



Community Development Committee

Business Paper for May 2020

Monday, 11 May 2020
Council Chamber, Civic Centre

Councillor Jimmy Cocking
(Chair)

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ALICE SPRINGS TOWN COUNCIL
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE AGENDA
FOR THE MEETING TO BE HELD ON MONDAY 11 May 2020
IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CIVIC CENTRE, ALICE SPRINGS

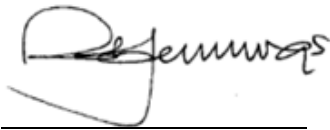
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Robert Jennings

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

6 May 2020

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MINUTES OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY
14 APRIL 2020, IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CIVIC CENTRE, ALICE SPRINGS

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic this meeting was held via Zoom teleconference

PRESENT: His Worship the Mayor D. Ryan
Councillor G. Auricht
Councillor M. Banks
Councillor J. Cocking (Chair)
Councillor J. de Brenni
Councillor E. Melky
Councillor M. Paterson
Councillor J. Price
Councillor C. Satour

OFFICERS: Mr R. Jennings - Chief Executive Officer
Ms S. Taylor - Director Corporate Services
Mr T. Allen - Director Technical Services
Mr S. Duke - Acting Director Community Development
Mrs T. Ociones - Executive Assistant (Minutes)

The meeting was declared open at 8:19pm

1. APOLOGIES

Nil

2. RESPONSE TO PUBLIC QUESTIONS

Nil

3. DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

3.1 Councillor de Brenni – Item 9.5, Alice Springs Takeaway Food App (wife is a member of the NTCC)

4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

4.1 Minutes – Community Development – 16 March 2020

RESOLVED:

That it be a recommendation to Council

That the minutes of the open section of the Community Development Committee meeting held on 16 March 2020 be taken as read and confirmed as a true and correct record of the proceedings of that meeting.

(21 cd)

CARRIED

Mayor Ryan expressed his thanks and best wishes to the Acting Director Community Development.

Councillor Cocking, as Chair of Community Development Committee thanked the Acting Director for all the work he has done for ASALC, RAP and Youth Engagement. Elected Members thanked and wished the Acting Director all the best for the future.

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The Acting Director Community Development thanked the Elected Members and Executives for the opportunity given to him.

4.2 Business Arising

Nil

5. IDENTIFICATION OF ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

5.1 Identification of items for discussion

The following items were identified for discussion:

9.2, 9.4, 9.5

5.2 Identification of items to be raised in General Business by Elected Members and Officers

Nil

6. DEPUTATIONS

Nil

7. PETITIONS

Nil

8. NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil

9. REPORTS OF OFFICERS

9.1 Community Development Directorate Update
Report No. 69/20cd (A/DCCS)

This report provides an update of current Community Development projects, programs and events.

RESOLVED:

That it be a recommendation to Council:

That the Community Development Directorate report be received and noted.

(22 cd)

9.2 Library Strategic Review
Report No. 70/20cd (MLS)

This report presents the findings from the Library Strategic Review undertaken by Roger Henshaw Consultancy Services in December 2019. The Library Strategic Plan 2020-2024 can be found at Attachment A. The Library Strategic Review Report (Attachment B) serves as background work and information undertaken to inform the Library Strategic Plan 2020-2024 document.

3 – CD COMMITTEE – 14/04/20

4.1

RESOLVED:

That it be a recommendation to Council that:

- A. The Library Strategic Review Report and Library Strategic Plan 2020-2024 be received and noted.**
- B. As a part of Council Master Plan deliverables, the development of a design brief for a new or significantly upgraded Public Library facility be considered for prioritisation in the FY2020/21 Budget for \$100,000 and be completed by June 2021.**
- C. Infrastructure and building maintenance identified in the Library Strategic Plan 2020-2024 for a combined cost of \$205,000 be carried out at the earliest possible opportunity in FY2020/21.**
- D. Regular updates on progress against the Library Strategic Plan 2020-2024 be provided through the Library monthly report.**

(23 cd)

Councillor Auricht supported the recommendations and proposed to have a specific Council forum to discuss this major project, perhaps later in the next financial year.

Councillor Cocking also endorsed the recommendations and asked about the budget line for the design brief. Councillor Cocking asked if Council is budgeting this for 2020/21 or could Council consider looking at allocating any of the reserve funds it has for infrastructure capital fund.

The Acting Director Community Development advised that if budget was made available earlier it might bring forward the design brief by 4 to 6 weeks. The design brief is a key piece of work which is scheduled to take between 10 and 12 months depending on the scope of that design brief. It is important that a part of that work includes thorough consultation with the community.

The Chief Executive Officer advised that the timing is interesting as there are certain priorities that are emerging that would indicate that this could be a good infrastructure project with a youth content. It has been suggested by Elected Members that more than a design brief is required so it is a matter of balancing how much we want to achieve in terms of getting a project. In regard to reserves funding, this would qualify under the reserves for budget consideration. If Elected Members wanted to proceed with the full design, this would be 5 to 8% of the total cost of building which could be included in the budget discussion.

Mayor Ryan advised that the Council officers could carry out the design brief so the Elected Members could discuss this in a forum.

9.3 Reconciliation Action Plan Progress Report
Report No. 71/20cd (ADCD)

This report provides an update on Council's progress against the Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP) 2019-2021 (Attachment A). The plan was formally endorsed in August 2019, with the RAP Working Group established and meeting since November 2019.

Of the 34 deliverables identified in the plan, 14 are complete, 10 are in progress and 10 have not yet commenced.

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4.1

RESOLVED:

That it be a recommendation to Council:

That the Reconciliation Action Plan 2019-2021 Progress Report be received and noted.

(24 cd)

9.4 Strategic Youth Framework
Report No. 72/20cd (MLS)

This report provides an overview of the proposed Council Strategic Youth Framework for consideration and endorsement by Council. The framework provides important strategic guidance for Council officers implementing youth programs and initiatives now and into the future as Council continues to play an important role in simultaneously addressing youth challenges whilst also building their capacity to become engaged, active citizens, equipped to contribute positively to the community.

RESOLVED:

That it be a recommendation to Council:

That Council endorse the draft Strategic Youth Framework.

(25 cd)

Mayor Ryan asked if the Youth Action Group listed in Draft Strategic Youth Framework as Council partners different from Council's Youth Action Group. The Acting Director Community Development responded it refers to the Council's Youth Action Group. Mayor Ryan requested it should then read ASTC Youth Action Group for clarity.

9.5 Alice Springs Takeaway Food App
Report No. 76/20cd (MCCD)

Councillor de Brenni having declared an interest in Item 9.5, left the meeting at 8:30pm prior to discussion of this matter.

This report is in regards to financially supporting Chamber of Commerce NT's Alice Springs Takeaway Food App project proposal.

RESOLVED:

That it be a recommendation to Council:

Council considers supporting Chamber of Commerce NT's Alice Springs Takeaway Food App project proposal to the value of \$10,000 GST excl.

(26 cd)

Councillor Cocking raised the following queries:

- will this only be focused on takeaway as part of the COVID-19 restrictions, as businesses recover and change their models back to being non-takeaway
- taking on board the environment impacts of the takeaway element and the increase of rubbish and single use plastic and other materials that are being used to transport the food from vendor to people's homes, what can council do to support/mitigate single use plastic use
- would Council leverage its plastic bans for Council supported events and activities
- would Council be engaged with the businesses that would be registered with this and encourage them to look at other options for packaging their products.

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The Acting Director Community Development advised that if Council supports this recommendation it will be putting in two-thirds of the funds required to achieve this project. All the items raised could be discussed with the NT Chamber of Commerce (NTCC) by officers and a follow up report could be tabled to the Ordinary Council.

Mayor Ryan asked how many takeaway businesses have been approached by NTCC regarding this project. He had spoken to some of them and expressed that although they enjoy the takeaway in the early parts of COVID-19, it is still a free service which is costing some businesses considerably. Mayor Ryan has concerns that there is no breakdown of the actual costs of the app presented in the report.

Action:

Director Corporate Services to follow this up with Chamber of Commerce NT.

Councillor Banks asked if there was any discussion around 'buy local', as opposed to just focusing on food providers, to support all businesses. Is the long-term sustainability of this initiative considered? If Council is supporting this, it should broaden the scope to include more than just takeaway businesses. If Council is going to have partnership with NTCC, Councillor Banks suggested producing some 'buy local' campaigning to help support all businesses.

Mayor Ryan advised that Council is already partnering with Imparja with the local campaigning, thanks to Claire Ashard and the Media and Communications team.

Councillor Banks asked that if this goes ahead to ensure that the app is open to all businesses registered in Alice Springs and not just to NTCC members.

Action:

Council officers to come back with a report on costings.

Councillor de Brenni returned to the meeting at 8:42pm.

10. REPORTS OF ADVISORY COMMITTEES

10.1 Minutes - Seniors Coordinating Committee – 18 March 2020

RESOLVED:

That it be a recommendation to Council:

That the minutes from the Seniors Coordinating Committee held 18 March 2020 be received and noted.

(27 cd)

10.2 Minutes - ASALC Committee – 24 March 2020

RESOLVED:

That it be a recommendation to Council:

That the minutes from the ASALC Committee held 24 March 2020 be received and noted.

(28 cd)

10.3 Minutes - Tourism, Events and Promotions Committee – 26 March 2020

RESOLVED:

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That it be a recommendation to Council:

That the minutes from the Tourism, Events and Promotions Committee held 26 March 2020 be received and noted.

(29 cd)

10.3.1 Sponsorship Application – GUTS Dance (Item 6.1)

An application was received from GUTS Dance Central Australia Inc requesting financial support of \$5,000 to contribute to employing local crew, decorating the hub space, providing consumables and documentation of the Spring-Loaded Dance event.

The Manager Community and Cultural Development has talked to the organisers of this event who advised that at this stage, it will go ahead in October 2020 as planned or if not, it will be rescheduled.

RESOLVED:

That it be a recommendation to Council:

That Council support the application from GUTS Dance Central Australia to the value of \$5,000 (exc. GST) towards the Spring-Loaded Dance event in October 2020, under the proviso that the event goes ahead.

(30 cd)

10.4 Minutes - Public Art Advisory Committee – 1 April 2020

RESOLVED:

That it be a recommendation to Council:

That the minutes from the Public Art Advisory Committee held 1 April 2020 be received and noted.

(31 cd)

10.4.1 Todd Mall Entrance EOI (Item 4.3)

The Manager Community and Cultural Development advised that quotations were received on Monday COB. The quotes for the proposed design are over the original budget, which was \$30,000 (GST excl) including design.

There is budget available through PAAC and also Todd Mall Promotions (*used for marketing and events to attract people to the Mall*) which due to COVID-19 will be unlikely to be spent in the next 12 weeks of the financial year.

- PAAC budget available: \$46,129
- Todd Mall Promotions budget: \$18,000
- Total budget: \$64,129 (GST excl)

Technical Services Department has advised that removal of stones and relocation of furniture can be done by Depot and have also advised removing the paving element of the project, which would reduce the costs below the available funding. Councillor Banks enquired what the impact of removing the paving would have on the sign. Miriam Wallace advised that the paving could be removed without affecting the overall integrity of the project.

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With the different elements of the job, such as electrical, steel work, concrete work etc. this would also provide opportunity for local work and investment. There will also be an opportunity to have the project in place for Parrtjima, and other events and help in revitalising the space after the uncertainty of COVID-19.

Mayor Ryan advised that it wasn't within the remit of PAAC to make decisions on spending other budgets, such as the Todd Mall Promotions budget, and that a report to Council would be necessary, with the project being overbudget, for Council to decide if it would like to contribute additional funds. The Committee, after discussion, agreed to progress the project, subject to Council identifying additional funds required to complete the project.

RESOLVED:

That it be a recommendation to Council:

That the Todd Mall Entry project proceed, subject to Council identifying additional funds of \$18,000 to \$27,000 (GST excl.) required to complete the project.

(32 cd)

10.5 Minutes - Youth Action Group Committee - 25 March 2020

RESOLVED:

That it be a recommendation to Council:

That the minutes from the Youth Action Group Committee held 25 March 2020 be received and noted.

(33 cd)

11. GENERAL BUSINESS

Nil

12. NEXT MEETING: **Monday 11 May 2020**

The meeting stands adjourned and resumes in the Confidential Section.

The meeting adjourned at 8:49 pm

Confirmed on _____

CHAIRPERSON _____

Date _____

REPORT

TO: COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE – MONDAY 11 MAY 2020
SUBJECT: DIRECTORATE UPDATE
AUTHOR: DIRECTOR CORPORATE SERVICES – SABINE TAYLOR

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report provides an update of current Community Development projects, programs and events.

RECOMMENDATION

That it be a recommendation to Council:

That the report be received and noted.

REPORT

1. DISCUSSION

The attached reports summarise activities that occurred within the Community Development Directorate for the month of April 2020.

1.1 Summary of Business Arising from Previous Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting 27 April 2020

All matters actioned as per Elected Member queries smartsheet.

2. POLICY IMPACTS

All projects relate to *Alice Springs Town Council Strategic Plan* objectives.

3. FINANCIAL IMPACTS

All projects are being implemented within their respective budgets.

4. SOCIAL IMPACTS

As per individual project plans.

5. ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS

As per individual project plans.

6. PUBLIC RELATIONS

Nil

7. ATTACHMENTS

Attachment A – ASALC Report

Attachment B – Community and Cultural Development Unit Report

Attachment C – Library Report

Attachment D – Ranger Unit Report



Sabine Taylor

DIRECTOR CORPORATE SERVICES

ATTACHMENT A

REPORT

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE – 11 MAY 2020

TO: DIRECTOR CORPORATE SERVICES – SABINE TAYLOR

**AUTHOR: ACTING MANAGER ALICE SPRINGS AQUATIC & LEISURE CENTRE –
PETINA FRANKLIN**

**SUBJECT: ALICE SPRINGS AQUATIC AND LEISURE CENTRE – APRIL 2020
REPORT**



Alice Springs Aquatic & Leisure Centre offered a training day to staff during the COVID 19 closure so they are ready to recommence lifeguarding when the Centre reopens. Physical distancing and hygiene measures were adhered to during the training session.

