



**GLEN EIRA
COMMUNITY GRANTS AND AWARDS
ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING**

**MINUTES
Tuesday 21 November 2023
Ogaki Room - Glen Eira Town Hall**

The Community Grants and Awards Advisory Committee meeting commenced at 5:32pm

Present:

<i>Councillors:</i>	Cr Sam Parasol (Chair)	Glen Eira Councillor Committee Member
	Cr Li Zhang (arrived 5.36pm)	Glen Eira Councillor Committee Member
	Cr Sue Pennicuik	Glen Eira Councillor Committee Member

<i>Council Staff:</i>	Mark Saunders	Director Community Wellbeing
	Sharon Sykes	Manager Community Development

Apologies:

<i>Council Staff:</i>	Lydia Sorensen	Coordinator Community Strengthening
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1 Welcome and Acknowledgement of Country

2 Reminder to declare any conflicts of interest in any items on the agenda

There were no conflicts of interest declared at the meeting.

3 Action items update from Committee meeting held Tuesday 10 October

Title/Item	Action	Update	Responsible Officer	Active/ Closed
Review of Community Grants Policy	Officers will develop a revised Community Grants Policy which will be presented to Council for endorsement following Governance and Risk Committee feedback.	Revised Community Grants Policy was presented to the Governance and Risk Committee on 25 May 2023. The revised Policy was endorsed by Council on 8 November 2023.	Lydia Sorensen	Closed
Review of Community Grants Guidelines	Officers will present draft revised guidelines for presentation to the Assembly on 14 November and to Council for endorsement on 19 December 2023.	Draft guidelines were presented to Council at the Assembly meeting on 14 November 2023.	Lydia Sorensen	Active

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Funding Agreement – Bentmoor Community Men’s Shed	The Committee recommends that Council approves a Funding Agreement for Bentmoor Community Men’s Shed 2023-2026 to fund \$22,829.45 per annum for service provision, increasing by the amount of the consumer price index annually and rental assistance in accordance with Council’s endorsed annual budget.	Approved by Council at the Ordinary Council Meeting on 15 August 2023. Agreement finalised with Bentmoor Community Men’s Shed.	Lydia Sorensen	Closed
Variation 2022-23 Community Grant – Murrumbeena Junior Football Club	The Committee recommends that Council approves a variation to the Murrumbeena Junior Football Club’s grant to extend the project end date to 29 April 2024.	Approved by Council at Ordinary Council Meeting on 17 October 2023. Community group notified of successful Variation.	Lydia Sorensen	Closed
Variation to Funding Agreement – Glen Eira Adult Learning Centre	The Committee recommends that Council approves a variation to the Glen Eira Adult Learning Centre Funding Agreement 2022-2025 to include an additional funding grant of \$12,000 for rental costs from 1 July to 31 December 2023.	Approved by Council at Ordinary Council Meeting on 17 October 2023. Community group notified of successful Variation.	Lydia Sorensen	Closed
Youth Excellence Grant – Layla Bloom	The Committee recommends that Council funds Layla Bloom a Youth Excellence Grant of \$1,200 to assist with her participation in the Oceania Weightlifting Championships in Apia, Samoa.	Approved by Council at Ordinary Council Meeting on 17 October 2023. Applicant notified of successful Youth Excellence Grant.	Lydia Sorensen	Closed
Youth Excellence Grant – Rosie O’Brien	The Committee recommends that Council funds Rosie O’Brien a Youth Excellence Grant of \$600 to assist with her participation in the Australian Youth Volleyball Championships in Bendigo, Victoria.	Approved by Council at Ordinary Council Meeting on 17 October 2023. Applicant notified of successful Youth Excellence Grant.	Lydia Sorensen	Closed
Youth Excellence Grant – Giselle Davey	The Committee recommends that Council funds Giselle Davey a Youth Excellence Grant of \$1,200 to assist with her participation in the New Zealand Tri-Series Swim Meet in Hastings, New Zealand.	Approved by Council at Ordinary Council Meeting on 17 October 2023. Applicant notified of successful Youth Excellence Grant.	Lydia Sorensen	Closed

