



Notice is hereby given, in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 1993 that a **Meeting of Maitland City Council** will be held in the Maitland Senior Citizens Centre, 15 Grant Street, Maitland 2320 and commencing at **5.30pm**.

# **LATE ITEMS ORDINARY MEETING AGENDA**

## **27 SEPTEMBER 2022**

**DAVID EVANS  
GENERAL MANAGER**

**Please note:**

Councillors are reminded of their Oath or Affirmation of Office to undertake their duties in the best interests of the people of the City and Council and to faithfully and impartially carry out the functions, powers, authorities and discretions vested in them under the Local Government Act 1993, or any other Act to the best of their ability and judgement. Councillors are also reminded of their obligations under the Code of Conduct to disclose and appropriately manage conflicts of interest.

In accordance with the NSW Privacy and Personal Information Protection Act, you are advised that all discussion held during the Open Council meeting is recorded for the purpose of verifying the minutes. This will include any discussion involving a Councillor, Staff member or a member of the public.



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## 10 OFFICERS REPORTS

### 10.9 OUR REGION, OUR VOICE - REGIONAL YOUTH INVESTMENT PROGRAM GRANT

FILE NO:	29/8
ATTACHMENTS:	Nil
RESPONSIBLE OFFICER:	Judy Jaeger - Group Manager Culture, Community & Recreation
AUTHOR:	David Baker - Team Leader Community and Recreation Planner
MAITLAND +10	Outcome 16. To work together to be the best our community can be
COUNCIL OBJECTIVE:	16.2.1 Recognise community contributions to the city through Council's civic programs

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#### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

*The Our Region, Our Voice - Regional Youth Investment Program was established in June 2022 by the NSW Government to deliver tailored investments and local projects that enhance the lives and wellbeing of regional youth and support them to live their best life and thrive within their local communities.*

*Council is eligible under the fund, with applications closing on 4 October 2022.*

*After thorough consideration of the guidelines and capacity to manage and deliver projects, it is recommended that Council proceed with lodgement of two (2) applications for activating Council youth spaces and facilities through a youth wellbeing and workplace readiness program - Our Place Our Space and the Communities That Care (CTC) program as outlined in the report.*

#### OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

##### THAT

1. Council make application to the NSW Government for grant funding of \$450,000 under the Our Region, Our Voice - Regional Youth Investment Project for *Our Place Our Space*.
2. Council make application to the NSW Government for grant funding of \$480,000 under the Our Region, Our Voice - Regional Youth Investment Project for *Communities That Care*
3. A further report be provided to Council once the result of the applications are known.

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## REPORT

Stage 1 of the program will see up to \$40 million made available for community projects that align with the NSW Regional Youth Framework which provides a whole-of-government approach to address issues facing regional young people and improve economic and social outcomes. The framework guides the work of the Office for Regional Youth and is structured around the four 'pillars' of: Work Ready, Wellbeing, Connectivity and Community.

Maitland City Council identified as an eligible Regional NSW Council. The fund would contribute up to 100% of the cost of an eligible project and does not require a co-contribution.

The objective of the program is to genuinely reflect the needs and aspirations of regional young people in NSW to:

- Learn, work, and achieve in regional NSW
- Be mentally and physically healthy, safe and thrive in their communities
- Explore their creativity, collaborate with other young people, develop a sense of achievement, and feel socially and culturally connected to their communities
- Have transport and digital connectivity solutions to access training, work services and recreational activities; and
- Be place based and reflect the diversity of young people's needs across regional NSW

Stage1 is currently open for project nomination, closing on 4 October 2022.

In identifying the project for the application, staff have considered funding guidelines, community and user group feedback through strategic and operational planning platforms, and the capacity of Council to manage and deliver projects.

As such, Council officers are recommending the Our Place Our Space program activating multiple youth spaces across the LGA targeting at risk young people identified through community engagement and social profile data. Data suggests that these young people are at risk of disengaging from school, organised sports and familial role models and mentoring structures.

The project is aimed at improving wellbeing of young people through activating Youth Spaces, mentoring, and developing work readiness skills. The program objective is to improve the wellbeing of young people through activating Youth Spaces.

A further application for the Communities That Care project is also recommended. Council officers have been working closely with the Department of Regional NSW, Department of Education, Catholic Diocese of Maitland-Newcastle, Private schools and non-government organisations on the Communities That Care initiative that aims to improve the mental health of Australia's children and young people. CTC is an evidence-based, community-change process for reducing youth problem behaviours, including harmful substance use,

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low academic achievement, early school leaving, sexual risk-taking and violence. This approach applies the most up-to-date knowledge and research to foster healthy behaviour and social commitment among children and young people. This approach has been operating in Victoria and Western Australia since 2000 and has proven very successful in reducing the risk factors in a young person's environment. This evidence-based, whole of community approach focuses on all domains of social development – community, family, school and peer/individual.