REPORT SUMMARY

In the month of April following the facility closure ASALC staff have been focussed on centre maintenance, capital project improvements, deep cleaning, reviewing operational policies and investigating training options for staff. Permanent and casual staff have been assisting in preparing the centre for opening.

TOTAL MONTHLY ATTENDANCE

Due to the closure of the Alice Springs Aquatic & Leisure Centre no attendance figures are available for the month of April 2020

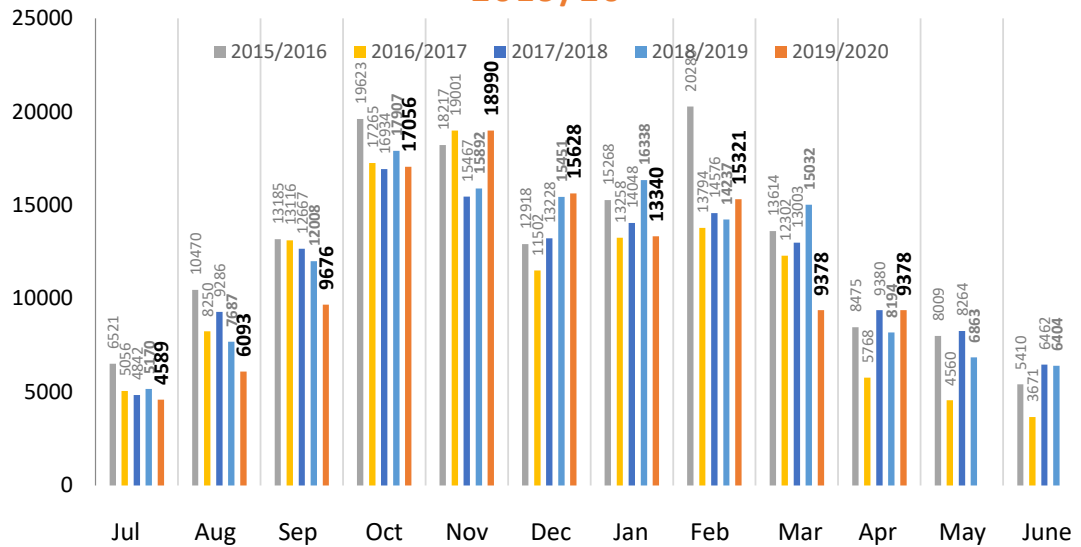
2018/2019 financial year total visits **141,183**
Total Income including sales: \$906,072.92

2018/2019 financial year total visits as at April 30, 2019 is **127,916**
Total Income including sales: \$834,436.86

2019/2020 financial year total visits as at 30 April 2020 is **110,182**
Total Income including sales: \$666,558.60

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ASALC MONTHLY PATRONAGE 2015/16 - 2019/20



PROGRAMS AND EVENTS

Learn to Swim

No classes/programs were run during the month of April 2020 due to COVID 19 closure.

Aqua Classes

No aqua classes open over April 2020

Events

No events were held over the month of April 2020.

Healthy Communities

The Healthy Communities Program is also on hold until the COVID 19 measures are lifted.

USER GROUPS

All User group bookings have been cancelled until further notice.

STAFF

ASALC welcomes Nicole Johannsen, Marketing and Promotions Officer, who was appointed in April and is currently assisting the Media department during the COVID 19 period and working from the Civic Centre. The application close date for the Manager position was Monday March 23 with a strong field of applicants. The position of Lifeguard Coordinator was awarded to Naomi Briggs and Naomi commenced in the role on Monday April 27.

CAPITAL PROJECTS UPDATE**ASALC Kiosk and Changeroom Refurbishment**

Tender documents for the refurbishment of the outdoor bathroom and kiosk will be advertised in the NT News and the Australian on Thursday April 30 2020.

Splash Pad

Fencing of the Splash Pad area has been completed this month.

The concrete surface repair of the splash pad is still on hold until COVID 19 restrictions ease.

OPERATIONS

The following maintenance was carried out in April 2020:

Plumbing

- SDA – find sewerage line for outdoor bathroom refurbishment - **\$3,452**

Pools

- Trading A-Z Electrics – repair 50m chlorine dosing – rewire solenoid - April 17

Facility

- AJ Nichol – fencing of splash pad area 6 – 18 April - **\$21,959**
- TV Workshop – Printer – 22 April
- Trading A-Z Electrics – Urinal troubleshooting – water flow - April 20
- Solergy- Inspect damage Solar panels front area & quote – April 8
- Baney Electrical – Lighting Splash pad area quote April 23-24
- Spears Metal Works – April 23 – slide handrails quote
- Local locksmiths – Lockers barrel replacement quote April 20, 28
- ASTC – Matt Raymond – inspect future projects
- K & S Windows – indoor louvres and exit door quotes – April 16
- LTC – indoor louvres and back fence repair quotes – April 21
- WA McLean – Gym ceiling repair quote – **\$6,680** - more quotes being sought
- Trading A-Z Electrics – Quotes for LED lights indoor – April 24
- Trading A-Z Electrics – work on indoor exit lights – April 28

Indoor Plant Room

- Cooling Plus – Boiler room April 26 quote x 2 pumps - Replacement **\$9,894** - waiting for refurbishment quotes dependent on condition of motors/wet ends

Outdoor 50m Plant Room

- Quotes being sourced to replace existing pump on heating system – nearing end of Life expectations. **Estimated - \$2,000 - \$3,000**
- Trading A-Z Electrics – Replace RCD CB board to bring to industry safety standard **\$2,090**

ENERGY EFFICIENCY**Electricity Usage**

	Aug 19	Aug 19	Sep 19	Sep 19	Oct 19	Oct 19	Nov 19	Nov 19	Dec 19	Dec 19
PROVIDER	Rimfire Usage kWh	Rimfire Charges	Rimfire Usage kWh	Rimfire Charges	Rimfire Usage kWh	Rimfire Charges	Rimfire Usage kWh	Rimfire Charges		Rimfire Charges
Peak	16952.72	\$4,445.97	15188.93	\$3,983.40	13161.89	\$3,451.80	10143.38	\$2,660.17	12460.59	\$3,267.88
Off-peak	47516.14	\$9,676.90	45,987.22	\$9,365.53	47331.89	\$9,639.38	44560.29	\$9,074.93	52515.52	\$10,695.05
Network		\$5,997.30		\$6,087.59		\$6,231.77		\$5,582.87		\$6,223.64
Total	64,468.86	\$20,120.17	61,176.15	\$19,436.52	60,493.78	\$19,322.95	54,703.67	\$17,317.97	64976.11	\$20,186.57

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	Jan 20	Jan 20	Feb 20	Feb 20	Mar 20	Mar 20	April 20	April 20	Mar 2019	
PROVIDER	Rimfire Usage kWh	Rimfire Charges	Rimfire Usage kWh	Rimfire Charges					Rimfire Usage kWh	Rimfire Charges
Peak	17730.32	\$4,649.90	12869.73	\$3,375.18	14,439.15	\$3,786.77	*	*	11099.06	\$3,145.94
Off-peak	56283.50	\$11,462.42	53153.28	\$10,824.93	52,003.34	\$10,590.74	*	*	48835.31	\$10,493.44
Network		\$6,402.67		\$6,067.53	*	\$6236.74	*	*		\$5,217.04
Total	74,013.82	\$22,514.99	66,023.01	\$20,267.64	66,442.49	\$20,614.25	*	*	59934.37	\$18,856.42

*Data unavailable at time of report

Gas Usage

	Jan-Mar 19	Jan-Mar 19	Apr-Jun 19	Apr-Jun 19
PROVIDER	Origin Usage MJ	Origin Charges \$	Origin Usage MJ	Origin Charges \$
First 4,350	4,950	\$123.90	4,600	\$126.65
4350 – 130200	148,500	\$3,323.43	138,000	\$3,397.28
130201 – 466200	549,450	\$8307.68	368,000	\$7,711.44
466201 +	1,027,488	\$15,535.63	1,039,904	\$17,295.68
Supply Charges		\$55.43		\$56.66
Total		\$27,290.64		\$28,587.71

	Jul-Sep 19	Jul-Sep 19	Oct-Dec 19	Oct-Dec 19
PROVIDER	Origin Usage MJ	Origin Charges \$	Origin Usage MJ	Origin Charges \$
First 4950	4,600	\$126.65	4,250	\$118.49
4951 – 153450	138,000	\$3,397.28	127,500	\$3,179.85
153451 – 549450	368,000	\$7,711.44	34,0000	\$7,218.20
549451 +	785,507	\$13,064.55	34,6616	\$5,837.01
Supply Charges		\$56.66		\$53.03
Total		24,356.58		16,406.58

ASALC OPENING

Alice Springs Aquatic & Leisure Centre opened its doors to the public on the May Day long weekend for the first time, since the COVID-19 outbreak in March 2020. The outdoor 50 metre pool gas heaters were turned on and water reached 25 degrees on Saturday and by Sunday and Monday the temperature had risen to a very comfortable 28.6 degrees. The users were very pleased to see the facility made available for exercise and recreation and all feedback received was very favourable.



Petina Franklin

ACTING MANAGER ALICE SPRINGS AQUATIC AND LEISURE CENTRE

9.1

ATTACHMENT B

REPORT

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE – 11 MAY 2020

TO: DIRECTOR CORPORATE SERVICES – SABINE TAYLOR

**AUTHOR: MANAGER COMMUNITY AND CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT –
JEANETTE SHEPHERD**

**SUBJECT: REPORT FROM COMMUNITY AND CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT UNIT
FOR APRIL 2020**

This report provides an update of current Community and Cultural Development Unit projects.

1. Events

In-kind support

No in-kind support was recorded for April due to the cancellation of events because of COVID-19. Community Projects and Events Officer has been implementing a range of initiatives to improve the in-kind process, including a calendar to view when infrastructure is out, a stocktake of items available to be requested as in-kind, and a deposit system.

Songs from the Sofa

Following the cancellation of the Twilight Series, this project was developed in response to COVID-19 as a way to support local artists to receive an income, and provide people access to live performances and entertainment with the closure of performance venues in Alice Springs. Songs from the Sofa will be an eight-week program for solo musicians to perform online and from home for the residents of Alice Springs. An EOI has been circulated. The budget for this project is \$4000.

Phoney Film Festival

Promotion of Phoney Film Festival is currently being developed. Following on from a recommendation to Council from the Youth Action Group to spend the leftover Phoney Film Festival budget for advertising, this year, a television advertisement is being created by Imparja, who have offered an opportunity for one or two young people to assist in producing the Phoney Film Festival advertisement to develop their videography skills. This opportunity is being offered to YAG members. The cost to create the ad in conjunction with young people is \$3000, and the cost to air the ad is \$4000. This year's festival is being planned to be online, alongside an option for a screening once social gathering restrictions allow this. Online workshops are also being planned. The budget for the 2020 Phoney Film Festival, excluding the Imparja program, is \$6200, which includes the online workshops, a screening, website, promotion of the screening, prizes and editing support is \$6,200. A grant of \$2000 has been applied for to supplement these costs – notification should soon be received.

Youth Recycled Art Prize

The 2020 Youth Recycled Art Prize was successfully moved online, launching on 20 April 2020. There was a total of 66 entries, which has made it the biggest YRAP ever. The online exhibition had around 1,500 views as of 28 April 2020. Winners for both categories, Climate Change and Open, were announced on 22 April. The last winner to be announced is the People's Choice award, which remains open for voting until 5 May. The online exhibition can be viewed at: www.astcyrap.com.au

2. Programs

COVID-19 Recovery

The Community and Cultural Development Unit is in the process of developing a range of programs and events to support the community's recovery from COVID-19, and the reactivation of Alice Springs. Further details will be provided in future reports to Council. The Unit is also working to create a timeline to restart existing programs and events as appropriate to the easing of restrictions that was recently released by NTG.

Community Grants

Community Grant applicants have been notified if they were successful or not, with additional processes being implemented to allow for flexibility should a project or event need to be rescheduled or adapted.

Community Development – Total of 8 grants were successful, totalling \$38,610.74

- One Community Development Grant has been funded = \$5,000
- One application was withdrawn - \$5,000 from the Beanie Festival
- One applicant has confirmed that they intend on continuing the project as planned and will seek extensions if needed = \$5,000
- Five applicants will seek variations to their project delivery = \$23,611

Community Assistance – Total of 9 grants were successful, totalling \$12,955

- Five Community Assistance Grants have been funded = \$6,155
- Three applicants have confirmed that they intend on continuing the project as planned and will seek extensions if needed = \$4,500
- No variations will be sought at this stage
- Waiting response from one applicant = \$800

Araluen Access – Total of 8 grants were successful, totalling \$12,765

- As the Araluen Arts Centre is currently closed, grant recipients are not able to inform advise a rescheduled date. However, all successful grant recipients have confirmed that they are able to deliver their project or event once reopened.

Youth Development – Total of 3 grants were successful, totalling \$7,700

- All successful grant recipients have confirmed that they are able to deliver their project or event, once social distancing measures are no longer in place • Extensions to the project delivery date will be sought from all three applicants

Seniors – Old Stories, Young Eyes

Old Stories, Young Eyes is a project to share the stories and resilience of older people in the community, and how they lived through world changing events. The program will feature diverse voices from the seniors community. Filming and airing dates are yet to be confirmed. The budget for this project is \$3,000.