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Youth Excellence Grant – Teagan Stewart	The Committee recommends that Council funds Teagan Stewart a Youth Excellence Grant of \$600 to assist with her participation in the Australian Karate Federation National Championship in Jolimont, Western Australia.	Approved by Council at Ordinary Council Meeting on 17 October 2023. Applicant notified of successful Youth Excellence Grant.	Lydia Sorensen	Closed
Youth Excellence Grant – Braden Fischer	The Committee recommends that Council funds Braden Fischer a Youth Excellence Grant of \$600 to assist with his participation in the Australian Youth Volleyball Championships in West Bendigo, Victoria.	Approved by Council at Ordinary Council Meeting on 17 October 2023. Applicant notified of successful Youth Excellence Grant.	Lydia Sorensen	Closed
Facility Hire Grant – Glen Eira Historical Society	The Committee recommends that Council funds a Facility Hire Grant of \$248 for the Glen Eira Historical Society to hold its September Speaker Series in the Caulfield Cup Room at the Town Hall on 27 September 2023.	Approved by Council at Ordinary Council Meeting on 17 October 2023. Community group notified of successful Facility Hire Grant.	Lydia Sorensen	Closed
Facility Hire Grant – B'nai B'rith Victoria	The Committee recommends that Council funds a Facility Hire Grant of \$910 for B'nai B'rith to hold its Human Rights Oration at the Town Hall Auditorium on 7 April 2024.	Approved by Council at Ordinary Council Meeting on 17 October 2023. Community group notified of successful Facility Hire Grant.	Lydia Sorensen	Closed
Facility Hire Grant – Russian Cultural and Television Association	The Committee recommends that Council funds a Facility Hire Grant of \$260.25 for Russian Cultural and Television Association to hold its Community Meeting with Dmitrii Bykov at the Town Hall Theatre on 14 October 2023.	Approved by Council at Ordinary Council Meeting on 17 October 2023. Community group notified of successful Facility Hire Grant.	Lydia Sorensen	Closed
Small Grant – Glen Eira Adult Learning Centre	The Committee recommends that Council funds a Small Grant of \$1,000 for the Glen Eira Adult Learning Centre for its First Aid Awareness and training workshops for new migrants in October and November 2023.	Approved by Council at Ordinary Council Meeting on 17 October 2023. Community group notified of successful Small Grant.	Lydia Sorensen	Closed
Small Grant – Godfrey Street Community House	The Committee recommends that Council funds a Small Grant of \$825 for Godfrey Street Community House for its Diwali Celebration in October 2023.	Approved by Council at Ordinary Council Meeting on 17 October 2023. Community group notified of successful Small Grant.	Lydia Sorensen	Closed

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Facility Hire Grant - St Anthony's School Glen Huntly	The Committee recommends that Council funds a Facility Hire Grant of \$1,504.72 for St Anthony's School Glen Huntly to hold its bi-annual school concert at the Auditorium on 18 September 2024.	Approved by Council at Ordinary Council Meeting on 8 November 2023. Community group notified of successful Facility Hire Grant.	Lydia Sorensen	Closed
Facility Hire Grant - St Patrick's Murrumbena Netball Club	The Committee recommends that Council funds a Facility Hire Grant of \$725 for St Patrick's Murrumbena Netball Club to hold its End of Year Awards celebration at Duncan Mackinnon Pavilion on 19 November 2023.	Approved by Council at Ordinary Council Meeting on 8 November 2023. Community group notified of successful Facility Hire Grant.	Lydia Sorensen	Closed
Facility Hire Grant - Chabad House of Caulfield	The Committee recommends that Council funds a Facility Hire Grant of \$7,500 for Chabad House of Caulfield to hold its Chanukah in the Park celebration at Caulfield Park on 10 December 2023.	Approved by Council at Ordinary Council Meeting on 8 November 2023. Community group notified of successful Facility Hire Grant.	Lydia Sorensen	Closed
Youth Excellence Grant – Harish	The Committee recommends that Council funds Harish a Youth Excellence Grant of \$1,200 to assist with his participation in the Indoor Cricket Junior World Series 2023 in Dubai, United Arab Emirates.	Approved by Council at Ordinary Council Meeting on 8 November 2023. Applicant notified of successful Youth Excellence Grant.	Shae Elms	Closed
Youth Excellence Grant – Angus	The Committee recommends that Council funds Angus a Youth Excellence Grant of \$1,200 to assist with their participation in Fédération Internationale de Motocyclisme Junior Grand Prix World Championship Round 6 in Aragon, Spain.	Approved by Council at Ordinary Council Meeting on 8 November 2023. Applicant notified of successful Youth Excellence Grant.	Shae Elms	Closed

4 Summary of meeting minutes from previous meeting

The previous Community Grants and Awards Advisory Committee meeting on Tuesday 10 October made recommendations to Council on two Youth Excellence Grant applications and three Facility Hire Grant applications. The minutes were adopted by Council at the Ordinary Council Meeting on 8 November 2023.

5 Items for discussion:

5.1 Facility Hire Grants:

5.1.1 Heartfulness Institute Limited FH 23 - 105

Heartfulness Institute Limited submitted a Facility Hire Grant application on 6 October 2023 to hire the Moorleigh Community Village, Room 84 each Sunday from 4 February 2024 to 15 December 2024 from 8.30am-10.30am to run yoga, relaxation and meditation sessions at a cost of \$2,553.

