
PRESENT

Members:

Councillor Hawkins (Deputy Chair)
Brian Barker
Kate Ford
Beric Henderson
Jennifer Hutchison
Willhemina Wahlin
Director Strategy and Growth
Group Manager Community Place
Glasshouse Venue Manager

Other Attendees:

Skye Frost – Community Participation Officer – Creative Places

The meeting opened at 8:04am.

01 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

The Acknowledgement of Country was delivered.

02 APOLOGIES

CONSENSUS:

That the apologies received from Councillor Turner (Chair), Chris Denny, Simon Luke and Stacey Morgan be accepted.

03 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

CONSENSUS:

That the Minutes of the Cultural Steering Group Meeting held on 1 August 2018 be confirmed.

04 DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

There were no disclosures of interest presented.

05 BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

CONSENSUS:

That the Business Arising Schedule be noted.

06 CULTURAL PLAN SUBMISSIONS REPORT

The Cultural Steering Group reviewed the changes and amendments to the plan.

CONSENSUS:

1. Having noted and considered the submissions report and outlined changes to the plan recommend that Council adopt the 2018 – 2021 Cultural Plan.
 2. Recommend to Council the inclusion of the term 'Greater Port Macquarie' in the Vision Statement.
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07 CULTURAL PLAN 12 MONTH ACTION AND BUDGET PLAN

The Action Plan continues to be a working document and further discussions regarding budgets and making recommendations to Council about future funding to be considered at future meetings.

CONSENSUS:

That the Cultural Steering Group:

1. Review and endorse the draft Action Plan.
 2. Attach the draft Action Plan to the proposed Council report on the Cultural Plan (Item 6) inclusive of current financial year budget.
 3. Note the draft actions and associated budgets. Defer consideration of future year's budget to October meeting.
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08 MONTHLY ARTWALK REPORT

CONSENSUS:

That the Cultural Steering Group note the progress to-date with:

1. The development of ArtWalk 2019.
2. Investigations into costings for appropriate projection equipment and projector housing be further considered and a report brought back to the Steering Group.

09 MONTHLY BICENTENARY WORKING GROUP REPORT

That the Cultural Steering group support the Council staff position of placing decisions on hold for proposals for bicentenary plaques and monuments until after the Public Art Policy is developed.

CONSENSUS:

That the Cultural Steering Group note the information in the Monthly Bicentenary Working Group report.

10 MONTHLY DRAFT PUBLIC ART POLICY & MASTERPLAN REPORT

Members of the Cultural Steering group volunteered to be involved in the working party for the Public Art Policy and Masterplan, Beric Henderson, Willie Wahlin and Jenny Hutchinson will be invited to a meeting week commencing 10/9/18 with the consultants. An invitation will also be extended to Kevin Williams from Arts Mid North Coast.

CONSENSUS:

That the Cultural Steering Group note the progress of the Public Art Policy and Master Plan Project.

11 EDMUND BARTON STATUE

CONSENSUS:

That the Cultural Steering Group endorse the position of staff and request that the statue remains as is.

12 PORT MACQUARIE OBSERVATORY

CONSENSUS:

That the Cultural Steering Group support Council giving in principle support to the project.

13 PROPOSED CREATIVE HUB

CONSENSUS:

That the Cultural Steering Group defer the discussion on the Creative Hub Development and consider additional information and continue the discussion at the October meeting.

**14 REQUEST BY HANDA SISTER CITY WORKING GROUP FOR ADDITIONAL
FUNDING FOR SISTER CITY 30TH ANNIVERSARY GIFT**

CONSENSUS:

That the Cultural Steering Group defer this item to the October meeting.

15 GENERAL BUSINESS

15.01 HERITAGE NEAR ME GRANT

1. Wauchope Historical Society (auspiced via the Wauchope Chamber of Commerce) received a Heritage Near Me Grant for the Riverside Walk Cultural Trail of approximately \$95,000.00.
 2. The Maritime Museum also received a Heritage Near Me grant of \$95k to support maintenance of their venues in Port Macquarie.
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The meeting closed at 9:42am.
