Department of Lands and Planning tabled. Committee members requested clarification of the statement in the letter that the Bill will replicate exceptions and concessions provided for in Commonwealth Standards to ensure that Northern Territory industry may make use of them.

ACTION: Nancy to contact Department of Lands and Planning to seek clarification.

7.2 Disability Access Budget

Dave advised that after the recent expenditure of \$7,000 to upgrade crossovers in Cummins Street, Nightcliff, there is approximately \$22,000 remaining in the Disability Access budget. Following discussion it was agreed that a new access hoist be purchased and installed at Nightcliff Swimming Pool as the existing hoist is in need of replacement. It was also agreed that an access ramp be purchased to complement the portable stage which is soon to be purchased for use at community events. The cost of the access hoist and the access ramp are estimated to be approximately \$10,000 each which can be covered by existing funds in the Disability Access Budget.

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT the Disability Advisory Committee recommends that funds from the 2011/2012 Disability Access budget be expended on the purchase and installation of a new pool access hoist at Nightcliff Swimming Pool .

Moved: Lynne Strathie. Seconded: Rosemary Burkitt. Carried.

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT the Disability Advisory Committee recommends that funds from the 2011/2012 Disability Access budget be expended on the purchase of a disability access ramp to complement the portable stage being purchased for use at community events.

Moved: Lynne Strathie. Seconded: Rosemary Burkitt. Carried.

7.3 DAC Membership Update

Nancy reported that nominations for DAC membership for the two year term commencing on 1 July 2012 have now closed. Nominations will be assessed by a selection panel in late May and presented to Council in June after which formal appointments will be made.

7.4 DAC Meeting Schedule

The DAC meeting schedule for the remainder of 2012 was noted. It was agreed that the date of the next scheduled meeting be changed from 14 June to 21 June if possible as many members will be attending a consultation session for the draft National Standards for Disability Services on 14 June 2012.

8. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Date: 21 June 2012

Time: 2.00pm - 3.30pm

Venue: Casuarina Library Meeting Room
Bradshaw Terrace, Casuarina

9. MEETING CLOSED

Meeting closed at 3.25pm.

**COMMUNITY & CULTURAL SERVICES COMMITTEE
(OPEN A)**
AGENDA ITEM: 9.6
**MINUTES YOUTH ADVISORY GROUP 2 MAY 2012,
MEMBERSHIP APPOINTMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS**
REPORT No. 12C0035 SP:es
COMMON No. 2253644
Date: 18/06/2012
Presenter: Sean Pardy, Youth Services Officer
Approved: John Banks, General Manager, Community & Cultural Services
PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to present to Council the minutes of the Youth Advisory Group meeting held 2 May 2012 for their consideration

LINK TO STRATEGIC PLAN

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 ISSUES

- Minutes
- Membership Appointment
- Acceptance of Resignation

RECOMMENDATIONS

THAT it be a recommendation to Council:-

- A. THAT Report Number 12C0035 SP:ems entitled Minutes Youth Advisory Group 2 May 2012, Membership Appointments and Resignations, be received and noted.
- B. THAT the following be appointed as members of the Youth Advisory Group (YAG) for a three (3) year term from 1 May 2012 to 30 April 2015:

Danielle Broster
Sarah Morris
Krshna Capaque

- C. THAT the Youth Advisory Group accept the resignation of Declan Coffey and Zenia Xie and a letter of thanks from the Lord Mayor be provided.

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BACKGROUND

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

DISCUSSION

The May YAG meeting was the first meeting following a break due to Council entering caretaker mode.

The meeting saw three members recommended for inclusion on the Advisory Group and also saw the retirement of two members who reached the end of their three year term. This natural turn over has brought a new energy to the group and the new members are enthusiastic about representing the youth community. The group has a mix of middle, senior and university students as well as members who are not studying but in the workforce.

Members spent time providing advice and feedback for a youth event being included in the Top End Sustainable Living Festival. The Climate Change Challenge will see groups of secondary students represent their school in a climate change based competition. The event is planned for 6 June 2012 and will be the first time a youth specific event has been included as part of Top End Sustainable Living Festival.

The remainder of the meeting was spent discussing Loud and Clear: Youth Strategy 2009 – 2014. Members were informed of the activities and programs that Council had undertaken as part of the strategy and those that are still being progressed as part of the five year plan.

The meeting briefly touched on events that the group would like to plan for rest of the year and the NT youth conference to be held in Darwin in October.

CONSULTATION PROCESS

Youth Advisory Group membership.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil.

BUDGET AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

Nil.

RISK/LEGAL/LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

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APPOINTMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS

Nil.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil.

COUNCIL OFFICER CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION

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

SEAN PARDY
YOUTH SERVICES OFFICER

JOHN BANKS
GENERAL MANAGER
COMMUNITY & CULTURAL SERVICES

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**Attachment A – Minutes Youth Advisory Group 2 May 2012, Membership
Appointments and Resignations**



MINUTES OF THE CITY OF DARWIN YOUTH ADVISORY GROUP (YAG) MEETING HELD WEDNESDAY 2 MAY 2012

Chair: Angus Robson

Minutes: Emily Nancarrow

1. PRESENT

Declan Coffey	YAG Member
Angus Robson	YAG Member
Alexa Morris-Lovell	YAG Member
Michael Hall	YAG Member
Felix Baker	YAG Member
Zenia Xie	YAG Member
Madeline Tait	YAG Member
Danielle Broster	YAG Guest
Krshna Capaque	YAG Guest
Sarah Morris	YAG Guest
Sean Pardy	COD
Emily Nancarrow	COD
Shelley Franklyn	COD
Alderman Want De Rowe	COD

2. APOLOGIES

Olivier Hasan-Fourcard
Lang Williamson
Gabby White

3. ICE BREAKER

Emily conducted an ice breaker activity.

4. WELCOME NEW APPLICANTS FOR YAG

Sean introduced Danielle Broster, Sarah Morris and Krshna Capaque to YAG, explaining the roles and responsibilities of membership to YAG, and the importance of representing the community.

Sean introduced Alderman Rebecca Want de Rowe to the meeting as the representative of the 21st Council.

Two members, Declan Coffey and Angus Robson, spoke of their time in YAG and mentioned some of their highlights.