Seniors Activity Packs

After feedback from the community, a seniors activity pack is being developed in response to COVID-19 and the increased social isolation of the seniors community. The activity packs will include a range of puzzles, Alice themed colouring in sketches, and tips on staying healthy at home. These will be distributed through the Keep Moving program, Book A Book program, and seniors groups.

Local Artist Database

Council Officers have collated a list of local bands, solo artists, entertainers and performers into a database so Council's programs can continue to bring a diversity of music and performances to the community. This list will be updated bi-annually or as required.

International Women's Day

A grant acquittal for \$2800 for the "Celebrating Centralian Women – A visual story" project for International Women's Day was submitted to the Office of Gender Equity and Diversity.

Wellbeing Working Group

Activities to support ASTC staff during COVID-19 are being developed and rolled out, including a mental health webinar series, internal staff wellbeing newsletter, and exercises to do at home.

Reconciliation Action Plan Working Group

Community Development Officer attended one Reconciliation Action Plan Working Group Meeting 7 April 2020.

Public Art Online Map

Work has continued on the online public art map. This meets the strategic action 1.7(ii) of the ASTC Arts and Cultural Plan: *Creation of an online map that showcases the public art in Alice Springs and outlines a public art trail which can be downloaded and has an accessible format.* The budget for the project is \$19,404, which includes design and creation of the online map, recorded interviews with up to 10 artists, and creation of audio descriptions. Funding of \$8,276 for this project has been received through the Visitor Experience Enhancement Program. To encourage people to visit the CBD, a selection of ASTC and community artworks will be highlighted in a CBD walk. Interviews are being conducted with a selection of local artists to include as part of map.

Library Wall Mural

This granted-funded project (\$25,000 Arts NT Strategic Projects Grant – Artist with a disability) has been on hold due to the impacts of COVID-19 as it was no longer safe to work with the artist.

Todd Mall Tiles

The final set of tiles have been completed by students at CMS, and have been glazed and fired. The last step is for the tiles to be inlaid into the seat, however this will be delayed due to the tiler being stuck in South Australia because of COVID-19 restrictions.

Traeger Park Wall Mural

Hayden Williams in collaboration with Gap Youth Centre has been selected to progress to the Design Development stage for the Traeger Wall mural. The Public Art Advisory Committee will review the design at the May 2020 meeting, delayed from the April 2020 meeting because of COVID-19 impacts. The budget for this project is \$30,000.

Public Art Masterplan

The development of the Public Art Masterplan is ongoing.

Youth Action Group

Although the Youth Action Group can no longer meet up in person, YAG meetings have continued to run on Zoom. This has impacted attendance and recruitment of new members, but it has provided an opportunity to build relationship with current

YAG members. A casual YAG meeting was held 21 April, and was a great opportunity to check in with YAG members. Two out of the three core YAG members attended, and provided feedback about the Youth Action Group in light of recruitment and community perception. One member said that his friends don't know what YAG is about and do not understand its function. The other YAG member present said that they are unaware of how the community perceives YAG, but does not think that YAG is very well known amongst the community or young people.

YAG Iso-Challenge

The Youth Action Group has been brainstorming ways to keep the young people of Alice Springs entertained during isolation to support their mental health, in a fun and engaging way while also supporting small businesses. Young people have supported the idea of a YAG Iso-Challenge. The idea is to run weekly challenges, each a different theme. At the end of each week, a winner will be chosen and announced. The winner will receive a voucher to a local business. The challenge will be trialled for four weeks. The budget for the four-week trial is \$1200.

Healthy at Home Series

Healthy at Home is a series of community announcements from Council designed to provide health and wellbeing information to the community during the unfamiliar experience of COVID-19 isolation. Segments will include:

- How to make a Super-Powered Green Smoothie
- Get Off the Couch – Exercising at Home
- Tai Chi – Meditative Movement
- Bollywood Dancing
- Gardening in Season

Each segment is a duration of one minute, and will be screened on Imparja Television. Filming date and airing dates are yet to be confirmed. This project was developed after community feedback regarding having activities and exercises to do at home shown on TV. The budget for this series is \$3,045, will includes production and screening.

Health & Wellness Centre (HAWC) @ Home

There would usually be 10 Keep You Moving classes per week at the Health and Wellness Centre, facilitated by Get Physical, aimed at improving strength, flexibility and cardiovascular fitness for seniors with chronic health conditions. However, the face to face classes were paused on 18 March due to the COVID-19 restrictions. The normal weekly cost for the Keep You Moving program and classes is \$1,500 – the modified HAWC at home program costs \$900 per week.

ASTC's Keep You Moving Centre program has been modified so these classes are being brought to participants' houses. The staff at Get Physical made a phone call to a total of each of the 105 participants to establish the mode of delivery for home-based exercise programs – booklet, DVD or USB. Of the 105 people contacted, only 15 people declined the offer of a home-based plan.

A generic program was initially established, just to ensure all participants had something to follow. 50 programs and resistance bands were delivered directly to their homes (with COVID-19 procedures being adhered to). The remaining 45 participants own appropriate equipment and had the program emailed. Since the initial program was delivered, 22 new individual programs have been developed catering to specific needs. Another new chair-based program has also been created for all participants to utilise in their homes.

Around 80 people are being contacted each week, either by phone call or email. This is not only to determine whether their physical exercise program is still appropriate but also to assist with mental health. Conversations often involve more than just talk about exercise, and small care packages have been delivered to those identified as the most vulnerable.

Heart Foundation Walking

Council's Heart Foundation Walking Group has continued to be on hold due to COVID-19 restrictions. However, a four-week steps challenge to track the exercise people are doing in isolation is being developed to keep the group motivated and moving. This challenge will start on 4 May and is open to Heart Foundation walkers and their families.

Mental Health

All planned programs for MHACA are still on hold due to COVID-19 restrictions. However, these will be of utmost importance, once restrictions are lifted, at which time we will pursue these further.

Aqua for Arthritis, Old Timers, Life Without Barriers, Staff Fitness classes

These activities are all on hold due to COVID-19.



Jeanette Shepherd

MANAGER COMMUNITY AND CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT

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ATTACHMENT C**REPORT****COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE – 11 MAY 2020**

TO: DIRECTOR CORPORATE SERVICES – SABINE TAYLOR

**AUTHOR: LIBRARY TEAM LEADER- FELICITY WALDOCK
LIBRARY PROGRAMS COORDINATOR- MIKAELA REVELL**

SUBJECT: REPORT FROM ALICE SPRING PUBLIC LIBRARY FOR APRIL 2020

This report provides an update of current Library projects, programs and events.

1. LIBRARY MANAGER’S UPDATE**COVID19**

- Library Events & Programs suspended from Tuesday 17 March 2020
- Library closed to the public from Tuesday 24 March 2020

RESPONSE SERVICES

The following services and programs have been adapted to allow the Library to continue serving the community of Alice Springs:

BOOKaBOOK

Book’a’Book

Launched Monday 30 March, Book’a’Book is a take-away and delivery service for Alice Springs Public Library members. Customers can request specific titles or staff can create a “Lucky Dip” pack for them.

April 2020

Number of orders received:	145
Number of items borrowed:	1,473

Feedback from Book’a’Book customers:

- *“Thanks for keeping the library still accessible for everyone!”*
- *“You are awesome, great community service, innovative community response and support.”*
- *“Thank you so much for developing this service. It is a life saver!”*
- *“Thanks for offering this Service my mum is house bound and loves her books. I requested lucky dip book request-on behalf of my mother, as she does not have email or internet service. Thanks”*
- *“This is a great service and is very helpful during this pandemic. Thanks for making this service so good and not cost a single cent.”*
- *“You guys are amazing. This is an incredible service - thank you so much to adapting to difficult circumstances so quickly and so innovatively.”*
- *“You are all doing a fabulous job and I, for one, am truly grateful and appreciative for this wonderful service. You are all true champions. I thank you all.”*
- *“Thanks you all so much - you are always an awesome team in my estimation. However my estimation has gone up 1000 fold. This is the best idea ever and it’ll make up for not being able to go camping over Easter...and keep us reading for a good while!*

Thanks to the volunteers too. They need our collective hats taken off to them”



Library Manager Clare Fisher,
launching the Library's takeaway and

PRINT & PICKUP

Print & Pickup

On Monday 20 April, the Library launched its new Print & Pickup service – allowing customers to send through documents for printing at the Library.

From 20 April 2020

Number of P&P orders	10
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Online Memberships

New Library customers can now join online via the Library website. Members have a choice of borrowing types including Online Only or Full Membership.

<https://alicesprings.nt.gov.au/library/membership>

April 2020

Number of new members:	38
Total number of Library members:	13,308

Collections update- Matt Kelly, Collections Coordinator

There are 444 new items in the collection this month with over one hundred new DVDs and CDs, with a focus on acquiring items requested by patrons.

The Children's Collection Diversity Audit was completed and submitted to Libraries and Archives NT.

The audit showed ASPL may need to devote more resources to researching materials for acquisition that reflect the diversity of the Alice Springs community.

Online Programs

A number of our regular programs such as Baby Rhyme Time, Storytime, LEGO Club and STEAM Club are being reconfigured into online sessions. Some of these sessions will be streamed live through Facebook and others recorded for future use.

A School Holiday program was presented online through the Library Facebook page including written literacy-linked craft activities, STEAM projects as well as Lego Club, Live Baby Rhyme Time (Facebook Live) and Preschool Story Time.

Strategic Projects

Library Manager Clare Fisher will be focussing on the following long-term projects linked to the Strategic Plan:

- Library floorplan review and maintenance schedule
- Development of a Library Community Outreach Program
- Development of a Digital Services and Management Plan
- Development of a Partnership and Collaboration Strategy & Prospectus
- Development of a Library Marketing and Communication Strategy
- Review of the Library web pages and content
- Development of a Library Workforce Development Plan

Staff Projects

Currently in progress:

- Tech support hotline for people needing assistance with a range of devices and navigating webforms, email, social media etc.
- Phone and video-conferencing appointments for Read & Write adult literacy classes
- Podcast of local thinkers, creators, leaders in conversation about their areas of expertise. In partnership with 8CCC community radio.
- Reviewing and repairing catalogue holdings
- Local indigenous language and knowledge educational resource creation aimed at preschool aged children
- Review and rearrangement of Alice Springs Special Collection space
- Social emotional support projects in conjunction with Community & Cultural Development Unit
- CAYLUS Youth Health media challenge
- NTG #stopthespreadNT youth media challenge
- Continued preparation and planning for the future Library Youth Hub

Long-term Projects

The Library team is also working on a number of long-term projects with the aim of being ready once Council enters its "Recovery" period, supporting the community with social & emotional wellbeing:

- Akaltje Antheme project – checking condition of items, identifying gaps, sourcing new material, printing, covering, creating
- Library signage in Arrernte (grant project)
- Update and create Library Workflows, Procedures & Guidelines
- Creation of a Library-specific Disaster Action Plan
- Creation of books and eRecordings in local languages
- Creating an annual Programs & Events calendar
- Curriculum linked school visits. Curriculum-linked lesson plans for staff to use for school visits in 2021. Cross-curricular, so including STEAM, Literacy and other learning areas relevant to the Library

- STEAM yearly events program to host external facilitators of STEAM activities for library members

Staffing Update

Library trainee Michael Hayward began on 8 April 2020.

Vacancies

- Special Collections Coordinator – full-time position
- Indigenous Services Officer – full-time 12 month contract
- Library Officer – part-time position

Grants

Project	Provider	Amount	Status
Youth Engagement: Holidays 2020 (Dec 2019-Jul 2020)	Territory Families, NTG	\$45,000	In Progress
Library Animated Explainer Videos (in language)	National Indigenous Australians Agency	\$30,000	Applied

2. STATISTICS

Note: ↓↑ denotes an increase or decrease from the previous month

Library Membership

Members	38↓
New Members	13,308↑

3. PROGRAMS & EVENTS

Programs and Events have been focused on responding to the COVID crisis and providing social outreach and engagement to members through video and written posts on Facebook, as well as turning attention to the recovery phase. This has been in consultation and collaboration with CCDU, other libraries and other community services.

New programs:

- ASPL 40th Birthday celebrations. Preparing for several potential scenarios for various levels of social-distancing measures, including a book to mark the anniversary.
- Ask ASPL: A multifaceted collection of outreach / social connectivity services with physical-distancing constraints including access to Wifi and free pay phones, a phone service to assist with digital literacy, phone service to assist in access to essential services, Read and Write via Zoom, phone and email, Spoken English conversational classes via video conferencing.
- Yarning Chair: A podcast series of local leaders, experts and identities 'in conversation'.
- Something Old Something New: A series which introduces the Library audience to items of interest in the collection, both old and new.
- Kalaway and Kalaray: An original content, First Nations short story film series
- Collections Connections: A program to connect people, particularly local First Nations people, with items in the collection with which they are personally associated.
- Masterclasses: Connecting skilled community members with members of the public by teaching a range of practical skills from DJing to bike repair too bookmaking through video conferencing or Facebook live.



Image Kalaway and Kalaray: film project by Mali Cavanagh

Youth Services – School Holiday Report

The Youth school holiday program directed its NTG school holiday grant money to creating and distributing 'connectivity packs'. The youth team identified that as all usual services are restricted or cancelled that young people would be in need of alternate ways to engage and be occupied as well messages of support from familiar faces. The 'connectivity packs' include phone chargers, original content colouring books *We Miss You* and *ASPL Central Australia Football* teams created by the Library staff, craft supplies and sports equipment. Two-hundred-fifty (250) packs were distributed through Gap Youth and Community Centre and Tangentyere (see below). The team also developed digital content for COVID-19 hygiene messaging competition in partnership with CAYLAS as well as producing the #stopthespreadnt colouring sheet as requested by NTG.



