



City of Ipswich

**IPSWICH
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AGENDA

of the

COMMUNITY, CULTURE, ARTS AND SPORT COMMITTEE

**Held in the Council Chambers
8th floor – 1 Nicholas Street
IPSWICH QLD 4305**

**On Thursday, 16 June 2022
At 10 minutes after the conclusion of the Governance and Transparency Committee**

MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY, CULTURE, ARTS AND SPORT COMMITTEE

Councillor Andrew Fechner (**Chairperson**)

Councillor Kate Kunzelmann (**Deputy Chairperson**)

Mayor Teresa Harding

Deputy Mayor Jacob Madsen

Councillor Nicole Jonic

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COMMUNITY, CULTURE, ARTS AND SPORT COMMITTEE NO. 5

16 JUNE 2022

AGENDA

WELCOME TO COUNTRY OR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN MATTERS ON THE AGENDA

BUSINESS OUTSTANDING

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

1. **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF THE COMMUNITY, CULTURE, ARTS AND SPORT COMMITTEE NO. 2022(04) OF 5 MAY 2022**

RECOMMENDATION

That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 5 May 2022 be confirmed.

OFFICERS' REPORTS

2. **ACTIVE AND HEALTH PROGRAM EVALUATION**

This is a report concerning the evaluation of the Active and Healthy suite of programs, including a detailed evaluation of the most recent program addition, 'Relaxation Week' that were held in both October 2021 and February 2022.

Key findings of the Active and Healthy Participant Survey included 87% of participants experiencing improved physical health; 77% identifying improved mental health; and 87% of period rating their satisfaction 'high' to 'very high' with Active and Healthy programs. Survey contributors also identified a strong interest in participating in 'wellbeing' programs.

To explore community interest in participating in well-being and meditation style activities, a second 'Relaxation Week' event was held. Participation in most activities during this event was at capacity or above, however attendance was compromised due to poor weather over the event period. Due to positive survey feedback received, and Relaxation Week event booking data, it is recommended to introduce an Ipswich City Council Active and Healthy Wellbeing program to implement weekly meditation classes for the community in the 2022-2023 financial year.

RECOMMENDATION

That the report be received and the contents noted.

3. **COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY 12 MONTH ACTIVITY REPORT**

This is a report concerning the Community Development Strategy 2021 – 2026.

Ipswich City Council plays a key role in leading a contemporary approach to Community Development. The Community Development Strategy is a strategic and aspirational document designed to outline and guide the work of the Community Development section from 2021 - 2026. It aligns with Council's strategic priority of 'Safe, Inclusive and Creative' with a focus on strengthening community resilience and building on community strengths to help shape the future of Ipswich.

This report provides an update on the Community Development Strategy activities and outcomes achieved in the April 2021 to June 2022 period.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Community Development Strategy 12 Month Outcome Report - June 2022 be received and the contents noted.

4. **COMMUNITY FUNDING AND SUPPORT ALLOCATIONS STATUS REPORT - 1 OCTOBER 2021 TO 31 MARCH 2022**

This is a report concerning the allocation of Council's Community Funding and Support Programs from 1 October 2021 to 31 March 2022.

In the six months from 1 October 2021 to 31 March 2022, Council allocated \$618,672.73 to 259 different Ipswich community groups, sporting organisations, artists, wildlife carers and small businesses.

All successful applicants and projects are detailed in Attachment 1 and also reported online on both the [Transparency and Integrity Hub](#) and on the [Community Funding and Support](#) page in accordance with Council's principles of transparency and the Community Funding and Support Policy.

RECOMMENDATION

That the report concerning the allocation of Council's Community Funding and Support Programs from 1 October 2021 to 31 March 2022 be received and the contents noted.