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT the following be appointed as members of the Youth Advisory Group (YAG) for a three (3) year term from May 1 2012 to April 30 2015:

- Danielle Broster
- Sarah Morris
- Krshna Capaque

Moved: Alexa Morris-Lovell

Seconded: Angus Robson

Carried

5. SPECIAL GUEST: Shelley Franklyn, Manager Climate Change and Environment (City of Darwin) Top End Sustainable Living Festival

Shelley introduced the proposal for a youth based event for inclusion in Sustainability Week 2012. Shelley discussed her ideas with YAG and sought their feedback and suggestions.

YAG gave advice on the following areas.

1. Age range of participants
2. Possible locations for the event
3. Name of the event
4. Potential judges
5. Prize options

The event is to be called The Climate Change Challenge and will occur on the 6 June. Teams will comprise of students from middle and senior schools.

Shelley thanked YAG for their ideas and valuable feedback and for welcoming her to the meeting.

6. LOUD AND CLEAR: YOUTH STRATEGY 2009 – 2014. PROGRESS UPDATE

Sean discussed the Youth Strategy and brought the group up to date on Council's progress and achievements.

Some of Council's achievements included:

The recruitment of a Youth Leisure Officer

The funding of a youth leisure program.

The employment of young people across a wide range of Council services

Projects that are still being worked on as part of the strategy include:

The formation of a Youth Arts Bank
The Youth Energy Precinct.
Establishment of a youth specific capital item

7. RETIRING MEMBERS

Zenia Xie and Declan Coffey have reached the end of their three year terms and consequently are retiring from YAG. Sean thanked the two retiring members for their time with YAG. He expressed his gratitude and appreciation for their enthusiasm and commitment to the community.

Recommendation:

- THAT the Youth Advisory Group note the resignation of Zenia Xie and Declan Coffey and a letter of thanks from the Lord Mayor be provided.

8. OTHER BUISNESS

- **Meeting date change**

Sean informed the group about the change of date for the next YAG meeting. The next meeting will be held on 30 May 2012. In summary the 6 June 2012 meeting will be held on May 30. July meetings are not held on account of school holidays. The August meeting will be held on 1 August 2012

- **Youth Conference NT**

Sean informed YAG of the 2012 NT Youth Conference to be held on October 1 and 2, and encouraged members to participate in the event.

- **YAG events 2012**

YAG discussed potential events they would like to organise in 2012. Including:

- Cooking competition
- Events surrounding the Olympics
- Fundraiser at the Deck Chair Cinema
- Billy Cart Races

- **The Big Gig 2012**

As some members were unable to attend the GRIND / YAG combined feedback session Sean asked these members for their feedback from the BIG GIG 2012.

9. CLOSE

Meeting closed at 6.36pm.

**COMMUNITY & CULTURAL SERVICES COMMITTEE
(OPEN A)**
AGENDA ITEM: 9.7
**ARTS SPONSORSHIP PROPOSALS: ART ON WHEELS & DARWIN FRIDGE
FESTIVAL**
REPORT No. 12C0041 AR:kl
COMMON No. 2240979
Date: 16/6/2012
Presenter: Alice Rae, Arts & Cultural Development Officer
Approved: John Banks, General Manager, Community & Cultural Services
PURPOSE

The report responds to sponsorship requests from arts organisations for two projects: Art On Wheels (**Attachment A**), and the Darwin Fridge Festival (**Attachment B**). A Council determination is sought to progress these requests.

LINK TO STRATEGIC PLAN

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

KEY ISSUES

- Art on Wheels, auspiced by Darwin Visual Arts Association, seeks Council sponsorship for a four-week pilot of the Art on Wheels project to the value of \$2,500 in-kind for permits, access to electricity and support with marketing and event publicity.
- Darwin Fridge Festival, auspiced by Darwin Community Arts, seeks sponsorship of the 2012 Darwin Fridge Festival to the value of \$15,000.
- Council does not have a specific budget established for the sponsorship of arts projects and typically these items are referred to the Community Grants program or annual sponsorship program, timing dependant. There is no capacity however at this time.
- Council's 2011/2012 Arts Operational Budget has scope to support a small number of projects through sponsorship.
- The current applications have been assessed against Council's sponsorship criteria.

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RECOMMENDATIONS

THAT it be a recommendation to Council:-

- A. THAT Report Number 12C0041 entitled Arts Sponsorship Proposals: Art On Wheels and Darwin Fridge Festival, be received and noted.
- B. THAT Council provide \$5,000 sponsorship to the Darwin Fridge Festival from Arts Operational Budget No. 05/221004.
- C. THAT Council support the Art on Wheels four-week pilot project through the provision of in-kind sponsorship to the value of \$2,500 from Arts Operational Budget No. 05/221004.

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DISCUSSION

Arts on Wheels (Attachment A)

Art on Wheels is an innovative 'mobile art gallery' project proposed by a collective of local artists led by Ms Siying Zhou. The collective has received a grant from the Australia Council to the value of \$20,000 and has already purchased a vehicle from which the project will operate.

The Art on Wheels project aims to bring gallery works, arts activities and an art library to selected public sites in suburban Darwin (e.g. markets, swimming pools and parks) to enable community members to engage with art outside of traditional gallery spaces. The applicants are seeking Council's in-kind support for the project through the provision of permits to operate in Council owned Parks and public places, access to power and support with marketing and publicity.

Darwin Fridge Festival 2012 (Attachment B)

Council provided a special grant of \$10,000 towards the inaugural Darwin Fridge Festival in 2010. This was part of a 3 year agreement with Darwin Community Arts (\$10,000 per annum) to produce the Darwin Fringe annually between 2008 and 2010. Darwin Community Arts undertook to achieve agreed outcomes for the Darwin Fringe Festival through production of a 'Fridge' Festival in 2010.

Substantial in-kind support for the 2010 Darwin Fridge Festival was also provided by Council through the engagement of art workshop presenters and provision of art materials at the event. Corporate sponsors including the Darwin International Airport and the Darwin City Waterfront were successfully engaged by event organisers for the 2011 Darwin Fridge Festival. Council sponsorship of \$15,000 is now sought towards the 2012 Darwin Fridge Festival event, which has a community cultural development focus to engage with vulnerable community groups through the arts.

Sponsorship criterion as contained within Council Policy No. 008 (Community Services, Cultural and Social – General), has been applied to the applications for the basis of assessment.

