



**GLEN EIRA CITY COUNCIL**  
**ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING**

**TUESDAY 15 AUGUST 2017**

**AGENDA**

**Meeting to be held in the Council Chambers,  
Corner Hawthorn & Glen Eira Roads, Caulfield  
At 7.30 pm**

*"The primary object of a Council  
is to endeavour to achieve  
the best outcomes for the local community  
having regard to the  
long term and cumulative effects of decisions."*

- s3c(1) Local Government Act

**Councillors:** The Mayor, Councillor Mary Delahunty  
Councillor Tony Athanasopoulos  
Councillor Clare Davey  
Councillor Margaret Esakoff  
Councillor Jamie Hyams  
Councillor Jim Magee  
Councillor Joel Silver  
Councillor Dan Sztrajt  
Councillor Nina Taylor

**Chief Executive Officer:** Rebecca McKenzie

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That pursuant to Section 89(2) of the Local Government Act 1989, the Council resolves that so much of this meeting be closed to members of the public, as it involves Council consideration of matters coming within some or all of the following categories listed in Section 89(2) of such Act.

- (a) Personnel matters;
- (b) The personal hardship of any resident or ratepayers;
- (c) Industrial matters;
- (d) Contractual matters;
- (e) Proposed developments
- (f) Legal advice
- (g) Matters affecting the security of Council property'
- (h) Any other matter which the Council or Special Committee considers would prejudice the Council or any person;
- (i) A resolution to close the meeting to members of the public.

- 12.1 Closure of South East Regional Waste Management Group Assurance Fund – *Local Government Act 1989 section 89 (2)(d)*

**13. CLOSURE OF MEETING**



**AGENDA for the ORDINARY MEETING OF THE  
GLEN EIRA CITY COUNCIL to be held on TUESDAY 15 AUGUST 2017**

**1. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

In the spirit of respect Council acknowledges the people and elders of the Kulin Nation who have traditional connections and responsibilities for the land on which Council meets.

**2. APOLOGIES**

**3. OATH OF OFFICE AND DISCLOSURES OF INTERESTS**

Councillors are reminded that we remain bound by our Oath of Office to undertake the duties of the office of Councillor in the best interests of the people of the municipal district of Glen Eira and to faithfully and impartially carry out the functions, powers, authorities and discretions vested in us under the Local Government Act or any other Act, to the best of our skill and judgement.

Councillors are also reminded of the requirement for disclosure of conflicts of interest in relation to items listed for consideration on the Agenda, or which are considered at this meeting, in accordance with Sections 77 to 79 of the Local Government Act.

**4. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETINGS**

Copies of Minutes previously circulated.

**Recommendation**

That the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 25 July 2017 and the minutes of the Special Council Meeting held on the 2 August 2017 be confirmed.

5.      **RECEPTION AND READING OF PETITIONS AND JOINT LETTERS**
  
6.      **DOCUMENTS FOR SEALING**
  
7.      **REPORTS BY DELEGATES APPOINTED BY COUNCIL TO VARIOUS ORGANISATIONS**
  - Cr T. Athanasopoulos – Minutes of Metropolitan Transport Forum



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## Agenda – General Meeting

### Wednesday, 5<sup>th</sup> July 2017

6.00 pm refreshments, meeting starts at 6.15 pm  
Lean Learning Room, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, Melbourne Town Hall

**Chair: Cr Martin Zakharov**

#### 1. Welcome / Attendance / Apologies

**Present:**

Cr Clarke Martin	City of Bayside
Cr Duyen Anh Pham	City of Brimbank
Paul Hamilton	City of Casey
Graeme Read	City of Frankston
Matthew Bonomi	City of Glen Eira
Cr Jonathon Marsden	City of Hobsons Bay
Simon Dormer	City of Hobsons Bay
Rachelle Quattrochi	City of Kingston
Cr Paul McLeish	City of Manningham
Cr Martin Zakharov	City of Maribyrnong
Gael Reid	City of Maribyrnong
Oscar Hayes	City of Melbourne
Damon Rao	City of Melbourne
Cr Mark Riley	City of Moreland
Craig Griffiths	City of Moreland
Alistair McDonald	City of Port Phillip
Tom Haysom	City of Stonnington
Cr Andrew Munroe	City of Whitehorse
Malcolm Johnson	City of Whittlesea
Cr Peter Maynard	City of Wyndham
Cr Jackie Fristacky	City of Yarra
Julian Wearne	City of Yarra
Clive Mottram	Transport for Victoria
David Stosser	Rail Futures
Fahim Zafar	Town and Country Planning Association
Daniel Jordan	CPB Contractors
Ian Woodcock	RMIT University
Harry Barber	PBA
Susie Strain	MTF Executive Officer

## **Apologies**

Cr Natalie Abboud, City of Moreland

Steven Carson, City of Bayside

Cr Andrea Surace, City of Moonee Valley

Neil Whiteside, City of Brimbank

Cr Stuart James, City of Monash

Cr Sally Davis, City of Stonnington

Cr Kim le Cerf, City of Darebin

Ross Gregory, City of Kingston

Patricia Fitzsimons, City of Hobsons Bay

James Paterson, City of Monash

## **2. Minutes of previous meeting 7<sup>th</sup> June 2017**

MOTION that the minutes of Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> June 2017 be accepted

Proposed: Cr Paul McLeish

Seconded: Paul Hamilton

Carried

## **3. Presentation: Peter Sammut, CEO, Western Distributor Authority**

Peter Sammut, Chief Executive Officer, Western Distributor Authority, provided a presentation on the WestGate tunnel project which is at the end of the EES public exhibition stage and about to enter the final assessment phase of the project by the Inquiry and Advisory Committee and Minister for Planning.

Peter started by outlining the critical transport challenges in the western corridor

- Significant population growth and mismatch between where people live and work. The population of the western suburbs is growing at twice the rate of elsewhere in Melbourne, and far outstripping the growth of jobs in the area
- Inadequate capacity in M1 corridor and over-reliance on West Gate bridge. The am and pm peak extend for 3 hours, and one accident can cause traffic deadlock
- Reduced amenity in inner west; the historical proximity of industrial and residential land has exposed residential areas to unacceptable impacts from growth of freight traffic
- Inadequate port and freight connections to cater for growth which is expected to quadruple

The proposed project to address these issues, the WestGate tunnel, comprises three components

- West Gate Freeway component: widening the freeway from four to six through lanes in each direction between Williamstown Road and M80 interchange;
- Tunnels component: twin tunnels from the West Gate Freeway below Yarraville to the western bank of the Maribyrnong River providing for three lanes of traffic in each direction;
- Port, CityLink and city connections component: twin elevated road structures from tunnel northern portal above Footscray Road then connecting to CityLink, Dynon Road and the existing Footscray Road. There is also direct access from the northern tunnels portal and the Port of Melbourne., and an extension of Wurundjeri Way to the west, connecting into Dynon Road and providing a city bypass,

The project benefits are as follows;

- Improved transport connectivity to /from Melbourne's west
- Improved amenity in the inner west
- New and improved walking and cycling connections
- Business(freight)
- New and improved open space
- Stringent noise standard
- High quality urban design

- Creating jobs

This is a market-initiated project, and the organisational structure is quite different from a government-led project. The Western Distributor Authority manages the project on behalf of the State Government. Transurban is in charge of the design and construction management as well as operation and maintenance. There is an independent reviewer and environmental auditor.

The project design being assessed by the EES process is the result of a long and comprehensive process that has evolved as follows:–

2008	Eddington study
April–Oct 2015	Transurban market-led proposal and proposal design
Dec 2015	State business case
April 2016	Joint project development, concept design
June 2016	reference design, final project design
July 2016–mid 2017	EES development, community input
April 2017 onwards	Detailed design

There has been consultation with and feedback from stakeholders and the broader community since 2015. The final design selected following a competitive tender process for design and construction of the project.

Key features of the final design as worked up from the reference design

- A longer tunnel within the West Gate freeway within the freeway reservation so no land acquisition
- World class architecture, urban and landscape design. The project architect is Woodmarsh who designed Eastlink. Design elements have been chosen to reflect themes of coast and surf, local waterways and port, aboriginal heritage.
- 14km new and upgraded cycling and walking paths
- 2.5 km veloway above Footscray Road
- 9 new pedestrian overpasses
- Nearly 9 hectare new community open space
- Over 17,000 trees to be planted
- Significantly improved noise walls and higher noise standard

Key benefits

- An alternative to West Gate Bridge
- Freeway connections to port for freight
- 50% more capacity to West Gate Freeway from M1 /M80 interchange
- 40% additional river crossing capacity
- West Gate Freeway strengthened for trucks to 110 ton limit
- A full freeway management system improving travel time and safety
- Interchange upgrades for freight vehicles
- Reduced travel times to and from Geelong and beyond

The project is nearing the end of the EES and public exhibition stage at which community and stakeholders can understand impacts and make a submission. The final assessment will be made in the second half of 2017 by the Inquiry and Advisory Committee and the Minister for Planning.

Transport Impact Assessment for 2031

- Up to 67,000 vehicles a day (15,000 trucks) using the tunnel
- Substantial decreases in daily traffic volumes
  - WestGate Bridge –28,000 vehicles /–8,000 trucks
  - Bolte Bridge –22,000 vehicles

Inner west residential roads –9,300 trucks

- Changes to North and West Melbourne streets, Millers Road north of freeway
- Travel time savings in peak period of 8–20 minutes
- Travel time reliability improvements
- Improved journey times for some public transport services
- Monitoring traffic on selected local roads for up to two years after construction

Transport Impact Assessment during construction

Construction will minimise to freight routes and manage traffic flow

- Maintaining the same number of lanes as is currently available during peak periods
- Using smart technology with real-time travel information
- Considerations to surrounding road network, such as traffic light sequencing, to improve traffic flow
- Additional incident response vehicles during works
- Communicate in advance to freight organisations and drivers
- Construction traffic management plan to be prepared and Traffic Management Liaison Group established.

Topics covered in discussion

- Tolling regime under negotiation, tunnel fully tolled, only trucks tolled on West Gate bridge
- Construction to start early 2018, completed 2022
- Air pollution managed by EPA
- Truck bans managed by VicRoads
- Additional city traffic generated by freeway city access into North and West Melbourne. However the extended Wurundjeri Way will act as a city bypass and reduce city traffic
- Contract negotiations will not include limits on state government undertaking other works (that may compete with toll road and revenue)
- No alternative transport options to be supplied during construction period. All works to be undertaken when traffic is light.

#### **4. MTF Strategic Public Transport Advocacy**

Progress was reported on proposal for bus advocacy for 2017/2018.

The executive is part way through a series of meetings with representatives of the bus sector to become better informed on issues and opportunities.

A meeting has been held with operator Transdev, and Greg Day, Edunity, will attend the August meeting to present and discuss a more detailed program, in particular the pre-election transport forums which have been held successfully in election years 2010, 2014. These were auspiced by member councils, together with a media partner, and provided opportunity for candidates to present to the community on transport issues of local importance.

The meeting noted the following

- Opportunity to get traders involved
- Bus tracker could be greatly improved
- Buses and accessibility
- Status of bus as a useful means of transport
- Interaction between level crossing removals and improving bus access to stations

## **5. Other advocacy**

A draft submission in response to the EES process for the West Gate tunnel project has been prepared and circulated. Feedback had been submitted by Ian Woodcock, and points raised in discussion following the presentation will also be included. The submission is due Monday 10<sup>th</sup> July.

## **6. Council Information Sharing**

Cr Jackie Fristacky raised the topic of oBikes, a new bike-sharing platform based in Singapore using a mobile phone app to unlock, use and leave where suits. There are no formal docking stations so the bikes have been distributed into public spaces without consultation or advice from local council or other authorities such as VicRoads. The plan is for 7,500 bikes around Melbourne with consequent problems for use and management of public open space. MAV is hosting a workshop.

## **7. Treasurer's report**

Bank balances	
Operating account	\$8,199.62
2 Month term deposit account	\$86,268.43
Total	\$94,468.05
Subscriptions	
Member councils	25 of 25 paid
Associates	7 of 9 paid
Invoices	
Enotia (Annual website services)	\$990.00
Enotia (Annual SSL certificate renewal)	\$330.00

MOTION: that the Treasurer's report be accepted

Proposed: Cr Jackie Fristacky

Seconded: Cr Clarke Martin

Carried

## **8. Meeting close.**

**8. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES****a. Advisory Committees**

- i. Community Grants Committee Meeting – 3 July 2017
- ii. Community Grants Committee Meeting – 11 July 2017
- iii. Community Grants Committee Meeting – 18 July 2017

**Recommendation**

That the minutes of the Community Grants Committee Meetings held on 3 July, 11 July and 18 July 2017 be received and noted and that the recommendations of the Committee be adopted.

**b. Records of Assembly**

- i. 11 July 2017
- ii. 18 July 2017
- iii. 25 July 2017
- iv. 1 August 2017

**Recommendation**

That the Records of the Assemblies as shown below be received and noted.

- i. 11 July 2017
- ii. 18 July 2017
- iii. 25 July 2017
- iv. 1 August 2017



## COMMUNITY GRANTS COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

3 July 2017

Yarra Yarra Room

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### Purpose:

To support and assist not-for-profit community based groups to meet identified community priorities and strengthen the Glen Eira community.

### Aims:

- Support community initiatives committed to community strengthening.
  - Develop an accessible and inclusive community.
  - Encourage community initiatives that promote self-sufficiency and innovation.
  - Help strengthen local participation in the planning and implementation of service and programs.
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### Assembly of Councillors Record

Meeting commenced at 9.03 am.

#### 1. Present and Apologies

Cr Dan Sztrajt (Chair)  
Cr Nina Taylor (member)  
Cr Tony Athanasopoulos (member)  
Peter Jones (Director Community Services)  
Gaye Stewart (Manager Community Development and Care)  
Beverley Rayner (Community Development Officer Community Grants)  
Narelle Dowling (Community Development Officer Community Grants)

#### 2. Declaration of conflict of interest

Cr Strajt declared a conflict of interest under Section 79 of the *Local Government Act 1989* in relation to applications from Click & Connect - English for Kids Inc.

Cr Athanasopoulos declared a conflict of interest under Section 79 of the *Local Government Act 1989* in relation to the application from Carnegie Main Street.

#### 3. Matters considered

- (i) 2015 – 2016 Community Services Grant acquittal status
- (ii) 2016 – 2017 Community Services Grant applications (169)
- (iii) 2016 – 2017 Community Festivals and Events Grant Applications (13)

**4. Community Services Grant acquittal status 2016-2017**

The Committee noted that there were four outstanding acquittals from the 2016/17 Community Grants Program. These will be monitored to determine their status for one further week following contact. If acquittals are not received within this period then as per the Community Grants Program guidelines these applications are not eligible to receive funding.

**Action:** The Committee noted that the decision to approve Community Grants will be based on the expectation that the pending acquittals will be received.

**5. Assessment of Community Grant applications 2017-2018**

The Committee assessed 13 Community Festivals and Events grant applications. The following table provides a summary of the Festivals and Events applications assessed by the Committee.

Category	No of grant applications submitted 2017-18	Total funds requested 2017-18	Total funds recommended 2017-18
<b>Festivals and Events</b>	13	\$118,040	\$54,472
<b>Total Festivals and Events</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>\$118,040</b>	<b>\$54,472</b>

**Action:** The Committees recommendations for Community Festivals and Events Grants will be fully outlined in the Council report which is part of the 15 August Council agenda.

The Committee assessed 169 Community Services Grants applications. The following table provides a summary of the Community Grant applications assessed by the Committee.

Category	No of grant applications submitted 2017-18	Total funds requested 2017-18	Total funds recommended 2017-18
Arts and Culture	19	\$67,324	\$39,931
Active Seniors	51	\$188,619	78,550
Environmental Sustainability	2	\$12,200	8,700
Family, Children & Youth	35	\$160,601	55,122
Health and Wellbeing	34	\$139,083	70,099
Sports and Recreation	28	\$131,923	38,906
<b>Total Community Services</b>	<b>169</b>	<b>\$699,750</b>	<b>\$291,308</b>

- **Cr Taylor left the room at 11.10am and returned at 11.14am. No applications were assessed during this time.**

- **Cr Strajt declared a Conflict of Interest under section 79 of the Local Government Act 1989.**

11.47am Cr Strajt left the room.

Click & Connect - English for Kids Inc applications were assessed.

11.57am Cr Strajt returned to the room.

- **Cr Athanasopoulos declared a Conflict of Interest under section 79 of the Local Government Act 1989.**

1.42pm Cr Athanasopoulos left the room.

Carnegie Main Street application was assessed.

1.44pm Cr Athanasopoulos returned to the room.

**Action: The five applications from tennis clubs to be deferred for decisions to be made in context of the pending Tennis Strategy. The applications came from the clubs listed below.**

- Bentleigh Rec Tennis Club
- Murrumbeena Tennis Club (two applications)
- Ormond Tennis Club Inc
- Wattle Tennis Club

**Action: The Committees recommendations for Community Services Grants will be fully outlined in the Council report which is part of the 15 August Council agenda.**

**Action: The committee requested that Officers provide further information about the following applications be prepared for review at a follow up meeting on 12 July 2017:**

- **Healthy Tourism Senior Citizens club 'Vigor', Ensemble Nostalgia'-Women group**
- **U3A Moorleigh**
- **Victorian Association of WW2 Veterans from former SU**

## **6. General Business**

Discussions for review of the 2018-2019 community grants guidelines, specifically the following matters:

- Environmental Sustainability grants.
- Applications made by professional grants writers.
- Review of Senior Citizens Club grants.

**Meeting closed at 3.08pm**

Next Meeting – Tuesday 11 July 5.00pm – Ogaki Room



## **COMMUNITY GRANTS COMMITTEE MEETING**

### **Minutes**

**Tuesday 11 July 2017**

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#### **Purpose:**

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#### **Aims:**

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  - Help strengthen local participation in the planning and implementation of service and programs.
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### **Assembly of Council Record**

Meeting opened at: 5.10pm

#### **1. Present and Apologies**

##### **Present**

Cr Tony Athanasopoulos

Cr Nina Taylor

Peter Jones – Director Community Wellbeing

Gaye Stewart – Manager Community Development and Care

##### **Apologies**

Cr Dan Sztrajt

#### **2. Declaration of conflict of interest**

No declarations of conflict of interest under Section 79 of the Local Government Act were received in relation to grants discussed.

#### **3. Matters considered**

- I. 2016-17 Community Grants Acquittal status
- II. Summary of Grant funds 2017-18
- III. Assessment of grants requiring follow-up in the 2017-18 Grant round
- IV. Allocation of remaining grant funds

#### **4. 2016-17 Community Grants Acquittal Status**

- Only one 2017-18 applicant has not submitted their acquittal for the 2016-17 Community Grant Program.

#### **5. Summary of Community Grant funds 2017-18**

<i>Community Grants Program Budget</i>	<b>\$360,000</b>
Less Community Services Recommendations	\$291,308
Less Community Festival and Events Recommendations	\$ 54,472
Less Facility Hire Only allocation reserve for 2017-18	\$ 10,000
Fund Balance	<b>\$ 4,220</b>

## 6. Assessment of grants requiring follow-up

- 6.1 Active senior grant recommendations were reviewed and adjustments made to six applications.

<b>Code</b>	<b>Organisation/Group</b>	<b>Updated recommendation</b>
AS01	Association of former inmates of Nazi Concentration Camps and Ghettos from the former Soviet Union	<b>\$1,500</b>
AS06	B'nai Brith Fellowship Group	<b>\$2,500</b>
AS20	Greek Elderly Club of Caulfield	<b>\$1,500</b>
AS32	Let's Connect Inc.	<b>\$1,500</b>
AS43	Russian Ethnic Representative Council of Victoria	<b>\$2,500</b>
AS44	Sandbelt Ladies Probus Club Inc.	<b>\$1,500</b>

- 6.2 The committee sought further clarification on the capacity of U3A Moorleigh to charge a fee to their table tennis group that would cover facility hire.

## 7. Allocation of remaining funds

The committee considered the remaining funds of \$4,220 and made further recommendations to be included in the final grant recommendations (see item in Council agenda on grant recommendations)

**Action: Committee to review the small amount of residual funds (\$780) still to be allocated at the next Community Grants meeting on Tuesday 18 July.**

**Meeting closed at 6pm**

Next Meeting – Tuesday 18 July 5.30pm – Ogaki Room



## **COMMUNITY GRANTS COMMITTEE MEETING**

### **Minutes**

**Tuesday 18 July 2017**

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### **Assembly of Council Record**

Meeting opened at: 5.32pm

#### **1. Present and Apologies**

##### **Present**

Cr Dan Sztrajt (Chair)

Cr Nina Taylor

Peter Jones – Director Community Wellbeing

Gaye Stewart – Manager Community Development and Care

##### **Apologies**

Cr Tony Athanasopoulos

#### **2. Declaration of conflict of interest**

No declarations of conflict of interest under Section 79 of the Local Government Act were received in relation to grants discussed.

#### **3. Matters considered**

- I. 2016-17 Community Grants Acquittal status
- II. Summary of Grant funds 2017-18
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- IV. Allocation of remaining grant funds
- V. 2017-2018 Facility Hire Only Grant Applications
  - Australian Lacrosse Association Ltd., 2018 Australian Men's Team
  - GEKA Brady Road Kindergarten
  - Glen Eira Youth Orchestra
  - Jewish Holocaust Centre Inc
  - Youth for Human Rights Australia (Victoria Chapter)

#### 4. 2016-2017 Community Grants

All 2017-18 applicants have now submitted their acquittal for the 2016-17 Community Grant Program.

#### 5. Summary of Community Grant Funds

<i>Community Grants Program Budget</i>	<b>\$360,000</b>
Less Community Services Recommendations	\$294,247
Less Community Festival and Events Recommendations	\$ 54,972
Less Facility Hire Only allocation reserve for 2017-18	\$ 10,000
Fund Balance	<b>\$ 781</b>

#### 6. Assessment of grants requiring follow-up

Outcome of discussions with U3A Moorleigh in regard to their grant application was discussed and a recommendation made. (see item in Council agenda on grant recommendations)

#### 7. 2017-2018 Facility Hire Only Grant Applications

- Australian Lacrosse Association Ltd., 2018 Australian Men's Team

Australian Lacrosse Association Ltd submitted an application for a Facility Hire grant for the amount of \$5,500 to utilise the Duncan Mackinnon Reserve from Wednesday 5 July to Monday 10 July to hold the 2017 ALA Maverik Challenge; an international lacrosse event. It was noted that the event was an international event and although being held in Glen Eira should not be the responsibility of Glen Eira to fund.

- GEKA Brady Road Kindergarten

GEKA Brady Road Kindergarten submitted an application for a Facility Hire grant for the amount of \$419.20 to utilise the Duncan Mackinnon Pavilion on 12 August 2017 for a fundraising trivia night.

**Recommendation: That Council fund a Facility Hire Grant of \$419.20 for use of the Auditorium by GEKA Brady Road Kindergarten to support their trivia fundraising event on 12 August 2017.**

- Glen Eira Youth Orchestra

Glen Eira Youth Orchestra submitted an application for a Facility Hire grant for the amount of \$900 to utilise the Auditorium on 30 July for a winter concert which will involve collaboration with schools in Glen Eira and local musicians.

**Recommendation: That Council fund a Facility Hire Grant of \$900 for use of the Auditorium by Glen Eira Youth Orchestra to support their winter concert on 30 July 2017.**

- [Jewish Holocaust Centre Inc](#)

[Jewish Holocaust Centre Inc](#) submitted an application for a Facility Hire grant for the amount of \$ 942 to utilise the Auditorium on 28 January 2018 to hold a memorial service in respect of international memorial day to mark the Holocaust.

**Recommendation: That Council fund a Facility Hire Grant of \$942 for use of the Auditorium by Jewish Holocaust Centre to support a memorial service on 28 January 2018.**

- Youth for Human Rights Australia (Victoria Chapter)

The Youth for Human Rights Australia (Victoria Chapter) submitted an application for a Facility Hire grant for the amount of \$800 to utilise the Auditorium on 23 August 2017 for a Heroes and Refugees gala concert.

**Recommendation: That Council fund a Facility Hire Grant of \$981.50 for use of the Auditorium and Kitchen by Youth for Human Rights Australia (Victoria Chapter) to support a gala concert on 23 August 2017.**

The above recommendations for GEKA Brady Road Kindergarten, Glen Eira Youth Orchestra, Jewish Holocaust Centre Inc, Youth for Human Rights Australia (Victoria Chapter) were all passed

**Moved: Cr Taylor    Seconded: Cr Sztrajt  
Motion passed unanimously**

**Meeting closed at 6:02pm**

Next Meeting – TBA

**Assembly of Councillors**

**11 July 2017**

**Record under S 80 A (2)**

**Meeting commenced at 6.39PM.**

**A. Present**

Cr Mary Delahunty (Mayor)  
Cr Tony Athanasopoulos  
Cr Clare Davey  
Cr Margaret Esakoff  
Cr Jamie Hyams  
Cr Jim Magee  
Cr Joel Silver  
Cr Dan Sztrajt  
Cr Nina Taylor

**Council Officers**

Rebecca McKenzie, CEO  
Peter Jones  
Mark Collins  
Peter Swabey  
Ron Torres  
Janice Pouw

**B. Matters considered.**

- (i) Apologies - Nil
- (ii) VLGA Presentation – Marg Attley, Kathryn Arndt
- (iii) PTV Presentation – Request for Tram Substation in Caulfield Park
- (iv) Integrated Transport Strategy Development and Wider Trends Across Transport Sector in Melbourne

8.46pm Cr Esakoff left the assembly and re-entered when assembly resumed at 9.05pm.

8.52pm Assembly adjourned

9.05pm Assembly resumed

**Present:**

- Cr Mary Delahunty
- Cr Tony Athanasopoulos
- Cr Clare Davey
- Cr Margaret Esakoff
- Cr Jamie Hyams
- Cr Jim Magee
- Cr Joel Silver
- Cr Dan Sztrajt
- Cr Nina Taylor

- (v) VLGA discussion
- (vi) PTV discussion
- (vii) Integrated Transport Strategy discussion
- (viii) Caulfield Racecourse Wedge – Draft Council paper for 25 July 2017 Council meeting
- (ix) Public Toilet East Bentleigh – Draft Council paper for 25 July 2017 Council meeting

9.48pm Cr Davey left the Assembly and re-entered at 9.51pm

- (x) Conduct Reference Group Terms of Reference
- (xi) Public Participation Guidelines
- (xii) General Business
  - Director Corporate Services – EA to Mayor and Councillors resignation

10.21pm Cr Esakoff declared a conflict of interest and vacated the Assembly

- Director Planning & Place – 476 – 482 Kooyong Road Caulfield South - Bethlehem Hospital application update

10.28pm Cr Esakoff entered the Assembly

- Cr Taylor – East Village consultation
- Cr Magee – Investigate 90 degree car parking in front of shops.
- Cr Delahunty
  - Elsternwick Stakeholder Reference Group meeting
  - Meeting with the Minister re Caulfield Racecourse and MRC Masterplan
- CEO
  - Inner South East Metropolitan partnerships meeting 30 August
  - ‘The Block’ visit
- Cr Esakoff – Scheduled timing of Aged Care matter
- Cr Esakoff – Pavers at Elsternwick Plaza

**Assembly finished at 10.45PM**

**Assembly of Councillors**

**18 July 2017**

**Record under S 80 A (2)**

**Meeting commenced at 6.33PM.**

**A. Present**

Cr Mary Delahunty (Mayor)  
Cr Tony Athanasopoulos  
Cr Clare Davey  
Cr Margaret Esakoff  
Cr Jamie Hyams  
Cr Joel Silver  
Cr Dan Sztrajt  
Cr Nina Taylor

**Council Officers**

Rebecca McKenzie, CEO  
Peter Jones  
Mark Collins  
Peter Swabey  
Ron Torres  
Aidan Mullen  
Rachel Ollivier  
James Roscoe  
Janice Pouw

**B. Matters considered.**

- (i) Councillor tour of Town Hall

6.57pm Cr Sztrajt left the Assembly

- (ii) Apologies – NIL
- (iii) Activity Centres Cleansing and Maintenance
- (iv) Recycling and Waste Update
- (v) Draft Council Paper for 25 July 2017 Council Meeting
- Item 9.12 Public Toilet East Bentleigh
- (vi) Council Papers for the 25 July 2017 Council Meeting comprising seventeen officer reports together with standing items on the agenda.
- Item 4 Confirmation of the Minutes of the previous meeting 4 July 2017
  - 8(a) Advisory Committees – Sustainability Advisory Committee Minutes
  - 8(b) Records of Assembly – 6 June, 20 June, 27 June, 28 June, 4 July
  - Item 9.1 Planning Scheme Amendment C143: 88-100 McKinnon Road, McKinnon
  - Item 9.4 31 Nepean Highway, Elsternwick
  - Item 9.5 240-250 McKinnon Road, McKinnon

8.05pm Cr Magee entered the Assembly

- Item 9.6 777 Glen Huntly Road Caulfield
- Item 9.7 329 Jasper Road, Ormond

8.25pm Cr Sztrajt entered the room.

8.26pm adjourned for break

8.36pm resumed assembly

Present:

- Cr Mary Delahunty
- Cr Clare Davey
- Cr Margaret Esakoff
- Cr Jamie Hyams
- Cr Jim Magee
- Cr Joel Silver
- Cr Dan Sztrajt
- Cr Nina Taylor

- (vii) Follow up discussion re Elsternwick, Bentleigh, Carnegie Structure Plans Workshop

8.41pm Cr Tony Athanasopoulos entered the Assembly

8.52pm Cr Esakoff declared an Indirect Conflict of Interest in the following item – Follow up discussion re Elsternwick, Bentleigh, Carnegie Structure Plans Workshop and left the Assembly

9.09pm Cr Esakoff entered Assembly.

9.18pm Cr Esakoff declared an Indirect Conflict of Interest in the following item – Follow up discussion re Elsternwick, Bentleigh, Carnegie Structure Plans Workshop and left the Assembly

9.20pm Cr Esakoff entered the Assembly.

9.38pm Cr Davey left the Assembly and re-entered at 9.42pm

9.39pm Cr Delahunty left the Assembly and re-entered at 9.40pm

- (viii) Council Papers for the 25 July 2017 Council Meeting comprising seventeen officer reports together with standing items on the agenda.

- Item 9.2 Activity Centre, Housing and Local Economy Strategy
- Item 9.3 Quality Design Principles and Draft Concept Plans for Bentleigh, Carnegie and Elsternwick – Endorsement for Engagement
- Item 9.8 VCAT Watch
- Item 9.9 Caulfield Racecourse Wedge
- Item 9.10 Support for Elsternwick Traders during Coles Redevelopment

10.21 Cr Esakoff declared an Indirect Conflict of Interest in item 9.10 and left the room

10.22 Cr Esakoff entered the room

- Item 9.11 Pavilion Redevelopment Strategy

10.29pm Cr Esakoff left Assembly and did not return

- Item 9.13 Intersection of Glen Eira & Kooyong Roads, Caulfield North – Traffic Conditions
- Item 9.14 Investment Policy
- Item 9.17 Appointment of Acting Chief Executive Officer
- Item 11 Ordinary Business
  - Item 11.1 - Requests for Reports from Officers
  - Item 11.2 - Right of reply
  - Item 11.3 - Councillor questions
  - Item 11.4 - Public questions to Council
- Item 12.1 Confidential – Tender number 2018.002 Crosbie Road Reconstruction
- Item 12.2 Confidential – Contract 2017.049 Provision of Cleaning Services, GESAC
- Item 12.3 Confidential – Contract 2017.247 Provision of Parks and Playground Equipment, Open Space and Recreational Infrastructure, Outdoor Furniture, Signage and Related Products and Services
- Item 12.4 Confidential – Contract 2017.396 Provision of Library Collections, Furniture, equipment and associated requirements

(ix) General Business –

Cr Magee – 104 Mackie Rd – Lilly Pilly Tree

Cr Hyam

- Media article re LXRA budget cuts
- Pool tiles at GESAC
- Community Safety Forum

Cr Athanasopoulos – Access Inc Coffee Centre

CEO – VLGA membership

**Assembly finished at 11.06PM**

**Council Pre-Meeting**

**25 July 2017**

**Record under S 80 A (2)**

**Meeting Commenced at 6.46pm**

**A. Present**

Cr Mary Delahunty, Mayor  
Cr Tony Athanasopoulos  
Cr Clare Davey  
Cr Margaret Esakoff  
Cr Jamie Hyams  
Cr Jim Magee  
Cr Joel Silver  
Cr Dan Sztrajt  
Cr Nina Taylor

**Apologies – Nil**

**Officers**

Rebecca McKenzie, CEO  
Ron Torres  
Peter Swabey  
Peter Jones  
Samantha Krull  
Janice Pouw

**B. Matters considered**

- (i) Change to order of business Item 9.2 to be considered before item 9.1.
- (ii) Item 9.1 – Planning Scheme Amendment C143: 88-100 McKinnon Road, McKinnon
- (iii) Item 9.5 – 240-250 McKinnon Road, McKinnon
- (iv) Item 9.6 – 777 Glen Huntly Road, Caulfield

6.54pm Cr Hyams left the Assembly and re-entered at 7.02pm

- (v) Item 12.3 – Contract 2017.247 Provision of Parks and Playground Equipment, Open Space and Recreational Infrastructure, Outdoor Furniture, Signage and Related Products and Services
- (vi) Item 12.4 – Contract 2017.396 for the Provision of Library Collections, Furniture, Equipment and Associated Requirements
- (vii) Agenda item 11.4 – Public Questions
- (viii) Item 9.1 – Planning Scheme Amendment C143: 88-100 McKinnon Road, McKinnon
- (ix) Item 9.6 – 777 Glen Huntly Road, Caulfield

**Pre-meeting finished at 7.21pm**

**Assembly of Councillors**

**1 August 2017**

**Record under S 80 A (2)**

**Meeting commenced at 6.46PM.**

**A. Present**

Cr Mary Delahunty (Mayor)  
Cr Tony Athanasopoulos  
Cr Clare Davey  
Cr Jamie Hyams  
Cr Jim Magee  
Cr Joel Silver  
Cr Dan Sztrajt  
Cr Nina Taylor

**Council Officers**

Rebecca McKenzie, CEO  
Peter Jones  
Samantha Krull  
Peter Swabey  
Ron Torres  
Janice Pouw

**B. Matters considered.**

- (i) Apologies - Cr Margaret Esakoff
- (ii) Residential Aged Care – External Presenters
- (iii) Compact of Mayors and Take2 Pledge (Draft 15 August Council Meeting Report)
- (iv) Policing and Security of Events (Draft 15 August Council Meeting Report)

8.23pm Cr Delahunty declared an indirect conflict of interest in item 5 – Long Street Elsternwick – Proposed Open Space and left the Assembly.

- (v) Long Street, Elsternwick – Proposed Open Space

Cr Delahunty was present when the Assembly resumed at 8.58pm.