NOTICES OF MOTION

MATTERS ARISING

COMMUNITY, CULTURE, ARTS AND SPORT COMMITTEE NO. 2022(04)

5 MAY 2022

MINUTES

COUNCILLORS' ATTENDANCE: Councillor Andrew Fechner (Chairperson); Councillors Kate Kunzelmann (Deputy Chairperson), Mayor Teresa Harding, Deputy Mayor Jacob Madsen, Nicole Jonic and Marnie Doyle (Observer)

COUNCILLOR'S APOLOGIES: Nil

OFFICERS' ATTENDANCE: Chief Executive Officer (Sonia Cooper), General Manager Infrastructure and Environment (Sean Madigan), General Manager Planning and Regulatory Services (Peter Tabulo), General Manager Community, Cultural and Economic Development (Ben Pole), Acting General Manager Corporate Services (Jeff Keech), Acting General Manager Coordination and Performance (Maree Walker), Manager Works and Field Services (James Hilyard), Resource Recovery Manager (David McAlister), Chief of Staff – Office of the Mayor (Melissa Fitzgerald), Customer Experience Project Lead (Anne Cahill), Manager Libraries and Customer Services (Samantha Chandler), People and Culture Manager (Talia Love-Linay), Manager Economic and Community Development (Cat Matson), Manager Marketing and Promotions (Carly Gregory), Manager Community and Cultural Services (Don Stewart), Indigenous Australian Community Development Officer (Derek Kinchela) and Theatre Technician (Harrison Cate)

WELCOME TO COUNTRY/ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

Councillor Andrew Fechner (Chairperson) invited Councillor Kate Kunzelmann to deliver the Acknowledgement of Country.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN MATTERS ON THE AGENDA

Nil

BUSINESS OUTSTANDING

Nil

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

1. **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF THE COMMUNITY, CULTURE, ARTS AND SPORT COMMITTEE NO. 2022(03) OF 7 APRIL 2022**

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by Councillor Andrew Fechner:
Seconded by Councillor Kate Kunzelmann:

That the minutes of the Community, Culture, Arts and Sport Committee held on 7 April 2022 be confirmed.

AFFIRMATIVE

Councillors:

Fechner

Kunzelmann

Harding

Madsen

Jonic

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Nil

The motion was put and carried.

OFFICERS' REPORTS

2. **INDIGENOUS ACCORD 2020 - 2025 MILESTONE REPORT - APRIL 2022**

This is a report concerning the Indigenous Accord 2020-2025 (Accord).

The Accord forms the basis for a shared journey between Indigenous and Non-Indigenous peoples in Ipswich. It contains targeted and specific activities and sets the agenda for cooperation, collaboration and partnership between Ipswich City Council and the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities.

This report provides an update on the Accord milestones achieved in the October 2021 to April 2022 period.

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by Councillor Andrew Fechner:
Seconded by Councillor Kate Kunzelmann:

That the Indigenous Accord 2020 – 2025 Milestone Report - April 2022 be received and the contents noted.

AFFIRMATIVE

Councillors:

Fechner

Kunzelmann

Harding

Madsen

Jonic

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Nil

The motion was put and carried.

3. CUSTOMER EXPERIENCE STRATEGY AND IMMEDIATE ACTION PLAN REPORT - MARCH 2022

This is a quarterly report concerning the Customer Experience (CX) Strategy and provides an update on the Immediate Action Plan (IAP) and the CX Strategy Implementation Plan.

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by Councillor Andrew Fechner:

Seconded by Councillor Nicole Jonic:

That the quarterly report concerning Council's Customer Experience Strategy and Immediate Action Plan be received and the contents noted.

AFFIRMATIVE

Councillors:

Fechner

Kunzelmann

Harding

Madsen

Jonic

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Nil

The motion was put and carried.

4. GEORGIE CONWAY LEICHHARDT COMMUNITY SWIM CENTRE STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT REPORT

This is a report concerning targeted consultation with pool users at the Georgie Conway Leichhardt Community Swim Centre (Leichhardt pool), aimed at understanding the views of patrons on the suitability of the current and previous water temperature of the heated outdoor pool.

Overall, there were **474 views of the** Georgie Conway Leichhardt Community Swim Centre page on *Shape Your Ipswich* and **204 contributions**, including **194 survey responses** and **10 responses to an open-ended question**.

In total, **46.03% of pool users** who completed the survey indicated **dissatisfaction** with the current pool water temperature, because they have special physical needs, and attend the Leichhardt pool at least weekly for aqua classes or prescribed therapy sessions in the heated pool.

While most lap swimmers find the heated pool too warm, since late 2020 when Council adopted the South-East Queensland industry-wide standard of maintaining the water temperature at approximately 29 degrees, the special needs patrons and some parents of young children who attend swim classes perceive the water temperature to be too cool.

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by Councillor Andrew Fechner:
Seconded by Mayor Teresa Harding:

That the report be received and the contents noted.

