

CITY OF ARMADALE

AGENDA

OF COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE TO BE HELD IN THE COMMITTEE ROOM, ADMINISTRATION CENTRE, 7 ORCHARD AVENUE, ARMADALE ON TUESDAY, 23 JANUARY 2007 AT 7.00 PM

A meal will be served at 6:15 p.m.

PRESENT:

APOLOGIES: Cr L Sdidone – Leave of Absence

OBSERVERS:

IN ATTENDANCE:

DISCLAIMER

The Disclaimer for protecting Councillors and staff from liability of information and advice given at Committee meetings to be read by the Chairman.

DECLARATION OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS

QUESTION TIME

DEPUTATION

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

RESOLVED

Minutes of the Community Services Committee Meeting held 12 December 2006 be confirmed.

Moved

MOTION CARRIED ()

ITEMS REFERRED FROM INFORMATION BULLETIN – ISSUE NO. 2/2007

The following matters were included for information in the Community Services section:

If any of the items listed above require clarification or a report for a decision of Council, this item to be raised for discussion at this juncture.

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****ACCESS AND INCLUSION DIRECTORY AND MOBILITY MAP - GRANT**

WARD River, Jarrah,
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FILE REF:

DATE 11 January 2007

REF TMcC

RESPONSIBLE
MANAGER Manager
Community
Services

In Brief:

This item:

- Informs Council of a successful grant application for \$11,000 towards an Access and Inclusion Directory and associated Mobility Map for the central precincts of Kelmscott, Roleystone, Armadale and Westfield.
- Recommends that Council accepts the \$11,000 grant.

Tabled Items

Nil

Officer Interest Declaration

Nil

Strategic Implications

Building our Community
Communicating and Marketing
Developing our Organisation

Legislation Implications

Nil

Council Policy/Local Law Implications

Nil

Budget/Financial Implications

A grant application to the Disability Services Commission and the Western Australian Local Government Association has been successful for an amount of \$11,000. The application was submitted on the basis that City contributes \$9,600 cash and \$5,750 in kind.

Council's cash contribution of \$9,600 can be accommodated from within existing project/program allocations in the 2006/07 budget.

Consultation

Community Groups
Disability Advisory Committee
Department of Planning and Infrastructure
City of Fremantle
City of Perth
Technical Services Officers
Corporate Services Officers

Community Development

BACKGROUND

Following amendments to the WA Disability Services Act (1993) in December 2004, public authorities were required to develop and implement Disability Access and Inclusion Plans (DAIPs) to make their services, buildings and information accessible for people with disabilities. The City of Armadale launched its DAIP in 2005.

In recognition of the new requirements of DAIPs, and in support of the work that Local Governments need to undertake to implement their DAIP's, the Disability Services Commission and the Western Australian Local Government Association invited Local Governments to apply for one-off grants to support the implementation of one or more of six desired outcomes as follows:

1. People with disabilities have the same opportunities as other people to access the services of any events organised by a public authority.
2. People with disabilities have the same opportunities as other people to access the buildings and other facilities of a public authority.
3. People with disabilities receive information from a public authority in a format that will enable them to access the information as readily as other people are able to access it.
4. People with disabilities receive the same level and quality of service from the staff of a public authority as other people receive from the staff of that public authority.
5. People with disabilities have the same opportunities as other people to make complaints to a public authority.
6. People with disabilities have the same opportunities as other people to participate in any public consultation by a public authority.

DETAILS OF PROPOSAL

In July 2006, the City's Disability Advisory Committee (DAC) recommended that implementing one or more of the six (6) desired outcomes noted above, the City should apply for a grant offered by the Disability Services Commission and the Western Australian Local Government Association to support the development of an Access and Inclusion Directory and associated Mobility Map.

The City has since been notified of its successful grant application of \$11,000 towards this project for the central precincts of Kelmscott, Roleystone, Armadale and Westfield.

It is expected that development and implementation of the project will involve the DAC as well as a working group made up of service providers and community members with disabilities. The project will commence once the grant has been accepted by Council and it is anticipated that it will be completed by 30 June 2007.

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Mobility Map

A consultant from the Cartographic Services section of the Universal Design Policy Unit of the Department for Planning and Infrastructure (DPI) has been consulted in regards to the creation of an electronic and hardcopy Mobility Map for the Armadale area, as has occurred successfully in both the Fremantle and Perth LGA's . The Map will be designed to enable all people to navigate safely and easily in the central area of Armadale. This map will provide up-to-date information on changing conditions, which may affect access ways. It will also provide a wide range of additional useful information for access to a variety of shopping precincts, attractions, entertainment venues, and other key every day use areas for people with disabilities, seniors, and any visitor to the Armadale area. Methodology will include a research component in the form of a community survey/data collection process and a desktop mapping outlay process.