Images of Youth Connectivity packs

STEAM

- 4 x Online 'QuaranSTEAM' (Steam Club)
- 4 x Online LEGO Club
- 3 x Online School Holiday Activities

Adult Literacy

- 3 regular adult literacy participants via video conferencing and phone
- One new volunteer tutor connected with a 'Read and Write' participant

4. COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT & PROMOTION

Social Media – Library Facebook Page

- Post 'likes' up by 59% (5,214)
- Post reach up by 42% (13,934)

Media Interviews

- Library Chronicles – ABC Radio Darwin
- Book Chat – ABC Radio
- Book'a'Book – Centralian Advocate

5. UPCOMING IN MAY

Special Events

- Online book reviews of new items to the collection
- Launch of Local Indigenous preschool educational video episodes online



Mikaela Revell
LIBRARY PROGRAMS COORDINATOR

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REPORT

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE – 11 MAY 2020

TO: DIRECTOR CORPORATE SERVICES – SABINE TAYLOR

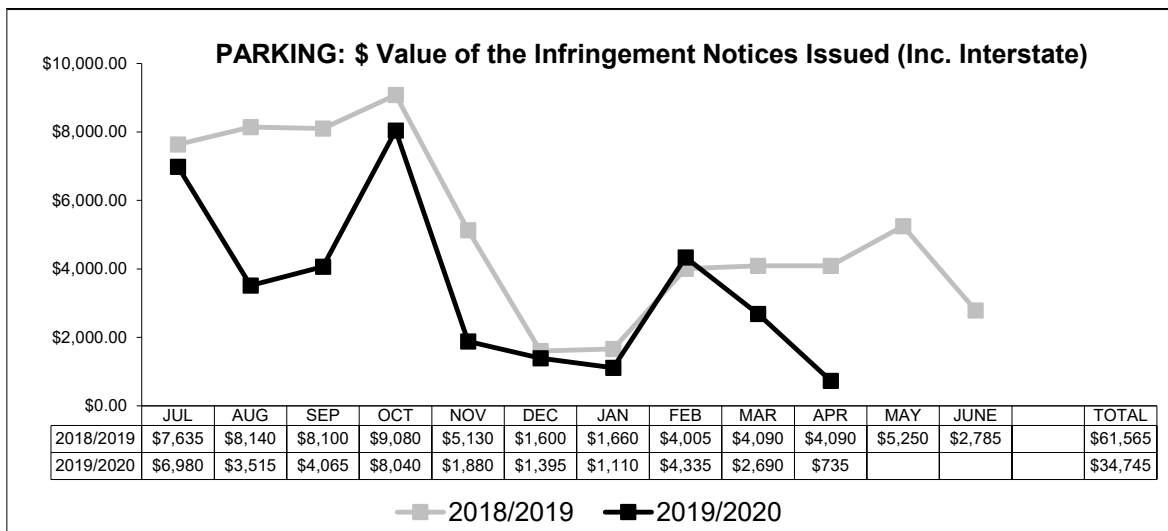
AUTHOR: ACTING MANAGER RANGER UNIT – CHRIS GOSLING

SUBJECT: REPORT FROM RANGER UNIT FOR APRIL 2020

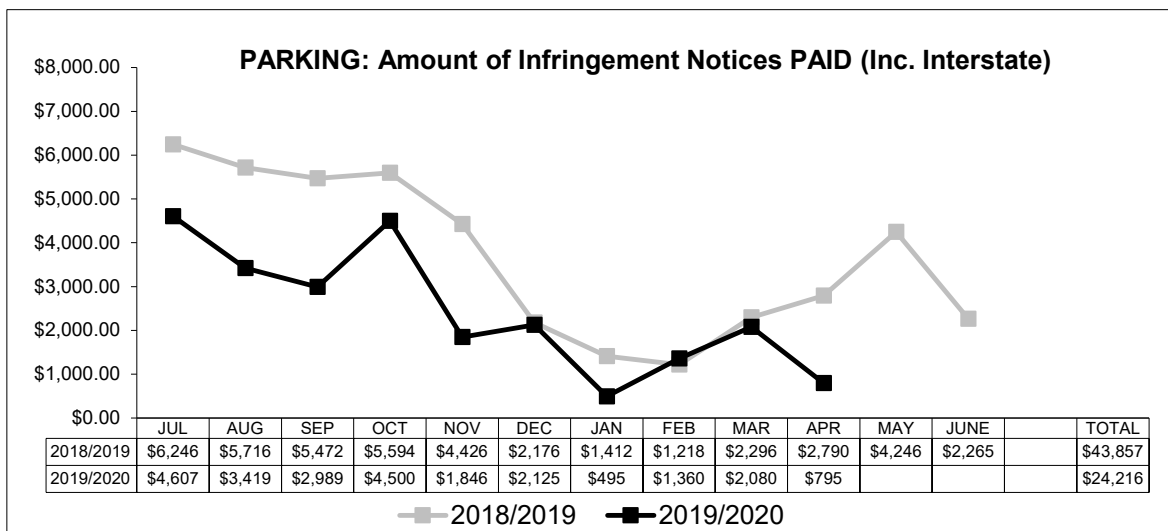
This report provides an update of current Ranger Unit projects, programs and events.

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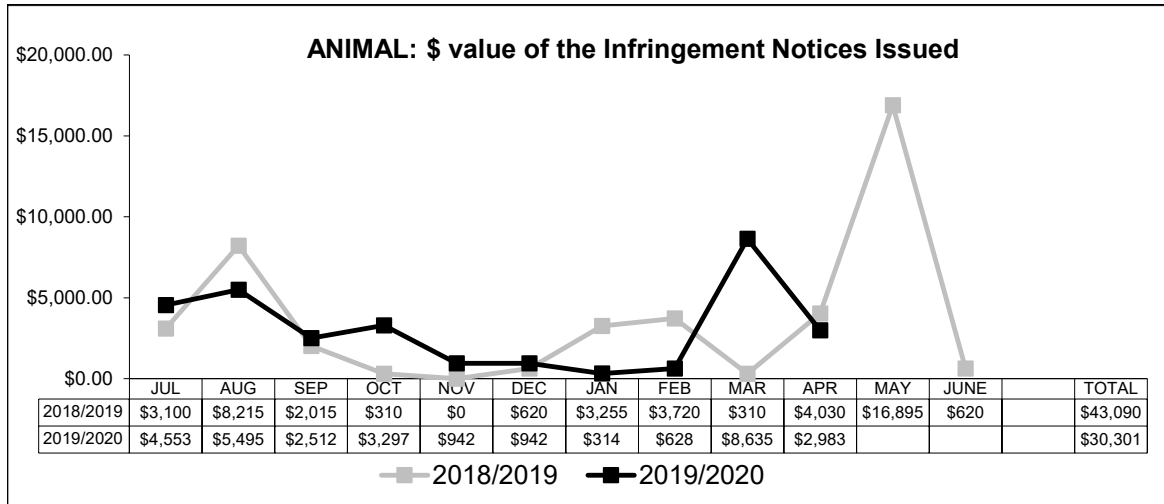
1. INFRINGEMENT NOTICES – PARKING



Due to COVID-19 restrictions and school holidays, CBD parking patrols were relaxed.



2. INFRINGEMENT NOTICES – ANIMAL CONTROL

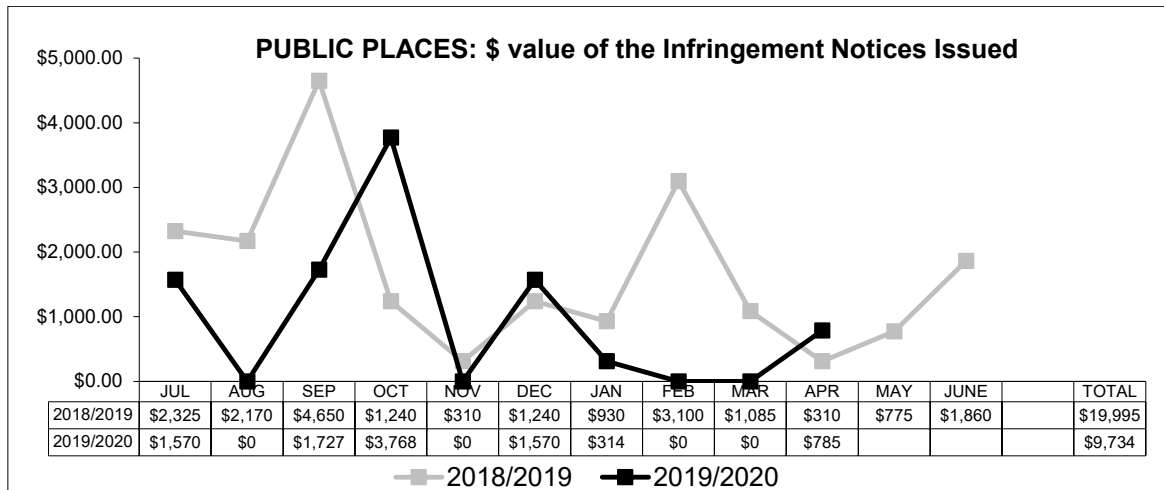


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Due to the COVIC-19 pandemic and school holidays, more people were at home looking after their pets.

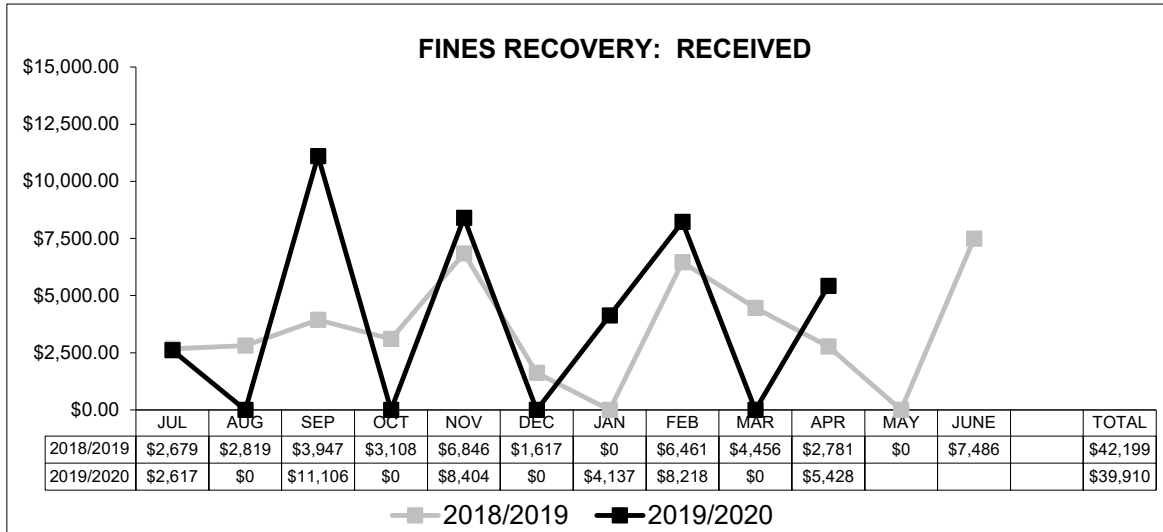
Rangers also issue caution notices if it is a first offence.

3. INFRINGEMENT NOTICES – PUBLIC PLACES



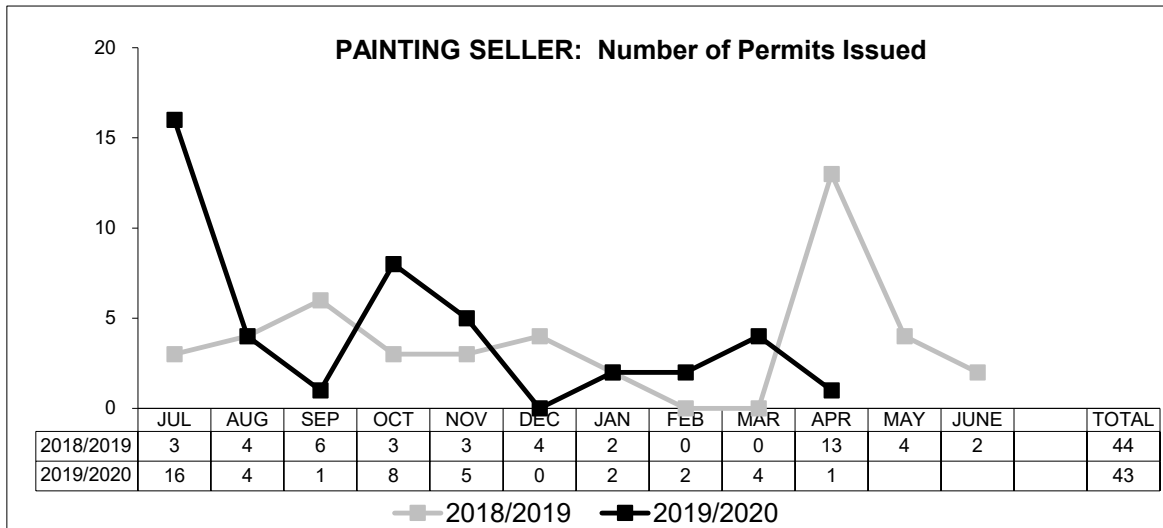
The rise in infringements is due to an infringement being issued for dumping rubbish.

