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## DARWIN CITY COUNCIL

### COMMUNITY & CULTURAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

**MONDAY, 13 SEPTEMBER 2010**

MEMBERS: Member R Lesley (Chairman); The Right Worshipful, The Lord Mayor, Mr G R Sawyer; Member H I Galton, Member A R Mitchell; Member J L Sangster.

OFFICERS: Chief Executive Officer, Mr B Dowd; General Manager Community & Cultural Services, Mr J Banks; Executive Manager, Mr M Blackburn; Manager Community Development, Ms K Hearn; Manager Library Services, Ms K Conway; A/Manager Regulatory Services, Mr G Wright; Principal Policy Officer, Ms A Farrell; Arts & Cultural Development Officer, Ms A Rae; Community Services Officer, Ms N McCann; Executive Officer, Ms A Smit.

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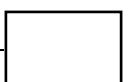
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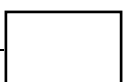


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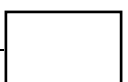
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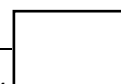
### 2.1 Apologies

### 2.2 Leave of Absence Granted

THAT it be noted that The Right Worshipful, The Lord Mayor, Mr G R Sawyer is an apology due to a Leave of Absence being previously granted on 17 August 2010 for the period 10 September 2010 to 2 October 2010.

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## 3 ELECTED MEMBERS CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION



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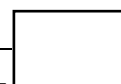
Community & Cultural Services Committee Meeting – Monday, 13 September, 2010**4 CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS****COMMITTEE'S DECISION**

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>
C12	8(c)(ii)	Information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to prejudice the maintenance or administration of the law.
C14.1	8(c)(iv)	Information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to prejudice the interests of the council or some other person.

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Community & Cultural Services Committee Meeting – Monday, 13 September, 2010**5 WITHDRAWAL OF ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION****COMMITTEE'S DECISION**

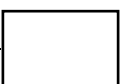
THAT the Committee resolve under delegated authority that all Information Items and Officers Reports to the Community & Cultural Services Committee Meeting held on Monday, 13 September 2010, be received and all recommendations contained therein be adopted by general consent with the exception of Item Number .....

DECISION NO.20\() (13/09/10)

**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, 16 August 2010 tabled by the Chairman, be received and confirmed as a true and correct record of the proceedings of that meeting.

DECISION NO.20\() (13/09/10)

**7 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES PERTAINING TO THE PREVIOUS COMMUNITY & CULTURAL SERVICES MEETING****7.1 Business Arising**

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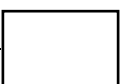
Community & Cultural Services Committee Meeting – Monday, 13 September, 2010**8 INFORMATION ITEMS****8.1 Pets Continue to Power the Economy**

Document No. 1850902 (05/08/10) Common No. 1850902

**COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION**

THAT it be a recommendation to Council:-

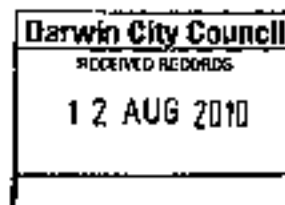
THAT the incoming letter to the Lord Mayor dated 5 August 2010 from the Australian Companion Animal Council providing the latest report '*Contribution of the Pet Care Industry to the Australian Economy*' 7<sup>th</sup> Edition, 2010, Document Number 1850902, be received and noted.



# AUSTRALIAN **COMPANION ANIMAL** COUNCIL

5 August 2010

Lord Mayor Graeme Sawyer  
 Darwin City Council  
 GPO Box 84  
 Darwin NT 0801



Dear Lord Mayor,

## **Pets continue to power the economy**

I am delighted to enclose the latest report from the Australian Companion Animal Council (ACAC) – the peak body representing pet ownership and the pet industry in Australia. Now in its seventh edition, 'The Contribution of the Pet Care Industry to the Australian Economy', summarises the economic value of the many segments within the Australian pet industry. This report reviews the expenditure on pet care products, pet purchases, pet food, veterinary services and pet care services.

The pet care industry contributed \$6.021 billion dollars to the Australian economy in 2009. This is a 30.3% increase over the previous three years (since the 6<sup>th</sup> Edition of the ACAC report) representing an average annual growth rate of 10%. Employment in the pet care industry has also increased – up from 44,700 people in 2006 to 47,627 people in 2009. This indicates that this pet care sector is booming in Australia.

Australia continues to have one of the highest rates of pet ownership in the world with 36% of households owning a dog and 23% of households owning a cat. Overall, Australians spend \$3.6 billion or 60% of the total expenditure on their dogs per year and \$1.4 billion, or 24% of the total on their cats.

This report helps remind policy makers how important pets are to our community and our own personal well-being.

ACAC's members, who comprise trade, service, business, professional and welfare associations, are committed to research and encouraging socially responsible pet ownership. ACAC, however, believes increased high-density living, changing lifestyles and government legislation are creating an environment in which pet ownership is becoming increasingly difficult. Research into the effects that pets have on human physical and mental health increasingly demonstrates that pets help people build social bridges in communities and contribute significantly to the social capital of our society.

I would appreciate the opportunity to meet with you to discuss the social benefits of pets and the importance of the pet industry to the economy. I would also like to discuss opportunities for ACAC and government to work together to promote socially responsible pet ownership.

I look forward to hearing from you. I can be contacted via our executive Officer Megan Bisson on 0402 405 334 / [office@acac.org.au](mailto:office@acac.org.au) or you can contact me directly on 0427 353 711.

Regards,

*M. Bisson for*

Dr Kersli Seksel  
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- Australian National Kennel Council (ANKC)
- Animal Health Alliance (Australia) Ltd (A-HA)
- Animal Welfare League (AWLA)
- The Association of Pet Dog Trainers (APDT)
- Pet Food Industry Association of Australia (PTIA)
- Pet Industry Association of Australia (PIAA)
- Petcare Information & Advisory Service Australia Pty Ltd (PIASI)
- Pet Care Australia (PCA)



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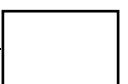
Community & Cultural Services Committee Meeting – Monday, 13 September, 2010**8 INFORMATION ITEMS****8.2 CBD to be Declared a Designated Area**

Document No. 1850902 (05/08/10) Common No. 1854941

**COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION**

THAT it be a recommendation to Council:-

THAT the incoming letter from the Minister for Racing, Gaming and Licensing, The Hon Delia Lawrie MLA, dated 22 July 2010 in respect to declaring the CBD a designation area, Document Number 1844174, be received and noted.





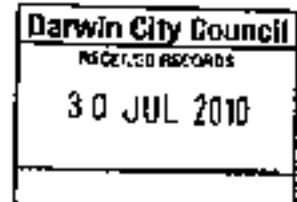
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The Right Worshipful Lord Mayor of Darwin  
Mr Graeme Sawyer  
Darwin City Council  
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Dear Lord Mayor



As you are aware, the Northern Territory Government recently amended the *Liquor Act* allowing myself, as Minister for Racing, Gaming and Licensing, to declare designated areas where alcohol related incidents have occurred in public spaces in the vicinity of liquor licensed premises.

The amendments also provide for the issue of banning notices in designated areas by NT Police to persons who commit specific offences within those areas.

My Department has received information identifying significant levels of alcohol related violence in the Darwin Central Business District that may be addressed by a designated area declaration.

Having considered a number of options, I intend to declare the area as identified on the attached map as a designated area for the Darwin CBD.

The area is essentially that contained by the boundary of the Darwin CBD Town Planning Zone and conveniently captures all of the liquor licensed venues open to the public in the CBD area.

I believe strongly that the declaration of designated areas around liquor licensed premises will prove to be a powerful tool in reducing the incidence of alcohol related violence and ensuring our entertainment precincts can be enjoyed without fear.

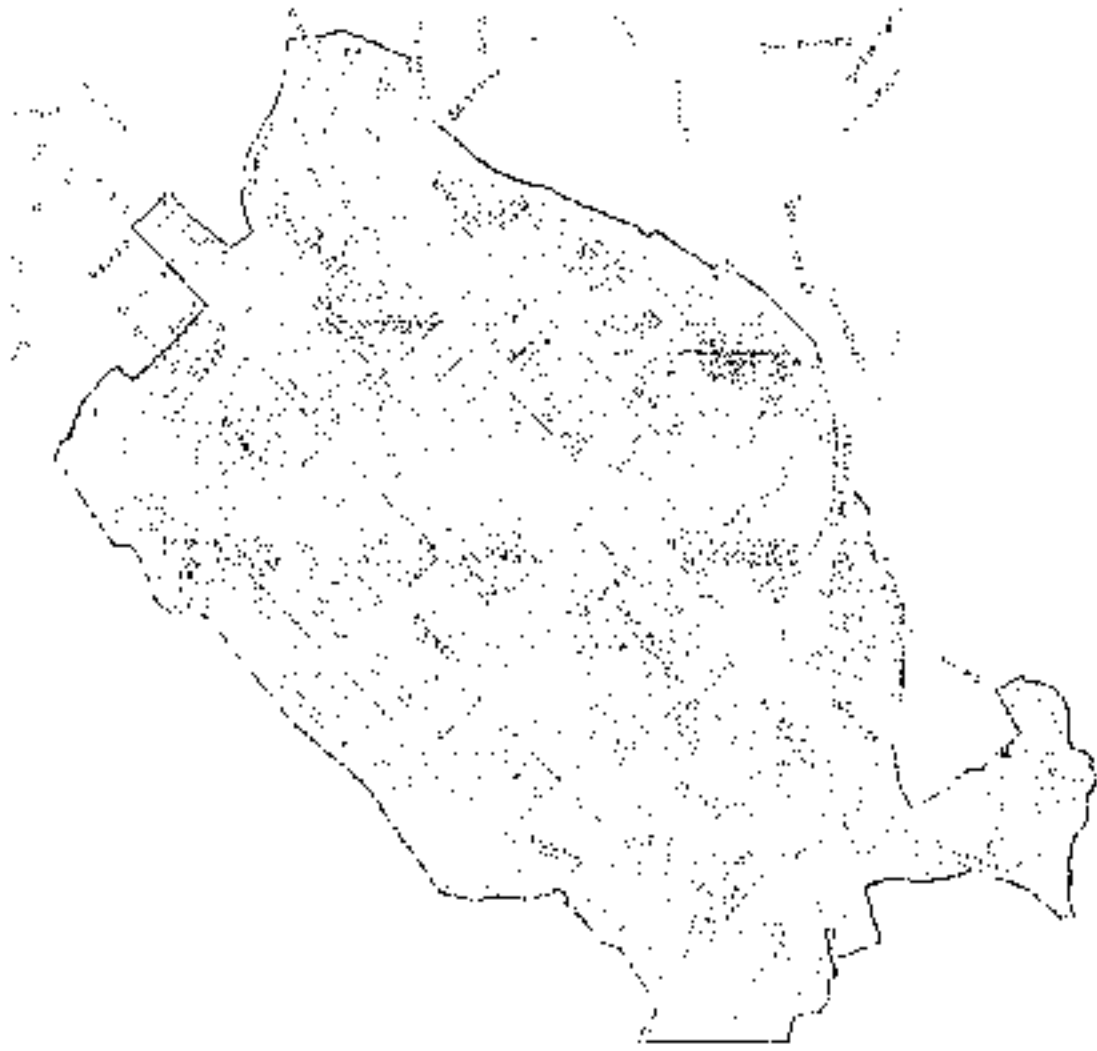
Should you wish to discuss this matter further please contact Mr Michael Brodie, Executive Director of the Licensing, Regulation and Alcohol Strategy division of the Department of Justice on 8999 7918.

Yours sincerely,

DELIA LAWRIE

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**Proposed Designated Area – Darwin CBD – July 2010**



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Community & Cultural Services Committee Meeting – Monday, 13 September, 2010**8 INFORMATION ITEMS****8.3 Review of the Restriction and/or Removal of Cheap and Problem Liquor Products**

Document No. 1864321 (03/09/10) Common No. 1666630)

**COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION**

THAT it be a recommendation to Council:-

THAT the incoming letter from the Northern Territory Licensing Commission, dated 3 September 2010 in respect to the Commission's Reasons for Decision - Review of the Restriction and/or Removal of Cheap and Problem Liquor Products, particularly Four (4) and Five (5) Litre Wine Casks including their house of sale, Document Number 1864321, be received and noted.



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**NORTHERN TERRITORY LICENSING COMMISSION**

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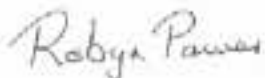
Dear Mr Banks

I refer to the Licensing Commission's consultation late last year into the possible removal or restriction in the Darwin, Palmerston and rural areas, of cheap take away liquor products and advice to you dated 15 February 2010 that the Commission had stayed any decision on this matter until such time as details were known of the Government's proposal on public education and complementary measures.

I now attach a copy of the Commission's written Reasons for Decision in relation to the Review of the Restriction and/or Removal of Cheap and Problem Liquor Products, particularly Four (4) and Five (5) Litre Wine Casks including their Hours of Sale.

If you have any queries in relation to this please contact the writer on 8999 1826.

Yours sincerely



**ROBYN POWER**  
Executive Officer

3 September 2010

# NORTHERN TERRITORY LICENSING COMMISSION

## REASONS FOR DECISION

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### REVIEW OF THE RESTRICTION AND/OR REMOVAL OF CHEAP AND PROBLEM LIQUOR PRODUCTS, PARTICULARLY FOUR (4) AND FIVE (5) LITRE WINE CASKS INCLUDING THEIR HOURS OF SALE

#### BACKGROUND

- 1) In the June 2009 meeting of the Licensing Commission the following decision was taken: *"The Commission has determined to undertake community wide consultations (including with all stakeholders) in the Darwin / Palmerston and rural areas to ascertain views on the restriction and/or removal of cheap and problem liquor products, particularly four (4) and five (5) litre wine casks, including their hours of sale"*.
- 2) This decision was publicly announced and heralded the commencement of widespread consultation. To commence this process, letters, together with an information pack containing information including frequently asked questions, alcohol supply statistics and measures of alcohol harm in the Northern Territory were sent to community organisations, industry bodies, Local Government Councils and all Members of the Legislative Assembly.
- 3) Following this the Commission conducted public meetings in Darwin, Palmerston, Howard Springs and Batchelor. The Commission also met with fourteen (14) organisations and additionally received thirty-four (34) written submissions, including from Government agencies, community groups and individuals.
- 4) The position expressed in submissions varied widely. While a number of individuals decried the possibility of having restrictions on cask wine sales, as this product is affordable for those on lower incomes, the majority of the organisations making submission were strongly of the view that due to the harm resulting from the consumption of high volume, low cost cask wine that the availability of this product should cease immediately. Many of these latter submissions also urged that any ban apply uniformly across the Northern Territory.
- 5) There was also a body of opinion expressed largely by health professionals, which stated that while applying supply restrictions would result in a lessening of overall alcohol consumption and resultant harm, any such decision needed to be taken as part of a suite of harm reduction and harm minimisation measures.

- 6) A large delegation of residents from the Bagot Community sought urgent action by the Commission in restricting the supply of cheap alcohol products into their community which has been Prescribed or declared "Dry" under the *Northern Territory Emergency Response Act*. The Public Officer of the Community, Health officials and residents informed the Commission of the dreadful consequences of excessive and unsupervised alcohol intake leading to Community disharmony, violence, chronic neglect of children and at times, death.
- 7) Bagot was described as a public place with many entrances, making it easy for people to bring in alcohol. It was the view of the delegation that in most instances visitors were responsible for bringing the large cask wine into the Community which readily enables the sharing out of "grog" into other containers causing widespread intoxication.
- 8) Woolworths Limited, a major retailer of cask wine products, made submission which included the following:

*"We are aware that large format wine casks are often the alcohol product of choice for problem drinkers. Due to the differential rates of taxation applied to beer, wines and spirits the average cost per standard drink is considerably lower for wine casks than for other forms of alcohol. The price combined with the convenience and portability afforded by the packaging of casks makes them attractive relative to other forms of alcohol."*

*"We believe that should the restrictions proceed, a complete ban on the sale of this class of product imposed by way of licence conditions is the most effective method of implementation, as any attempt to limit the quantities sold would be fraught with practical difficulties."*

*"However, we are concerned about the effectiveness of implementing these restrictions, if done in isolation. In our view, restrictions on the availability of alcohol products should not be used as a substitute for the implementation of a long-term and broadly based public health strategies to reduce alcohol consumption levels."*

- 9) In February 2010 the Commission advised that it had stayed a decision on the matter, partly to determine if a more holistic approach to alcohol issues in Darwin, Palmerston and rural areas was to be pursued by Territory and Local Government agencies. The Commission was advised that Alcohol Management Plans for Darwin and Palmerston were being developed and in the Commission's experience such plans usually involve complementary measures which generally include supply (sales) restrictions, harm reduction and harm minimisation initiatives.

- 10)The Commission therefore stayed a decision on restrictions over the sale of four (4) and five (5) litre cask wine while these Alcohol Management Plans were being pursued.
- 11)At the full Commission meeting on 23 June 2010 the Commission took the decision to place a ban on the sale of four (4) and five (5) litre cask wine in the Darwin, Palmerston and rural areas. In taking this action the Commission also determined to extend this ban to those areas of the Territory not already covered by bans which are in place in all major townships and regions across the Territory.

## **CONSIDERATION OF THE ISSUES**

- 12)The Commission decision to undertake community wide consultations on the restrictions of large volume cask wine was framed against a background of similar measures reducing the overall alcohol sales in other areas of the Territory such as Alice Springs, Katherine and Nhulunbuy.
- 13)Data for these centres clearly shows reduced cask wine sales and the overall impact of reducing the volume of pure alcohol sold in the affected areas. The major effect in these areas has been for beer to be substituted for the lower cost higher alcohol wine product. Against this backdrop overall alcohol sales in the Darwin and Palmerston areas was increasing at a rate above the population increase.
- 14)In Palmerston from 2003 until 2008 the sale of alcohol measured in pure alcohol content increased by 49%. This represents an alcohol supply increase by of an average of 5.8% per annum against an average population growth of 3.5% per annum. In summary, the Darwin / Palmerston areas were defying the downward trend with alcohol sales and consumption increasing, while a decline was being experienced in the rest of the Territory.
- 15)The Commission was also informed of the levels of harm being caused by takeaway alcohol. An example of this is the Drug Use Monitoring in Australia (DUMA) 2007/08 NT Data Collections. This data shows that of people arrested in Darwin, 69% had consumed alcohol before arrest, with 76% in Alice Springs.
- 16)Of those arrested in Darwin, 76% had purchased alcohol at a supermarket, stand alone bottle shop or drive through bottle shop. For Alice Springs this figure was 63% (with a significant percentage saying somebody else purchased the alcohol).



