

LATE ADDENDUM REPORT

REPORTS THROUGH THE GENERAL MANAGER

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a10 [GM-CM] Australia Day Committee - Community Membership

SUBMITTED BY: General Manager

Valid



Civic Leadership

LINKAGE TO INTEGRATED PLANNING AND REPORTING FRAMEWORK:

- 1 Civic Leadership
 - 1.2 Improve decision making by engaging stakeholders and taking into account community input
 - 1.2.4 Involve communities including youth, elderly and aboriginal groups in decision making that affects their area and the wider Tweed community
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SUMMARY OF REPORT:

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RECOMMENDATION:

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The terms of reference for this Committee are available on Council's website (and in hard copy as required) to enable interested members of the community to review and determine if they would like to participate in the Committee's operations.

The community members no longer serving on the Australia Day Committee should be acknowledged for their contribution to date. The interaction with community members has aided in the smooth operation of the Committee and is a practical example of applying the terms of the Community Engagement Strategy of empowering, involving and collaborating.

OPTIONS:

That:

1. The Expression of Interest process for Community Membership on the Australia Day Committee up until September 2016 be endorsed.
2. No Expression of Interest process be undertaken to increase the membership on the Australia Day Committee to assist with the 2016 Tweed Shire Australia Day celebrations.

CONCLUSION:

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COUNCIL IMPLICATIONS:

a. Policy:

Corporate Policy Not Applicable

b. Budget/Long Term Financial Plan:

Not Applicable.

c. Legal:

Not Applicable.

d. Communication/Engagement:

Inform - We will keep you informed.

Following the close of the Expression of Interest process a report will be tabled at the November Council meeting.

UNDER SEPARATE COVER/FURTHER INFORMATION:

Attachment 1.

Tweed Shire Australia Day Advisory Committee – Terms of Reference (ECM 3283081)