8.45pm Assembly adjourned

8.58pm Assembly resumed

**Present**

Cr Mary Delahunty (Mayor)  
Cr Tony Athanasopoulos  
Cr Clare Davey  
Cr Jamie Hyams  
Cr Jim Magee  
Cr Joel Silver  
Cr Dan Sztrajt  
Cr Nina Taylor

(vi) Access to Ripponlea Estate

(vii) Community Grants Recommendations

10pm Cr Taylor left the Assembly

10.03pm Cr Taylor entered the Assembly

10.22pm Cr Sztrajt declared a conflict of interest in one of the community grant applications and left the room. Cr Sztrajt entered the Assembly at 10.24pm.

(viii) Special Council Meeting report – Property Matter

(ix) General Business

CEO – VLGA Membership

Director Planning and Place – Applications at VCAT

- 285–287 Neerim Road, Carnegie
- 1254-1258 Glen Huntly Road, Carnegie
- 2-4 Blair Street, Bentleigh

Cr Sztrajt – South Caulfield Traders meeting

Cr Magee – 104 Mackie Rd – Lilly Pilly tree

Cr Athanasopoulos

- Caulfield Wedge Concept
- EE Gunn update
- McKinnon Reserve update

Cr Delahunty

– Bollard in Carnegie laneway.

CEO – Parking Town Hall precinct

Cr Taylor

– East Village Community consultation

**Assembly finished at 11.32PM**

**9. PRESENTATION OF OFFICERS REPORTS**

9.1	VCAT Watch
9.2	450 Dandenong Road Caulfield North - Planning Scheme Amendment C153
9.3	Men's Sheds
9.4	Foundation for Youth Excellence Committee Grant Applications
9.5	Municipal Public Health & Wellbeing Plan 2017-2021
9.6	Indigenous acknowledgements and flag flying
9.7	Community Grants
9.8	Environmental Sustainability Strategy Action Plan 17/18
9.9	Compact of Mayors and Take2 Pledge
9.10	Updated User Fees – Carnegie Swim Centre and Caulfield Recreation Centre
9.11	Victorian Local Governance Association

**ITEM 9.1 VCAT WATCH****Author:** *Effie Tangelakis – Coordinator Town Planning***File No:** *N/A***Attachments:** *1. Table of new appeals lodged***PURPOSE AND SUMMARY**

To report to Council recent VCAT decisions.

**RECOMMENDATION**

That Council notes:

1. The reported planning decisions of the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal (VCAT).
2. VCAT and officer comments.

**BACKGROUND**

The VCAT process allows appellants to amend their proposal between the time that Council makes a decision and the time VCAT considers the matter. Section 84B of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987* requires VCAT to “take into account” any relevant Planning Policy, not necessarily apply it.

**ISSUES AND DISCUSSION**

ADDRESS	<b>10 BLAMEY STREET , BENTLEIGH EAST</b>
PROPOSAL	CONSTRUCTION OF TWO (2) DWELLINGS WITHIN A DOUBLE STOREY BUILDING AND BASEMENT CAR PARK
COUNCIL DECISION	REFUSAL (MANAGER)
PROPOSAL CONSIDERED BY VCAT	<p>THE PROPOSAL WAS AMENDED BY THE APPLICANT PRIOR TO THE VCAT HEARING BY THE SUBSTITUTION OF DIFFERENT PLANS TO THAT ORIGINALLY CONSIDERED BY COUNCIL.</p> <p>THE KEY CHANGES TO THE PROPOSAL WERE AS FOLLOWS:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• MODIFICATIONS TO THE SETBACKS AT BASEMENT, GROUND AND FIRST FLOOR</li> <li>• ALTERATIONS TO THE SIZE OF THE BALCONY TO THE SOUTH AT FIRST FLOOR</li> </ul> <p>THE CHANGES WERE NOT CONSIDERED AN IMPROVEMENT AS THEY DID NOT ADDRESS THE COUNCIL'S ORIGINAL CONCERNS WITH THE PROPOSAL</p>
VCAT DECISION	REFUSAL
APPELLANT	JAMSHIDI

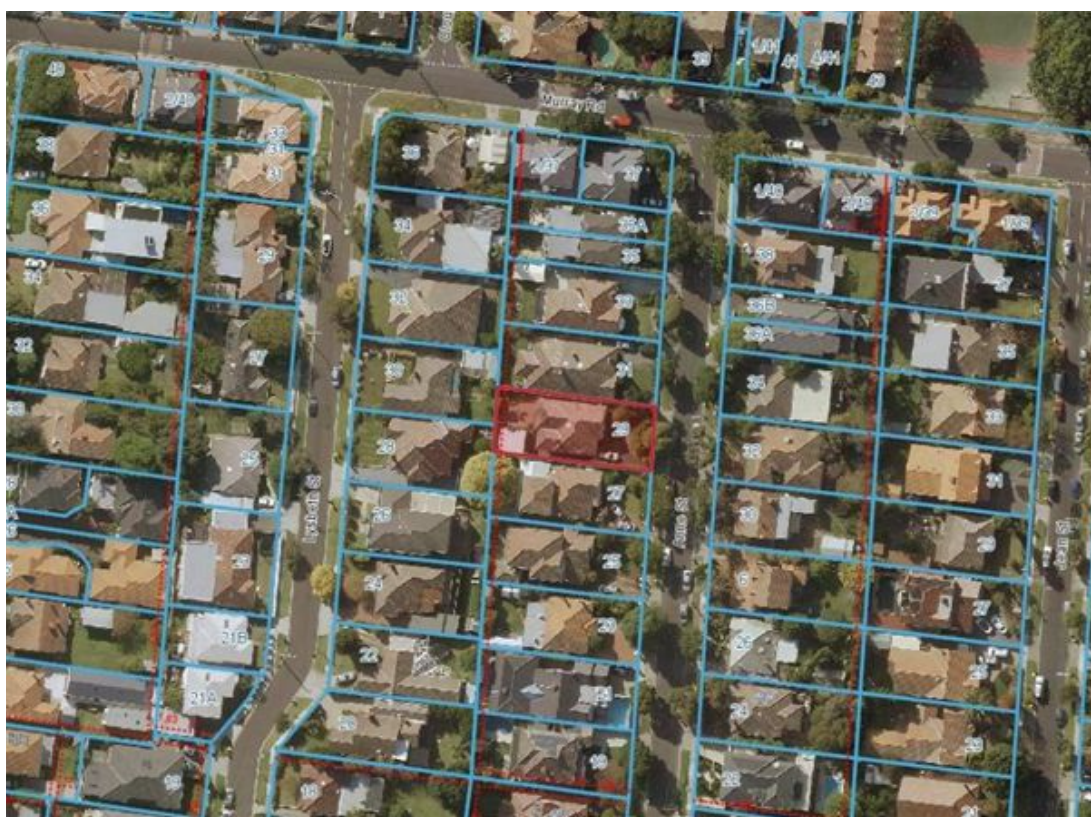


***“The access ramp will create a void space within the front setback of the building, which is inconsistent with the at-grade level driveways and front gardens of the other dwellings within the Blamey Street streetscape.”***

***“There is limited articulation of the upper floor southern facade to minimise the visual bulk of the proposed building. In particular, the rear-most 6.5m of this upper floor facade is devoid of any articulation; there are no windows, variations in building materials, or graduated building setbacks, to break up the visual mass of this wall.” - VCAT Member Sarah McDonald***

- The subject site is located within the Neighbourhood Residential Zone.
- There were several concerns about the style of the building, with one dwelling proposed on each level of the building and two storeys high. Issues included neighbourhood character, the basement car parking not being typical of the area and amenity impacts to adjoining properties.
- The Tribunal did not find the style of the building to be unacceptable as it contributed to diversity of housing.
- The Tribunal disagreed with Council in terms of bulk and mass, acknowledging that due to the emerging character of larger two storey buildings in the area, the proposed building is acceptable.
- The Tribunal accepted that the basement was foreign to the area as there were no other basements in the area and it would introduce a new element to the neighbourhood. It also agreed that the basement restricts the opportunity for vegetation to soften the visual impact of the basement.
- The Tribunal concluded that the proposed building did not consider the neighbourhood character enough and upheld Council’s refusal.

ADDRESS	<b>29 ANNE STREET MCKINNON</b>
PROPOSAL	CONSTRUCTION OF TWO DOUBLE STOREY, SIDE-BY-SIDE ATTACHED DWELLINGS
COUNCIL DECISION	PLANNING PERMIT WITH CONDITIONS
PROPOSAL CONSIDERED BY VCAT	AS SUBMITTED WITH THE APPLICATION – NO CHANGES
VCAT DECISION	AFFIRMED
APPELLANT	JASON CONG



***“The additional first floor setbacks required by the permit will result in the new dwellings having a similar visual and physical relationship to the dwellings to the rear and will reduce what would otherwise be dominating built form extending well into the rear of the site.”***

***“I consider that the additional required setbacks of the dwellings will increase the separation distance between buildings and provide a more sensitive, respectful and acceptable built form transition with all of the adjoining properties”***

- VCAT Member: J A Bennet

- The subject site is within the Neighbourhood Residential Zone and is affected by the Minimal Change Area Policy.
- Conditions requiring additional setbacks at both ground and first floor to the rear were contested. These conditions were required to reduce the visual bulk and mass of the development from the back yards of the adjoining properties. The appeal by the permit applicant sought the deletion of conditions two conditions.

- The Tribunal acknowledged that the changes required by the conditions were to lessen the extent of the built form to be more sensitive and respectful of adjoining sites, all of which are objectives of the Minimal Change Area Policy and affirmed Council's decision.

**FINANCIAL, RESOURCE AND ASSET MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS**

N/A

**POLICY AND LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS**

N/A

**COMMUNICATION AND ENGAGEMENT**

N/A

**LINK TO COUNCIL PLAN**

Town Planning and Development: to manage the rate and extent of change to the built environment consistent with State and Local Planning Policies to achieve a diversity of housing as sympathetic as possible to neighbourhood character.

**OFFICER DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

No officers involved in the preparation of this report have any direct or indirect interest in this matter.

**CONCLUSION**

N/A

**ATTACHMENT 1: TABLE OF NEW APPEALS LODGED**

<b>COMPULSORY CONFERENCE (MEDIATION)</b>	<b>FULL HEARING</b>	<b>PROPERTY</b>	<b>PROPOSAL</b>	<b>ZONE</b>	<b>COUNCIL DECISION</b>	<b>APPEAL AGAINST</b>
	6 December 2017	7 The Crossover, Carnegie	The construction of two double storey dwellings on a lot affected by the Special Building Overlay	Neighbourhood Residential Zone	Refusal (Manager)	Refusal (Applicant)
28 September 2017	15 November 2017	44-54 Kambrook Road, Caulfield North	The construction of a four storey building comprising of 58 dwellings above basement car park	General Residential Zone	Notice of Decision (Council)	Conditions (Applicant)
26 September 2017	10 November 2017	18 Lilac Street, Bentleigh East	Construction of three (3) double storey dwellings	General Residential Zone	Refusal (DPF)	Refusal (Applicant)

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**ITEM 9.2            450 DANDENONG ROAD, CAULFIELD NORTH - PLANNING  
SCHEME AMENDMENT C153**

**Author:**            *Aidan Mullen, Manager City Futures*

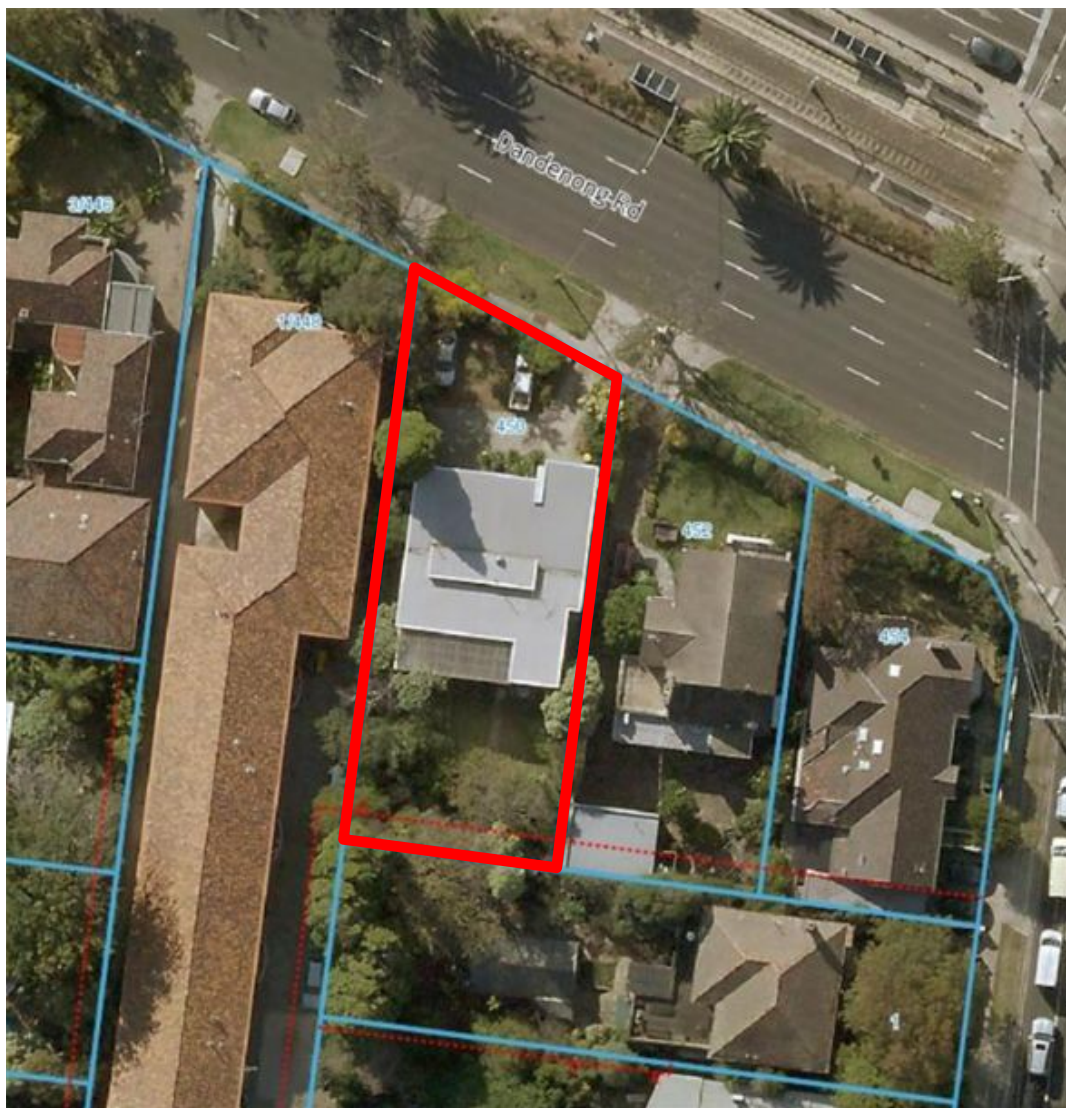
**File No:**            *Amendment C153*

**Attachments:**    1. Citation  
                         2. Heritage Overlay Map  
                         3. Schedule of Heritage Overlay

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**PURPOSE AND SUMMARY**

That Council seeks authorisation from the Minister for Planning to prepare and exhibit Planning Scheme Amendment C153.



Map of 450 Dandenong Road, Caulfield North

<b>Proposal</b>	The amendment proposes to apply a permanent Heritage Overlay (HO154) to 450 Dandenong Road, Caulfield North.
<b>Proponent</b>	Glen Eira City Council
<b>Planning Scheme Controls</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• General Residential Zone 2</li> <li>• Parking Overlay</li> </ul>
<b>Municipal Strategic Statement</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>“To identify, protect, enhance and promote understanding of Glen Eira’s heritage.</i></li> <li>• <i>Protect places identified as having architectural, cultural or historical significance”.</i></li> </ul>

## RECOMMENDATION

That Council seeks authorisation from the Minister for Planning to prepare and exhibit Planning Scheme Amendment C153.

## BACKGROUND

### Planning Permit Application

An application for a planning permit for the development of eight dwellings at 450 Dandenong Road, Caulfield North was received by Council’s Town Planning department in May 2017.

Following the notice period of two weeks, the application was refused on 17 July 2017 based on a number of grounds relating to policy and ResCode compliance.

On 26 July 2017, Council’s Town Planning department was notified that the permit applicant had lodged an appeal against Council’s decision at the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal.

### Heritage

During the notice period for the abovementioned planning application, objections and media attention were received opposing development of the site as the existing dwelling was considered to have potential heritage significance.

At the Ordinary Council Meeting of July 4<sup>th</sup> 2017, Council resolved the following:

*That Council requests the Minister for Planning to prepare, adopt and approve a Planning Scheme Amendment in accordance with Section 20(4) of the Planning and Environment Act 1987 for an interim heritage control over the property at 450 Dandenong Road, Caulfield North.*

The purpose of the interim heritage control is to protect the property from demolition while the potential heritage significance could be investigated.

Immediately following the Council resolution on 4 July 2017, officers lodged a fast-track request for interim heritage controls which do not include a public exhibition period. This request is currently with the Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning for consideration. A response from the Minister is yet to be received at the time this report was compiled.

Independent heritage expert Simon Reeves from Built Heritage Pty Ltd was engaged by officers to undertake a study of the site. It was recommended that Lind House is worthy of permanent local heritage protection and is also potentially of State heritage significance. A Citation has been produced and is attached to this document.

It is for these reasons the following actions have been taken:

- This report seeks to apply a permanent Heritage Overlay (HO154) to 450 Dandenong Road, Caulfield North including interior alteration controls and external paint controls.
- On 26 July 2017, a nomination has been made to Heritage Victoria to include the property on the Victorian Heritage Register under CEO delegation.

## **ISSUES AND DISCUSSION**

### Independent Heritage Expert Advice

Council engaged heritage expert Simon Reeves of Built Heritage Pty Ltd to provide a citation detailing the heritage significance of the property. Simon Reeves is an expert in modern heritage and is the author of a book written about the architect of the property, Anatol Kagan (Gentle Modernist: The Nine Lives of Anatol Kagan).

The citation states the dwelling was constructed in the mid-1950's and designed by architect Anatol Kagan, who is renowned for his contribution to mid-century modernist architecture in Melbourne during the post-war period. The dwelling is in pristine condition and is identified as the only post-war modernist design by Anatol Kagan that remains intact in Glen Eira.

### Permanent Local Heritage Controls

As the property is one of the most intact remaining examples of architect Anatol Kagan's high-end domestic work in Melbourne, it is considered appropriate to seek permanent heritage protection of the site. This would be achieved through a planning scheme amendment which would include a public exhibition period.

The amendment seeks to apply a Heritage Overlay (HO154) to 450 Dandenong Road, Caulfield North. Specifically, the amendment seeks to:

- Amend Map No. 1HO to apply Heritage Overlay HO154 to 450 Dandenong Road, Caulfield North.
- Amend the Schedule to the Heritage Overlay to include HO154. The schedule also applies External Paint Controls and Internal Alteration Controls to the Heritage Place.

### Planning Scheme Amendment Process

The planning scheme amendment must go through the following fixed statutory steps:

1. Council must first resolve to seek authorisation from the Minister of Planning, in line with this report.
2. The Minister for Planning must then authorise the preparation of the amendment before exhibition can occur. Following this, notice (exhibition) of the amendment will commence, inviting public submissions.
3. If there are no submissions Council can 'adopt' the amendment and forward it to the Minister for approval. It only becomes law if it is formally approved and gazetted.

4. If there are submissions opposed to the amendment, the Council has three options – abandon the amendment, change the amendment in accordance with the submitters' request, or request the Minister to appoint an Independent Panel to hear the submissions.
5. If a Panel is appointed, submissions are heard and the panel reports its findings in the form of a recommendation to Council.

The Panel may make a recommendation to:

- adopt the amendment
  - abandon the amendment
  - modify the amendment
6. Council then considers the panel report and makes its own decision. Council is not bound by the panel's findings. Again Council's options are to either abandon or adopt the amendment (with or without modifications).
  7. If Council adopts the amendment, it is then referred to the Minister for Planning for approval.
  8. The Minister for Planning can then approve, modify or refuse the amendment. For the amendment to be included as part of the Planning Scheme, the Minister for Planning must approve and formally gazette the update to the scheme.

The process required to amend the Glen Eira Planning Scheme is lengthy and provides many opportunities for input from interested parties. With regard to the current proposal, Council is at Step 1.

### **FINANCIAL, RESOURCE AND ASSET MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS**

The financial and resource implications are within the normal operation of the Council's City Futures Department.

### **POLICY AND LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS**

Permanent heritage controls would mean that a proposal to demolish or carry out construction on the site would require a planning permit. Therefore, an assessment would be carried out by Council officers for any future proposal, including a referral to Council's Heritage Advisor.

### **COMMUNICATION AND ENGAGEMENT**

Once the amendment receives authorisation the amendment will be placed on public exhibition for one month.

The exhibition process will include:

- Notifying individual owners and occupiers of surrounding properties.
- A notice in the local newspaper.
- A notice in the Government Gazette.
- Amendment documentation on Council's website.

**LINK TO COUNCIL PLAN**

Theme one: Liveable and well designed: A well planned City that is a great place to be.

**OFFICER DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

No officers involved in the preparation of this report have any direct or indirect interest in this matter.

**CONCLUSION**

It is considered appropriate to seek authorisation of the amendment from the Minister for Planning and to exhibit the amendment following on from authorisation.

## Attachment 1: Citation



<b>IDENTIFIER</b>	HOUSE	<b>Citation No</b>	N/A
<b>Other name/s</b>	Lind House (former)	<b>Melway ref</b>	58 K9
<b>Address</b>	450 Dandenong Road CAULFIELD NORTH	<b>Date/s</b>	1954-55
<b>Designer/s</b>	Anatol Kagan & Associates	<b>Builder/s</b>	Unknown



Photograph by Built Heritage Pty Ltd



Location map and proposed extent of HO

<b>Heritage Group</b>	Residential building (private)	<b>Condition</b>	Excellent
<b>Heritage Category</b>	House	<b>Intactness</b>	Excellent (very few changes)
<b>Significance</b>	Local (potentially state, as a notably intact example of Kagan's domestic work)		
<b>Recommendation</b>	Include on heritage overlay schedule as individual heritage place		
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> External Paint Controls	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Interior Alteration Controls	<input type="checkbox"/> Tree Controls

## History

The house at 450 Dandenong Road, Caulfield North was erected in 1954-55 for émigré textile manufacturer Leo Lind and his wife Dorothy, to a design by Russian-born architect Anatol Kagan.

The son of a flour mill owner, Leo Lind (*ne* Jehuda Lajb Lindwaser) was born in Poland on 12 October in either 1908 or 1912 (sources differ). The youngest of thirteen children, he was the only one to survive the Holocaust. He was still living in Warsaw when, on 17 March 1938, he married Dwojra (Devorah) Eizenberg (1919-1983). Nearly a decade passed before the couple migrated to Australia. They flew in to Sydney on 8 March 1947 and moved thence to Melbourne, where they had already secured accommodation at *El Sonta*, a block of flats in Palm Court, St Kilda East. They would reside there for the next seven years.

Upon arrival in Australia in early 1947, Lindwaser gave his occupation as 'merchant'. By the end of that year, he and his wife had started their own business in Melbourne, the L Z Trading Company, working from their private address in St Kilda East. Within a few years, the couple had entered into partnership with two fellow émigrés to establish Lind's Trading Company, manufacturers and importers, with city premises at 6a Elizabeth Street. In 1952, having resided in Australia for the requisite five years, the Lindwasers applied for naturalisation and duly anglicised their names to become Leo and Dorothy Lind. During the 1950s, their business interests broadened with the establishment of a textile manufacturing firm, Lind's Textile Ltd, latterly operating from Flinders Lane, the heartland of Melbourne's Rag Trade.

By this time, the Linds had two young daughters, Margaret and Naomi. Still residing in the *El Sonta* flats, the growing family clearly felt the need of a larger residence. To that effect, the couple acquired a block of vacant land on the south side of Dandenong Road in Caulfield North. According to the Certificate of Title, ownership of this site was transferred to Leo and Dorothy Lind on 27 April 1954 (COT V8079/F463).



It has not been known how Leo and Dorothy Lind came to engage Anatol Kagan as their architect, although it is likely that they were aware of his reputation as one of the most sought-after architects to Melbourne's post-war Jewish community. Born in St Petersburg, Kagan (1913-2009) was the only son of Russian intelligentsia who were exiled by Lenin's regime in 1922. The family moved to Berlin, where Kagan completed his architectural studies before fleeing to England in 1938 to escape persecution by the Nazis. After a brief stint working for a Swiss-born modernist architect in London, Kagan and his wife migrated to Australia, settling in Melbourne in early 1939. He spent the next few years gaining experience in the office of several leading architectural firms and the Department of Works & Housing, while also undertaking a few private commissions. However, it was not until 1949 that he was able to fully establish himself in sole practice as Anatol Kagan & Associates. For the next decade, his business boomed. Although he designed factories, kindergartens and even a war memorial, it was high-end residential work that formed the mainstay of his Melbourne practice. Many of these houses were commissioned by wealthy clients who, like Leo Lind, were self-made émigré businessmen and who, like Lind and even Kagan himself, had fled Europe in the late 1930s to seek a new life in Australia. Kagan's Melbourne practice effectively ended in 1961, when the architect moved to Sydney to take up an architectural position in the Department of Public Works.

While the book *Gentle Modernist* nominally dated the Lind House as 'circa 1956', further research confirms that it was actually finished slightly earlier and its date can now be more accurately cited as 1954-55. The City of Caulfield Rate Book for 1955-56 (dated 29 November 1955) records that the house was already completed by that time. Then addressed as 62 Dandenong Road, the property was rated as an eight-roomed brick house with a Net Annual Value of £230, owned and occupied by Leo and Dorothy Lind. A pencilled note, stating "brick dwelling, £11,000, 20/12/54", presumably refers to the project cost and date of building permit. The MMBW property service plan for the house, which would have been prepared following the final inspection, is dated March 1957.

Although not published at the time, the completed house attracted public attention due to its large scale, unusual form and its prominent siting on one of Melbourne's major thoroughfares. Not long after it was finished, Leo Lind was approached by one passerby who was thinking about building a house for himself. A plumber from Wangaratta, Spencely Ross happened to drive past Lind's house during a visit to Melbourne and, impressed by its design, knocked on the door to enquire as to the name of the designer. After being told that it was Kagan, Ross immediately drove to the architect's office, then located in nearby St Kilda Road, and engaged Kagan to design his new house at Wangaratta, which was completed in 1960.

The Lind House remained in the family's ownership for nearly four decades. Dorothy and Leo were still there at the time of their deaths in the early 1980s (respectively on 23 August 1983 and 13 May 1984). As Leo's wife predeceased him, ownership of the Caulfield North house was temporarily vested in the executor of his estate until 1991, when it passed to their eldest daughter Margaret (by then Mrs Ulli Katz). After leaving the ownership of the Lind family in 1992, the house was occupied by another couple until 2006. When it came up for sale that year, the house was praised by veteran mid-century architect Neil Clerehan in his *Melbourne Weekly* property column, including an allusion to its status as a roadside landmark:

A gem from the 1950s... it has been viewed by millions of motorists speeding to Cairns or Melbourne because of its position... It presents a momentary, perfectly framed view to even the most conscientious driver. On completion, it would have been admired for its bold asymmetry, dramatic fenestration, black and white boarding and stone feature wall. It would have been accepted as a splendid example of the ruling Contemporary style.

Clerehan also commented on the property's notable level of physical intactness. This would be carefully maintained by its next owner, reported to be a "fashion designer who kept it in its original condition during her time living there." (*Weekly Times*, 05/07/2017). The property changed hands again in 2016.

### Description

The house at 450 Dandenong Road, Caulfield North, is a double-storey butterfly-roofed modernist house of cream brick construction. Typifying what has been described as Kagan's 'upside down house' approach, the principal living areas are at the upper level while the lower level forms an undercroft, garage and entry foyer. When the house is seen from the street, the taller and more embellished upper level thus dominates over the lower and simpler ground floor level. This façade is double-fronted and asymmetrical, with a projecting bay to the left (east) side that incorporates a narrow garage at street level with a projecting balcony above. To the right, the recessed portion of the façade (approximately two-third of the total width) a full-height window wall at the upper level and an undercroft at the lower level, supported in white metal poles.



The street façade exhibits a range of details and finishes typical of Kagan's best work. The cream brick is enlivened by random stone cladding to the undercroft and a feature wall along the inner side of the projecting bay. The window wall has a geometric pattern of fixed and operable white-painted timber sashes, with lower spandrels of blue-tinted glass. The main entry, inside the undercroft, has a blue-painted door beside a pair of full-height windows revealing the floating staircase within. The wide eaves of the butterfly roof have exposed rafters, gently tapering and painted in a dark tone to contrast with the pale-coloured eaves lining. The spandrel between eaves and window heads has an unusual finish of vertical timber boards in a black and white colour scheme with a row of circular vents. The solid balustrade to the balcony is similarly treated.

Much of this detailing is echoed on the east elevation of the house, which can be glimpsed from the street. Windows are similarly expressed with white-painted timber sashes, blue glass spandrels and the vertical panelled bay under the eaves. The distinctive profile of the butterfly roof, with central box gutter to the rear, is also strongly evident when the house is seen from this angle. The rear elevation, which is not visible from the street, is known to incorporate a large sun terrace at the upper level, shielded by a timber egg-crate pergola on metal pipe columns, with vertical louvred screen wall to one side.

The modernist character of the house is enhanced by its front garden, which includes palm trees, succulents, cacti, strelitzia and other plantings that, even if not actually original, are all highly evocative of the 1950s. The concrete paving to the front porch, the low front wall (of random coursed stonework) and the letterbox (in the form of a skillion-roofed box mounted on hairpin-like metal rods) are all original; Kagan is known to have used letterboxes of similar form in several of his other houses.

While an internal inspection has not been made, photographs accompanying real estate listings from the most recent sale reveal the interiors of main rooms to be notably intact. Kagan's best houses were characterised by high-quality bespoke joinery such as panelling, screens, stair balustrades and built-in furniture. The Lind House has parquetry floors (inlaid to delineate a panelled basketweave pattern), feature walls of vertical timber strips, recessed shelving, and, notably, a built-in unit with mirror-backed cocktail cabinet, downlights and fold-out radiogram. Also of note are the upholstered doors and the floating staircase, with wedge-shaped timber treads and continuous metal rod balustrade.

### Comparative Analysis

Kagan was a prolific architect at the peak of his practice in the 1950s, but the later loss of his office records means that a definitive list of his buildings may never exist. By Kagan's own admission, he designed 'more than 300 projects' over eleven years of his Melbourne practice, yet research for the book *Gentle Modernist* identified only eighty. Some new projects have since come to light; more will inevitably follow. As such, it cannot be categorically stated how many Kagan-designed buildings may have been built in what is now the City of Glen Eira. While it is well known that the architect received many commissions from Melbourne's émigré community, research to date has identified only three Kagan houses in Caulfield, a suburb that (with St Kilda East, Elwood and Elsternwick) formed the community's heartland. Dating from 1954-55, the Lind House is the earliest of the three. It was followed by the Arnott House at 380 Glen Eira Road (c1958) and the Rose House at 21 Waiora Road (1959-60). The former is still standing but has a second storey addition; it is otherwise relatively intact externally and also internally. However, it is a much less striking design, indicative of the more pared-back style that Kagan adopted in his later years. The Rose House, apparently designed in association with fellow émigré Dr Ernest Fooks (or perhaps even built to an entirely new Fooks design after Kagan moved to Sydney in 1960) has long since been demolished.

More broadly, Kagan's output in the Caulfield area can be compared to that of other European-trained émigré architects who were professionally active therein. During the 1950s and '60s, the two such individuals most prolific in Caulfield and environs were Czech-born Dr Ernest Fooks (1906-1985) and Austrian-born Kurt Popper (1910-2008), each of whom undertook at least two dozen projects in Caulfield alone. Both, notably, were local residents, and lived in houses of their own design: Popper at 63 Gordon Street, Elsternwick (built 1956) and Fooks at 32 Howitt Street, Caulfield North (built 1966; recently added to the *Victorian Heritage Register*). Others émigré architects known to have designed at least one building in Caulfield in the 1950s and '60s include Mordechai Benshemesh, Michael Feldhagen, Oscar Gimesy, Harry Hershberg, Erwin Kaldor, Robert Rosh and Bernard Slawik (another local resident; designer of at least four houses). From the mid-1960s until the early 1990s, the émigré architects most active in the Caulfield area were probably the Polish-born husband-and-wife team of John & Helen Holgar, who designed at least a dozen houses therein.



It can thus be concluded that the Lind House is the finest, most prominently sited and most intact (both internally and externally) of the few buildings that leading architect Anatol Kagan is currently known to have designed within what is now the City of Glen Eira. The house is potentially of state significance as one of the most intact remaining examples of Kagan's high-end domestic work in Melbourne or even Victoria.

### Statement of Significance

#### *What is significant?*

Built in 1954-55 to a design by Anatol Kagan, the former Lind House at 450 Dandenong Road, Caulfield North, is a large double-storey cream brick house in the Modernist style, with broad-eaved butterfly roof and an asymmetrical double-fronted façade that incorporates feature stone cladding, a recessed undercroft, a balcony (and eaves spandrels) with vertical timber boarding, and an expansive window wall with white-painted sash windows and blue glass spandrels.

The significant fabric is defined as the exterior of the entire house, the interior (to the extent of those rooms known to substantially retain original fittings and finishes), the stone wall along the street boundary and the letterbox. The front garden landscaping, which includes cacti, succulents, palm trees and strelitzia, provides an appropriate and evocative setting and (even if not entirely original) should be retained.

#### *How is it significant?*

The former Lind House satisfies the following criteria for inclusion on the heritage overlay schedule to the City of Glen Eira planning scheme:

- Criterion E: Importance in exhibiting particular aesthetic characteristics
- Criterion H: Special association with the life or works of a person of importance in our history

#### *Why is it significant?*

The former Lind House is significant for the following reasons:

This house is significant as a notable (and notably intact) example of modern residential architecture of the 1950s, and specifically the distinctive sub-style associated with émigré architects who were born, qualified as architects and often practiced in Europe before settling here. This house displays many of the key motifs associated with European Modernism, such as its broad-eaved butterfly roof, window walls and feature stone cladding, as well as its articulation as an 'upside down house' (ie, principal rooms to an emphasised upper level and service areas/undercroft to an understated lower level), creating the effect of an elevated volume. The house also exhibits more unusual detailing and finishes such as the blue glass windows spandrels, the black-and-white vertical timber boarding along the eaves line and front balcony, and interiors with floating staircase and extensive bespoke panelling, joinery and built-in furniture. Prominently sited on a major Melbourne thoroughfare, this large and distinctly eye-catching dwelling has a billboard-like quality, forming a landmark in the suburban landscape, enhanced by its high level of physical intactness. (*Criterion E*).