- 17) Information tendered during consultations conducted by the Commission evidenced that cheap large volume products was the product of choice for many individuals whose behaviour resulted in harm, anti social behaviour and often arrest.
- 18) Information provided to the Commission by the Department of Justice illustrated the “bang for your buck” available through purchasing large volume cask wine. The data provided shows that the purchase of cask wine can lower the cost to below \$0.40 per standard drink. This compares to on premise purchases of beer with the cost per standard drink is over \$3.00.
- 19) The Commission is aware that any restriction on large volume cask wine product will not be a single panacea to problems but it could be a measure to improve what is increasingly a problem generated through the consumption of cheap large volume liquor. In cases elsewhere in the Territory where restrictions or bans on this product have been put into effect, people usually move onto or substitute other products (such as beer) which have lower or more costly alcohol content, reducing overall alcohol consumption levels.
- 20) The Commission also realises that restricting this product would cause an inconvenience to some who are not problem drinkers but choose four (4) and five (5) litre cask wine as an affordable way to responsibly consume alcohol. Notwithstanding the impact on these responsible individuals, the Commission must consider the wider community interest and it is the Commission’s view that the wider community would benefit from the application of measures to reduce alcohol consumption by problem drinkers.
- 21) The Commission’s view that product restrictions would reduce anti social behaviour and reduce harmful health outcomes, thereby reducing the overall cost to the community. The Commission has also turned its mind to consideration of the consequences of doing nothing. In its view doing nothing in relation to supply restrictions could result in continuing high and unacceptable levels of alcohol consumption in the Darwin / Palmerston regions. It is also mindful of the Objects of the *Liquor Act*:

#### *Objects*

*(1) The primary object of this Act is to regulate the sale, provision, promotion and consumption of liquor.*

*(a) so as to minimise the harm associated with the consumption of liquor;  
and*

*(b) in a way that takes into account the public interest in the sale, provision, promotion and consumption of liquor.*

- 22) Having reached the decision at the 23 June 2010 meeting to ban the sale of four (4) and five (5) litre cask wine throughout the Territory the Commission considered it appropriate to make the announcement of this decision in concert with the announcement of wider alcohol reform measures and the development of Alcohol Management Plans. Such alcohol reforms, coupled with a ban on large volume cask sales, constitute a more holistic approach to tackling alcohol problems in the community than a ban in isolation.
- 23) If light alcohol wine products in large containers are introduced onto the market, the Commission will assess potential sale in the Northern Territory with input from the relevant authorities and organisations.

## DECISION

- 24) At the Licensing Commission meeting on 23 June 2010 the Commission determined to place a ban on the sale of four (4) and five (5) litre wine casks in the Darwin, Palmerston and rural areas.
- 25) As the sale of wine in four (4) and five (5) litre casks is already prohibited in Alice Springs, Tennant Creek, Katherine, Nhulunbuy and most Territory townships, the Commission resolved to ban the sale of such product throughout the whole of the Northern Territory.
- 26) The ban on the sale of four (4) and five (5) litre wine casks will need to take into the account the need for distributors, wholesalers and retailers to liquidate stocks and therefore the sale ban will take effect from 1 January 2011.
- 27) Affected Licensees will be advised of this decision to vary their liquor licence conditions through the issue of notices under Section 33 of the *Liquor Act*. Section 33 also enables Licensees to lodge a request within twenty-eight (28) days of receipt of the notice for the Commission to conduct a Hearing in relation to the varied conditions.
- 28) To determine if there are any unintended consequences of this decision or any matters arise from this decision which should be addressed by the Commission, a review of the ban will be conducted following twelve (12) months of its operation.

Richard O'Sullivan  
CHAIRMAN

1 September 2010

ENCL: NO

**DARWIN CITY COUNCIL**

DATE: 7/09/2010

**REPORT****TO:** COMMUNITY & CULTURAL SERVICES  
COMMITTEE/OPEN A**APPROVED:** JB**FROM:** GENERAL MANAGER COMMUNITY &  
CULTURAL SERVICES**APPROVED:** KH**REPORT NO:** 10C0119 KH:es**COMMON NO:** 1733166**SUBJECT:** COMMUNITY & CULTURAL SERVICES TEAM REPORT – AUGUST  
2010**ITEM NO: 9.1**

This report provides Council with an update of activities undertaken within the Community Development program during August 2010 and is presented for Council's information.

**GENERAL:**

This report provides an update of activities within the Cultural & Community Services portfolio and selected projects. Each Officer within the Community Development Team has prepared their own sections to appraise Council of operational activities during August 2010.

**REPORT:****COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT****Working With Children Checks**

A preliminary meeting with Safe NT identified the impacts of the new legislation upon Council's workforce. Preparations are underway to assist Council comply with the legislation. The Working With Children Checks will be managed by Council HR Section in conjunction with Manager Community Development and will be inclusive of staff and volunteers associated with Council services.

**Community Engagement with Stakeholders feedback**

The Northern Territory Government is seeking responses to a discussion paper; Engaging with External Service Providers which will inform the "Engagement Strategy" being developed by the Department of Health and Families in consultation with the non-government and Local Government sectors. Once developed, this Engagement Strategy will establish a practical and effective framework for the Department and service providers across the sectors to engage and communicate

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with each other. Feedback is required by 8 September and Community & Cultural Services will provide comment.

### **Adult Learners Week 2010**

A program of activities has been prepared by the internal Workforce Wellbeing Committee for Adult Learners' Week 2010. The bulk of activities are being delivered by staff for staff which will run from 1 September concluding with Tai Chi sessions on 8 September.

### **Volunteering**

The Community Development Team hosted an information sharing session with Volunteering SA/NT to identify opportunities of mutual benefit. Volunteering SA/NT are providing a range of training sessions and also host a limited volunteer matching service which can be applied to a broad range of services.

### **Library Access for people who are homeless or have no fixed address**

Preliminary discussions have commenced with Library Services and a representative of the target population to progress equity of access to Library Services for people who are homeless or with no fixed address. Given Council's by-law obligations, identification issues need to be worked through and it is intended that support from key service providers including Centrelink can help facilitate the initiative. Early indications are very positive.

### **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 met on 12 August 2010. As the committee is entering a new two year term, a Chairperson for the term until 30 June 2012 and a Deputy Chairperson for the period until 30 June 2011 were elected. In addition, several access issues were discussed during the meeting, including pedestrian access issues in the vicinity of Vanderlin Drive and Kalymnos Drive, Karama. The minutes from the meeting are the subject of a separate report to the Community and Cultural Services Committee.

### **Seniors Month**

Seniors Month was celebrated throughout the Northern Territory during August. CSO, in conjunction with Libraries Project Officer, facilitated Council's program of events and activities to celebrate Seniors Month. The program contained a variety of activities which aimed to promote active ageing and a positive understanding of ageing in the community. Events included an aqua-aerobic session, two health and wellbeing sessions, an introductory art session, a bus tour, an introduction to Facebook session, a storytelling session, an introduction to computers session and an outdoor film night. All activities were free of charge for senior members of the community and a variety of venues were utilised for the events including Parap Swimming Pool, Casuarina Library, the Water Gardens and Deckchair Cinema.

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Most events were filled to capacity and very positive feedback has been received from community members.

An overview of Council's 2010 Seniors Month Program will be the subject of a future report to Council.

### **Disability Awareness Week 2010**

Disability Awareness Week (DAW) is a week long program that has become a catalyst for lasting positive change. Activities held throughout the week provide an opportunity to acknowledge and take pride in the contributions that Territorians with a disability make to the community and also raise public awareness on disability issues. This year Disability Awareness Week will be celebrated from Thursday 2 to Thursday 9 September and the theme for the week is "Celebrating being YOU".

The Disability Awareness Week Coordinating Committee has finalised the program of events and activities for DAW 2010 and promotional posters and flyers have been distributed. Information regarding DAW 2010 is available on Council's website and an advertisement was placed in the NT News on Wednesday 1 September. The varied program of events for the week include a free movie night at Deckchair Cinema, the Happiness and Wellbeing Market in Tamarind Park, open days, art exhibitions in the Civic Centre and Palmerston Library, the inaugural Bowerbird Festival, and a Family Fun Day. A live radio broadcast from the Happiness and Wellbeing Market by Territory FM will provide an opportunity to raise awareness regarding disability issues and services as well as promoting events for the week and disability services available in the local community.

### **Transport Working Group**

CSO attended a meeting of the recently formed Transport Working Group which aims to assemble information regarding available transport options for seniors and people with disability in the Darwin community and assess the need for increased transport services. Membership of the group consists of representatives from local organisations and NT government departments who provide services in the aged and disability sector. The group will meet again in September 2010 to review previous research results regarding local transport issues.

### **Top End Falls Prevention Management Committee**

CSO attended the February meeting of the NT Falls Prevention Management Committee which is a joint initiative of General Practice Network NT and Department of Health and Families. A guide to preventing falls for older people entitled "Don't fall for it" was presented to the meeting. CSO offered to distribute the checklist to Council's Libraries and Customer Services area.

## **ARTS & CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT**

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

ACDAC's fourth meeting for the year will be held on Thursday 9 September 2010.

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

Council's live music program continues in September at Casuarina and City libraries.

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### **Traveller's Walk Mosaic**

The broken section of the Traveller's Walk mosaic is repaired however installation is delayed due to roadworks near the site impeding vehicle access. Installation will occur as soon as safe vehicle access has been established and restoration work on the mosaic will also be undertaken at this time.

### **Public Art – The Mall**

Public art work for the Mall is nearing completion with the work expected to be delivered by 30 November 2010. Samples of the major work by Katrina Tyler have been sent for approval and returned to Urban Art Projects who will now workshop the final design with the artist prior to fabrication of the work.

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

Council will commission a new work of Public Art to celebrate the Centenary of the Naming of Darwin (Decision No. 20\3032). The Arts and Cultural Development Advisory Committee will consider this item at their meeting of 9 September 2010 and provide comment on the nature of the artwork (e.g. permanent or temporary), its scale and proposed location, and method of commissioning (e.g. direct invitation, limited competition or open competition). A project brief will then be developed for Council's consideration, including a proposed site for the work.

### **Community Art Space**

Throughout September the Community Art Space will host "Celebrating Being You" an exhibition celebrating Disability Awareness Week including works by students at Nemarluk School and Henbury School and art groups from Life Without Barriers, Total Recreation and Carpentaria Disability Services.

### **HMS Beagle Ship Bell Chime**

The solenoid (electronic hammer) from the "Beagle" bell has been returned to The Royal Bellfoundry Petit & Fritsen in The Netherlands for repair. They have advised that damage to the solenoid may have been caused by lightning. An additional solenoid will be purchased so that if a solenoid is damaged in the future it can be immediately replaced while it is being repaired.

### **Recycled Art Festival**

Postcards advertising Council's Recycled Art Festival in November along with the Darwin Fridge Festival were produced for distribution by participating organisations. The Recycled Art Festival will be held in conjunction with National Recycling Week, 8-14 November 2010. An exhibition of Recycled Art will be held at the Civic Centre throughout November–December 2010 and expressions of interest from local artists, schools and community groups are now being sought.

Festivals Australia funding has been secured for Wearable Arts Workshops to be held during the week and a Fashion Parade to be held on Saturday 13 November during a Recycled Art Festival Community Open Day at Malak. A number of local artists will also be involved in the delivery of workshops.

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### **Public Art Workshop for Artists**

Building on successful workshops held in 2008 and 2009, a Public Art Workshop for artists is now being planned for early 2011. The date and theme of the Workshop will be informed by consultation with the Arts community at the Forum to be held in November.

### **Arts and Cultural Development Forum**

An Arts and Cultural Development Forum for the Arts sector will be established in 2010, as an opportunity for local arts organisations to have input into Council's Arts and Cultural Development Program and to network with other organisations. It is proposed that the first Forum be held on Thursday 25 November 2010, 4 – 7 pm.

### **Arts Map**

A database driven digital Public Art map using Google maps and GIS software is being created for Council's website. Captovate has programmed the website which will soon go "live". Permission is being sought from stakeholders to include images of Public Art located on NT Government and private land.

### **Recycled Jewellery Workshops**

The four jewellery trees commissioned by Council will be installed in Council libraries at the start of September leading up to Recycled Jewellery workshops to be held in the libraries as part of the September school holiday program. Donations of jewellery are welcomed.

Recycled jewellery workshops were held as part of the Darwin Fridge Festival on 21 August and will be held at the Bowerbird Art Festival and Happyness and Wellbeing Market as part of Disability Awareness Week activities in September.



Recycled jewellery made at the workshops will be displayed in the Civic Centre during November–December as part of the Recycled Art Festival.

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### Darwin Fridge Festival

Darwin Community Arts presented the “Darwin Fridge Festival” on 20–21 August 2010. Council was the major sponsor of this event which featured community art workshops, an “Esky Market” with decorated eskies for sale, live music, a Chai Tent and children’s activities including recycled jewellery and edible jewellery making. Fridge art will be on display in the Civic Centre in November-December during the Recycled Art Festival. Please see [www.darwinfridgefestival.org.au](http://www.darwinfridgefestival.org.au) for more details.



### Senior's Month

A drawing workshop with artist Jasmine Jan was held on Saturday 14 August at Casuarina Library as part of Council’s Senior’s Month program.



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## **YOUTH PROJECTS**

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

### **GRIND**

GRIND continues to meet regularly. The GRIND website can be viewed at [www.grindonline.com.au](http://www.grindonline.com.au)

The website was very well accessed through July with an average of 16 visits a day. GRIND focused on lifting awareness of young people's need to enrol and vote on the 21 August, Federal Election. The page featuring election information specifically for young people was the second most accessed page after the homepage, and a spike of visits began on Monday 16 August and peaked on Saturday 21 August.

Traffic sources reflect a good mix of regular and new visitors with about one quarter being direct traffic, another quarter of traffic coming from referring sites and over half the visits coming from search engines. The most popular search terms that lead visitors to GRIND online were - "grind online", "grind youth", "new youth allowance laws", "rock enrol" and "the darwin festival program". The top two search demonstrate a growing brand recognition among the online community for GRIND.

GRIND worked closely with YAG and the Dili Sister City Committee on hosting a fundraising quiz night that was held on 6 August to raise funds for the volunteer English language skills centre, Action for Change (formerly known as FHRT) in Dili. More information regarding this event is presented under the Youth Advisory Group.

GRIND, in cooperation with the Darwin Festival, facilitated up to 6 GRIND journalists and photographers to attend various Darwin Festival events. Reviews and photos of these events will be placed on GRIND over the next few weeks.

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

The Youth Advisory Group August meeting focused on final preparations for the Quiz4Dili.

### **Quiz4Dili**

Quiz4Dili was a joint projection that saw the collaboration of GRIND, YAG and the Dili Sister City Community Committee. The event aimed to raise money for Action for Change (ACF) to assist in the operation of their volunteer based English Language Skills School. The event was held on Friday 6 August and was staffed and coordinated by young people. The youth organising team wrote the questions, prepared the refreshments, facilitated the games, raffles and competitions, marked the scores and a young person was quiz master.

The event was a resounding success with \$3,429.00 raised, with 110 people attending and overwhelmingly positive feedback received regarding the event.

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### **Youth Services Trainee (YST)**

The YST has taken a leading role in the supervision and delivery of GRIND and continues to demonstrate accrual of skills in project and event management. In August the YST has been busy revamping all the YAG and GRIND promotional material as the Youth Services team get ready to hit all the schools in September. The YST's work with GRIND has been recognised by a nomination for the Australian and New Zealand Best Practice Awards - Youth Initiative.

### **Youth Info Card**

The 2010 Youth Info Card has been distributed to all schools and youth service providers. Furthermore it is available for download via Darwin City Council's website.

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

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

### **Community Centres**

Nightcliff Community Centre (NCC) continues to operate at capacity. The installation of air conditioning at Malak Community Centre (MCC) is now complete and keys are being arranged for user access to the air-conditioning. Plans and quotes are being sourced for the installation of an undercover area with BBQ facilities.

Lyons Community Centre is operating well. Council has received a number of enquires from organisations regarding use of the Centre.

### **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.

### **Fun Bus**

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

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

The Fun Bus welcomes a student Tanya Bower who is completing a Professional Experience in CDU's Bachelor of Education Early Childhood degree. Tanya's placement is with the Fun Bus for 1 day per week for 10 weeks.

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### **Fun in the Parks**

Council's Fun in the Parks is a school holiday program focused on primary school age. 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.

The September/October one week school holiday program will began on Monday 27 September at various parks.

### **In kind Resources Equipment**

In August, the Fun and Games equipment was not hired out to any community events. However, Council has received a number of enquires from organisations regarding hiring equipment for up coming events.

## **SISTER CITIES PROGRAM**

### **Committee Meetings**

Ambon, Dili, and Haikou Sister City Community Committees meetings were held on 22 July, 3 August and 5 August respectively. Items discussed included student exchange with SMU5 and Kormillda College, Darwin to Ambon yacht race, upcoming 20 year celebration with Haikou and computer donation for Action for Change Foundation in Dili.

The Anchorage committee was unable to establish quorum during August and have rescheduled for September. Ms. Audrey Saganna Director of Social Services, Arctic Slope, Anchorage who was to be sponsored by the Anchorage committee to attend the 9<sup>th</sup> World Indigenous Women and Wellness Conference was unable to attend due to illness.

### **Delegations**

Details for the Lord Mayor's trip to China were finalised. He will be visiting the World Expo in Shanghai as part of a Northern Territory Government NT Week delegation and will attend the 20 year Sister City anniversary celebrations in Haikou. Lord Mayor is joined in Haikou by Haikou Sister City Community Committee Chairman, Mr. Phillip Rudd and Director Asian Relations, Mr. Brendan Doran.

### **Aradagwa Town, Japan**

In August Council met with two individual representatives of Aradagwa Town, Japan. In 2003, Darwin City Council signed a deed of acknowledgement of a friendship link with Kibi-cho, Japan. In 2006 Kibi-cho was amalgamated with surrounding towns to form Aradagwa Town. DCC was awaiting finalisation of the amalgamation of Kibi-cho to Aradagwa Town to enable the re-signing of a friendship agreement or the establishment of a Sister City agreement with the 'new' authority. In the mean time, the City of Palmerston have established a Sister City relationship with Aradagwa Town in May 2010, despite Council's preliminary engagement of the region.