Access and Inclusion Directory

In conjunction with the development of the Mobility Map, a consultant working in partnership with City of Armadale staff will be engaged to undertake a community consultation process in researching the existing access and inclusion components at key community facilities and commercial locations as well as identifying and promoting the 'champions' in our area that are actively providing services/programs for people with disabilities. This information will then be included in the production of a comprehensive 'one stop' booklet to be made available at no cost to members of the community.

COMMENT

Analysis

The development of a comprehensive Access and Inclusion Directory, including a Mobility Map, aims to increase the awareness of disability issues in both the general and business communities in the City of Armadale. It also will provide a guide informing residents, businesses, and potential visitors of the existing facilities, infrastructure, services and programs in our community that support the ongoing active participation of people with disabilities. The project will also act as a catalyst to addressing a number of other priority issues related to the City's Disability Access & Inclusion Plan (DAIP), particularly those related to Universal Design principles in the built environment as well as auditing and asset mapping processes at various levels.

Options

Council has the following options:

1. Accept the \$11,000 grant from the Disability Services Commission and Western Australian Local Government Association and proceed with the project.
2. Not to accept the \$11,000 grant from the Disability Services Commission and Western Australian Local Government Association and not proceed with the project.

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Option 1 is recommended.

Conclusion

The City of Armadale's DAIP was developed under the premise that people with disabilities, their families and carers, as members of the community have the same rights as other people to access local government services and facilities. The development and implementation of an Access and Inclusion Directory and Mobility Map will further demonstrate the City's commitment in ensuring that the whole of its local government area actively embraces the principles of inclusion and is accessible to all members of the community.

RECOMMEND

That Council:

- 1. Accept the \$11,000 grant from the Disability Services Commission and the Western Australian Local Government Association.**
- 2. Approve the use of Council funds allocated to the City's DAIP for the purpose of developing a Mobility Map and Access & Inclusion Directory and pursuant to Section 6.8 of the Local Government Act 1995, authorise the following expenditure:**

Amend the 2006/07 Annual Budget for the purpose of undertaking the Mobility Map and Access & Inclusion Directory Project, as follows:

Revenue

Seniors and Disabilities – Programs – increase by 11,000.

Expenditure

Seniors and Disabilities – Programs – increase by 11,000.

****ABSOLUTE MAJORITY REQUIRED FOR PART (2)**

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MOTION CARRIED/LOST ()**

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BIRTWISTLE LOCAL STUDIES LIBRARY SATURDAY OPENING - REPORT OF TRIAL

WARD ALL
FILE REF:
DATE 8 January 2007
REF PLW
RESPONSIBLE Executive Director
MANAGER Community Services

In Brief:

This item recommends that:

The Birtwistle Local Studies Library not open on weekends due to limited use during the trial period, but that the current system of the Library being open by appointment for people who are not able to visit the library during its regular opening hours, remain in place.

Tabled Items

Nil

Officer Interest Declaration

Nil

Strategic Implications

Deliver a range of services to meet community needs.

Legislation Implications

Nil

Council Policy/Local Law Implications

Nil

Budget/Financial Implications

Nil

Consultation

Community Heritage Advisory Committee

BACKGROUND

At the Council meeting of 7 March 2006, Cr Butterfield raised the following matter under Matters for Referral to Standing Committees – Without Discussion:

“That the matter of investigating opportunities for opening the Birtwistle Library on Saturday morning so that 9 – 5 workers may use this wonderful resource be referred to the Community Services Committee.”

The following was recorded in the Minutes of the Community Services Committee Meeting of 28 March 2006:

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Cr Butterfield provided a verbal report to Committee, advising that she had received several requests for the Birtwistle Library to be opened on a Saturday morning from people who carry out genealogy and historical research. With the Birtwistle Library opening three days a week, a person who works normal office hours is unable to access the facility and undertake research. If the Birtwistle Library could be opened on a Saturday it would enable such people to access the facility.

Committee Discussion

The Chairperson invited the Manager Libraries & Heritage Services to provide some comment prior to Committee considering the matter. The Manager Libraries & Heritage Services advised that whilst the current opening hours are limited, access to the Library outside of these times can be made by appointment for ad hoc research, however, a more regular opening on a Saturday will have implications for staffing resources, IT and security support. Committee considered opportunities for less frequent opening of the Library providing it was given advance promotion, with suggestions ranging from once a quarter to once a month. As a consequence of the discussions held, Committee resolved that the officers investigate the opening of the Birtwistle Library on Saturdays.