The house is significant as an exceptional example of the residential work of Russian-born and German-trained Anatol Kagan, one of Melbourne's leading émigré architects of the 1950s. Keenly sought-after by members of Melbourne's post-war migrant community, Kagan made his name as a designer of large and well-appointed houses for wealthy businessmen. The house, which typifies Kagan's approach to such high-end projects, is not only the best remaining example of his work in Caulfield (and the City of Glen Eira), but also one of his finest, most intact and most prominently-sited surviving houses in Melbourne. While Kagan seems to have designed few houses in Caulfield, evidence of his presence there forms part of a broader and highly significant local theme of émigré architects (eg Ernest Fooks, Kurt Popper and Bernard Slawik) who made an important contribution to the re-shaping of Caulfield in the post-war era. (*Criterion H*).

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### Originally identified by

City of Glen Eira (research and assessment by Built Heritage Pty Ltd, 7 July 2017)



### Additional images

Vintage photographs from the Anatol Kagan Collection, now held by the RMIT Design Archives



Additional photographs taken by Built Heritage Pty Ltd, dated 2011





Photographs accompany online real estate listing, 2016

(Archived at <http://modernistaustralia.com/2016/04/450-dandenong-rd-caulfield-north-vic>)



## Attachment 2: Overlay Map



## Attachment 3: Schedule of Heritage Overlay

PS Map Ref	Heritage Place	External Paint Controls Apply?	Internal Alteration Controls Apply?	Tree Controls Apply?	Outbuildings or fences which are not exempt under Clause 43.01-3	Included on the Victorian Heritage Register under the Heritage Act 1995?	Prohibited uses may be permitted?	Name of Incorporate d Plan under Clause 43.01-2	Aboriginal heritage place?
HO154	450 Dandenong Road, Caulfield North	Yes	Yes	no	no	no	no	no	no

**ITEM 9.3 ESTABLISHMENT OF A MEN'S SHED**

**Author:** Ana Tsaganos

**File No:** 17/1186355

**Attachments:** 1 – Men's shed feasibility ground floor plan  
2 – Men's shed feasibility study preliminary quote

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**PURPOSE AND SUMMARY**

At the Council meeting on 13 June 2017, Council requested that *"officers prepare a report on the cost of establishing a men's shed in Glen Eira that meets the specification outlined by the Australian Men's Shed Association. The report is to provide a range of costs based on the size of the proposed men's shed"*.

This report provides information on the Australian Men's Shed Association specifications on how to establish men's shed and provides some indicative cost requirements and options associated with establishing a men's shed located in Glen Eira.

**RECOMMENDATION**

That Council notes the report.

**BACKGROUND**

Men's Sheds play an important role in connecting men to their communities and in supporting a range of men's health and wellbeing outcomes. Currently there are more than 350 men's sheds across Victoria and more than 1000 Australia wide.

'Men's Sheds' operate within facilities that incorporate the following characteristics:

- They are community based, non-profit organisations, supported by volunteers and accessible to all men
- They are often located in a shed or workshop space in a community-based setting
- They provide a place for regular contact with other men to do a range of activities in a safe, inclusive and accessible environment
- They engage in partnerships with other community connecting projects that support services and promote the sharing of resources across a community.

The Glen Eira community is served by the Bentmoor Community Men's Shed. This was initially hosted in Glen Eira but due to space limitations moved to 183-185 Wickham Rd Moorabbin in 2013 (on the Leighmoor Uniting Church grounds).

The Australian Men's Sheds Association (AMSA) is the peak body for men's sheds and provides practical support for existing sheds and assistance in the development of new sheds.

**ISSUES AND DISCUSSION**

The Australian Men's Shed Association identify that establishing and maintaining a men's shed incorporates both building and equipment, as well as arrangements for ongoing operations. In general, the following specifications must be included in the cost of establishment:

**Infrastructure**

- new building
- Renovation & refurbishment of existing building
- Modifications to existing buildings to meet legislative requirements

**Set up**

- Connection of or upgrades to utilities- power, water
- Installation of disabled facilities such as ramps, toilet
- Tools and equipment
- Office & kitchen equipment
- Materials and consumables

**Compliance**

- Men's Shed Health & Safety standards

The Australian Men's Shed Association advise that the *"ideal scenario is to purpose build a workshop specific to requirements. There is no set rule as to the size of your shed"... "the "Mega" shed is not necessarily the best men's shed"*.

Most men's sheds incorporate a work space, a social space, a bathroom and kitchen facilities. In some cases a garden space and veranda are also incorporated.

**Cost of a building**

The size and amenity of a men's shed should reflect the specific requirements of its users.

Sizes of men's sheds range from 200 square metres (small) to 420 square metres. The cost for establishing a men's shed was sent to a quantity surveyor and estimated on a 300 square building (medium size - see Attachment 1). This estimate (Attachment 2) indicates a total cost of \$660,000 as a preliminary figure. The estimate includes plumbing and electrical works, joinery, toilet, kitchen facilities and heating and cooling.

It should be noted that a formal quote may increase this total building amount. The cost may also be impacted by site works and connection to external services. For instance the quote identifies these costs at \$87,000, but they could increase to \$260,000, depending on the site variables.

**Ongoing operations**

The ongoing operations of a men's shed involve member fees, grants and social enterprise. Sheds ongoing expenses include:

- Insurance
- Materials and consumables
- Utilities such as electricity and water
- Internet and phone costs
- Member activities
- Member amenities

**Grants available for Mens Shed's**

1. The Victorian Government provides an annual Men's Shed Funding Program, which has allocated \$1 million per annum to the men's sheds program since 2007. Of this:
  - \$111,000 plus indexation is provided annually to the Victorian Men's Shed Association for capacity and sector leadership.
  - the remainder has been provided to men's shed groups in grants to build or refurbish men's shed facilities.

Since 2010, 209 grants to men's sheds have been funded; 102 for the construction of new men's sheds and 107 for the refurbishment of existing men's shed's. Of these 154 were in rural/regional communities, 55 were in metropolitan areas and 35 were in growth corridors.

In 2015-16, \$734,095 was allocated to 15 grants for the construction of new men's sheds (with an average grant amount of \$49,000). In 2016-17, \$1,263,789 was allocated to 16 grants for the construction of new men's sheds and 16 grants for the refurbishment of existing sheds (with an average grant amount of \$39,000). The grant funding allocated ranged from \$2,000 to \$60,000 depending on whether it was a small or refurbishment project at an existing men's shed or was funding a new men's shed.

The 2017-18 funding round recently closed on 16 June 2017. Funding of \$879,000 will be distributed including up to \$60,000 to help build new sheds and \$30,000 available to refurbish existing sheds.

Funding is available to incorporated, not-for-profit organisations and local councils. Mandatory grant requirements include:

- land availability for a period of five years from project completion
- community consultation, including with local men, and a demonstrated need for the project in the community
- detailed design plans and an understanding of building permit and planning requirements, including overlays
- support from key community partners.

For every \$2 of funding provided under the men's shed grant from the Victorian Government, at least \$1 must be matched from other sources. (e.g. the men's shed group, other government organisations, businesses, philanthropic organisations, local council and community fundraising).

As yet, there has not been a men's shed grant round announced for next year 2018/2019. The Department of Health and Human Services are unable to confirm the next grant round until it has been announced by the Minister. Given the history though, it could be reasonable to plan for one. The announcement in past years has usually happened around February each year.

2. The Australian Men's Shed Association administers the Australian Government National Shed Development Programme (NSDP) Grants twice per year. The latest grant round opened on 29 May and closed on 7 July 2017. Funding is available under 3 categories:
  1. Tools and Equipment, Community Projects and Training – Maximum \$5000
  2. Building Maintenance and Development – Maximum \$7,500
  3. Health Improvement Activities – Maximum \$5000

Eligible Men's Shed programs can apply for one or more of the grant categories for the maximum amount of \$10,000.

3. The third round of the Stronger Communities Programme (SCP) will open 7 August 2017. These grants provide between \$2,500 and \$20,000 to community organisations and local governments for capital projects.

The input of the community is a key element and projects are selected by Members of Parliament (MPs) and their community consultation committees, and are then submitted to the Government for assessment.

Rounds one and two of the SCP funded a wide variety of projects including men's sheds. The current guidelines include *'upgrades, construction and fit-out of community spaces, e.g. men's sheds'* as an example of an eligible project.

### **FINANCIAL, RESOURCE AND ASSET MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS**

Future development of a men's shed in Glen Eira should be undertaken as part of Councils Strategic Resource planning and Capital Works Program.

### **POLICY AND LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS**

N/A

### **COMMUNICATION AND ENGAGEMENT**

This report included telephone and email consultation with the Australian Men's Shed Association, Fair dinkum sheds, Aussie Made Garages and Barns and several Men's Shed community groups including Bentmoor Men's Shed, Mordialloc Men's Shed and Port Phillip Men's Shed.

### **LINK TO COUNCIL PLAN**

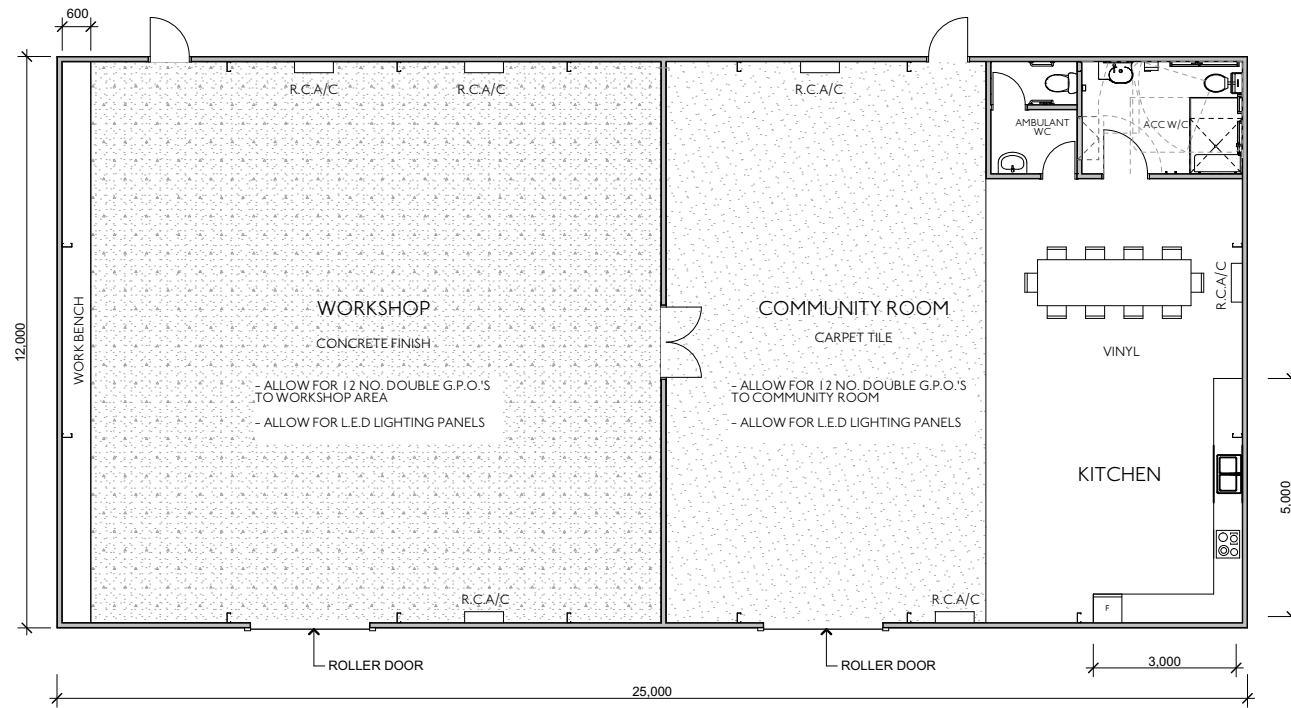
Council and Community Plan 2017-2021  
Theme 3 Safe, Healthy and Inclusive

### **OFFICER DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

No officers involved in the preparation of this report have any direct or indirect interest in this matter.

### **CONCLUSION**

The Australian Men's Shed Association (AMSA) provides a range of guides and specification to support the establishment of men's sheds. The ideal scenario as stated by the AMSA is to build a purpose workshop specific to requirements. There is no set rule as to the size of a men's shed. The quotes provided in this report identify that establishing a new shed on suitable land will cost in the range of \$660,000 – \$920,000 depending on size and final quotation.



1 GROUND FLOOR PLAN - PROPOSED  
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**MENS SHED FEASIBILITY STUDY**

Location to be confirmed

Based on information received up to 28/07/2017

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DATE 28/07/17

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CLIENT: CITY OF GLEN EIRA | ARCHITECT: ARCHITECTURE MATTERS

ELEM	DESCRIPTION	UNIT	QUANTITY	RATE (\$)	COST (\$)
	<b>Shed Works (Based on AMGB Quote 49734)</b>				
	Supply of shed	ITEM			31,572
	Installation of shed	ITEM			10,665
	Supply and installation of concrete slab	ITEM			23,100
	Polymembrane and reactive site detailing	ITEM			7,000
	Machinery and lifting equipment	ITEM			5,000
	Waste removal & bin hire	ITEM			5,000
	<b>Fitout Works (Based on AM drawings dated 18 July 2017)</b>				
	Internal Walls	M2	90	60	5,400
	Internal Screens (inc. shower screen)	ITEM			2,750
	Internal Doors	NO	5	1,250	6,250
	Wall Finishes inc. insulation	M2	476	130	61,880
	Floor Finishes	M2	292	72	21,024
	Ceiling Finishes inc. insulation	M2	292	150	43,800
	Fitments sundry inc. grab rail & shower seat	ITEM			5,400
	Workbench	M	12	750	9,000
	Kitchen bench inc. overhead cupboard	M	7	1,030	7,210
	Special Equipment inc. stove, oven, dishwasher & rangehood	ITEM			5,000
	Sanitary Fixtures   Plumbing   Water Supply	ITEM			20,000
	Gas Services	ITEM			6,000
	Spaces Heating /Air Conditioning	NO	6	6,500	39,000
	Ventilation (to workshop and amenities)	ITEM			19,100
	Fire Protection (fire extinguisher & smoke detector only)	ITEM			1,000
	Electric Light & Power / Communications	M2	292	160	46,720
	<b>Site Works &amp; External Services</b>				
XP	Site Preparation, Demolition & Clean Up	ITEM			12,000
XR	Roads, Footpaths & Paved Areas	ITEM			5,000
XN	Boundary Walls, Fencing & Gates	ITEM			5,000
XB	Outbuildings & Covered Ways (No works)	NOTE			-
XL	Landscaping & Improvements	ITEM			5,000
XK	External Stormwater & Drainage inc. rainwater tank	ITEM			20,000
XD	External Sewerage Drainage	ITEM			10,000
XW	External Water Supply	ITEM			5,000
XG	External Gas	ITEM			5,000
XF	External Fire Protection (No works)	NOTE			-
XE	External Electrical Light & Power	ITEM			15,000
XC	External Communications	ITEM			5,000
	Rounding / Balance of Funds	ITEM			- 871

<b>SUB-TOTAL</b>				\$	468,000
PRELIMINARIES & DESIGN VARIABLE	15.00	%		\$	70,000
COST ESCALATION TO TENDER	3.00	%		\$	16,000
COST ESCALATION DURING CONSTRUCTION	-	%		\$	-
CONTRACT CONTINGENCY	5.00	%		\$	28,000
PROFESSIONAL FEES	10.00	%		\$	58,000
LOOSE FURNITURE AND EQUIPMENT	ITEM			\$	20,000
AUTHORITY CONTRIBUTION & HEADWORKS CHARGES (Excluded)	NOTE			\$	-

**ANTICIPATED PROJECT COST (EXCLUDING GST)** **\$ 660,000**  
(Fixed Price Contract - July 2018)

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**ITEM 9.4            FOUNDATION FOR YOUTH EXCELLENCE COMMITTEE GRANT APPLICATIONS**

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**File No:**            *17/1148167*

**Attachments:**    *None*

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**PURPOSE AND SUMMARY**

To seek endorsement of the Foundation for Youth Excellence Awards for the 2nd quarter 1 February 2017 – 30 April 2017.

**RECOMMENDATION**

That Council approves the Foundation for Youth Excellence grants as outlined in this report.

**BACKGROUND**

The *Foundation for Youth Excellence* ('Foundation') is a Council initiative that aims to recognise young people who have achieved excellence in the fields of creative and performing arts; education; leadership or sport.

Young people aged between 10 and 25 who live in Glen Eira and are competing or performing at a state, national or international level are eligible to apply for an award. High priority will be given to applicants who demonstrate a proven history of achieving excellence within their chosen field and an association with a recognised official affiliated body.

Foundation for Youth Excellence applications are assessed quarterly each year. Closing dates are:

1st Quarter – 31 January

2nd Quarter – 30 April

3rd Quarter – 31 July

4th Quarter – 31 October

**Award Categories**

(1) Creative and Performing Arts

Awards in the areas of dance, music, drama, film and media for applicants who are preparing for prestigious exhibitions, events, presentations, productions and competitions. Assistance may be given to help pay for expenses in accessing or attending one of the above. For example, master classes or special enrichment programs in which the applicant is participating.

(2) Education

Awards for applicants who are pursuing intellectual endeavours or increasing their educational qualifications or skills. Assistance may be given to help applicants pay for expenses in accessing or participating in intellectual enrichment activities, such as forums, conferences, workshops or mentor programs.

(3) Leadership

Awards for applicants seeking personal growth or development through participation in leadership development programs. It is preferable that these programs enhance an applicant's capacity to initiate, contribute to and lead activities within the community.

(4) Sport

Awards for applicants competing, representing or participating in a sport at state, national or international level. The applicant's chosen sport must:

- ☐ have a defined set of rules and an applicable code;
- ☐ be competitive in nature; and
- ☐ be an officially recognised event by the relevant applicable code.

**Award Levels**

The level of awards are:

State level up to \$360.  
National level up to \$600.  
International level up to \$1,200.

**General Conditions**

Applicants must demonstrate that they have achieved excellence within their chosen field.

No more than two awards will be made to any one applicant.

Awards will not be made for international accommodation or travel.

Sporting applicants must be representing Victoria or Australia in a recognised state/national/international competition. A state or Australian team must be one affiliated with a national sporting organisation registered with the Australian Sports Commission.

Successful applicants must provide the Foundation with a report on the funded activity, a statement of expenditure after attendance at the relevant event and a photo taken at the event.

Any promotions must acknowledge the contribution of the Foundation.

**ISSUES AND DISCUSSION**

**Foundation For Youth Excellence Applications**

**WHITE, Maddie**

Category: Sport  
Level: National

Maddie has been selected by Cricket Victoria, a recognised State Sporting Association, to compete in the Victorian Girls 14 and Under Indoor Cricket team at the 2017 National Junior Indoor Cricket Championships in Mackay, Queensland. Maddie has competed at state and national levels in cricket, winning premierships in 2015 and 2016 for Bentleigh and Cricket Victoria.

Maddie is seeking \$600 to contribute towards the anticipated equipment, uniform, travel and accommodation costs of \$2,250 associated with attending the National Junior Championship in Mackay.

**Recommendation: \$600**

That Council approve a National level payment of \$600 to Maddie White to contribute towards the costs of participating in National Junior Indoor Cricket Championships.

**LIZAK, Nathaniel**

Category: Education  
Level: International

Nathaniel has been selected by the Monash School of Medicine as one of 4 students to attend an international specialty placement at *Charité Universitätsmedizin* in Berlin, Germany. This specialty placement will count towards Nathaniel's final year in medicine and will provide him with 6 weeks experience in anaesthesia at *Charité Virchow-Klinikum* campus in Berlin. Nathaniel has excelled in his studies and was granted a Foundation for Youth Excellence award last year when he presented his research on Multiple Sclerosis at an international conference in Barcelona.

Nathaniel is seeking \$1200 to contribute towards the living, transport and textbooks expenses associated with the estimated total cost of \$4390 for him to attend the student placement. Nathaniel has also secured a \$900 Monash Abroad Grant to help fund his placement.

**Recommendation: \$1200**

That Council approve an International level payment of \$1200 to Nathaniel Lizak to contribute towards the costs of participating in an international specialty placement at the *Charité Universitätsmedizin* in Berlin.

**DILNUTT, Oliver**

Category: Sport  
Level: National

Oliver has been selected by Gymnastics Victoria, a recognised State Sporting Association, to compete in the Level 9 Open team at the 2017 Australian Gymnastics Championships held at Hisense Arena in Melbourne, Victoria. Oliver has previously been a state champion in gymnastics for All Around and Individual Apparatus but has not completed for 3 years due to a serious back injury. This will be Oliver's first competition since returning from his injury.

Oliver is seeking \$600 to contribute towards the \$930 needed to purchase the compulsory Gymnastic Victoria uniform and equipment required to compete.

**Recommendation: \$600**

That Council approve a National level payment of \$600 to Oliver Dilnutt to contribute towards the costs of participating in 2017 Australian Gymnastics Championships

**CAMPITELLI, Hanami**

Category: Sport  
Level: National

Hanami has been selected by Baseball Victoria, a recognised State Sporting Association, to compete at the 2017 National Youth Women's Championships at Narrabundah Ballpark,

Canberra. Hanami represented Victoria at the 2016 National Youth Women's Championships and was also named Most Valuable Player by her team at the state championships.

Hanami is seeking \$600 to contribute towards Baseball Victoria's National Championship levy of \$2150.

**Recommendation: \$600**

That Council approve a National level payment of \$600 to Hanami Campitelli to contribute towards the costs of participating in 2017 National Youth Women's Baseball Championships

**EL SHORBAGY, Haddi**

Category: Sport  
Level: National

Haddi has qualified to represent Athletics Victoria, a recognised State Sporting Association, in the Under 14 Boys Hammer Throw, Javelin and Shot Put events at the 2017 Australian Athletics Championship held in Sydney, NSW. Haddi has previously competed at state and national level in School Sport Australia and Little Athletics competitions, finishing 3<sup>rd</sup> in shot put.

Haddi is seeking \$600 to contribute towards the estimated \$1020 for travel, accommodation, uniform and entry fees required to compete at the 2017 Australian Athletics Championship.

**Recommendation: \$600**

That Council approve a National level payment of \$600 to Haddi El Shorbagy to contribute towards the costs of participating in 2017 Australian Athletics Championship.

**YOGAKANTHI, Saiumaeswar**

Category: Education  
Level: International

Saiumaeswar is studying a Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery degree at Monash University and has been selected to present his research in lung transplantation at The 37<sup>th</sup> International Society of Heart and Lung Transplants (ISHLT) Annual Scientific Meeting in San Diego, California. Saiumaeswar's thesis focused on evaluating the use of an assay to measure a patient's immune function and individually tailor post-transplantation therapies to improve long term survival rates. Saiumaeswar has been selected to provide an oral presentation on his research at the ISHLT annual meeting in April 2017.

Saiumaeswar is seeking \$1200 to contribute towards the conference registration fees, transfers and living expenses associated with attending the ISHLT Annual Meeting. Saiumaeswar has also secured a \$200 Monash Abroad Grant to help fund his presentation.

**Recommendation: \$1200**

That Council approve an International level payment of \$1200 to Saiumaeswar Yogakanthi to contribute towards the costs of presenting his research at the ISHLT Annual Meeting in San Diego, California.

**GIERLACH, Benjamin**

Category: Sport  
Level: National

Benjamin has been selected to represent Volleyball Victoria, a recognised State Sporting Association, in the Under 19 Men's Beach Volleyball Team at the 2017 Australian Junior Beach Volleyball Championships in Scarborough, WA. Benjamin has competed in state and

national competitions and was runner up at the National Junior Volleyball Championships in 2015.

Benjamin is seeking \$600 to contribute towards Volleyball Victoria's State Team levy of \$2300 to attend the Australian Junior Beach Volleyball Championships.

**Recommendation: \$600**

That Council approve a National level payment of \$600 to Benjamin Gierlach to contribute towards the costs of participating at the 2017 Australian Junior Beach Volleyball Championships.

**FINANCIAL, RESOURCE AND ASSET MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS**

Total recommended grants amount: \$5400

**POLICY AND LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS**

Not applicable

**COMMUNICATION AND ENGAGEMENT**

The Foundation for Youth Excellence is advertised through the Council website, Glen Eira News, Glen Eira Youth Services newsletter and Council facebook pages.

**LINK TO COUNCIL PLAN**

Theme 3: Deliver programs and initiatives that support young people that are responsive to the feedback received through Council youth engagement activities, eg.  
*Resilience Youth Survey* of primary and secondary school students.

**OFFICER DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

No officers involved in the preparation of this report have any direct or indirect interest in this matter.

**CONCLUSION**

Each of the applicants outlined in this report has successfully met the Foundation for Youth Excellence selection criteria and demonstrated how the award will allow them to achieve excellence within their chosen field.

By awarding the recommended Foundation grants, Council can continue to support these young people to achieve further success in the fields of creative and performing arts; education; leadership or sport.

**ITEM 9.5            MUNICIPAL PUBLIC HEALTH & WELLBEING PLAN 2017-2021****Author:**            *Tammy Gelley, Manager Public Health***File No:**            *17/1215068***Attachments:**    *1. Municipal Public Health & Wellbeing Plan 2017-2021*  
                              *2. Action Plan for the Glen Eira Municipal Public Health & Wellbeing Plan 2017/18*

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**PURPOSE AND SUMMARY**

To seek approval for the amended draft *Municipal Public Health & Wellbeing Plan 2017-2021* and *Action Plan for the Glen Eira Municipal Public Health and Wellbeing Plan 2017-2018* for public consultation.

**RECOMMENDATION**

That Council endorses the attached draft *Municipal Public Health & Wellbeing Plan 2017-2021* and accompanying *Action Plan* for public consultation from 21 August – 8 September 2017 by:

- a) posting on Council's "Have Your Say" online forum; and
- b) providing copies at Council's Libraries and Service Centre.

**BACKGROUND**

The *Glen Eira Municipal Public Health & Wellbeing Plan 2017–2021* guides Council's efforts to enhance the health and wellbeing of our community. The *Plan* builds on the achievements of the previous *Municipal Public Health and Wellbeing Plan 2013–2017* and incorporates current needs and priorities identified through both research and community consultation.

The *Plan* adopts a whole-of-Council approach focused on improving health across a range of dimensions. It aims to improve the health and wellbeing of residents through Council-run programs and projects, advocacy and working in partnership with health service providers, government bodies, community groups and residents to create a community where all people have the opportunity to achieve maximum health and wellbeing.

The *Plan* has been developed following extensive community consultation. This resulted in six health priorities being identified:

- Priority 1 – Demonstrate leadership, advocacy and collaboration
- Priority 2 – Promote active lifestyles and healthy eating
- Priority 3 – Respond to family violence
- Priority 4 – Reduce tobacco, alcohol and other drug consumption
- Priority 5 – Improve mental health and community connection
- Priority 6 – Enhance public health protection

## ISSUES AND DISCUSSION

Feedback received in the second phase of community engagement has now been incorporated into the final *Plan* and *Action Plan*. Key points raised included:

- Additional low or no cost exercise classes for older adults at centralised locations such as Caulfield Park and Duncan Mackinnon Reserve
- Improved publication and distribution of health and wellbeing information for increased awareness of local services available
- Addressing alcohol and drug culture within local sporting clubs

Following approval of this draft *Plan*, a third and final consultation phase will be conducted:

Timeline for Municipal Public Health and Wellbeing Plan 2017-2021	
15 August 2017	Revised draft Plan and Action Plan in response to community feedback endorsed by Council for formal consultation period of three weeks (21 August – 8 September 2017)
21 August – 8 September 2017	Draft Plan and Action Plan posted on 'Have your say' online forum and available in Council Libraries and Service Centre.
17 October 2017	Final <i>Municipal Public Health and Wellbeing Plan 2017-2021</i> and <i>Public Health &amp; Wellbeing Action Plan 2017/18</i> presented at Council Meeting for approval.

## POLICY AND LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

The *Municipal Public Health and Wellbeing Plan 2017-2021* meets the legislative responsibilities of the *Victorian Public Health and Wellbeing Act 2008* and has regard to the *Victorian Health and Wellbeing Plan 2015-2019* and *Climate Change Act 2010*.

## COMMUNICATION AND ENGAGEMENT

The community engagement approach used to inform the development of the *Plan* included a variety of consultation methods to provide a broad range of people in the community the opportunity to contribute.

Following the first phase of community engagement the draft *Municipal Public Health and Wellbeing Plan 2017-2021* was developed. The draft Plan was then sent out for a second phase of community consultation. Community members were invited to attend one of two community consultation forums, or provide feedback in writing or online. Online consultation was conducted via Council's *Have Your Say* website, which included an outline of the *Plan's* health and wellbeing priorities, and the opportunity to provide feedback via a discussion forum.

A health service sector forum was also held, with partners from local community health services and primary care partners, community houses, Caulfield Police and the Department of Health in attendance. This session was used to review shared health and wellbeing priorities and identify opportunities for partnership.

## CONCLUSION

The *Municipal Public Health and Wellbeing Plan 2017-2021* has been amended to incorporate feedback from the second phase of community consultation. An accompanying *Action Plan* has now been developed in line with this feedback, and both documents are now presented to Council for approval for a third and final phase of community consultation.



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# Municipal Public Health and Wellbeing Plan

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2017–2021

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# Municipal Public Health and Wellbeing Plan



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Glen Eira City Council's *Municipal Public Health and Wellbeing Plan 2017–2021* is a strategic document that aims to maximise the health and wellbeing of Glen Eira residents.

*The Public Health and Wellbeing Act 2008* requires Council to prepare a municipal public health and wellbeing plan within the period of 12 months after each general election of Council.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> State of Victoria. Section 26 (1) *Public Health and Wellbeing Act 2008*.

# 0 | Introduction

This *Plan* outlines the role that Council will play in improving the health and wellbeing of Glen Eira residents through Council-run programs and projects, by advocating and working in partnership with health service providers, government bodies, community groups and residents.

It provides an overview of the health and wellbeing of Glen Eira residents, Council's progress to date and our aspirations for health and wellbeing.

The *Plan* also provides a set of strategies and objectives to improve outcomes for the community.

**Glen Eira residents enjoy a relatively high level of health and wellbeing when compared against the Victorian average. However, the incidence and burden of chronic disease continues to present key challenges for Glen Eira.**

Prevention and early intervention are still the best ways to fight lifestyle related diseases that lead to serious illness. Healthy eating, active lifestyles, tobacco free living, social connection and screening to assist in the early identification of illness, continue to be the focus of effective public health policy to reduce the burden of disease.

Effective leadership, advocacy, planning and service delivery is required on the part of all stakeholders within our City to ensure Glen Eira residents continue to have access to relevant, affordable and effective public health services.

The following public health and wellbeing priority areas have been established through the analysis of health and wellbeing data, and feedback received from local health agencies and community members.

1. Demonstrate leadership, advocacy and collaboration
2. Promote active lifestyles and healthy eating
3. Reduce tobacco, alcohol and other drug consumption
4. Respond to family violence
5. Improve mental health and community connection
6. Enhance public health protection

The *Municipal Public Health and Wellbeing Plan 2017–2021* will be reviewed annually to highlight key milestones and achievements, and provide updates against the health priority areas. An action plan will also be developed each year for the life of the *Plan*.



## 02 Public health and wellbeing plans

*The Victorian Public Health and Wellbeing Act 2008* is central to Victoria's public health.

It aims to:

- protect public health and prevent disease, illness, injury, disability and premature death;
- promote conditions in which people can be healthy; and
- reduce inequalities in the state of public health and wellbeing.

All Victorian local governments are required to develop a public health and wellbeing plan under the provisions of the *Victorian Public Health and Wellbeing Act 2008*.<sup>2</sup>

Legislation requires that the plan must:

- include an examination of data about health status and health determinants in the municipal district;
- identify goals and strategies based on available evidence for creating a local community in which people can achieve maximum health and wellbeing;
- provide for the involvement of people in the local community in the development, implementation and evaluation of the public health and wellbeing plan;
- specify how Council will work in partnership with the department and other agencies undertaking public health initiatives, projects and programs to accomplish the goals and strategies identified in the *Municipal Public Health and Wellbeing Plan*; and
- ensure consistency with the *Glen Eira Council and Community Plan* and *Municipal Strategic Statement*.

Health as defined by the World Health Organisation (1946)<sup>3</sup> refers to a state of complete physical, mental and social wellbeing and not merely the absence of disease or infirmity.

Public health refers to 'the organised response by society to protect and promote health, and to prevent illness, injury and disability'.<sup>4</sup>

Public health is what we, as a society, do collectively to assure the conditions in which people can be healthy. 'Public health focuses on prevention, promotion and protection rather than on treatment; on populations rather than individuals; and on the (social/ economic) factors and behaviours that cause illness and injury' (*Victorian Public Health and Wellbeing Plan 2011–2015*).<sup>5</sup>

Council recognises the importance of climate change and its effect on health and wellbeing. As a result, climate change is identified as one of the four key themes in Council's *Environmental Sustainability Strategy 2016–2021*. This strategy includes both short term and long term goals and objectives to address the impact that climate change may have on the Glen Eira community.

The internationally recognised *Social Model of Health* will inform Council's role to improve the health and wellbeing of the community (see appendix A).

2. State of Victoria. Section 26. *Public Health and Wellbeing Act 2008*.

3. Preamble to the Constitution of WHO as adopted by the International Health Conference, New York, 19 June - 22 July 1946; signed on 22 July 1946 by the representatives of 61 States (Official Records of WHO, no. 2, p. 100) and entered into force on 7 April 1948. The definition has not been amended since 1948.

4. Commonwealth Government of Australia. *National Public Health Partnership*. 2007.

5. State of Victoria. *Victorian Public Health and Wellbeing Plan 2011–15*. 2011

## 03 Why is health planning so important?

Significant developments in health prevention and protection in recent decades have resulted in an increased life expectancy and a reduction in many of the risks to health and wellbeing. However, as some risk factors have decreased over time, others have increased and new risk factors have emerged. It is now estimated that more than one third of all premature deaths in Australia are the result of chronic preventable diseases (Australian Institute of Health and Welfare 2016).

Although the Glen Eira community enjoys a comparatively high level of health and wellbeing, residents are not immune to lifestyle risk factors such as obesity, sedentary behaviour, poor nutrition, smoking and alcohol.

**Along with stress, high cholesterol and high blood pressure, these risk factors contribute significantly to the burden of disease in Glen Eira and provide opportunities for improvement through early prevention and management.**

The ongoing provision of information, services and programs will enable residents to make healthy lifestyle choices and in turn, ensure a healthy future for Glen Eira.



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## 04 Public health and wellbeing profile of Glen Eira

A comprehensive review of current population and health statistics for the City has been undertaken to inform the development of this *Public Health and Wellbeing Plan*.

Data from the Department of Health and Human Services 2012 shows that life expectancies for the residents of Glen Eira are slightly higher than the Victorian average. The life expectancy at birth for persons in Glen Eira was 81.2 for males, and 85.6 for females, higher than the Victorian state average of 80.3 for males and 84.4 for females.