AFFIRMATIVE
Councillors:
Fechner
Kunzelmann
Harding
Madsen
Jonic

NEGATIVE
Councillors:
Nil

The motion was put and carried.

NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil

MATTERS ARISING

Nil

PROCEDURAL MOTIONS AND FORMAL MATTERS

The meeting commenced at 9.55 am.

The meeting closed at 10.36 am.

***** Refer Council Ordinary Meeting of 19 May 2022 for additional recommendation.**

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ITEM: 2
SUBJECT: ACTIVE AND HEALTH PROGRAM EVALUATION
AUTHOR: SPORT AND RECREATION OFFICER (PHYSICAL ACTIVITY)
DATE: 13 APRIL 2022

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This is a report concerning the evaluation of the Active and Healthy suite of programs, including a detailed evaluation of the most recent program addition, 'Relaxation Week' that were held in both October 2021 and February 2022.

Key findings of the Active and Healthy Participant Survey included 87% of participants experiencing improved physical health; 77% identifying improved mental health; and 87% of period rating their satisfaction 'high' to 'very high' with Active and Healthy programs. Survey contributors also identified a strong interest in participating in 'wellbeing' programs.

To explore community interest in participating in well-being and meditation style activities, a second 'Relaxation Week' event was held. Participation in most activities during this event was at capacity or above, however attendance was compromised due to poor weather over the event period. Due to positive survey feedback received, and Relaxation Week event booking data, it is recommended to introduce an Ipswich City Council Active and Healthy Wellbeing program to implement weekly meditation classes for the community in the 2022-2023 financial year.

RECOMMENDATION/S

That the report be received and the contents noted.

RELATED PARTIES

There was no declaration of conflicts of interest.

IFUTURE THEME

Vibrant and Growing

PURPOSE OF REPORT/BACKGROUND

The Active and Healthy Participant Survey (2021) was undertaken in December 2021-January 2022, and provides Council with baseline data and insight on the participant experience with the suite of adult Active and Healthy programs inclusive of:

- Active Parks
- Active Seniors
- Active Mums and Bubs
- All Abilities Yoga
- Relaxation Week and
- Outdoor Yoga week.

Key findings of the Active and Healthy Participant Survey included:

- 87% of survey contributors identified that they experienced improved physical health
- 77% of survey contributors identified experiencing improved mental health as a result of participating in one of the Active and Healthy programs
- 87% of people rated their satisfaction as '4' (out of 5) or higher signalling a 'high' to 'very high' satisfaction with Council Active and Healthy programs.
- In general feedback, many people (29%) identified the class instructors and Personal Trainers as their favourite aspect of the Active and Healthy programs
- Survey participants expressed their desire for a broader, more comprehensive program of activities – more classes at more locations, and more times throughout the week.
- There was a strong interest in broadening the Active and Healthy program to include wellbeing activities.

For a summary report of the Active and Healthy Participant Survey, please refer to *Attachment 1 (Active and Healthy Participant Survey Summary Report)*, and a detailed report provided in *Attachment 2 (Active and Healthy Participant Survey Detailed Report)*.

To explore community interest in participating in well-being and meditation style activities, a second 'Relaxation Week' event was held from 21 February – 26 February 2022. This program encouraged Ipswich community members to experience free wellbeing activities including meditation, mindfulness, relaxation workshops, breathing and Tai Chi & Qigong sessions.

Across both Relaxation Weeks, there were 426 class registrations, from 214 different community members for 27 wellbeing sessions. 119 (55%) of the registered participants were new to the Ipswich City Council Active and Healthy programs (hadn't previously registered for a class). In the February Relaxation Week, most sessions had between 22-29 registered participants.

Conversion from program registrations to attendance remains a constant challenge with uncontrollable environmental factors impacting session attendance (February rain event). This was some-what mitigated with the use of indoor venues. However, many still require outdoor parking, are mainly located in central Ipswich and some have additional fees for

usage. The use of parks and outdoor spaces promotes these places for future use of participants which is a more sustainable and health promoting location option.

After the success of Relaxation Weeks, Council will implement Active and Healthy Wellbeing, a new Active and Healthy program in the 2022-2023 financial year. This will provide weekly meditation and breathing sessions free for the community to attend.

COMMUNITY AND OTHER CONSULTATION

The Active and Healthy Participant survey was conducted using Shape Your Ipswich, over the period of 2 months (December 2021-January 2022). The Active and Healthy Participant survey received 217 contributions and was viewed by 491 people (43% engagement). The majority (82%) of survey contributors were referred to the survey via an EDM to the current database of Active and Healthy participants (approximate 3,400 people).