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Sister City protocol does not favour neighbouring municipalities having the same Sister City relationships and as such there is limited value in Council pursuing a friendship agreement with Aradagwa Town at this time. Given that there is an established student exchange between Aradagwa Town and Dripstone High School, Council may be called upon for support and acknowledgement of this program in the future.

## **RECREATION SERVICES**

### **Casuarina Regional Playground**

Updated concept plans have been received for the revised location of this playground. Feedback from the Ward Aldermen will again be sought to progress this project to the next stage. Consultation with the Northern Territory Government and the community via public display will also be sought.

### **Cycling Paths**

All twelve water bubblers have now been installed across the municipality along various shared paths.

Four water refill stations have also been installed at the Esplanade (Cenotaph and Doctors Gully ends), East Point Reserve and Nightcliff Foreshore (although not at Mindil Beach and Rapid Creek as mentioned in last month's report). The filters are being replaced at least once or twice a month at each site due to the fineness of the filter and the amount of sediment. The stations are being used by backpackers not only for small drinking vessels as intended but also for large water carriers which is further shortening the estimated lifespan of the filters.

Photos of the water bubblers and refill stations are now available on Community and Cultural Services 'J' Drive.

### **Gardens Oval**

Gardens Oval hosted two NT Thunder games in August which drew good crowds.

Extensive infrastructure was introduced to the Gardens Oval site including a corporate area (45m long x 7.2 deep) on the mound adjacent to the scoreboard as well as a canteen, bar and barbeque facilities, marquees for additional change areas and a shipping container for storage and staff facilities, etc.

### **Pools**

The three Council pools were closed briefly over the dry season for maintenance (Nightcliff 24/05 to 14/06, Parap 14/06 to 05/07) whilst Casuarina resumed operations the day after the Picnic Day Public Holiday at the start of August.

### **Activate NT 2010**

A final report for the Activate NT Healthy Lifestyle Challenge is currently being produced by the Organising Committee (made up of General Practice Network NT, Darwin City Council, City of Palmerston, Heart Foundation, Department of Health and Forrest PR). This report will be available at the end of August.

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Activate NT has been nominated for the following awards:

- Heart Foundation's National Local Government Awards in the category of Healthy Weight
- Northern Territory Chronic Diseases Network's Recognition Awards in the category of Program Delivery (Team/Organisation)

Results will be announced as part of the Chronic Diseases Network's Annual Conference to be held from September 8 to 10. The awards presentation, hosted by the Minister for Health, will be made during the Conference Celebration at Parliament House.

### **Alcohol Management**

- The NT government has publically announced the proposal of an Alcohol Management Plan developed in conjunction with Council and Palmerston City Council. The community is invited to comment on the proposal between now and November 2010.
- The cross-sector Casuarina Business Precinct CPTED and Liquor Accord Groups continue to progress the enhancement of the area in terms of the management of alcohol and improved infrastructure and maintenance.

### **Interagency Tasking Coordination and Community Safety Working Groups**

Community and Cultural Services attended ITCG meetings in August to progress community safety, homelessness, regulatory and related social policy issues.

Council continues to advocate for the resolving of the issue of homelessness in the municipality in order to address the both the compromised amenity of the municipality and the vulnerability of community members who are without shelter.

### **Darwin Entertainment Centre (DEC)**

Council, in conjunction with the Northern Territory government and DEC, have developed Terms of Reference for an Expression of Interest to conduct a review of DEC's strategic and operational status and direction.

The review is required to be delivered by January 31 2011.

### **Walkways**

Community and Cultural Services continues to engaged with residents, the police, non-government agencies and other Council Departments in order to resolve or mitigate compromised community safety in walkways.

### **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

Nil pertinent to this report.

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### **STRATEGIC PLAN IMPLICATIONS:**

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

**Goal** Achieve Effective Partnerships and Engage in Collaborative Relationships

**Outcome** Effectively engage with community

**Key Strategies**

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

**Goal** Facilitate and Maintain a Cohesive Community

**Outcome** Facilitate community access and inclusion

**Key Strategies**

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

5.1.2 Encourage employment opportunities within the Council for marginalised members of the community

5.1.3 Improve access for people with disabilities

5.1.5 Improve coordination with residents and other service providers

**Goal** Facilitate and Maintain a Cohesive Community

**Outcome** Promote Darwin's culture

**Key Strategies**

5.2.1 Promote and support activities and programs that celebrate cultural diversity

5.2.2 Create opportunities for the expression of cultural diversity through art

5.3 Support harmony within the community

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

**Goal** Promote Brand Darwin

**Outcome** Promote our Darwin city

**Key Strategies**

6.2.4 Strengthen international relationships through Sister Cities and other activities

### **LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:**

Nil pertinent to this report.

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**ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS:**

Nil.

**PUBLIC RELATIONS IMPLICATIONS:**

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

**COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS:**

Nil. This report is informational.

**DELEGATION:**

This report is presented for information only.

**CONSULTATION:**

Each Community Development Team Officer has contributed to this report.

**PROPOSED PUBLIC CONSULTATION PROCESS:**

Not pertinent to this report.

**APPROPRIATE SIGNAGE**

Not pertinent to this report.

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**RECOMMENDATIONS:**

That it be a recommendation to Council:-

THAT Report Number 10C0119 KH:es entitled Community & Cultural Services Team Report – August 2010, be received and noted.

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**DARWIN CITY COUNCIL**

DATE: 7/09/2010

**REPORT****TO:** COMMUNITY & CULTURAL SERVICES  
COMMITTEE/OPEN A**APPROVED:** JB**FROM:** GENERAL MANAGER COMMUNITY &  
CULTURAL SERVICES**APPROVED:** DN**REPORT NO:** 10C0118 DN:mrg**COMMON NO:** 1330602**SUBJECT:** REGULATORY SERVICES UPDATE AUGUST 2010**ITEM NO: 9.2****SYNOPSIS:**

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

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

During the month of August 2010 Regulation of CBD parking was carried out by seven Rangers regulating all areas of on street CBD parking and off street Council car parks. Rangers actively patrolled the Mall to ensure there were no breaches of the By-Laws. Rangers were instructed to report inconsistencies relating to parking signs and road markings within the CBD.

After consultation with the management of the CBD Plaza (Woolworths) car park, relating to the enforcement of the NT Traffic Regulations, new signage was installed and information flyers were distributed. The regulation of parking in the CBD Plaza has been successful in creating a greater turnover of parking spaces being made available to customers of the complex.

**Suburban Parking**

Rangers conducted regular patrols for Suburban Parking enforcement. Patrols were conducted at Nightcliff, Casuarina, Parap, Cullen Bay, Fannie Bay, Alawa, Hibiscus, Karama, Rapid Creek and Stuart Park. The Suburban Ranger regulated all disabled bays, timed zones and on complaint received via the public of any traffic offences as well as vehicles for sale in a public place.

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Suburban Rangers regulated parking regulations in the Casuarina Village car park. Management of Casuarina Village have advised there has been a vast improvement in the availability of parking spaces since the regulation commenced.

### **Waterfront Precinct**

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

### **School Safety Initiative**

During the month of August Council Rangers continued to conduct patrols of school crossings throughout the municipality. The patrols are conducted during drop off and pick up times during the morning and the afternoon. Rangers issued warnings to drivers if found in areas that risk the safety of children at crossings. Infringements were issued for offences such as stopping on a yellow edge line and stopping too close to a crossing.

### **Generals**

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

### **Weekend Markets**

Rapid Creek, Parap and Nightcliff Markets continued to be patrolled every weekend. Patrol hours are between 9.00am and 1pm noon on Saturdays and Sundays. Rangers aimed to control parking issues within market areas and issued parking infringement notices for vehicles illegally parked on nature strips, obstructing access to footpaths/driveways and actively regulated the No Standing 7am-2pm on Sunday within both market areas. Rangers also attended to dog pick ups through the call out system and followed up customer requests which required attention/regulation on Saturday and Sunday.

### **Public Places**

Public Places Rangers continued to patrol such areas as Mindil Beach, East Point and Vestey's Beach for illegal camping. A large number of campers were already spoken to and notices were issued. Information sheets in four languages have been distributed to all hostels and campervan hire companies within the city and in person to all campers at Mindil Beach, Vestey's and East Point Reserve informing campers and visitors of Council By-Laws. In conjunction with this, all information has also been published on various Travel internet sites.

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The aim of the public places program is to minimise breaches of By-Law 103, in particular persons camping/sleeping in public places and the obstruction of public facilities.

### **Animal Management**

30 cats were impounded for August - up slightly from last month. The majority of those cats were feral with 8 being re-homed through the PAWS program. Dogs were down marginally with 70 animals being impounded. 37 of those were returned to owners and 19 were found new homes through the PAWS program.

There were a number of medium level attacks by dogs on other dogs during August. Several owners received infringements and surrendered their dogs to Council as a result of those attacks.

Council's Registration Officer continued to return good results in Darwin's northern suburbs with a steady stream of licence and registration applications for both cats and dogs.

Dog registration figures increased for the August period with 786 dog registrations, 200 of those were new registrations. The total number of dogs registered with Council is 7739 of which 5,786 are desexed.

123 cat registrations were recorded for August, 35 of those were new registrations. The total number of cats registered with Council is 84, of which 831 are desexed.

### **Education**

A second Ranger has been rostered onto working on the resolution of barking complaints, this was due to the high number currently under investigation. The Animal Education Officer is responsible for receiving the initial reports then preparing and tasking CARRS (Customer Action Requests) to the relevant Rangers.

Heavy duty Council promotional dog leads have been ordered. These will be used as give-aways at events and will be carried by Rangers to give to owners who need one while out walking their pets. These leads are very strong and will last a long time – representing an effective and positive promotional tool for Council.

Work progressed on sourcing bark prevention collars for use during the resolution of nuisance barking complaints. These will allow owners to trial different types to ensure they are effective on their dog, in order for them to determine which type to purchase.

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**RECOMMENDATION:**

That it be a recommendation to Council:-

THAT Report Number 10C0118 DN:mrg entitled Regulatory Services Update August 2010, be received and noted.

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**DARWIN CITY COUNCIL****DATE:** 7/09/2010**REPORT****TO:** COMMUNITY & CULTURAL SERVICES  
COMMITTEE/ OPEN A**APPROVED:** JB**FROM:** GENERAL MANAGER  
COMMUNITY & CULTURAL SERVICES**APPROVED:** KC**REPORT NO:** 10P0011 KC:md**COMMON NO:** 1732523**SUBJECT: LIBRARIES INFORMATION UPDATE FOR AUGUST 2010****ITEM NO: 9.3****SYNOPSIS:**

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

**GENERAL:**

Libraries have a number of vacancies, we are currently recruiting for Collection Development Librarian, Libraries IT Co-ordinator, a library technician position and three library assistant positions. The Karama Library Manager has been acting in the role of IT Co-ordinator. This has involved administering reports, conducting training and maintaining the patron database.

Library staff in consultation with the Dili Sister City Community Committee have organised to donate the libraries superseded copy of the 2005 World Book Encyclopaedia to Dili, East Timor.

Karama and Casuarina Libraries have work experience students from Sanderson Middle School. Casuarina Library has five volunteers who help with shelving, mending and other administrative tasks.

The Casuarina Library courtyard refurbishment process continues, Platt Consultants have been engaged to design the new area with work underway on the new shade cloth structure and on maintenance issues that need attending to as part of the upgrade. Work is expected to be completed by the end of December.

The air conditioning at Casuarina Library is working better since maintenance work was done in July.

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Casuarina Library staff met with the DCC OH&S Officer to plan a fire drill for the library, evacuation plans have been updated in the process.

The Library Project Officer attended the launch of Seniors Month by Minister Knight at Birch, Carroll & Coyle Cinema on 4 August. All events hosted by Darwin City Council were well attended with most booked out well ahead. The inclusion of an art workshop this year was a very popular choice, and holding it in the library rather than the meeting room allowed participants to move around more freely. Other popular activities held at Casuarina Library were the Computers and Facebook sessions. Many of those participants have booked in for both our regular computer training sessions and the special Facebook session to be held in Adult Learners Week. Again, the bus tour and lunch which was partly funded by a grant of \$880 from the Department of Health and Families was the highlight of Seniors Month. Thanks go to Luccio and staff of Infrastructure and to Alice Rae who helped make this event such a success.

Hazel Barton, a professor of microbiology at Northern Kentucky University presented an interesting talk about caves to two classes of high school students and members of the public at the City Library. It was noted that many of the attending adults were male and that we should look at similar events to attract more men into our libraries.

Coles Karama ceased trading on Sunday 8th August. This has significantly reduced the passing traffic in the shopping centre. We are keeping weekly statistics and will monitor our circulation numbers during the closure. We have been advised that it will mostly likely be March before the new tenant, Woolworths, is operational in the supermarket. There is currently a good deal of construction underway at the centre including extension of the tavern and other works around the old Coles site which has been at times disruptive to the library access, as much of the car park has been blocked off.

Nightcliff Library is preparing for the installation of new carpet and it is envisaged that the library will be closed for a short period during the removal of books and laying of the new carpet.

NT Property Management inspected both Karama and Nightcliff Libraries.

### **CHILDREN AND YOUTH SERVICES:**

Story times are ongoing throughout the four libraries and continue to be very well attended. Forty sessions are conducted each month with special sessions for crèches on Tuesdays and Wednesdays and the Nemarluk school on Wednesdays at the City Library. A special music in the library story time was held at Casuarina Library to celebrate National Speech Pathology week.

Panda Cubs Story time resumed at the new time on Tuesdays at 10am at the Casuarina Library. Panda Cubs Story times deliver a Mandarin song and story time each week for both Mandarin and non-Mandarin speaking families. Numbers have increased from 5 in the first session to 30 in the latest session.

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The KROC Awards promotional material has been sent to all schools and libraries across the Northern Territory. Displays are up at all Darwin City Council Libraries to promote the awards which are announced in November. The KROC Awards this year are part of the national Reading and Enjoying Australian Literature Children's Choice (REAL ) Awards.

To celebrate World Breast Feeding month we invited a guest speaker from the Darwin National Breast Feeding Association to our Babes 'n' Books sessions at Casuarina Library on Wednesday 4 August and the City Library on Monday 9 August. The speaker gave an informative talk to the parents about their services and parents in turn asked questions. They also gave us their updated pamphlets and stickers for our libraries to inform the public that we welcome breast feeding in our libraries.

Planning is underway for the September/October holiday program from 28 September – 2 October. "Plant a tree" is the theme library staff met with staff from the Darwin City Council Climate Change and Environment section on Friday 20 August to discuss the program outline. Staff from Climate Change and Environment section will visit all libraries to promote the importance of planting trees. Children will be planting an edible plant in a recyclable container.

The Children and Youth Services team is also starting to plan for the December January holiday program and the Summer Reading Program. This year's summer reading program theme is "Scare Up a Good Book!"

Caught Read Handed Junior Book Club at Casuarina Library was attended by 26 children this month. Guest storyteller Lilli Pang led the session. Lilli shared a little bit about herself. She speaks seven languages and is from El Salvador, originally. Lilli let the group play with the instruments she brought along, including a goatskin drum and 3 octave pianos from Zimbabwe. The group seemed to have a lot of fun.

Kaos at Karama Library was attended by 15 youth including a group from Kormilda College. A special event was hosted by Madeline and Filipino artist Alwin who had the teenagers in deep therapy, researching on the internet and playstations.

Book Week was celebrated at all libraries from 21 to 27 August. The theme this year was "Across the Story Bridge". Each library celebrated this event on different days by hosting a special story time where they read books and sang songs. Story time in each library was followed by an activity where children crafted a bridge from cardboard strips and glued it to a cardboard printout of a green field and bubbling brook that they had previously coloured. Pencils, glue and cardboard harmonised together to make a small slice of heaven.

Darwin City Council Libraries participated in the Darwin Festival with a series of story telling events presented by the Storytelling Guild of Australia. The first two events were held at Casuarina Library on Thursday 12 August. "Wisdom of the Elders", honouring our senior citizens, a story telling session for seniors to celebrate seniors' month approximately 78 seniors attended. Another session held that afternoon for the general public titled "The Tamarind Tree Storytelling" was attended by 49 people.

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“Spirits of the Night Storytelling Concert” was held in the evening on 13 August at Casuarina Library. It was a scary storytelling session for families and approximately 51 people attended. The final event hosted by the libraries was the “Under the Banyan Tree” a storytelling event for families on 14 August. It was held under the Tree of Knowledge at Civic Park and was a huge success with approximately 159 people attending. A total of 14 storytellers including local, national and international participated in the festival.



## DISPLAYS:

Children’s Week	Darwin Festival
Senior’s Month	Children’s Book Week
KROC Awards	Kaos
Transport	Prime Minister’s Award
Dinosaurs	Insects
Discover What’s Between the Covers (Adult Fiction)	
Around the World in 80 Dinners – Foreign cuisine	
Under the Banyan Tree storytelling festival	



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## **STAFF TRAINING:**

The Reference Librarian attended the My Language Conference in Sydney from 9 - 12 August. The theme of the conference was "How do you assist culturally and linguistically diverse (CALD) communities to achieve greater social inclusion and maintain linguistic and cultural identity". The conference had a very full program and included organisations other than libraries such as museums and health centres. The papers covered issues such as digital literacy and access to technology and practical projects like multilingual story telling, digital libraries, multilingual information on the web and specialised language catalogues.

The Karama Library Manager and Children & Youth Services Librarian attended an informative workshop facilitated by Child Wise. Child Wise is Australia's leading child protection charity working in Australia, Asia and the Pacific to prevent child abuse.

The Nightcliff Library Manager attended a workshop on Managing Trouble in Teams presented by Newfangled Ideas and found it to be a positive experience.

Other training attended by staff included:

Recruitment

Cataloguing

Authority

Child Safe workshop

## **INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY/VIRTUA:**

The Internet Club at the City Library is still very popular with our customers. One customer wanting to book accommodation on line but not feeling confident enough to do it by herself, was delighted with the outcome. Another person wanted to know about a more effective way to look for book reviews. She was shown how to access the online resources which the library subscribes to, and spent time searching the book review data bases.

## **STRATEGIC PLAN IMPLICATIONS:**

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

<b>Goal</b>	Enhance Darwin's active, positive and flexible lifestyle
<b>Outcome</b>	Increase recreational, leisure and heritage experiences
<b>Key Strategies</b>	
2.2.1	Enhance library facilities

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**Goal** Enhance Darwin's active, positive and flexible lifestyle

**Outcome** Promote family friendly & healthy activities

**Key Strategies**

2.3.3 Provide facilities and programs which encourage healthy lifestyle choices

**Goal** Facilitate and Maintain a Cohesive Community

**Outcome** Facilitate community access and inclusion

**Key Strategies**

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

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**RECOMMENDATIONS:**

That it be a recommendation to Council:-

THAT Report Number 10P0011 entitled, Libraries Information Update for August 2010 be received and noted.