4. FINES RECOVERY UNIT



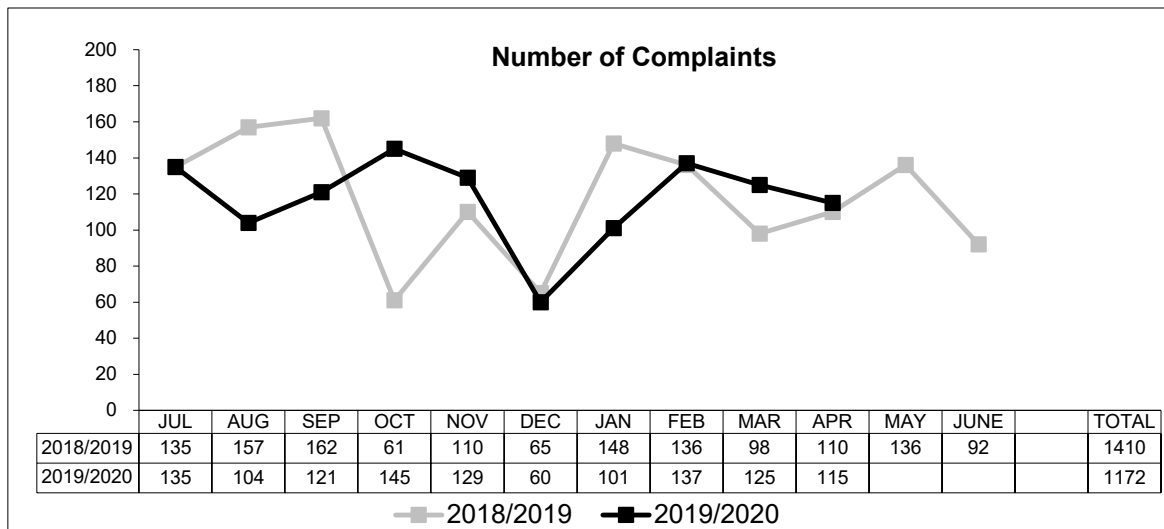
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5. PERMITS



Permits are down due to restrictions COVID-19, and possibly due to front reception being closed sellers are unable to apply and pay for permits.

6. COMPLAINTS



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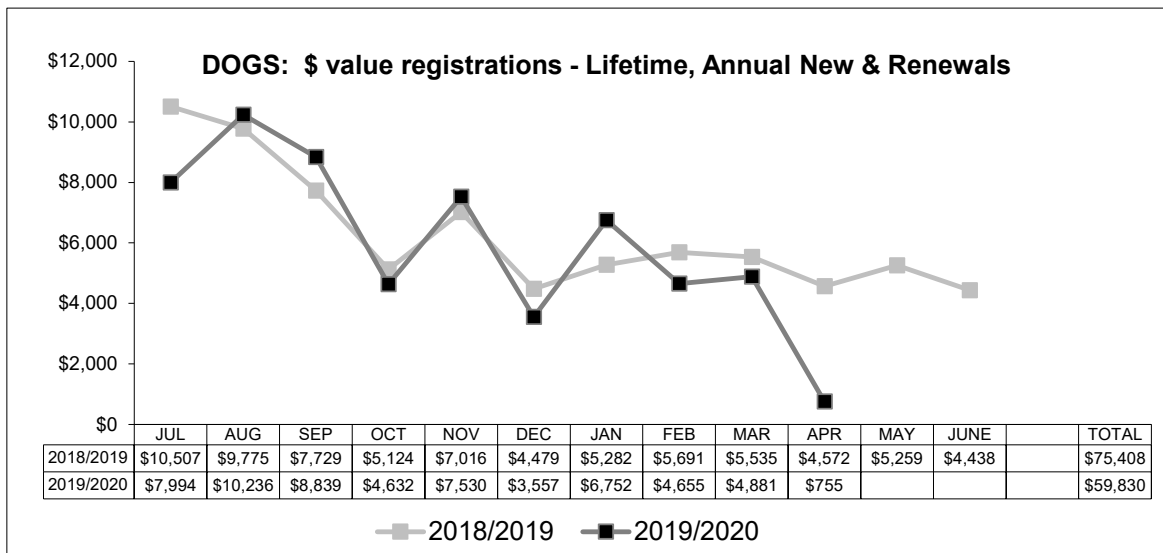
Breakdown of Complaints

Abandoned Vehicle	6
Animal not De-sexed	9
Cat at Large	1
Cat Nuisance	1
Cat Surrender	3
Cat Trap – Ranger	2
Cat Trap – Owner	1
Dog at Large	18
Dog Attack Animal	5
07/04/2020 – Under investigation	
16/04/2020 – Closed	
22/04/2020 – Closed	
22/04/2020 – Closed	
28/04/2020 – Under investigation	
Dog Attack Human	1
15/04/2020 – Closed	
Dog Injured/Dead	2
Dog Failing to Contain	1
Dog Menace	9
Dog not Wanted	1
Dog Nuisance	14
Dog Registration	2
Dog Registration/Kennel Licence	1
Dog Surrender	3
Dog Unregistered	7
Dog Welfare/Cruelty	1
Kennel Licence	1
Other Animal at Large – Goats	1

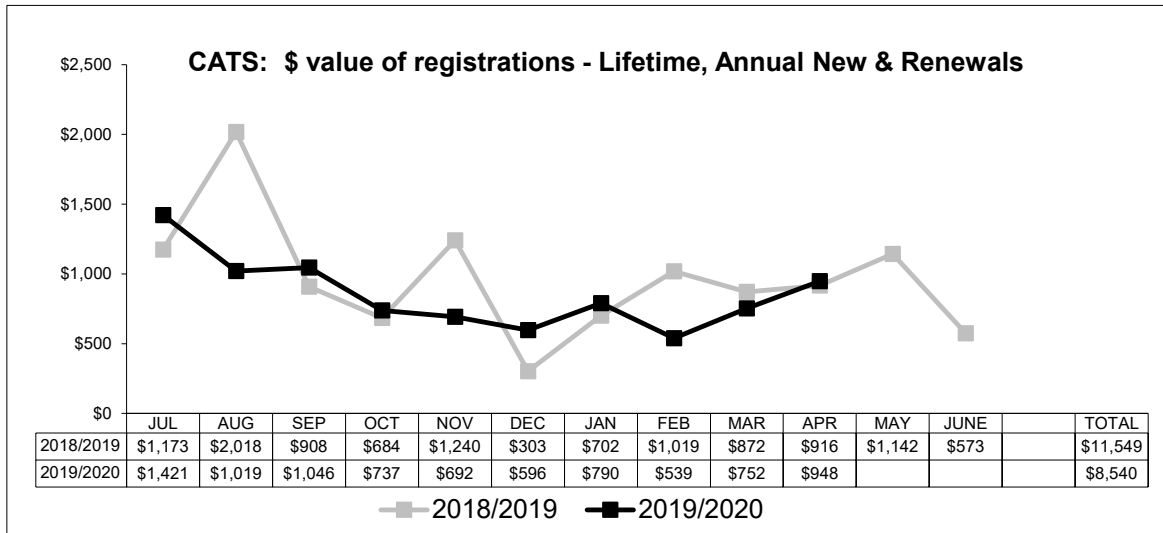
Other Animal – Rooster	1
Dumped Rubbish	2
Hand deliver Permit	1
Hand deliver Disability Parking Permits	5
Neatstreets – Animal at Large	1
Neatstreets – Nuisance	1
Neatstreets – Parking/Traffic	4
Neatstreets - Public Places	2
Parking Traffic	3
Public Places	3
Stacking Goods	1
Works/Parks	1

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7. ANIMAL REGISTRATION

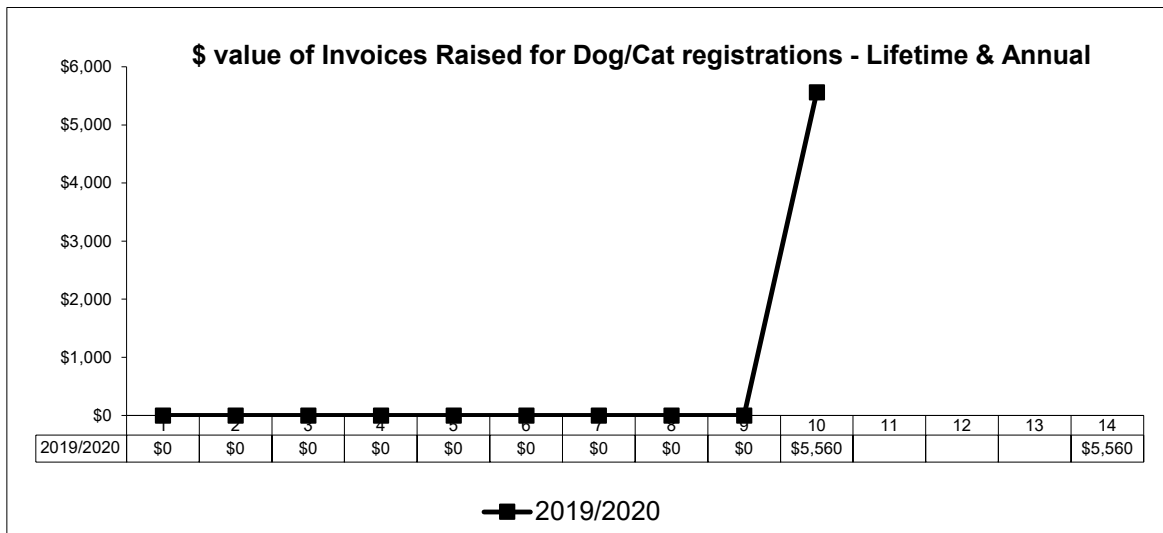


The above revenue comes from the Alice Springs Animal Shelter registrations and registrations obtained by means of Ranger Administration accompanied by a Ranger attending to customers outside the front of the Civic Centre or at their residence. The means of payment have been via portable EFTPOS or cash.



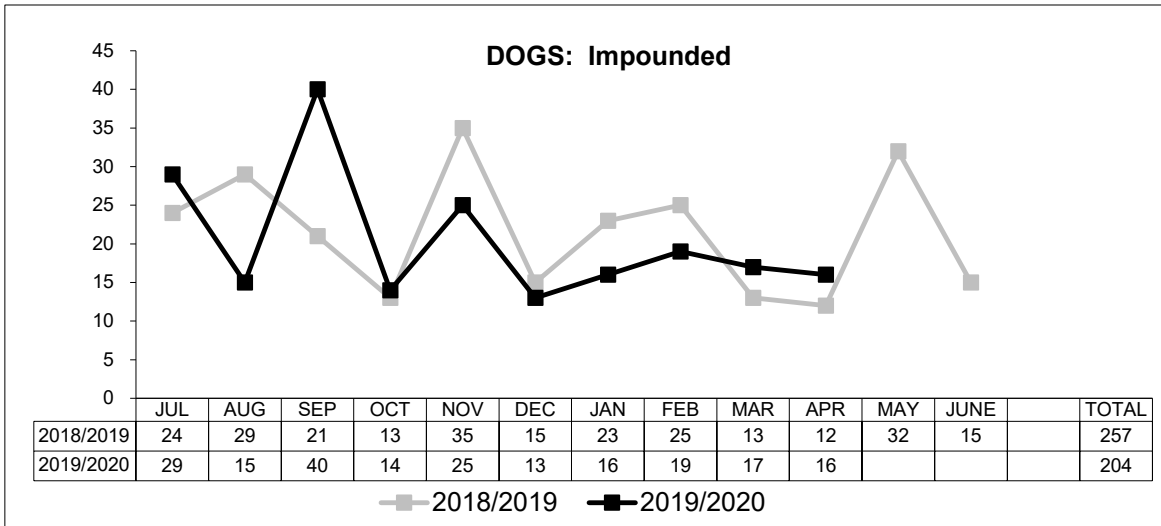
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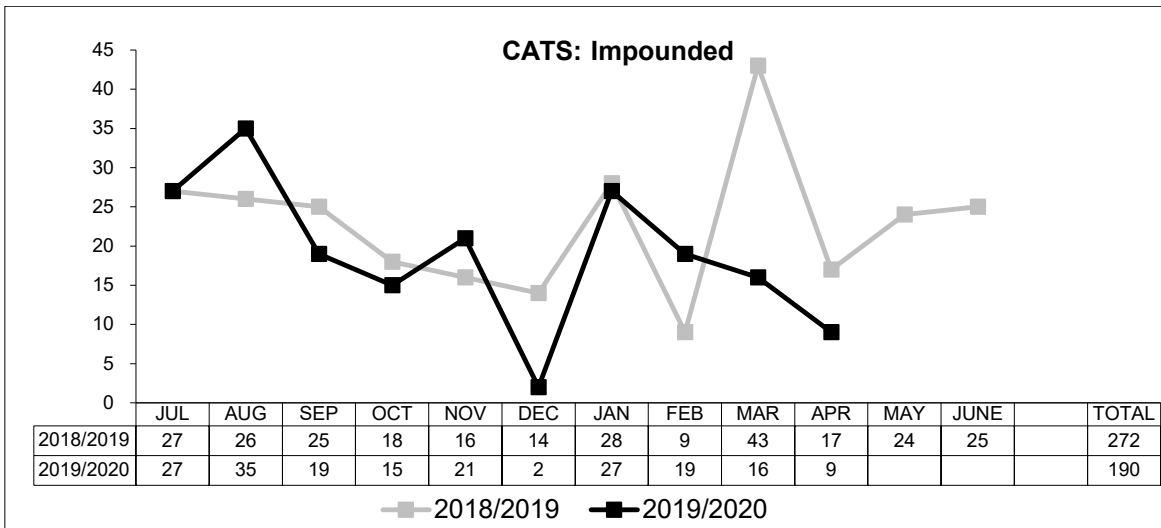


The above graph reflects the value of invoices raised by Ranger Administration to bypass the closure of the front counter and still allow animal registrations to take place. The invoice is e-mail/posted to the customer. The customer has numerous options of payment. Basic card payment will be attended to by Ranger Administration accompanied by a Ranger using the portable EFTPOS machine.