A report to the Council at its normal meeting of 6 June 2006, recommended in C29/5/06:

“That Council:

- a. support the opening of the Birtwistle Local Studies Library on the last Saturday of each month between the hours of 12 noon and 4 pm for a six month period beginning June 24 2006;*
- b. be presented with a further report at the end of the trial period advising of the outcomes of the trial and making a further recommendation on Saturday opening of the Birtwistle Library based on usage during the trial period.”*

At the conclusion of the trial period, the Historian/Local Studies Librarian prepared a report for the Manager Libraries & Heritage on the trial opening. The statistical table was presented to the Public History Advisory Committee Meeting of 7 December 2006.

Detail contained in the report and its recommendations are below.

Introduction

During the months of June through to and including November, the Birtwistle Local Studies Library was opened for a trial period from the hours of 12pm – 4pm on the last Saturday of each month; the afternoon opening coinciding with the opening hours of History House Museum.

Advertisements were placed in local papers and posters were displayed in the City of Armadale Libraries to inform the public of the new opening time. A display promoting

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the library and the Saturday opening was compiled by the Historian/Local Studies Librarian and placed in the City libraries. Posters were also sent out to local school principals and the relevant teachers informing them of the library's facilities and new opening hours.

Aim

The aim of this trial period was to ascertain if the library would be used for research relating to district history by people who cannot access the library during the normal opening hours. It is important to note that signs displaying the regular opening times have always included the option that appointments can be made outside of these times.

Results

The following statistics indicate the library usage during the trial period:

June 2006 – November 2006

Reference Enquiries	<i>1</i>
Research	<i>2</i>
Visitors	<i>6</i>
Volunteer Hours	<i>16</i>

Recommendations

Owing to poor public response to the opening of Birtwistle Local Studies Library on Saturdays it is recommended that:

- The Historian/Local Studies Librarian continues to make herself available to open the library outside of regular opening times for those with serious research needs who are unable to visit the library during these times.*
- The Birtwistle Local Studies Library ceases to continue opening on the last Saturday afternoon of each month.*

DETAILS OF PROPOSAL

Based on the low usage of the Birtwistle Local Studies Library on Saturday afternoons in spite of advertising, it is proposed that weekend opening should not be implemented at this stage.

COMMENT

Analysis

While the current trial for opening of the Birtwistle Library during weekend hours has not received sufficient community support to recommend that this be made permanent at this

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time, it is possible that this trend will change at some later date. Any further requests for weekend opening will be monitored and at such time as it is believed that demand may warrant it, a further trial will be recommended. In the meantime, the advertised opening “at other times by appointment” will remain in place for serious researchers who cannot access the library during its regular opening hours.

Options

1. Endorse the recommendation to not open the Birtwistle Library during weekend hours.
2. Continue opening the Birtwistle Library on Saturday afternoons or some other weekend hours.

Option 1 is recommended.

Conclusion

At this time it is suggested that the current opening hours of the Birtwistle Local Studies Library, viz. 9.30 am to 4.00 pm Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday and at other times by appointment, are sufficient to meet community need and should remain in place for the foreseeable future.

RECOMMEND

That Council not support opening the Birtwistle Local Studies Library on Saturday afternoons, but that the current opening hours of 9.30 am to 4.00 pm Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday and at other times by appointment, remain in place.

Moved

MOTION CARRIED/LOST ()

Community Development

LOCLIB BIENNIAL CONFERENCE 2007

WARD ALL
FILE REF:
DATE 17 January 2007
REF PLW
RESPONSIBLE Executive Director
MANAGER Community
Services

In Brief:

- The Local Government Librarians Association of Western Australia (LocLib) is holding its Biennial Conference in Perth on 2 March 2007.
- Recommend that Councillor/s be nominated to attend.

Tabled Items

Nil

Officer Interest Declaration

Nil

Strategic Implications

Enhance our ability to embrace and manage change;
Ensure the Council is a proactive, enquiring organisation.

Legislation Implications

Nil

Council Policy/Local Law Implications

Council Policy ADM3 – Conferences, Seminars and Training.

Budget/Financial Implications

Conference registrations are :

- \$220 per delegate for a full day with breakfast and lunch,
- \$200 for a full day with lunch,
- \$140 for a half day with lunch, or
- \$120 for a half day with no lunch.

Consultation

Nil

BACKGROUND

The LocLib Biennial Conference with the theme ‘Shattering Stereotypes: Changing the face and perception of public libraries’ is to be held on Friday, 2 March 2007 at the Perth Convention and Exhibition Centre, Mounts Bay Road, Perth. A copy of the Registration Brochure is attached to this Agenda. **(Refer to Attachment “A-2” - Summary of Attachments – buff page.)**

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This biennial conference is the State's major regular conference related specifically to public libraries. It offers an opportunity for Elected Members, administrative staff and librarians to obtain information on the latest developments and trends in public libraries, as well as a forum for professional networking.

