



MINUTES

COMMUNITY AND BELONGING STRATEGIC REFERENCE GROUP

held in the Guringai Room, Dee Why on

WEDNESDAY 22 MAY 2019

**Minutes of the Community and Belonging
Strategic Reference Group
held on Wednesday 22 May 2019
in the Guringai Room, Dee Why
Commencing at 6:03pm**

ATTENDANCE:

Committee Members

Cr Candy Bingham (Chair)	
Cr Penny Philpott	
Cr Kylie Ferguson	<i>Left the meeting at 6:56pm.</i>
Simon Moriaty	Community representative, Curl Curl Ward
Michelle Povah	Northern Beaches Child & Family Interagency
Samuel Wilkins	Community representative - Forest Ward, youth, arts & culture
Maria-Elena Chidzey	Community Northern Beaches Inc. (CNB), multi-cultural
Margaret Shonk	Community representative - Manly Ward, mental health

Council Officer Contacts

David Kerr	Director Community & Belonging
Kylie Walshe	Executive Manager Community, Arts & Culture
Robert van den Blink	Manager Community Development
Alicia Terry	Team Leader Arts & Cultural Development
Emma Boughton	Youth Development Officer
Annie Laing	Governance Officer

1.0 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Cr Sarah Grattan, Susan Watson, Tamzin Lee, Dee Robbins, Ros Marsh, Lorrie Morgan, Jennifer Wharton and Cathy Hockey.

2.0 DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY AND CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

M Chidzey declared a less than significant, non-pecuniary interest as she is employed by Community Northern Beaches Inc.

3.0 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

3.1 MINUTES OF COMMUNITY AND BELONGING STRATEGIC REFERENCE GROUP MEETING HELD 20 FEBRUARY 2019

DECISION

That the Minutes of the Community and Belonging Strategic Reference Group meeting held 20 February 2019, copies of which were previously circulated to all Members, are hereby confirmed as a true and correct record of the proceedings of that meeting.

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4.0 UPDATE ON ACTIONS FROM LAST MEETING

Locations for the remainder of the meetings in 2019 will be alternated as follows:

- 21 August 2019 – Councillors Room, Manly
- 30 October 2019 – Guringai Room, Dee Why

5.0 AGENDA ITEMS

5.1 COMMUNITY CENTRES STRATEGY - UPDATE

DISCUSSION

Council staff addressed the meeting on this item and explained the delay in bringing back a draft version of this Strategy to the group.

Council's Strategic Planning Department are currently developing a Social Infrastructure Plan and have identified revised planning areas and demographic data. To ensure that there is consistency across Council strategic documents the consultant undertaking the draft Community Centres Strategy will incorporate this information into the draft Strategy.

Members also discussed the need for a new Organisational Booking System and were advised a tender had been accepted by Council and is expected to be implemented by December 2019.

5.2 COMMUNITY SERVICES HUB MODELS

DISCUSSION

Council staff gave a presentation on this item. The presentation and research paper were provided with the Agenda.

It was confirmed that Council is considering a Request for Proposal for local organisations interested in being a part of the community service hub and not an Expression of Interest. This is a simpler process for organisations.

The following points were discussed:

- The importance of having organisations that complement one another with the potential to work together.
- Crows Nest Centre is a good example of a Council run Community Hub.
- Council involvement is necessary to ensure there is an independent body regardless of what model is chosen.

Staff advised that no comments were received regarding the draft Community Services & Development Policy during the 28 day exhibition period and will be presented to Council in June with no changes.

5.3 DRAFT ARTS AND CREATIVITY STRATEGY UPDATE

DISCUSSION

Staff gave a presentation on this item. The presentation was distributed with the Agenda.

Members discussed the importance of promoting existing Council Arts and Cultural Services and requested the links to subscribe to Council newsletters, the links are:

- [Council News](#)
- [Council What's on](#)

- [Creative News](#)
- [Manly Art Gallery and Museum Newsletter](#)
- [Glen Street Theatre](#)

Members participated in a workshop to address the key challenges and discuss the draft principles of the proposed draft Cultural Policy. A summary of this workshop can be found at Attachment 1.

6.0 GENERAL BUSINESS

Items proposed for the meeting being held on 21 August 2019 are as follows:

- Children's Services - Reconciliation Action Plan
- Draft Community Centres Strategy
- Community Safety Plan

Cr Bingham thanked members for their valuable input into important Council projects and plans.

SUMMARY OF ACTIONS

ITEM NO.	ACTION	RESPONSIBLE OFFICER	DUE DATE
	Community Grants Program to be discussed at the October Meeting.	Kylie Walshe	October
5.3	Provide links for Community, Arts and Culture newsletter to members.	Governance	

The meeting concluded at 7:45pm

ATTACHMENT 1

Improved strategies for supporting and promoting existing Council Arts and Cultural services, programs and initiatives ie. MAG&M, Glen St Theatre, Creative Space, Jazz Festival etc	
Advertise Council Arts and Cultural Services via website and newsletters, posters in libraries	
Information - getting it out to everyone	
Improve promotions and awareness	
Arts communication strategy, eg. social media	
Creative a directory of artists and spaces	
Artists Camps	
Mentorships and/or scholarships	3
Support live music - spaces, finance, grants	
Lack of addressing live music in the strategy and support for music venues and groups	
Music, food, movies, games	
Live music	
Festival support - locations, eg. warehouse arts and music	
Using and improving space, ie. small spaces inviting schools to use for art	
Foreign films	
Glen St Theatre - more use, more diverse	

Definition of the term 'culture' and 'cultural planning'
Culture - comprises of activities that result in creative outputs which aim to entertain, challenge and promote the observer's wellbeing
Creative expression - mediums such as music, art, film, sport, festivals, activation, installations

More support for specific spaces ie. aboriginal led cultural space, writers centre, music spaces and artists studios	
Opportunities for children to exhibit their work	
Specific Spaces - warehouse style spaces, eg. Brookvale in amongst micro brewery	
Artists camps	2
More spaces eg. Libraries to hang art	
Use of other venues eg. Town hall, surf clubs	2
Youth Theatre - community based	
Art scholarships	
Manly Swim Centre - great place for sculpture display	

This is the final page of the Minutes comprising 6 pages numbered 1 to 6 of the Community and Belonging Strategic Reference Group meeting held on Wednesday 22 May 2019 and confirmed on Wednesday 21 August 2019