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

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

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ENCL: YES

**DARWIN CITY COUNCIL**

DATE: 7/09 /2010

**REPORT****TO:** COMMUNITY & CULTURAL SERVICES  
COMMITTEE/ OPEN A**APPROVED:** JB**FROM:** GENERAL MANAGER  
COMMUNITY & CULTURAL SERVICES**APPROVED:** KC**REPORT NO:** 10P0012 KC:md**COMMON NO:** 230585**SUBJECT: NORTHERN TERRITORY INTERLIBRARY LOANS SCHEME (NILLS) AGREEMENT****ITEM NO: 9.4****SYNOPSIS:**

This report requests that Darwin City Council Libraries (DCCL) resign the Northern Territory Interlibrary Loans Scheme (NILLS) agreement and recommends Council's continued participation in the scheme.

**GENERAL:****Previous Decision:**

- B. THAT Council continue to participate in the Northern Territory Interlibrary Loans Scheme Agreement

Decision No. 19\3242 (25/07/06)

**REPORT**

Council's Public Library Service Policy No. 044 Part E Inter Library Loans, decision 20\2501 adopted 23/2/10 is co-dependent on participation in the NILLS agreement.

The Australian Library and Information Association (ALIA) Top End Group oversees the scheme and have invited the DCCL to again be signatory to the agreement for the next 5 years.

As signatories, the libraries undertake to participate in a Territory wide network, which has been established to achieve maximum access to materials at minimal costs by co-operating with one another. Other signatories to the scheme include government department libraries, The Northern Territory Library, school libraries, the Charles Darwin University and other public libraries in the NT.

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This scheme benefits the customers of Darwin City Council Libraries by providing greater access to all types of materials from a variety of libraries within the Territory at no cost to the user.

### **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

This service is ongoing and exists as part of the operational budget.

### **STRATEGIC PLAN IMPLICATIONS:**

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

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

**Goal** Facilitate and Maintain a Cohesive Community  
**Outcome** Facilitate community access and inclusion  
**Key Strategies**  
 5.1.1 Create more opportunities for the community to access services and facilities

### **LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:**

Council, as a participant, agrees to the conditions of membership of NILLS which includes the provision of reciprocal access to other signatories.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS:**

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

### **PUBLIC RELATIONS IMPLICATIONS:**

Continued provision of interlibrary loans from government departments, schools, Charles Darwin University and public libraries has positive public relations implications for Council.

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**PROPOSED PUBLIC CONSULTATION PROCESS:**

None for the purpose of this report.

**RECOMMENDATIONS:**

That it be a Recommendation to Council:-

- A. THAT Report Number 10P0012 entitled, Northern Territory Interlibrary Loans Scheme (NILLS) Agreement, be received and noted.
- B. THAT Council continue to participate in the Northern Territory Interlibrary Loans Scheme Agreement.

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

**JOHN BANKS**  
**GENERAL MANAGER**  
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ALIA TOP END  
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August 15 2010

Dear Library Manager

#### **NORTHERN TERRITORY INTERLIBRARY LOAN SCHEME (NILLS)**

The Libraries which take part in the Northern Territory Interlibrary Loan Scheme (NILLS) last signed the agreement in 2005 and it is now time to renew the agreement. The Australian Library and Information Association (ALIA) Top End Group oversees the scheme.

You are invited to sign the 2010 agreement. It is envisaged that the agreement will run for the next 5 years.

As signatories, the Libraries undertake to participate in a Territory wide network, which has been established to achieve maximum access to materials at minimal cost by cooperating with one another. The following conditions apply:

1. Provision of material requested on interlibrary loan by other members of the NILL Scheme
2. Photocopy requests made on an IL form or alternative formal authorisation and presented in person will be provided at no cost
3. Loan restrictions imposed by individual libraries will be observed
4. Principles and procedures as defined in the *Australian Interlibrary Resource Sharing (ILRS) Code*, latest edition, will apply.

If you wish to continue as a signatory to this agreement, or would like to become a signatory, please complete your details on the reverse of this letter and return by 17 September 2010 to the postal address at the top of this letter or by email to the sender.

For further information please contact

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Yours sincerely

for  
Leonie Gray  
Secretary  
ALIA Top End Group



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# **NORTHERN TERRITORY INTERLIBRARY LOAN SCHEME (NILLS) 2010**

Signed .....

Name .....

Title .....

Organisation .....

Date .....



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**DARWIN CITY COUNCIL**  
**REPORT**

DATE: 7/09/2010

<b>TO:</b>	COMMUNITY & CULTURAL SERVICES/ OPEN A	<b>APPROVED:</b> JB
<b>FROM:</b>	GENERAL MANAGER COMMUNITY & CULTURAL SERVICES	<b>APPROVED:</b> AF
<b>REPORT NO:</b>	10C0115 SD:kl	<b>APPROVED:</b> SD
<b>COMMON NO:</b>	1780354	
<b>SUBJECT:</b> BICYCLES IN THE MALL		

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**ITEM NO: 9.5****SYNOPSIS:**

This report provides an analysis of the use of bicycles in The Mall (Smith Street) via consideration of the plans for The Mall upgrade, potential changes to Cavenagh Street as a result of the MY0800 project and the regulatory environments of other Councils.

**GENERAL:****Previous Decision****DECISION NO. 20\2651 (13/04/10)**

THAT a report be prepared in relation to the possibility of the use of pushbikes and small wheeled vehicles in The Mall.

**DCC By-Law - Division 7 Malls and other public places****108 Bicycles, skates, &c., may be prohibited in malls and other public places**

(1) The council may determine that the riding or driving of bicycles or tricycles, pedal powered vehicles, small motorised vehicles, roller skates or blades, skateboards or any of them is prohibited or restricted in a mall or other public place in accordance with an inscription on signs erected in and associated with the mall or public place.

(2) A person shall not contravene the determination of a council under clause (1) as inscribed on signs erected under that clause.

**Current Mall Signage**

Signage has been, for some time, erected at both ends of the Darwin Mall prohibiting the use of bicycles, skateboards and roller blades within the mall area in accordance with DCC By-Law 108.

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## REPORT

Research into the use of bicycles in malls located in other municipalities indicates that most, if not all, malls are for pedestrian use only and do not allow vehicles of any sort to be used unless a permit is issued. Vehicles in this case are defined as including bicycles, skateboards, roller skates and other small-wheeled vehicles. However, it does not include emergency vehicles (police, fire and ambulance), wheelchairs for people with a disability, scooters which facilitate mobility and prams for infants.

The table below demonstrates that a number of capital cities do not allow the riding of bicycles through malls.

MUNICIPALITY	MALL	BICYCLES (YES/NO)
Perth	Murray St Mall	No
Sydney	Pitt St Mall	No
Melbourne	Bourke St Mall	No
Adelaide	Rundle Mall	No
Brisbane	Queen St Mall	No
Brisbane	Chinatown Mall	No
ACT	Canberra Central	No
Wollongong (NSW)	Crown St Mall	No
Townsville (Qld)	The Flinders Mall	No
Townsville (Qld)	The Picnic Bay Mall	No
Hobart	Elizabeth St Mall	No

There is no evidence in the course of research conducted for this report that major urban centres allow the use of bicycles in malls.

The primary strategy of The Mall upgrade is to provide a space for community events, the promotion of alfresco dining and an increase in the number of people using The Mall. The playground and water feature in The Mall, which attract significant use by young families, will remain at their current locations.

The increase in visitors from interstate and overseas and the anticipated increased use of The Mall once upgraded would suggest that adding a new layer of complexity to the use of The Mall may cause unnecessary risk. Young children play on and near the playground and water feature and frequently run into on-coming pedestrians. If young children were to run into the path of a bicycle the injury potential for both the child and cyclist is significant.

The Mall is a public place used mainly for shopping, dining and socialising. Pedestrians tend to criss-cross The Mall to get to various locations which should be

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encouraged with minimal risk of accident. Safe traversing through The Mall is crucial to its ongoing attraction as a place to shop, eat and play in relative safety.

Council has recognised the difficulties cyclists face when travelling through the CBD and funds have been provided to assess appropriate cycle ways and shared paths in the CBD during the current financial year. An upgrade to Cavenagh Street is currently in “design” phase which initially recommends that on-road cycle lanes should run down both sides of the road. This would provide a safe thoroughfare for cyclists from one end of the CBD to the other. This road runs parallel to The Mall and would provide an appropriate route for cyclists to ride through the CBD.

The installation of secure bicycle parking facilities at China Town and West Lane car parks also provides a safe location for cyclists to leave their bicycles at either end of The Mall. Standard ‘U-shaped’ bike racks also exist at either end of The Mall for use by cyclists who may be visiting the area for a shorter period of time.

### **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

NIL for this report.

### **STRATEGIC PLAN IMPLICATIONS:**

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

#### **Goal**

2 Enhance Darwin’s Active, Positive and Flexible Lifestyle

#### **Outcome**

2.2 Increase recreational, cultural and heritage experiences

#### **Key Strategies**

2.2.3 Provide facilities to encourage safe cycling and walking

#### **Goal**

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

#### **Outcome**

3.1 Promote the use of public spaces

#### **Key Strategies**

3.1.1 Enhance public spaces and encourage greater use by the community

### **LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:**

NIL for this report.

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**ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS:**

NIL for this report.

**PUBLIC RELATIONS IMPLICATIONS:**

Public response to the on-going banning of the use of bicycles in The Mall could be both negative (impeding direct access and facilitation of the use of bicycles) and positive (the mitigation of public safety).

**COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS:**

The introduction of bicycles in The Mall may have considerably adverse safety implications. The mix of retail shops, dining, play spaces and other service providers encourages haphazard use of the area. Pedestrians move from one side of The Mall to the other to access shops, cafes and services and children play in the playground and water feature as would be anticipated in the public's use of a public space such as a mall.

**DELEGATION:**

Nil

**CONSULTATION:**

Project Officer – Design

**PROPOSED PUBLIC CONSULTATION PROCESS:**

Not required.

**APPROPRIATE SIGNAGE**

Not required.

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**RECOMMENDATIONS:**

THAT it be a recommendation to Council:-

- A. THAT Report Number 10C0115 SD:kl entitled Bicycles In The Mall, be received and noted.
- B. THAT the use of bicycles continues to be restricted in The Mall.

**SIMONE DRURY**  
**COMMUNITY RECREATION**  
**COORDINATOR**

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

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**DARWIN CITY COUNCIL****DATE:** 7/09/2010**REPORT****TO:** COMMUNITY SERVICES & CULTURAL  
COMMITTEE/OPEN A**APPROVED:** JB**FROM:** GENERAL MANAGER COMMUNITY &  
CULTURAL SERVICES**APPROVED:** KH**REPORT NO:** 10C0124 AR:kl**APPROVED:** AR**COMMON NO:** 1849170**SUBJECT:** JOHN MCDOUALL STUART 150 YEAR CELEBRATION 2012**ITEM NO: 9.6****SYNOPSIS:**

The Historical Society NT has invited Council to host a function on Wednesday 25 July 2012 for the 150 Year celebration of the arrival of John McDouall Stuart on Australia's northern shore.

This report outlines the proposed function.

**GENERAL:**

The Historical Society NT in partnership with the John McDouall Stuart Society (based in SA) are planning a program of events to celebrate 150 Years since Stuart's arrival at Chambers Bay (east of Darwin) on 24 July 1862 on his sixth expedition to cross the continent from North to South.

The Historical Society NT will host a re-enactment of Stuart's arrival at Chambers Bay on Tuesday 24 July 2012. Many dignitaries and interstate visitors are expected to attend. The Historical Society NT has invited Council to host a public function on the following day, Wednesday 25 July 2012, to enable the Darwin public to join in the celebrations.

Council has two memorials to John McDouall Stuart: Herbert Knoll's statue of John McDouall Stuart in Raintree Park, restored in 2008 by Geoff Todd; and Ro Koch Laurie's "Eye of the Explorer" memorial in Bicentennial Park at the end of the Stuart Highway (Daly St). It has been suggested that the proposed function be held at one of these two sites. For a daytime function, Raintree Park is preferred for its better provision of shade.

Between 100 and 500 people are expected to attend this proposed public event.

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### **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

A budget of \$2000 is recommended to include catering and live entertainment. Raintree Park provides adequate shade however should the event be held at an alternative venue hire of a marquee may be necessary which would require an additional budget allocation of \$3000.

There is capacity in the Community Development operational budget to absorb these expenses.

### **STRATEGIC PLAN IMPLICATIONS:**

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

#### **Goal**

1 Achieve Effective Partnerships and Engage in Collaborative Relationships

#### **Outcome**

1.2 Effectively engage with community

#### **Key Strategies**

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

#### **Goal**

6 Promote Brand Darwin

#### **Outcome**

6.2 Promote our Darwin city

#### **Key Strategies**

6.2.1 Promote Darwin's history, particularly its WWII experiences

### **LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:**

Nil pertaining to this report.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS:**

Nil pertaining to this report.

### **PUBLIC RELATIONS IMPLICATIONS:**

This event celebrating Australia's history is expected to attract local and national attention.

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

#### **COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS:**

Nil pertaining to this report.

#### **DELEGATION:**

A Council decision is required.

#### **CONSULTATION:**

Mrs Bev Phelts, Historical Society NT

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

The John McDouall Stuart Society (SA/NT) and Historical Society NT will be invited to assist with the planning of this proposed event.

#### **APPROPRIATE SIGNAGE**

Nil.

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

THAT it be a recommendation to Council:-

- A. THAT Report Number 10C0124 AR:kl entitled John McDouall Stuart 150 Year Celebration 2012, be received and noted.
- B. THAT Council host a public event on Wednesday 25 July 2012 to celebrate 150 Years since the arrival of John McDouall Stuart on Australia's northern shore.

**ALICE RAE**  
**ARTS AND CULTURAL**  
**DEVELOPMENT OFFICER**

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

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**DARWIN CITY COUNCIL**  
**REPORT**

DATE: 7/09/2010

TO: COMMUNITY & CULTURAL  
SERVICES/OPEN A

APPROVED: JB

FROM: GENERAL MANAGER COMMUNITY &  
CULTURAL SERVICES

APPROVED: KH

REPORT NO: 10C0123 KL:kl

APPROVED: KL

COMMON NO: 1866160

SUBJECT: YOUTH ADVISORY GROUP MINUTES 04 AUGUST 2010 AND  
QUIZ4DILI FEEDBACK REPORT**ITEM NO: 9.7****SYNOPSIS:**

Minutes of the Youth Advisory Group (YAG) meeting held on the 04 August, 2010 are presented for Council's consideration.

This report contains a summary of the Quiz4Dili Fundraiser and a request for Council to match up to \$1,000 for the proceeds raised by the fundraiser on Friday 06 August 2010.

**GENERAL:****PREVIOUS DECISION NO. 20\2697 (27/04/10)**

- C. THAT the Dili Sister City Community Committee recommend that \$4,000 in annual project funds, coupled with the fundraising dollar match, totalling \$5,245.40 for 2009/10 from Budget Item 05/224001 be expended as follows:
  - i) Fundasaun Hafoun Rai Timor Foundation (FHRT) internet café seed funding and computer replacement program - \$2,245.00
- D. THAT the Dili Sister City Community Committee, in partnership with the Youth Advisory Group conduct a quiz night to raise funds for Fundasaun Hafoun Rai Timor internet connection project and request that Council note this event as a Committee project in which application will be made for dollar for dollar matching of funds raised up to \$1,000.

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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

PREVIOUS DECISION NO. 18\4539 (28/01/03)

- B. THAT the Sister Cities Management Committee adopt the following fundraising policy in 2003/2004 as an incentive to Community Committees:

When Community Committees engage in fundraising, for every dollar raised by the community, the Council will provide another dollar to the maximum of \$1,000 per annum per Community Committee.

**REPORT:**

The YAG August meeting focused on the final preparations for the Quiz4Dili Fundraiser to be held on Friday 6 August 2010. The Quiz4Dili marked the first collaboration between the Dili Sister Community Committee, YAG and GRIND. YAG and GRIND were involved at all levels of the organisation of the fundraiser, from promotion, prize gathering, the seeking of community support and the final presentation of the night.

The purpose of Quiz4Dili was to raise funds for Action for Change (formerly known as Fundasaun Hafoun Rai Timor) and assist in their access to the internet. The fundraiser is part of a larger cooperative program between Council and Action for Change, which will see the donation of computers, IT expertise and internet access for their volunteer run internet café and English language skills centre.

YAG and GRIND were successful in gaining support from the following businesses and organisations:

- Read Back books
- Crocosaurus Cove
- The Body Shop
- The Optical Superstore
- Lord Mayor Graeme Sawyer
- Lynn Bigg
- Alderman John Bailey
- East Timor Sunrise
- Vogue Body Piercing
- Loot Home wares
- Discount Pharmacy – Karama
- Gordon's Book Exchange
- Hibiscus Health and Beauty Centre
- Just Cuts

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- Comics NT
- United Discount Chemists – Palmerston
- Darwin Newsagency

Quiz4Dili was a sold out event with 110 people attending. All the questions were devised by YAG and GRIND, with all games, raffles and management of the night facilitated and hosted by the young people. A young man, Codey Riedel, was MC for the night. The event raised a total of \$3,429.00 and has received very positive feedback.

It is envisaged that the success of the event will lead to other joint projects between Youth Services and the Sister Cities Community Committees.



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### **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

Pursuant to DECISION NO. 18\4539 (28/01/03) it is recommended that the funds raised by the YAG and Dili Sister City Community Committee totalling \$3,429.00 be matched with \$1,000 from Council, as per Council's dollar for dollar fundraising match policy.

### **STRATEGIC PLAN IMPLICATIONS:**

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

#### **Goal**

5 Facilitate and maintain a cohesive community

#### **Outcome**

5.1 Facilitate community access and inclusion

#### **Key Strategies:**

5.1.4 Encourage and recognise volunteers

#### **Goal**

6 Promote Brand Darwin

#### **Outcome**

6.2 Promote our Darwin city

#### **Key Strategies**

6.2.4 Strengthen international relationships through Sister Cities and other activities

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**LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:**

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

**ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS:**

Not relevant to this report.

**PUBLIC RELATIONS IMPLICATIONS:**

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

**COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS:**

Nil

**DELEGATION:**

Matters contained within this report are not recommended for delegation.