In accordance with Council Policy ADM3 it is recommended that Council support the attendance by interested members at the Conference.

COMMENT

Topics to be covered at the Conference are pertinent to the current developments in the City of Armadale. They cover such themes as:

- Stock management the retailers' way – this is a current trend in many libraries and something that should be considered in the planning of new libraries;
- Local history connecting communities;
- Technical trends in libraries, including such trends as Weblogs

as well as many other useful papers.

The opportunity will be given to all professional Librarians to attend the Conference, in either a full or half day capacity, with the cost being allocated to the Library Staff Training & Development budget. The item is raised for information for any Councillors who may wish to nominate to attend the conference.

RECOMMEND

That nominate Cr..... to attend the LocLib Biennial Conference to be held on Friday, 2nd March 2007 at the Perth Convention and Exhibition Centre, Mounts Bay Road, Perth, with costs incurred to be charged to GL Account 210128.1046.02

Moved

MOTION CARRIED/LOST ()

Community Development

MEMORIAL PLAQUES FOR PARKS AND RESERVES – MIGRANT PARK

WARD ALL
FILE REF:
DATE 12 January 2007
REF PLW
RESPONSIBLE MANAGER Executive Director
Community Services

In Brief:

- This item recommends that Council endorse the proposed wording for a memorial plaque for Migrant Park.

Tabled Items

Nil

Officer Interest Declaration

Nil

Strategic Implications

To create a caring and vibrant City, rich in history, heritage and lifestyle.

Legislation Implications

Nil

Council Policy/Local Law Implications

Nil

Budget/Financial Implications

\$1,500

Consultation

- Public History Advisory Committee
- Kelmscott Migrant Camp History Group

BACKGROUND

At its Ordinary Meeting on 4 April 2005, Council adopted Resolution (C23/4/05) in relation to memorial plaques to be placed in some parks and reserves:

- “1. That Council undertakes an annual program of memorial plaque manufacture and installation at appropriate parks and reserves within the City.
2. That Council :
 - a. Adopts the Council Crest as the basis for the memorial plaques for parks and reserves;
 - b. Agrees the memorial plaques are to be of bronze and 400mm in diameter;

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- c. Agrees that the heritage information on the plaques and their location at the park or reserve be approved by Council through the appropriate Committee.”*

At the Public History Advisory Committee meeting of 10 December 2006, it was proposed that a plaque be installed at Migrant Park at the same time as the other History Boards that will be officially opened in early 2007. As Migrant Park was not one of the parks identified to have plaques made in the current budget year, the Manager Parks was approached to see if the \$1,500 required for the plaque and its installation could be accommodated in the Parks works budget. The Manager Parks has advised that funding for the plaque is available, so wording for the Migrant Park plaque has been approved by both the Public History Advisory Committee and the Kelmscott Migrant Camp History Group.

DETAILS OF PROPOSAL

The proposal is that Council approves the following wording, that has been endorsed by the Public History Advisory Committee and the Kelmscott Migrant Camp History Group, for a plaque to be located in Migrant Park.

MIGRANT PARK

One of two campsites in Kelmscott occupied between 1950 – c1962 by displaced persons from post WWII Europe. Families were housed in approximately 35 Nissen huts on this site. The men were employed by the Metropolitan Water Supply and worked on major infrastructure projects.
This land was vested in Council on 18 May 1966.

COMMENT

Analysis

The location of the plaque has not yet been determined, as this will need to be determined in conjunction with the installation of the History Boards. It is proposed that the location of the plaque be made in conjunction with the Kelmscott Migrant Camp History Group.

Options

1. Endorse the wording for the memorial plaque for Migrant Park.
2. Recommend alternative wording for the memorial plaque for Migrant Park.

Conclusion

It is recommended that Council endorse the proposed wording for the memorial plaque for Migrant Park and that the location of the plaque be made in conjunction with the Kelmscott Migrant Camp History Group and its History Boards.

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RECOMMEND

That Council endorse the wording for a memorial plaque at Migrant Park and that the location of the plaque be made in conjunction with the Kelmscott Migrant Camp History Group and its History Boards:

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Moved

MOTION CARRIED/LOST ()

Miscellaneous

AUSTRALIAN TECHNICAL COLLEGE – PERTH SOUTH (ARMADALE) - SCHOLARSHIPS

WARD All
FILE REF:
DATE 9 January 2007
REF CA
RESPONSIBLE Executive Director
MANAGER Community Services

In Brief:

This report advises of the opportunity for Council to consider establishing a scholarship fund to local Australian Technical College (ATC) students for the College's foundation year and beyond.