LEGAL/POLICY BASIS

This report and its recommendations are consistent with the following legislative provisions:
Not Applicable

RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

There is risk that local physical activity programs can widen the health inequities in the Ipswich community. It is important that current and future Active and Healthy programs, including, Relaxation Weeks, provide a variety of sessions in geographically diverse areas that are inclusive, accessible, free and supportive.

Although wellbeing classes don't necessarily increase daily physical activity, this style of activity strongly supports mental and emotional health outcomes. The risk of not incorporating wellbeing sessions in the Active and Healthy program, ignores the growing evidence that supports the connection between positive mental health leading to physical health outcomes.

Local instructors should also continue to be engaged to facilitate programs to ensure that Council continues to support local businesses and Council doesn't compete with local suppliers.

HUMAN RIGHTS IMPLICATIONS

HUMAN RIGHTS IMPACTS
RECEIVE AND NOTE REPORT
The Recommendation states that the report be received, and the contents noted. The decision to receive and note the report does not limit human rights. Therefore, the decision is compatible with human rights.

FINANCIAL/RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS





The total Active and Healthy Program expenditure in 2021-2022 was \$102,000 (Active Parks, Active Seniors, Mums and Bubs, All Abilities and Relaxation Week).

The proposed 2022-2023 total Active and Healthy Program budget allocation is \$106,000 and will include the addition of regular Wellbeing classes such as meditation.

CONCLUSION

Based on Active and Healthy Participant survey data, and the popularity of Relaxation Week activities, the Active and Healthy Program will be expanded in 2022-2023 to include weekly Wellbeing classes. The Active and Healthy program will be re-evaluated in December 2022 to monitor participant satisfaction.

ATTACHMENTS AND CONFIDENTIAL BACKGROUND PAPERS

1.	Active and Healthy Participant Survey Summary Report  
2.	Active and Healthy Participant Survey Detailed Report  

Marnie Orr

SPORT AND RECREATION OFFICER (PHYSICAL ACTIVITY)

I concur with the recommendations contained in this report.

John Bolton

PRINCIPAL OFFICER (SPORT AND RECREATION PROGRAMS)

I concur with the recommendations contained in this report.

Don Stewart

MANAGER, COMMUNITY AND CULTURAL SERVICES

I concur with the recommendations contained in this report.

Ben Pole

GENERAL MANAGER, COMMUNITY, CULTURAL AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

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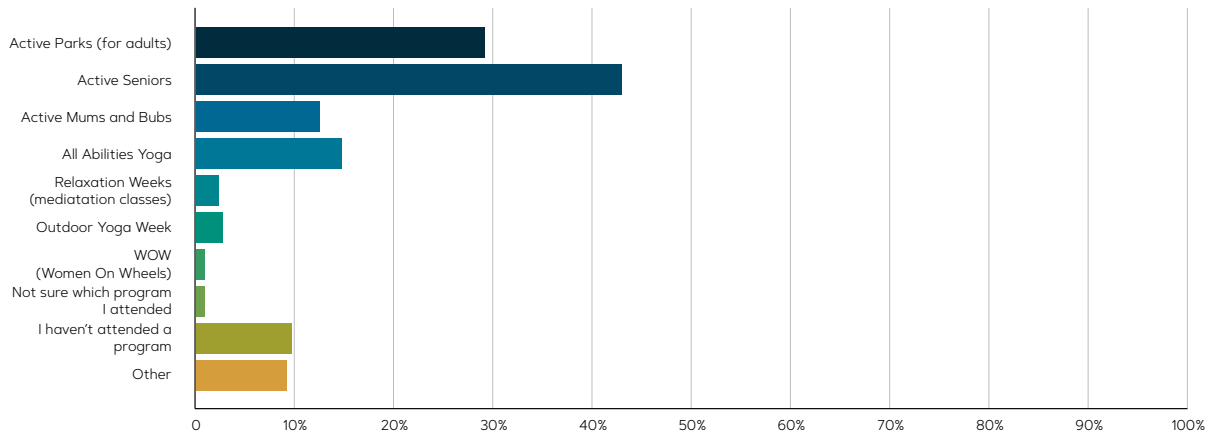


The Active and Healthy Participant Survey (the survey) ran from 8 December 2021 to 28 January 2022. The survey received 217 contributions and was viewed by 491 people (43% engagement). Participants were asked to provide feedback on the suite of Active and Healthy Ipswich programs offered by council, including:

- Active Parks
- Active Seniors
- Active Mums and Bubs
- All Abilities Yoga
- Relaxation Week
- Outdoor Yoga Week.