8. ANIMALS IMPOUNDED



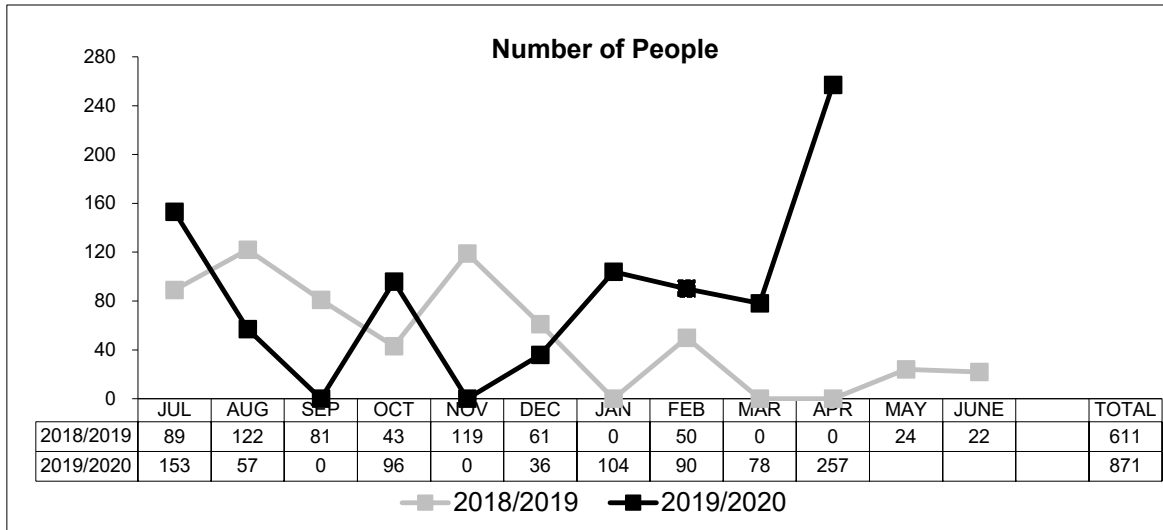
Rangers had a number of dogs surrendered and they also picked up some dogs roaming the streets. Town camp residents also surrendered dogs to rangers.



During COVID-19 restrictions, the loan of cat traps to the public has been put on hold. The loans of cat traps will resume on 15th May.

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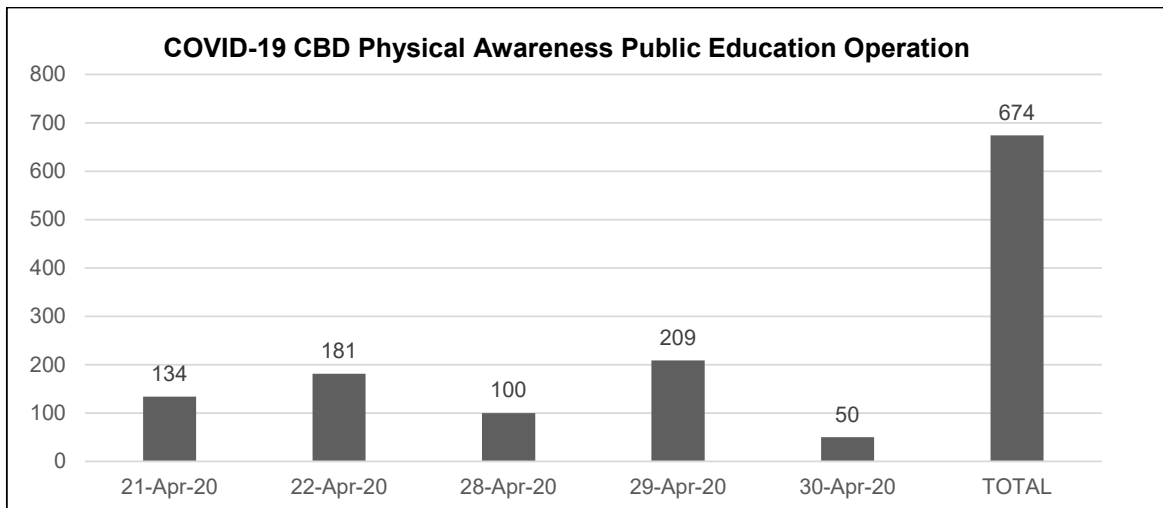
9. RIVER RUNS



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During the COVID-19 restrictions Rangers have conducted patrols in the morning monitoring the wellbeing of campers. Rangers have been handing out hygiene packs and water. Campers have complied with Rangers requests to keep area clean and this has led to Rangers picking up bags of rubbish with depot staff and taken to RWMF.

10. COVID-19 PHYSICAL AWARENESS PUBLIC EDUCATION OPERATION



From mid-April there was an increase in the numbers of general public in the CBD and Rangers were requested to liaise with the public and inform about physical distancing. Whilst on patrol, Rangers handed out information regarding COVID-19 safe distancing practices. Over this period of time Rangers observed groups of people adhering to physical distancing.

11. CBD – ILO REPORT

The ILO has joined Rangers on patrol for river runs and physical distancing patrols handing out information to the public on COVID-19



Chris Gosling
ACTING MANAGER RANGER UNIT

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REPORT

TO: COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE – MONDAY 11 MAY 2020

SUBJECT: MULTICULTURAL COMMUNITY SERVICES OF CENTRAL AUSTRALIA – EMERGENCY RELIEF FUND

AUTHOR: COMMUNITY PROJECTS AND EVENTS OFFICER – KATE WALSH

9.2

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report proposes a contribution of \$4,956.90 GST excl. to the Multicultural Community Services of Central Australia (MCSCA) Emergency Relief Fund.

RECOMMENDATION

That it be a recommendation to Council:

That Council considers contributing \$4,956.90 GST excl. from the Big Day Out in Harmony Budget (455) to the Multicultural Community Services of Central Australia’s Emergency Relief Fund.

REPORT

1. BACKGROUND

Each year Alice Springs Town Council and MCSCA collaboratively run a Big Day Out in Harmony Day event. Focusing on building harmonious relationships with all different cultures, this event attracts over 600 spectators and showcases local performances from over 12 different nationalities. Due to COVID-19, the 2020 event has been cancelled. Alice Springs Town Council contributes to this event each year. There is currently \$4,956.90 GST excl. in this budget line, which now cannot be used this financial year for its original purpose, due to the event cancellation.

2. DISCUSSION & RECOMMENDATIONS

Multicultural Community Services of Central Australia (MCSCA) is the peak body for culturally and linguistically diverse (CALD) communities in Central Australia. As part of its outreach services, MCSCA has an Emergency Relief Fund, which receives \$23,000 per annum from the Federal government. This fund is used for things like food vouchers and to help people with rent and bills such as power and water.

Alice Springs currently has 457 CALD community members on temporary visas, working holiday visas or partner/spouse visas (not yet permanent residents). With COVID-19, many have already lost work, but, in addition to this, these visas are not currently eligible to access Centrelink payments.

MCSCA has been flooded with requests for assistance and since March 2020, over \$9,000 (the remaining balance of the 2019/20 financial year) of the Emergency Relief Fund has been given to those in need.

Currently MCSCA have to direct those in need to apply to Red Cross for the Worker and Wellbeing Fund, however it is a lengthy application and there have been delays in approval. This fund offers (if approved) a one-off payment, not ongoing payments.

MCSCA are expecting a further \$10,000 from the Federal Government in the coming weeks, however the demand for assistance has increased dramatically and MCSCA would like to offer the CALD community as much support as they can at this time.

In response to this identified community need, it is proposed that the \$4,956.90 GST excl. allocated for Big Day Out in Harmony (455) in FYE 19/20, which was for the celebration of multiculturalism in Alice Springs but can no longer be used, is instead donated to the MCSCA Emergency Relief Fund to provide tangible support for the CALD community.

3. **POLICY IMPACTS**

A contribution to the MCSCA Migrant Emergency Relief Fund will have several diverse policy impacts to Council's deliverables by increased community support in the below areas:

Alice Springs Town Council Strategic Plan 2018 – 2021:
Objective 1: A dynamic community

1.1: Inclusiveness and support

1.1.2: Promote community engagement, cohesion and safety

1.1.3: Proactively embrace diversity, ensuring equitable participation opportunities

4. **FINANCIAL IMPACTS**

There is \$4,956.90 GST excl. available in the 2019/2020 Big Day Out in Harmony budget (455). With Big Day Out in Harmony having cancelled, this budget cannot be expended for its original purpose.

5. **SOCIAL IMPACTS**

This contribution will help to support the local CALD community by assisting them financially. It will also help them feel safe and secure within their community and hopefully remain in Alice Springs after COVID-19 passes.

6. **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS**

Nil

7. **PUBLIC RELATIONS**

There will be positive media opportunities related to the gifting of Council's funds to the Emergency Relief Fund and support of the CALD community.

8. **ATTACHMENTS**

Nil

Kate Walsh
COMMUNITY PROJECTS AND EVENTS OFFICER



Sabine Taylor
DIRECTOR CORPORATE SERVICES

9.2

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
SENIORS COORDINATING COMMITTEE
ON WEDNESDAY 14 APRIL 2020 4:00PM
Via Teleconference**

Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic this meeting was held via Zoom

1. ATTENDANCE:**PRESENT:**

Mayor Damien Ryan
Councillor Jamie de Brenni (*Chair*)
Councillor Catherine Satour
Geoff Sloan, General Member
Lowell Wood, Dementia Australia
Fran Kilgariff, Council of the Ageing (COTA)
Kate Lewis, Anglicare NT
Sue Jones, National Seniors of Central Australia
Belinda Staniforth, Catholic Care NT
Nerida Holmes, Relationships Australia (*Guest*)

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Sabine Taylor, Director Corporate Services
Jeanette Shepherd, Manager Community and Cultural Development
Clare Fisher, Manager Library Services
Kiri Milne, Community Development Officer
Telly Ociones, Executive Assistant (*Minutes*)

13th Alice Springs Town Council Seniors Coordinating Committee	17 Jul - 19	21 Aug - 19	18 Sep - 19	16 Oct - 19	20 Nov - 19	19 Feb - 20	18 Mar - 20	14 Apr - 20	
Mayor Damien Ryan	✓	A	Meeting cancelled – no quorum	✓	✓	✓	A	✓	
Councillor Jamie de Brenni	✓	A		✓	✓	A	✓	✓	
Councillor Catherine Satour				✓	✓	A	A	✓	
Councillor Glen Auricht	✓	✓							
Edna Saunders	✓	✓		--	✓	✓	✓	--	
Ian Towns	✓	✓		✓	✓	A	A	--	
Lowell Wood	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Fran Kilgariff	✓	✓		A	A	✓	✓	✓	
Shauna Hartig	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	A	A	
Sue Jones	A	A		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Kate Lewis	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Val Hoey		✓		✓	✓	--	✓	A	
Geoff Sloan	✓	A		A	✓	A	✓	✓	
Rhiannon Fletcher / Belinda Staniforth		✓		✓	A	A	A	✓	
Bronwyn Arnold	✓ Proxy	✓ Proxy			--	--	--	--	--

✓	Attended	A	Apology received
Proxy	Proxy attended in place of committee member	--	No attendance and no apology recorded

The meeting commenced at 4:00pm.

An audio recording of this Zoom meeting was made for minute taking purposes

APOLOGIES:

Shauna Hartig, Country Women's Association
Val Hoey, Alice Springs Seniors Citizens Association
Robert Jennings, Chief Executive Officer

2. DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST:

Nil

3. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the Seniors Coordinating Committee meeting held 18 March 2020 be confirmed as a true and correct record of that meeting.

Moved: Fran Kilgariff

Seconded: Lowell Wood

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES:

Nil

5. DEPUTATION:

Nil

6. OTHER BUSINESS:

6.1 Influenza Vaccine

Following advice from the Department of Health, it is recommended a vaccination be sought for influenza. Influenza viruses change from year to year, forming new strains. Getting the flu and COVID-19 at the same time can make one very ill. It is also important to get the flu shot because preventing the flu can help to prevent crowding in hospitals and health service providers, which are already bracing to be strained with COVID-19 cases.

A free vaccine for influenza is available to the following groups:

- Anyone aged 65 years or older, regardless of medical conditions
- All children aged six months to under five years
- Anyone aged six months and over with a medical condition that may increase their risk of severe influenza infection

To make a booking, contact the Community Health Clinic on (08) 8951 6711 or call your GP to arrange a free vaccination. Some GPs may still charge a consultation fee.

Lowell Wood advised the Federal Department of Health has given a directive that all aged care workers must also have the vaccination. At the moment there is a shortage on vaccine supply nationwide and stocks are expected to arrive in June.

Fran Kilgariff added that visitors to aged care facilities are required to have an up to date flu vaccine.

Councillor de Brenni suggested approaching Dr in the House and find out if they are able to provide vaccination to seniors who are insecure to go out to clinics or hospital.

ACTION:

Community Development Officer to contact Dr in the House and enquire if they can provide home service vaccination to seniors and the cost involved.

6.2 Update from Manager Library Services

The Manager Library Services gave the following update:

- Book'a'Book service - is a new takeaway and delivery service for Alice Springs Public Library members. Borrow up to 40 items per card with Lucky Dip or request specific titles and Library staff will take care of the rest. All care will be taken with Library items. Covers are sanitised on returning and lending. All items quarantined for 72 hours after return. Items are packed in paper or cardboard to decrease cross-contamination. Items can be picked up from the Library entrance by appointment, or delivered by Library volunteers to your door. To avail of this service, fill out a Book'a'Book order form via <https://alicesprings.nt.gov.au/recreation/library/services> or contact the Library on 8950 0555 from 8:00am to 6:00pm Monday to Friday.
- Looking at creating on the Library website: a good list of online resources that people can access such as basic 'how-to' instructions and advice; a social inclusion package including spoken English and adult literacy
- Organising a Library linkup which will pair volunteers and customers (*who are feeling lonely and isolated*) to catch up with a regular phone call and keep human community connection.

The Manager Library Services asked the Committee for ideas/suggestions on how the Library can support seniors through online programs and information sessions that might be of interest.

Fran Kilgariff asked if the Library has games and jigsaw puzzles that people can borrow.

The Manager Library Services advised these are not available but the Library is working with Community and Cultural Development Unit on creating activity packs that can go out with the Book'a'Book packages.