**Overall, Glen Eira residents enjoy a comparatively high level of health and wellbeing.**

High levels of household and individual income is experienced, with a significantly lower percentage of Glen Eira residents receiving all forms of income support compared to Victoria. In addition, Glen Eira is ranked one of the lowest in the state in terms of socioeconomic disadvantage.

Self-reported wellbeing is a good predictor of ill-health and other significant health behaviours. The *2015 VicHealth Indicators Survey* asked respondents to rate their wellbeing on a scale of zero to 100. The report highlighted that Glen Eira residents gave their wellbeing an average score of 76.9 out of 100.

Despite this comparatively high level of health and wellbeing, Glen Eira residents are not immune to lifestyle related risks such as insufficient exercise, poor nutrition, smoking and alcohol.

The municipality has one of the highest rates of smoking in the Southern Metropolitan Region.

In terms of nutrition, more than half of Glen Eira residents are not meeting the recommendations for daily fruit and vegetable consumption.

Glen Eira residents also spend a significant amount of time in sedentary behaviour, with less than half of the population spending sufficient time in physical activity.

The incidence of family violence in Glen Eira also continues to rise, with 898 incidents reported to Victoria Police in 2015–16. Since 2011, the number of family violence incidents reported has increased by more than 45 per cent.

## Positive health indicators for Glen Eira residents

### LIFE EXPECTANCY

81.2(M) 85.6(F) Glen Eira  
80.3(M) 84.4(F) Vic Av

Source: Department of Health  
and Human Services 2013

### RESIDENTS VISITING OPEN SPACE WEEKLY

58.8% Glen Eira  
50.7% Vic Av

Source: Community Indicators  
Victoria 2016

### RESIDENTS ENGAGING IN SUFFICIENT PHYSICAL ACTIVITY

42.3% Glen Eira  
41.4% Vic Av

Source: Australian Institute of  
Health and Welfare 2016

### PREVALENCE OF TYPE 2 DIABETES

3.8% Glen Eira  
5.1% Vic Av

Source: National Diabetes  
Service Scheme 2017

### ASTHMA INCIDENCE PER 100,000 PEOPLE

9.8% Glen Eira  
10.9% Vic Av

Source: Department of Health  
and Human Services 2013

### PREVALENCE OF HYPERTENSION

21.7% Glen Eira  
24.5% Vic Av

Source: Victorian Population  
Health Survey 2014

### PREMATURE MORTALITY RATE PER 100,000 FROM SUICIDE & SELF-HARM INJURIES

3.8% Glen Eira  
5.1% Vic Av

Source: Social Atlas of Australia 2013

### PREVALENCE OF ARTHRITIS

16.6% Glen Eira  
19.8% Vic Av

Source: Social Atlas of Australia 2013

### CHILDREN FULLY IMMUNISED AT 12 MONTHS

94.9% Glen Eira  
93.7% Vic Av

Source: Department of Health  
Statistical Profile 2015

### RESIDENTS OVERWEIGHT OR OBESE

56.8% Glen Eira  
64.1% Vic Av

Source: Social Health  
Atlas of Australia 2013

### REGISTERED MENTAL HEALTH CLIENT RATES

7.7% Glen Eira  
10.9% Vic Av

Source: Social Atlas of Australia 2013

### PARTICIPATION IN CERVICAL CANCER SCREENING

65% Glen Eira  
60% Vic Av

Source: Social Atlas of Australia 2013

## Negative health indicators for Glen Eira residents

### CANCER INCIDENCE PER 1000,000 PEOPLE

549.0	Glen Eira
511.4	Vic Av

Source: Social Atlas of  
Australia 2013

### PARTICIPATION IN BOWEL CANCER SCREENING

29.6%	Glen Eira
33.5%	Vic Av

Source: Social Atlas  
of Australia 2013

### RESIDENTS AT RISK OF SHORT-TERM HARM FROM ALCOHOL

33.7%	Glen Eira
29.4%	Vic Av

Source: Victorian Population  
Health Survey 2015

### PREVALENCE OF CURRENT SMOKERS

18.2%	Glen Eira
13.1%	Vic Av

Source: Victorian Population  
Health Survey 2015

### GP ATTENDANCE PER 1,000 POPULATION

5,074.9	Glen Eira
5,452.1	Vic Av

Source: Department of Health  
and Human Services 2013

### RESIDENTS SITTING FOR MORE THAN EIGHT HOURS A DAY

43.2%	Glen Eira
41.4%	Vic Av

Source: Community  
Indicators Victoria 2016

### RESIDENTS NOT MEETING FRUIT AND VEGETABLE CONSUMPTION GUIDELINES

54.8%	Glen Eira
48.6%	Vic Av

Source: Australian Institute  
of Health and Welfare 2016

### OLDER LONE PERSON HOUSEHOLDS (65+ YEARS) (SOCIAL ISOLATION)

10.7%	Glen Eira
8.9%	Vic Av

Source: Australian  
Bureau of Statistics 2011

### GAMING MACHINE EXPENDITURE PER ADULT

650.16	Glen Eira
553.13	Vic Av

Source: Victorian Commission  
for Gambling and Liquor  
Regulation 2016

# 05 Involving the community to help develop our plan

Consultation conducted at Caulfield Community Health's falls prevention groups

**40 participants**

**CATCHMENT PLANNING CONSULTATION CONDUCTED WITH FIVE COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICES**

Environmental Sustainability Strategy Survey

**300 responses received**

Online via Have Your Say — Glen Eira Council and Community Plan consultation

**74 comments received**

**148 votes received**

**TWO COMMUNITY CONSULTATION FORUMS HELD**

**ONE HEALTH SERVICE PROVIDER FORUM**

**CONSULTATION POSTCARDS DISTRIBUTED:**

**30 responses received**

Survey conducted at Council's Healthy Ageing seminar:

**20 participants**

Youth Voice Survey ...

**200 responses received**

**PLANNING FORUMS CONDUCTED WITH FIVE NEIGHBOURING COUNCILS**

SURVEY CONDUCTED AT COUNCIL'S PARTY IN THE PARK EVENT:

**100 responses received**

This *Plan* was also influenced by data collected through community consultation conducted by Council in the last six to 12 months in the development of Glen Eira's:

- Glen Eira Council and Community Plan;
- Ageing Strategy;
- Disability Action Plan;
- Environmental Sustainability Strategy;
- Planning Scheme;
- Youth Voice Survey; and
- Early years centre consultations.

# What the community told us ...



"More opportunities for the community to connect through cultural groups, activities and markets."

"Public drop-in tai chi classes for health/arthritis."

"It's important that we care for people in our community who need support."

**"Mental health services need to work together in to provide more affordable and accessible services."**

"We would like access to health promotion seminars and programs targeting men's health."

**"Support and encourage more local volunteering."**

"More opportunities for physical activity, exercise programs and walking groups."

"What is important to me is a community where people feel connected."

"Drugs and alcohol are an issue for young people in our community."

"More community grants to support innovative healthy living programs."

**"Creating greater community wellbeing and resilience."**

**"Volunteer programs and neighbourhood support programs to visit isolated older adults."**

"More consistent messaging about family violence."

**"Isolation is a problem as you get older."**

"Elderly residents need information on health issues, such as healthy eating, cooking, diet."

"More health promotion seminars for the community."

"More public health messages on community radio."

"More community information about smoking restrictions."

**"More health information in different languages and a less complex health system."**

## 06 National and state public health policy context

State and federal governments play an important role in providing public health and wellbeing funding, legislative regimes and state wide health programs.

The *National Health Priority Areas* initiative is a collaboration across commonwealth, state and territory governments, non-government organisations, health experts, clinicians and consumers. The *National Health Priority Areas Strategy* aims to address specific diseases and conditions that contribute significantly to the burden of illness and injury in the Australian community.

The nine *National Health Priority Areas* are:

- cancer control;
- cardiovascular health;
- injury prevention and control;
- mental health;
- diabetes mellitus;
- asthma;
- arthritis and musculoskeletal conditions;
- obesity; and
- dementia.

### Victorian Public Health Priorities

The vision of the *Victorian Public Health and Wellbeing Plan 2015–2019* is ‘a Victoria free of the avoidable burden of disease and injury, so that all Victorians can enjoy the highest attainable standards of health, wellbeing and participation at every age’.<sup>6</sup>

The *Victorian Public Health and Wellbeing Plan* identifies the following six priority areas as the major focus for action over the life of the *Plan*:

1. Healthier eating and active living
2. Tobacco free living
3. Reducing harmful alcohol and drug use
4. Improving mental health
5. Preventing violence and injury
6. Improving sexual and reproductive health

<sup>6</sup> State of Victoria. *Victorian Public Health and Wellbeing Plan 2015–2019*. P5. 2015.



## 07 Role of local government

Council has a range of functions determined by the *Public Health and Wellbeing Act 2008*<sup>7</sup> that relate to the protection, improvement and promotion of the public health and wellbeing of the Glen Eira community.

They include:

- creating an environment which supports the health of members of the local community, and strengthens the capacity of the community and individuals to achieve better health;
- initiating, supporting and managing public health planning processes at the local government level;
- developing and implementing public health policies and programs within the municipal district;
- developing and enforcing up-to-date public health standards, and intervening if the health of people within the municipal district is affected;
- facilitating and supporting local agencies whose work has an impact on public health and wellbeing;
- to improve public health and wellbeing in the local community;
- co-ordinating and providing immunisation services to children living or being educated within the municipal district; and
- ensuring that the municipal district is maintained in a clean and sanitary condition.



These responsibilities are actioned by Council through the delivery of health protection and health promotion programs addressing areas of food safety; tobacco control; infectious disease management; immunisation; and regulation of businesses that pose a threat to public health.

Council also delivers a wide range of services and community infrastructure that directly or indirectly influence the social, economic and environmental influences of health. This includes basic community infrastructure like roads and drainage; waste management services; land use planning; recreational facilities; parks and open space for leisure; and emergency management planning and response.

Council services that support our community, include services for the aged, families, youth and children; arts and culture programs; community events; public libraries; and community development programs.

<sup>7</sup> State of Victoria, Section 24 Public Health and Wellbeing Act 2008.

## 08 Our progress to date

Council has already achieved significant progress in providing health and wellbeing initiatives for the Glen Eira community through the previous *Municipal Public Health and Wellbeing Plan 2013–2017*. The highlights according to each priority area from the previous *Municipal Public Health and Wellbeing Plan 2013–2017*, include:

### Promote healthy eating and a physically active community

- Annual program of health promotion seminars implemented, with healthy eating and physical activity sessions delivered in partnership with community health centres, including *Healthy Eating on a Budget*, *Eating Well*, and *Ageing Well*. ✓
- There were 52 premises that received a *Taste4Health* award and 14 premises that received a *Taste4Health Kids* award. These businesses met healthy menu criteria developed in partnership with Bentleigh-Bayside Community Health to provide food low in salt, sugar and fat and high in dietary fibre. ✓
- There were 831 socially isolated older residents attended recreational outings and exercise classes each year to improve community connection and mental health. ✓

### Promote community wellbeing and connectedness

- A range of community events were held each year, including:
  - *Party in the Park* (three events held between January to March) — 94,000 attendances 2013–17. ✓
  - *Carols in the Park* — 22,500 attendances 2013–17.
  - *Springtime Music Festival* — 3,437 attendances 2013–17.
  - *Storytelling Festival* — 27,300 attendances 2013–17.
- There were 864 local volunteers from 205 community organisations recognised at annual *Volunteer Recognition* ceremonies for their contributions to the Glen Eira community. ✓
- \$1,517,904 in community grant funding provided to local community groups for the delivery of community support services; health education programs; physical activity initiatives; alcohol and drug programs; and community events to facilitate community connections. ✓

Improve mental health	
There were 6077 disadvantaged, isolated or at risk young people supported annually through Council's Youth Services support programs.	✓
There were 18 health promotion projects and programs provided to the community to improve mental health, including <i>Dementia Awareness Community Forum</i> , <i>Anxiety — Learn, Think, Do</i> , <i>Positive Pathways to Mental Health</i> , <i>Cyberbullying</i> and <i>Introduction to meditation</i> .	✓
Six major national and state awareness campaigns related to mental health promoted to the community through <i>Glen Eira News</i> (Council's monthly newspaper), Council's website, community flyers and community banners, including <i>Fluro Friday Mental Health Week</i> , <i>16 Days of Activism Awareness Campaign</i> , <i>R U OK Day</i> , and <i>White Ribbon Day</i> .	✓
Reduce harm from tobacco, alcohol and drugs	
From 2013–2016, Council's environmental health officers conducted 273 tobacco inspections of tobacco retailers, eating establishments and licensed premises.	✓
Eight Responsible Service of Alcohol training sessions (two each year) for sporting clubs and the general public.	✓
Men's health forums — harmful effects of alcohol, tobacco and other drugs and parent education sessions on binge drinking, and harmful effects of drugs on young people.	✓
Deliver public health protection	
From 2013–2016, Council's environmental health officers undertook 3,312 food safety assessments of registered food businesses.	✓
More than 49,500 vaccinations administered from 2013–2016. More than 90 per cent of children are currently up-to-date with vaccinations meeting national immunisation targets.	✓
There were 112 cases of infectious disease investigated in conjunction with the Department Health and Human Services and controls put in place to protect the community.	✓
Deliver public health leadership	
There were 22 health promotion initiatives implemented in conjunction with Department Health and Human Services, primary care partnerships or local community health centres.	✓
Development of a new <i>Community Heatwave Plan</i> to better respond to extreme temperatures and promotion of heat health information through Council publications and website to protect vulnerable members of the community.	✓
Flood safety information promoted to the community to increase community resilience and capacity to respond and recover from extreme storm events.	✓

# 09

## Public health and wellbeing priorities 2017–2021

The *Municipal Public Health and Wellbeing Plan 2017–2021* identifies six priority areas, and 24 health and wellbeing strategies. Each priority area includes a range of activities where Council can influence the health and wellbeing outcomes of the community. The focus of the *Plan* will be on addressing the health issues identified through research, community consultation and in state and national health strategies.

Council also recognises the need for inclusion of all community members, including Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander residents, culturally and linguistically diverse communities, people with disabilities and LGBTIQ (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Intersex and Queer) community members across the priority areas and strategies contained in the *Plan*.

The six priority areas of the *Municipal Public Health and Wellbeing Plan 2017–2021* are:





## PRIORITY 01:

Demonstrate leadership,  
advocacy and collaboration

## PRIORITY 01: DEMONSTRATE LEADERSHIP, ADVOCACY AND COLLABORATION

### OBJECTIVE:

To facilitate partnerships, lead key local health and wellbeing awareness initiatives, and advocate on behalf of the community to improve outcomes for the community.

### Why is this important for the Plan?

- The *Public Health and Wellbeing Act 2008* requires Council to specify how it will work in partnership with the Department of Health and Human Services and other agencies undertaking public health initiatives, projects and programs.
- The Department of Health and Human Services southern region works collaboratively with the health and community service sector, including local government, to develop integrated community health service systems that address overall population health requirements.
- The Southern Metropolitan Primary Care Partnership is a voluntary alliance of local government, community health and primary health organisations, working together to improve health outcomes throughout southern Melbourne.

### Why is it a priority for Glen Eira?

- Strong partnerships with external organisations and stakeholders are required to maximise effort to address health and wellbeing outcome initiatives within the municipality.
- State and regional public health planning bodies provide an opportunity for Council to advocate on behalf of residents for public health and wellbeing issues to be addressed at the local level.
- Council works closely with and supports local community groups to implement community support and public health initiatives through an annual community grants funding program.

### STRATEGIES:

- 1.1 Assist in building strong and effective partnerships with local health and wellbeing service providers to deliver quality outcomes, reduce duplication and fragmentation of effort.
- 1.2 Increase the availability of public health and wellbeing information in the local community.
- 1.3 Advocate on behalf of residents to state and federal governments for affordable, accessible and appropriate public health and wellbeing services.
- 1.4 Actively contribute to state and regional health planning networks and forums to assist in planning, promoting and delivering relevant public health and wellbeing initiatives.



PRIORITY 02:

Promote active lifestyles  
and healthy eating

## PRIORITY 02: PROMOTE ACTIVE LIFESTYLES AND HEALTHY EATING

### OBJECTIVE:

To encourage regular physical activity and promote the consumption of safe and nutritious food.

#### Why is this important for the Plan?

- Unhealthy eating and low fruit and vegetable consumption are risk factors in the development of a number of chronic diseases, including coronary heart disease, stroke and many types of cancer (*Australian Institute of Health and Welfare 2016*).
- Difficulty accessing healthy, nutritious foods is a contributing factor to being overweight or obese, as those in low and middle socioeconomic areas are more likely to be exposed to cheaper, less nutritional food outlets. This can often result in poor choices of more affordable, energy dense foods (*Heart Foundation 2011*).
- Increased levels of physical activity help to decrease the risk of being overweight or obese, which is a major risk factor for diseases such as heart disease, cancer, stroke and respiratory diseases (*VicHealth 2012*).
- Sedentary behaviour is associated with poorer health outcomes, including an increased risk of type 2 diabetes (*VicHealth 2012*).

#### Why is it a priority for Glen Eira?

- Only 7.3 per cent of adults in Glen Eira meet the recommended daily intake of five serves of vegetables. This is slightly lower than the Victorian average of 7.4 per cent (*Australian Institute of Health and Welfare 2016*).
- More than half (54.8 per cent) of the Glen Eira population does not meet both fruit and vegetable consumption guidelines. This is higher than the Victorian average of 48.6 per cent (*Australian Institute of Health and Welfare 2016*).
- More than half (52.6 per cent) of Glen Eira residents do not spend sufficient time in physical activity. This is higher than the Victorian average of 50.4 per cent (*Australian Institute of Health and Welfare 2016*).
- Glen Eira residents engage in high levels of sedentary behaviour, with 30.4 per cent of people spending eight or more hours a day sitting, compared to the Victorian average of 23.8 per cent (*Australian Institute of Health and Welfare 2016*).
- 56.8 per cent of Glen Eira residents are overweight or obese. Though this figure is lower than the Victorian average of 64.1 per cent, rates of being overweight or obese are continuing to rise as are the risks of developing associated health conditions (*Australian Bureau of Statistics 2017*).

### STRATEGIES:

- 2.1 Promote national, state and regional campaigns and initiatives to raise awareness of the importance of healthy eating and physical activity.
- 2.2 Continue to enhance the built environment of our City and partnerships with local community and sporting organisations to provide safe, accessible, inclusive environments for physical activity.
- 2.3 Promote the availability of safe, healthy and nutritious food in the City.
- 2.4 Encourage people to consume recommended daily intake of fruit and vegetables, and reduce consumption of sweet drinks and unhealthy food.



PRIORITY 03:

Respond to family violence

### PRIORITY 03: RESPOND TO FAMILY VIOLENCE

#### OBJECTIVE:

To work in collaboration with local organisations to improve access to information and services to reduce family violence.

#### Why is this important for the Plan?

- Australia's first Royal Commission into family violence included in their report a recommendation for councils to report on the measures they propose to take to reduce family violence and respond to the needs of victims.
- Intimate partner violence is the biggest contributor to ill health and premature death of Victorian women aged 15 to 44 years (*Victorian Health Promotion Foundation 2017*).
- Preventing family violence is a major priority for the Victorian government. *The Victorian Public Health and Wellbeing Plan 2015–2019* identifies preventing violence and injury as one of its key strategies for promoting health and wellbeing.

#### Why is it a priority for Glen Eira?

- Implementing a whole community approach will allow for more efficient utilisation of resources to address the issue, and will allow the community to adopt mutually respectful attitudes, behaviours and beliefs.
- There was a 12.3 per cent increase in family violence incidents in Glen Eira from 2015–16 — one of the largest increases in the Southern Melbourne Region (*Crime Statistics Agency 2016*).
- Family violence is now a high priority for Victoria Police evidenced through the development of the Code of Practice for the Investigation of Family Violence, the establishment of family violence teams, and the leadership it has shown in transforming the way police respond to family violence incident.
- The Municipal Association of Victoria has been funded by the *Community Crime Prevention Program* to deliver the *Local Government Preventing Violence Against Women* initiative. This *Program* recognises the important role of local government in the prevention of violence against women as both a service provider, and a major employer.

#### STRATEGIES:

- 3.1 Provide community leadership to prevent violence against women.
- 3.2 Promote and participate in national, state and local initiatives that raise awareness of family violence.
- 3.3 Foster joint planning and action with local support organisations to reduce the incidence of family violence.
- 3.4 Provide community information and referral to support families at risk of family violence.



PRIORITY 04:

Reduce tobacco, alcohol  
and other drug consumption

## PRIORITY 04: REDUCE TOBACCO, ALCOHOL AND OTHER DRUG CONSUMPTION

### OBJECTIVE:

To reduce the impact of smoking, alcohol and other drugs on the community.

### Why is this important for the Plan?

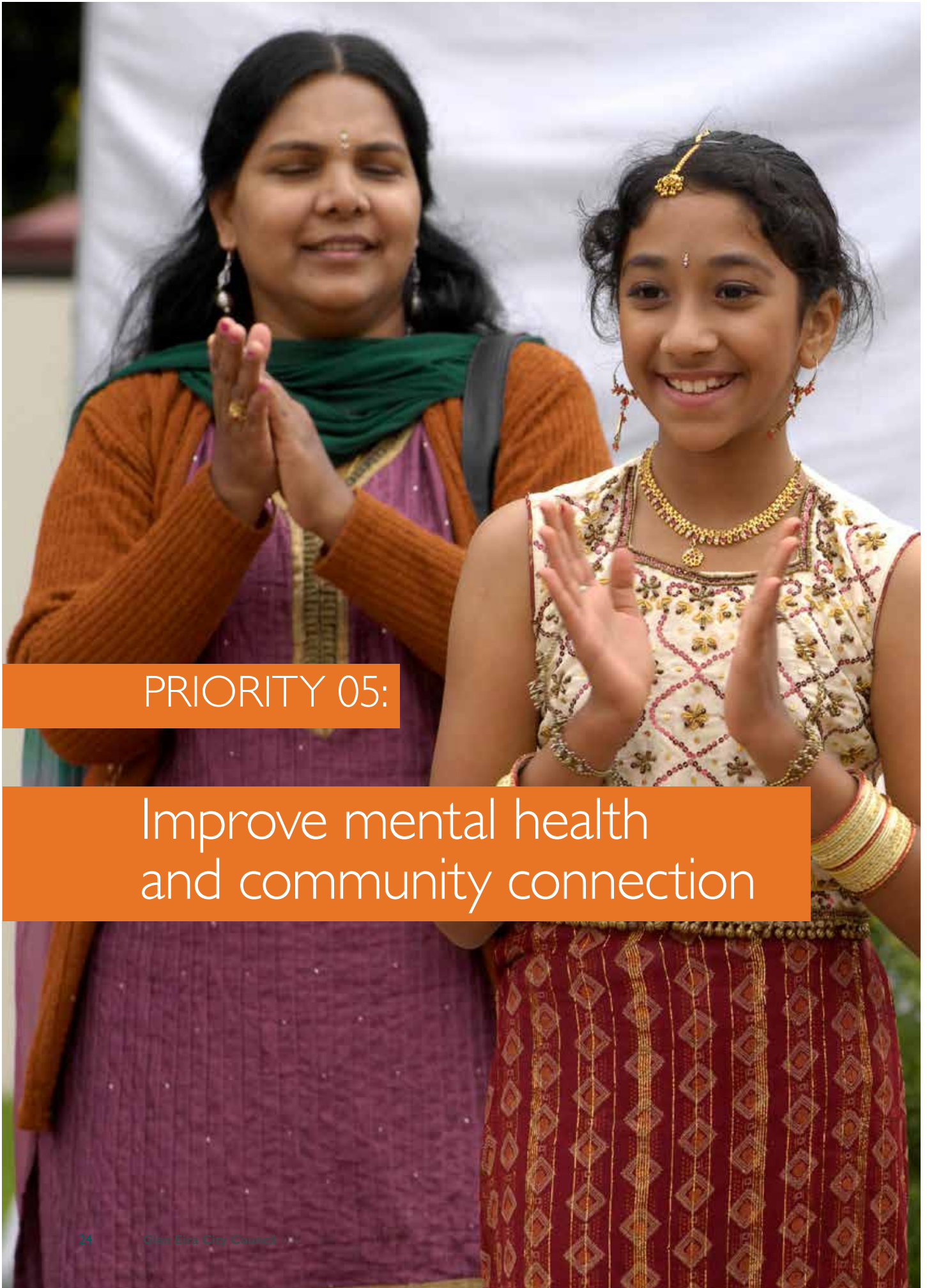
- Smoking remains the leading preventable cause of many cancers, respiratory, cardiovascular and other diseases (*VicHealth 2012*).
- Alcohol misuse can result in more than 200 types of short and long-term preventable harms, including accident and injury, cancer, heart attack and stroke (*VicHealth 2012*).
- Illicit drugs cause significant harm to individuals and the broader community, including loss of workplace productivity, and the cost to our health and criminal justice systems (*VicHealth 2012*).

### Why is it a priority for Glen Eira?

- Glen Eira has one of the highest smoking rates in the Southern Metropolitan Region, with 18.2 per cent of residents identifying as current smokers. This is significantly higher than the Victorian average of 13.1 per cent (*Australian Institute of Health and Welfare 2016*).
- About one-third (33.7 per cent) of Glen Eira residents were identified as being at risk of short-term harm from alcohol (five or more drinks in a single occasion) in a given month. This was higher than the Victorian estimate of 29.4 per cent (*Australian Institute of Health and Welfare 2016*).
- Glen Eira had 284 alcohol-related ambulance attendances in 2013–14. This was an increase of 20 per cent from 2012–13 (*Turning Point 2015*).

### STRATEGIES:

- 4.1 Promote awareness of the dangers of smoking, alcohol and drug use.
- 4.2 Encourage a reduction in smoking rates in Glen Eira.
- 4.3 Implement the Victorian *Tobacco Act 1987* and provide education and enforcement in relation to the sale and advertising of tobacco in local premises, and monitoring smoke-free dining and smoke-free outdoor areas.
- 4.4 Continue to work with and support local community and sporting organisations to promote responsible serving of alcohol, promote smoke-free environments and a safe drinking culture.



## PRIORITY 05:

Improve mental health  
and community connection

## PRIORITY 05: IMPROVE MENTAL HEALTH AND COMMUNITY CONNECTION

### OBJECTIVE:

To promote social inclusion and improve mental health in the community.

### Why is this important for the Plan?

- Our social connections, including the people we know, the friends we confide in, the family we belong to, and the community we live in are central to mental health and wellbeing (*VicHealth 2012*).
- Social participation in activities such as volunteering has shown to build social connectedness (*VicHealth 2012*).
- Social isolation can lead to stress, anxiety, depression, decreased resilience to traumatic events and suicide (*VicHealth 2012*).
- Mental illness is one of Australia's top three leading causes of disease burden, and the largest contributor to the disability burden in Victoria (*VicHealth 2012*).

### Why is it a priority for Glen Eira?

- Fewer Glen Eira residents (27.4 per cent) report participating in volunteering compared to Melbourne (28 per cent) and Victoria (33 per cent) (*Department of Planning and Community Development 2010*).
- 26.7 per cent of households in Glen Eira are lone person households. This, combined with a high number (19.9 per cent) of residents aged 60 years and over is likely to result in an increase in social isolation (*Australian Bureau of Statistics 2017*).
- Only 59.8 per cent of residents perceive their neighbourhood to be a close-knit neighbourhood. This is lower than the Victorian average of 61 per cent (*Department of Health 2013*).

### STRATEGIES:

- 5.1 Work in partnership with local community organisations to deliver information and seminars to improve mental health.
- 5.2 Provide opportunities for increased social connectedness through participation in arts and culture, recreation, sporting and other community activities.
- 5.3 Support local community organisations to provide local cultural events and festivals.
- 5.4 Promote inclusion of diverse groups including people with disabilities, people who identify as Aboriginal or Torres Strait islander people, culturally and linguistically diverse communities and LGBTIQ community members.



PRIORITY 06:

Enhance public  
health protection

## PRIORITY 06: ENHANCE PUBLIC HEALTH PROTECTION

### OBJECTIVE:

Protect the community from transmissible disease and assist the community to respond to and recover from natural disasters.

#### Why is this important for the Plan?

- Enforcement of public health standards relating to food safety; infectious disease; residential noise; asbestos removal; rooming houses and general sanitation; and cleanliness of the City, protect the community from disease and illness.
- Immunisation against disease is still the most effective public health intervention to prevent disease and the spread of disease.
- Extreme weather events that occur as a result of climate change, such as heatwaves and floods, negatively impact upon the health and wellbeing of the community, particularly vulnerable persons such as young children and the elderly.

#### Why is it a priority for Glen Eira?

- Under the *Public Health and Wellbeing Act 2008*, Council is required to develop and enforce up-to-date public health standards and intervene if the health of residents is affected.
- Under the *Public Health and Wellbeing Act 2008*, Council is required to co-ordinate and provide immunisation services to children living or being educated in the City.
- The *Emergency Management Act 2013* requires Council to develop an *Emergency Management Plan* to assist the community to respond and recover from emergencies, including extreme weather events.

### STRATEGIES:

- 6.1 Protect the community from illness through education and enforcement of public health standards at local food premises; rooming houses; tattooists; beauty therapy businesses; and local swimming and spa pools.
- 6.2 Respond to community concerns about local issues that may be dangerous to health.
- 6.3 Co-ordinate, promote and deliver vaccination programs to protect the community from vaccine preventable disease.
- 6.4 Review Council's *Emergency Management Plan*, *Heatwave Plan*, *Flood Plan* and *Pandemic Plan* annually, and provide the community with up-to-date information to better respond to and recover from emergencies and extreme weather events.

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## APPENDIX A

# Models to improve public health and wellbeing

Council will adopt and embed proven internationally recognised approaches into its public health and wellbeing leadership, partnership, advocacy, planning and service delivery activities. The internationally recognised *Social Model of Health* and the *Ottawa Charter of Health Promotion* will inform Council's role to improve the health and wellbeing of the community.

### Social Model of Health

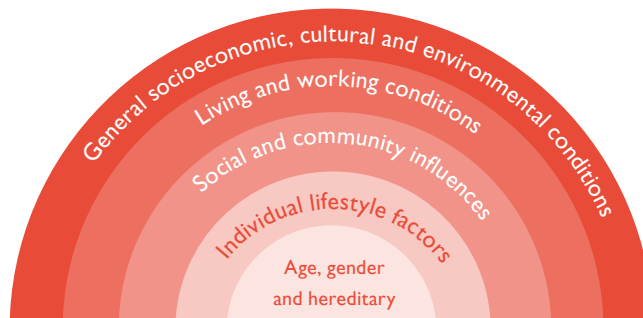
The *Social Model of Health* outlines the interrelated factors that contribute to an individual's health and wellbeing. The *Social Model of Health* began to emerge in the 1970s, as people began to realise that not only people's behaviors, but their environment, upbringing and sociocultural situation impact health. It's based on the understanding that for health gains to occur, social, economic and environmental determinants must be addressed.

### The Ottawa Charter of Health Promotion

The *Ottawa Charter of Health Promotion*<sup>8</sup> is the leading international approach to health promotion which has been developed from the *Social Model of Health*. It defines health promotion as the process of enabling people to increase control over, and improve their health.

The model set out below highlights five action areas:

1. Build healthy public policy — governments make laws which affect the health of communities and individuals.
2. Create supportive environments for health — healthy lifestyle is made easy when your community infrastructure supports better health.
3. Strengthen community action for health — acting as a community makes promoting and achieving health more attainable.
4. Develop personal skills — enables people to take control of their own health and then pass these skills on to others.
5. Re-orient health services — health services and professionals should be involved in areas, such as education, policymaking and community action.




The five priority action areas of *Ottawa Charter for Health Promotion* are also used to evaluate the success and sustainability of health promotion initiatives.

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## Ottawa Charter of Health Promotion





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## Action Plan for the Glen Eira Municipal Public Health and Wellbeing Plan 2017–2018

This *Action Plan* is the companion document to Council's *Municipal Public Health and Wellbeing Plan 2017–2021*. It outlines how Council will work towards meeting the priorities and strategies identified in the *Plan*.

The *Municipal Public Health and Wellbeing Plan* has been developed following comprehensive community and stakeholder engagement, which identified the following six priorities:

- Priority one** — Demonstrate leadership, advocacy and collaboration
- Priority two** — Promote active lifestyles and healthy eating
- Priority three** — Respond to family violence
- Priority four** — Reduce tobacco, alcohol and other drug consumption
- Priority five** — Improve mental health and community connection
- Priority six** — Enhance public health protection



## Priority 01: Demonstrate leadership, advocacy and collaboration

Objective: To facilitate partnerships, lead key local health and wellbeing awareness initiatives and advocate on behalf of the community to improve outcomes for the community.		
Strategy	2017/18 Actions	Measure
1.1 Assist in building strong and effective partnerships with local health and wellbeing service providers to deliver quality outcomes, reduce duplication and fragmentation of effort.	Collaborate on aligning and complementing health and wellbeing strategy plans, priorities and processes with Southern Melbourne Primary Care Partnership (PCP) members.	Ongoing involvement in Primary Care Partnership (PCP) meetings and projects, and active participation in evaluation processes with PCP partner plans.
	Investigate opportunities to partner with local community health services on health and wellbeing initiatives.	Partner on two health initiatives per year.
1.2 Increase the availability of public health and wellbeing information in the local community.	Ensure current information relating to health status and health services is easily accessible by the community.	Publication of Glen Eira health data profile on Council's website.
		Distribute current health and wellbeing information and publications to PCP partners, local service providers and the wider community.
1.3 Advocate on behalf of residents to State and Federal Governments for affordable, accessible and appropriate public health and wellbeing services.	Advocate in partnership with PCP members for reduced maximum bet limits on gaming machines.	Advocacy proposals submitted to State Government.
	Advocate with health partners to obtain funding for national health priority campaigns of relevance to the community.	Advocate with PCP partners on shared health priorities.
1.4 Actively contribute to State and regional health planning networks and forums to assist in planning, promoting and delivering relevant public health and wellbeing initiatives.	Participate in Department of Health and Human Services, Social Planning Network and LGPro planning forums.	Attendance at forums.