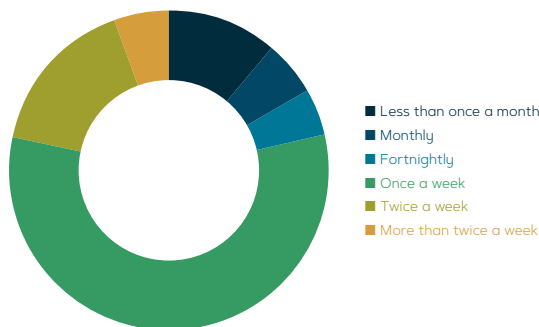
1. What Active and Healthy Ipswich Program have you attended in the past? Required

Multi Choice | Skipped: 1 | Answered: 216 (99.5%)



2. How regularly do you attend our Active and Healthy Program activities? Required

Multi Choice
Skipped: 32
Answered: 185 (85.3%)



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ITEM: 3

SUBJECT: COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY 12 MONTH ACTIVITY REPORT

AUTHOR: COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT MANAGER

DATE: 6 APRIL 2022

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This is a report concerning the Community Development Strategy 2021 – 2026.

Ipswich City Council plays a key role in leading a contemporary approach to Community Development. The Community Development Strategy is a strategic and aspirational document designed to outline and guide the work of the Community Development section from 2021 - 2026. It aligns with Council's strategic priority of 'Safe, Inclusive and Creative' with a focus on strengthening community resilience and building on community strengths to help shape the future of Ipswich.

This report provides an update on the Community Development Strategy activities and outcomes achieved in the April 2021 to June 2022 period.

RECOMMENDATION/S

That the Community Development Strategy 12 Month Outcome Report - June 2022 be received and the contents noted.

RELATED PARTIES

There are no discernible conflicts of interest arising as a result of this report and its recommendation

IFUTURE THEME

Safe, Inclusive and Creative

PURPOSE OF REPORT/BACKGROUND

The Community Development Strategy is a strategic and aspirational document designed to outline and guide the work of the Community Development Section over the next five years.

The Community Development Strategy is structured into five pillars:

1. Capacity Building and Resilience
2. Wellbeing

3. Inclusion and Connectedness
4. Culture and Diversity
5. Civic Participation and Leadership

Each pillar has identified outcomes with corresponding activities to achieve those outcomes.

An activity and outcome report will be presented to council every 12 months. Attachment 1 provides a list of milestones achieved in the April 2021 to June 2022 period.

Highlighted achievements for this period include:

Pillar 1 – Capacity Building and Resilience

- The final Redbank Plains Community Centre Social Impact Study is now completed and will be used as an evidence base for future investment in social infrastructure and programming.
- The Stronger Communities Program has supported over 120 Ipswich community leaders representing more than 80 Community Groups.
- The Resilient Leadership and Mentoring Program commenced to build the resilience of Community Centre leaders. It is aimed to make our communities more self-reliant in the face of adverse events and disasters and develop community resilience leadership across our neighbourhood and community centres.

Pillar 2 – Wellbeing

- Over 200 community groups have been awarded a total pool of \$820,817.38 in funding between 1 April 2021 and 30 April 2022.
- 18,000 copies of the Just in Case card have been distributed amongst the Ipswich Community; the Just in Case cards provide a guide to the local support services in partnership with Housing and Homeless Network Group.
- 770 community sector employees have signed up for the IWM Community Central collaboration portal (administered by Council) to communicate, share, collaborate and connect.

Pillar 3 – Inclusion and Connectedness

- The Home Assist program has assisted 2591 individual clients aged 60 years and over, or people of any age with a disability (1 April 2021 to 31 March 2022).
- 80 local seniors participated in the Safer Seniors Program local seniors will be equipped with specially tailored information on maintaining safety and security not only in the home but when out and about in the community.