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Darwin Fridge Festival

Relevance to Council's stakeholders:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Focus on vulnerable community groups, e.g. children, Indigenous and CALD communities, migrant and refugee communities, homeless, individuals accessing mental health services. Events are free and open to everyone Promotes art in the community; everyone can be an artist
Alignment with Council's values and strategic objectives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Alignment with Key Strategies 2.1.5. (Participate and partner in activities that contribute to a safer Darwin); 2.3.1 (Promote and host family orientated activities); 3.1.1. (Maintain and enhance public spaces and encourage greater use by the community); 5.2.2 (Create opportunities for the expression of cultural diversity through art); 5.3.1 (Develop and support programs to promote community spirit, cohesion and safety).
Achievable timeframes and budget	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2012 event builds upon strengths of 2010 and 2011 events which demonstrated the ability of the event coordinators to produce the event within timeframes and budget.
Capacity to deliver long term benefits	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Aims to build capacity in the arts through participation in workshops by artists and community groups Aims to enhance self-esteem of participants for long-term social benefit
Business, industry, economic, social, sporting, environmental or cultural benefit and involvement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Social and cultural benefit and involvement in a community festival with a workshop program incorporating multiple festival elements
The organisation's capacity for administering the project	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Demonstrated capacity to administer the project as per similar events held in 2010 and 2011.
The project's viability in terms of support from any other relevant organisations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Confirmed corporate and community project partners include Team Health, NT Airports, Darwin Visual Arts Association, Mission Australia, Casuarina Shopping Centre, Shoal Bay Recycling Centre, Charles Darwin University, Arts Access, and a number of local schools.
Support of the activity by appropriate marketing and communications activity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Strong and clearly developed media and marketing plan.

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Art on Wheels

Relevance to Council's stakeholders	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Utilising and activating a number of Council spaces: Parap Market, Parap Pool, East Point Reserve, Jingili Water Gardens, Nightcliff Pool, Casuarina Library, Dripstone Park, Wulagi Park, Leanyer Recreation Park (including Water Park), Malak Park.
Alignment with Council's values and strategic objectives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Alignment with Key Strategies 2.3.1 (Promote and host family orientated activities); 3.1.1. (Maintain and enhance public spaces and encourage greater use by the community); 5.2.2 (Create opportunities for the expression of cultural diversity through art);
Achievable timeframes and budget	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The organisation has received a grant from the Australia Council to cover purchase of a van and a four-week pilot of the project. A van has been purchased for this purpose.
Capacity to deliver long term benefits	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Project to be delivered over a four-week period. Long-term benefits include increased awareness of the work of contemporary artists in Darwin; sense of community amongst local artists and the general public; opportunity for the public to engage with art outside traditional gallery spaces
Business, industry, economic, social, sporting, environmental or cultural benefit and involvement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Social and cultural benefit delivered through support for new arts production, activation of public spaces, supporting community cohesion
The organisation's capacity for administering the project	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Darwin Visual Arts Association is administering the project. The project coordinator has purchased a van for the project.
The project's viability in terms of support from any other relevant organisations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Project supported by 24 Hour Art and Darwin Visual Arts Association
Support of the activity by appropriate marketing and communications activity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Project coordinators have requested Council support in marketing and providing publicity for the project.

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CONSULTATION PROCESS

Arts and Cultural Development Officer
 Manager Community Development

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil pertaining to this report.

BUDGET AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

There is capacity in Arts Operational Budget No. 05/221004 to provide \$5,000 towards the 2012 Darwin Fridge Festival.

There is capacity in Arts Operational Budget No. 05/221004 to provide \$2,500 in-kind towards the 2012 Art on Wheels pilot.

RISK/LEGAL/LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

Nil.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

The Darwin Fridge Festival promotes a message of community recycling and environmental sustainability to the community.

COUNCIL OFFICER CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION

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

ALICE RAE
ARTS & CULTURE
DEVELOPMENT OFFICER

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Attachment A - Art On Wheels
Attachment B - Darwin Fridge Festival

Art On Wheels Public Art Brief

Connecting the practice of the artists with people's daily activities, *Art on wheels* transforms a cargo van into a portable venue for immediate engagement by Darwin residents.

The interior of the van will be custom-built and equipped to meet the artists' requirements. A large range of artworks will be presented to the public in and around the van, such as video works screened on monitors, power generated installations, audio works played through stereos, computer programmed works and face-to-face workshops and performance.

Art on wheels' van will travel through eight selected suburbs in Darwin during a four-week period. It will stop at a number of places within each suburb including shopping areas, community parks and markets. These places, frequented by locals, will provide a significant number of participants to this project.

- 1 - 8 September: Parap and Fannie Bay. Stops: Parap Market, Parap pool, Ski Club, Fannie Bay shops and East Point reserve park.
- 9 - 15 September: Rapid Creek, Jingli and Nightcliff. Stops: Rapid Creek market, Water garden, Casuarina Drive (near Breach Front pub), Nightcliff pool and Nightcliff shops.
- 16 - 22 September: Alawa, Casuarina and Brinkin. Stops: Casuarina Square, Casuarina library, Alawa shops, CDU medical centre and Dripstone Park.
- 23 - 28 September: Leanyer, Wulagi and Malak. Stops: Water park, Hibiscus shopping centre, Wulagi park, Leanyer recreation park and Malak park.

Art on wheels is a project that aims to transport contemporary art to the residential suburbs of Darwin. Through its journey 'Art on wheels' will engender local thoughts and actions. It will provide collective and individual experiences that allow the art projects to continue from one venue to another and establish new networks among Darwin communities.

The participating artists will stimulate Darwin residents to re-think their community through a number of creative projects and initiatives including: place making events - to emphasize the social, cultural and physical importance of familiar places; art library - to loan artworks to build a personal art appreciation and live performance – to encourage a collective experience. The diversity of the artworks in this project will allow all age groups including people with special needs to participate.

Beneficiaries of Art On Wheels

The majority of Darwin residents and the community in general will benefit from having an extended offer of arts activity planted around Darwin - much as a festival or community events can brighten up a community or public space, *Art on wheels* is set to invigorate public spaces and spark conversations between community members as they engage with this project. The key benefits will be:

- to obtain an opportunity for experiencing diverse forms of contemporary art in a public venue without traveling far from their community and adding an extra agenda on their daily lives;

Art On Wheels Public Art Brief - Express of interests

- to understand various practices of contemporary art, including inter-arts, music, performance and visual art.
- to develop appreciation of arts through a personal experience of borrowing art work.