## Priority 02: Promote active lifestyles and healthy eating

Objective: To encourage regular physical activity and promote the consumption of safe and nutritious food.		
Strategy	2017/18 Actions	Measure
2.1 Promote National, State and regional campaigns and initiatives to raise awareness of the importance of healthy eating and physical activity.	Identify and promote campaigns that are relevant for the local community.	Health campaigns promoted through Council's website, Facebook page and <i>Glen Eira News</i> .
2.2 Continue to enhance the built environment of our City and partnerships with local community and sporting organisations to provide safe, accessible, inclusive environments for physical activity.	Offer a variety of facilities, including major reserves and sportsgrounds for use by sporting clubs and the general public.	Facilities available for use and for hire all-year-round through Council's Recreation unit.
	Glen Eira Sports and Aquatic Centre (GESAC) to provide a range of opportunities for involvement in recreation, including indoor and outdoor pools, gymnasium, personal training, group exercise and accessibility programs.	GESAC facilities available for use all-year-round.
	Provide a range of physical activity classes for older adults.	Over 50s exercise classes held weekly including chair-based, calisthenics and strength training. Investigate additional opportunities for subsidised exercise classes at a range of venues.
2.3 Promote the availability of safe, healthy and nutritious food in the City.	Inspect registered food businesses to assess compliance with <i>National Food Safety Standards</i> .	Conduct 800 food safety assessments for at least 95 per cent of all registered food businesses.
	Analyse food samples from registered food businesses.	200 food samples analysed per year.
	Eligible local food businesses assessed on healthy menu criteria to improve nutritional value of food offered.	All eligible food businesses assessed each year.
	Ensure Council's Delivered Meals program provides nutritious food choices for older persons.	Nutritious food value of Council's Delivered Meals program reviewed with assistance of dietician.
2.4 Encourage people to consume recommended daily intake of fruit and vegetables and reduce consumption of sweet drinks and unhealthy food.	Encourage children to increase their consumption of fruit and vegetables.	Support and encourage the participation of early childhood services and schools in the <i>Victorian Prevention and Health Promotion Achievement Program</i> , in partnership with local community health services.
		Nutritional information provided to mothers and children at Maternal and Child Health Key Ages and Stages visits.
	Promote water consumption throughout the municipality.	Promote water as the preferred beverage at all Council-run events.

	Deliver nutrition health promotion seminars in partnership with local community health services.	One nutrition seminar delivered per year.
	Encourage residents to grow their own food.	Free community education workshops provided in line with Council's <i>Neighbourhood Sustainable Gardening Program</i> .
	Nutrition information and dietary guidelines posted on Council's website.	Information reviewed and updated annually.

## Priority 03: Respond to family violence

Objective: To work in collaboration with local organisations to improve access to information and services to reduce family violence.		
Strategy	2017/18 Actions	Measure
3.1 Provide community leadership to prevent violence against women.	Maintain internal family violence prevention champions group to foster joint action on family violence across Council departments.	Participation in family violence champions group activities and programs, including one new initiative each year.
	Develop and implement an annual Family Violence Prevention Implementation Plan.	Plan developed that outlines a range of activities and actions focused on preventing violence against women.
		Implement 90% or more of the actions in the annual Family Violence Prevention Implementation Plan.
	Develop a Family Violence Policy.	Family Violence Policy developed and endorsed by Council.
	Support community groups and organisations to apply for community grant funding to address the prevention of family violence and violence against women.	Identify family violence as a priority area in the Community Grants program guidelines and prioritise the assessment of applications that deliver family violence initiatives.
3.2 Promote and participate in National, State and local initiatives that raise awareness of family violence.	Initiatives held for the <i>16 Days of Activism</i> campaign and <i>White Ribbon Day</i> .	Two initiatives held per year.
3.3 Foster joint planning and action with local support organisations to reduce the incidence of family violence.	Maintain partnership with Southern Melbourne Primary Care Partnership (PCP).	Participation in Southern Melbourne PCP and family violence working groups.
	Work in partnership with Women's Health in the South East (WHISE) to implement ' <i>Preventing Violence Together — A Strategy for the Southern Metropolitan Region</i> '.	Participate in projects and initiatives throughout the year.
	Participate in the Municipal Association of Victoria (MAV) <i>Preventing Violence Against Women</i> Network.	Representation on MAV network committee.
3.4 Provide community information and referral to support families at risk of family violence.	All mothers who attend a Glen Eira Maternal and Child Health Service have the opportunity to respond to a family violence risk assessment.	75 per cent of mothers attending Key Ages and Stages visits complete a family violence risk assessment.
	Improve the ability of staff to recognise and respond to families at risk of violence.	Professional training provided to Maternal and Child Health staff to assist families who are experiencing or at risk of family violence.
		Family Violence Lawyer from Peninsula Community Legal Centre made available to provide legal advice and representation services.
		Deliver a compulsory e-learning module on family violence to all new staff.

## Priority 04: Reduce tobacco, alcohol and other drug consumption

Objective: To reduce the impact of smoking, alcohol and other drugs on the community.		
Strategy	2017/18 Actions	Measure
4.1 Promote awareness of the dangers of smoking, alcohol and drug use.	Deliver initiatives that address the issues of drinking, smoking and other drugs across the community.	Partner with local community groups and service providers to run health promotion projects targeting drugs and alcohol.
	Work with local partners to deliver safe driving workshops to young people.	Delivery of <i>Safe Driving Peer Leadership Program</i> in partnership with Taskforce Community Agency.
	Promote health campaigns such as <i>Quit</i> that aim to reduce tobacco, alcohol and other drugs consumption.	One health campaigns promoted in <i>Glen Eira News</i> .
4.2 Encourage a reduction in smoking rates in Glen Eira.	Support local community groups by providing grants relating to non-smoking.	Prioritise programs that promote non-smoking in community grants.
	Improve family health and wellbeing by supporting parents and families to reduce tobacco consumption.	Refer clients to <i>Quit</i> smoking programs under the <i>Maternal Child Health Framework</i> .
4.3 Implement the <i>Victorian Tobacco Act 1987</i> and provide education and enforcement in relation to the sale and advertising of tobacco in local premises, and monitoring smoke free dining and smoke free outdoor areas.	Monitor and enforce standards for the display and sale of cigarettes and smoke free requirements in tobacco retailers, certified tobacconists, eating establishments and licensed premises.	Provide education and conduct inspections in 40 per cent of tobacco retailers, 100 per cent of certified tobacconists, five per cent of eating establishments and 10 per cent of licensed premises.
		Support local businesses in adopting changes to Victorian tobacco legislation.
4.4 Continue to work with and support local community and sporting organisations to promote responsible serving of alcohol, promote smoke free environments and a safe drinking culture.	Responsible service of alcohol courses provided for sporting clubs and other community groups.	Two responsible service of alcohol courses held per year.
	Provide education and support to sporting clubs around the consumption of alcohol and other drugs.	Investigate partnership opportunities to deliver education workshops to sporting clubs in relation to drinking and drug culture.
		Promote and encourage local sporting clubs to participate in the <i>Good Sports</i> program.

## Priority 05: Improve mental health and community connection

Objective: To promote social inclusion and improve mental health in the community.		
Strategy	2017/18 Actions	Measure
5.1 Work in partnership with local community organisations to deliver information and seminars to improve mental health.	Maintain effective working partnerships with mental health service providers to enable appropriate referral and support for mothers and babies.	Ongoing partnership with Alfred Child Youth and Mental Health Service (CYMHS).
	Strengthen the current working relationships with community organisations delivering social support services to connect vulnerable families with Council services.	Ongoing partnership with Community Information Glen Eira (CIGE).
	Maintain partnership with Gambler's Help Southern to monitor gaming and its impact in Glen Eira.	Run a campaign for <i>Gambler's Awareness Month</i> in partnership with Gambler's Help Southern.
5.2 Provide opportunities for increased social connectedness through participation in arts and culture, recreation, sporting and other community activities.	Promote volunteerism and recognise the contribution of volunteers in the community.	Volunteer recognition award ceremony held annually.
		Facilitate a volunteer expo in Glen Eira to build capacity for volunteering in the community.
	Support and encourage the use of community gardens within Glen Eira.	Undertake further investigation into the feasibility of establishing a community garden within the municipality and look to implement.
	Support senior citizens clubs to enhance social inclusion of older persons.	2,000 older residents utilise Council's Senior Citizens Centres each year.
5.3 Support local community organisations to provide local cultural events and festivals.	Provide a range of events, festivals and community celebrations to build social connectedness and promote community inclusion.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <i>Party in the Park</i></li> <li>- <i>Groove and Graze</i></li> <li>- <i>Storytelling Festival</i></li> <li>- <i>Springtime Music</i></li> <li>- <i>My Brother Jack Awards</i></li> </ul>
5.4 Promote inclusion of diverse groups including people with disabilities, people who identify as Aboriginal or Torres Strait islander people, culturally and linguistically diverse communities and LGBTIQ community members.	Council information provided in a range of languages and formats.	Ensure Council publications and resources are available in multiple languages where possible.
		Review accessibility of information and events advertised in Glen Eira News.
	Promote <i>Glen Eira Pride</i> support group for young people who identify as LGBTIQ.	<i>Glen Eira Pride</i> advertised on Council's website and Facebook pages.
	Promote organisations that support diversity groups in Glen Eira.	<i>Glen Eira Disability Service Provider Register</i> reviewed and updated on Council's website annually.
		Support diversity groups through the prioritisation of community grants for multicultural events.
	Council to establish a reconciliation action plan approved by Reconciliation Australia.	Reconciliation action plan developed and approved for implementation.

## Priority 06: Enhance public health protection

Objective: To protect the community from transmissible disease and assist the community to respond to and recover from natural disasters.		
Strategy	2017/18 Actions	Measure
6.1 Protect the community from illness through education and enforcement of public health standards at local food premises, rooming houses, tattooists, beauty therapy businesses and local swimming and spa pools.	Undertake food safety risk assessments of registered food businesses selling 'high risk foods' (aged care facilities, childcare facilities, restaurants, cafes, takeaway premises) to identify and mitigate food safety risks.	Risk assessments conducted at 600 premises per year.
	Inspect all hairdressers, beauty therapists, prescribed accommodation, skin penetration and colonic irrigation businesses to assess the safety and hygiene standards and prevent the spread of infectious disease.	Conduct 220 <i>Public Health and Wellbeing Act 2008</i> inspections for at least 95 per cent of all public health and wellbeing businesses.
	Inspect all tattooist premises to assess the safety and hygiene standards and prevent the spread of infectious disease.	Inspect all tattooist premises.
	Regular analysis of water quality from all local public swimming and spa pools to assess the water quality and hygiene levels at each facility.	Conduct water sampling at each public swimming and spa pool.
6.2 Respond to community concerns about local issues that may be dangerous to health.	Investigate and respond to public health nuisance complaints including residential sewerage spills and residential noise control.	Investigate all notified public health nuisance complaints.
	Investigate community concerns about asbestos and provide community education about safe asbestos removal.	Investigate all complaints about unsafe asbestos removal.
	Investigate incidents of infectious disease outbreaks and notifications.	Investigate all notified incidents of infectious disease outbreaks and notifications.
6.3 Co-ordinate, promote and deliver immunisation programs to protect the community from vaccine preventable disease.	Provide vaccinations to infants and school children in accordance with the <i>National Immunisation Schedule</i> .	8,000 vaccinations provided to infants and school children.
6.4 Review Council's <i>Emergency Management Plan</i> , <i>Heatwave Plan</i> , <i>Flood Plan</i> and <i>Pandemic Plan</i> , and provide the community with up-to-date information to better response to and recover from emergencies and extreme weather events.	Heatwave information and flood safety posted on Council's website and factsheets delivered to libraries, seniors' centres, maternal and child health centres, neighbourhood houses and swimming pools.	Information reviewed and updated annually.
	Regularly review Council's <i>Heat Wave Response Plan</i> and implement the <i>Plan</i> when triggered.	Plan reviewed annually.

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**Attachments:** 1 - Summary Table of Approaches to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander acknowledgment and recognition regarding flags  
2- Flying the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Flags (Reconciliation Australia)

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**PURPOSE AND SUMMARY**

At the Council meeting on 4 July 2017 Council requested that “*officers prepare a report regarding how Victorian Councils (including Glen Eira) have integrated Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander acknowledgment and recognition, notably in regard to flags, at Council buildings and specifically during council functions, such as citizenship ceremonies. Ideally, this report should feed into the Glen Eira Reconciliation Action Plan*”.

This report explores the approach that nine Councils currently apply in acknowledging and recognising Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people including the flying of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander flags.

**RECOMMENDATION**

That Council notes the report.

**BACKGROUND**

In March 2016 Council endorsed a Reconciliation Policy as a first step towards the process of working towards reconciliation with our nation’s first peoples.

On 12 April 2017, Council resolved to proceed with the development of a formal Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP) through Reconciliation Australia. The RAP will outline practical actions that Council will take to build stronger relationships and enhanced respect between Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and other Australians. The RAP framework will incorporate the key principles of *Relationships, Respect and Opportunities*.

As part of the developmental process for Council’s Reconciliation Action Plan further research has been undertaken to explore how other Councils support Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander recognition and acknowledgment through the application of flags and other cultural protocols, publications, events and processes.

Eight Councils have been examined including six metropolitan Councils (Glen Eira, Bayside, Hobson’s Bay, Kingston, Port Phillip and Stonnington) one interface Council (Yarra Ranges) and one regional Council (Greater Geelong).

**ISSUES AND DISCUSSION**

There are three key types of acknowledgement for First Peoples:

- Welcome to Country
- Acknowledgement to Country
- Flying of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island flag.

**Welcome to Country** is reserved for major civic and ceremonial events of significance, such as Citizenship Ceremonies or major openings and festivals. The specific wording and delivery of an Acknowledgement of Country and/or who should be asked to deliver a Welcome to Country varies. Welcome to Country should always be delivered by a representative of the recognised aboriginal group.

**Acknowledgement to Country** is generally given at smaller civic events and meetings. This acknowledgement can be delivered by any person and the specific wording and delivery of an Acknowledgement of Country varies.

**Flying the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander flags** demonstrates Australia's recognition of First Nation peoples, promoting a sense of community partnership and a commitment toward reconciliation. Flying the flags is a highly visible symbol of respect and can be used to promote a sense of community.

#### **Flag Protocols**

The current protocol for flying the Australian flag is issued by the Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet. The governing principle is that The Australian flag should not be flown in a position inferior to that of any other flag.

The protocol also states; "...on Aboriginal or Torres Strait Island occasions for their peoples, the Australian Aboriginal Flag or the Torres Strait Islander Flag may follow the Australian National Flag ahead of other flags prescribed under the Flags Act 1953".

*(Australian flags – Part 2: The protocols for the appropriate use and the flying of the flag)*

Reconciliation Australia has produced a framework around the flying of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander flags (Attachment 2) but these are not nationally recognised protocols. As such there exists considerable variation amongst Councils around the flying of the Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander flags.

### **APPROACHES TO ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND RECOGNITION**

There are diverse responses to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island recognition in Local Government. For this report, information on the acknowledgements and recognition of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people currently being implemented across eight local governments was investigated (see Attachment 1). In summary:

- Each Council incorporates both Welcome to Country and Acknowledgement of Country as a key way of acknowledging respect to First Peoples.
- Welcome to Country is delivered by an Aboriginal representative at each civic event.
- Acknowledgement to Country is used in each Council. In these acknowledgements some Council's broadly acknowledge the Kulin Nation and avoid singular acknowledgement of specific Aboriginal language group or community. Other Councils acknowledge all groups who make claims of original custodianship.
- All fly the Aboriginal flag and Australian flag but have different approaches as to when.

#### **Flying the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander flags**

Councils researched for this report all fly the Australian flag permanently at town hall and main civic centres. In relation to the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander flags the following was found:

- The Aboriginal flag and Torres Strait Islander flag fly permanently along with the Australian flag at major civic centres in Bayside, Greater Geelong, Stonnington and Port Phillip. For example Port Phillip fly the Australian flag on the clock tower of StKilda Town Hall and fly the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander flag either side of the Australian flag on the green leading to the Town Hall building.
- The Aboriginal flag and Australian flag fly permanently at the town hall or at major civic centres in Kingston, Hobsons Bay and Yarra Ranges. For example both Yarra Ranges and Kingston fly the Australian and Aboriginal flags on flag poles in front of the main entrance of their Civic Centres in Cheltenham and Lilydale. Yarra Ranges also fly both flags in their Council chambers on indoor flag poles.
- The Aboriginal flag is flown at mast head from the highest flagpole (replacing the Australian flag) for Sorry Day and NAIDOC Week across Port Philip at the St Kilda, South Melbourne and Port Melbourne Town Halls.
- The Torres Strait Islander flag is added to flags flown in Hobsons Bay on significant dates.
- Kingston and Yarra Ranges do not currently fly the Torres Strait Islander flag.

### **Other types of acknowledgement and recognition**

Five of the Victorian Councils researched for this report have a Reconciliation Action Plan (endorsed through Reconciliation Australia); or a similar plan outside of Reconciliation Australia endorsement.

These Councils utilise different approaches to acknowledge and recognise Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people through written publications and statements, visual displays and exhibits and cultural events. In summary:

- Four Councils issue Statements of Commitment
- Most Councils have references to the history of indigenous people, three have commissioned and published either comprehensive cultural histories or background research publications and one has developed an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Protocols framework.
- Most Councils deliver a range of celebrations, events and interpretive projects celebrating Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture. Events include NAIDOC Week, Reconciliation Week, Arts Festivals as well as interpretive trails, markers and panels and the Rivers to Recognition Project.
- One Council has a formal Aboriginal naming Policy.
- Three Councils provide designated places commonly named Gathering Places to support indigenous connections that deliver cultural programs and activities.

### **Considerations for the Glen Eira Reconciliation Plan**

Glen Eira Council's process for the development of a Reconciliation Action Plan has begun with forming relationships and establishing a development plan. Glen Eira should consider including the following strategies in its RAP for acknowledgement and recognition of First Peoples:

- Flying the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander flags permanently at Town Hall along with the Australian flag. (There are set protocols for the location of other flags in relation to the Australian Flag)

- Developing a formal Statement of Commitment
- Commissioning a local Aboriginal cultural history
- Developing an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Protocol Framework
- Expanding acknowledgement of significant days and events such as Mabo Day, Sorry Day
- Developing an Aboriginal naming Policy

### **FINANCIAL, RESOURCE AND ASSET MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS**

Glen Eira currently engages the Boon Wurrung Foundation to deliver a Welcome to Country at approximately eight (8) Citizenship Ceremonies per year, at a cost of \$600 (exc GST) per event. It costs \$2,590 per annum to raise and lower the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander flags during National Reconciliation Week and NAIDOC Week due to the need for a cherry picker and specialist staff.

Additional expenditure on recognition activities is incurred for NAIDOC and Reconciliation Week events, library or arts events and/or any interpretive signage in parks.

### **POLICY AND LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS**

The Aboriginal Heritage Act 2006 and 2016 amendments and the Aboriginal Heritage Regulations 2007 guide the protection of Aboriginal cultural heritage in Victoria including both tangible and intangible Aboriginal history.

### **COMMUNICATION AND ENGAGEMENT**

This report included telephone and email consultation with seven Victorian Councils. It also included a thorough survey of Council websites and publicly available documentation.

### **LINK TO COUNCIL PLAN**

Glen Eira Community Plan 2017-2021

Theme **3** Safe, Healthy and Inclusive and Theme **5**, Informed and Engaged

### **OFFICER DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

No officers involved in the preparation of this report have any direct or indirect interest in this matter.

### **CONCLUSION**

There are no nationally recognised standards, protocols and procedures around *integrating Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander acknowledgement and recognition* in Council activities. The development of a Reconciliation Action Plan for Glen Eira Council is a significant step in establishing Councils approach to acknowledge and respect Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

## Attachment 1

### Local Government Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander acknowledgement and recognition summary table

LGA	Strategies, Policies and Plans ##	Flag Raising Policy/Procedure	Acknowledgement of Country and Welcome to Country	Place naming Policy	Other publicly available documents or acknowledgements	Major events and/or interpretive projects; or existence of Gathering Places	Staff Cultural Protocols
Glen Eira	Reconciliation Policy	<p>Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander flags suspended from front of Town Hall for NAIDOC Week and Reconciliation Week.</p> <p>Australian flag flies permanently.</p> <p>Flags also displayed indoors at Citizenship Ceremonies</p>	<p>Welcome to Country delivered at Citizenship Ceremonies and other major civic events.</p> <p>Acknowledgement of Country delivered at the discretion of the Mayor at other civic events.</p>	No	<p><a href="#">Historical information on website</a></p> <p>Acknowledgement on insert of front cover - Glen Eira Council and Community Plan 2017-2021</p>	<p>Mallanbool Reserve Kulin Interpretive Trail</p> <p>Booran Reserve Interpretive Panels</p> <p>Reconciliation Week event</p>	No
Bayside	No	<p>Aboriginal, Torres Strait Islander Flags and Australian flag fly permanently at Corporate Centre. During Reconciliation and NAIDOC Week, flags are lowered and raised again as part of a formal ceremony, alongside an Acknowledgement of Country</p>	<p>No specific protocols or procedures around Welcome to Country</p> <p>Acknowledgement to Country given at all civic ceremonies and events (Citizenship, Council meetings)</p>	No	<p><a href="#">Statement of Commitment</a></p> <p><a href="#">Information on Bayside's Indigenous Structure</a></p>	<p><a href="#">Reconciliation Week flag raising ceremony</a></p> <p><a href="#">Indigenous Coastal Trail</a></p>	No

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Greater Geelong	<a href="#">Kareenga Aboriginal Action Plan 2014-17</a>	Aboriginal, Torres Strait Islander and Australian flags flown permanently at City Hall since 2014.	<p>Welcome to Country for major civic ceremonies.</p> <p>Acknowledgement of Country always on Council agenda and given at most Council events.</p>	No	<p><a href="#">Acknowledgement of Country</a></p> <p><a href="#">Indigenous Statement of Recognition and Commitment 2009</a></p>	<p><a href="#">NAIDOC Week celebration</a></p> <p><a href="#">Reconciliation Week Digital Projection</a></p>	Not specifically, but staff are made aware of specific wording for acknowledgement
Hobson's Bay	<a href="#">Reconciliation Action Plan (draft)</a>	<p>Council currently flies Victorian State, Aboriginal and Australian flags permanently at Altona.</p> <p>During Reconciliation Week and NAIDOC Week, Victorian flag is removed and replaced with Torres Strait Islander flag. Members of the Aboriginal community are invited to be flag raisers.</p>	<p>Welcome to Country at major events and civic ceremonies</p> <p>Work currently being undertaken to streamline specific wording of Acknowledgement of Country.</p> <p>Acknowledges the Kulin more broadly rather than specific language groups.</p> <p>.</p>	<p>No, but listed as an action in the RAP</p> <p>Council state <i>Wominjeka</i> at some building entrances alongside 'Welcome' in many other languages</p>	<p><a href="#">Rivers to Recognition Project</a></p> <p>Acknowledgement at start of Council Plan 2017-2021 and Annual Reports</p>	<p><a href="#">Reconciliation Week Events</a></p> <p><a href="#">NAIDOC Week Celebrations</a></p> <p><a href="#">Sorry Day</a> acknowledgement</p> <p>Laverton Community Hub is a place where social elders and community members meet as part of an Aboriginal specific peer group</p>	Not currently

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Kingston	<a href="#">Aboriginal Policy and Action Plan</a>	<p>Aboriginal and Australian flag flown permanently at Cheltenham and Mentone civic offices and at the Arts Centre in Moorabbin.</p> <p>Aboriginal flag flown permanently at Attenborough Park.</p> <p>Torres Strait Islander flag not flown at any site.</p>	<p>Welcome to Country for NAIDOC Week and major openings (eg. Gathering Place).</p> <p>Acknowledgement of Country at all other civic and cultural events given by the Mayor and CEO.</p>	No	<a href="#">Brief Indigenous history</a>	<p><a href="#">Gathering Place (Deerimut Wheelam)</a></p> <p>Reconciliation Week events and NAIDOC Week celebrations</p>	No
Port Phillip	<a href="#">Reconciliation Action Plan</a>  <a href="#">Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Art Strategy</a>	<p>Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander flags flown permanently at St Kilda Town Hall only due to building requirements at other sites.</p> <p>For significant days/weeks, (NAIDOC, Sorry Day) Aboriginal flag replaces Australian flag on main flagpoles at all civic buildings.</p> <p>Special flag raising ceremonies with a Smoking Ceremony are performed.</p>	<p>Welcome to Country at major civic events and ceremonies</p> <p>Acknowledgement of Country given at meetings, small civic events or gatherings for internal staff.</p>	<p>Yes.</p> <p>Referred to in the Protocols Framework (p.16)</p>	<p><a href="#">Statement of Commitment</a></p> <p>Acknowledgements within Council Plan and Annual Reports</p> <p><a href="#">Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Protocols Framework</a> providing guidance around flags, place naming, and specific wording of acknowledgements</p> <p><a href="#">Yalukit WillamThe RiverPeopleof Port Phillip - cultural history</a></p>	<p><a href="#">Ngaree to Nelm</a> 'Once as it was' map</p> <p><a href="#">Yalukit Willam Ngaree Festival</a></p> <p><a href="#">Reconciliation Week events and NAIDOC Week celebrations</a></p> <p>Urban South Gathering Place</p>	Staff can refer to the publicly available Protocols Framework.

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Stonnington	<a href="#">Reconciliation Action Plan</a>	Aboriginal, Torres Strait Islander and Australian flag flown permanently at Prahran and Malvern Town Halls	<p>Welcome to Country at Citizenship Ceremonies and major festivals.</p> <p>Published <a href="#">Acknowledgement Statement</a> read at Council meetings and small civic events, official occasions where Mayor is present</p>	No	<p><a href="#">Public Statement of Commitment</a></p> <p><a href="#">Acknowledgement Statement</a></p> <p>Acknowledgement in Annual Report</p>	<a href="#">Indigenous History Markers Project and Commissioned Historical Report</a>	Public web site info pages used for staff
Yarra Ranges	<a href="#">Reconciliation Framework</a>	<p>Aboriginal and Australian flag flown permanently at Lilydale Civic Centre.</p> <p>Future civic centre redevelopment will see Aboriginal, Torres Strait Islander and Australian flags flown permanently.</p>	<p>Acknowledgement (developed by Indigenous Advisory Committee) given at every civic event of significance.</p> <p>Welcome to Country delivered at Reconciliation Week, NAIDOC Week events, Australian Day and Citizenship Ceremonies</p>	No	<p><a href="#">Statement of Apology and Statement of Commitment to Indigenous Australians 1997</a></p> <p><a href="#">Reconciliation Paper including background and cultural history</a></p>	<p><a href="#">Reconciliation Week event</a></p> <p><a href="#">NAIDOC Week celebrations</a></p>	No

## All plans titled **Reconciliation Action Plans** have been endorsed through Reconciliation Australia.

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Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples should be aware that this publication may contain images or names of people who have since passed away.

### **Q and A – Flying the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander flags**



#### **1. Why are there two different flags for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples?**

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples represent two distinct cultures. Each cultural group has its own flag, representing its own unique identity. It is important to recognise that even within each group, various languages and traditions are practiced across Australia. Some groups may have their own flags or adaptations of these flags.

#### **2. Why is flying the flags important?**

Flying the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander flags demonstrates Australia's recognition of First Nation peoples, promoting a sense of community partnership and a commitment toward reconciliation. Flying the flags is a highly visible symbol of respect and can be used to promote a sense of community, create a welcoming environment and can demonstrate a commitment towards closing the gap.

#### **3. What do the flags mean?**

In 1995, both the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander flags were recognised as official flags of Australia under Commonwealth legislation.

The Aboriginal Flag was designed by Harold Thomas, a Luritja man from Central Australia. According to Mr Thomas, the meaning of the flag is represented through:

- Black: the Aboriginal peoples of Australia
- Yellow: the Sun, the giver of life and protector
- Red: the red earth, red ochre and a spiritual relationship to the land

The flag was first flown at Victoria Square in Adelaide on National Aborigines Day, 12 July 1971, after which it was chosen as the flag for the Aboriginal Tent Embassy in 1972.

The Torres Strait Islander flag was designed by the late Bernard Namok from Thursday Island. The flag was recognised by the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Commission in June 1992 and given equal prominence with the Aboriginal flag. The meaning of the Torres Strait Islander flag is represented through:

- Green: the land
- Blue: the sea
- White: peace
- Black: the Torres Strait Islander peoples

At the centre of the Torres Strait Islander flag is a dhari (headdress), which represents the people of the Torres Strait Islands. The five pointed star in the middle of the dhari represents the five major island groups, as well as the importance of stars for navigational purposes.

#### **4. How should Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander flags be displayed?**

The Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander flags should be flown and displayed in a dignified manner. This means that they should not be used as a curtain to unveil a monument or plaque, or used as table or seat covers. Flags should not be allowed to fall or lie upon the ground.

Flags should not be flown at night unless they are properly lit. Each flag should be flown from a separate flagpole. It is considered best practice for each flag flown to be the same size and on flagpoles of the same height. Tattered, torn or dilapidated flags should not be flown, and may be destroyed privately.

It is also important that flags are flown in an upright position. For the Aboriginal flag, this means that the black half is above the red. For the Torres Strait Islander flag, this means that the star is positioned below the dhari (headdress). Both flags are of equal importance and individual circumstances determine which flag, if not both, should be flown.

It is very important that community is consulted prior to the raising of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander flags. This is a way of showing respect for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, their concerns and their right to self-determination.

#### **5. What about copyright?**

In 1997, the Federal Court of Australia declared that Harold Thomas was the owner of the copyright in the design of the Aboriginal flag. This means that for all uses of the Australian Aboriginal flag, permission must be sought from Harold Thomas. Since 1997, Mr Thomas has awarded world rights solely to Carroll and Richardson Flagworld Pty Ltd for the manufacture and marketing of the flag.<sup>1</sup> Flags that do not have a white header at the left side or flags that do not show the Carroll and Richardson label could be infringing copyright.<sup>2</sup>

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<http://aiatsis.gov.au/explore/articles/aboriginal-flag>

<sup>2</sup> <http://www.aiatsis.gov.au/fastfacts/aboriginalflag.html>

The copyright of the Torres Strait Islander flag is held by the Torres Strait Island Regional Council. The Torres Strait Islander Regional Council permits the reproduction of the Torres Strait Islander flag only under the conditions that:<sup>3</sup>

- Where appropriate, recognition is given to the original designer, the late Mr Bernard Namok
- The original PMS (Pantone Matching System) flag colours must be used
- Permission is to be received in writing from the Torres Strait Island Regional Council prior to its use

Although official permission is not required to fly either the Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander flag, Reconciliation Australia always encourages consultation with the local community when doing so.

## **6. In what order should the flags be flown in?**

The Australian flag should take a position of precedence over other flags. This means that if all flagpoles are of the same height, the Australian flag is positioned on the extreme left hand side (as seen by those facing it). This may then be followed by state/territory flags and then the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander flags. The Aboriginal Flag or the Torres Strait Islander flag may be flown in either order, as they are both of equal standing in the order of precedence. Where one flagpole is taller than others, the Australian flag should be placed on the tallest flagpole, with other flags below it. Other flags should once again be ordered by precedence from left to right.

On some occasions, the Aboriginal flag or the Torres Strait Islander flag may follow the Australian Nation flag ahead of other flags.

## **7. Where can I find out more?**

We recommend seeking further reading on how best to respect Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, cultures and histories through flying the flags. [Queensland Health](#) has a comprehensive resource and the Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies (AIATSIS) has useful information on the background and meaning of both the [Aboriginal flag](#) and the [Torres Strait Islander flag](#).

Further information can be obtained from the [Australian Government website](#) or via:

Commonwealth Flag Officer  
Honours, Symbols and Territories Branch  
Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet  
PO Box 6500  
CANBERRA ACT 2600  
[nationalsymbols@pmc.gov.au](mailto:nationalsymbols@pmc.gov.au)

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<sup>3</sup> <http://www.tsirc.qld.gov.au/%3Cfront%3E/torres-strait-flag>

*Example 1: Australian flag, Aboriginal flag, Torres Strait Islander flag. Note: the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander flag may be placed on either side of the Australian flag.*



*Example 2: Australian flag, ACT flag, Aboriginal flag.*



*Example 3: Australian flag, ACT flag, Torres Strait Islander flag.*



*Example 4: Australian flag, ACT flag, Aboriginal flag, Torres Strait Islander flag, ensigns or pennants.*



**ITEM 9.7 COMMUNITY GRANTS RECOMMENDATIONS**

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**Attachments:** 1 - Community Services Grants Recommendations  
2 - Festivals and Events Grants Recommendations  
3 - Community Services Grants Recommendations conflict of interest  
4 - Festivals and Events Grants Recommendations conflict of interest

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**PURPOSE AND SUMMARY**

To seek endorsement of the 2017-2018 Community Grant recommendations outlined in Attachments 1 to 4.

**RECOMMENDATION**

- A. That Council endorses the Community Services Grants recommendations in Attachment 1 and the Festivals and Events Grants recommendations in Attachment 2
- B. That Council endorses the recommendations for Glen Eira Adult Learning Centre in Attachment 3
- C. That Council endorses the recommendations for Carnegie Main Street in Attachment 4

**BACKGROUND**

Council's 2017-2018 Community Grants Program received 182 applications consisting of the following:

- 169 Community Services Grant applications from 160 not-for-profit community groups and organisations requesting \$699,749 in funding; and
- 13 Community Festivals and Event Grant applications requesting \$118,040 in funding.

Officers considered all applications against the grant criteria and guidelines and developed recommendations for Council's Community Grants Committee.

The Committee met on three occasions to consider Officer recommendations and make recommendations to Council.

- The Committee, consisting of Cr Dan Sztrajt (Chair), Cr Nina Taylor and Cr Tony Athanasopoulos, met on 3 July 2017.
- A quorum of the Committee, consisting of Cr Nina Taylor and Cr Tony Athanasopoulos, met on 11 July 2017.
- A quorum of the Committee, consisting of Cr Dan Sztrajt (Chair) and Cr Nina Taylor, met on 18 July 2017.

**ISSUES AND DISCUSSION**

The recommendations to Council are structured in several parts due to conflict of interest declared by Councillors.

**FINANCIAL, RESOURCE AND ASSET MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS**

The total amount of funding recommended for Community Services Grants in 2017-2018 is \$293,959. This represents funding of one hundred and thirty-four (134) grants to one hundred and thirty-three (133) organisations.

The total amount of funding recommended for Festivals and Events Grants in 2017-2018 is \$64,972. This represents funding of eleven (11) grants to eleven (11) organisations.

The Community Grants budget is a total of \$360,000 annually. A small portion of the budget is reserved and allocated across the year for incidental Facilities Only Grants.

**POLICY AND LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS**

The Grant program meets Council's Community Grant Policy objectives:

- To assist community organisations to establish, extend and improve programs and services that address local needs and improve health outcomes for Glen Eira residents, in accordance with Council's strategic objectives and funding priorities.
- To encourage voluntary activity, strengthen community participation and the contribution of local groups and organisations to community life.

**COMMUNICATION AND ENGAGEMENT**

The Community Grants Program is widely publicised through Glen Eira publications, including the Glen Eira News, the Connect newsletter, the Council website, an annual workshop series and correspondence with local community groups and organisations.

**LINK TO COUNCIL AND COMMUNITY PLAN**

The Community Grants Program aligns with the Glen Eira Community Plan under *Theme 3: Safe, Healthy and Inclusive*.