The Department of Regional NSW and all schools in the Maitland Local Government Area have made a commitment to undertake a youth survey in 2023 to collect data from young people and is a key phase in the CTC model.

The Maitland Place-Based Initiative (MPBI) was included in the 2020-22 Statement of Intent of the Hunter Central Coast Regional Leadership Executive. It responds to rapid population growth, entrenched and emerging social issues and the need for better coordination amongst government agencies. MPBI was a project of the Hunter Central Coast Human Services Sub-Committee with Department of Regional NSW (DRNSW) as the lead. In December 2020, DRNSW facilitated workshops with key stakeholders to identify key challenges in the Maitland LGA. Workshop outcomes identified the need to focus on youth issues and early intervention and prevention.

Council's are able to apply for multiple projects and both of these initiatives complement one another and meet community needs.

## **SOCIAL PROFILE**

Maitland is a growing community and the following statistics have been identified:

- Maitland's population is projected to increase 32% by 2041 – the second highest expected growth rate in the region.
- Young people make up 23% of the Maitland population, higher than the NSW average.
- Maitland has a higher than average Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island (ATSI) population (5.3% compared to 2.9% in NSW) and this population cohort is growing
- The majority of the ATSI population are children and young people with 55% under 25 years of age.
- There are nine (9) suburbs in the Maitland LGA (approximately 42,222 people) in the bottom three deciles of the Socio-economic Index for Areas in NSW.
- 18% of children (aged 15 and under) and 19% of young people (aged 15 and 18) were affected by mental illness in Maitland.
- In Maitland, 12% of domestic violence related assaults and 39% of non-dv related assaults were allegedly perpetrated by young people (compared with 7% and 24% in NSW).

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### **CONCLUSION**

Applications for Our Region Our Voice close on 4 October 2022, with outcomes announced from late November 2022. Council staff have thoroughly reviewed guidelines, community feedback and resourcing availability and have recommended that applications are submitted for Our Place Our Space and Communities That Care projects as outlined in this report.

### **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

Proceeding to application has no direct financial impact upon Council's adopted budget or forward estimates. Should the application be successful Council will be required to enter into a funding agreement prior to project initiation.

### **POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

This matter has no specific policy implications for Council.

### **STATUTORY IMPLICATIONS**

There are no statutory implications under the Local Government Act 1993 with this matter.

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## 10.10 SECTION 356 DONATION – CITY UNITED DISTRICT CRICKET CLUB

<b>FILE NO:</b>	10/5/23
<b>ATTACHMENTS:</b>	1. City United District Cricket Club - Request for Financial assistance following fire
<b>RESPONSIBLE OFFICER:</b>	Judy Jaeger - Group Manager Culture, Community & Recreation
<b>AUTHOR:</b>	Judy Jaeger - Group Manager Culture, Community & Recreation
<b>MAITLAND +10</b>	Outcome 1.To stay friendly, happy and proud as our city grows
<b>COUNCIL OBJECTIVE:</b>	1.1.4 Deliver vibrant and valued community events and programs

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### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

*This report presents to Council a recommendation for financial assistance under Section 356 of the Local Government Act 1993 to the City United District Cricket Club who lost all of their equipment following a fire at the Council owned storage facility in Maitland Park.*

*The Section 356 Annual Community Grants Program has closed and applications approved by Council at its meeting held on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> September 2022. The fire that destroyed the building and contents was reported on the morning of the 13<sup>th</sup> September 2022.*

### OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

#### THAT

- Council approve the allocation of \$2,000 to the City United District Cricket Club under Section 356 of the Local Government Act, 1993.**

### REPORT

Council's Section 356 Annual Community Grants Program aims to provide financial support to local non-profit community-based organisations, groups and individuals to assist with projects that meet community needs and benefit residents in the community.

The purpose of the Community Grants is to assist in the establishment of projects in Maitland that foster community partnerships, meet community needs, and are deemed to benefit the community.

Projects must fall within one of the following categories:

- COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
- CULTURAL AND LOCAL STUDIES
- LEISURE AND RECREATION
- ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTAINABILITY

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The City United District Cricket Club have written to Council seeking a contribution of \$2,000 to go toward the purchase of replacement equipment. It was estimated that the fire caused damage to equipment to the value of \$25,000 and the club has already received a significant number of donations over the past weeks.

Unfortunately, a large number of items were relocated from the Robins Oval building to the storage shed that was destroyed to allow for the commencement of the refurbishment of Robins oval grandstand, dressing sheds and canteen.