The report recommends that Council support the scholarship fund to the value of five (5) full scholarships and become a *Core Sponsor* for the ATC.

It further recommends that Council consider for inclusion within its Fifteen Year Financial Plan a similar amount each year as ongoing sponsorship for local young people applying to the ATC and include this amount as part of its *Annual Community Contributions*.

Tabled Items

Nil

Officer Interest Declaration

Nil

Strategic Implications

- 1. Planning Ahead and Evaluating our Progress**
 - a. Achieve a better quality of life for all citizens.

- 2. Building our Community**
 - a. Encourage community participation and responsibility
 - b. Deliver a range of services to meet community needs
 - c. Improve the overall wellbeing of the community

Legislation Implications

Nil

Council Policy/Local Law Implications

Nil

Budget/Financial Implications

Council's contribution towards the provision of a scholarship fund equivalent to five 100% scholarships would be \$7,750 per annum. Funds are available from within the City's

Miscellaneous

Economic Development budget allocation for 2006/07. Consideration will need to be given to future allocations as part of Council's 15 Year Forward Financial Plan.

Consultation

CEO

Community consultation in relation to the Technical College has been undertaken directly by the ATC and their Consultants Devahasdin Communications.

BACKGROUND

The Australian Technical College - Perth South (ATC - Perth South) is an educational and vocational institute unlike any other. ATC - Perth South is a new and different style of educational college that integrates Year 11 and 12 education with work readiness and on-the-job training. Students work towards their Western Australian Certificate of Education (WACE), while they learn vital real world skills, go to work and earn while they learn.

The Australian Technical College – Perth South is one of 25 Technical Colleges being established by the Australian Government to address the current and predicted future skills needs in this country. The college has been designed as an independent senior secondary college offering academic and vocational educational programs to Years 11 and 12 students. Students will be employed under Australian School-based Apprenticeship (ASbA) arrangements.

The ATC is an Australian Government funded initiative in partnership with Jobs West, the City of Gosnells, the City of Armadale and the Armadale Redevelopment Authority. The first college in Western Australia will operate from campuses in Armadale and Maddington. ATC - Perth South is industry led, work-place focussed and will prepare students for the work place of today and tomorrow. The Armadale Campus will be located on Commerce Avenue, Armadale and is conveniently located next to the railway and bus station providing easy transport for students. The Maddington Campus will be located on Alloa Road, Maddington, very close to Maddington Railway Station and within easy access of a number of automotive and industry sponsors providing easy access for students to travel to work. Both sites will have brand new purpose built workplace relevant facilities, due for completion during 2007. In the mean time the ATC will operate from temporary facilities on both sites, with the purpose built workshop facilities in place. Initially, the Armadale campus will focus on Building and Construction trades while the Maddington campus will open with a focus on the Automotive trades. By 2009/2010, the college will add Electro-technology plus the Metals and Engineering, and Commercial Cookery trades.

The ATC will be dedicated to producing work-ready students/apprentices. With small class sizes each student will be individually mentored and prepared for the job and the career ahead. Students will be trained with industry in mind and courses will be developed to fulfil the needs of industry, while maintaining a strong focus on the development of the students as a fully rounded employee. Courses will focus on technical trade skills, business skills, life skills and many other valuable learning experiences while the student also works towards completing their Western Australian Certificate of Education (WACE).

Miscellaneous

The purpose of the college is to provide industry relevant learning programs tailored to industry and individual student needs, in an effort to help reduce current and future skill needs in the professional trades. The aim of ATC - Perth South is to be recognized by industry and the community as a centre for trades' excellence and the leading learning centre for entrepreneurial trades people. Students will learn in a purpose built environment designed to reflect the work-place rather than a classroom and our courses will be flexible and ready to meet the changing needs of industry and employers.

An update on the progress and development on the Australian Technical College Perth South, and in particular the Armadale campus, was made to Councillors on Monday 4 December 2006 by the General Manager Mr. Trevor Williams.

DETAILS OF PROPOSAL

Correspondence has now been received from the General Manager of the Australian Technical College Perth South requesting that Council consider actively supporting the College through the provision of scholarships. The letter, in part, states;

“As we progress rapidly towards the inaugural first term of the College, I am calling for your assistance to set up student scholarships for the foundation year of the College.

We envisage creating scholarship places for the College aiming to provide fully paid or shared tuition for students who may otherwise not be able to enrol.