The Community Grants Program meets the Strategic objective to "Support access to a range of quality and valued services that meet the community's needs."

**OFFICER DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

No officers involved in the preparation of this report have any direct or indirect interest in this matter.

**CONCLUSION**

The Community Grants Program in 2017-2018 was delivered according to set policy, guidelines and procedural requirements.

The final recommendations to Council are outlined in Attachments 1 to 4.

The final figures for the Community Grants Program 2017-2018 are:

- Community Services Grants recommendations: \$293,959
- Community Festival and Events Grants recommendations: \$64,972

**COUNCIL MEETING – 15 August 2017**  
**COMMUNITY GRANTS RECOMMENDATIONS 2017 -18**

**Community Services Grants 2017-18**

	Applicant	Funding Description	Amount Funded
1	10th Caulfield Scout Group	To contribute towards Cubs attending Cuboree.	\$1,114
2	15th Brighton Scout Group	To contribute towards implementing a youth gardening program.	\$1,500
3	Access Inc.	To contribute towards a "Pop-up Café" to provide people with a disability with work place experience, and support disability inclusion.	\$6,000
4	Association of former inmates of Nazi Concentration Camps and Ghettos from the former Soviet Union	To contribute towards operational costs to support a group that delivers social connection and active ageing.	\$1,500
5	Australian Scrabble Players' Association (Vic) Inc.	To contribute towards venue hire to support weekly scrabble games to encourage community participation and support inclusion for people of all ages and abilities.	\$500
6	Bayside Auxiliary Royal Flying Doctor Service	To support facility hire to operate stalls for fundraising.	\$675
7	Bentleigh Chinese Community Association	To contribute towards operational costs to support a group that delivers social connection and active ageing.	\$3,000
8	Bentleigh Chinese Senior Support Group Inc.	To contribute towards operational costs to support a group that delivers social connection and active ageing.	\$3,000
9	Bentleigh East Kindergarten	To contribute towards building an Indigenous themed talking circle including construction and planting.	\$2,000
10	Bentleigh Garden Club	To contribute towards operational costs to support a group that delivers social connection and active ageing.	\$250
11	Bentleigh West Kindergarten Inc.	To contribute towards the creation of an all-weather play and learning area.	\$2,000
12	Bentmoor Community Men's Shed	To support the purchase of tools (lathe and bandsaw) for the Men's Shed to support the health and wellbeing and social connections of men in the community.	\$2,698
13	B'nai Brith Anti-Defamation Commission	To contribute towards the Click Against Hate program that aims to address tolerance, inclusion and racism.	\$2,000
14	B'nai Brith Fellowship Group	To contribute towards operational costs to support a group that delivers social connection and active ageing.	\$2,500
15	B'nai Brith Victoria Jewish Youth Eisteddfod	To contribute towards an annual music Eisteddfod competition for Jewish youth; including facility hire of the Auditorium.	\$2,500
16	Book Club 'Erudite'	To support facility hire of the Auditorium to stage a Russian heritage and cultural event.	\$942
17	Brady Road Kindergarten	To contribute towards the redevelopment of the creek bed play space, specifically the river rock area.	\$2,000
18	Carnegie Choir Group	To support facility hire of the Boyd Room to assist with the Carnegie Community Choir's practice sessions.	\$990
19	Carnegie Church of Christ - Open Hands	To support a weekly community meal program for disadvantaged people in the local area.	\$3,000
20	Carnegie Kindergarten	To contribute towards the upgrade of the children's bathroom.	\$2,000
21	Carnegie Masters Swimming Club Inc.	To support the purchase of equipment for a new swimming club to encourage community participation, recreation and leisure activities.	\$605
22	Carnegie Murrumbene Senior Citizens	To contribute towards operational costs to support a group that delivers social connection and active ageing.	\$500

	Applicant	Funding Description	Amount Funded
23	Carnegie Neighbourhood Watch	To support facility hire of Packer Park meeting room for Carnegie Neighbourhood Watch to meet to address crime and prepare their newsletter.	\$200
24	Caulfield Community Toy Library	To contribute towards the purchase of storage and toys to encourage imaginative play.	\$4,000
25	Caulfield Over 50s Dance Group Inc.	To assist with facility hire to support a group that delivers social connection and active ageing.	\$7,500
26	Caulfield Park Sports Club Inc.	To contribute towards a Bowls Victoria accredited program to encourage community participation, support inclusion and promote physical activity.	\$6,051
27	Caulfield South Community House	To contribute towards the implementation of a Children's Wonderland Exploration Play Garden.	\$2,540
28	Caulfield South Community House	To support the upgrade of the garden beds and paths of the community garden to improve accessibility for people with disabilities (wheelchair and walking frame accessibility)	\$2,600
29	Caulfield South Kindergarten	To contribute towards the installation of a shade sail over the sandpit.	\$2,000
30	Centre Bentleigh Garden Club	To contribute towards operational costs to support a group that delivers social connection and active ageing.	\$300
31	Circolo Pensionati Italiani Di Bentleigh	To contribute towards operational costs to support a group that delivers social connection and active ageing.	\$2,500
32	City of Glen Eira Band Inc.	To contribute towards costs associated with the transportation of band equipment to events.	\$2,000
33	City Of Moorabbin Historical Society Inc.	To support operational costs in running the Box Cottage museum.	\$3,404
34	Coatesville Sporting Association Inc.	To support a fee subsidy program for players from low socio-economic families to support inclusion and physical activity and play.	\$800
35	Compass Community Care	To support the parenting program "Tuning into Kids".	\$1,180
36	D J Coakley East Bentleigh Senior Citizens Club Inc.	To contribute towards operational costs to support a group that delivers social connection and active ageing.	\$3,000
37	East Bentleigh Soccer Club	To contribute to a range of program activities that encourage volunteering and develop recreation and leisure opportunities.	\$3,700
38	Elsternwick Toddlers Playgroup (ETP) Inc.	To contribute towards updating the playgroup's imaginative playing areas.	\$1,000
39	Etz Chayim Progressive Synagogue Inc.	To contribute towards operational costs to support a group that delivers social connection and active ageing.	\$2,000
40	Fortunate Footy Cards	To contribute towards the expansion of the fortunate footy cards program.	\$500
41	Friends of Caulfield Park	To support facility hire of the Caulfield Park Bandstand to run music series open to the community to attend and enjoy.	\$1,146
42	Gladys E Machin Senior Citizens Club	To contribute towards operational costs to support a group that delivers social connection and active ageing.	\$2,000
43	Glen Eira Amateur Football Club	To contribute towards an injury prevention course, AFL coaching course and equipment costs.	\$1,000
44	Glen Eira Artists' Society	To contribute towards facility hire and expenses in delivering a range of art programs including art classes, cityscape program and community arts events.	\$2,500
45	Glen Eira Cheltenham Art Group Inc.	To support facility hire of the Art Gallery.	\$750
46	Glen Eira Chinese Seniors Citizens Club	To contribute towards operational costs to support a group that delivers social connection and active ageing.	\$3,000
47	Glen Eira City Choir	To support facility hire of the Auditorium to support the choir's annual concert.	\$1,884
48	Glen Eira Combined Probus Club Inc.	To contribute towards operational costs to support a group that delivers social connection and active ageing.	\$2,500

	Applicant	Funding Description	Amount Funded
49	Glen Eira Historical Society Inc.	To support expenses associated with maintaining the collection and preservation of history of Glen Eira and its residents.	\$4,000
50	Glen Eira Italian Senior Citizen Club	To contribute towards operational costs to support a group that delivers social connection and active ageing.	\$2,000
51	Glen Eira Junior Soccer Club	To contribute towards soccer coaching courses for the development of female soccer teams.	\$1,000
52	Glen Eira Moorabbin Softball Association	To contribute towards program costs to recruit and retain players in an amateur sport.	\$1,000
53	Glen Eira Neighbourhood Watch	To support the replacement of Neighbourhood Watch street signs.	\$877
54	Glen Eira University of Third Age	To contribute towards operational costs to support a group that delivers social connection and active ageing.	\$1,200
55	Glenhuntly Athletic Club Inc.	To support facility hire of the Pavilion, track and oval.	\$500
56	Glover Street Kindergarten	To contribute towards building an indigenous themed talking circle.	\$2,000
57	Greek Cyprian Senior Citizens Community of Glen Eira	To contribute towards operational costs to support a group that delivers social connection and active ageing.	\$2,500
58	Greek Elderly Club of Caulfield	To contribute towards operational costs to support a group that delivers social connection and active ageing.	\$1,500
59	Greek Senior Citizens Association of Moorabbin Inc.	To contribute towards operational costs to support a group that delivers social connection and active ageing.	\$2,000
60	Greek Senior Citizens Club of Carnegie and Murrumbeena	To contribute towards operational costs to support a group that delivers social connection and active ageing.	\$3,000
61	Greek Senior Citizens Of Southern Eastern Regions and Districts	To contribute towards operational costs to support a group that delivers social connection and active ageing.	\$2,000
62	Greek Women's Senior Citizens Club of McKinnon Rhea Inc.	To contribute towards operational costs to support a group that delivers social connection and active ageing.	\$2,000
63	GriefLine Community and Family Services Inc.	To support the 'What About Me' program a therapeutic counselling program for children impacted by family violence, family breakdown and grief and loss.	\$7,500
64	Habonim Dror	To contribute towards gardening education programs by renovating the garden space.	\$4,700
65	Hashomer Hatzair Inc.	To support educational seminars teaching youth leadership skills.	\$576
66	Hineni Youth and Welfare	To contribute towards educational seminars teaching youth leadership skills, and subsidising the participation of young people to attend camp.	\$1,500
67	Inclusion Melbourne	To provide community group volunteers with disability awareness training to support social inclusion for people with intellectual disabilities.	\$3,406
68	Inner South East Melbourne Australian Breastfeeding Association Group	To support facility hire to provide breastfeeding education classes.	\$1,466
69	Italian Pension Club of Kingston Inc.	To contribute towards operational costs to support a group that delivers social connection and active ageing.	\$2,000
70	Italian Senior Citizens Group of Moorabbin Inc.	To contribute towards operational costs to support a group that delivers social connection and active ageing.	\$2,000
71	Italian Senior Citizens Recreation Group of Caulfield	To contribute towards operational costs to support a group that delivers social connection and active ageing.	\$2,000
72	JEMP - Jewish Emergency Management Plan	To contribute towards the redesign of JEMPS 20 question booklet; a booklet distributed to emergency service organisations that provides cultural information on the Jewish community.	\$3,000
73	Jewish Holocaust Centre Inc.	To assist with costs associated with the monthly Thursday club lunch for Holocaust survivors.	\$1,610

	Applicant	Funding Description	Amount Funded
74	Kadimah, Jewish Cultural Centre and National Library	To contribute towards expenses associated with the development of 'A Tribute to the Human Spirit' a cabaret show to be performed in senior's residential facilities.	\$5,200
75	KG Putt Bentleigh Seniors	To contribute towards operational costs to support a group that delivers social connection and active ageing.	\$2,000
76	Kidsafe Victoria	To contribute towards the delivery of home safety presentations covering practical strategies for reducing the risk of injury hazards in homes.	\$2,000
77	Kondia Limnos Senior Citizens Club	To contribute towards operational costs to support a group that delivers social connection and active ageing.	\$2,000
78	Lamm Jewish Library of Australia	To contribute towards printing costs in the publishing of an anthology.	\$1,800
79	Let's Connect Inc.	To contribute towards operational costs to support a group that delivers social connection and active ageing.	\$1,500
80	LIDER school Inc.	To support facility hire to stage an end of year concert.	\$1,884
81	Life Saving Victoria	To contribute towards open water training for youth and the CALD community.	\$2,550
82	Literary Creative Association "Lukomorie" Inc.	To contribute towards operational costs to support a group that delivers social connection and active ageing.	\$500
83	Little Dreamers Australia Inc.	To contribute towards a holiday program for young carers of unwell siblings.	\$2,500
84	Maltese La Vallette Association Inc.	To contribute towards operational costs to support a group that delivers social connection and active ageing.	\$500
85	Marriott Support Services	To contribute towards the expenses associated with a community art exhibition program.	\$5,500
86	McKinnon Kindergarten	To contribute towards the installation of a shade sail over the sandpit.	\$2,000
87	Menorah Magazine	To contribute towards printing of the ethnic magazine Menorah.	\$600
88	Mitzvah Day	To contribute towards supporting a 'good deed' volunteer project specifically for funding of volunteer t-shirts.	\$1,948
89	Monash Gryphons Amateur Football Club	To contribute towards an injury prevention course and sports equipment for a new Auskick Centre on Friday Nights.	\$1,000
90	Moongala Women's Community House	To contribute towards funding an artist / facilitator in delivering a creative arts project.	\$5,000
91	Moorabbin Area Toy Library	To contribute towards the purchase of toys to encourage imaginative play.	\$4,000
92	Murrumbeena House Occasional Care Group Inc.	To contribute towards a customised disability and multicultural training program.	\$2,000
93	Murrumbeena Kindergarten	To contribute towards updating the outdoor play space.	\$2,000
94	Murrumbeena Netball Club Inc.	To support skills training sessions to encourage parents to become volunteer coaches by taking accredited coaches from Netball Victoria.	\$2,000
95	Murrumbeena Park Bowling Club	To contribute towards the program 'Bowling towards the next generation'.	\$7,000
96	Music Enthusiasts Association	To support facility hire of the Auditorium for the staging of a concert to support social connection.	\$942
97	Nadezhda Russian Seniors Citizens Club	To contribute towards operational costs to support a group that delivers social connection and active ageing.	\$2,000
98	National Council of Jewish Women (Victoria) Community Services Inc.	To contribute towards operational costs to support a group that delivers social connection and active ageing.	\$2,000
99	Neighbourhood Watch GEI35	To support facility hire of Town hall meeting rooms for Neighbourhood Watch GEI35 to meet to address crime and prepare their newsletter.	\$1,317
100	Nirkoda Israeli Folk Dance Club Inc.	To contribute towards facility hire to provide a series of Israeli dance workshops, including a dance marathon event.	\$2,218
101	North Caulfield Maccabi Junior Football (Soccer) Club	To contribute towards expenses associated with the development of female soccer teams.	\$1,000

	Applicant	Funding Description	Amount Funded
102	Oakleigh Coptic Senior Social Club	To contribute towards operational costs to support a group that delivers social connection and active ageing.	\$500
103	Ormond Glenhuntly Baseball Club Inc.	To support the update of the club's portable pitching mound.	\$7,500
104	Ormond Senior Citizens Club Inc.	To contribute towards operational costs to support a group that delivers social connection and active ageing.	\$2,000
105	Orrong Road Kindergarten	To contribute towards establishing a mud patch in the outdoor play space.	\$2,000
106	Polish Senior Citizens Club of Caulfield	To contribute towards operational costs to support a group that delivers social connection and active ageing.	\$500
107	Probus Club of Bentleigh Inc.	To contribute towards operational costs to support a group that delivers social connection and active ageing.	\$1,000
108	Probus Club of Moorleigh Inc. (Mens)	To contribute towards operational costs to support a group that delivers social connection and active ageing.	\$1,000
109	Russian Cultural & TV Association Inc. Sputnik	To support facility hire of the Auditorium to assist with the production of Russian language programs on C31 television.	\$942
110	Russian Ethnic Representative Council of Victoria	To contribute towards operational costs and facility hire to support social connection and active ageing.	\$2,500
111	Sandbelt Ladies Probus Club Inc.	To contribute towards operational costs to support a group that delivers social connection and active ageing.	\$1,500
112	Scope (Aust)	To support facility hire for the McKinnon Disco project that supports the inclusion of children with a disability to participate in a mainstream activity for social connection, physical activity and recreational enjoyment.	\$3,300
113	Shalom Association	To support facility hire of the Auditorium, for a festival of music and dance; a collaborative project between Shalom Association and other ethnic community groups in Glen Eira.	\$942
114	Sheela Incorporated	To support the delivery of a Jewish festival focused on women that provides a range of activities and supports inclusion, community and cultural connection and health and wellbeing.	\$2,155
115	Side Door Social Justice Hub	To contribute towards a community space project where several community organisations meet to deliver a range of local community projects.	\$1,000
116	South Caulfield Cricket Club Inc.	To contribute towards the development of female cricket teams through training course, injury prevention course and equipment.	\$1,000
117	South Eastern Centre Against Sexual Assault (SECASA)	To contribute towards a pilot program designed to assist victims of sexual assault/family violence in healing and developing their body awareness.	\$3,280
118	South Eastern Multiple Birth Association	To support multiple birth new member sessions, resource packs and family fun days to encourage social connection.	\$1,788
119	South Oakleigh Wildlife Shelter	To contribute towards project activities for the shelter; specifically educational materials and possum box building materials.	\$4,000
120	St Pauls Caulfield North	To contribute towards a weekly meals program that support social inclusion and connection for vulnerable members of the community.	\$3,000
121	St Peters Cancer Support Group	To contribute towards operational costs to assist a cancer support group.	\$465
122	St Vincent De Paul Society - Bentleigh/Moorabbin	To contribute towards running an outreach program providing supermarket cards for disadvantaged families in Bentleigh, Bentleigh East and McKinnon.	\$3,000
123	Temple Society Australia	To contribute towards an intergenerational family fun day; specifically the BBQ lunch and afternoon tea.	\$200
124	The Argos & District Australian Greek Citizens Club of Kasteria Inc.	To contribute towards operational costs to support a group that delivers social connection and active ageing.	\$500
125	The Club of Bards Song "the Southern Cross"	To support facility hire of the Theatre to deliver a collaborative creative writing and performance of folk songs for the Russian community	\$1,389
126	The Holland Foundation	To contribute towards the delivery of a retail training program to reconnect disadvantaged people and youth to work experience and training.	\$2,500

	Applicant	Funding Description	Amount Funded
127	The Trustee for the NCJW (Victoria) Social Support Trust	To contribute towards expanding the reach of the Caring Mums Program, a home based support program for pregnant women and mothers of newborn babies from different socioeconomic and cultural backgrounds.	\$5,875
128	Tony's Cafe Soup Kitchen	To contribute towards running an outreach program providing weekly meals and food parcels through volunteers.	\$3,000
129	U3A Moorleigh Inc.	To assist with facility hire of the Bob Flavell wing at Moorleigh to support floor exercise and table tennis classes.	\$500
130	Victorian Association of WW2 Veterans from former SU	To assist with facility hire to support the celebration of Victory day.	\$800
131	Victorian Masters Athletics - Glen Eira	To contribute towards facility hire of Duncan Mackinnon to support the athletics program.	\$2,500
132	Women's Health in the South East	To contribute towards the '16 Days of activism' a campaign to end gender-based violence for the coffee cups project.	\$5,000
133	Yachad Senior Citizens Club	To contribute towards operational costs to support a group that delivers social connection and active ageing.	\$2,000

	Applicant	Description of funding	Committee Recommendation
1	Bentleigh Traders Association	To contribute towards expenses associated with running the Bentleigh Community Festival.	\$10,000
2	Cancer Council Victoria	To contribute towards expenses associated in running the Murrumbeena Relay for Life event.	\$3,071
3	Chabad House of Caulfield	To support the cost of hiring Caulfield Park for the Chanukah in the Park community event.	\$10,000
4	Jewish Holocaust Centre Inc.	To contribute towards expenses associated in running an exhibition 'Righteous Amongst the Nations'.	\$5,000
5	Kadimah, Jewish Cultural Centre & National Lib	To contribute towards expenses associated in running the In One Voice - Jewish Culture Street Festival.	\$10,000
6	Limmud Oz	To contribute towards expenses associated in delivering Limmud Oz, a three day event celebrating learning.	\$2,500
7	Melbourne Jewish Book Week	To contribute towards expenses associated in running the Melbourne Jewish Book Week festival.	\$5,001
8	Women's Health in the South East	To contribute towards expenses associated in running an International Women's Day lunch and award ceremony.	\$2,400
9	Zionism Victoria	To support a street festival 'Israel's 70th Independence Day Community Family Festival'.	\$10,000

**Community Services Grant**

	Applicant	Funding Description	Amount Funded
1	Glen Eira Adult Learning Centre Inc.	To contribute towards Wellvember workshops, a series of health and wellbeing workshops open to the Glen Eira community that promote wellness and community connectedness.	\$4,700

**Festival and Events Grant**

	Applicant	Funding Description	Amount Funded
1	Glen Eira Adult Learning Centre Inc.	To contribute towards expenses associated with running a Multicultural, Music, Dance and Food Festival during Diversity Week 2018.	\$2,000

	Applicant	Description of funding	Committee Recommendation
1	Carnegie Main Street	To contribute towards expenses associated in running the Carnegie Lunar New Year street festival.	\$5,000

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**ITEM 9.8 ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY STRATEGY (ESS)  
PROGRESS REPORT TO END JUNE 2017 AND DRAFT ACTION  
PLAN 2017-18**

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**Attachments:** 1 - Environmental Sustainability Action Plan Report 2016-17  
2 - Draft Environmental Sustainability Action Plan 2017-18

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**PURPOSE AND SUMMARY**

To report on progress against the Environmental Sustainability Strategy (ESS) Action Plan for the year 2016-17 and propose to an Environmental Sustainability Action Plan for 2017-18.

Most of the 109 actions for the 2016-17 year were completed or ongoing. A small proportion were deferred for operational reasons. Three actions will not go ahead

Some of the highlights of 2016-17 were the completion of Booran Reserve with significant sustainability features; and roll-out of our solar and energy efficiency program in buildings which has translated into significant cuts in energy use at a number of buildings.

The 2017-18 draft Action Plan builds on the work done to date. Some of them are part of ongoing programs or multi-year projects that are now at the next stage. Some key initiatives proposed in the draft Action Plan are:

- Introducing food waste recycling
- Roll-out of solar and energy efficiency in Council buildings to continue to transition the buildings and facilities to energy efficient
- Implementing new solar and energy efficiency program(s) to help the community reduce greenhouse gas emissions
- Developing an *Urban Forest Strategy*
- Developing an *Integrated Transport Strategy*

**RECOMMENDATION**

That Council:

1. Note the report on progress against the Environmental Sustainability Strategy Action Plan for 2016-17
2. Adopt the Environmental Sustainability Action Plan for 2017-18

**BACKGROUND**

*The Environment and Sustainability Strategy 2016-2021* sets out how we will improve environmental sustainability from Council operations and how we will support and advocate on behalf of the community. Each year an Action Plan is developed to put the strategy recommendations into practice. The *Strategy* and 2016-17 Action Plan were adopted by Council on 19 September 2016.

The 2016-2017 Action Plan contains 109 actions which correspond to the four themes within the Strategy: climate change, biodiversity, recycling and waste. These are further categorised into two areas: Council Infrastructure and Operations and Supporting the Community.

Annually, a detailed report on progress against the *Environmental Sustainability Strategy Action Plan* is provided. The *Action Plan* is reasonably detailed and is subject to some change of an operational nature.

## ISSUES AND DISCUSSION

### Environmental Sustainability Action Plan 2016-17

Most of the actions were completed or ongoing. A small proportion were deferred for operational reasons. Three actions will not go ahead and these all relate to the Fosbery Avenue open space proposal. Following community consultation, Council decided not to proceed with the proposed park.

Some of the highlights of 2016-17 were:

- the completion of Booran Reserve with significant sustainability features;
- a varied program of community events that received excellent community feedback;
- roll-out of our solar and energy efficiency program in buildings which has translated into significant cuts in energy use at a number of buildings;
- joining Eastern Alliance for Greenhouse Action; and
- the development of a comprehensive communications plan for the upcoming introduction of food waste recycling.

During 2016-17 the Energy Saving Program also ended. Early in 2017-18, Council will consider a report outlining options community programs to continue to support the community to greenhouse gas emissions. Participation in the program had dropped despite an increase in promotions. This is thought to be because a number of the barriers the program originally helped overcome are now being addressed by the market.

### Environmental Sustainability Action Plan 2017-18

The 2017-18 draft Action Plan builds on the work done to date. Some of them are part of ongoing programs or multi-year projects that are now at the next stage. Some key initiatives proposed in the draft Action Plan are:

- Introducing food waste recycling
- Roll-out of solar and energy efficiency in Council buildings to continue to transition the buildings and facilities to energy efficient
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## FINANCIAL, RESOURCE AND ASSET MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

The draft action plan has been developed to be achievable within the current budget.

## POLICY AND LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

Not applicable.

### **COMMUNICATION AND ENGAGEMENT**

*The Environment and Sustainability Strategy 2016-2021* sets out how we will improve environmental sustainability from Council operations and how we will support and advocate on behalf of the community.

This strategy was adopted in 2016 and was developed based on community consultation and tested in draft with the community through consultation.

Once adopted, information about the 2017-18 action plan will be promoted through various channels to the community.

### **LINK TO COUNCIL AND COMMUNITY PLAN**

Environmental Sustainability is a high priority in the community plan and reflected in theme five "clean and sustainable".

### **OFFICER DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

No officers involved in the preparation of this report have any direct or indirect interest in this matter.

### **CONCLUSION**

The Action plan for 2016-17 was largely completed as planned. The 2017-18 Action Plan should make significant progress towards the objectives and goals set out in the Community Plan and Sustainability Strategy.

Climate change — Council infrastructure and operations					
Objective C1: Reduce greenhouse gas emissions from Council managed or owned buildings by at least 25 per cent by 2021 by investing in energy efficiency and renewable energy.					
Number	Recommendation	Priority	Actions for 2016-17	Progress as at 30 June 2017	Status
C1.1	Build any new Council buildings to be very low carbon, continue to allocate five per cent of capital budgets for sustainability measures.	High	Upgrade insulation during roof renewal works at Spurway Community aged care facility, Murrumbeena; Bentleigh East Preschool, Bentleigh East; Caulfield Maternal and Child Health Centre, Caulfield; and Caulfield Recreation Centre, Caulfield South	Insulation works have been completed on the following buildings: Bentleigh Hodgson Main Pavilion East Caulfield Reserve Pavilion Glen Huntly Maternal & Child Health Centre McKinnon Reserve Pavilion Murrumbeena Family Centre Due to access and value for money there was some changes in the list of sites upgraded.	Completed
			Complete installation of LED lighting at Booran Reserve, Glen Huntly as part of the redevelopment.	Completed	Completed
			Incorporate passive solar design and low carbon solutions in design and planning of major projects: • Carnegie Swim Centre, Carnegie (redevelopment design); • Lord Hex Pavilion, Carnegie (forward design); and • Marlborough Street Reserve Pavilion, Bentleigh (renewal and upgrade — scoping).	Design stage still to come - currently doing master planning and leisure needs feasibility.	Deferred
C1.2	Continue to reduce emissions generated from existing buildings, including through an annual rolling program of energy efficiency and renewable energy works.	High	Implement energy efficiency at Glen Eira Town Hall, Caulfield; Glen Eira Sports and Aquatic Centre, Bentleigh East; various pavilions; and Council's Gallery, Caulfield.	Implement energy efficiency at the following sites - Glen Eira Town Hall – replacing current lights to LED (throughout Town Hall & Art Gallery), Glen Eira Sports and Aquatic Centre – Installation of power supply voltage regulation, At Bentleigh East Youth Centre – installation of insulation & various pavilions and age care centres - replacing and installing insulation and LED lights.	On track
			Renew heating, ventilation and air conditioning (HVAC) system and replace air conditioning units with much more efficient systems.	Works are underway, estimated completion November 2017.	Ongoing

			Install solar systems at Moorleigh Community Village, Bentleigh East; McKinnon Maternal and Child Health Centre, McKinnon; Glen Huntly Maternal and Child Health Centre, Glen Huntly; and the Youth Information Centre, Bentleigh.	Solar was been installed at the following sites during 2016-17. McKinnon MCHC Glen Huntly MCHC Youth Information Centre Caulfield Park Pavilion DC Bricker Moorleigh has been put on hold.	Completed/ Deferred
C1.3	Continue to purchase at least 1,900,000 kilowatt hours per year of green power or equivalent product.	High	Purchase at least 1,900,000 kilowatt hours of Green Power in 2016–17.	A review has been conducted into our Green Power purchasing as AGL did not apply Green Power correctly to our sites in 2015-16. Officers have negotiated with AGL to fix this problem. However, as it took some time to resolve a small amount of carbon offsets were purchased to ensure this target is met in 2016-17.	Completed
C1.4	Investigate and incorporate further lower emissions alternatives for use in construction.	Medium	Use recycled concrete for road base and backfill in drainage projects.	This is standard practice and ongoing in all civil projects	Completed
			Trial increased recycled content in asphalt.	Trial completed at Alamar Avenue. The performance of this will be assessed over time.	Completed
C1.5	Further develop energy monitoring and reporting practises to allow automation and support behaviour change.	High	Explore feasibility in 2016–17 for installing a building management system (BMS) at Glen Eira Town Hall, Caulfield.	Part of the Town Hall is on a BMS. Additional areas will be incorporated onto BMS at a later date.	Ongoing
			Energy management software to be installed at Booran Reserve, Glen Huntly.	Energy management system installed and will be fine-tuned to meet seasonal needs over the 2017-18 year.	Ongoing
			Commence an education program for sporting clubs on energy efficiency in pavilions.	An education program is underway and will be ongoing in 2017-18. Officers are offering sporting clubs free energy audits to assist clubs save on energy and costs. One energy audit has been completed and clubs have received information about the program via RAC meetings.	Ongoing
			Optimise building control through the Building Management System at Glen Eira Sports and Aquatic Centre, Bentleigh East.	BMS optimisation works completed including integration with the Energy Management System.	Completed

			Review of sustainability indicator reporting.	A review to sustainability indicator reporting is underway. Some changes are currently proposed and it is planned that reporting will continue to be improved as new methods become available.	Ongoing
<b>Objective C2: Reduce Council greenhouse gas emissions from Council managed street lighting by 30 per cent.</b>					
C2.1	Further improve efficiency of street-lights significantly, prioritising high pressure sodium type lights, in collaboration and with funding from VicRoads.	High	Subject to utility company and VicRoads approval, prepare the business case for changeover of streetlights on main roads (HPNa) to more efficient alternatives.	The business case was developed and approved as part of 2017-18 budget and implementation is planned over the next three years.	Completed
C2.2	Replace any remaining older type Council outdoor lights, including mercury vapour lights with more efficient alternatives.	High	Design and upgrade pathway lighting at the western end of Caulfield Park, Caulfield North (heritage area).	Completed	Completed
			Design and upgrade existing pathway lighting at Gardenvale Park, Gardenvale.	Upgrade completed.	Completed
			Replace public lighting with LED upgrades at Bentleigh Hodgson Reserve, Bentleigh; Joyce Park, Ormond; and Princes Park, Caulfield South.	Public lighting upgrades with have been completed at Joyce Park, Packer Park and Princes Park. Bentleigh Hodgson Reserve is to be carried over into next year's program for upgrades.	Ongoing
<b>Objective C3: Reduce emissions from vehicles used in Council operations and services</b>					
C3.1	Review options to reduce emissions from vehicles used by Council and contractors; and encourage use of active and public transport.	Medium	Develop two green travel plans for Council facilities, including Glen Eira Town Hall, Caulfield.	Green travel plans - this has been put on hold due to higher priorities.	Deferred
			In line with Council's <i>Sustainable Transport Strategy</i> , advocate for better public transport routes and connections, including re-routing of the 822 bus via Glen Eira Sports and Aquatic Centre, Bentleigh East.	Council has partnered with the Victorian Planning Authority to develop the East Village structure plan - this will include a review of bus routes in this precinct and VPA can assist with discussions with State authorities to seek additional bus services.	Ongoing
			In line with Council's <i>Bicycle Strategy</i> , undertake on road cycle safety treatments at various sites across	Green bicycle lane markings have been undertaken at various sites across the municipality including Kooyong	On track

			the municipality.	Road, Caulfield and Orrong Road, Elsternwick.	
			Provide public bike repair facilities at Boyd Park/Outer Circle Railway, Murrumbeena; Elster Creek Trail, Caulfield South; and Packer Park, Carnegie.	Bike repair facilities installed at Boyd Park, Elster Creek Trail and Packer Park.	Completed
<b>Objective C4: Adapt Council managed open space, infrastructure and services over time to cope with climate change</b>					
C4.1	Consider climate change impacts, such as storm frequency and peak stormwater flows, on open space, infrastructure and services and adapt these over time, usually during design or service reviews.	Medium	Deliver drainage renewal and upgrade program, including drainage works at Northcote Avenue, Caulfield North, which are expected to reduce flood risk.	Drainage renewal and upgrade is works in progress. Northcote Avenue was designed in 2016/17 to be constructed 2017/18.	Ongoing
			Drainage works at Brooklyn Avenue, Caulfield South prior to road construction.	Design only in 2016/17 and in progress	Ongoing
			Glen Huntly car park redevelopment to include water sensitive urban design feature.	WSUD is included in the design, works currently under construction.	Ongoing
			Complete installation of major water capture and retention system at Booran Reserve, Glen Huntly to address stormwater flows and pollution.	WSUD completed including 500,000 litre stormwater capture and re-use.	Completed
C4.2	Ensure staff have access to regular training to stay up-to-date with rapidly changing knowledge and technology change.	Medium	Host 10 staff sustainability sessions.	Eleven staff sustainability sessions held in 2016-17.	Completed
			Staff training on emerging products and technologies such as battery storage.	3 staff sessions held - solar PV and battery technology, driverless cars and cutting edge renewables.	Completed
C4.3	Incorporate features to minimise the urban heat island effect in design of buildings, streetscapes and open space.	High	Complete Booran Reserve, Glen Huntly incorporating additional canopy cover and water play features.	Booran Reserve completed including water play features and an urban forest with additional tree canopy cover.	Completed

			Seek community feedback about the park proposal at Fosbery Avenue, Caulfield North. The design includes large canopy trees, a central elliptical lawn area and new planting beds, which will assist to mitigate the urban heat island effect.	Following community consultation, a Council decision was made not to proceed with the Fosbery Avenue open space proposal.	Not going ahead
			Renew shopping centre streetscapes incorporating vegetation and trees at Clarence Street, Bentleigh East; and Patterson Road, Bentleigh.	Works at Clarence Street are on track to be completed during the 2016-2017 financial year. Design has been prepared for Patterson Road project however it has been deferred, pending a review of streetscape renewal priorities across the City.	Partially completed
			Install shade sails as part of Council's rolling program, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Memorial Park, Caulfield North;</li> <li>• Elsternwick Plaza, Elsternwick; and</li> <li>• North Avenue, Bentleigh.</li> </ul>	Shade sails installed at Memorial Park, Elsternwick Plaza and North Avenue.	Completed
			Plant an additional 1,000 street trees in vacant sites.	1039 trees were planted in vacant naturestrip sites during 2016-17.	Completed
<b>Climate change - supporting the community</b>					
<b>Objective C5: Advocate for higher efficiency standards for buildings, better public transport and other measures to reduce greenhouse gas emissions in the community</b>					
C5.1	Advocate state and federal governments to support the community in reducing emissions from buildings, appliances and transport, and to incorporate emissions reduction initiatives into their own projects and programs.	High	Advocate State Government to optimise bike paths and pedestrian facilities, as part of the level crossing removal projects.	Undertook a range of advocacy including a successful design change request to widen McKinnon Rd to provide provision for future bike lanes.	Completed
			Advocate for new generation food waste and garbage processing facilities that reduce emissions from waste.	Food waste facilities are due to become available early 2018. Started discussions with other councils and the state government regarding next generation garbage processing facilities.	Ongoing
			Advocate for better public transport routes and connections in line with Council's <i>Sustainable Transport Strategy</i> .	Officers have been consistently and regularly advocating for better public transport connections and routes.	Ongoing
			Advocate for a state-wide approach to sustainability of the built environment.	Advocacy ongoing as part of Planning Scheme Review process.	Ongoing

