MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE HELD ON 11 JUNE 2013, FOLLOWING THE FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING, IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, TODD STREET, ALICE SPRINGS

PRESENT: His Worship the Mayor D. Ryan
Councillor S. Brown
Councillor D. Douglas (Chair)
Councillor B. Heenan
Councillor J. Kudrenko
Deputy Mayor L. Martin
Councillor E. Melky
Councillor C. Paech

OFFICERS: Mr R. Mooney – Chief Executive Officer
Mr G. Buxton – Director Technical Services
Mr C. Catchlove – Director Corporate and Community Services
Mr P. Della – Director Finance
Mrs T. Ociones – Executive Assistant (Minutes)

The meeting opened at 6:23pm

1. APOLOGIES:
   Councillor G. Booth – Recreation Leave

2. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME
   Nil

3. DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST - OPEN:
   Councillor Melky declared an interest in regards to item 10.2.1, Extreme Running.

4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING - OPEN:
   4.1 Minutes of Meeting held 13 May 2013

   RESOLVED

   That the minutes of the Open Section of the Corporate and Community Services Committee meeting held on 13 May 2013 be taken as read and confirmed as a true and correct record of the proceedings of that meeting.

   (5732ccs)

   4.2 Business Arising

   4.2.1 Councillor Melky – Todd Mall Traders Association

   Councillor Melky enquired about the outcome of the meeting of the Todd Mall Traders Association.
The Director Corporate and Community Services advised he will distribute the report developed from that meeting to Elected Members tonight.

5. IDENTIFICATION OF ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION - OPEN:

The following items were withdrawn for discussion:

9.1, 9.2, 10.1, 10.2, 10.3

6. DEPUTATIONS:

6.1 Community Grant Presentation to the Alice Springs Town Band

Councillor Douglas presented a cheque of $3,000 to the Alice Springs Town represented by Callum Kruske and Ashley Renton.

6.2 Warren Snowdon MHR Member for Lingiari, Minister for Veterans Affairs, Minister for Defence Science and Personnel, Minister Assisting the Prime Minister for the Centenary of Anzac, Minister for Indigenous Health

Minister Warren Snowdon overviewed the following:

- Grevillea Child Care Centre
- Multipurpose Facility
- Passage of the legislation through the Parliament for Constitutional Change for the Recognition of Local Government – only 2 people voted against it
- New Emergency Department of Alice Springs Hospital – new CT scan machine, new imaging rooms, MIR machine to be in operation in January
- RSL up and running

Some queries/concerns were raised by Elected Members including the following:

- Pedestrian crossing from Little Sisters to the Heavitree Gap store – need traffic management plan in this area
- Healthy Communities Initiative – extension of program through additional funding
- Closing of Solar Cities – appeal for funding to continue educational and maintenance program
- Centenary of Anzac – funding to extend the pad on top of Anzac Hill to increase attendance during Anzac Day.
- Infrastructure on Town Camps – management of infrastructure under funded. Council approached NT and Federal Government about entering into a 10 year agreement with the Federal Government on managing municipal services on Town Camps provided roads are constructed to Australian standards. Mayor Ryan appealed to take this to the Minister concerned to clear up issues.

Minister Snowdon advised following up on the concerns raised by Council to appropriate Government Departments.

The Chairperson thanked Minister Snowdon for addressing Council.

6:18pm Chancellor Paech left the Chamber

6:20pm Chancellor Paech returned to the Chamber
7. **PETITIONS**

Nil

8. **NOTICES OF MOTION:**

Nil

9. **REPORTS OF OFFICERS:**

9.1 **Directorate Update**  
Report No. 123/13ccs (DCCS)

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

Some queries were raised by Councillors for clarification including the following:

- Councillor Melky – Library networking within schools in town to create more business with the Alice Springs Public Library  
  - The Director Corporate and Community Services to ask Manager Library Services to give report on current arrangements with other libraries.

- Councillor Kudrenko – Market stalls set up with the new Mall has some access issues especially for people with wheelchairs and prams; Surface finish with protruding brick in one part of the Mall is a tripping hazard. Is this the final product?  
  - The Director Corporate and Community Services will ask the Project Officer to liaise with Technical Services, if there are trip hazards will develop protocols to address issue.  
  - The Director Technical Services took the question on notice.

- Councillor Heenan – Unpaid Fines – Is there a way of finding out who is not paying the fines, whether people from interstate or overseas?  
  - The Director Corporate and Community Services took the question on notice.

**RESOLVED**  
That it be a recommendation to Council:

**That the report be received and noted.**

(5733ccs)

9.2 **Application for Liquor Licence – The Lane Restaurant**  
Report No. 126/13csss (DCCS)

NT Gambling and Licensing Services has written to Council seeking comments about an application for a liquor licence from The Lane Restaurant located at Shop 4, 58 Todd Street, Alice Springs.

**RESOLVED**  
That it be a recommendation to Council:

**That Council does not object to the application from The Lane Restaurant for a liquor licence.**

(UNANIMOUS 5734ccs)
10. REPORTS OF ADVISORY COMMITTEES

10.1 Minutes and Recommendations from the Seniors Coordinating Committee Meeting held on 15 May 2013

RESOLVED
That it be a recommendation to Council:

That the minutes from the Seniors Coordinating Committee Meeting held on 15 May 2013 be accepted.

(5735ccs)

10.1.1 Housing for Self funded Retirees Survey Group (3.1)

Mitch Cameron advised that the draft Survey was attached to the last set of minutes for information to Council.

The Chief Executive Officer advised that the Survey needs to go back to Council as a recommendation from this meeting for it to become a formal decision of Council.