In return, Darwin contemporary art community will gain greater support from the public than before. In addition, the social function of all the venues will be emphasised and extended.

All participating artists in this project will receive a unique professional development opportunity. The experiences that they gain will impact their artistic creations.

Their key benefits will be:

- to develop new works;
- to work within a curatorial project;
- to work with other artists including artists from interstate.

Please contact Siying Zhou, Project Manager : siying_zhou@hotmail.com or Leanne Waterhouse, coordinator of DVAA: info@dvaa.net.au for further information.



Darwin Fridge Festival & City of Darwin sponsorship proposal

Overview

The Darwin Fridge Festival is a celebration of Darwin and its people. A grass roots festival, it joins artists, businesses and community in a spirit of celebration, play and harmony.

Throughout September and October, community groups, businesses, schools, families and individuals will be invited to make fridge art. This is supported by workshops with professional artists and will culminate in exhibitions around Darwin. Participants range from primary school children, professional artists, community organisations to people creating their first ever art work.

Background

The 2011 Darwin Fridge Festival was a great success with 133 artworks being made, 388 members of the public making art and a combined audience of 152,800.

The media responded with enthusiasm and the festival received widespread coverage, locally, nationally (7.30 report / ABC news / Sydney Morning Herald) and internationally (CNN in Asia).

Community Participation

While having a playful element, the festival is deeply rooted in a spirit of community and inclusion.

The heart of the Darwin Fridge Festival is accessibility. The Festival encourages and enables all people to make art in a way that is harmonious and empowering.

One of the ways we achieve this is by placing artists with community groups who work on a daily basis with the most vulnerable members of our community.

These artists bring a high level of creative talent as well as experience in working with community groups to these workshops.

All festival events are run in a way that ensures equitable access for everybody, including those who may normally experience barriers to accessing cultural and artistic practices.

Much of the feedback from last year spoke of how empowering participants found it to be part of such a high profile festival and to be celebrated for their contribution.

Community groups and partner organisation the Festival will be working with in 2012 include:

- My Sisters' Kitchen (newly arrived refugees)
- Team Health (artists with mental illness)
- NT Airports
- Bachelor Institute
- Darwin Visual Arts Association
- Mission Australia (Indigenous children at risk)
- Darwin Libraries (to be confirmed)
- 6 Darwin schools

- Nightcliff Primary
- Good Shepherd
- Anula Primary
- Belyuen Primary

- O'Loughlin College
- Karama Primary
- Casuarina Shopping Centre (to be confirmed)
- Darwin Community Arts
- Shoal Bay Recycling Centre
- Charles Darwin University (Fine Art Dept.)
- Arts Access (artists with disabilities)

The Darwin Fridge Festival is proof that community art and excellence are not mutually exclusive. Some of the strongest work created last year came from some of the most fragile members of our community.

World's Coolest Competition

On September 17, we will also initiate a call-out to the broader Darwin public to create a fridge, esky, poem or piece of theatre. This will be supported by public workshops which are free and open to everybody.

We will be offering a \$1,000 prize to encourage people to enter and create work of a high standard.

Contribution to Identity of City

From October 13 to 27, The Darwin Fridge Festival will curate a series of exhibitions in public spaces around Darwin. These include shopping centres, libraries, parks and the Darwin Airport.

From the moment visitors and locals step off a plane, they will be greeted by Fridge Artworks.



This a festival that builds on all that is wonderful about Darwin while contributing to the identity of our town in a way that is vibrant, inclusive and creative.

Exhibiting in public spaces contributes to the city's identity as a fun, harmonious and compassionate city.

This was one of the great successes of last year and both audience and participants spoke of how it made art accessible for them.

Discovering community-made fridge-art in unexpected public places deepens and enriches the relationship all of us have to the spaces we move through on a daily basis.

Many of the artists who took part last year spoke of how empowering it was to see their work exhibited at a professional standard and in a public space. Much of this feedback came from people who might not otherwise have access to artistic process and the opportunity to profile their work.

Festival Opening October 15

We will open the festival with a celebration at the Darwin Airport including:

- an exhibition of fridge art
- esky art from Indigenous children (in partnership with Mission Australia)
- live music
- original theatre
- comedy
- performance poetry

Workshops

Throughout the festival we will run workshops in public spaces including:

- fridge art
- fridge poetry
- fridge theatre
- esky art

Workshops will be facilitated by some of Darwin's most esteemed artists, performers and writers.

Exhibitions

Primary exhibitions sites are:

- Darwin International Airport terminal
- Malak Shopping Centre
- NT Schools
- Darwin Waterfront
- Casuarina Shopping Square
- Darwin City Libraries (to be confirmed)

Fridge Theatre

Last year, theatre-maker, Alyson Evans, created 'fridge theatre' - a series of short (and very funny) skits all about 'A Day in the Life of a Fridge'.

In 2012, Evans will work with community groups creating new and quirky fridge theatre pieces for performance during the Festival.

Public poetry

Gold painted fridges will be placed in all four Darwin Libraries adorned with fridge magnet words. Visitors will be encouraged to make

poetry to be entered into the fridge poetry competition.

Finale, October 27

The Festival will close with a grand Finale including:

- lantern-lit 'fridge walk' among the artworks
- live local bands
- live original theatre
- performance poetry
- the world's biggest slip and slide
- the announcement of the winners of best fridge, best esky, best poem and best contribution by a community group.

All activities are free and open to everybody.

Marketing

- The networks we created through our social media sites in 2011 give us a core group of audience, artists, community and businesses.
- Last year, the Festival received great support from the media, locally, nationally and internationally. We will be building on this in 2012.
- We will be also be working with NT Airports, Mission Australia, Darwin Community Arts and the City of Darwin to promote the festival online.
- The Darwin International Airport have also offered promotional space for posters and fridge sculpture in the lead up and for the duration of the festival, allowing us to promote the festival to 300,000 people.



Marketing (continued)

- The NT News have again pledged their support to the festival.
- In 2012, we have also secured the support of Tourism NT to help promote the festival.