<b>Objective C6: Support the community to cope during hotter weather and extreme weather events</b>					
C6.1	Regularly review Council's <i>Heat Wave Response Plan</i> and <i>Emergency Response Plan</i> for currency and implement the plans when triggered.	High	In 2016–17, the Municipal Emergency Management Committee will review the three year <i>Action Plan</i> for the <i>Municipal Emergency Management Plan</i> .	The MEMP 3-year action plan is reviewed twice per annum at each of the MEMP Committee meetings. It was reviewed in November 2016 and again in May 2017. The MEMP and its sub plans (including heatwave and flood) have been reviewed and minor changes made.	Completed
<b>Objective C7: Support the community to access active and public transport, improve the efficiency of their homes and to increase their use of renewable energy</b>					
C7.1	Celebrate the sustainability features at Council buildings and facilities as part of community education activities to demonstrate energy efficiency and renewable energy, for example, by running tours or promoting case studies.	High	Develop signage and a building user engagement program, identifying the sustainability features at: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Duncan Mackinnon Reserve, Murrumbidgee;</li> <li>• Glen Eira Town Hall, Caulfield;</li> <li>• Glen Eira Sports and Aquatic Centre (GESAC), Bentleigh East; and</li> <li>• Booran Reserve, Glen Huntly.</li> </ul>	Signage program for Town Hall, Booran reserve and Duncan McKinnon in development for digital screen. Video on solar and energy efficiency works at GESAC created and shown on digital screen.	Ongoing
			Run two sustainability showcase tours at GESAC and/or Duncan Mackinnon Reserve.	OHS requirements mean that a physical tour of GESAC is not possible as many of the sustainability features would not be open for public viewing. A video tour is being developed instead.	Ongoing
			Promote case studies of sustainability features on Council buildings using Council's communications channels, including running five stories in <i>Glen Eira News</i> and five stories in e-newsletters.	Five sustainability case study articles were published in GE News and seven in e-newsletters.	Completed
			Present on Council's approach to sustainability in buildings at two conferences.	Group Manager presented at a conference in May 2017 on opportunities relating to smart technology. Scheduled to speak on energy efficiency later in 2017.	Partially completed
			During review of sustainable indicator reporting consider city wide emissions.	A review of sustainability indicator reporting was completed. Officers are currently exploring reporting methods for community emissions so that a report on city-wide emissions to set a base line in next two years.	Completed
C7.2	Help residents access practical solutions and rebates available from	High	Help residents change to more energy efficient measures in their homes by giving them access to free products and installation under Council's	The program has been running for a number of years and uptake slowed. Just 41 new participants accessed the program in 2016-17, despite a boost to promotion. This	Partially completed.

	other levels of government, including reviewing and expanding the <i>Energy Saving Program</i> .		<i>Energy Saving Program</i> . Attract at least 100 new participants.	program ended in June 2017. Other community programs will be explored to deliver this objective.	
			Review Council's <i>Energy Saving Program</i> with a view to extending it to account for product improvements and technology changes.	The program was reviewed and a variation to the contract with Energy Makeovers to include free LED installations was made during the year. This program has now ended and new programs are being investigated.	Completed
			Promote relevant community and government initiatives that may assist our community.	Promoted Walk to School, National Recycling Week, Resource Smart Schools program and Clean Energy Council's Guide to installing Solar PV for households.	Completed
C7.3	Run ongoing community education programs on reducing carbon emissions in the home, supporting sustainable transport and activities to increase walking and riding support.	Medium	Develop a three to five year sustainability communications strategy, including exploring opportunities to effectively use social media.	Waste & Recycling Communications Strategy developed for 2016-2021, Foodwaste recycling communications plan developed 2017 - 2019. Annual Sustainability Communications Plan developed. Expanded use of social media in 2016-17.	Completed
			Run at least three free workshops on energy efficiency, solar or other emissions reduction topics.	4 completed: Passive Solar House, Solar Panels and Batteries, Bike Repair Café and Earth Hour event.	Completed
			Regularly promote options to reduce emissions including six articles in <i>Glen Eira News</i> and 10 sustainability e-newsletters.	Thirteen emissions reductions articles were published in GE News and sixteen in e-newsletters.	Completed
			Support a range of community and government initiatives, such as <i>Earth Hour</i> and VicHealth's <i>Walk To School</i> program.	Promoted Walk to School, National Recycling Week, GE Bicycle Users Group and Earth Hour.	Completed
			Investigate joining the Eastern Alliance for Greenhouse Action.	Council endorsed a report to join EAGA in June 2017.	Completed
<b>Recycling and waste - Council infrastructure and operations</b>					
<b>Objective R1: Increase the recycling rate at Council buildings by at least 10 per cent.</b>					
R1.1	Continue to provide and improve recycling services at Council events and most community used buildings and align signage and	High	Improve recycling facilities at Carnegie Library and Community Centre, Carnegie; and Duncan Mackinnon Reserve Pavilion, Murrumbidgee.	Recycling facilities reviewed at Duncan Mackinnon, no changes required. Improvements at Carnegie Library deferred to 2017-18.	Partially completed

	systems with waste and recycling services for the community.				
			Educate kitchen users about how to use food waste recycling facilities at Glen Eira Town Hall, Caulfield	Waste inspection conducted in Jan. Outcomes included the improvement of signage for correct food waste disposal as well as additional green waste bins in key locations.	Completed
R1.2	Extend education for staff and community users of Council buildings on how to recycle.	Medium	Increase recycling by five per cent at Glen Eira Town Hall, Caulfield.	Waste inspection conducted in Jan. Outcomes included; removal of waste bins in the Service Centre, and introduction of additional recycling bins throughout Town Hall. Introduced Sustainable Stationary initiative to re-use paper. Bins will be independently audited in August 2017.	Ongoing
			Engage with sports clubs to promote increased recycling in pavilions and around sportsgrounds.	Project underway. After internal consultation it has been decided to approach this on a site by site basis and review bin needs at the same time. Sports clubs at Caulfield Park, Princes Park and East Caulfield Reserve, Centenary Park, Duncan McKinnon, Victory Park, EE Gunn Reserve have had bin audits conducted and additional recycling bins provided where needed. A communications campaign is in development.	Ongoing
R1.3	Integrate recycling services in new buildings and facilities.	High	Install recycling facilities at Booran Reserve, Glen Huntly.	Recycling facilities installed	Completed
			Incorporate recycling facilities into forward design of major projects, including Carnegie Swim Centre, Carnegie; and Lord Hex Pavilion, Carnegie.	Design stage still to come - currently doing master planning and leisure needs feasibility.	Deferred
			Provide new bin enclosure facilities at Caulfield Park, Caulfield North; Moorleigh Community Village Reserve, Bentleigh East; and Packer Park, Carnegie. This will provide opportunity for better recycling.	New bin enclosure facilities installed at Caulfield Park, Moorleigh Community Village Reserve and Packer Park.	Completed
<b>Objective R2: Reduce use of new materials in Council operations</b>					
R2.1	Continue to require recycling of building and road construction waste in Council construction projects, continue to use	High	Use Council's standard tender specifications for construction projects which seek recycling of building waste.	All tenders for construction projects specified recycling of building waste.	Ongoing

	recycled paper products and explore opportunities to increase use of recycled products as technology and products improve.				
			Trial high recycled content asphalt during the Alamar Avenue, Glen Huntly reconstruction.	Trialled at Alamar Avenue. Outcomes will be assessed over time.	Completed
			Use sustainably sourced or recycled paper for at least 95 per cent of copy paper and printed materials.	A4 Copy paper used at Town Hall is 100% recycled, carbon neutral paper. The introduction of secure printing at Town Hall has significantly decreased paper use. Officers introduced 'Sustainable Stationery' initiative to make notebooks with re-used one-sided paper.	Completed
R2.2	Identify standard recycled products for common procurement categories and establish as standard in procurement procedures.	Medium	List of standard products used reviewed and updated.	Products are reviewed. List completed June 2017.	Completed
R2.3	Review options to reduce and reuse materials, furniture and supplies used by Council.	Medium	Explore opportunities for increased use of recycled (or sustainably sourced) furniture in office fit-out.	Products are reviewed. List completed June 2017.	Completed
<b>Recycling and waste - supporting the community</b>					
<b>Objective R3: Increase the community recycling rate by at least 30 per cent by 2021</b>					
R3.1	Introduce food waste recycling for the community, as part of the existing organic waste recycling service by end 2017.	High	Introduce food waste recycling for the community in 2017 subject to the establishment of a planned processing facility in south east Melbourne.	Availability of processing facility was delayed. Introduction of food waste now expected early 2018.	Deferred
			Develop and implement a community education plan to introduce food waste recycling to support the introduction of the service.	Communications Plan developed.	Ongoing

R3.2	Investigate whether changes to frequency of kerbside bin collections could reduce garbage and increase recycling.	High	This will be looked at after the implementation of food waste recycling after 2016–17.	No action in 2016-17.	No action in 2016-17
R3.3	Work with <i>Metropolitan Waste and Resource Recovery Group</i> and other local governments to secure access to new generation garbage disposal facilities that minimise greenhouse gas emissions from waste.	High	Establish a working group with neighbouring councils to advocate and progress procurement of new generation garbage facilities to service the south east.	Advocacy plan in development. EAGA to look at a feasibility study in 2017-18.	Ongoing
R3.4	Investigate, and if feasible, offer Council run waste and recycling services specifically designed for higher density areas and larger businesses.	Medium	No actions currently planned in 2016–17. This will be investigated in future years.	No action in 2016-17.	No action in 2016-17
R3.5	Increase recycling from hard rubbish and street sweeping.	Medium	Five per cent increase in recycling from hard rubbish collections and street sweeping by increasing the materials that are diverted for recycling.	3754.52 tonnes of hard waste collected for 2016-17 904.72 Tonnes (24%) recycled. Approx 6% improvement. This does not include mattresses which are also stripped of materials and recycled where possible. Street sweeping all material now goes to a composting facility.	Completed
<b>Objective R4: Support the community to minimise and correctly sort waste and recycling in homes and businesses.</b>					
R4.1	Run a long-term and ongoing recycling and waste education program for residents, including encouraging volunteer litter collection.	High	Develop a five year recycling education plan, including exploring opportunities for social media, volunteerism and partnerships to support better recycling.	Recycling communications plan 2016-2021 developed. (This is an internal working document)	Completed
			Establish Council's community use buildings as 'case study' sites that reinforce and demonstrate good recycling in the community. Use these sites as demonstration sites and use these as a focus for articles, tours and presentations.	A number of sites have integrated recycling. Further work in development.	Ongoing
			Investigate opportunities for volunteerism to help address littering.	Promotion of 2 Clean-Up Australia Day sites in Glen Eira.	Ongoing

R4.2	Encourage use of specialist disposal options, including those available to the community, but not run by Council (for example, for batteries or clothes).	Medium	Promote specialist disposal options (such as drop-off points nearby for batteries, plastic bags and chemicals), including through promotion in sustainability e-newsletters and <i>Glen Eira News</i> .	Promotions of various specialist disposal options has been included in sustainability e-newsletters and GE News through-out the year. The Recycling A-Z guide is being promoted through communications channels including social media.	Completed
			Update Council's website to include more detail about specialist disposal options.	A comprehensive 'Recycling A-Z' guide has been developed and is now available on Council's website.	Completed
R4.3	Continue to advocate for policy settings and services at state and federal levels that improve options for disposal of special items, such as batteries, light bulbs, chemicals and small e-waste.	High	Advocate in relevant forums and consultation processes with a focus on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• More and better located disposal and recycling services nearby for small e-waste and chemicals.</li> <li>• Product stewardship programs to ensure industry funds disposal of products it produces.</li> </ul>	Submission made to State Government consultation on proposed e-waste ban from landfill, including recommendation to further develop product stewardship programs.	Ongoing
			Present at a conference or seminar on Council's experience with e-waste recycling.	Participated in a consultation seminar and as members of a local government reference group for a state government consultation on a proposal to ban e-waste from landfills.	Completed
<b>Objective B1: Protect or enhance biodiversity and environmental heritage on Council managed land in Glen Eira.</b>					
B1.1	In line with Council's <i>Open Space Strategy</i> , protect and over time enhance areas of remnant vegetation and other native plant communities and trees.	High	Complete feasibility study for renewal of Packer Park Wetlands, Carnegie.	Preliminary investigation is underway.	Ongoing
B1.2	Ensure sufficient seed stock is available to replant remnant indigenous vegetation in the event of its loss (ie. a result of wind, fire, pest).	High	There is currently sufficient seed stock available to Council if needed. Officers will continue to monitor this.	No action required.	No action required.

B1.3	Explore practical management options to improve biodiversity, such as increasing diversity of insects and habitats within some open spaces and street-scapes with nesting boxes, and retaining woody debris in some cases.	Medium	<p>In 2016–17, the focus is on increasing the number of trees and amount of green space through programmed projects, including:</p> <p>A proposed new open space at Fosbery Avenue, Caulfield North, which will be considered by Council after community consultation.</p>	Following community consultation, a Council decision was made not to proceed with the Fosbery Avenue open space proposal.	Not going ahead
			Pell Street Reserve, Bentleigh East screen planting and overstorying trees.	Pell Street Reserve works to be carried over into 2017/18 program to coincide with playground upgrade. Works scheduled to commence August 2017.	Deferred
			Hopetoun Gardens, Elsternwick (stage two), landscape enhancement works.	Hopetoun Gardens enhancement works complete	Completed
			Marara Road Reserve, Caulfield South landscape enhancement works, including additional plantings.	Marara Road Reserve enhancement works commenced May 2017. Completion expected August 2017.	Ongoing
B1.4	Incorporate natural features and natural heritage during design of buildings, urban areas and masterplans.	High	<p>Plan for protection and enhancement of native vegetation in planning and design of major projects, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Carnegie Swim Centre, Carnegie redevelopment,</li> <li>• Lord Hex Pavilion, Carnegie; and</li> <li>• Marlborough Street Reserve Pavilion, Bentleigh renewal and upgrade.</li> </ul>	Design stage still to come - currently doing master planning and leisure needs feasibility.	Deferred
B1.5	Manage Council's tree population of more than 60,000 to keep it healthy and long lived and fill all appropriate vacant street tree spots on nature strips in the City (around 4,000).	High	Review Council's <i>Street Tree Strategy</i> to broaden it to cover trees in open spaces and to take the opportunity to review Council's approach to long-term management of these trees.	Officers are preparing to develop an Urban Forest Strategy to replace Street Tree Strategy which will include trees in open spaces.	Deferred
<b>Objective B2: Increase the proportion of materials Council uses that are recycled or sustainably sourced.</b>					

B2.1	Investigate options to further reduce impacts on biodiversity through procurement, including reviewing the source of products containing wood to ensure products are recycled or sustainably sourced.	High	Use recycled plastic benches in streetscapes.	Council continues to specify and install bench seats in its shopping centres with slats made of recycled plastic. Recycled plastic seating also installed at Marara Road Reserve.	Completed
			Also see actions R2.2 and R2.3.		
<b>Biodiversity - supporting the community</b>					
<b>Objective B3: Support the community to protect and enhance biodiversity including their gardens and connection with natural values</b>					
B3.1	Support residents with education and information to protect and enhance biodiversity in the local area and introduce and maintain habitat in their own property.	Medium	Increase participation in Council's <i>Neighbourhood Sustainable Gardening Program</i> (NSGP) by 200.	134 new members to a total of 978.	Partially completed
			Host three events for <i>NSGP</i> participants to foster knowledge sharing and tap into their skills and expertise.	2 held to date (Gardening in Australia's Climate - Sept, and How I Created a Backyard Food Forest & Urban Harvest Swap - Nov and a Community Garden Tour.	Completed
			Draw on Council demonstration sites such as Mallanbool Reserve, Murrumbeena or the aviary garden at Caulfield Park, Caulfield North as part of the education program.	SEN meeting held at Aviary Gardens in December. Community presentation <i>Bug Detectives</i> held in Mallanbool Reserve. Community event held in May for Reconciliation Week at Mallanbool Reserve included a talk on native flora and fauna.	Completed
B3.2	Encourage community volunteerism and community research in the local area to further understand current populations of birds, insects and plants and to also to provide practical support in conserving natural areas.	Medium	Encourage residents to participate in initiatives like the <i>Aussie Backyard Bird Count</i> and the <i>Frog Census</i> .	Both initiatives were advertised through both e-newsletters and information included in NSGP welcome packs. Aussie Backyard Bird Count was promoted in GE News. Speaker from Birdlife Australia presented to our SEN Network.	Completed
			Investigate options to encourage volunteerism in the region, for example to support regional clean up	Promoted Clean-Up Australia day, frog census and Aussie	Completed

			or tree planting efforts.	Bird Count and National Tree Day.	
			A report on biodiversity in Glen Eira is to be published on Council's website.	The report 'Biodiversity in Glen Eira' has been drafted and is expected to be published in late 2017. An information booklet for community on biodiversity and gardening is currently being developed.	Completed
<b>Objective B4: Advocate for protection of biodiversity and natural heritage on non-Council land in the City</b>					
B4.1	Advocate for protection of natural heritage in major development projects in the City of Glen Eira, including level crossing removals.	High	Advocate State Government for the protection of natural heritage during level crossing removal projects and drainage works.	Advocated for protection of natural heritage throughout the level crossing removal project. Advocacy achieved the protection of significant trees at Boyd Park, Carnegie and other areas along the rail corridor	Ongoing
			Advocate for the planting of suitable native and indigenous vegetation in appropriate locations following level crossing removals.	Advocated for native and indigenous vegetation in replanting works. Council is currently advocating for taller trees to be returned to help revegetate the corridor and provide screening, amenity and to provide habitat to support biodiversity	Ongoing
<b>Water - Council infrastructure and operations</b>					
<b>Objective W1: Increase efficiency of Council's water use</b>					
W1.1	Continue to optimise Council's irrigation systems to ensure they are efficient and effective and that leaks are identified and rectified quickly if they occur. Annually review options and continually improve.	High	Review the performance of Council's centrally controlled irrigation system to ensure optimum maintenance and operational efficiency.	Ongoing system monitoring confirms operational efficiency.	Ongoing
			Review the irrigation watering schedules against ground usage allocations to ensure optimum irrigation operating times.	Schedules reviewed and system operating in accordance with planned watering times	Completed
W1.2	Continue the changeover to warm-season grasses in sportsgrounds in line with Council's <i>Open</i>	High	Convert EE Gunn Reserve, Ormond Oval 2 and Oval 3 to warm-season grasses.	Redressing both ovals with warm season grasses completed.	Completed

	<i>Space Strategy.</i>				
W1.3	When updating irrigation systems and sportsgrounds, consider cost-effective opportunities to reduce potable water use.	High	Replace irrigation in sportsgrounds with efficient spray irrigation at McKinnon Reserve, McKinnon Oval 1 and Bailey Reserve, Bentleigh East Oval 2 to rectify ongoing leaks, operational disruption and faults caused by weakening in the ageing drip line tube.	Irrigation upgrades at McKinnon Reserve and Bailey Reserve completed.	Completed
			Upgrade the irrigation systems at Gardenvale Park, Gardenvale to efficient, reliable irrigation systems.	Gardenvale Park irrigation upgrade completed.	Completed
			Install a new irrigation system at Hopetoun Gardens, Elsternwick.	New irrigation has been installed at Hopetoun Gardens	Completed
			Undertake a full reconstruction of the sportsground ovals 2 and 3 at EE Gunn Reserve, Ormond, including installing efficient overhead automatic irrigation system.	Reconstruction works completed.	Completed
<b>Objective W2: Increase the amount of rainwater and stormwater Council captures or treats for use in parks, buildings or for trees.</b>					
W2.1	During infrastructure planning and design, introduce features to reduce water use and reduce pollution that flows to Port Phillip Bay and seek appropriate partnerships and grants to support projects.	High	Complete construction of Booran Reserve, Glen Huntly, including bio-swales and rain gardens, and will use rain water for toilet flushing and irrigation. The system could reuse more than 60 per cent of the water needed annually.	Opened April 2017	Completed
			Seek community feedback about a proposed park proposal in Fosbery Avenue, Caulfield North. Consideration is to be given to sustainable water use.	Following community consultation, the proposed park did not go ahead.	Not going ahead
			Glen Huntly car park redevelopment to include water sensitive urban design feature.	WSUD is included in the design, works to commence shortly.	Ongoing
			Investigation and design of the frog pond at Packer Park, Carnegie.	Preliminary investigation underway.	On track

W2.2	Model locations of sources of water-borne pollution in the City of Glen Eira to help inform priority locations for water saving, capture and treatment options in Council works and for education.	Medium	In 2016–17, water sensitive urban design will be investigated in works already planned in action W2.1. Modelling proposed for future years.	See W2.1.	Partially completed
W2.3	To reduce pollutants that enter the stormwater system, review street sweeping schedules to identify opportunities to adjust schedules in target areas to account for differing times that leaves fall.	Medium	Sweep streets regularly (in line with current schedule), including frequent sweeping in shopping precincts and extra sweeping during autumn to minimise pollution. Review to be done in future years.	Streets swept as per schedule, with increased frequency in some areas during autumn.	Ongoing
<b>Objective W3: Ensure green infrastructure can survive drought</b>					
W3.1	Use drought-tolerant trees and plants in the majority of plantings.	High	95 per cent of plants used in parks maintenance plantings to be drought-tolerant.	Over 95% of plantings in 2016-17 were drought tolerant	Ongoing
			As guided by Council's Open Space Strategy, most new open space plantings are expected to be drought-tolerant in 2016–17. Projects include: • Marara Road Reserve (stage two), Caulfield South; • Pell Street Reserve, Bentleigh East; • Hopetoun Gardens, Elsternwick; and • Booran Reserve, Glen Huntly.	100% plants drought tolerant in new open space plantings at Hopetoun Gardens, Marara Road Reserve and Booran Reserve. Pell Street Reserve to be completed 2017-18.	Completed/ Ongoing
W3.2	Explore options for the community to assist with tree watering during times of drought.	Medium	Encourage residents to assist with tree watering during summer months and after planting new trees.	Article in GE News	Completed
<b>Water - supporting the community</b>					
<b>Objective W4: Support the community to reduce its impact on water quality in Port Phillip Bay and to use water efficiently</b>					

W4.1	Develop and implement an education and enforcement program to ensure compliance at building sites in regards to sediment control and stormwater runoff.	High	Provide stormwater management information packs to at least 90 per cent of building permit holders.	At least 90 percent of building permit holders have been provided information packs.	Completed
			Inspect 750 construction sites and intervene with appropriate education or enforcement.	1032 inspections conducted in 2016-17.	Completed
W4.2	As part of Council's communication and education activities, encourage water saving and pollution reduction initiatives in the community including promoting and leveraging government; utility and community water saving; and pollution reduction initiatives.	Medium	Integrated into Council's <i>Neighbourhood Sustainable Gardening Program</i> , encourage water-wise gardening, including running one seminar and two articles in <i>Glen Eira News</i> .	Water wise information booklets (e.g. water tanks and raingardens), shower timers, and hose spray nozzles provided to all new NSGP members. Community presentation on Gardening in Australia's Climate held in September. Four articles published in GE News.	Completed



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## Draft Environmental Sustainability Action Plan

2017-18



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## Introduction

To implement our *Environmental Sustainability Strategy*, Glen Eira City Council develops an *Action Plan* each year to put the recommendations from the *Strategy* into practice.

The *Environmental Sustainability Strategy* sets out how we will improve environmental sustainability from Council operations and how we will support and advocate on behalf of the community. The *Strategy* outlines Council's vision, aspirational goals, objectives and recommendations for how to achieve these.

This *Action Plan* outlines the specific actions planned for 2017–18. The *Action Plan* is reasonably detailed to illustrate the practical changes planned and at this level of detail, is subject to some change of an operational nature.

## Navigating this document

The *Action Plan* is divided in to four themes that correspond with the *Environmental Sustainability Strategy*.

Actions for each of the four themes are presented in a table format under the objective that they will achieve and against the related recommendation. The objectives and recommendations are from the *Strategy* and the numbers can be used to reference the *Strategy*.

**Climate change — Council infrastructure and operations**

Number	Recommendation	Priority	Actions for 2017 –18
<b>Objective C1: Reduce greenhouse gas emissions from Council managed or owned buildings by at least 25 per cent by 2021 by investing in energy efficiency and renewable energy.</b>			
C1.1	Build any new Council buildings to be very low carbon, continue to allocate five per cent of capital budgets for sustainability measures.	High	<p>Investigate energy efficiency options including LED lighting during design and/or construction at the following sites in 2017-18:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Duncan McKinnon Netball Court extension (design and construction)</li> <li>• Bentleigh Plaza and Mitchell Street Car Park (design)</li> <li>• Bailey Reserve Skate Park (design and construction)</li> <li>• Victory Park car park (design)</li> <li>• Internal renewal work at Town Hall precinct.</li> </ul> <p>Incorporate passive solar design and low carbon solutions in design and planning of major projects.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Carnegie Swim Centre, Carnegie;</li> <li>• Lord Hex Pavilion, Carnegie; and</li> <li>• Marlborough Street Reserve Pavilion, Bentleigh</li> </ul>
C1.2	Continue to reduce emissions generated from existing buildings, including through an annual rolling program of energy efficiency and renewable energy works.	High	<p>Implement a 'whole of building' sustainability enhancement program at Bentleigh Library and Works Depot.</p> <p>Insulation upgrades and solar system installations at a range of Council buildings.</p> <p>Upgrade lighting at various sporting pavilions to LED.</p> <p>Renew heating, ventilation and air conditioning (HVAC) system and replace the main air conditioning unit with a much more efficient system at Town Hall.</p> <p>Develop forward plan for next phase of retrofitting Council buildings including energy efficiency, building design elements and renewable energy.</p>
C1.3	Continue to purchase at least 1,900,000 kilowatt hours per year of green power or equivalent product.	High	Purchase at least 1,900,000 kilowatt hours of Green Power or equivalent in 2017–18.
C1.4	Investigate and incorporate further lower emissions alternatives for use in construction.	Medium	Use recycled concrete for road base and backfill in drainage projects.

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C1.5	Further develop energy monitoring and reporting practises to allow automation and support behaviour change.	High	<p>Trial wireless smart control of at least 2 smaller buildings.</p> <p>Review specifications for rolling programs to make sure that wireless smart capacity is included where useful.</p> <p>Energy management system to be fine-tuned to meet seasonal needs at Booran Reserve, Glen Huntly.</p> <p>Continue an education program for sporting clubs on energy efficiency in pavilions, including offering free energy audits.</p> <p>Examine options for reporting and monitoring community emissions.</p> <p>Incorporate integration of BMS at Glen Eira Town Hall, Caulfield into scope of office design work.</p> <p>Implement sustainability indicator reporting changes identified in 2016-17.</p>
<b>Objective C2: Reduce Council greenhouse gas emissions from Council managed street lighting by 30 per cent.</b>			
C2.1	Further improve efficiency of streetlights significantly, prioritising high pressure sodium type lights, in collaboration and with funding from VicRoads.	High	Undertake planning and project development for changeover of streetlights on main roads (HPNa) to more efficient alternatives.
C2.2	Replace any remaining older type Council outdoor lights, including mercury vapour lights with more efficient alternatives.	High	<p>Replace public lighting with LED upgrades at Bentleigh Hodgson Reserve, Bailey Reserve, Glen Eira Town Hall, EE Gunn Reserve, Moorleigh Village (car park), Greenmeadows Reserve and Bentleigh Library.</p> <p>Explore further options for outdoor lighting upgrades.</p> <p>Participate with eight other Councils in a project to investigate the role 'smart' (internet enabled) street lights might play in transitioning to smart city infrastructure.</p>
<b>Objective C3: Reduce emissions from vehicles used in Council operations and services.</b>			

Number	Recommendation	Priority	Actions for 2017 –18
C3.1	Review options to reduce emissions from vehicles used by Council and contractors; and encourage use of active and public transport.	Medium	<p>Develop <i>Integrated Transport Strategy</i> including reviewing options to encourage the use of active and public transport.</p> <p>Electric Vehicle feasibility study: determine suitability of electric vehicles to replace standard passenger cars in council fleet, including charging infrastructure and opportunities for collaborative vehicle procurement with EAGA councils. (EAGA project)</p> <p>Advocate for better public transport routes and connections.</p> <p>Review implementation timing for green travel plans.</p> <p>In line with Council's <i>Sustainable Transport Strategy</i>, advocate for better public transport routes and connections, including re-routing of the 822 bus via Glen Eira Sports and Aquatic Centre, Bentleigh East and for strong public transport connections at East Village.</p>

Number	Recommendation	Priority	Action for 2017–18
<b>Objective C4: Adapt Council managed open space, infrastructure and services over time to cope with climate change.</b>			
C4.1	Consider climate change impacts, such as storm frequency and peak stormwater flows, on open space, infrastructure and services and adapt these over time, usually during design or service reviews.	Medium	<p>Flood mitigation works planned for a range of locations including Northcote Avenue, Caulfield North, and Bealiba Road, Caulfield South.</p> <p>Drainage works at Brooklyn Avenue, Caulfield South prior to road construction.</p> <p>Glen Huntly car park redevelopment to include water sensitive urban design (WSUD) feature.</p> <p>Investigate opportunities for WSUD during Victory Park car park design.</p>
C4.2	Ensure staff has access to regular training to stay up-to-date with rapidly changing knowledge and technology change.	Medium	<p>Host at least four staff sustainability sessions and three meetings of the Excellence in Sustainability staff network.</p> <p>Staff training on emerging products and technologies such as battery storage.</p>
C4.3	Incorporate features to minimise the urban heat island effect in design of buildings, streetscapes and open space.	High	<p>Incorporate sustainable design features into a range of placemaking projects during 2017-18.</p> <p>Landscape Enhancement will be carried out at Pell Street Reserve, Duncan Mackinnon Reserve, Rosanna Street Reserve and Spring Road Reserve, and as part of Harleston Park Major Playground Upgrade.</p> <p>Install shade sails as part of Council's rolling program including at Packer Park and Duncan Mackinnon Reserve.</p> <p>Plant an additional 1,000 street trees in vacant sites.</p> <p>During design of Bentleigh Plaza and Mitchell St Car Park consider landscaping opportunities.</p> <p>Develop an urban forest strategy</p> <p>Incorporate vegetation and other features into streetscape design and renewal works.</p>

Climate change — supporting the community

Number	Recommendation	Priority	Action for 2017–18
<b>Objective C5: Advocate for higher efficiency standards for buildings, better public transport and other measures to reduce greenhouse gas emissions in the community.</b>			
C5.1	Advocate state and federal governments to support the community in reducing emissions from buildings, appliances and transport, and to incorporate emissions reduction initiatives into their own projects and programs.	High	<p>Advocate to the State Government to optimise bike paths and pedestrian facilities, as part of the level crossing removal projects.</p> <p>Advocate for new generation garbage processing facilities that reduce emissions from waste.</p> <p>Develop a Waste to Energy discussion Paper (EAGA project)</p> <p>Advocate for better public transport routes.</p> <p>Advocate for a state-wide approach to sustainability of the built environment.</p> <p>Develop formal submissions through relevant consultation processes with EAGA Councils.</p>
<b>Objective C6: Support the community to cope during hotter weather and extreme weather events.</b>			
C6.1	Regularly review Council's <i>Heat Wave Response Plan</i> and <i>Emergency Response Plan</i> for currency and implement the plans when triggered.	High	The Municipal Emergency Management Committee to review the three year <i>Action Plan</i> for the <i>Municipal Emergency Management Plan</i> including heatwave and flood plans.
<b>Objective C7: Support the community to access active and public transport, improve the efficiency of their homes and to increase their use of renewable energy.</b>			
C7.1	Celebrate the sustainability features at Council buildings and facilities as part of community education activities to demonstrate energy efficiency and renewable energy, for example, by running tours or promoting case studies.	High	<p>Continue to develop signage and a building user engagement program, identifying the sustainability features at:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Glen Eira Town Hall, Caulfield;</li> <li>• Glen Eira Sports and Aquatic Centre (GESAC), Bentleigh East;</li> <li>• Booran Reserve, Glen Huntly; and</li> <li>• Carnegie Library, Carnegie.</li> </ul> <p>Run two sustainability showcase tours at Booran Reserve.</p> <p>Promote case studies of sustainability features on Council buildings using Council's communications channels, including running five stories in <i>Glen Eira News</i> and five stories in e-newsletters.</p> <p>Present on Council's approach to sustainability in buildings at least two conferences or seminars.</p>

Number	Recommendation	Priority	Action for 2017–18
C7.2	Help residents access practical solutions and rebates available from other levels of government, including reviewing and expanding the <i>Energy Saving Program</i> .	High	Investigate options and implement practical programs such as Solar Savers to help residents improve energy efficiency and increase their use of renewable energy.  Promote relevant community and government initiatives that may assist our community.
C7.3	Run ongoing community education programs on reducing carbon emissions in the home, supporting sustainable transport and activities to increase walking and riding support.	Medium	Run at least three free workshops on energy efficiency, solar or other emissions reduction topics.  Regularly promote options to reduce emissions including six articles in <i>Glen Eira News</i> and 10 sustainability e-newsletters.  Support a range of community and government initiatives, such as <i>Earth Hour</i> and VicHealth's <i>Walk To School</i> program.  Develop an <i>Integrated Transport Strategy</i> .  Examine options for reporting and monitoring community emissions.

#### Recycling and waste – Council infrastructure and operations

Number	Recommendation	Priority	Action for 2017–18
<b>Objective R1: Increase the recycling rate at Council buildings by at least 10 per cent.</b>			
R1.1	Continue to provide and improve recycling services at Council events and most community used buildings and align signage and systems with waste and recycling services for the community.	High	Improve recycling facilities at Carnegie Library and Community Centre, Carnegie; and GESAC, Bentleigh East.  Continue program to audit recycling facilities at sporting pavilions.
R1.2	Extend education for staff and community users of Council buildings on how to recycle.	Medium	Increase recycling by five per cent at Glen Eira Town Hall, Caulfield.  Engage with sports clubs to promote increased recycling in pavilions and around sportsgrounds.
R1.3	Integrate recycling services in new buildings and facilities.	High	Provide new bin enclosure facilities at Moorleigh Community Village Reserve, and McKinnon Reserve. This will provide opportunity for better recycling.  Incorporate recycling facilities into forward design of major projects, including Carnegie Swim Centre, Carnegie; and Lord Hex Pavilion, Carnegie.