Scholarship recipients will enjoy all the benefits of a broad, practically oriented, innovative, industry relevant and exciting education under the guidance of the Australian Technical College – Perth South. Our inaugural students will be placed in either a Building and Construction or an Automotive Australian School-based Apprenticeship program.

The value of this opportunity to a young person is immense and will allow them to embark on a future that may otherwise not be possible. In addition, a contribution via scholarships will provide a number of branding and public relations benefits for your organisation, through the College.

The cost of a full year of tuition is \$1,550 per student, a cost some families may struggle to meet. The decision on number of scholarships offered and/or the type of scholarship (full or shared) is, of course, up to the City of Armadale.

I have enclosed a brief outline of the varying levels of support that we are looking to provide, and we would be happy to work with you in the selection of local youth who would be suitable for the receipt of scholarships on behalf of the City of Armadale, based on criteria you provide to the College.

I would ask that you take the time to consider the many positive ramifications of what would be a relatively small financial commitment.

Miscellaneous

<i>Value of Scholarship</i>	<i>Number of 100% Scholarships (\$1550)</i>	<i>Number of 50% Scholarships (\$775)</i>	<i>Level of Sponsorship</i>
\$1,550	1	2	Support Sponsor
\$3,100	2	4	Support Sponsor
\$4,650	3	6	Support Sponsor
\$6,200	4	8	Support Sponsor
\$7,750	5	10	Core Sponsor
\$9,300	6	12	Core Sponsor
\$10,850	7	14	Core Sponsor
\$12,400	8	16	Core Sponsor
\$13,950	9	18	Core Sponsor
\$15,500	10	20	Foundation Sponsor

COMMENTAnalysis

In view of the substantial investment in the City via the Commonwealth Government and Council's very active campaign with the ARA to secure the College for Armadale, it is considered appropriate that the City sponsor, through a scholarship program, a number of local residents who have chosen to take up the opportunity of a place at the Australian Technical College Perth South.

Should Council determine to make an ongoing commitment to funding a scholarship program for the ATC it will need to consider both;

- an allocation from within the existing 2006/07 budget (Economic Development) and
- referral for inclusion within its Fifteen Year Financial Plan a similar amount each year as ongoing support for local young people applying to the ATC and include this amount as part of its *Annual Community Contributions* allocation.

A determination by Council will also be required in relation to the number of scholarships offered as well as if those scholarships will be for both the first and second year of the apprenticeship and funded at either 100%, 50% or some combination. There will also need to be some consideration of potential criteria for determining the selection of suitable recipients of scholarships on behalf of the City.

Whilst there are a number of methods of allocating such scholarships from *random selection* to *first come first served* to *individual applications* it is recommended that the priority for allocation, where possible and practical, be based upon *demonstrated individual need*. This *need* could be determined by the ATC (the Cities of Armadale and Gosnells are represented on the Board by the Mayors in alternate 2 year periods). The City of Armadale's sole criteria would be that its scholarship be awarded to students who are residents of the City. As indicated in the correspondence from the ATC, scholarships are generally awarded to students who find the upfront fees to be a barrier to their entry. In addition Council may want to consider in its negotiations with the ATC including a requirement upon the ATC administration to "reimburse or reallocate" part or all of any unspent funds if a student fails to complete their apprenticeship.

Miscellaneous

In relation to the matter of sponsorships for either first year only or both years of an apprenticeship, it is recommended that, if Council is supportive of the allocation process being based upon "need" that the scholarship be for both years, subject to satisfactory completion of the first year and in consultation with the ATC administration.

The following recommendations are made for Council consideration:

- the decision to offer full or part scholarships be made in consultation with the ATC administration who will have more detailed information in relation to each individual student.
- applicant assessments (application forms and/or personal interviews and decisions) be made by the ATC.
- the awarded scholarship be for both year 11 and 12, subject to satisfactory completion of the first year, as determined by the ATC administration.
- the primary minimum criteria should be that all applicants/recipients must;
 - reside within the City of Armadale and have done so for a minimum of one year prior to applying;
 - be motivated, positive and willing to commit to the scholarship and the ATC Apprenticeship Program;

In addition, the determination of priority in allocating the City's scholarship should be demonstration that the absence of support could be a barrier to the student's enrolment.

Options

If Council is not supportive of the approach outlined in this report it could;

1. Provide a reduced number of scholarship opportunities at either 50% or 100%
2. Determine an alternative assessment methodology for allocating scholarships
3. Not provide scholarships at this time

Conclusion

For the reasons outlined in this report, it is recommended that Council approve the establishment of a number of City of Armadale scholarships for the Australian Technical College Perth South.