Craig Catchlove advised that Council is approaching the NT Government for money towards a major mail out/distribution via Centralian Advocate. It was also discussed at the last meeting that the Survey will be handed out to people at the Council stall at the Show.

The Survey will also be distributed through the network system of Committee members.

RESOLVED:
That it be a recommendation to Council:

A. That Council supports conducting the Survey at the Council stall at the forthcoming Alice Springs Show.

B. That Council awaits the response to the NT Government for funding assistance.

(5736ccs)

10.1.2 Public Bus Service (3.8)

An enquiry was raised at the last meeting regarding the provision of a bus route that stops near the Library.

A number of elderly people and people with mobility issues utilising the Library find it very difficult to walk from the bus stop near the Post Office to the Library.

Discussion ensued on the possibility of re-routing the bus service to pass by the new Library entrance.
RESOLVED:
That it be a recommendation to Council:

That Council write to the Minister for Transport requesting the review of the bus routes to enable a stop outside the Library to become part of a service.

(5737ccs)

10.1.3 Draft Adult Decision Making Act (4.5)

Geoff Sloan overviewed development of the Act and suggested if Council can ask for clarification from the NT Government about the Government’s intentions for the issues that provoke the original Act. When the NT Government changed, the progress in relation to making up this law was suspended.

RESOLVED:
That it be a recommendation to Council:

That Council write to the Attorney General and request an officer or a full briefing on the intention of the Government for what was the Adult Decision Making Act.

(5738ccs)

10.2 Minutes and Recommendations from the Tourism, Events and Promotions Committee Meeting held on 30 May 2013

RESOLVED
That it be a recommendation to Council:

That the minutes from the Tourism, Events and Promotions Committee Meeting held on 30 May 2013 be accepted.

(5739ccs)

Councillor Melky having declared an interest in item 10.2.1 left the Chamber at 7:02pm prior to discussion.

10.2.1 Extreme Running (3.4)

Councillor Brendan Heenan who has been liaising with the organisers overviewed the progress of the event happening in August.

The Department of Transport will pay $1,980 for the revised traffic management plan.

Craig Catchlove advised that any in-kind request for assistance should go directly to the office of the Chief Executive Officer to deal with and do not require a recommendation to Council.

Councillor Heenan advised there are 60 people registered for the event on 18 August and it is expected there will be 200 people to compete.
RESOLVED:
That it be a recommendation to Council:

That Council supports the value of $2,500 for the Alice Springs Running Festival.

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Councillor Melky returned to the Chamber at 7:06pm.

10.2.2 Darwin Symphony Orchestra (4.4)

Council received a sponsorship request of $10,000 for cash and in kind from Darwin Symphony Orchestra for a concert to be held at the Alice Springs Golf Course, Sunday, 20th October. The event is free to the community. Craig Catchlove advised that the Mayor supports the request from this year’s budget.

RESOLVED:
That it be a recommendation to Council:

That Council supports the value of $10,000 for the Darwin Symphony Orchestra’s concert in Alice Springs in October, to come out of this financial year’s budget.

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10.3 Minutes and Recommendations from the Public Art Advisory Committee Meeting held on 5 June 2013

RESOLVED
That it be a recommendation to Council:

That the minutes from the Public Art Advisory Committee Meeting held on 5 June 2013 be accepted.

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10.3.1 Waste Management Facility Public Art (5.3)

After J9 Stanton’s presentation of the design development of the sculpture for the Waste Management Facility, the Committee agreed to endorse the project.

RESOLVED:
That it be recommended to Council:

That Council commission J9 Stanton’s sculpture for the Waste Management Facility, subject to structural engineer’s approval.

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10.3.2 Todd Mall / CBD Redevelopment (5.6)

The CCDM gave the following update:
Negotiations are still underway with Ben Ward regarding contract development. Awaiting response from Ben in regard to new quotes from supplier.

Elliat Rich’s steel bench seats – Elliat has signed the contracts. CCDM is still waiting on Arts Law Australia’s response about copyright before the contract is signed off by Council.

Discussion ensued on copyright, reproduction and exclusivity of art design.

**Mosaic Seat Insets**

Councillor Brendan Heenan proposed to the Committee to recommend to Council to finish off the seats temporarily with tile insets (glazed bricks) while finding a mosaic artist to do the seat insets, in order to expedite the construction process in line with the opening of the Mall in July.

Discussion ensued.

**RESOLVED:**

That it be recommended to Council:

That Council approves to complete the seats with tiles insets (glazed bricks) temporarily while finding a mosaic artist to do the seat insets, in order to expedite the construction process in line with a mid July projected opening date for project.

(5744ccs)

11. **OTHER BUSINESS:**

11.1 **Councillor Paech – Mbantua Festival**

Councillor Paech enquired if the organisers have asked for any in-kind and additional support required for the Festival.

The Director Technical Services advised that the Committee is working on the levels of in-kind support for the Festival and will report outcomes of the meeting of the Steering Committee in July.

11.2 **Councillor Melky – Pedestrian Crossing South of the Gap**

Councillor Melky asked if the letter has been sent to the Minister.

The Chief Executive Officer advised that the letter will go out this week.

11.3 **Councillor Kudrenko – Provision of Toilet Facility at the Skate Park**

Councillor Kudrenko enquired how Council is providing toilet facility for people using the Skate Park.

The Director Corporate and Community Services advised that there is a potential of opening out the existing old toilets in that area. Arrangements to get access to toilets can be made for special events.
The Director suggested putting a report to Council for the July round of meetings regarding toilet facility in the Skate Park area.

12. **NEXT MEETING:**  **Monday 15 July 2013**

The meeting stands adjourned and resumes in the Confidential Section.

The meeting adjourned at 7:23pm.

Confirmed on ________________________________

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CHAIRMAN

Date ________________________________