Number	Recommendation	Priority	Action for 2017–18
<b>Objective R2: Reduce use of new materials in Council operations.</b>			
R2.1	Continue to require recycling of building and road construction waste in Council construction projects, continue to use recycled paper products and explore opportunities to increase use of recycled products as technology and products improve.	High	Use Council's standard tender specifications for construction projects which seek recycling of building waste.  Use sustainably sourced or recycled paper for at least 95 per cent of copy paper and printed materials.
R2.2	Identify standard recycled products for common procurement categories and establish as standard in procurement procedures.	Medium	List of standard products used reviewed and updated.
R2.3	Review options to reduce and reuse materials, furniture and supplies used by Council.	Medium	Explore opportunities for increased use of recycled (or sustainably sourced) furniture in office fit-out.

**Recycling and waste — supporting the community**

Number	Recommendation	Priority	Action for 2017–18
<b>Objective R3: Increase the community recycling rate by at least 30 per cent by 2021.</b>			
R3.1	Introduce food waste recycling for the community, as part of the existing organic waste recycling service by end 2017.	High	Introduce food waste recycling for the community in early 2018 subject to the establishment of a planned processing facility in south east Melbourne.  Implement a community education plan to introduce food waste recycling to support the introduction of the service.
R3.2	Investigate whether changes to frequency of kerbside bin collections could reduce garbage and increase recycling.	High	This will be looked at after the implementation of food waste recycling after 2017–18.
R3.3	Work with <i>Metropolitan Waste and Resource Recovery Group</i> and other local governments to secure access to new generation garbage disposal facilities that minimise greenhouse gas emissions from waste.	High	Work with neighbouring councils to advocate and progress procurement of new generation garbage facilities to service the south east.
R3.4	Investigate, and if feasible, offer Council run waste and recycling services specifically designed for higher density areas and larger businesses.	Medium	Promote business focussed opportunities for recycling and reusing materials.

Number	Recommendation	Priority	Action for 2017–18
R3.5	Increase recycling from hard rubbish and street sweeping.	Medium	Five per cent increase in recycling from hard rubbish collections by increasing the materials that are diverted for recycling.
<b>Objective R4: Support the community to minimise and correctly sort waste and recycling in homes and businesses.</b>			
R4.1	Run a long-term and ongoing recycling and waste education program for residents, including encouraging volunteer litter collection.	High	<p>Implement five year recycling education plan, including exploring opportunities for social media, volunteerism and partnerships to support better recycling.</p> <p>Promote Love Our Streets, volunteer litter collection project and Clean-Up Australia Day activities in Glen Eira.</p> <p>Investigate opportunities for volunteerism to help address littering.</p> <p>Continue work to establish more of Council's community use buildings as 'case study' sites that reinforce and demonstrate good recycling in the community. Use these sites as demonstration sites and use these as a focus for articles, tours and presentations.</p> <p>Support the community to minimise unwanted advertising material by providing letterbox stickers.</p>
R4.2	Encourage use of specialist disposal options, including those available to the community, but not run by Council (for example, for batteries or clothes).	Medium	<p>Promote specialist disposal options (such as drop-off points nearby for batteries, plastic bags and chemicals), including through promotion in sustainability e-newsletters and <i>Glen Eira News</i>.</p> <p>Include improved electronic interface of Recycling A-Z in website redesign project.</p>
R4.3	Continue to advocate for policy settings and services at state and federal levels that improve options for disposal of special items, such as batteries, light bulbs, chemicals and small e-waste.	High	<p>Advocate in relevant forums and consultation processes with a focus on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• More and better located disposal and recycling services nearby for small e-waste and chemicals.</li> <li>• Product stewardship programs to ensure industry funds disposal of products it produces.</li> </ul>

**Biodiversity** — *Council infrastructure and operations*

Number	Recommendation	Priority	Action for 2017–18
<b>Objective B1: Protect or enhance biodiversity and environmental heritage on Council managed land in Glen Eira.</b>			

Number	Recommendation	Priority	Action for 2017–18
B1.1	In line with Council's <i>Open Space Strategy</i> , protect and over time enhance areas of remnant vegetation and other native plant communities and trees.	High	Complete feasibility study for renewal of Packer Park Wetlands, Carnegie.  Landscape Enhancement will be carried out at <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pell Street Reserve (garden enhancements, swale and new trees)</li> <li>• Duncan Mackinnon Reserve, (new trees and garden enhancements)</li> <li>• Rosanna Street Reserve (sensory garden), and</li> <li>• As part of Harleston Park Major Playground Upgrade, enhancements to the nature play area.</li> </ul>
B1.2	Ensure sufficient seed stock is available to replant remnant indigenous vegetation in the event of its loss (ie. a result of wind, fire, pest).	High	There is currently sufficient seed stock available to Council if needed. Officers will continue to monitor this.
B1.3	Explore practical management options to improve biodiversity, such as increasing diversity of insects and habitats within some open spaces and streetscapes with nesting boxes, and retaining woody debris in some cases.	Medium	Develop an implementation plan for recommendations made by Dr Graeme Lorimer in the report 'Biodiversity in Glen Eira' that relate to Council managed land.  In 2016–17, the focus is on increasing the number of trees and amount of green space through programmed projects, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pell Street Reserve, Bentleigh East screen planting and overstorying trees.</li> <li>• Marara Road Reserve, Caulfield South landscape enhancement works, including additional plantings.</li> </ul>
B1.4	Incorporate natural features and natural heritage during design of buildings, urban areas and masterplans.	High	Plan for protection and enhancement of native vegetation in planning and design of major projects, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Carnegie Swim Centre, Carnegie redevelopment,</li> <li>• Lord Hex Pavilion, Carnegie</li> <li>• Caulfield Park Masterplan refresh</li> <li>• Open Space Strategy refresh</li> </ul>
B1.5	Manage Council's tree population of more than 60,000 to keep it healthy and long lived and fill all appropriate vacant street tree spots on nature strips in the City (around 4,000).	High	Develop an Urban Forest Strategy.  Plant an extra 1,000 street trees.
<b>Objective B2: Increase the proportion of materials Council uses that are recycled or sustainably sourced.</b>			

Number	Recommendation	Priority	Action for 2017–18
B2.1	Investigate options to further reduce impacts on biodiversity through procurement, including reviewing the source of products containing wood to ensure products are recycled or sustainably sourced.	High	Use recycled plastic benches in streetscapes.  Also see actions R2.2 and R2.3.

**Biodiversity** — *supporting the community*

Number	Recommendation	Priority	Action for 2017–18
<b>Objective B3: Support the community to protect and enhance biodiversity including in their gardens and connection with natural values.</b>			
B3.1	Support residents with education and information to protect and enhance biodiversity in the local area and introduce and maintain habitat in their own property.	Medium	Increase participation in Council's <i>Neighbourhood Sustainable Gardening Program</i> (NSGP) by 100.  Host three events for NSGP participants to foster knowledge sharing and tap into their skills and expertise.  Develop educational videos to promote NSGP.  Draw on Council demonstration sites such as Boyd Park or Mallanbool Reserve, Murrumbeena as part of the education program.
B3.2	Encourage community volunteerism and community research in the local area to further understand current populations of birds, insects and plants and to also to provide practical support in conserving natural areas.	Medium	Encourage residents to participate in initiatives like the <i>Aussie Backyard Bird Count</i> and the <i>Frog Census</i> .  Investigate options to encourage volunteerism in the region, for example to support regional clean up or tree planting efforts.  Develop an implementation plan for recommendations made by Dr Graeme Lorimer in the report 'Biodiversity in Glen Eira' that relate to supporting the community to protect and enhance biodiversity.
<b>Objective B4: Advocate for protection of biodiversity and natural heritage on non-Council land in the City.</b>			
B4.1	Advocate for protection of natural heritage in major development projects in the City of Glen Eira, including level crossing removals.	High	Advocate State Government for the protection of natural heritage during level crossing removal projects and drainage works.  Advocate for the planting of suitable native and indigenous vegetation in appropriate locations following level crossing removals.  Develop an advocacy plan to protect the biodiversity hotspots identified in the report 'Biodiversity in Glen Eira'.

**Water** — Council infrastructure and operations

Number	Recommendation	Priority	Action for 2017–18
<b>Objective W1: Increase efficiency of Council's water use</b>			
W1.1	Continue to optimise Council's irrigation systems to ensure they are efficient and effective and that leaks are identified and rectified quickly if they occur. Annually review options and continually improve.	High	Review the performance of Council's centrally controlled irrigation system to ensure optimum maintenance and operational efficiency.  Review the irrigation watering schedules against ground usage allocations to ensure optimum irrigation operating times.
W1.2	Continue the changeover to warm-season grasses in sportsgrounds in line with Council's <i>Open Space Strategy</i> .	High	Convert Bailey Reserve Oval 1 to warm-season grasses.
W1.3	When updating irrigation systems and sportsgrounds, consider cost-effective opportunities to reduce potable water use.	High	Bailey Reserve Oval 1 is to be redeveloped including drainage, irrigation and conversion to warm-season grass.  Upgrade the irrigation systems at King George Oval 1.  Install a new irrigation system at Hopetoun Gardens, Elsternwick.
<b>Objective W2: Increase the amount of rainwater and stormwater Council captures or treats for use in parks, buildings or for trees.</b>			
W2.1	During infrastructure planning and design, introduce features to reduce water use and reduce pollution that flows to Port Phillip Bay and seek appropriate partnerships and grants to support projects.	High	Glen Huntly car park redevelopment to include water sensitive urban design feature.  Consider opportunity for water harvesting / re-use during Caulfield Park feasibility study.  During Victory Park car park design include water sensitive urban design feature.
W2.2	Model locations of sources of water-borne pollution in the City of Glen Eira to help inform priority locations for water saving, capture and treatment options in Council works and for education.	Medium	In 2017–18, water sensitive urban design will be investigated in works already planned in action W2.1. Modelling proposed for future years.
W2.3	To reduce pollutants that enter the stormwater system, review street sweeping schedules to identify opportunities to adjust schedules in target areas to account for differing times that leaves fall.	Medium	Sweep streets regularly (in line with current schedule), including frequent sweeping in shopping precincts and extra sweeping during autumn to minimise pollution.  Review of city cleansing program in 2017-18, including street sweeping.

Number	Recommendation	Priority	Action for 2017–18
<b>Objective W3: Ensure green infrastructure can survive drought.</b>			
W3.1	Use drought-tolerant trees and plants in the majority of plantings.	High	95 per cent of plants used in parks maintenance plantings to be drought-tolerant. As guided by Council's <i>Open Space Strategy</i> , most new open space plantings are expected to be drought-tolerant in 2016–17. Projects include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Marara Road Reserve (stage two), Caulfield South;</li> <li>• Pell Street Reserve, Bentleigh East;</li> <li>• Harleston Park</li> <li>• Rosanna St Reserve</li> <li>• Duncan Mackinnon Reserve</li> </ul>
W3.2	Explore options for the community to assist with tree watering during times of drought.	Medium	Encourage residents to assist with tree watering during summer months and after planting new trees.

**Water — supporting the community**

Number	Recommendation	Priority	Action for 2017–18
<b>Objective W4: Support the community to reduce its impact on water quality in Port Phillip Bay and to use water efficiently.</b>			
W4.1	Develop and implement an education and enforcement program to ensure compliance at building sites in regards to sediment control and stormwater runoff.	High	Provide stormwater management information packs to at least 90 per cent of building permit holders.  Inspect 750 construction sites and intervene with appropriate education or enforcement.
W4.2	As part of Council's communication and education activities, encourage water saving and pollution reduction initiatives in the community including promoting and leveraging government; utility and community water saving; and pollution reduction initiatives.	Medium	Integrated into Council's <i>Neighbourhood Sustainable Gardening Program</i> , encourage water-wise gardening, including running two seminar and two articles in <i>Glen Eira News</i> .  Provide schools education about stormwater including an education/resource kit, and either a stormwater demonstration model or an incursion program in schools.

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**ITEM 9.9 COMPACT OF MAYORS AND TAKE2 PLEDGE**

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**Attachments:** 1- Letter – Compact of Mayors

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**PURPOSE AND SUMMARY**

The purpose of this report is to recommend that Council joins two significant collective efforts to address climate change:

- The Compact of Mayors was launched by UN Secretary-General in June 2016 and is the world's largest cooperative effort among Mayors and city leaders to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, track community emissions and prepare for the impacts of climate change.
- TAKE2 is Victoria's collective climate change pledge to reach net zero emissions by 2050, and keep the global temperature rise to under two degrees. TAKE2 is a Victorian Government initiative.

Joining the Compact of Mayors and taking the TAKE2 pledge will showcase Council's commitment to taking action on climate change. By publically demonstrating leadership on this issue, Council can help communicate the importance of action on climate change for our community. This will help deliver Council's *Environmental Sustainability Strategy (ESS) 2016-2021* including the advocacy and community education objectives.

The commitments Council has already made in its Environment Sustainability Strategy align with the TAKE2 pledge and the Compact of Mayors. The main elements are:

- Council has set a target for net zero emissions from the community by 2050 which aligns with the TAKE2 pledge.
- The Compact of Mayors has defined a series of requirements that participating cities are expected to meet over time including tracking community emissions. Through the *Environmental Sustainability Strategy 2016-2021*, Council has already met or has committed to meeting these requirements.

**RECOMMENDATION**

That Council:

1. Endorses joining as a member of the Compact of Mayors;
2. Authorises the Mayor to sign the attached letter to join the Compact of Mayors on behalf of Glen Eira City Council;
3. Endorses joining the TAKE2 pledge;
4. Authorises officers to take the online pledge on behalf of Council.

## BACKGROUND

At the Sustainability Advisory Committee on 22 June 2017, the committee recommended:

*“That Council consider a report on the Take2 Pledge and Compact of Mayors (moved NT, seconded CD).”*

### Council’s Environmental Sustainability Strategy

Council’s *Environmental Sustainability Strategy 2016-2021* sets out Council’s strategy for how it will improve environmental sustainability from its own operations and how it will support and advocate on behalf of the community. Climate change is one of the four themes of the strategy and includes ambitious targets to reduce corporate and community greenhouse gas emissions. These targets include zero net carbon emissions from Council operations by 2030 and zero net carbon emissions from the community by 2050.

### The Compact of Mayors

The Compact of Mayors (Compact) is a global cooperative effort among Mayors and city leaders to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, track community emissions and prepare for the impacts of climate change. The Compact currently consists of 658 Mayors and city leaders around the world.

Through the Compact, cities are:

- Increasing their visibility as leaders responding to climate change;
- Demonstrating their commitment to an ambitious global climate solution;
- Encouraging direct public and private sector investments in cities by meeting transparent standards that are similar to those followed by national governments;
- Building a consistent and robust body of data on the impact of city action; and
- Accelerating more ambitious, collaborative and sustainable local climate action.

### TAKE2 pledge

Taking the TAKE2 pledge requires Council to reach net zero emissions by 2050 to help keep the global temperature rise to less than two degrees. Council has set this target in its *Environmental Sustainability Strategy 2016 - 2021* for community emissions and a more ambitious target for our own operations.

Twenty two Victorian Councils have taken the pledge, as has the Eastern Alliance for Greenhouse Action of which Council is a member. Many businesses, community organisations, schools, individuals and families have also made the TAKE2 pledge.

The initiative was established by the Victorian Government, extracts from their TAKE2 website below:

- TAKE2 is the Victorian Government’s collective climate change initiative.
- It supports Victorian individuals, business, government, educational and community organisations to take meaningful action to reduce climate change.
- To help achieve these goals, Sustainability Victoria is delivering the TAKE2 initiative - a world-leading climate change pledge program.
- TAKE2 is also encouraging and supporting all Victorian individuals and organisations to voluntarily commit to tackling climate change.
- The goal is to help keep the temperature rise under two degrees.

More information can be found at: <https://www.take2.vic.gov.au/>

## ISSUES AND DISCUSSION

The commitments Council has already made in its *Environment Sustainability Strategy* already meet, or will meet, any requirements of the TAKE2 pledge and the Compact of Mayors. The main elements are:

- *Council has* set a target for net zero emissions from community by 2050 which aligns with the TAKE2 pledge.
- The Compact has defined a series of requirements that cities are expected to meet over time. Council would need to become fully compliant with all the requirements within three years.
  - Greenhouse gas emissions inventory are consistent with the Global Protocol for Community-Scale Greenhouse Gas Emission Inventories (GPC), within one year or less;
  - Identifying climate hazards faced by Glen Eira, within one year or less;
  - Setting a target to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, within two years or less;
  - Identifying climate vulnerabilities faced by Glen Eira, within two years or less; and
  - Making plans to address climate change mitigation and adaptation within three years or less.

## FINANCIAL, RESOURCE AND ASSET MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

There are no additional financial, resource or asset management implications of this decision.

## POLICY AND LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

This decision would not require any changes to Council's policy or have legislative implications.

## COMMUNICATION AND ENGAGEMENT

Joining the Compact and taking the TAKE2 pledge was recommended by the Sustainability Advisory Committee on 22 June 2017.

As part of the community engagement process for the development of the *Environmental Sustainability Strategy 2016-2021*, the community expressed strong desire for Council to address climate change and support and mobilise the community in reducing their emissions.

### Next steps

Should Council decide to join the Compact of Mayors and/or take the TAKE2 pledge, these commitments would be shared with the community through Council's community education program and a range of communications channels such as GE News, social media, and e-newsletters.

**LINK TO COUNCIL AND COMMUNITY PLAN**

The recommendations in this report align with Council's objectives and targets set out in our *Community Plan* and *Environmental Sustainability Strategy 2016-2021*.

**OFFICER DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

No officers involved in the preparation of this report have any direct or indirect interest in this matter.

**CONCLUSION**

Joining the international Compact of Mayors and taking the TAKE2 pledge was recommended by the Sustainability Advisory Committee and would showcase Glen Eira City Council's commitment to addressing climate change. The commitments Council has already made in its *Environment Sustainability Strategy* align with the TAKE2 pledge and the Compact of Mayors objectives.

By publically demonstrating leadership on this issue, Council would communicate the importance of action on climate change for our community.



Dear Compact of Mayors Secretariat,

I hereby declare the intent of the city of \_\_\_\_\_ to comply with the Compact of Mayors, the world's largest cooperative effort among mayors and city leaders to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, track progress, and prepare for the impacts of climate change.

The Compact of Mayors has defined a series of requirements that cities are expected to meet over time, recognizing that each city may be at a different stage of development on the pathway to compliance with the Compact.

I commit to advancing the city of \_\_\_\_\_ along the stages of the Compact, with the goal of becoming fully compliant with all the requirements within three years. Specifically, I pledge to publicly report on the following within the next three years:

- The greenhouse gas emissions inventory for our city consistent with the Global Protocol for Community-Scale Greenhouse Gas Emission Inventories (GPC), within one year or less
- The climate hazards faced by our city, within one year or less
- Our target to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, within two years or less
- The climate vulnerabilities faced by our city, within two years or less
- Our plans to address climate change mitigation and adaptation within three years of less

Yours Faithfully,

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**ITEM 9.10            UPDATED USER FEES – CARNEGIE SWIM CENTRE AND CAULFIELD RECREATION CENTRE**

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**File No:**            *n/a*

**Attachments:**    *1 – Proposed Fees and Charges*

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**PURPOSE AND SUMMARY**

At its 4 July 2017 Ordinary Council Meeting Council resolved to:

1. Request officers to formally write to the YMCA to give notice that the current contract will cease on 30 September 2017 and thank them for their management.
2. Endorse the recommendation to bring Caulfield Recreation Centre and Carnegie Outdoor Pool under management of GECC and for officers to commence transition arrangements as outlined in the report.
3. Present a list of fees and charges for the facility to Council for approval before transition occurs.
4. Request a report back to Council to review the interim management arrangements soon after the Carnegie Pool redevelopment has commenced.

This report provides further information for Council consideration on the proposed updated user fees for Caulfield Recreation Centre (CRC) and Carnegie Swim Centre (CSC) for the 2017-2018 financial year. This update reflects the decision by Council to take on management of these facilities with an in-house business model.

**RECOMMENDATION**

THAT Council:

1. Endorses the attached user fees which will be effective from 1 October 2017, after the completion of the YMCA contract on 30 September 2017; and
2. Endorses the reciprocal rights for existing GESAC members to include the use of Caulfield Recreation Centre and Carnegie Swim Centre at no increase to their membership fees.

**BACKGROUND**

At the Ordinary Council meeting on 4 July 2017 Council endorsed that at the end of the YMCA management contract, to bring the management of the Caulfield Recreation Centre (CRC) and Carnegie Swim Centre (CSC) in-house by the Glen Eira Leisure department.

Part of this change was a commitment to provide greater value to our community and existing GESAC and CRC members. This required a review of the user fees as well as recommendations to provide reciprocal rights across all three sites for existing GESAC full access members.

**ISSUES AND DISCUSSION**

**Membership Entitlements / Pricing**

- A new Glen Eira Leisure membership category will be created called Glen Eira Leisure (GEL) members, which would be set at the existing GESAC membership rates of \$22.95 per week. There would be no additional cost to existing GESAC members and they would receive the additional value of being able to utilise all three facilities under their full access membership.
- Aquatic only members at GESAC would receive the additional value of also attending Carnegie Pool at their existing membership rate of \$14.95 per week.
- Existing full access members at Caulfield Recreation Centre currently pay \$19.20 per week with entitlements to access Caulfield Recreation Centre and Carnegie Pool. Existing members will have the opportunity to either
  - upgrade to a Glen Eira Leisure membership to also get access to GESAC for an additional \$3.75 per week;
  - remain on their existing arrangements with the same access to Caulfield Recreation Centre and Carnegie Swim Centre;
  - downgrade their membership to a newly created Caulfield Recreation Centre only (ie. no Carnegie Swim Centre access) membership at \$14.95 per week.
- Casual health club access fees at Caulfield Recreation Centre would be reduced.
- No changes to the budgeted pricing at Carnegie Pool for casual swimming and season passes for those that wish to only attend Carnegie Pool.

The full list of user fees attached outlines all price points. All prices are either the same, or reduced, compared to the previously approved user fees and all adjustments have taken into account the same value principles.

**FINANCIAL, RESOURCE AND ASSET MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS**

Currently the Caulfield Recreation Centre has 533 members and membership has been steadily declining from its long term average of 800 during the past 3 years. One of the key reasons for this has been the current pricing structure.

A standard membership is currently \$19.20 a week, for access to both Caulfield Recreation Centre and Carnegie Swim Centre. However, it is no longer in line with the market, given the quality and range of facilities being offered at Caulfield Recreation Centre and that Carnegie Swim Centre is only open in the summer months. A reduction in price is proposed by creating a new Caulfield Recreation Centre only membership (ie. no Carnegie Swim Centre access) of \$14.95 per week, which is a price point that would be competitive in the market, with the aim to attract new members.

There are approximately 265 members that would be eligible to downgrade their membership. Although unlikely, if every current member reduced their current membership to a Caulfield Recreation Centre only membership of \$14.95 per week, it would result an income reduction of around \$55,000 per annum. However, by having a more competitive membership rate it is expected that Council can stop or slow the decline in memberships and start growing the member base. An increase of 63 members is required to offset the reduced rate and result in no net loss to Council.

**POLICY AND LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS**

Not applicable.

**COMMUNICATION AND ENGAGEMENT**

Communication to all key stakeholders will be undertaken and a communication plan will be put into place to commence the transition of YMCA members to Glen Eira Leisure members.

### **LINK TO COUNCIL PLAN**

Community Plan 2017-2021 Theme 3: Safe, Healthy and Inclusive – Deliver programs and activities to promote a healthy and resilient community.

### **OFFICER DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

No officers involved in the preparation of this report have any direct or indirect interest in this matter.

### **CONCLUSION**

Council endorsed at the end of the YMCA management contract, to bring the operation of Caulfield Recreation Centre (CRC) and Carnegie Swim Centre (CSC) in-house to be managed by Glen Eira Leisure. Officers have reviewed user fees and access across all three Council leisure facilities to provide greater value to the community, as well as existing GESAC and CRC members.

It is recommended that a newly created membership category be provided, at a lower weekly rate for membership to the Caulfield Recreation Centre only. It is also recommended that reciprocal rights are provided across all three sites for existing GESAC full access members.

Schedule of User Charges and Other Fees							Current Weekly Rate	New Weekly Rate	Fees & Charges Rate	Change Y/N
User Charges and Other Fees	Description	GST Status	Cost Centre	Account Number	Charges per unit 2016-2017 (\$)	Charges per unit 2017-2018 (\$)				
4751 - Carnegie Swimming Pool	General Admission - Adult	Taxable			6.00	6.30	6.30	6.30	6.30	N
	General Admission - Child	Taxable			3.40	3.50	3.50	3.50	3.50	N
	Concession/Student	Taxable			4.50	4.70	4.70	4.70	4.70	N
	Spectators	Taxable			2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	N
	Family Pass* (Medicare card)	Taxable			16.50	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	N
	Season Tickets - Adults x 20	Taxable			96.00	100.80	50.40	50.40	100.80	N
	Season Tickets - Adults x 10	Taxable			54.00	56.70	56.70	56.70	56.70	N
	Season Tickets - Children x 20	Taxable			54.40	56.00	56.00	56.00	56.00	N
	Season Tickets - Children x 10	Taxable			30.60	31.50	31.50	31.50	315.00	N
	Season Tickets - Concession x 20	Taxable			72.00	75.20	75.20	75.20	75.20	N
	Season Tickets - Concession x 10	Taxable			40.50	42.30	42.30	42.30	42.30	N
	Family Pass* (Medicare card)	Taxable			410.00	425.00	425.00	425.00	425.00	N
	Season Pass - Adult	Taxable			250.00	260.00	260.00	260.00	260.00	N
	Season Pass - Concession	Taxable			205.00	215.00	215.00	215.00	215.00	N
	Season Pass - Children	Taxable			150.00	155.00	155.00	155.00	155.00	N

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Aquatic Education	Lane Hire	Taxable		28.50	30.00	30.00	30.00	30.00	N
	Half Dive Pool	Taxable		28.50	30.00	30.00	30.00	30.00	N
	Dive Pool	Taxable		57.00	60.00	60.00	60.00	60.00	N
	Per Lesson	Taxable		14.00	14.50	14.50	14.50	14.50	N
Swim Carnivals	Full Day (Per Hour)	Taxable		180.00	190.00	190.00	190.00	190.00	N
	Half Day (Per Hour)	Taxable		190.00	200.00	200.00	200.00	200.00	N
	Entry Fee (Carnivals)	Taxable		3.50	3.60	3.60	3.60	3.60	N
Casual Hall Hire	During Centre Hours (Per Hour)	Taxable		34.00	35.00	35.00	35.00	35.00	N
Birthday Parties	Supervised & Non-catered 6-15years (Per Child)	Taxable		15.50	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	N
<b>4752 - Caulfield Recreation Centre</b>									
Direct Debit Membership	Full Price (Existing Entitlements)	Taxable		37.20	38.40	19.20	19.20	38.40	N
	Concession (Existing Entitlements)	Taxable		29.70	30.80	15.40	15.40	30.80	N
	New Member (Caulfield Only)	Taxable		37.20	38.40	19.20	14.95	29.90	Y
	New Member Concession (Caulfield Only)	Taxable		29.70	30.80	15.40	11.95	23.90	Y
Start Up Fee	New Member	Taxable		81.00	84.00	84.00	84.00	84.00	N
Memberships - Gym and Aerobics	12 Month	Taxable		680.00	700.00	13.46	13.46	700.00	N
	6 Month	Taxable		478.00	493.00	18.96	18.96	493.00	N
	3 Month	Taxable		280.00	289.00	22.23	22.23	289.00	N
	12 Month Concession	Taxable		604.00	622.00	11.96	11.96	622.00	N
	6 Month Concession	Taxable		424.00	437.50	16.83	16.83	437.50	N

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Memberships - Gym	3 Month Concession	Taxable		245.50	254.00	19.54	19.54	254.00	N
	12 Month	Taxable		598.00	615.50	11.84	11.84	615.50	N
	6 Month	Taxable		400.00	412.50	15.87	15.87	412.50	N
	3 Month	Taxable		230.50	238.00	18.31	18.31	238.00	N
	12 Month Concession	Taxable		533.00	549.00	10.56	10.56	549.00	N
	6 Month Concession	Taxable		335.00	345.50	13.29	13.29	345.50	N
Membership - Aerobics	3 Month Concession	Taxable		233.50	233.50	17.96	17.96	233.50	N
	12 Month	Taxable		497.00	513.00	9.87	9.87	513.00	N
	6 Month	Taxable		347.00	358.50	13.79	13.79	358.50	N
	3 Month	Taxable		203.00	210.00	16.15	16.15	210.00	N
	12 Month Concession	Taxable		393.00	405.00	7.79	7.79	405.00	N
	6 Month Concession	Taxable		331.00	342.00	13.15	13.15	342.00	N
Teen Gym	3 Month Concession	Taxable		158.00	164.00	12.62	12.62	164.00	N
	Membership	Taxable		20.00	21.00	10.50	10.50	21.00	N
	Start Up Fee	Taxable		37.50	39.00	19.50	19.50	39.00	N
	Multi Pass	Taxable		70.00	77.50	7.75	7.75	77.50	N
Health Club	Casual Health Club	Taxable		20.00	20.50	20.50	16.50	16.50	Y
	Multi Visit Card Concession (10)	Taxable		160.00	184.50	16.00	16.00	160.00	Y
Personal Training (45 mins)	Member 1 on 1 session single	Taxable		58.00	59.00	59.00	59.00	59.00	N
	Member 1 on 1 session - 10 Pack	Taxable		522.00	531.00	53.10	53.10	531.00	N

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Group Fitness	Member Group Single Session (Each)	Taxable			45.00	46.50	46.50	46.50	46.50	N
	Member Group 10 Pack (Each)	Taxable			405.00	418.50	41.85	41.85	418.50	N
	Casual 1 On 1 Session Single	Taxable			67.00	69.00	69.00	69.00	69.00	N
	Casual 10 Pack	Taxable			603.00	621.00	62.10	62.10	621.00	N
	Casual Group Single Session (Each)	Taxable			49.00	50.50	50.50	50.50	50.50	N
	Casual Group 10 Pack (Each)	Taxable			441.00	454.50	45.45	45.45	454.50	N
	Group Fitness Casual	Taxable			16.00	16.50	16.50	16.50	16.50	N
	Group Fitness Concession	Taxable			13.00	13.50	13.50	13.50	13.50	N
	Multi Card Visit (10)	Taxable			144.00	148.50	14.85	14.85	148.50	N
	Multi Visit Card Concession (10)	Taxable			117.00	121.50	12.15	12.15	121.50	N
	Premium Direct Debit Membership	Taxable			56.00	58.00	29.00	29.00	58.00	N
	Premium Casual Member	Taxable			12.50	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	N
Older Adults	Premium Casual Non Member	Taxable			18.50	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	N
	Stay Active casual	Taxable			6.00	6.50	6.50	6.55	6.50	N
	Stay Active Multi Visit Card Concession (10)	Taxable			54.00	58.50	5.85	5.85	58.50	N
Children's Programs	Stay Active Direct Debit Membership	Taxable			22.00	26.00	13.00	13.00	26.00	N
	Childcare - Casuals	Taxable			9.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	N
	Childcare - Casuals (Family)	Taxable			12.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	N
	Childcare - Members	Taxable			6.00	6.50	6.50	6.50	6.50	N
	Childcare - Members (Family)	Taxable			8.50	9.50	9.50	9.50	9.50	N

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School Holiday Program					68.00	71.00	71.00	71.00	71.00	N
Casual Hall Hire	During Centre Hours	Taxable			34.00	36.00	36.00	36.00	36.00	N
	Outside Centre Hours	Taxable			88.00	92.00	92.00	92.00	92.00	N
	Crèche Room	Taxable			15.70	16.30	16.30	16.30	16.30	N
Tennis Court Hire	Per Hour During the Day	Taxable			22.00	23.00	23.00	23.00	23.00	N
	Per Hour - Evenings and Weekends	Taxable			26.00	27.00	27.00	27.00	27.00	N

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**ITEM 9.11 VICTORIAN LOCAL GOVERNANCE ASSOCIATION**

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**File No:** n/a

**Attachments:** None

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**PURPOSE AND SUMMARY**

To consider joining the Victorian Local Governance Association (VLGA) and appointing a representative.

**RECOMMENDATION**

1. That Council endorses membership of the Victorian Local Governance Association for the 2017/18 financial year and appoints Cr Nina Taylor as Council's representative for 2017/18.

or

2. That Council does not endorse becoming a member of the Victorian Local Governance Association.

**BACKGROUND**

Councillors who are formally appointed to external bodies by resolution, advocate and vote on behalf of Council, keeping in mind Council's position on matters before them.

**ISSUES AND DISCUSSION**

At the Assembly on 1 August 2017, Councillors discussed membership with the VLGA for the 2017-18 financial year. The VLGA is actively involved in a number of reform initiatives and ongoing advocacy on behalf of the community and Councils. The emphasis of the VLGA is to strengthen stakeholder and member engagement.

It will be beneficial to the community and Council to have a Councillor appointed to represent Council.

**FINANCIAL, RESOURCE AND ASSET MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS**

There are no financial, resource or asset management implications associated with this report.

**POLICY AND LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS**

There are no policy or legislative implications associated with this report.

**COMMUNICATION AND ENGAGEMENT**

There was no communication and engagement associated with this report.

### **LINK TO COUNCIL AND COMMUNITY PLAN**

Theme Five – Informed and Engaged – A transparent and accountable Council that engages its residents in decision-making.

### **OFFICER DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

No officers involved in the preparation of this report have any direct or indirect interest in this matter.

### **CONCLUSION**

Council to make a decision if it is to become a member of the VLGA.

**10. URGENT BUSINESS**

**11. ORDINARY BUSINESS**

**11.1 Requests for reports from Officers**

**11.2 Right of reply**

**11.3 Councillor questions**

**11.4 Public questions to Council**

**12. CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS IN CAMERA**

That pursuant to Section 89(2) of the Local Government Act 1989, the Council resolves that so much of this meeting be closed to members of the public, as it involves Council consideration of matters coming within some or all of the following categories listed in Section 89(2) of such Act.

- (a) Personnel matters;
- (b) The personal hardship of any resident or ratepayers;
- (c) Industrial matters;
- (d) Contractual matters;
- (e) Proposed developments
- (f) Legal advice
- (g) Matters affecting the security of Council property'
- (h) Any other matter which the Council or Special Committee considers would prejudice the Council or any person;
- (i) A resolution to close the meeting to members of the public.

- 12.1 Closure of South East Regional Waste Management Group Assurance Fund – *Local Government Act 1989 section 89 (2)(d)*

**13. CLOSURE OF MEETING**