Audience reach

Last year the Festival reached an audience of 152,800. This year, the Darwin International Airport have offered an extended exhibition time, to allow us to reach an even greater audience. In 2012 we will also be partnering with Casuarina Shopping Centre which again will allow the festival to further extend it's presence.

Delivering long term benefits

The festival continues to grow each year. Sponsors from 2011 have again pledged their support as have our community partners. The media have again confirmed their support, acknowledging the Fridge Festival as a perfect reflection of the unique vibrancy that is Darwin.

This is a festival that also has long-reaching implications for the health of some of the most fragile communities and individuals within Darwin. The simple act of bringing disparate groups together to create, rather than destroy, has long-reaching ramifications for the health and well-being of all of Darwin.

Capacity to deliver

The Darwin Fridge Festival is auspiced by Darwin Community Arts. DCA has a long-standing reputation for administering and producing high quality community arts events. DCA is responsible for the success of Fistful of Films, My Sisters' Kitchen and The Edible Garden, among others.

Partnering with the City of Darwin

Darwin Fridge Festival is seeking sponsorship from the City of Darwin for \$15,000 (excl GST). These funds will contribute towards the coordinator's fee, festival assistant's fee, artists fees to work with community groups, material costs and transport of fridges to exhibition sites.

Sponsorship Benefits

- In appreciation of your support, the 2012 Fridge Festival will provide the City of Darwin with:
- Primary Logo placement on 5000 posters, flyers and programs.
 - The City of Darwin logo on the front page of the Darwin Fridge Festival website.
 - The Fridge Festival facebook page will celebrate the support of City of Darwin.
 - VIP invites to launch
 - Speaking opportunities at the launch.

In closing...

The Darwin Fridge festival is a deeply community-based festival that connects the most disparate elements of Darwin's community in a way that is compassionate, quirky and celebratory.

The Festival brings together the strong, the vulnerable and all those inbetween, in a way that is harmonious, creative and humorous.

We sincerely hope you will join us.

- Media opportunities. Every Fridge Festival press release will acknowledge the support of the City of Darwin. These will go out to all print, radio and television media.
- If you have a vision of any other way that the festival can support Darwin City Council, please let us know and we will build that into the program.



Comments from participants in the 2011 Darwin Fridge Festival

Peta Khan, digital artist

"The Fridge Festival is the most accessible arts festival in Darwin because everyone can be an artist

The fridges as an access point to art and creating art worked so well because:

- it's accessible to most people
- it's recycled
- it breaks the notion in a lot of people's mind that you need a 'traditional canvas' to create art and also that art doesn't have to be 'snooty'

The painted fridges are a perfect symbol that anything can be beautiful, even the most mundane fixtures in our lives.
All in all, a ripper festival!"

Janie Andrews, artist and workshop facilitator in Arnhem land

On the Arnhem Land workshops: "I'd been told these were 'difficult children' and that they had problems focusing, but this was not my experience. Somehow, knowing they were taking part in a major festival and that their work was going to be on show in Darwin made them highly motivated. They worked with absolute focus from the moment I got there until the moment I left. And the work they made was gorgeous. We could have sold them four times over, except the girls were really keen to get them back. "we want to take their hunting," they told me."

On the finale: "It was really lovely.. it was great to be involved in the Fridge Fest .. a great spirit. Honestly great, the atmosphere was special, real Darwin, a beautiful evening."

Jenny Dobson, Mission Australia

"It met all our major outcomes of increasing self esteem of the workshop participants. The girls were really proud to be part of such a high-profile festival."

Karen Roberts, Artist and workshop facilitator with TeamHealth, Temcho and Carers NT

"Being part of a festival with this kind of profile gave the guys a real focus and inspired them to go beyond the kind of work they normally make. I was really impressed by the standard of the work they created and I think they were too. It was also incredibly empowering for them to be identified as artists first and people with mental illnesses second."

Jo Glennon, Arts Teacher, Nightcliff Primary School / Artists in Schools Coordinator

".. this project has opened up (the students) eyes to how easy and effective art can be on any surface. It also catered for sustainability education, where students are working with recyclable materials.

The project was coordinated extremely well... I would like to congratulate the Darwin Fridge Festival organizers on an inspirational event. .. I was constantly amazed at the high level of physical art and sculpture that emerged

from the project and the amount of interest from visitors, tourists, locals and passer-bys to the fridge sculptures themselves, as an interactive public sculpture display."

Leanne Waterhouse, Coordinator, Darwin Visual Arts Association Inc. (DVAA)

"Well done .. what a great festival."

Oldrich Dubsky, Festival volunteer

"So many beautiful things happened during the Fridge festival. We started from nothing and our friends thought are were nuts when we told them about festival at the beginning. But by the time October came around, the Fridge Festival was everywhere - tv, radio, internet, newspapers. People kept talking to us, coming up with ideas and making art. They were chucking fridge parties at their own backyards and spreading the idea among their communities. The response from public was the best reward for all our work and also the hugest inspiration."





Darwin Fridge Festival / City of Darwin Sponsorship Budget

Expenditure

Personnel	
Coordinator's fee (20 days at \$38/hour)	6,080.00
Festival Assistant (10 days @ \$30/hour)	2,400.00
Publicist (10 days @ \$30/hour)	2,400.00
Workshop Facilitors (10 x \$200)	2,000.00
Materials	
workshop materials	520.00
Transport of fridges to exhibition sites	
truck hire	1,600.00

**COMMUNITY & CULTURAL SERVICES COMMITTEE
(OPEN A)**
AGENDA ITEM: 9.8
MINDIL BEACH LIFEGUARD SERVICE GRANT APPLICATION
REPORT No. 12C0038 KH:es
COMMON No. 2243659
Date: 18/06/2012
Presenter: Katie Hearn, Manager Community Development
Approved: John Banks, General Manager, Community & Cultural Services
PURPOSE

A recommendation from Council is sought regarding a request from Surf Life Saving Northern Territory for a contribution of \$4,500 towards the purchase of an All Terrain Vehicle for immediate use by the Mindil Beach Lifeguard Service (**Attachment A**).

There is capacity to support this project in the 2011/2012 Community Grants Program budget (05/221006).