RECOMMEND

That Council:

- a. **approve the establishment of a City of Armadale scholarship fund for local residents and become a Core Sponsor for the founding year (2007) of the Australian Technical College Perth South;**
- b. **authorise expenditure up to an equivalent value of five (5) 100% scholarships (currently \$7,750 for 2007) from the City's Economic Development budget for 2006/07;**

Miscellaneous

- c. **in consultation with the Australian Technical College Perth South administration approve the allocation of scholarships up to the value outlined in (b) above and in line with the following minimum criteria;**
 - **reside within the City of Armadale and have done so for a minimum of one year prior to applying;**
 - **be motivated, positive and willing to commit to the scholarship and the ATC Apprenticeship Program;**
 - **the determination of priority in allocating the City's scholarship should be demonstration that the absence of support could be a barrier to the student's continued enrolment.**
- d. **approve \$15,500 per annum being listed for consideration of funding in Council's Fifteen Year Financial Plan for the purposes of ongoing sponsorship support (two years) for local students applying to the ATC Perth South and include this amount as part of its Annual Community Contributions;**
- e. **further explore with the ATC the indicated branding and public relations benefits for the City.**

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CITY OF ARMADALE PARKING AND FACILITIES LOCAL LAW

WARD All
FILE REF: Law/29
DATE 16 January 2007
REF BLW
RESPONSIBLE Ranger &
MANAGER Emergency
Services

In Brief:

- The City of Armadale gave an undertaking to the Joint Standing Committee on Delegated Legislation to make amendments to the City of Armadale Parking and Parking Facilities Local Law, when the Local law was next reviewed.
- Following a review of the Local Law the proposed amendments to the City of Armadale Parking and Parking Facilities Local Law are presented for consideration.
- The report recommends that Council proceed to give public notice of its intention to make amendments to this local law.

Tabled Items

Nil

Officer Interest Declaration

Nil

Strategic Implications

Social Infrastructure – To have in place the range of services to enhance the well being and safety of the community and to foster a professional environment for the effective governance and administration of the City's services.

Legislation Implications

Section 3.12 Local Government Act 1995 – Procedure for making local laws.

Council Policy/Local Law Implications

Proposed amendments to the *City of Armadale Parking and Parking Facilities Local Law*

Budget/Financial Implications

Advertising costs have been allowed for in the current budget.

Consultation

Advisory Officer to the Parliamentary Joint Standing Committee on Delegated Legislation

BACKGROUND

In June 2003 the Joint Standing Committee on Delegated Legislation requested that the City amend several minor drafting errors to its Parking and Parking Facilities Local Law, which was adopted by Council in September 2002, when the local law is next reviewed.

This matter was previously referred to Council in June 2005 where it was resolved to advertise for public comment, in accordance with the Act, the proposed amendments to the

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City of Armadale Parking and Parking Facilities Local Law. Unfortunately due to resource issues no further action was taken.

The Department of Local Government and Regional Development advise that, owing to the period of time that this matter has been outstanding; the appropriate course of action would be to re-present the amendments for Councils consideration.

COMMENT

In dealing with this advice, and as part of a comprehensive review of the local law, a draft set of amendments to the Parking Facilities Local Law is again presented for consideration.

The amendments predominantly address several minor drafting errors, which were identified by the Joint Standing Committee on Delegated Legislation. However in reviewing the document it was also decided to delete Clause 2.3 (a) (b) **“Parking Prohibitions and restrictions”** and amend Clause 5.1 (b) **“Stopping in loading zones”**. The proposed amendments will provide for a clearer interpretation of these particular clauses.

The current Parking and Parking Facilities Local Law is presented as an attachment to this Agenda for reference. The proposed amendments are shown in shaded text. **(Refer to Attachment “A-1” – Summary of Attachments – buff page.)**

RECOMMEND

1 That Council give notice that the City of Armadale intends to amend the Parking and Parking Facilities Local Law.

- **The purpose of the proposed amendments to the Local Law are to correct grammatical errors and enable the Local Government to better regulate parking within the district of the City of Armadale.**
- **The effect of the proposed amendments will update the existing Local Law so as to reflect and be consistent with current Road Traffic Requirements and operational practices.**

2 Advertise the following amendments to the City of Armadale Parking and Parking Facilities Local Law for public comment in accordance with the provisions of Section 3.12(3) of the Local Government Act 1995

1 Clause 1.3 - Interpretation

In the definition of a “motorcycle” the “Note” provisions are amended by being italicised

2 Clause 2.3 - Parking prohibitions and restrictions

Sub-clause (2) (a) (b) is deleted

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Sub-clause (3) is amended by deleting (3) and inserting (2).