**CONSULTATION:**

Youth Advisory Group and Dili Sister City Community Committee membership

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### **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

THAT it be a recommendation to Council:-

- A. THAT Report Number 10C0123 KL:kl entitled Youth Advisory Group Minutes 4 August 2010 be received and noted.
- B. THAT Pursuant to Decision Number 18\4539 (28/01/03) that the \$3,429.00 raised by the YAG and Dili Sister City Community Committee be matched with \$1,000 by Council.

**KIN LEONG**  
**YOUTH SERVICES OFFICER**

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

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**MINUTES OF THE DARWIN CITY COUNCIL  
YOUTH ADVISORY GROUP (YAG) MEETING  
HELD WEDNESDAY 04 AUGUST 2010**

**Chair:** Mikki Borton

**Minutes:** Cj Fraser-Bell

**1. PRESENT**

Mikki Borton  
Declan Coffey  
Zenias Xie  
Chantelle Dobunaba  
David Quested  
Liam Parry-Mills  
Caitlin Buralli  
Honeylyn Lisson  
Olivier Hasan-Fourcard  
Kin Leong DCC  
Cj Fraser-Bell DCC  
Ald. John Bailey DCC

**2. APOLOGIES**

Joel Lawton, Matthew Haubrick, Jacqui Wilcocks

**3. DILI SISTER CITY QUIZ NIGHT**

Final preparations for Quiz4Dili

- MC – Codey Riedel
- Games – Chantelle, Caitlin
  - 2 x Heads & Tails
  - “Supercalifragilisticexpialidocious” sms game
  - 1 x Raffle – Optical Superstore Voucher (\$160), East Timorese Tais & Loot Home Wares Voucher (\$50)
  - 1 x Raffle – Painting (\$220) & Family Voucher (Crococaurus) & Dinner (The Tap) (\$160)
- Volunteers – Zenias, Liam
- Photos – Olive
- Rounds
  - Round 1: Timor Leste
  - Round 2: Everybody Knows
  - Round 3: Liam’s Super Rocking Music Round
  - Round 4: Things We Learnt at High School
  - Round 5: OK GO! Audio Visual Round
  - Round 6: Awesome Achievements
  - Round 7: Famous Faces

Set up in function room starts at 4:30pm

Everyone is encouraged to come to Youth Space as early as possible to assist in setting up and decorating the venue.

**4. CLOSE**

Meeting closed at 7:05 pm.



ENCL: YES

**DARWIN CITY COUNCIL**

DATE: 3/09/2010

**REPORT****TO:** COMMUNITY SERVICES & CULTURAL  
COMMITTEE/OPEN A**APPROVED:****FROM:** GENERAL MANAGER COMMUNITY &  
CULTURAL SERVICES**APPROVED:** KH**REPORT NO:** 10C0125 AR:kl**APPROVED:** AR**COMMON NO:** 1762819**SUBJECT:** LEONARDO DA VINCI MACHINES EXHIBITION CHAN  
CONTEMPORARY ART SPACE PROPOSAL**ITEM NO: 9.8****SYNOPSIS:**

Council has been invited by the Leonardo Da Vinci Machines Exhibition Manager to make a joint submission to the NT Government for the use of the newly refurbished Chan Contemporary Art Space in State Square to host the Leonardo Da Vinci Machines exhibition during June - August 2011.

**GENERAL:**

In 2009 Council was approached by Mr Luigi Rizzo of the Artisans of Florence, a company based in Florence, Italy whose objective is to build the machines designed by Renaissance thinker and artist Leonardo Da Vinci, many of which have never been built before. The Artisans of Florence have been touring an exhibition of the Leonardo Da Vinci Machines around the world for the past decade. Mr Tom Rizzo is the Australian Manager of the Leonardo Da Vinci Machines exhibition which has now toured to all capital cities in Australia except for Darwin. This is an educational and inspiring exhibition aimed at a family audience, and the promoters attempt to keep entry costs as low as possible, currently charging \$20 per adult, \$15 concession, \$10 per child and \$50 per family.

Mr Luigi Rizzo and his son Tom Rizzo would like to bring the exhibition to Darwin and have sought Council's assistance in locating an appropriate venue. The weather in Darwin and associated airconditioning costs, as well as the cost of freight to Darwin has made use of the Exhibition's own pavilion cost prohibitive. Several possible venues including the Museum and Art Gallery NT and Charles Darwin University have been investigated and are being considered, however the promoters feel that the most appropriate venue would be a dedicated exhibition space based in Darwin's city centre.

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The NT Government has recently launched the Chan Contemporary Art Space in the Chan Building in State Square. The 330 m<sup>2</sup> space is in a prestigious part of the City centre which may be easily accessed by tourists and locals. Presentation of an exhibition such as the Leonardo Da Vinci Machines exhibition falls outside the NT Government's guidelines for the use of the space which specify that exhibitions will feature contemporary art, be free to the public and presented for a maximum of 6 weeks. Despite these restrictions the promoters hope to pursue this possibility and submit an expression of interest to the NT Government with Council's support.

An information session for curators interested in utilising the Chan Contemporary Art Space was held on 8 September 2010. Expressions of Interest for the 2011 program close on 10 October 2010.

### **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

There are no financial implications associated with this report as the organisers of the Leonardo Da Vinci Exhibition do not seek funding support at this time.

Council should note however that the organisers have indicated that they are interested in seeking Council support to host a function at the opening of the exhibition in Darwin and after securing a venue will make a written application for sponsorship of this opening event.

### **STRATEGIC PLAN IMPLICATIONS:**

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

#### **Goal**

2 Enhance Darwin's Active, Positive and Flexible Lifestyle

#### **Outcome**

2.3 Promote family friendly activities

#### **Key Strategies**

2.3.1 Promote and host family orientated recreational and leisure activity

#### **Goal**

6 Promote Brand Darwin

#### **Outcome**

6.1 Increase Council's profile

#### **Key Strategies**

6.1.1 Provide strategic sponsorship for major events

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### **LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:**

Nil pertaining to this report.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS:**

Nil pertaining to this report.

### **PUBLIC RELATIONS IMPLICATIONS:**

The proposed exhibition is likely to attract significant local media attention and will seek attendance of 50,000 visitors including the local population and tourists over a 12 week period.

There is potential media interest in any Council activity and Council's Chief Officers Group review all reports and potential issues or any media interest is brought to the attention of the General Manager, Community & Cultural Services.

### **COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS:**

Nil pertaining to this report.

### **DELEGATION:**

A Council decision is required.

### **CONSULTATION:**

Mr Luigi Rizzo, Artisans of Florence  
 Mr Tom Rizzo, Leonardo Da Vinci Machines Australian Exhibition Manager  
 Arts NT

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

Nil.

### **APPROPRIATE SIGNAGE**

Inclusion of the Council logo on event material would be a condition of sponsorship of the event.

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**RECOMMENDATIONS:**

THAT it be a recommendation to Council:-

- A. THAT Report Number 10C0125 AR:kl entitled, Leonardo Da Vinci Machines Exhibition Chan Contemporary Art Space Proposal, be received and noted.
- B. THAT Council provide a letter of support to the application to the NT Government by the Leonardo Da Vinci Machines Exhibition for the use of the Chan Contemporary Art Space in State Square to stage the Leonardo Da Vinci Machines exhibition in 2011.

**ALICE RAE**  
**ARTS AND CULTURAL**  
**DEVELOPMENT OFFICER**

**JOHN BANKS**  
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An Opportunity for  
Darwin 2011/2012

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From the Museum of Leonardo da Vinci. (Florence, Italy)  
The internationally acclaimed  
Leonardo da Vinci Machines and Art Exhibition



Presented by Australian companies  
Artisans of Florence Pty Ltd and Da Vinci Promotions Pty Ltd  
in association with

Artisans of Florence NICCOLAI-TEKNOART™\*

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# When and Where



Florence - Italy

The Museum of Leonardo da Vinci has held successful exhibitions in many Australian capital cities; Melbourne, Hobart, Perth, Adelaide, Brisbane... and is now planning to visit the remaining Capital Cities: Canberra, Sydney & Darwin.

Darwin in 2011

We seek your cooperation and interest to make this possible.



Darwin, Northern Territory - Australia



# The New Pages Pavilion

The Da Vinci Pavilion is being upgraded; the Pavilion to be used is due to be completed in 2010 and will be specially constructed by Pages Event Equipment, based on Leonardo da Vinci's designs for the ideal city. This custom built pavilion has been engineered in Australia using state of the art technology. The pavilion is over 500 square meters and includes the following new features:

- State of the art climate control system provided by ActionAir Pty. Ltd.
- Wooden hand-crafted internal partitioning (designed by the Artisans of Florence to enhance our visitors' experience and display the exhibits to maximum effect).
- New energy-efficient internal lighting.
- Renaissance facade based of Leonardo's own designs (see below).
- Brand new internals such as drapes, carpet and a reinforced integrated flooring system.



The New Pages Pavilion



Renaissance Facade



# The Exhibition



## What's New?

The exhibition has just received five new flying and war machines from Italy and, for the first time ever, a gallery of full-sized replicas of Leonardo's masterpieces.

## About the exhibition:

This exhibition presents over sixty models grouped in themes: **War machines**, **Flying machines**, **Nautical & Hydraulic machines** as well as devices illustrating the **Principles of Mechanics**. The interactive machines are a popular aspect of each exhibition as visitors can touch and handle these models to gain a first-hand appreciation of how they work.





# The Team

In 1995 the Teknoart group, a team of Florentine artisans lead by the Niccolai firm in collaboration with leading academics, physicists and historians, began to produce a series of models using the materials of the time: wood, cotton, brass, iron and cord. Along with the models a series of informative panels were produced by experts and include images of the original da Vinci designs.

Working in close collaboration with Professor Carlo Pedretti  
**Carlo Pedretti Dr Lit. 1928-**

Emeritus Professor Leonardo Studies UCLA (USA)

Adviser to the Italian Government on all da Vinci matters, Adviser to Queen Elisabeth II, British Library, King of Sweden, Bill Gates and the Niccolai family in conjunction with the Artisans of Florence.

Author of over forty books, recipient of many awards such as The Italian Government Gold Medal for Services to Culture and a Congressional Citation by the American Government.

The exhibition is managed by Thomas Rizzo, who has been trained as an artisan by the Niccolai family in Florence. His primary roles include curation of the exhibits and guided tours for patrons, schools and media. A segment featured on *The Collectors* (ABC) filmed at the exhibition in Hobart in 2009 can be viewed by following the link on page 8 (*National interest and community appeal*).

Stephanie Mason, the exhibition's resident historian, is also available daily to share her knowledge with patrons and the media. She also conducts guided tours for educational groups.



Artisans of Florence



Luigi Rizzo &  
Gabriele Niccolai



Professor Carlo Pedretti



# Recent Exhibitions

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*The Leonardo da Vinci Machines Exhibition* is a popular cultural event that encourages the community to take an interest in art, science and history. The exhibition is particularly popular with families and educational groups, with both young and old benefiting from this enjoyable hands-on educational experience. The Exhibition receives many accolades and much positive feedback, both for itself and for the precinct in which it is located. The Exhibition also boosts tourism (both local and from afar) to the area and increases the trade of local businesses.

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# Previous Notable Sponsors

Notable sponsors of previous exhibitions include:

**SEW**  
EURODRIVE



IWC  
INTERNATIONAL WATCH CO. SCHAFFHAUSEN  
SWITZERLAND, SINCE 1868

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IWC Sponsors Display, Sydney 2007



# National Interest and Community Appeal

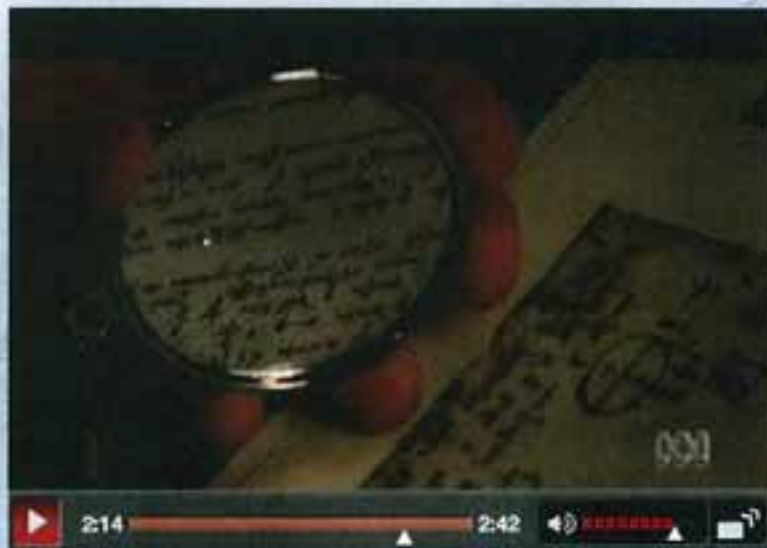
The exhibition draws major interest from patrons from all ages and walks of life. Furthermore, the Exhibition's award-winning teaching resources make it a fantastic and popular tool for educational groups from early primary through to university and corporate workshops.

Over the past decade a myriad of outstanding exhibitions have been held in numerous cities throughout the world, including Florence, Siena, Venice, Naples, Warsaw, Madrid, Hong Kong, Dubai, Melbourne, Auckland, Taipei, Vienna and Berlin. All have been endorsed by scholars and have received official patronage by the hosting municipal councils.

Over the years the artisans have received many accolades and acknowledgements from key professional associations, and have featured in TV programs, documentaries and even Hollywood movies:

- \* *"da Vinci: Unlocking the Genius"* Discovery HD channel (Canada)
- \* Documentary by Japanese filmmakers, Channel NHK (Japan)
- \* *"Bridge to Terabithia"*, Walt Disney Film (USA)
- \* *"The New Inventors"* ABC (Australia)
- \* *"The Collectors"* ABC (Australia)

<http://bit.ly/abc-collectors>



The Collectors - Episode 27 (ABC)





# Contact Information

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Australasian managing director Luigi Rizzo will be pleased to work with you to facilitate the Exhibition's stay at your venue. For any further information, please don't hesitate to contact us. We look forward to working with you.

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ENCL: NO

**DARWIN CITY COUNCIL**  
**REPORT**

DATE: 7/09/2010

TO: COMMUNITY SERVICES & CULTURAL  
COMMITTEE/OPEN A

APPROVED: JB

FROM: GENERAL MANAGER COMMUNITY &  
CULTURAL SERVICES

APPROVED: AF

REPORT NO: 10C0120 SD:kl

APPROVED: SD

COMMON NO: 1774420

SUBJECT: ACTIVATE NT 2010 FINAL REPORT

**ITEM NO: 9.9****SYNOPSIS:**

This report presents the results of the Activate 2010 program.

**GENERAL:****Previous Decisions**

Decision No. 20\1005 (25/11/2008)

C. THAT The General Practice Network NT be invited to submit a proposal and draft agreement for the conduct of the Top End Healthy Lifestyle Challenge within Darwin until 2012.

**Report**

Activate NT 2010 aimed to address the key factors of inactivity including lack of knowledge, access to services, opportunities and motivation. Council officers also identified under-utilisation of some community facilities and that an increase in social cohesion due to the transient population could also benefit the communities in the municipality.. Therefore the program was developed to encourage activity, promote facilities and provide opportunities to develop social capital.

The main target groups for participation in the Activate NT MBF Healthy Lifestyle Challenge were identified via discussion with the Department of Health and Families as those at high risk of chronic disease due to lifestyle factors.

Community planning groups for each Council were established and ambassadors from the community were engaged to motivate participants, provide support to the organisers and assist in hosting events.

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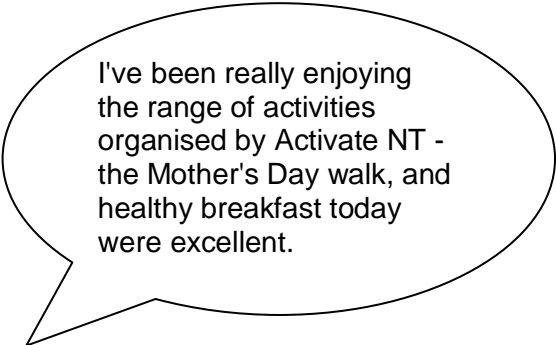
A nine week program of events, information sessions and opportunities was provided in order to support them to make healthier lifestyle choices. The Healthy Lifestyle Challenge was comprised of two programs run simultaneously in both the Darwin and Palmerston municipalities. There were also opportunities for cross over; that is, Palmerston participants attending Darwin events and vice versa.

Around seventy service providers supported the program by offering discounted or free activities to participants. Other instructors, health professionals and volunteers also assisted by running sessions specifically for Activate NT participants so they could learn a new skill or find a new activity in a comfortable setting with people who have similar goals. The program included yoga, dance, Tai Chi, information sessions, cooking classes, supermarket tours, social sports and other special events and activities.

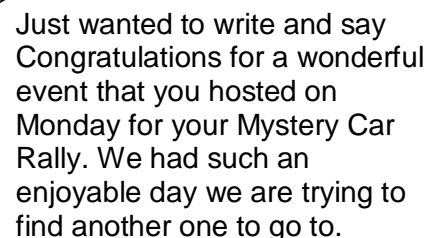
The program combined events specifically designed for Activate NT with existing community-based activities, introducing participants to a broader range of active recreation opportunities.

Activate NT registered 515 people in 2010 comprised of 279 and 236 participants from Darwin and Palmerston respectively. This is a 69% increase from the total of 304 people who registered for the program in 2009 (187 for Darwin and 117 for Palmerston) demonstrating that the program continues to successfully attract a range of age groups with participants ranging from 16 to 70+ years.

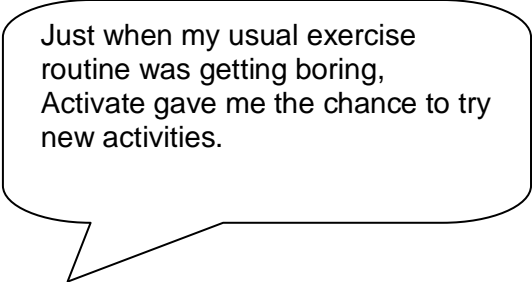
A few comments from participants in 2010 are below:



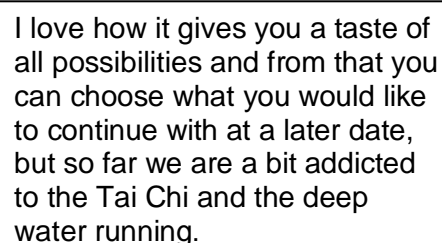
I've been really enjoying the range of activities organised by Activate NT - the Mother's Day walk, and healthy breakfast today were excellent.