LINK TO STRATEGIC PLAN

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

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

Outcome 2.2 Increase recreational, cultural and heritage experiences

KEY ISSUES

- The Mindil Beach Lifeguard Service is provided by Surf Life Saving Northern Territory (SLSNT) to the City of Darwin and is an important service to the Darwin community.
- SLSNT is seeking to purchase a new All Terrain Vehicle (ATV) to replace the previous ATV which after 4 years of service and extensive rust damage has been deemed unsafe and not cost effective to repair.
- SLSNT has been proactive in sourcing sponsorship to the value of \$18,500 to purchase a new All Terrain Vehicle.
- SLSNT is seeking \$4,500 from the City of Darwin to meet a shortfall in funds towards the purchase of this essential piece of lifesaving equipment.
- There is capacity to support this project within the 2011/2012 Community Grants Program budget 05/221006.

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REPORT NUMBER: 12C0038 KH:es
SUBJECT: MINDIL BEACH LIFEGUARD SERVICE GRANT APPLICATION

RECOMMENDATIONS

THAT it be a recommendation to Council:-

- A. THAT Report Number 12C0038 KH:es entitled Mindil Beach Lifeguard Service Grant Application, be received and noted.
- B. THAT Council offer a one-off grant of \$4,500 to Surf Life Saving Northern Territory (SLSNT) for the purpose of purchasing a new All Terrain Vehicle for use with the Mindil Beach Lifeguard Service.

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 REPORT NUMBER: 12C0038 KH:es
 SUBJECT: MINDIL BEACH LIFEGUARD SERVICE GRANT APPLICATION

BACKGROUND

Council has a three year funding agreement with Surf Life Saving NT for Lifeguard Services at Mindil Beach ending 30 June 2013.

DISCUSSION

Surf Life Saving Northern Territory (SLSNT) wrote to Council on 16 May 2012 requesting financial support of \$4,500 towards the purchase of an All Terrain Vehicle (ATV) for use by the Mindil Beach Lifeguard Service.

Mr Tony Snelling, CEO SLSNT reports that after nearly 4 years of service the current All Terrain Vehicle (a Yamaha Rhino 700) has suffered significant rust damage to the brakes, suspension and drive shafts and has been deemed by Yamaha ATV dealers, NT Motorcycle Centre to be unsafe to operate and not cost effective to repair.

SLSNT has funds of \$4,000 available for equipment replacement and advises that it can access approximately \$3,000 from a national lifesaving equipment program. The organisation has also secured sponsorship from Bombardier Recreational Products to the value of \$11,500 in-kind through a discount on the purchase of a new All Terrain Vehicle, fully fitted out for service. Support has also been secured from a Darwin-based freight company to freight the vehicle to Darwin at no cost, and from a Darwin-based company to provide rust treatment to the vehicle at no cost.

This leaves a shortfall of \$4,500 for which the organisation has approached Council seeking financial assistance.

In light of the important service provided by the Mindil Beach Lifeguard Service, the organisation's (SLSNT) proactive sourcing of sponsorship and alignment of this project with Council's Strategic Plan, it is recommended that Council support this request by offering Surf Life Saving Northern Territory a one-off grant of \$4,500.

CONSULTATION PROCESS

Mr Tony Snelling, CEO Surf Life Saving Northern Territory
 General Manager Community & Cultural Services
 Manager Community Development

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

This Report contributes to the implementation of Policy No. 008 (Community Services, Cultural and Social – General) with regard to offering a Community Grants Program in support of community events and projects which support Council's objectives in directly benefiting and promoting the city of Darwin.

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BUDGET AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

In 2004, Council resolved to introduce a \$100,000 Community Grants Program sponsorship pool to be allocated in two equal amounts bi-annually.

An amount of \$100,000 was referred to the 2011/12 budget for the Community Grants Program (budget item number 05/221006).

Of this, an amount of \$15,000 was withheld to allow consideration of any submission of interest to Council for out of turn funding.

There is current capacity in the 2011/2012 Community Grants Program budget to support this out of round request.

RISK/LEGAL/LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

Community organisations entering agreements with Council for grants are to be held accountable for grant funds provided.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil pertaining to this report.

COUNCIL OFFICER CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION

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

KATIE HEARN
MANAGER COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT

JOHN BANKS
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Attachment A - Mindil Beach Lifeguard Service Grant Application

[Incoming Email - Surf Life Saving NT/Tony Snelling - Request Financial...](#)

From: "Tony Snelling" <Tony@lifesavingnt.com.au>

Date: 16 May 2012 16:22:46 ACST

To: "John Banks" <J.Banks@darwin.nt.gov.au>

Subject: Mindil Beach Lifeguard Service - Replacement of All Terrain Vehicle

Dear John,

Further to our meeting on Thursday 26 April 2012, regarding the Mindil Beach Lifeguard Service, I advise that the current All Terrain Vehicle (ATV), a Yamaha Rhino 700, which has been in service for nearly 4 years, has suffered significant rust damage to the brakes, suspension and drive shafts. It is not safe to drive and the NT Motorcycle Centre (Yamaha ATV dealers), advise that it is not cost effective to repair.

In our meeting I suggested Surf Life Saving Australia may be able to assist. I am pleased to advise that today they have secured a 50% discount for a replacement All Terrain Vehicle (ATV) from a national sponsor, Bombadier Recreational Products (BRP) – makers of Evinrude outboard motors, Seadoo Jetskis and Can-Am ATVs. The price is \$11,500 and the vehicle would be fully fitted out for service including racks, flashing yellow light, reversing warning beeper, towbar etc.

Surf Life Saving NT has \$4,000 for equipment replacement and maintenance that it can allocate to this replacement vehicle. Additionally, we can access funds from a national lifesaving equipment program of approximately \$3,000. A Darwin-based freight company has agreed to transport the new vehicle to Darwin free of charge. This now leaves a shortfall of \$4,500 which is a little less than I anticipated.

Another Darwin-based company has agreed to donate rust treatment for the new vehicle.

The support of the Darwin City Council to assist with a grant of \$4,500 would be greatly appreciated and would allow this essential piece of equipment to be available for the commencement of the lifeguard service on 1 June 2012.

Yours sincerely,

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10 SISTER CITIES COMMUNITY COMMITTEE ITEMS

10.1 INFORMATION ITEMS

Nil

**COMMUNITY & CULTURAL SERVICES COMMITTEE
(OPEN A)**
AGENDA ITEM: 10.2.1
MINUTES HAIKOU SISTER CITY COMMUNITY COMMITTEE 16 APRIL 2012
REPORT No. 12C0032 HB:es
COMMON No. 2232207
Date: 18/06/2012
Presenter: Hayley Barich, Senior Community Development Officer – Liveability
Approved: John Banks, General Manager, Community & Cultural Services
PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to present the minutes of the informal Haikou Sister City Community Committee (**Attachment A**) meeting held 16 April 2012 for Council's information.