Pillar 4 – Culture and Diversity

- Ten Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander businesses attended the Ipswich Business Expo in May 2021. Each business was mentored and supported by the Economic and Community Development Branch leading up to the event. This was an increase in attendance from previous years.
- The 2021 NAIDOC Cultural Family Fun Day was held in partnership with Kambu Health Services. The event attracted 80 exhibitors and over 2000 attendees.

Pillar 5 – Civic Participation and Leadership

- Ipswich Youth Leadership Academy was launched with over 50 students exploring how they can build their personal brand, prepare for the future of work, and make a difference in their local community as they build the skills and knowledge to become leaders in their community.
- Council engages with more than 380 dedicated volunteers who contribute significantly to many of council's programs and activities.

LEGAL/POLICY BASIS

This report and its recommendations are consistent with the following legislative provisions:
Not Applicable

RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

Based on the general nature of this report it is deemed that there are no risks associated with the recommendation.

HUMAN RIGHTS IMPLICATIONS

HUMAN RIGHTS IMPACTS
RECEIVE AND NOTE REPORT
The Recommendation states that the report be received and the contents noted. The decision to receive and note the report does not limit human rights. Therefore, the decision is compatible with human rights.

FINANCIAL/RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

The Community Development Strategy activities were delivered within budget and resource allocations provided in the 2021-2022 financial year.



COMMUNITY AND OTHER CONSULTATION

As identified in the Community Development Strategy, the Community Development team understands that community development is about 'doing with rather than doing for'. Therefore, the team continue to seek input from the community and build meaningful relationships as we strive for excellence in a strength-based approach to community development across our city.

CONCLUSION

This update on the Community Development Strategy outcomes achieved in the April 2021 to June 2022 period highlights the contributions and successes made by a diverse range of community services and groups across Ipswich. Community Development will continue to support community development initiatives that build strong and active communities and look forward to continuing to work with the community to achieve our shared visions and goals.

ATTACHMENTS AND CONFIDENTIAL BACKGROUND PAPERS

1.	Community Development Strategy 12 Month Activity Report April 2021 to June 2022  
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Melissa Dower

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT MANAGER

I concur with the recommendations contained in this report.

Cat Matson

MANAGER, ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

I concur with the recommendations contained in this report.

Ben Pole

GENERAL MANAGER, COMMUNITY, CULTURAL AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

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ITEM: 4

SUBJECT: COMMUNITY FUNDING AND SUPPORT ALLOCATIONS STATUS REPORT - 1
OCTOBER 2021 TO 31 MARCH 2022

AUTHOR: ACTING COMMUNITY FUNDING AND SUPPORT COORDINATOR

DATE: 12 MAY 2022

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This is a report concerning the allocation of Council's Community Funding and Support Programs from 1 October 2021 to 31 March 2022.

In the six months from 1 October 2021 to 31 March 2022, Council allocated \$618,672.73 to 259 different Ipswich community groups, sporting organisations, artists, wildlife carers and small businesses.

All successful applicants and projects are detailed in Attachment 1 and also reported online on both the [Transparency and Integrity Hub](#) and on the [Community Funding and Support](#) page in accordance with Council's principles of transparency and the Community Funding and Support Policy.

RECOMMENDATION/S

That the report concerning the allocation of Council's Community Funding and Support Programs from 1 October 2021 to 31 March 2022 be received and the contents noted.

RELATED PARTIES

- A conflict of interest was declared by Cr Sheila Ireland in relation to an application made for Councillor Discretionary Funds by Apprenticeships Queensland in that she was an Ipswich City Council appointed Board Member. Cr Ireland did not allocate funds towards this application.
- A conflict of interest was declared by Community Funding and Support Officer Lyndsey Campbell in relation to an application made for Councillor Discretionary Funds by the Musketeers Sports Club in that she is the Coach. Ms Campbell did not process this application.
- A conflict of interest was declared by Donna Cavanagh in relation to an application made for the Regional Arts Development Fund (RADF) by Toni Risson in that she has worked with the applicant and is a close friend. Ms Cavanagh did not assess the application.

- A conflict of interest was declared by Principal Officer (Urban Design and Heritage conservation) Daniel Keenan in relation to an application made for the Façade Improvement Program by the Ulster Hotel in that he is a close friend of one of the owners. Mr Keenan did not assess the application.
- A conflict of interest was declared by Project Manager - Ipswich Central Erin Marchant in relation to an application for the Façade Improvement Program by The Rusty Nail in that she purchased her home from the owner and is also a neighbour. Ms Marchant did not assess the application.
- One applicant of the Small Business Resilience and Growth Funding Program, Karyn Sutton from The Sourdough Co Pty Ltd (currently trading as Tomato Brothers), disclosed they are currently employed by Ipswich City Council as a Contingent worker. Upon review and advice sought from the Legal and Governance Branch, the applicant was deemed eligible based on her employment type.