**CONCLUSION**

The Section 356 Annual Community Grants Program provides financial support to local non-profit community-based organisations, groups and individuals that foster community partnership, meet community needs, and are deemed to benefit the community. The annual allocation was presented to Council on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> September and the budget allocation has been fully expended. The fire to the Council facility was reported on the same day and we have only recently received a letter from the club requesting a small contribution to enable them to purchase equipment.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

The recommended amount of \$2,000 cannot be funded from the Section 356 Donations budget as it has been fully expended as per the Council report on 13 September 2022. If this recommendation was adopted, an adjustment will be made at the quarterly budget review.

**POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

This matter has no specific policy implications for Council.

**STATUTORY IMPLICATIONS**

There are no statutory implications under the Local Government Act 1993 with this matter.



## **Officers Reports**

### **SECTION 356 DONATION – CITY UNITED DISTRICT CRICKET CLUB**

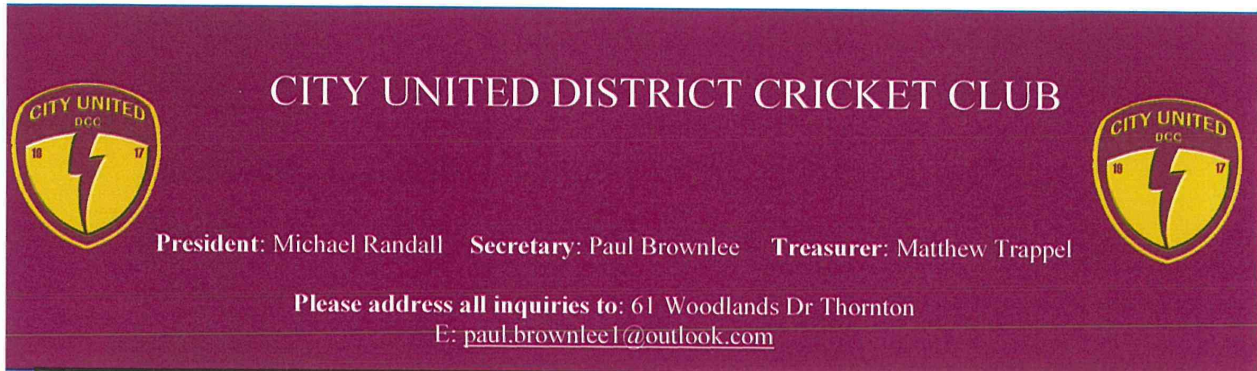
#### **City United District Cricket Club - Request for Financial assistance following fire**

**Meeting Date: 27 September 2022**

**Attachment No: 1**

**Number of Pages: 1**

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**Re: Request for Financial assistance following fire**

20 September 2022

To Mayor Philip Penfold

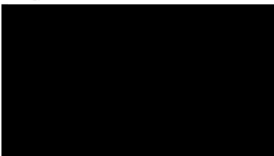
Recently our club lost an estimated \$25,000 in a fire in the Louth Park storage shed on Maitland Park. The contents were completely destroyed. Unfortunately we were uninsured and there is no security at the location to assist in determining who did it or how it started.

To compound this event, we had moved a large number of items from the Robins Oval building to this storage shed to allow the commencement and refurbishment of the entire Robins Oval grandstand, dressing sheds and canteen. This has added significant cost to what has been lost in the fire.

City United Cricket Club are trying to re build and restock, and a contribution of \$2,000 from Maitland City Council would go a long way to helping us commence the season on time and fully resourced.

If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact our secretary, Paul Brownlee on [REDACTED] or [REDACTED] to discuss the matter further.

Regards



Michael Randall  
President  
City United District Cricket Club

## **15 COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

### **15.1 PROPERTY ACQUISITION, LOCHINVAR DEVELOPMENT CONTRIBUTIONS PLAN**

<b>FILE NO:</b>	<b>PRC25068</b>
<b>ATTACHMENTS:</b>	<b>1. Indicative layout</b>
<b>RESPONSIBLE OFFICER:</b>	<b>Leah Flint - Group Manager Strategy Performance and Business Systems Matthew Prendergast - Group Manager Planning &amp; Environment Stephen McDonald - Manager Governance and Risk</b>
<b>AUTHOR:</b>	<b>Michael Rathborne - Senior Property Advisor</b>
<b>MAITLAND +10</b>	<b>Outcome 4. To be healthy and active with access to local services and facilities</b>
<b>COUNCIL OBJECTIVE:</b>	<b>4.3.3 Construct, maintain and manage inclusive sport and recreation facilities across the city</b>

*THAT Council move into Confidential Session to discuss this item under the terms of the Local Government Act 1993 Section 10A(2), as follows: (c) information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business.*

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#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

*The Lochinvar Section 94 Contributions Plan 2014 identifies new and augmented recreation and open space facilities required to support the incoming population. The acquisition of privately owned land is required to deliver the facilities identified within the plan.*