LINK TO STRATEGIC PLAN

Goal 6 Promote Brand Darwin

Outcome 6.2 Promote our Darwin city

KEY ISSUES

- COMPOSITE: A Sister Cities Photographic Competition
- International Film Festival

RECOMMENDATIONS

THAT it be a recommendation to Council:-

THAT Report Number 12C0032 HB:es entitled Minutes Haikou Sister City Community Committee 16 April 2012 be received and noted.

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REPORT NUMBER: 12C0032 HB:es
SUBJECT: MINUTES HAIKOU SISTER CITY COMMUNITY COMMITTEE 16 APRIL 2012

BACKGROUND

The purpose of this report is to present the minutes of the informal Haikou Sister City Community Committee meeting held 16 April 2012 (**Attachment A**) for Council's information. The Haikou Sister City Community Committee meet every six weeks and advise on projects that Council could undertake to strengthen international relations.

DISCUSSION

The Haikou Sister City Community Committee informally met 16 April 2012. At this stage, Elected Members had not been appointed to the Committee for the new term, however it was necessary to meet to progress a number of projects.

The Committee discussed the final details for the opening of COMPOSITE: A Sister Cities Photographic Competition.

The Committee discussed how to best leverage promotional opportunities at the Language Teachers Association of the Northern Territory Language Speaking Competitions for which Council is a sponsor.

The Committee discussed possible ideas for a joint Sister City event and would like to explore the option of an International Film Festival showcasing films from each of the Sister Cities.

CONSULTATION PROCESS

Haikou Sister City Community Committee.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil.

BUDGET AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

Nil.

RISK/LEGAL/LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

Nil.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil.

COUNCIL OFFICER CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION

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

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REPORT NUMBER: 12C0032 HB:es
SUBJECT: MINUTES HAIKOU SISTER CITY COMMUNITY COMMITTEE 16 APRIL 2012

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**Attachments: Minutes Informal Haikou Sister City Community Committee
Meeting 16 April 2012**

MINUTES

HAIKOU SISTER CITY COMMUNITY COMMITTEE INFORMAL MEETING

Monday 16 April 2012 12:30pm

CHAMBERS

CITY OF DARWIN CIVIC CENTRE

1. Meeting Open 12.31pm

2. Present

Andrew Leo	Community representative
Lyn Tam	Community representative
Ken Kirkman	Community representative
Maureen Manzie	Community representative
Phil Rudd	Community representative, Chair
Judith Dikstein	Community representative
Hayley Barich	Senior Community Development Officer - Liveability

3. Apologies

Nil. No current Alderman appointments to this Committee.

4. Minutes

Minutes of the previous meeting on 27 February 2012 were approved as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

(Kirkman/ Manzie)

Carried

5. Business Arising

5.1 Composite: A Sister Cities Photographic Competition – update

Opening 18 April, 5pm at the Function Room/ Community Art Space at the Civic Centre. Winners will be announced and the Australia – China Friendship Society will perform “Happy Bamboo” – please encourage people to attend and vote in the people’s choice award.

5.2 LTANT Language Awards – for discussion

The Committee discussed persons they could invite/ suggest nominate as judges for the Speak Competition in May.

Action: Hayley to see if Mr Lie Yeo is interested in being a judge.

Action: Ken to see if his Chinese teacher is interested in being a judge.

Action: Hayley to see if Ms Zongmin Chen is interested in being a judge.

5.3 Harmony Day – update

An email was sent to Committee members inviting them to participate in lantern construction with Millner Primary School. No members were available to participate.

5.4 ***Sister Cities Joint Event – for discussion***

The Committee discussed the option of hosting an international film festival showcasing films from each of the Sister Cities and promoting the program as a whole.

Action: Hayley to contact Darwin Festival to enquire about the possibility of an international film festival being a part of the program.

Action: Item to remain on the agenda for the next meeting.

6. **General Business**

6.1 ***Financial Update***

All funds are currently committed, however the Photo project is likely to come in under budget. Therefore the Committee is likely to have available around \$500 to put towards a project before the end of the financial year.

Action: Committee members to bring project details of any project they think may qualify to the next meeting.

6.2 ***Any Other Business***

The Committee discussed the need for an outbound delegation to Haikou. Introduction of a new Lord Mayor, possibility to attend opening of COMPOSITE in Haikou and review of projects in Haikou were all cited as reasons for a delegation to be planned.

Recommendation: That a delegation to Haikou for the purpose of Darwin's Lord Mayor meeting the new Mayor of Haikou be investigated.

(Tam/ Kirkman)

Action: Recommendation to remain on the table until the next meeting.

Hayley provided a brief update on the status of the Friendship Agreement with Dongfang. A letter has been sent to the Mayor of Haikou seeking his approval of the establishment of a Friendship Agreement with the City of Dongfang. No response has been received to date.

7. **Meeting Closed 1.00pm**

8. **Date and time of next meeting**

Date: 4 June 2012
Time: 12:30pm
Venue: Chambers

**COMMUNITY & CULTURAL SERVICES COMMITTEE
(OPEN A)**
AGENDA ITEM: 10.2.2
**MINUTES DILI SISTER CITY COMMUNITY COMMITTEE MEETING 1 MAY 2012 -
BASKETBALL FACILITIES AND LIBRARY**
REPORT No. 12C0033 HB:es
COMMON No. 2231171
Date: 18/06/2012
Presenter: Hayley Barich, Senior Community Development Officer - Liveability
Approved: John Banks, General Manager, Community & Cultural Services
PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to present the minutes of the Dili Sister City Community Committee meeting held 1 May 2012 (**Attachment A**) for Council's information.

LINK TO STRATEGIC PLAN

Goal 6 Promote Brand Darwin

Outcome 6.2 Promote our Darwin city

KEY ISSUES

- Basketball facilities at No. 3 School Tuana-Laran
- Action for Change Foundation Library Project
- Darwin and Dili Youth Exchange

RECOMMENDATIONS

THAT it be a recommendation to Council:-

THAT Report Number 12C0033 HB:es entitled Minutes Dili Sister City Community Committee Meeting 1 May 2012 - Basketball Facilities and Library, be received and noted.