IFUTURE THEME

Vibrant and Growing, Safe, Inclusive and Creative, Natural and Sustainable, and a Trusted and Leading Organisation.

PURPOSE OF REPORT/BACKGROUND

Ipswich City Council is committed to supporting community initiatives and partnerships that encourage participation in community life, foster social cohesion, celebrate culture and diversity, and contribute to a vibrant, healthy and sustainable city.

The Community Funding and Support Program affirms Council's commitment by providing funding avenues and support to organisations and individuals and ensures an equitable, open, transparent, and accountable decision-making process.

The information provided in this report and its attachment details funding allocated through each of the available programs from 1 October 2021 to 31 March 2022.

Major Funding Program

- Funding over \$2,001 and up to \$15,000
- 10 successful applications
- Total funds allocated are \$85,010.28

2022 ANZAC Day Commemorative Services Funding

- Funding up to \$15,000
- 10 successful applications
- Total funds allocated are \$47,572.50

Environment and Sustainability Funding Program

- Funding up to \$2,000
- Five successful applications

- Total funds allocated are \$7,049.34

In-Kind Assistance

- In-Kind Assistance up to a value of \$10,000
- 30 successful applications
- Total funds allocated are \$51,421.00

Councillor Discretionary Funds

- Funding up to \$1,000 per Councillor
- 41 successful applications
- Total funds allocated are \$64,623.24

Quick Response Funding

- Funding up to \$1,000
- Seven successful applications
- Total funds allocated are \$5,348.61

Regional Arts Development Fund

- Funding per application request
- 10 successful applications
- Total funds allocated are \$73,121.92

Viva Cribb Bursary

- Funding up to \$5,000
- One successful application
- Total funds allocated are \$5,000

Façade Improvement Program

- Funding up to \$15,000
- 12 successful applications
- Total funds allocated are \$129,525.84

Small Business Resilience and Growth Funding

- Funding up to \$1,500
- 153 successful applications
- Total funds allocated are \$150,000

LEGAL/POLICY BASIS

This report and its recommendations are consistent with the following legislative provisions:

Local Government Act 2009

Local Government Regulation 2012

RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

There are no discernible risk management implications associated with this report and its recommendation.

HUMAN RIGHTS IMPLICATIONS

HUMAN RIGHTS IMPACTS
RECEIVE AND NOTE REPORT
Recommendation A states that the report be received and the contents noted. The decision to receive and note the report does not limit human rights. Therefore, the decision is compatible with human rights.

FINANCIAL/RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

There are no discernible financial or resource implications associated with this report and its recommendation.

The Community Development Section manages the receipt, assessment and allocation of applications received through the Community Funding and Support Programs in accordance with the Community Funding and Support Policy, Councillor Discretionary Funds Policy, and associated guidelines.

Funding for the provision of community funding is contained within the Community Development Section 2021-2022 financial year budget.

COMMUNITY AND OTHER CONSULTATION

No further community or other consultation was required in association with this report.



CONCLUSION

Council's Community Funding and Support Team has processed and supported 382 Community Funding and Support Program applications between 1 October 2021 to 31 March 2022.

Of those applications, there has been \$618,672.73 in funding and support provided to 259 different Ipswich community groups, sporting organisations, artists, wildlife carers, and small businesses.

Applications for funding are assessed in accordance with the eligibility criteria and assessment process outlined in the Community Funding and Support Policy, Councillor Discretionary Funds Policy and associated guidelines.

ATTACHMENTS AND CONFIDENTIAL BACKGROUND PAPERS

1.	Community Funding and Support Program Allocations 1 October 2021 - 31 March 2022  
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Sarah Sheehy
ACTING COMMUNITY FUNDING AND SUPPORT COORDINATOR

I concur with the recommendations contained in this report.

Melissa Dower
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT MANAGER

I concur with the recommendations contained in this report.

Cat Matson
MANAGER, ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

I concur with the recommendations contained in this report.

Ben Pole
GENERAL MANAGER, COMMUNITY, CULTURAL AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

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