Just wanted to write and say Congratulations for a wonderful event that you hosted on Monday for your Mystery Car Rally. We had such an enjoyable day we are trying to find another one to go to.



Just when my usual exercise routine was getting boring, Activate gave me the chance to try new activities.



I love how it gives you a taste of all possibilities and from that you can choose what you would like to continue with at a later date, but so far we are a bit addicted to the Tai Chi and the deep water running.

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### **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

Council has committed to conducting Activate NT in Darwin until 2012 and has allocated \$12,500 to the Activate NT program for 2011.

### **STRATEGIC PLAN IMPLICATIONS:**

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

#### **Goal**

1 Achieve Effective Partnerships and Engage in Collaborative Relationships

#### **Outcome**

1.1 Improve relations with all levels of Government

#### **Key Strategies**

1.1.2 Develop ways in which the Council can enhance relationships and develop opportunities with other Councils to build better cooperation and enhanced efficiencies in local government

#### **Goal**

1 Achieve Effective Partnerships and Engage in Collaborative Relationships

#### **Outcome**

1.2 Effectively engage with community

#### **Key Strategies**

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

#### **Goal**

1 Achieve Effective Partnerships and Engage in Collaborative Relationships

#### **Outcome**

1.2 Effectively engage with community

#### **Key Strategies**

1.2.3 Engage, communicate and consult with the community including schools

#### **Goal**

2 Enhance Darwin's Active, Positive and Flexible Lifestyle

#### **Outcome**

2.4 Increase community facilities

#### **Key Strategies**

2.4.1 Provide facilities and programs which encourage healthy lifestyle choices



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**Goal**

5 Facilitate and Maintain a Cohesive Community

**Outcome**

5.1 Facilitate community access and inclusion

**Key Strategies**

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

**LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:**

Nil for this report.

**ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS:**

Nil for this report.

**PUBLIC RELATIONS IMPLICATIONS:**

Positive insofar as Council's facilitation and support of this program enhances the health and well-being of the community.

**COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS:**

Nil for this report.

**DELEGATION:**

Not required.

**CONSULTATION:**

Nil for this report.

**PROPOSED PUBLIC CONSULTATION PROCESS:**

Not required.

**APPROPRIATE SIGNAGE**

Nil for this report.

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**RECOMMENDATIONS:**

THAT it be a recommendation to Council:-

THAT Report 10C0120 SD:kl entitled Activate NT 2010 Final Report, be received and noted.

**SIMONE DRURY**  
**COMMUNITY RECREATION**  
**COORDINATOR**

**JOHN BANKS**  
**GENERAL MANAGER COMMUNITY &**  
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ENCL: YES

**DARWIN CITY COUNCIL**  
**REPORT**

DATE: 7/09/2010

TO: COMMUNITY SERVICES & CULTURAL  
COMMITTEE/OPEN A

APPROVED: JB

FROM: GENERAL MANAGER COMMUNITY &  
CULTURAL SERVICES

APPROVED: KH

REPORT NO: 10C0121 NM:kl

APPROVED: NM

COMMON NO: 1865947

SUBJECT: MINUTES OF DISABILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING  
12 AUGUST 2010**ITEM NO: 9.10****SYNOPSIS:**

This report presents the minutes of the Disability Advisory Committee (DAC) meeting held on 12 August 2010 (**Attachment 1**) for Council's information and details the recommendations arising from the minutes for Council's consideration.

**GENERAL:**

The minutes of Council's Disability Advisory Committee (DAC) meeting of 12 August 2010 are presented for Council's information and consideration of the recommendations arising from the meeting is required.

**ELECTION OF CHAIRPERSON**

As this was the first meeting of a forthcoming two year term for the Committee, Alderman Mitchell opened the meeting and called for nominations for the position of Chairperson for the term until 30 June 2012. Ms Lynne Strathie was nominated and elected unopposed.

**Recommendation:**

THAT Ms Lynne Strathie be re-elected as Chairperson of the Disability Advisory Committee for a two year term until 30 June 2012.

**ELECTION OF DEPUTY CHAIRPERSON**

Nominations were called for the position deputy chairperson for the period to 30 June 2011 and Ms Rosemary Burkitt was nominated and elected unopposed.

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**Recommendation:**

THAT Ms Rosemary Burkitt be re-elected as Deputy Chairperson of the Disability Advisory Committee for a one year term until 30 June 2011.

**LACK OF PEDESTRIAN ACCESS AT VANDERLIN DRIVE, KARAMA**

The Chief Executive of the NT Department of Lands and Planning responded to a written request from DAC that pedestrian access across Vanderlin Drive, Karama be improved in a letter dated 28 June 2010 (**Attachment 2**). A pedestrian crossing on Vanderlin Drive, near the intersection of Kalymnos Drive (**Attachment 3**) has been proposed however there are concerns regarding less than adequate sightlines at the site. Following discussion, the Committee acknowledged the difficulties associated with the installation of a pedestrian crossing and recommended that a pedestrian refuge be installed at the Kalymnos Drive and Vanderlin Road intersection in order to improve safety.

**Recommendation:**

THAT Darwin City Council write to the Northern Territory Department of Lands and Planning seeking the installation of a pedestrian refuge on Vanderlin Drive near the intersection of Kalymnos Drive and that all works be carried out by the Northern Territory Government.

**UPGRADE OF PEDESTRIAN ACCESS MIRAMBEENA STREET, THE GARDENS**

Following a request from DAC that Council seek to improve inadequate pedestrian access in Mirambeena Street, The Gardens, upgrade in the area has commenced. Improved access will benefit all residents, including oncology patients living in the vicinity whilst receiving medical treatment at the RDH Oncology Unit. Due to the importance of the project and the availability of funds carried over from 2009/2010 financial year in the disability access budget, the Committee resolved to allocate the carry forward amount to the project with the remaining costs to be covered from elsewhere in the 2010/2011 capital works budget.

**Recommendation:**

THAT the Disability Advisory Committee recommend the carried forward of \$27,590 from the 2009/2010 Disability Access budget to the Mirambeena Street footpath upgrade project.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

The recommendation pertaining to the allocation of funds carried forward from the 2009/2010 Disability Access budget to the Mirambeena Street footpath upgrade project has financial implications. The committee recommends that the carried forward amount of \$27,590 from the 2009/2010 Disability Access budget (W4113) be allocated to the project. After this expenditure, there will be \$50,000 remaining in the Disability Access budget for the 2010/2011 financial year.

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### **STRATEGIC PLAN IMPLICATIONS:**

#### **Goal**

5 Facilitate and Maintain a Cohesive Community

#### **Outcome**

5.1 Facilitate community access and inclusion

#### **Key Strategies**

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

5.1.3 Improve access for people with disabilities

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

### **LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:**

Not pertinent to this report.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS:**

The completion of the Capital Works will enhance equity of access s across the Darwin municipality.

### **PUBLIC RELATIONS IMPLICATIONS:**

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

### **COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS:**

Not pertinent to this report.

### **DELEGATION:**

Nil.

### **CONSULTATION:**

Members of the Disability Advisory Committee.

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

Nil.

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### **APPROPRIATE SIGNAGE**

None for the purposes of this report

### **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

THAT it be a recommendation to Council:-

- A. THAT Report Number 10C0121 NM:kl entitled Minutes of Disability Advisory Committee Meeting of 12 August 2010, be received and noted.
- B. THAT Ms Lynne Strathie be re-elected as Chairperson of the Disability Advisory Committee for a two year term until 30 June 2012.
- C. THAT Ms Rosemary Burkitt be re-elected as Deputy Chairperson of the Disability Advisory Committee for a one year term until 30 June 2011
- D. That Darwin City Council write to the Northern Territory Department of Lands and Planning recommending the installation of a pedestrian refuge on Vanderlin Drive near the intersection of Kalymnos Drive and that all works be carried out by the Northern Territory Government.
- E. THAT the Disability Advisory Committee recommend the carry forward of \$27,590 from the 2009/2010 Disability Access budget to the Mirambeena Street footpath upgrade project.

**NANCY McCANN**  
**COMMUNITY SERVICES OFFICER**

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

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**MINUTES**  
**DISABILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**2.00 - 3.30pm, Thursday 12 August 2010**  
**Darwin City Council**  
**Council Chambers - First Floor**

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**1. PRESENT**

Deborah Bampton	Community Representative
Martin Blakemore	Community Representative
Rosemary Burkitt	Community Representative
Josephine Clark	Community Representative
Debb Lovett	Community Representative
Peter Mahony	Community Representative
Adrian Riessen	Community Representative
Lynne Strathie	Community Representative
Fabio Finnochiaro	Specialist Representative
Alasdair McGregor	Specialist Representative
Pero Peric	Specialist Representative – until 3.00pm
Alderman Allan Mitchell	Darwin City Council
David Cash	Darwin City Council
Nancy McCann	Darwin City Council
Jodie Hall	Support Worker for Peter Mahony

**2. APOLOGIES**

Julie Moore	Specialist Representative
Penny Campton	Community Representative
Robert Reid	Community Representative

**3. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRPERSON**

Alderman Mitchell opened the meeting and called for nominations for the position of Chairperson for DAC for the period of 1 July 2010 to 30 June 2012. Lynne Strathie was nominated and elected unopposed.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

THAT Lynne Strathie be re-elected as Chairperson of the Disability Advisory Committee for a two year term until 30 June 2012.

Moved: Rosemary Burkitt    Seconded: Alasdair McGregor    Carried.

**4. APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY CHAIRPERSON**

Alderman Mitchell called for nominations for the position Deputy Chairperson for DAC for period of 1 July 2010 to 30 June 2011 and Rosemary Burkitt was nominated and elected unopposed.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

THAT Rosemary Burkitt be re-elected as Deputy Chairperson of the Disability Advisory Committee for a one year term until 30 June 2011.

Moved: Alasdair McGregor    Seconded: Lynne Strathie    Carried.

**5. DECLARATION OF INTEREST IN ANY ITEMS ON THE AGENDA**

None declared.

**6. ACCEPTANCE OF PREVIOUS MINUTES OF 10 JUNE 2010 (Attachment 1)**

Minutes from the meeting held 10 June 2010 were accepted as a true and accurate record.

Moved: Josephine Clark    Seconded: Martin Blakemore    Carried.

**7. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES 10 JUNE 2010****7.1 Lack of pedestrian access at Vanderlin Drive, Karama**

Incoming letter dated 28 June 2010 from Chief Executive of NT Department of Lands and Planning was noted. The plan for a proposed crossing on Vanderlin Drive near the intersection of Kalymnos Drive was tabled and discussed. The Committee acknowledges the difficulties associated with the site however suggest that the installation of a pedestrian refuge at the Kalymnos Drive and Vanderlin Road intersection would improve safety.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

THAT Darwin City Council write to the Northern Territory Department of Lands and Planning seeking the installation of a pedestrian refuge on Vanderlin Drive near the intersection of Kalymnos Drive and that all works be carried out by the Northern Territory Government.

Moved: Peter Mahony    Seconded: Lynne Strathie    Carried.

**7.2 Council's Policy on Installation of Tactile Ground Surface Indicators (TGSIs)**

Council's Decision No. 20\3031 to formulate a policy on the installation of TGSIs was noted.

**7.3 Lack of Tactile Ground Surface Indicators (TGSIs) at Nightcliff Village Shopping Precinct**

Council's Decision No. 20\3031 to investigate installation of TGSIs at Nightcliff Village Shopping Precinct was noted. Committee members requested that the lack of continuous path of travel near the café in



Nightcliff Mall be investigated. It was suggested that the spoon drain needs to be covered and an A frame sign be moved.

**ACTION:** Nancy to progress through Council's CARR system.

#### **7.4 Lack of Pedestrian Access at Mirambeena Street, The Gardens**

Upgrade to pedestrian access which will improve access for all residents of Mirambeena Street, including oncology patients living there whilst receiving medical treatment at the RDH oncology unit, has commenced. Due to the importance of the project and the availability of funds carried over from 2009/2010 financial year in the Disability Access budget, the Committee resolved to allocate the carry forward amount to the project with the remaining costs to be covered from elsewhere in the 2010/2011 Capital Works budget. After this expenditure, there will be \$50,000 remaining in the Disability Access budget for the 2010/2011 financial year.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

THAT the Disability Advisory Committee recommend the carry forward of funds from the 2009/2010 Disability Access budget to the Mirambeena Street footpath upgrade project.

Moved: Fabio Finnochiaro    Seconded: Alasdair McGregor    Carried.

#### **7.5 Access issues at Casuarina Drive, Nightcliff**

Issues have been referred to relevant section of Council.

**ACTION:** Nancy to add to Access Action list.

#### **7.6 Eligibility Criteria for Disabled Parking Permits**

This issue is outside the scope of DAC as entitlement of people to hold disabled car parking permits is decided by medical practitioners who complete eligibility criteria forms that are then submitted to Council.

### **8. ACCESS ACTION LIST (Attachment 5)**

Due to time restraints, the Access Action List was not discussed. It was resolved to discuss the list at the next DAC meeting with a view to prioritising projects to be funded from the Disability Access budget for 2010/2011.

**ACTION:** Nancy to include the prioritisation of projects to be funded from the Disability Access budget 2010/2011 on the Agenda for the October DAC meeting.

**9. GENERAL BUSINESS****9.1 Minutes of DAC Planning/Parking Sub-Committee meeting held on 12 July 2010**

The minutes of the DAC Planning/ Parking Sub-Committee meeting held on 12 July 2010 were noted. The proposal that the Access Action List be reviewed at future Planning/Parking Sub-Committee meetings in order to maximise available time at full DAC meetings was accepted by DAC members.

**9.2 Update on program of activities for Disability Awareness Week 2010**

Nancy provided an update on the program of activities for Disability Awareness Week 2010. Committee members commented on the amount and variety of events planned and were pleased with the program.

**9.3 Request for footpath along even numbered side of Eden Street, Stuart Park.**

A person with mobility issues has requested that Council install a footpath from 14 Eden Street to Coronation Street, Stuart Park. It was suggested that footpath be installed using the Disability Access Budget 2010/2011. Following discussion, it was decided to assess this proposal towards the end of the financial year against priorities and available funds.

**ACTION:** Nancy to add to the Access Action list.

**9.4 Premises Standards Awareness Seminar, 27 August 2010**

Five members of DAC will attend the Premises Standards Awareness Seminar on 27 August which will provide information regarding the new access to premises disability standards that are due to come into effect in May 2011.

**10. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

**Date:** 14 October 2010

**Time:** 2.00pm - 3.30pm

**Venue:** Council Chambers

**11. MEETING CLOSED**

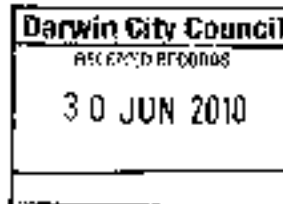


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Mr John Banks  
General Manager  
Community & Cultural Services  
Darwin City Council  
GPO Box 84  
DARWIN NT 0801

Dear Mr Banks

I refer to your letter dated 26 May 2010, regarding the pedestrian access issues on Vanderlin Drive, Karama.

After consideration of the matters raised by Council's Disability Advisory Committee, I am pleased to advise that the Department of Lands and Planning will undertake pedestrian crossing related works on Vanderlin Drive, in the vicinity of Kalymnos Drive, during the 2010-2011 financial year.

My Department will also continue working with the council to discuss these issues, and develop an overall strategy to resolve the issues in the area.

To facilitate such discussion, please contact Mr Attab Abro on telephone 8924 7121 or e-mail [attab.abro@nt.gov.au](mailto:attab.abro@nt.gov.au).

Yours sincerely

DAVID RITCHIE

28 June 2010



ENCL: NO

**DARWIN CITY COUNCIL**  
**REPORT**

DATE: 07/09/2010

TO: COMMUNITY SERVICES & CULTURAL  
COMMITTEE/OPEN A

APPROVED: JB

FROM: GENERAL MANAGER COMMUNITY &  
CULTURAL SERVICES

APPROVED: KH

REPORT NO: 10C0126 NM:kl

APPROVED: NM

COMMON NO: 1660483

SUBJECT: UPDATE ON GOLDEN GURUS PROGRAM

ITEM NO: 9.11

**SYNOPSIS:**

This report provides an update of the Golden Gurus program, an Australian Government program that commenced on 1 January 2010 which encourages and supports skilled volunteering and small business mentoring opportunities for mature age people aged 50 years and over.

**GENERAL:****PREVIOUS DECISION****Decision No. 20\2471****(23/02/10)**

This matter lay on the table pending further information.

- B. THAT Council apply to the Australian Government Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations (DEEWR) to become a Member Organisation of the Golden Gurus program.
- C THAT, if accepted as a Golden Gurus Member Organisation that Council allocate a part time program coordinator (EFT .5) for a 12 month trial period.
- D THAT \$37,931 be allocated to resource and implement Council's participation in the Golden gurus program and that these costs be referred to the third quarter budget variation process.

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## **REPORT**

In September 2009, Council received notification that the Parliamentary Secretary for Social Inclusion and the Voluntary Sector had extended an invitation to a range of community and not-for-profit organisations to apply to deliver the Golden Gurus program, the aim of which is to encourage and support skilled volunteering and small business mentoring opportunities for mature age people aged 50 years and over.

The national Golden Gurus program is facilitated by the Australian Government Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations (DEEWR) and commenced on 1 January 2010. The program will continue until 30 June 2012, with a review of the program to be undertaken during 2012.

There are currently 35 organisations listed as Member Organisations to the Golden Gurus program. Two are local government bodies: The City of Salisbury in South Australia and The Hills Shire Council in New South Wales. To date the only member organisation in the Northern Territory is Volunteering SA & NT, however the Project Officer is based in SA and there is no operational support for the program provided in the NT.

Recent consultation with participating organisations indicates that the program is slow to be recognised in the community and that this may be due to a lack of national promotion of the program and the associated resource implications of operationalising the program. It is therefore recommended that Council await the outcome of the 2012 review of the Golden Gurus program and in the meantime support the work of Volunteering SA & NT by establishing a process for placing volunteers in Council activities.

### **General Manager's Comment**

Given the lack of momentum originating from this project and that the matter is not included in the 2010/2011 budget Council not participate in this program.

### **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

Nil.