ACTION:

The Manager Library Services will check with Australian Seniors Computer Clubs Association (ASSCA) to see if they have new online materials for seniors.

Councillor de Brenni passed on his appreciation to the Library team for providing this great service to the community.

6.3 COVID-19 Update from the Committee

- Fran Kilgariff – working from home for COTA. All the seniors she spoke to on the phone are well served and did not require extra assistance.

- Lowell Wood – Dementia Australia is keeping up phone calls especially to the more vulnerable clients. Staff are contacting family members to ensure they are having face to face contact on a regular basis with family. Help sheets and strategies are provided on the website for carers to use. Dementia Australia has given directive to extend the no face to face contact until 4 July, at this stage.
- Councillor de Brenni – essential services especially in the building industry are working together to ensure the welfare of seniors are well looked after. Lifeline Australia reported a positive feedback that they did not get a significant increase in calls (*which they were expecting*) with COVID-19 pandemic. Councillor de Brenni congratulated the Mayor and the Council team for the commitment made by Council in supporting the community during these uncertain times.
- Nerida Holmes – Relationships Australia is still open for business but providing client counselling service through teleconferencing, phone and zoom.
- Mayor Ryan – Council Executives have been meeting twice a week for the last four weeks to discuss about COVID-19 pandemic. The CEO has been regularly meeting with Police, Health Authorities and Government to ensure that Council will have a well coordinated response for the community and for the Council workplace. CEO and Directors meet every fortnight with all Council units/facilities keeping staff informed on Council's progress through the emergency management phase. Elected Members have been regularly briefed and are providing strategic direction to officers. Council has a pandemic response plan to ensure that staff and community are supported during these uncertain times. Provisions made for redeployment, work from home and work flexibility arrangements to support staff and further the Council's response during the pandemic. Council is working very hard in response to COVID-19 and continuing to do so for the community.

10.1

6.4 Seniors Stories Project: Old Stories, Young Eyes

After speaking with members of the community and some members on this Committee, it was identified that the seniors community have incomparable knowledge and a lived experience of world changing events, having lived through conflict, loss and restriction.

The Old Stories Young Eyes project is looking to share the stories of older people in the community of how they lived through a life or world changing event, such as through war. Questions will be centred around how seniors overcame the experience, lessons learnt, household tips, tips to combat boredom and loneliness. Ideally the content will be no more than one minute long, with just the response recorded.

The project could look at responses from different backgrounds such as someone from a multicultural background, someone having served in military, etc. At this stage, Council officers are aiming for four different stories / people to interview, with the responses run as a community service announcement, either on television or radio and Council's social media.

In addition to the filmed component, Council officers are looking at a photo series of seniors responding to the same questions with the response on a whiteboard, which will allow for seniors in care facilities or social isolating to have their voices heard also.

Fran Kilgariff suggested to include this project in Tuesday's Seniors section in the Advocate.

Councillor Satour supports the project. The elderly people in the community have a lot of great stories to tell and would love to share their stories.

ACTION:

Community Development Officer to liaise with Councillor Satour and Fran Kilgariff to get names of people who can participate in this project.

6.5 Yarning Chair Sessions

The Alice Springs Public Library will be conducting yarning chair sessions with Eleonor Hogan, a local historian, who will be interviewing interesting local Alice Springs people.

This program will feature diverse voices from people regarding their personal history rather than old stories via podcast. The podcast will run for 20 to 40 minutes. Marilyn Cavanagh is one of the Library staff who is working on getting some personalities to take part in this project.

6.6 Healthy Living Program at Home

Council is working on various activities/exercise programs to do at home for the community during the COVID-19 isolation. These include:

- Healthy at Home Series – a series of community announcements designed to provide health and wellbeing information. Segments will include exercise, healthy eating and gardening which will be screened on Imparja Television. Filming date and airing dates are yet to be confirmed.
- Health & Wellness Centre (HAWC) at Home – working with clients by providing modified home-based activities/exercise program. Weekly phone calls are held with clients to check how they are progressing.
- Heart Foundation Walk - a steps challenge/competition is being developed to keep the group motivated and moving.

6.7 Library's 40th Anniversary

The Alice Springs Public Library is calling out to the community to share their photos of visiting the Library, which will be collated to a coffee table history of the Alice Springs Public Library book, as part of the 40th birthday celebration of the Library in its current building.

7. NEXT MEETING:

Wednesday, **20 May 2020** at 4:00pm via teleconference

8. CLOSURE OF THE MEETING:

The meeting closed at 4:40pm.

**MINUTES OF THE
TOURISM, EVENTS & PROMOTIONS COMMITTEE MEETING
THURSDAY 30 APRIL 2020 at 4:00PM
COUNCIL CHAMBER (via Zoom teleconferencing)**

1. ATTENDANCEPRESENT:

Mayor Damien Ryan (Chair)
Councillor Marli Banks
Councillor Jimmy Cocking
Jennifer Standish-White, Red Hot Arts Central Australia
Brendan Heenan, Community member
Steve Shearer, Community Member
Alana Richardson, Chamber of Commerce Central Australia
Liz Olle, Department of the Chief Minister

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Sabine Taylor, Director Corporate Services
Jeanette Shepherd, Manager Community & Cultural Development
Telly Ociones, Executive Assistant (minutes)

APOLOGIES:

Councillor Catherine Satour
Merrilyn Spencer, Community member

13th Alice Springs Town Council Tourism, Events & Promotions Committee - Attendance List 2018/2019	25 Jul-19	29 Aug-19	26 Sep-19	31 Oct-19	28 Nov-19	27 Feb-20	26 Mar-20	30 Apr-20
Mayor Damien Ryan	✓	Meeting cancelled – no quorum	✓	✓	✓	A	✓	✓
Councillor Catherine Satour	✓		A	A	✓	A	--	A
Councillor Jimmy Cocking	A		A	✓	A	phone	✓	✓
Councillor Marli Banks	A		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Councillor Jamie de Brenni	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Alana Richardson	✓		✓	✓	A	A	✓	✓
Stephen Jarrett	✓		✓	✓	✓	--	✓	--
Lindsay Dixon (started 26/9/19)	✓		✓	✓	--	✓	A	--
Jennifer Standish-White (started 26/9/19)	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Steve Shearer	✓		✓	A	✓	✓	A	✓
Nicole Walsh / Courtney Hana (started 27/02/20)	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	A	--
Brendan Heenan	✓		--	A	A	A	✓	✓
Liz Olle	A		A	✓	✓	A	A	✓
Merrilyn Spencer	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	A

✓	Attended	A	Apology received
✓ <i>Proxy</i>	Proxy attended in place of committee member	--	No attendance and no apology received

The meeting opened at 4:00pm.

2. DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

- 2.1 Councillor Cocking and Liz Olle declared a conflict of interest on Agenda Item 6.1, Sponsorship Application – Arid Land Environment Centre

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

RESOLVED:

The Tourism, Events and Promotions Committee confirmed the minutes of the meeting held 26 March 2020 as a true and correct record of the proceedings.

Moved: Councillor Jimmy Cocking
Seconded: Jennifer Standish-White

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

4.1 Sponsorship Updates – GUTS Dance

The Manager Community and Cultural Development is in the process of informing the organisers of GUTS Dance that their application has been approved, with the provision that their event goes ahead.

5. DEPUTATIONS

Nil

6. OTHER BUSINESS

6.1 Sponsorship Application – Arid Land Environment Centre

The matter was considered after discussion of Agenda Item 6.2. However, it is recorded according to its agenda sequence.

Councillor Cocking and Liz Olle having declared an interest in Item 6.1, left the meeting at 4:37pm prior to discussion of this matter.

An application was received from Arid Land Environment Centre requesting financial support of \$5,000 to contribute to the annual Desert Smart Eco Fair event in August 2020.

With Councillor Cocking and Liz Olle leaving the meeting, a quorum could not be achieved.

The remaining Committee members considered the sponsorship application from ALEC and supported the financial request of \$5,000 for the Desert Smart Eco Fair, with the proviso that the event goes ahead.

6.2 Community Event Update from Committee Members

- Councillor Cocking would like to get some clear direction on how Council will proceed with events going forward over the next two months.

The Director Corporate Services advised that Council will provide advice to event organisers for events happening in September and October, given the COVID-19 management plan and checklist that the NT Government now requires following the Chief Minister's announcement on easing some coronavirus restrictions. First, Council will determine the risks, the rules and what Council can do, but this will be given priority and align it to the COVID-19 restrictions.

- Councillor Banks enquired if Council officers have given any thoughts about supporting or giving opportunities to smaller events as we progress to the roll out of the next stage of the Territory's roadmap to the new normal.

The Manager Community and Cultural Development advised that the Community and Cultural Development Unit has developed projects in response to COVID-19, for example the Songs from the Sofa, which is a program for solo musicians to perform online from home. It supports local artists and provides live performances and entertainment to the community in the comfort of their home. Council officers are also looking at how we can adapt events in a way which adheres to the restrictions. The Director Corporate Services added that the support of Elected Members is required to release funding for these projects and fast track these programs.

ACTION:

Manager Community and Cultural Development to provide further information on these programs at the next meeting.

The Committee discussed strategies in assessing events that would encourage and attract people back into the community and the Mall:

- Assisting Sunday markets and night markets by investing more money into increasing entertainers and resources to attract people.
- Hiring musicians and magicians to attract more families.
- Line dancing with social distancing.
- With social distancing measures, stalls and people can be spread out, hence there will be stalls at each end of the Mall.
- Invest in additional resources to bring people out in the CBD
- Encourage top enders to travel to Alice Springs and take advantage of the winter season as part of the recovery process
- Promote safe social distancing and hygiene measures to encourage people to come out of their homes, as some people may still be hesitant to come out where there are more people gathering.
- Pay performing artists to show social distancing and safety measures to people in a fun and engaging way, ensuring that we are safely opening events to the public.
- Promote travel within the Territory and giving opportunities to local artists during the re-socialising period.
- Visit Local campaign program, which is encouraging local residents to visit local museums, as part of the promotional campaign to get people out and about.

The unspent fund for Tourism, Events and Promotions Committee budget is \$52,000 for this financial year.

ACTION:

Manager Community and Cultural Development to come back with a report at the next meeting on Council's approach to events in the near future and in the longer term, including budget, as part of the recovery process.

7. **NEXT MEETING:** Thursday **28 May 2020**, 4:00pm

8. **CLOSURE OF MEETING:** The meeting closed at 4.42pm

UNCONFIRMED

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
YOUTH ACTION GROUP COMMITTEE

ON 29 April 2020 at 5:30 PM
VIA ZOOM

1. ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES:

PRESENT:

Mayor Damien Ryan
Councillor Marli Banks
Councillor Catherine Satour
Alexandra Thorogood

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Sabine Taylor, Director Corporate Services
Kiralee Wade, Youth Services Officer - *(Chair and Minutes)*
Zak Tilley, Youth Development Officer

APOLOGIES

Wyatt Gaza
Marcita Dougherty

13th Alice Springs Town Council Youth Action Group Committee	July-19	Aug-19	Sep-19	Oct-19	Nov-19	Feb-20	March-20	April-20
Mayor Damien Ryan	✓	✓	✓	✓	A	✓	✓	✓
Councillor Matthew Paterson	A							
Councillor Catherine Satour	✓	✓	A	✓	✓	A	✓	✓
Councillor Marli Banks		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

Minutes table amended to only include Elected Members of Council as per the following action from YAG Meeting 2 May 2019. **ACTION:** Youth Services Officer to delete all unnecessary names from the attendance table on all minute's hereafter.

☐	Attended
☐ Proxy	Proxy attended in place of committee member
A	Apology received
--	No attendance and no apology recorded
	Not a member at the time

The meeting opened at 5:38pm.

2. DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

Nil

3. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS:

RESOLVED

That it be a recommendation to Council:

That the minutes of the Youth Action Group meeting held 4 March 2020 be confirmed as a true and correct record of those meetings.

Moved: Councillor Banks

Seconded: Councillor Satour

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING:

4.1 Book-sale Donation Money

Youth Development Officer addressed previous action to investigate environmental avenues to donate money including the community garden. Various organisations were found including SEED, ALEC, AYCC, Alice Springs Community Garden. Youth Services Officer informed committee members a brief outline of each organisation.

Alexandra's preference was the AYCC due to it being environmental but also youth centred. Councillor Banks concurred with this preference. Youth Development Officer suggested to defer the decision to a meeting where more than one YAG member is present.

ACTION:

Defer the donation of book-sale donation money recommendation to the next meeting.

4.2 Youth Recycled Art Prize 2020

Youth Services Officer informed attendees of the success of the 2020 Youth Recycled Art Prize especially in terms of moving to an online platform. Youth Services Officer revealed the winners of YRAP and congratulated their success.

Alexandra provided positive feedback about the website and informed the Youth Development Officer and Youth Services Officer that she distributed the link to interstate friends.

Councillor Banks provides positive feedback especially in regards to the showcasing and photography of the artworks.

4.3 Casual Meetings

Youth Services Officer thanked the YAG members that attended the previous casual YAG meeting. The casual meeting provided an opportunity for YAG member to meet and socialise on ZOOM in a more casual environment.

Youth Services Officer informed YAG members that the Youth Development Officer and Youth Services Officer would like to promote the current YAG member through social media with a short video about each member, highlighting their strength and contribution to the community, in order to promote YAG and to show gratitude to the committed existing YAG members.

Director Corporate Services asked Alexandra for her feedback in regards to recruitment and declining YAG attendance.

10.3

Alexsandra remarked that YAG could be more openly supportive of further community organisations to network YAG through the community successfully. Youth Development Officer echoed Alexsandra's feedback and informed attendees that these community networks are currently underway but have been delayed due to the public health crisis, including addressing school assemblies, networking with environmental organisations for workshops, and beginning communication with sporting organisations. Youth Development Officer encouraged further feedback from young people around how to revitalise YAG. Councillor Banks highlighted the importance that YAG is not commandeered by adults.

