LIBRARIES AND CUSTOMER SERVICES ADVISORY COMMITTEE NO. 2025(02)

8 JULY 2025

REPORT

COUNCILLORS ATTENDANCE:

Councillor Jacob Madsen (Chairperson); Councillors Pye Augustine (Deputy Chairperson), Deputy Mayor Nicole Jonic (via audio-link), Andrew Antoniolli , David Martin (Observer) and Marnie Doyle (Observer)

COUNCILLOR'S APOLOGIES:

Councillor Jim Madden

OFFICERS ATTENDANCE:

Acting Chief Executive Officer (Matt Smith), Manager, Libraries and Customer Services (Samantha Chandler), Library Branch Services Manager (Gail Seeney) and Acting Executive Services Manager (Karen Murray)

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

The Chairperson, Councillor Jacob Madsen delivered the Acknowledgement of Country

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN MATTERS ON THE AGENDA

Nil

BUSINESS OUTSTANDING

Nil

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

1. <u>CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF THE LIBRARIES AND CUSTOMER SERVICES ADVISORY COMMITTEE NO. 2025(01) OF 23 APRIL 2025</u>

RECOMMENDATION

That the minutes of the Libraries and Customer Services Advisory Committee held on 23 April 2025 be confirmed.

OFFICERS' REPORTS

UPDATE TO TENURE FOR REDBANK PLAINS LIBRARY (VERBAL UPDATE)

The Libraries and Customer Services Manager and Manager, Community and Cultural Services provided a verbal update in relation to the progress on tenure for the Redbank Plains Library.

2. <u>SPRINGFIELD LIBRARY PLANNING REPORT</u>

This is a report concerning Springfield Library facility planning.

Springfield Library facility planning was identified as a priority area for discussion at the Libraries and Customer Services Advisory Committee on 21 November 2024.

Libraries and Customer Services together with Infrastructure Strategy and Planning have been working together to draft recommendations for future library requirements in Springfield. The current Springfield Library branch continues to be the busiest branch in the network with over 287,000 visitors in 2024 and 67% increase in visitors since 2021. The building has significant structural and facility challenges including insufficient space, building movement and one shared lift with no ground floor entry and event spaces on the top floor.

The Springfield Library Planning Report (confidential attachment 2) outlines the current state of the existing facility and identifies options for the future.

"The attachment/s to this report are confidential in accordance with section 254J(3)(c) of the Local Government Regulation 2012."

RECOMMENDATION

That the report be received and the contents noted.

DISCUSSION

The committee discussed the following matters relating to Springfield Library:

- The various options contained in the Consultant's Report
- Building condition and layout
- Leasing conditions
- Next steps including concept design and cost modelling
- Co-location of community facilities
- External consultation

3. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, 2 September 2025.

4. GENERAL DISCUSSION (within the purpose and scope of the committee)

PROCEDURAL MOTIONS AND FORMAL MATTERS

The meeting commenced at 3.01 pm.

The meeting adjourned at 3.01 pm

The meeting reconvened at 3.10 pm

Councillor Pye Augustine left meeting at 3.31 pm.

Councillor Pye Augustine returned to the meeting at 3.34 pm.

Councillor David Martin left the meeting at 3.50 pm.

The meeting closed at 3.55 pm.