



REPORT

CULTURE AND COMMUNITY COMMITTEE

9 NOVEMBER 2023

PRESENT: Councillors J Black, S Chowdhury, V Etheridge, J Gough, R Ivey, D Mahon, P Wells and M Wright.

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: The Chief Executive Officer, the Director Organisational Performance, the Manager Corporate Governance, the Governance Officers, the Director Strategy Partnership and Engagement, the Communication Services Team Leader, the IT Infrastructure Specialist, the Manager Strategic Partnerships and Investment, the Economic Development and Visitor Services Team Leader, the Director Development and Environment, the Manager Growth Planning, the Director Infrastructure, the Director Community Culture and Places, the Cultural Development Coordinator, the Manager Macquarie Regional Library and the Manager Recreation and Open Space.

Councillor J Gough assumed the chair of the meeting.

The proceedings of the meeting commenced at 6.09 pm.

CCC23/87 LEAVE OF ABSENCE (ID23/2618)

Requests for leave of absence were received from Councillors M Dickerson and L Burns who was absent from the meeting due to personal reasons.

Councillor P Wells attended via audio-visual link.

CCC23/88 CONFLICTS OF INTEREST (ID23/2619)

The following Conflicts of Interest were declared:

- Cllr S Chowdhury – Non Pecuniary Less than Significant in Item CCC23/92

CCC23/89 REPORT OF THE WELLINGTON TOWN COMMITTEE - MEETING 4 SEPTEMBER 2023 (ID23/2622)

The Committee had before it the report of the Wellington Town Committee meeting held 4 September 2023.

Moved by Councillor R Ivey and seconded by Councillor V Etheridge

MOTION

That the report of the Wellington Town Committee meeting held on 4 September 2023, be noted.

CARRIED

For: Councillors J Black, S Chowdhury, V Etheridge, J Gough, R Ivey, D Mahon, P Wells and M Wright.

Against: Nil.

CCC23/90 REPORT OF THE PUBLIC SPACES TREE COMMITTEE - MEETING 13 SEPTEMBER 2023 (ID23/2623)

The Committee had before it the report of the Public Spaces Tree Committee meeting held 13 September 2023.

Moved by Councillor J Black and seconded by Councillor S Chowdhury

MOTION

That the report of the Public Spaces Tree Committee meeting held on 13 September 2023, be noted.

CARRIED

For: Councillors J Black, S Chowdhury, V Etheridge, J Gough, R Ivey, D Mahon, P Wells and M Wright.

Against: Nil.

CCC23/91 2023 SISTER CITY STUDENT EXCHANGE VISIT BY DUBBO STUDENTS TO MINOKAMO (ID23/2541)

The Committee had before it the report dated 23 October 2023 from the Cultural Development Coordinator regarding 2023 Sister City Student Exchange visit by Dubbo Students to Minokamo. The Committee received a presentation from the Exchange Students and the Chaperones regarding this item.

Moved by Councillor S Chowdhury and seconded by Councillor M Wright

MOTION

- 1. That the report from the Sister City Officer dated 24 October 2023, be noted.**
- 2. That the presentation by students Jim Richardson and Abigail Pearse, be noted.**

CARRIED

For: Councillors J Black, S Chowdhury, V Etheridge, J Gough, R Ivey, D Mahon, P Wells and M Wright.

Against: Nil.

CCC23/92 2023 ROUND ONE - SPARC GRANT ASSESSMENT REPORT (ID23/2509)

The Committee had before it the report dated 17 October 2023 from the Cultural Development Coordinator regarding 2023 Round One - SPARC Grant Assessment Report.

Moved by Councillor S Chowdhury and seconded by Councillor M Wright

MOTION

1. That Council allocate \$10,000 to the community based organisations in accordance with Section 356 of The *Local Government Act 1993* and notification to be sent to each recommended applicant:
 - ORISCON Dubbo - \$1,600.00
 - Dubbo and Districts Family History - \$2,000.00
 - University of the Third Age - \$4,000.00
 - Spare Parts, Wellington - \$2,400.00
2. That all unsuccessful applicants be advised of Council's Grants Hub, as well as other funding opportunities and any advice to assist future applications for Council financial assistance.

CARRIED

For: Councillors J Black, S Chowdhury, V Etheridge, J Gough, R Ivey, D Mahon, P Wells and M Wright.

Against: Nil.

Councillor S Chowdhury declared a non-pecuniary, less than significant interest in the matter now before the Council and remained in the room during the Council's consideration of this matter. The reason for such interest is that Councillor S Chowdhury was previously a member of the ORISCON Committee, but is no longer a member.

CCC23/93 PUBLIC MEMORIALS AND DONATION OF FURNITURE AND TREES POLICY (ID23/2548)

The Committee had before it the report dated 27 October 2023 from the Manager Recreation and Open Space regarding Public Memorials and Donation of Furniture and Trees Policy.

Moved by Councillor M Wright and seconded by Councillor V Etheridge

MOTION

1. That this report be noted.
2. That the Draft Council Policy - Public Memorials and Donation of Furniture and Trees Policy be adopted.

CARRIED

For: Councillors J Black, S Chowdhury, V Etheridge, J Gough, R Ivey, D Mahon, P Wells and M Wright.

Against: Nil.

CCC23/94 MACQUARIE REGIONAL LIBRARY CUSTOMER POLICIES - CUSTOMER INFORMATION PRIVACY AND CHILD SAFE STANDARDS UPDATES (ID23/2284)

The Committee had before it the report dated 12 October 2023 from the Director Community, Culture and Places regarding Macquarie Regional Library Customer Policies -

Customer Information Privacy and Child Safe Standards updates.

Moved by Councillor J Black and seconded by Councillor M Wright

MOTION

1. That the Macquarie Regional Library Young People's Policy (updated) be adopted for implementation.
2. That the Macquarie Regional Library Online Information and Internet Use Policy (updated) be adopted for implementation.
3. That it be noted that these policies are consistent with Dubbo Regional Council policy, as the Administrative Council.

CARRIED

For: Councillors J Black, S Chowdhury, V Etheridge, J Gough, R Ivey, D Mahon, P Wells and M Wright.

Against: Nil.

CCC23/95 MACQUARIE REGIONAL LIBRARY PERFORMANCE REPORT JULY TO SEPTEMBER 2023 (ID23/2467)

The Committee had before it the report dated 30 October 2023 from the Director Community, Culture and Places regarding Macquarie Regional Library Performance Report July to September 2023.

Moved by Councillor M Wright and seconded by Councillor D Mahon

MOTION

That the Macquarie Regional Library Performance Report for July to September 2023 be noted.

CARRIED

For: Councillors J Black, S Chowdhury, V Etheridge, J Gough, R Ivey, D Mahon, P Wells and M Wright.

Against: Nil.

CCC23/96 DESTINATION EVENTS FUND - STREAM 2 - APPLICATION - NSW CRICKET (ID23/2546)

The Committee had before it the report dated 24 October 2023 from the Events and Partnerships Team Leader regarding Destination Events Fund - Stream 2 - Application - NSW Cricket.

Moved by Councillor V Etheridge and seconded by Councillor M Wright

MOTION

1. That Council negotiate with Cricket NSW to enter into a three-year agreement to

secure its State Challenge in 2024, 2025 and 2026 in return for hosting fees of \$6,000 in 2023/2024; \$7,000 in 2024/2025 and \$8,000 in 2025/2026.

CARRIED

For: Councillors J Black, S Chowdhury, V Etheridge, J Gough, R Ivey, D Mahon, P Wells and M Wright.

Against: Nil.

The meeting closed at 6.27 pm.

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CHAIRPERSON