Youth Development Officer revealed that they are in the process of collecting feedback from young people before any changes to the structure and promotion of YAG are made.

Alexandra suggested more training and workshops are provided to potential YAG members to reduce the intimidation factor for young people entering local government, and highlighted the impact of the public health crisis on attendance.

4.4 Merchandise

Youth Services Officer informed attendees that merchandise samples arrived and in line with past feedback and suggestions from YAG members, tote bags, hats, t-shirts, water bottles and badges will be ordered.

4.5 Imparja Phoney Film Festival Opportunity

Youth Development Officer described an opportunity to be involved in creating advertising for Phoney Film Festival. Imparja has asked to utilise two YAG members in the making of a commercial that would be aired on Imparja. This opportunity would be important in upskilling young people in media skills. One young person would be for talent, the other in the studio producing. Youth Development Officer informed attendees that they are waiting for confirmation of a filming date, and that other YAG members have expressed interest to be involved. Youth Development Officer will contact all YAG members on another date to confirm young people to be included in the commercial. Mayor Ryan enquired about the budget for the Imparja commercial and the Youth Development Officer took the question on notice.

5. **DEPUTATIONS**

Nil

6. **OTHER BUSINESS:**

6.1 Iso-Challenge

Youth Services Officer enquired with young people about an idea of a weekly challenge promoted on social media. This idea is based on feedback from young people stating that they are bored while in isolation, reporting the impact of social isolation on their mental health. Youth Services Officer asked the attendees their thoughts on a competition designed to support young people with activities whilst in isolation. Alexsandra agreed this is a good idea and has confirmed she has had friends express their boredom while at home. Youth Development Officer spoke about the ideas behind the challenge and that it could be a weekly event with a voucher to a local business worth \$150 to be won each week. Alexsandra suggested creative activities.

Youth Services Officer suggested that the Youth Development Officer and the Youth Services Officer would judge the competition entries, and winning videos would be shared through the Youth Action Group social media. Director Corporate Services asked if YAG would be working with the media team when promoting the challenges. Youth Development Officer confirmed that media would be sharing the iso-challenge posts and that a budget has been put aside for boosting posts on social media. Director Corporate Services expressed concern about young people tagging ASTC on inappropriate content on social media, but the Youth Development Officer informed attendees that approval processes would be in place to safeguard this, if the tagging option was to be put in place. The Youth Development Officer also expressed to attendees about how other Councils are doing similar challenges successfully.

6.2 ABC Heywire Grant

Youth Development Officer informed attendees about the Foundation for Rural & Regional Renewal (FRRR) ABC Heywire Grant. The grant provides funding for youth innovation in regional and remote Australia. Youth Development Officer suggested that this grant is a great opportunity to address past feedback from young people about the lack of environmental workshops for young people in town. This grant would allow YAG to organise more environmental workshops, and create positive change with, for and by youth within the community.

YAG members were asked what programs that they would like to see in town. Alexandra recommended upcycling materials to vegetable garden beds, buffel busting workshops and working bees. Further feedback will be collated from young people including a survey created by and distributed by young people.

Youth Development Officer informed attendees that the program has a multilayer approach and provides youth an opportunity to participate in various environmental activities and collaboration with local environmental organisations, specific to the Central Desert Region, allowing for mentoring and upskilling.

Youth Development Officer has been in contact with the Grants Officer to begin completing the application. Youth Development Officer suggested that Alexandra be involved and at the forefront of this YAG program if successful.

Director Corporate Services asked how much the grant is worth. Youth Development Officer informed the attendees it is worth up to \$10,000.

7. **NEXT MEETING:** 5:30pm Wednesday **27 May 2020**

8. **CLOSE:** Meeting closed at 6:40pm

**MINUTES OF THE
PUBLIC ART ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
ON WEDNESDAY 6 MAY 2020 at 1:00 PM
ARUNTA ROOM, CIVIC CENTRE, TODD STREET**

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic this meeting was held via Zoom teleconference

1. ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES:

PRESENT:

Councillor Catherine Satour (*Chair*)
Councillor Marli Banks
Steve Anderson, Art Curator - Bachelor Institute
Tamlyn Neck, Festivals and Events Manager - Red Hot Arts Central Australia
Bron Field, Coordinator - Central Craft
Miriam Wallace, Architect - Susan Dugdale & Associates

GUESTS (Deputation):

Hayden Williams, Artist
Joe Weiley, Gap Youth Centre

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Sabine Taylor, Director Corporate Services
Jeanette Shepherd, Manager Community and Cultural Development
Takudzwa Charlie, Manager Technical Services
Telly Ociones, Executive Assistant (minutes)

APOLOGIES:

Mayor Damien Ryan
Councillor Eli Melky
Kieren Grassmayr, Arts NT
Kim Donald, Visual artist

13th Alice Springs Town Council Public Art Advisory Committee	3 Jul-19	7 Aug-19	4 Sep-19	2 Oct-19	6 Nov-19	5 Feb-20	11 Mar-20	1 Apr-20	6 May-20
Mayor Damien Ryan	✓ phone	✓ phone	A	✓	A	A	✓	✓	A
Councillor Marli Banks	✓	✓	✓	✓	A	✓	✓	✓	✓
Councillor Catherine Satour	✓	✓	✓	✓	A	✓	✓	✓	✓
Councillor Glen Auricht	✓	✓							
Councillor Eli Melky			✓	✓	✓	A	A	A	A
Steve Anderson	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Miriam Wallace	A	✓	A	✓	✓	A	✓	✓	✓
Madeline Krenek/Tamyln Neck	✓	A	A	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Bron Field	✓	A	✓	✓	A	✓	A	✓	✓
Kim Donald	✓	A	✓	✓	✓	A	A	A	A
Kieren Grassmayr (started 7/8/19)	A	✓ phone	A	A	A	✓ phone	✓ phone	A	A

✓	Attended	A	Apology received
✓ Proxy	Proxy attended in place of committee member	--	No attendance and no apology recorded

The meeting opened at 1:00pm.

The deputation listed as Agenda Item 5 was brought forward to facilitate the presentation by Hayden Williams and Joe Weiley. However, it is recorded according to its agenda sequence.

2. CONFLICT OF INTEREST:

Nil

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS:

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the Public Art Advisory Committee meeting held 1 April 2020 be confirmed as a true and correct record of that meeting.

Moved: Steve Anderson

Seconded: Councillor Marli Banks

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES:

4.1 PAAC Membership

Councillor Melky is unable to attend this Committee due to another ongoing commitment at the same time as PAAC, so has offered his resignation.

The process as advised by the Manager Governance is:

1. *At the next PAAC meeting pass a recommendation to Council to appoint a new Elected Member to the Committee following the Committee resignation of Councillor Melky.*
2. *CEO emails Elected Members advising of the resignation and calling for nominees.*
3. *At the next Ordinary meeting, CEO provides name/s of nominees and Council vote as per general Council Committee Elections.*

Regarding general member recruitment, the review of charters has now been prioritised, so an update should be received soon.

RESOLVED:

That it be a recommendation to Council:

That the Public Art Advisory Committee recommends to appoint a new Elected Member to the Committee following Councillor Melky's resignation.

Moved: Councillor Marli Banks

Seconded: Councillor Catherine Satour

4.2 Traeger Oval Wall EOI

A developed design was provided by Hayden Williams to the Committee. Following on from his deputation at the beginning of this meeting, the Committee accepted the developed design, but with an updated design be provided after his discussions with the Children's Ground Cultural Governance Committee.

RESOLVED:

That it be a recommendation to Council:

That the developed design from Hayden Williams be accepted to advance to the installation stage of the artwork, but with an updated design provided after relevant meetings with Children's Ground Cultural Governance Committee.

Moved: Steve Anderson

Seconded: Councillor Marli Banks

4.3 Public Art Master Plan

The recommendation from PAAC that the draft Public Art Masterplan is approved by Council, with the changes discussed at the 11 March 2020 Public Art Advisory Committee meeting applied to the document, was deferred due to questions around the clarity of the Public Art Policy, endorsed in November 2020. Work on this is ongoing and further update will be provided at an appropriate time.

4.4 Todd Mall Entrance EOI

PAAC's recommendation to Council that the Todd Mall Entry project proceed, subject to Council identifying additional funds of \$18,000 to \$27,000 (GST excl.) required to complete the project has been deferred.

Council officers will be reviewing the scope of works and looking at going back to tender and removing some aspects of the project such as paving.

Discussion ensued about Miriam Wallace's conflict of interest raised at the Council Standing Committee meeting. Director Corporate Services explained about the conflict of interest for Miriam Wallace as the designer and architect of the Todd Mall entrance project in terms of gaining financial benefit and information from the discussion and decision of the Committee. To avoid any allegation of being conflicted is by leaving the discussion and abstaining from any decision of the Committee on the project. Miriam advised that she will not gain any financial benefit from this project as all her work and payment has been completed.

The Chair clarified that PAAC followed the correct process in terms of Miriam Wallace's conflict of interest on the project.

The Chair advised that the Todd Mall Entrance project is likely to go ahead and is currently sitting with Elected Members for discussion. An outcome will be reported back to PAAC at an appropriate time.

4.5 Sporting Facilities Upgrade Public Art Expression of Interest (EOI)

Rollover of the \$20,000 from FY 19/20 to 20/21 still needs to be confirmed for this project, however an EOI has been drafted. This is a new EOI format, which aims to improve on existing ASTC EOIs, and provide artists with more information on the project, as well as Council processes and expectations. It is proposed that this format is used for other EOIs moving forward. It has been developed after reviewing EOI documentation used by other Councils and arts bodies.

The EOI document also includes selection criteria for the EOIs to be assessed and help PAAC in their decision-making processes, which has also been collated through a review of Council public art EOI practice.

Steve Anderson provided feedback to the selection criteria regarding 'quality of previous public art works' could limit applications from artists who are earlier on in their career. He suggested removing the word '*public*' from '*quality of previous public art works*' and reviewing the percentage allocated to this.

The Manager Community and Cultural Development suggested that the weighting could change as required for projects, depending on the size, location and type of work being commissioned.

Steve Anderson also questioned the budget listed in the EOI, and whether that means that only \$14,000 is available for the artwork, and \$6,000 for the concept proposal stage.

The Manager Community and Cultural Development informed the Committee that the budget provided by the Technical Services Department was \$20,000 in total, however PAAC could decide to contribute \$6,000 for concept proposals to the project, to bring the full total to \$20,000.

Tamlyn Neck queried the Council approved wall at Albrecht Oval. The Manager Community and Cultural Development will clarify this in the EOI document.

ACTION:

The Manager Community and Cultural Development to update the EOI document as per feedback from the Committee.

4.6 Skate Park EOI

Council has reviewed a concept to expand the existing skatepark, and approved an investigation into what the costs would be at its April meetings. At a previous PAAC meeting, the potential of adding artwork to the skatepark after maintenance finishes on the existing surfaces was discussed. Due to the potential expansion project, it is recommended to wait until a decision is made on this project before exploring the options of adding public art to the site.

Councillor Banks suggested considering a different project approach and looking at painting the surface of the skatepark instead of focusing on the walls. Manager Community and Cultural Development confirmed that this project would be looking to paint the skatepark surfaces.

4.7 Todd Mall Tiles

The tiles have been completed by students at CMS. As updated in April, they have been glazed and fired by Steve Anderson and a screen-printed tile sign made to accompany them. Peter Brahms, who has laid the other tiles, has been contacted and is currently stuck in South Adelaide due to COVID-19. The project will be postponed until his return, due to his experience laying the other tiles.

5. DEPUTATIONS:

5.1 Hayden Williams & Joe Weiley - Traeger Oval Wall EOI

Hayden Williams advised that stage three of the developed design has been submitted to the Committee and completed all the eight sections of the artwork and incorporated the changes requested.

Hayden Williams and Joe Wieley are in discussion with Children's Ground Cultural Governance Committee in Alice Springs on getting direction and approval for artworks, in relation to cultural significance and appropriateness of the artwork on the wall.

Questions and answers held by the Committee in relation to linking colour to incorporate stories together, view of the graphics from the road, cultural appropriateness of the artwork, collaboration with indigenous youth and ensuring proper consultation with traditional owners are held.

The Committee is satisfied with the way the process is going, given the current circumstances and impacts of COVID-19, and support the engagement with Children's Ground.

The Chair thanked Hayden and Joe for their presentation.

Hayden Williams and Joe Weiley left the meeting at 1:24pm.

6. OTHER BUSINESS:

6.1 Public Art Online Map

Progress is continuing with the Public Art Online Map, which will contain both ASTC commissioned and non-ASTC commissioned public art works around Alice Springs. To encourage people to visit the CBD, a selection of ASTC and community artworks will be highlighted in a CBD walk. These key sites will have interviews with artists, and an audio description for people with visual impairments or blindness to still enjoy the artworks. It is also intended to run some free community public art walks to these public art sites as part of the launch of the map. The completion of this project is aimed at being September 2020.

Director Corporate Services left the meeting at 1:59pm.

6.2 Library Wall Artwork

This granted-funded project has been put on hold due to the impacts of COVID-19 as it was no longer safe to work with the artist. Before the cessation of the project, artist Billy Tjampijinpa Kenda had completed one full section of three panels, and will continue working on the second section of four panels once work recommences. Further update will be provided when the work continues.

6.3 Hartley Street Lights

The Manager Technical Services advised that Council erected lights on Hartley Street two weeks ago. Council's Technical Services Department would like to seek some ideas from this Committee on how to integrate these lights into the environment. Any suggestions can be provided at the next PAAC meeting.

8. NEXT MEETING:

Wednesday, **3 June 2020**, at 1:00pm

9. CLOSURE OF MEETING:

The meeting adjourned at 2:01pm