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 REPORT NUMBER: 12C0033 HB:es
 SUBJECT: MINUTES DILI SISTER CITY COMMUNITY COMMITTEE MEETING 1 MAY 2012 - BASKETBALL FACILITIES AND LIBRARY

BACKGROUND

The purpose of this report is to present the minutes of the Dili Sister City Community Committee meeting held 1 May 2012 (**Attachment A**) for Council's information. The Dili Sister City Community Committee meet every six weeks and advise on projects that Council could undertake to strengthen international relations.

DISCUSSION

The Dili Sister Community Committee met 1 May 2012. The Committee discussed a number of projects currently in progress including: Basketball facilities for No. 3 School Tuana-Laran, Action for Change Foundation library project, Darwin and Dili Youth Exchange, fundraising proposal and election observers in Timor-Leste.

Basketball facilities at No. 3 School Tuana-Laran are almost complete and the Committee was looking for a volunteer to deliver the second instalment of financial support to the school. Mr Leigh Gregory plans to visit Dili in May for work purposes and has volunteered to take the second instalment, as well as 20kg of donated books for Action for Change Foundation's Library.

The Committee agreed it would be beneficial for Action for Change Foundation to purchase books for their Library in Dili, rather than the Committee shipping donated books to Dili. The Committee will no longer seek donated books.

The Committee agreed that they would rather the Dili youth came over to help with the BIG GIG 2013. The Committee would like input from Action for Change Foundation and YAG on the exchange.

The Committee agreed that their focus is on fostering networks between Darwin and Dili and not fundraising, thus they will not pursue a fundraising proposal that had been put forward to the Committee.

The Committee discussed the recent Presidential Elections and the upcoming Parliamentary Elections in Timor-Leste. Committee members had volunteered as election observers.

CONSULTATION PROCESS

Dili Sister City Community Committee.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil.

BUDGET AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

Nil.

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 REPORT NUMBER: 12C0033 HB:es
 SUBJECT: MINUTES DILI SISTER CITY COMMUNITY COMMITTEE MEETING 1 MAY
 2012 - BASKETBALL FACILITIES AND LIBRARY

RISK/LEGAL/LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

Nil.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil.

COUNCIL OFFICER CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION

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

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**Attachment A - Minutes Dili Sister City Community Committee Meeting 1 May
 2012 - Basketball Facilities and Library**

MINUTES

DILI SISTER CITY COMMUNITY COMMITTEE MEETING

Tuesday 1 May 2012

12:30pm

Meeting Room 1

CITY OF DARWIN CIVIC CENTRE

1. Meeting Open 12.40pm

2. Present

Jill Kuhn	Community representative
Lynne Bigg	Community representative, Chair
Alderman Bob Elix	Elected Member
John Bailey	Observer
Leigh Gregory	Community representative
Hayley Barich	Senior Community Development Officer – Liveability

3. Apologies

Neil Chadwick
Alderman Gary Haslett

4. Minutes

Minutes of last meeting held 28 February 2012 were approved as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

(Kuhn/ Bigg)

Carried

5. Acknowledgement

The Chair acknowledged the recent death of Dili Sister Cities advocate Mr Mike Gallagher. Mr Gallagher had been instrumental in the establishment of the original agreement between Darwin and Dili. The Chair thanked Council for putting a notice of condolence in the newspaper.

6. Alderman Appointments and Introductions

Alderman Gary Haslett and Alderman Bob Elix have been appointed to the Dili Sister City Community Committee for the period 16 April 2012 to 30 June 2013.

7. Business Arising

7.1 *Basketball facilities for No. 3 School Tuana-Laran*

The basketball facilities are almost complete. The Committee is seeking expressions of interest from members for someone to go over with the second installment of financial support.

Action: Hayley to organise the second installment of financial support for Leigh to take during his work trip to Dili 18 May 2012.

7.2 *Languages in Education*

At present no resources in Tetun have been identified for reproduction. The Australian Indigenous Languages Society is aware

of our Committee and will forward any relevant information/ proposals when they become available.

7.3 Action for Change Library Project

Committee agreed that it would be beneficial for Action for Change Foundation to purchase books that they require in Dili rather than shipping donated books to Dili.

Action: Hayley and Leigh to organize 20kg of donated books for Leigh to take to Dili on his work trip 18 May 2012.

Action: Hayley to provide Action for Change Foundation with a project acquittal and instructions on how to complete it.

7.4 Darwin and Dili Youth Exchange

Hayley has been unable to discuss the exchange with YAG as they have been occupied delivering the BIG GIG. The Committee agreed that they would rather the Dili youth came over to help with the BIG GIG 2013. The Committee would like input from Action for Change Foundation and YAG on the exchange.

Action: Hayley to get input from Action for Change Foundation and YAG on a Darwin and Dili Youth Exchange.

7.5 Fundraising Event

The Committee agreed that their focus is on fostering networks between Darwin and Dili and not fundraising. This fundraising proposal will not be pursued.

7.6 Recent trip to Dili – Report, John Bailey

John provided details and photos of his recent trip to Dili to volunteer as an election observer. He provided an overview of the voting system used. John also had the opportunity to visit Arte Moris and Action for Change Foundation (ACF). Most board members from ACF had returned to their home village to vote, so there was no-one in the office to discuss press reader with.

8. General Business

8.1 10th Anniversary of Independence – Invitation

Invitation was circulated to the Committee for their information.

8.2 Financial Update

All project and fundraising funds have been committed.

8.3 Any Other Business

Leigh will be volunteering in Timor-Leste for round two of the elections. He will be an election observer located a Balibo. The Committee was advised that Parliamentary Elections will be held in the 1st week of July and that they are always looking for more volunteers.

Committee members were encouraged to visit COMPOSITE: A Sister Cities Photographic Competition, currently showing at the Community Art Space.

Nominations for the new term of all Committees will open shortly, members will be notified by post and email.

9. Meeting Closed 1.25pm

10. Date and time of next meeting

Date: Tuesday 5 June
Time: 12:30pm
Venue: Meeting Room 1

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11 GENERAL BUSINESS

11.1 Outstanding Items

Nil