This project aligns with the aims of the Facility Hire Grant program to support participation in community life and encourage community initiatives that promote self-sufficiency and respond to community needs.

Recommendation: The Committee recommends that Council funds a Facility Hire Grant of \$2,553 for the Heartfulness Institute Limited to run weekly yoga and meditation sessions at Moorleigh Community Village, Room 84 from February 2024 to December 2024.

Moved: Cr Sue Pennicuik Seconded: Cr Sam Parasol

Motion Passed Unanimously

5.1.2 The Spiritual Assembly of the Baha'is of Stonnington FH 23 - 106

The Spiritual Assembly of the Baha'is of Stonnington submitted a Facility Hire Grant application on 7 October 2023 to hire the Carnegie Children's Multipurpose Centre on Saturday 4, 18 and 25 November 2023 from 2.30pm-5pm to deliver a series of parenting workshops at a cost of \$393.75.

This project aligns with the aims of the Facility Hire Grant program to fund projects that deliver meaningful social impact.

Recommendation: The Committee recommends that Council funds a Facility Hire Grant of \$393.75 for the Spiritual Assembly of the Baha'is of Stonnington to run a series of parenting workshops in the Carnegie Children's Multipurpose Centre in November 2023.

Moved: Cr Sue Pennicuik Seconded: Cr Sam Parasol

Motion Passed Unanimously

5.1.3 Melbourne Accueil Inc. FH 23 - 108

Melbourne Accueil Inc. submitted a Facility Hire Grant application on 27 October to hire Harleston Park to host a Christmas celebration event on 10 December 2023 at a cost of \$234. The event will bring members together to socialise and connect and will assist new migrant arrivals with their integration into Melbourne life.

This project aligns with the aims of the Facility Hire Grant program, to support celebration and participation in community life and to strengthen community connections and collaborations.

Recommendation: The Committee recommends that Council funds a Facility Hire Grant of \$234 for Melbourne Accueil Inc. to hire Harleston Park on 10 December 2023 to host a Christmas celebration event.

Moved: Cr Sue Pennicuik Seconded: Cr Sam Parasol

Motion Passed Unanimously

5.1.4 Glen Eira Chinese Senior Citizens Club FH 23 – 107

Glen Eira Chinese Senior Citizens Club submitted a Facility Hire Grant application on 18 October to hire the Town Hall Auditorium on 25 February 2024 for a Chinese New Year and Lantern Festival at a cost of \$1,158.

This project aligns with the aims of the Facility Hire Grant program, to support celebration and participation in community life and to strengthen community connections and collaborations.

Recommendation: **The Committee recommends that Council funds a Facility Hire Grant of \$1,158 for Glen Eira Chinese Senior Citizens Club to hire the Town Hall Auditorium on 25 February 2024 to host a Chinese New Year and Lantern Festival.**

Moved: Cr Sam Parasol Seconded: Cr Sue Pennicuik

Motion Passed Unanimously

Cr Zhang joined the meeting at 5.36pm.

5.2 Small Grants

5.2.1 Maccabi FC Caulfield Inc. SGP 2324 – 018

Maccabi FC Caulfield Inc. submitted a Small Grant application of \$1,000 on 17 October 2023 for its First Aid awareness training course to be held in April 2024.

This project aligns with the aims of the Small Grants program, specifically the initiative supports a strong and safe community that connects people and enhances health and wellbeing. The training will provide club members with the skills to respond to medical incidents and enhance the safety and wellbeing of all those involved in the club.

Recommendation: **The Committee recommends that Council funds a Small Grant of \$1,000 for Maccabi FC Caulfield Inc. to provide First Aid training to 20 members and staff.**

Moved: Cr Li Zhang Seconded: Cr Sam Parasol

Motion Passed Unanimously

5.3 Youth Excellence Grants

At the meeting held on Tuesday 10 October, Committee members enquired about the inclusion of further detail about Youth Excellence Grants recipients. Officers sought advice and discussed this with the Committee.

Council's Privacy Policy and the Victorian Child Safe Standards provide guidance about the release of personal information about young people under 18 years of age. It was agreed that to ensure Council compliance with these requirements, we will no longer include surnames in Council documentation for applicants under 18 years of age. Council will also only collect personal information which is necessary for the assessment of applications, which are assessed by Officers for eligibility and recommendation.

The Committee agreed that the Youth Excellence Grants will be renamed the Youth Excellence Awards and agreed that recipients will receive a letter and a certificate from the Mayor to acknowledge their achievements.

6 Proposed meetings 2024

A list of meeting dates for the 2024 Community Grants and Awards Advisory Committee meetings will be confirmed following release of the Council meeting schedule for 2024. The Committee agreed that meetings will continue to be held monthly, however if there are insufficient grant applications, scheduled meetings may be cancelled.

7 Meeting closed: 5:45pm