### **STRATEGIC PLAN IMPLICATIONS:**

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

#### **Goal**

5 Facilitate and Maintain a Cohesive Community

#### **Outcome**

5.1 Facilitate community access and inclusion

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## **Key Strategies**

5.1.4 Encourage and recognise volunteers

### **LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:**

Nil pertaining to this report.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS:**

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

### **PUBLIC RELATIONS IMPLICATIONS:**

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

### **COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS:**

None identified for the purpose of this report.

### **DELEGATION:**

Nil.

### **CONSULTATION:**

Volunteer Development Coordinator, City of Salisbury, SA

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

Nil for the purposes of this report.

### **APPROPRIATE SIGNAGE**

Nil for the purposes of this report.

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**RECOMMENDATIONS:**

THAT it be a recommendation to Council:-

- A. THAT Report Number 10C0126 NM:kl entitled Update on Golden Gurus Program, be received and noted.
- B. THAT Council not participate in the Golden Gurus program.

**NANCY McCANN**  
**COMMUNITY SERVICES OFFICER**

**JOHN BANKS**  
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ENCL: NO

**DARWIN CITY COUNCIL**  
**REPORT**

DATE: 9/9/2010

TO: COMMUNITY SERVICES & CULTURAL  
COMMITTEE/OPEN A

APPROVED: JB

FROM: GENERAL MANAGER COMMUNITY &  
CULTURAL SERVICES

REPORT NO: 10C0127 DN:kl

COMMON NO: 1744168

SUBJECT: RANGERS - TEMPORARY EMPLOYMENT TO FULL TIME

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ITEM NO: 9.12

**GENERAL:**

**Background**

Regulatory Services has employed 4 temporary staff to regulate both the Darwin municipality parking areas and the Darwin Waterfront. This report advises that the Chief Officers Group has reviewed the staffing composition and recommends that the temporary positions be converted to permanent position status to represent cost savings and efficiency gains to Council.

**CONSULTATION:**

Chief Officers Group

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**RECOMMENDATIONS:**

THAT the Committee resolve under delegated authority:-

- A. THAT Report Number 10C0127 DN:kl entitled Rangers - Temporary Employment to Full Time, be received and noted.
- B. THAT the four (4) current temporary Ranger positions in Regulatory Services be made full time permanent positions.

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

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Community & Cultural Services Committee Meeting – Monday, 13 September, 2010

## 10 SISTER CITIES COMMUNITY COMMITTEE ITEMS

### 10.1 INFORMATION ITEMS

Nil



ENCL: YES

**DARWIN CITY COUNCIL****DATE:** 7/09/2010**REPORT****TO:** COMMUNITY & CULTURAL SERVICES  
COMMITTEE/OPEN A**APPROVED:** JB**FROM:** GENERAL MANAGER COMMUNITY &  
CULTURAL SERVICES**APPROVED:** KH**REPORT NO:** 10C0117 HB:kl**APPROVED:** HB**COMMON NO:** 1857926**SUBJECT:** SISTER CITY COMMUNITY COMMITTEE MINUTES – AMBON 22 JULY, DILI 2 AUGUST, HAIKOU 5 AUGUST – APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN, COMPUTERS FOR DILI**ITEM NO: 10.2.1****SYNOPSIS:**

This report presents the minutes of the Ambon, Dili, and Haikou Sister City Community Committees meeting held on July 22<sup>nd</sup>, August 3<sup>rd</sup> and August 5<sup>th</sup> respectively (Attachment 1, 2 and 3) for Council's information and details the recommendations arising from the minutes for Council's consideration.

**GENERAL:**

**Ambon Sister City Community Committee** met on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of July 2010. At this meeting the position of Chair was elected for the forthcoming term. Mr Rick Setter was re-elected as Chairman. Progress was provided on the plans for youth exchange between SMU5 in Ambon and Kormilda College in Darwin.

Committee members were given the opportunity to view the perpetual trophy sponsored by the Committee for the winner of the handicap monohull division of the Darwin to Ambon Yacht Race.

**Dili Sister City Community Committee** met on the 3<sup>rd</sup> of August 2010. At this meeting the position of Chair was elected for the forthcoming term. Ms Lynne Bigg was re-elected as Chairman. Volunteers were sought for the upcoming Quiz4Dili fundraising night

Discussion was had in regard to DCC computers being donated to Action for Change Foundation. This resulted in a recommendation for a report assessing the viability of sending decommissioned DCC computers to Dili.

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**Haikou Sister City Community Committee** met on the 5<sup>th</sup> of August 2010. At this meeting the position of Chair was elected for the forthcoming term. Mr Phillip Rudd was re-elected as Chairman. An update was provided on the delegation to Haikou and the 20 year anniversary celebrations.

Council's Sister Cities Community Committees continue to meet. The newly appointed Senior Community Development Officer – Liveability attended the committee meetings for Dili and Haikou the first time.

This report presents the minutes of the Ambon, Dili and Haikou Sister City Community Committee meetings held in July/August 2010 for Council's information and requests consideration of the recommendations arising from the minutes.

### **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

The recommendation pertaining to sponsorship of a perpetual trophy has financial implications. This recommendation would require an annually committed portion of the Ambon Sister City budget. Based on 2010 costs, \$170 would be required for the perpetual trophy in 2011. CPI and inflation costs will need to be included in subsequent year estimates. Current Sister City Community Committee budget allocations can absorb the annual cost of this initiative. (W1581/1/)

### **STRATEGIC PLAN IMPLICATIONS:**

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

#### **Goal**

6 Promote Brand Darwin

#### **Outcome**

6.2 Promote our Darwin city

#### **Key Strategies**

6.2.4 Strengthen international relationships through Sister Cities and other activities

### **LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:**

None applicable for this report.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS:**

None applicable for this report.

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**PUBLIC RELATIONS IMPLICATIONS:**

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

**COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS:**

Not applicable to this report.

**DELEGATION:**

Appointments for Chairman, commitment to sponsor a trophy and request for a report are matters for Council consideration.

**CONSULTATION:**

Not required for this report.

**PROPOSED PUBLIC CONSULTATION PROCESS:**

None required for this report.

**APPROPRIATE SIGNAGE**

None required for this report.

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 COMPUTERS FOR DILI

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### **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

THAT it be a recommendation to Council:-

- A. THAT Report Number 10C007 HB:kl entitled Sister City Community Committee Minutes – Ambon 22 July 2010, Dili 2 August 2010, Haikou 5 August 2010 – Appointment of Chairman, Computers for Dili, be received and noted.
- B. THAT Mr Rick Setter be re-elected as Chairman of the Ambon Sister City Community Committee for the term 1<sup>st</sup> July 2010 to 30<sup>th</sup> June 2012.
- C. THAT the Ambon Sister City Community Committee sponsor an annual trophy to be awarded to the winner of the handicap monohull division of the Darwin Ambon Yacht race.
- D. THAT the report regarding the viability of sending decommissioned Darwin City Council Information Technology hardware to Action for Change Foundation in East Timor be actioned as soon as possible and feedback provided to the Dili Sister City Community Committee.
- E. THAT Ms Lynne Bigg be re-elected as Chairman of the Dili Sister City Community Committee for the term 1<sup>st</sup> July 2010 to 30<sup>th</sup> June 2012.
- F. THAT Mr Phillip Rudd be re-elected as Chairman of the Haikou Sister City Community Committee for the term 1<sup>st</sup> July 2010 to 30<sup>th</sup> June 2012.

**HAYLEY BARICH**  
**SENIOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**  
**OFFICER - LIVEABILITY**

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

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**MINUTES**  
**AMBON SISTER CITY COMMUNITY COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**Thursday 22 July 2010**  
**5:00pm, Meeting Room 1**  
**Darwin City Council Civic Centre**

**Meeting Opened**

Declared open at 5:09pm

**1. Present**

Rick Setter	Community Representative
Christine Silvester	Community Representative (from 5.15pm)
Judy Miller	Community Representative
Maureen Manzie	Community Representative
Alderman Kerry Moir	Elected Member, DCC
Sue Pattiselano	Observer
Jherry Matahelumual	Observer
Nancy McCann	Community Services Officer, DCC

**2. Apologies**

Alderman Garry Lambert	Elected Member, DCC
Leigh Gregory	Community Representative

**3. Position of Chair**

Alderman Moir called for nominations for the position of Chair for the period of 1 July 2010 to 30 June 2010. Rick Setter was nominated and elected unopposed.

**Recommendation:** That Rick Setter be re-elected as Chairman of the Ambon Sister City Community Committee.

(Moir/Manzie)

Carried

**4. Minutes**

The Minutes from the meeting held on Thursday 10 June 2010 were accepted as a true and accurate account of the meeting.

(Miller/Pattiselano)

Carried

**5. Business Arising**

- 5.1 Feedback on Picnic in the Park Film Night  
Committee members commented that the Film Night was an enjoyable, well planned event.
- 5.2 Youth Exchange – SMU5/Kormilda College
  - Rick met with John Banks, General Manager Community & Cultural Services, to discuss the best way to progress the proposed exchange.



- John requested that Rick draft a letter to the Principals of Kormilda College and SMU5 School requesting that they nominate suitable dates for the proposed exchange.
- Rick will visit SMU5 School when he is in Ambon in late July and will check if there is still interest in a student exchange. If so, he will draft letters as requested and report back to the committee.

### 5.3 Darwin to Ambon Yacht Race Trophy

- Rick displayed the perpetual trophy that the Committee is sponsoring for the winner of the handicap monohull division of the Darwin to Ambon Yacht Race.
- Committee members were very pleased with the design of the trophy.
- It was suggested a take home trophy be provided annually.
- The ongoing cost of providing the take home trophy each year will be approximately \$170 annually.

**Recommendation:** THAT the Ambon Sister City Community Committee sponsor an annual trophy to be awarded to the winner of the handicap monohull division of the Darwin to Ambon Yacht Race.

(Silvester /Manzie)

Carried

## 6. General Business

### 6.1 Financial Update

- \$4,000 is provided to the Committee for the 2010/2011 financial year and \$5,045.45 will be carried forward from the 2009/2010 budget giving a total of \$9,045.45. Note: the invoice for the trophy for the Darwin to Ambon Yacht Race has not yet been paid.

### 6.2 Attendance of Mr Jherry Matahelamual at Ambon SCCC meetings

- Jherry thanked the Committee and indicated that he would continue to attend Ambon SCCC meetings as an observer.

## 7. Meeting Closed

Closed at 5.55pm

## 8. Date and Time of Next Meeting

Date: Thursday 2 September 2010

Time: 5:00 pm

Venue: Meeting Room I



**MINUTES**  
**DILI SISTER CITY COMMUNITY COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**Tuesday 3 August 2010**  
**12:30pm**  
**Meeting Room 1, DARWIN CITY COUNCIL CIVIC CENTRE**

**Meeting Open 12:35pm**

**1. Present**

Lynne Bigg	Chairman, Community Representative
Jill Kuhn	Community Representative
Joan Meredith	Community Representative
Leigh Gregory	Community Representative
Alderman John Bailey	Elected Member, DCC
Alderman Robin Knox	Elected Member, DCC
Kin Leong	Youth Services Officer, DCC
Hayley Barich	Senior Community Development Officer, DCC

**2. Apologies**

Neil Chadwick                      Community representative

**3. Minutes of 22 June 2010**

Minutes of the Dili Sister City Community Committee meeting 22 June 2010 were confirmed as a true and accurate record.

(Bigg/Knox), Carried

**4. Business Arising from 22 June 2010**

*5.1 Update on progress of the YAG & Dili SCCC Fundraising Quiz Night 6/8*

Kin spoke about progress for the event, and asked for assistance in selling tickets and for volunteers on the night. Some donations given by businesses were inappropriate as prizes (face masks and sleep socks) so they will be donated to our projects in Timor.

*5.2 Update on Action for Change – Dili Internet project*

The Chair provided a brief history of AFC and our involvement with them. Details of progress and photos of the new location of the café were provided in a report from Jose de Jesus.

A general discussion was entered into in regard to possible DCC computers becoming available to send to AFC. There was concern that waiting for decommissioned DCC computers would not be a viable option.

**Recommendation:** That the Dili Sister City Community Committee request that the report regarding the viability of sending decommissioned Darwin City Council Information Technology hardware to Action for Change Foundation in East Timor be actioned as soon as possible.

(Bailey/ Bigg), Carried

## 6 General Business

### 6.1 Position of Chair

Nominations were invited and Lynn Bigg re-nominated.

**Recommendation:** That Lynn Bigg be re-elected as Chairman of the Dili Sister City Community Committee.

(Knox/ Gregory), Carried

### 6.2 *Haforza Relasaun Amizade/Strengthening Friendship Workshop – 27 – 28 August 2010*

The Chair provided background on the origin of the workshop. Discussion around the workshop indicated that there would be limited benefits in the committee funding a delegate to attend.

The Committee would be interested in pursuing networking opportunities with groups of workshop participants that transit through Darwin. It was suggested that informal drinks could be organised so that Committee members and workshop delegates could network and discuss their respective projects.

Action: Lynn will make contact with Rae Knightsbury to find out what opportunity there is to meet with delegates when they transit through Darwin.

### 6.3 *World Book Encyclopedias Donation*

The committee would like to accept the donation of the World Book Encyclopedias. The books can be sent in a container by East Timor Sunrise Inc.

Action: Forward World Book encyclopedias to Lynn Bigg to include in next container to East Timor.

### 6.4 *Picnic in the Park Film Night*

Good publicity for the Sister Cities program was achieved from the event, but unfortunately costs for hosting the event were considerable.

Committee members suggested using the deckchair cinema for the event next year.

### 6.5 *2010/2011 Dili SCCC Budget*

There is an allocation of \$4000 for the 10/11 financial year.

Committee members to consider potential projects and present to next meeting.

### 6.6 *Any Other Business*

Darwin to Dili Yacht Race – Lynn noted that the Ambon Sister City Community Committee seemed to be quite involved in the recent Darwin to Ambon race and they received a lot of publicity. The Committee discussed how they could be involved in next years race and whether we can approach the Sailing Club directly.

Joan suggested the Committee write to the Sailing Club, congratulating them on the recent success of the Darwin to Ambon race and enquire as to how our Committee can be involved in the Darwin to Dili race.

Leigh discussed the opportunity to deliver donated books and items via participants in the Darwin to Dili race.

Action: Enquire as to what involvement was had and what resources were required by the Ambon Sister City Community Committee in their association with the Darwin to Ambon race.

Action: That the protocols for writing to external organisation, i.e. Darwin Sailing Club, be identified and presented to the Committee.

Jill asked about the Committee's role in fundraising. Lynn explained it was not our core purpose, but that fundraising activities were undertaken if the Committee had drive to undertake them.

**7 Meeting Closed 1:35pm**

**8 Date and time of next meeting**

Date:	Tuesday 19 October 2010
Time:	12:30pm
Venue:	Meeting Room 1



**MINUTES**  
**HAIKOU SISTER CITY COMMUNITY COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**THURSDAY 5 August 2010 12:30pm**  
**MEETING ROOM 1**  
**DARWIN CITY COUNCIL CIVIC CENTRE**

1. **Meeting Open 12:35pm**
2. **Present**

Andrew Leo	Community representative
Maureen Manzie	Community representative
Ken Kirkman	Community representative
Judith Dikstein	Community representative
Alderman Kerry Moir	Elected Member, Darwin City Council - A/Chair
Alderman Allan Mitchell	Elected Member, Darwin City Council
Hayley Barich	Senior Community Development Officer, DCC
3. **Apologies**

Phillip Rudd	Chairman
Lynette Tam	Community representative
4. **Minutes of 7 June 2010**

Minutes of the 7 June 2010 were accepted as a true and correct record.

**(Manzie/ Alderman Moir) carried**
5. **Business Arising from Minutes of 7 June 2010**
  - 5.2 Haikou Delegation

Update provided on the travel plans and itinerary for visit to Haikou  
A/Chair provided background to some of the projects in Haikou.
  - 5.3 Haikou Guide – Link on Council's Website

Update on the progress given, looking at the most appropriate format.
  - 5.5 Dongfang Visit — Update

Notification was received from Dongfang that they have received Council's formal letter of invitation. Committee to be provided with dates/activities etc.
6. **General Business**
  - 6.1 Position of Chair

Phillip Rudd was nominated.

**Recommendation:** That Phillip Rudd be re-elected as Chairman of the Haikou Sister City Community Committee.

(Leo/ Manzie) Carried

## 6.2 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Sister City Relationship with Haikou

Update given on the progress of the Sister City event and commemorative certificate.

Committee members asked for their suggestion on appropriate gifts. Suggestions included: small paintings, paper weights, letter openers, card holders, certificates, images of Darwin, group photo.

Advice was sought on translating documents. Interpreting Translating Service NT was suggested.

## 6.3 Lyn Tam

Lyn's advice of absence has been noted.

## 6.4 Picnic in the Park Film Night

Debrief provided. Event was well received and well organised. Good promotion for the Sister Cities program. Costs unfortunately were high.

## 6.5 Financial Update 2010/2011

A budget of \$4000 is provided in the 10/11 budget

There is a carryover amount of \$5045.45

Committee was reminded of their annual commitments, \$300 to Mr Tang in Dongfang and \$600 towards prizes for the Language Teachers' Association of the Northern Territory.

## 6.6 Any Other Business

6.6.1 Committee members would like information and photos about the memorial near Dongfang. They would also like more clarification about DCC's involvement with the memorial in Dongfang.

Action: That background information pertaining to the memorial in Dongfang be provided to the Committee members for discussion at the October meeting.

Action: That protocols and possible sensitivities for the Dongfang visit and as well as proposed dates and details of the delegation be investigated and provided to the Committee members for discussion in the October meeting.

6.6.2 Judy tabled information about a seminar concerning a memorandum of understanding between Charles Darwin University and Hainan University. Information to be emailed to Committee members.

6.6.3 Discussion was had in regard to student exchange with Haikou.

6.6.4 Thank you letter needs to be sent out to previous members

**7. Meeting Closed 1.10pm**

**8. Date and time of next meeting (TBC)**

Date: Monday 11 October 2010  
Time: 12.30 pm  
Venue: Meeting Room 1

ENCL: YES

**DARWIN CITY COUNCIL****DATE:** 7/09/2010**REPORT****TO:** COMMUNITY & CULTURAL SERVICES  
COMMITTEE/OPEN A**APPROVED:** JB**FROM:** GENERAL MANAGER COMMUNITY &  
CULTURAL SERVICES**APPROVED:** KH**REPORT NO:** 10C0116 HB:kl**APPROVED:** HB**COMMON NO:** 1851957**SUBJECT:** PLANET SAVERS - PROPOSAL TO LINK WITH SISTER CITY  
RELATIONSHIPS IN DELIVERING A REGIONAL YOUTH SUMMIT ON  
SUSTAINABILITY**ITEM NO: 10.2.2****SYNOPSIS:**

Planet Savers Australia, a team of educators and consultants that help schools and their communities to reduce their carbon emissions and energy consumption, seeks Council support in delivering the 2011 NT Students Sustainability Summit. Planet Savers Australia requests support in linking with our Sister City network and support for a part time facilitator for the project.

