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Community & Belonging
Strategic Reference Group

MINUTES

COMMUNITY AND BELONGING STRATEGIC REFERENCE GROUP

Via audio visual link

WEDNESDAY 10 NOVEMBER 2021

Minutes of the Community and Belonging

Strategic Reference Group

held on Wednesday 10 November 2021

via audio visual link

Commencing at 6:09pm

ATTENDANCE:

Committee Members

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| Cr Kylie Ferguson (Chair) | Councillor |
| Simon Moriarty | Community Representative, Curl Curl Ward |
| Michelle Povah | Northern Beaches Child & Family Interagency |
| Julie Williams | Community Representative - Narrabeen Ward |
| Maria-Elena Chidzey | Community Northern Beaches Inc. (CNB), Multi-Cultural |
| Dan Giles | Easylink |

Council Officer Contacts

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| Kylie Walshe | Executive Manager Community, Arts & Culture |
| Claudia Brodtke | Governance Officer |
| Michael Spikmans | Digital Services Manager |
| Lea King | Manager Service Improvement |
| Melanie Gurney | Executive Manager Library Services |
| Lesley Milbourne | Manager Governance |

1.0 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

As a sign of respect, Northern Beaches Council acknowledges the traditional custodians of these lands on which we gather and pays respect to Elders past and present.

2.0 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Councillor Sarah Grattan, Councillor Penny Philpott, Samuel Wilkins and Cathy Hockey.

3.0 DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY AND CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of pecuniary or non-pecuniary conflicts of interest.

4.0 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

4.1 MINUTES OF COMMUNITY AND BELONGING STRATEGIC REFERENCE GROUP MEETING HELD 11 AUGUST 2021

RECOMMENDATION

That the Minutes of the Community and Belonging Strategic Reference Group meeting held 11 August 2021, copies of which were previously circulated to all Members, are hereby confirmed as a true and correct record of the proceedings of that meeting.

NOTE: *This item was deferred due to a lack of quorum.*

5.0 UPDATE ON ACTIONS FROM LAST MEETING

5.1 ACTION LOG UPDATE - KYLIE WALSH

DISCUSSION

Kylie Walshe, Executive Manager Community Arts & Culture provided an update on actions from the last meeting as follows:

- Manly Town Hall will be included in and discussed in the deliberations regarding the Manly Place Plan, which is currently under development.
- The query regarding the possibility of a roundabout near the Manly Boy Charlton Swimming Pool has been passed onto Council's traffic team and no further update is available at this point.

6.0 AGENDA ITEMS

6.1 SRG SUMMARY OF TERM - KYLIE WALSH

DISCUSSION

There was discussion around the broad range of categories and projects which the SRG had contributed to throughout their term, as well as acknowledgement of the panels which they had sat on.

Staff stated that it has been of great benefit to hear from a range of stakeholders with different backgrounds to understand how communities perceive the work that Council is undertaking.

A question was raised regarding the Volunteer Policy. Kylie Walsh, Executive Manager Community, Arts & Culture, responded that the internal Volunteer Operational Policy and Guidelines are currently rolling out regarding Council volunteers. The next step is a project to support volunteers across the Northern Beaches, due to commence in 2022.

A SRG member expressed that attending the SRG meetings was a fulfilling process which he hopes is continued, stating that it is uplifting to come out of these meetings hearing the insights and points of view which people have.

6.2 LIBRARY STRATEGY WORKSHOP - MICHAEL SPIKMANS & LEA KING

DISCUSSION

Lea King, Manager Service Improvement and Michael Spikmans, Digital Services Manager coordinated a workshop on the draft Library Strategy.

Input was sought on the following questions;

- Imagine it is 2026. What are the top things our community values most about Northern Beaches Library Service?
- What should we be phasing out or stopping as we move towards 2026?
- Finish the statement – it would be awesome if the library could...

Valuable input was received from SRG members during the workshop that will be considered in the development of the draft Library Strategy.

7.0 GENERAL BUSINESS

A question was asked about whether there would be a Council hosted Christmas function this year. No function is being organised for 2021.

An SRG member thanked Council for providing community members the opportunity to be on the SRG and to provide input.

K Walsh thanked the group for their work over the term of the SRG and invited them to contact her over the next few months while the new Council determines the future format of the Strategic

Reference Groups.

Cr Ferguson also thanked the group for their work and input over the term of the SRG.

The meeting concluded at 6.55 pm

This is the final page of the Minutes comprising 5 pages
numbered 1 to 5 of the Community and Belonging Strategic Reference Group meeting
held on Wednesday 10 November 2021 and confirmed on