3 Clause 5.1 – Stopping in loading zones

Clause 5.1 Sub-clause (b) is amended by adding the words “and drives on within two (2) minutes of stopping” immediately following “a motor vehicle taking up or setting down of passengers”

4 Clause 7.4 – General provisions about signs

The clause is amended by inserting paragraph number (2) at the beginning of the sentence starting “The first three”

5 Clause 8.3 – Forms of notices

Sub-clause (d) is amended by replacing the full stop with a semi colon

Sub-clause (e) is amended by inserting a full stop after the word “Schedule 3”

6 Clause 9.1 – Removal and impounding of vehicles

Clause 9.1 is amended by replacing the words “Removal and Impounding of Vehicles” with “Removal and impounding of vehicles”.

In sub-clause (3) replace *the words* “these Local Laws” with “this Local Law”

Sub-clause (4) is amended by replacing the words “Local Government” with “local government”.

Clause 9.1 is further amended by:

- **Inserting paragraph number “(5)” before “Where an authorised person finds....”**
- **Inserting paragraph number “(6)” before “Where an authorised person removes....” and;**
- **Inserting paragraph number “(7)” before “A notice”**

The newly numbered sub-clause (5) is amended by replacing the words “authorised person” with “Authorised Person”.

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The newly numbered sub-clause (6) is amended by replacing the words “Local Government” with “local government”, “these Local Laws” with “this local law” and “authorised person” with “Authorised Person”.

The newly numbered sub-clause (7) is amended by replacing the words “these Local Laws” with “this local law”.

7 Schedule 2 – Prescribed offences

Item 68 is amended by replacing the reference to clause number “7.6” with “9.1”

8 Schedule 3 – Form 5 Notice of removing and impounding of a vehicle

Form 5 is amended by replacing the word “city” on the third line of the final paragraph with “City”

9 Schedule 4 – Deemed parking stations

Local Law is amended by deleting Schedule 4.

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Recreation

****MINNAWARRA FESTIVAL COMMITTEE – APPOINTMENT OF MEMBER**

WARD ALL
FILE REF: CMD/1
DATE 9 January 2007
REF CD
RESPONSIBLE MANAGER Manager
Recreation Services

In Brief:

This item proposes the appointment of a nominated representative to the Minnowarra Festival Committee.

Tabled Items

Nil

Officer Interest Declaration

Nil

Strategic Implications

To facilitate a wider range of social and cultural experiences for the City of Armadale.
To encourage community participation and responsibility.
To foster ownership, pride and a supportive and caring community.
Maintain dialogue to understand community needs and expectations.

Legislation Implications

Local Government Act 1995
Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996

Council Policy/Local Law Implications

Local Government Act 1995 – Section 5.8 requires that Council formally appoint Committees by an absolute majority.
City of Armadale Standing Orders
City of Armadale Code of Conduct
Advisory Committee's Terms of Reference

Budget/Financial Implications

Nil

Consultation

Community Development Department
Minnawarra Festival Committee

BACKGROUND

The following tables depict the membership for the Minnowarra Festival Committee as appointed by Council:

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Minnawarra Festival Committee	
Positions available	Appointed Members
City of Armadale Councillors (1 each from Community & Technical Services)	Cr Allison Cominelli Cr Jim Stewart
Armadale-Kelmscott Lions Club	Mr Gordon Mason
Rotary Club of Armadale	<i>Vacant</i>
Armadale Visitor Centre	Mr Paul Jones
2 x Community Representatives	1. Ms Lesley Murray 2. Ms Bree Hartley

DETAILS OF PROPOSAL

Due to the resignation of Mr John Lemmey, representing the Rotary Club of Armadale, a vacant position on the Minnawarra Festival Committee has been created. The Rotary Club of Armadale has nominated Mr Eric Thexton to replace Mr Lemmey.

COMMENT

Analysis

The nomination meets the appropriate criteria for the relevant Advisory Committee.

Options

1. Council may appoint the nominated person to the Committee as advised.
2. Council may refuse the nomination as advised and request that the positions be re-advertised.

Conclusion

It is appropriate to appoint the nomination as recommended to the relevant Advisory Committee.

RECOMMEND

That Council:

- a. **note the resignation of Mr John Lemmey and appoint Mr Eric Thexton as the Rotary Club of Armadale Minnawarra Festival Committee Member.**
- b. **acknowledge and thank Mr John Lemmey for his contribution to the Minnawarra Festival Committee over a number of years.**

****ABSOLUTE MAJORITY REQUIRED FOR PART (A)**

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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR COMMUNITY SERVICES REPORT

COUNCILLORS' ITEMS