This report discusses Planet Savers Australia's proposal.

**GENERAL:**

In early August, a representative of Planet Savers Australia, met with Manager Climate Change and Environment and Senior Community Development Officer – Liveability, to discuss Councils possible involvement in the 2011 NT Student Sustainability Summit.

The NT Student Sustainability Summit is a forum for Darwin youth to gain independent learning skills and explore ways in which schools, communities and individuals can establish awareness and create good practice in relation to sustainability.

Based on positive feedback and the momentum gained from the success of the first Sustainability Summit held in June 2010, Planet Savers Australia is proposing another summit for 2011. Included in the 2011 plans is a proposed expansion of the program to involve regional neighbours including China, Malaysia and East Timor.



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Planet Savers Australia concluded that approaching the Sister Cities of Darwin for their involvement was a logical approach in selecting regional partners. Thus, Planet Savers Australia is engaging Council to seek their support, both in-kind and financial, in establishing connections with relevant contacts in our Sister Cities.

Developing the Summit to a regional context also enables Planet Savers Australia to apply to the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade for additional funding.

Specifically in the Planet Savers Australia proposal, the following is requested:

- Resource support for a part time facilitator
- Build on Council connections with Haikou to share joint projects in sustainability, including possible reciprocal visits
- Provide a letter of introduction to relevant contacts in Haikou
- Planet savers to provide support in Mandarin to the Lord Mayor in his visit to Haikou (either written material or personal attendance)

### **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

Should Council choose to support the employment of a part time facilitator, then a financial contribution would have to be made. No specified amount of funding has been requested. Annual costs for a Level 5 employee, (including super and allowances) would range from \$66,288 to \$69,363 at Council current rates. Part-time costs would be calculated as a percentage of this. Planet Savers Australia representative verbally stated the conference expenses would be in the vicinity of \$10,000.

There is currently no budget allocations identified for either human resources or contributing to the hosting of the summit, however Sister City Community Committees are yet to receive the proposal. They may seek to recommend the allocation of some project funds in the future, which are annual resources already budgeted for.

### **STRATEGIC PLAN IMPLICATIONS:**

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

#### **Goal**

6 Promote Brand Darwin

#### **Outcome**

6.2 Promote our Darwin city

#### **Key Strategies**

6.2.4 Strengthen international relationships through Sister Cities and other activities

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## **Goal**

1 Achieve Effective Partnerships and Engage in Collaboratively Relationships

## **Outcome**

1.2 Effectively engage with community

## **Key Strategies**

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

1.2.3 Engage, communicate and consult with the community including schools

## **LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:**

No legal implications pertaining to this report

## **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS:**

The NT Student Sustainability Summit focuses on what students can do within their local community, households and local school. The summit will engage and empower not only students but educators, the Community and Government in delivering sustainable action. Support of the summit is inline with Councils goal of environmental sustainability.

## **PUBLIC RELATIONS IMPLICATIONS:**

Should Council support this event there are opportunities for positive media locally, nationally and internationally. Council's Chief Officers review all reports and potential issues or any media interest is brought to the attention of the General Manager Community and Cultural Services.

## **COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS:**

No community safety implications pertain to this report.

## **DELEGATION:**

The matter of supporting the NT Student Sustainability Summit and utilising Sister City relationships is a matter for Council consideration, given the requested resource implications.

## **CONSULTATION:**

Should Council resolve to support in principal this proposal, each Sister City Community Committee will be asked to consider how they may wish to progress the project, specific to their city linkage. This proposal may also be of interest to some of Council's friendship links such as Santa Cruz in the Galapagos given the environmental focus.

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

No public consultation is required for this report.

### **APPROPRIATE SIGNAGE**

Appropriate signage such as promotional use Darwin City Council logos and banners can be negotiated should Council decide to support the proposal.

### **CONCLUSION**

- Planet Savers Australia has already produced a successful NT Student Sustainability Summit in 2010.
- Utilising Sister City relationships to grow the summit regionally will increase person-to-person links and ultimately strengthen Sister City relationships.
- Supporting a project of this nature is inline with Councils vision for Darwin.
- There are currently no funds identified to allocate in response to the request for financial support.

### **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

THAT it be a recommendation to Council:-

- A. THAT Report Number 10C0116 HB:kl entitled Planet Savers - Proposal To Link With Sister City Relationships In Delivering A Regional Youth Summit On Sustainability, be received and noted.
- B. THAT Council support the 2011 NT Student Sustainability Summit by:  
  
Introducing Mr. Peter Harris through formal correspondence to relevant Sister City contacts.
- C. THAT the Planet Savers Australia proposal be referred to the Dili, Haikou, Ambon and Anchorage Community Committees and relevant friendship city linkages.

**HAYLEY BARICH**  
**SENIOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**  
**OFFICER - LIVEABILITY**

**JOHN BANKS**  
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To

Hayley Barich

Sister Cities Program

Darwin City Council

Dear Hayley

Thank you for the meeting with you and Pam following my discussions with the Lord Mayor

May I ask the council to consider:

1 providing some resource support to enable us to employ a part time facilitator to organise and implement a Student Sustainability Summit in 2011

2 To establish and build on the contact with Haikou to share joint projects in sustainability which may include visits by Planet Savers and school leaders in Darwin to Haikou and then reverse the process and have a possible engagement in the student sustainability summit

3 Provide a letter of support and introduction to the officials in Haikou

4 Possibly provide support in Mandarin to the Lord Mayor in his visit to Haikou (either in written materials or personal attendance)

I would be very happy to work with you on this project

I attach a letter of support from NRETA

Peter Harris Planet savers August 12th 2010

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## 2011 NT Student Sustainability Summit

### Objectives:

1. To build and develop on the successful sustainability summit held in Darwin on June 7<sup>th</sup> with 18 schools and 157 students and staff and 20 visitors
2. To extend the summit to include water and waste
3. To engage student action in the delivery of the NT Climate Change policy 2009 (ie energy management)
4. To engage students and staff in practical discussion and activities which reflect the mandatory requirements for sustainability as stated in the national curriculum Essential Learnings framework
5. To focus on independent learning skills including:
  - Peer mentoring
  - Student voice and democracy
  - Creative and clear thinking
  - Applied learning
  - Open Space discussion
  - Positive future focus
  - Technology and adaptation
6. To explore ways by which regional and remote school can be involved
7. To extend the summit to include the non-government schools sector
8. To extend and develop the traction on sustainability practice in schools achieved
9. To ensure that sustainability practice and EfS principles remain focused during this period of educational restructuring
10. To establish a process of engagement over a 9 month period to involve teachers ,principals,maintenance officers and students in the planning process

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11. To establish an awareness on issues and good practice with countries in the region

**Proposed Date:** Monday May 30<sup>th</sup> 2011 or September 2011

**Location:** Girraween Primary School Darwin

### Program methodology

The program focusses on what students can do within their local communities, households and local school. The aim is then to contribute to the NT and national debate and hopefully respond to the international discussion. This will include the concept of specific interest ie indigenous and remote

The seminar is open to all schools with a focus on the Darwin region in 2010 (approx 40 schools) leading to the International Summit in 2012 which includes regional and remote schools and school within the Pacific rim. (esp China, Malaysia, East Timor)









The summit is meant to be a process and program of engagement taking 9 months using meetings, personal contact, REACT and the interactive use of the internet to engage school communities.

The summit is student focussed but to get there consultation will take place with other key stakeholders of a school community.

The summit itself will be an 'Open Space' event which is a powerful tool for engaging large groups of people to explore particular questions or issues. In 'Open Space', a range of questions are explored by smaller groups.

A management note on 'Open Space' – if, during the course of the gathering, any person finds themselves in a situation where they are neither learning nor contributing, they must use their feet and go to some more productive space.

*We accept the issues and influence opportunities by posing the following 'Open Space' questions:*

-  What's the role of education in a lower energy future?
-  How can we position young people to develop the green skills needed to transition to a low carbon economy?
-  How as a community can we engage in carbon abatement / energy descent on the ground?
-  Is climate change a crisis or an opportunity for NT policy makers?
-  What would it take for the NT to achieve a reduction of 10% by 2010?
-  What are the implications of peak oil when considered with climate change?
-  How can we reorient the way we teach, live, learn and prosper?
-  How can we resolve the paradox between sustainability and development?

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*Participants will be:*

✓ Engaging with YOUTH

*Student Representative Councils, Student Action Teams*

We will hear what our climate action youth leaders have to say,  
and restore their hope that we are acting together for their future.

✓ Engaging with EDUCATORS

*Educational leaders, staff, governance and communities*

We will recognise schools as one of our strongest and most reliable community assets  
and the vital role they play in developing our nation, our culture and our way of life.  
We aim to strengthen networks and partnerships to build schools as vibrant community hubs.

✓ Engaging with COMMUNITY (including business and NGOs)

*COOLmob, Environment Centre NT, CSIRO Education, PowerWater  
Charles Darwin University Environment Collective, Top End Transition Towns,  
Climate Action Darwin, FoodCare NT, CTI Carbon Training*

We will invite community leaders to build better community understandings,  
and so building our capacity to respond and local resilience.

✓ Engaging with GOVERNMENT




*Northern Territory Government NRETAS, Darwin City Council*

To honestly examine the paradox between sustainability and development,  
we invite members of Territory and local government to ask:

What's at risk? What's necessary? What's possible?



*We will present speakers through panels, presentations and practical workshops and allow for  
courageous conversations through an 'Open Space' event.*

*In engaging a positive future, we aim to draw on whole of community resources to agree on:*

-  Principles (social justice, democracy, intergenerational responsibility) which inform policy
-  Processes (resource reduction systems, data collection and reporting, ecological auditing / foot printing, procurement, administrative guidelines) which empower policy
-  Practices (observing, measuring, trying ideas, supporting, mentoring, including Indigenous understandings, creating a continuous improvement loop) which turn vision into action.

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*We aim to:*

-  Inform, affirm and inspire
  - widen our understandings of ecological connectedness – the dangers and opportunities
  - acknowledge the impacts of our actions when making decisions for the long term
  - impart learning as positive
  - establish a shift in position from ‘business as usual’ – to engage a preferable future.
  
-  Mobilise democracy and catalyse action
  - strengthen communication
  - form transformative networks
  - engage in practical abatement, taking personal and collective action to shrink footprints.

<b>(draft) Program</b>	
9:00am – 10:00am	Welcome and Keynote Addresses
10:00am – noon	Six concurrent sessions – select two
12:00pm – 1:00pm	Q & A – followed by light lunch
1:00pm – 3:00pm	Open Space event
3:00pm onwards	Reflections, connections, possibilities

## Organisation and facilitation

conducted by Planet Savers Northern

## Advisory Group

consisting of NT EfS network including:

- PSA Northern
- DET representative
- Anna Cooke - NRETAS
- School Principals network representative
- Non-gov. Education Sector representative
- Student representatives

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- Keep Australia Beautiful
- CoolMob
- United Nations Youth Ambassadors
- Larakia Nation
- Greening Australia
- Environment Centre NT
- TETT (Transition Towns)
  
- Power and Water

## Political and government attendance

potential invitees:

- Dr Chris Burns - Minister Education NT
- Gary Bourke - CEO DET NT
- Damian Hale - Federal Minister
- Graeme Sawyer – Mayor of Darwin
- Power and Water (Andrew Ferreira)
- DLP sustainability officer
- DET sustainability officer

## Proposed budget:

Facilitation	\$ 25,600
Administration & communication	\$ 7,000
Resource Materials	\$ 2,000
Catering	\$ 2,000
Guest facilitator including travel etc	\$ 2,000
Facilities fee	\$ 2,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 40,600</b>

## 2010 summit feedback:

“Let’s see more” – CoolMob

“A wonderful Day!” – DNR

‘An awesome day’ – Stuart Park PS School Council

“an empowering start” – parent

“an inspiring day for kids” – Jinigil PS

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“a great day Monday” – NT Environment Centre

“I came away determined that we must keep the momentum going” – Taminmin HS

“it was fantastic and you should be proud to be the catalyst” – comment on Susan Wills by  
Girraween PS

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## **Planet Savers Report on Sustainability Summit June 2010**

- 1. 136 students from 18 schools and up to 50 adult teachers and visitors attended(5 apologies)**
- 2 key NGO,s attended including Cool Mob,United Nations Youth Ambassadors,Greening Australia,Environment Center,Larrakia Nation and TETT**
- 3 Key political figures attended Minister for Education NT CEO DET,Member for Solomon,NRETAS,Power and Water,Mayor of Darwin**
- 4 The program was directed at student participation through group work and the sharing of stories ( input from adults was restricted)**
- 5 the Qand A was highly successful with students asking perceptive questions of the NGO's and politicians**
- 6 There was a very favourable feedback encouraging the process to continue**
- 7 Girraween primary have offered to host in 2011**
- 8 Milner Primary gave an exemplar model of total school participation**
- 9 The new Solar Panels with viewing platform and tours conducted by students was very positive**
- 10 There was a strong desire to keep networking**
- 11 Students and teachers look for a hands on approach for future seminars ie practical application**
- 12 this seminar was a direct result of the ESSP program and there is a need to maintain the traction**
- 13 the process of Susan Wills visiting the schools as part of the lead up has helped schools understand the new mandatory obligations for sustainability in the key learning areas**

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14 it was suggested that a future seminar may be held in Alice Springs(refer to international Summit)

15 The high level of engagement will help the potential savings as outlined in the Acquittal Report(June 25th)

16 The seminar process encouraged schools to participate in the Melaleuca Awards

17 much of the success was a direct result of the enthusiasm of the facilitator (Susan Will) and the skills of the summit facilitator (Glenn Davidson) The high level of participation was a direct result of the personal contacts made

(Dr) Peter Harris Team Leader Planet Savers Northern

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## Governance

1. From July 1<sup>st</sup> to September 30<sup>th</sup> and interim period at which programs will be developed and appropriate governance policies developed.
2. Team Leader: Peter W Harris, accountable to the Directors of Planet Savers.
3. Advisory group: Susan Wills (NT), Ron Griep (Energy), Pat Hancock (QLD), Jie (Jason) Huang (China).
4. Planet Savers Northern to be registered as a business name in the Northern Territory.
5. A Seething Pty Ltd account (Westpac) will be nominated as Planet Savers Northern through which all income and expenditure in the 3 month period will be processed.
6. Mr David Rooney will administer and audit the finances and prepare a statement for the Board of Directors at the end of September.
7. The budget for the period will include:
  - a. Rent - \$6,000
  - b. Phone - \$1,000
  - c. Associated car costs - \$500
  - d. Internet - \$400
  - e. Booking keeping fee - \$400
  - f. Administration support - \$1,000
  - g. Travel (incl. 2 trips to Melbourne) - \$1,500
8. Seething Pty Ltd will set aside the \$11,000 required and will carry the risk and acknowledge that these development costs will be carried into any long term budget.
9. Professional indemnity insurance to be maintained by Planet Savers.
10. That current submissions ie: DEWHA, if successful will be directly received by Planet Savers Northern to offset development costs and any costs of the project.
11. The current status of Kormilda College and Casuarina College will need to be resolved in relation to management and financial control.
12. That a meeting be held after the end of September to look at a long term relationship which will include:
  - a. Legal entity

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- b. Relationship with Planet Savers (Head office)
- c. Budget
- d. Responsibilities and staffing

### Immediate Tasks to be undertaken

1. To maintain all contacts made under the ESSP program with the possibility of identifying other projects at the individual or regional level.
2. To establish a student summit in 2011.
3. To pursue an international student summit in 2011.
4. To examine any potential grants via the Northern Territory Government or the Federal Government, ie: DEWHA, Small business grants.
5. To follow up the non-government schools regarding possible future projects .
6. To join ACPET and identify possible programs within the framework of registered courses.
7. To establish a sustainability forum to promote sustainability in the Northern Territory which includes public discussion in the upcoming Federal and Northern Territory elections.
8. To establish contacts with China, articles in national Chinese National newspapers, membership of the Northern Territory / China Business Council and following any contacts by CERES.
9. To work with Pat Hancock regarding possible projects in Queensland.
10. To come a clear arrangement with Carbon Training International (CTI) regarding Certificates 3 and 4 and their possible promotion.
11. To discuss with the Association of Independent Schools of NSW any possible project opportunities.
12. Product Range and Services

Planet Savers Northern has committed to meet with Mark Smith to undertake 1 day of training (apart from computer skill requirements) in understanding the product range. This will require a clear and detailed list of the product range and a pricing policy. To be prepared by Planet Savers.

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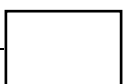
Community & Cultural Services Committee Meeting – Monday, 13 September, 2010**11 GENERAL BUSINESS****11.1 Outstanding Items**

ITEM NO.	MEETING REQUESTED	MEETING REQUIRED	SUBJECT MATTER	REASON FOR NON-SUBMISSION REMARKS
14.1. 20	Ordinary Council Meeting 23/02/10	Not Stated	Libraries Bombing of Darwin Collection Common No. 1732519	B. THAT a further report be prepared on cost of digitising the Bombing of Darwin collection be presented to Council and that the report include the feasibility of including a library facility in the proposed Cavenagh Street development.  C. THAT a further report be prepared in respect potential partnerships with the NT Government and other parties in respect to highlighting the value of Bombing of Darwin Historical material.  Decision No. 20\2458
14.1. 22	Ordinary Council Meeting 23/02/10	Not Stated	Steve Abala Role Model Project – Resolution on Status of Project January 2010-08-11 Common No. 1378819	This matter lay on the table pending the outcome of the NT Government Cabinet Submission  Decision No. 20\2473

**COMMITTEE'S DECISION**

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

DECISION NO.20\() (13/09/10)



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Community & Cultural Services Committee Meeting – Monday, 13 September, 2010**11 GENERAL BUSINESS****11.2 Date, Time and Place of next Community & Cultural Services Committee Meeting**

Common No. 375173

THAT the next Community & Cultural Services Committee Meeting be held on  
 (Day).....(Date)....., at (Time)..... p.m. Meeting Room 1, 1st  
 Floor, Civic Centre, Harry Chan Avenue, Darwin.

