



BUSINESS PAPER

Notice is hereby given in accordance with the *Local Government Act 1993* and *Local Government (General) Regulation 2005* of the below mentioned meeting.

Australia Day Advisory Committee Meeting

Tuesday, 19 December 2023

Commencing at 4:00 PM

**Shellharbour Civic Centre Ground Floor
Training Room**

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1. Acknowledgement to Country

Shellharbour City Council acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of the Dharawal Country and recognise their continued connection to the land we meet on today. We pay our respects to Elders past, present and emerging and the contribution they make to the life of this city and this region and extend our recognition to their descendants who continue to live on country.

2. Apologies

3. Confirmation of Minutes

3.1 Australia Day Advisory Committee Meeting of 14 December 2022

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

That the Minutes of the Australia Day Advisory Committee Meeting held on 14 December 2022 as circulated be taken as read and confirmed as a correct record of proceedings.

4. Disclosures of Interest

5. Reports

5.1 Update on the Australia Day Breakfast by the Lake

Summary

Australia Day Breakfast by the Lake event will be held on 26 January at Reddall Reserve, Lake Illawarra. The event will commence at 8:00am and the event is scheduled to run until 12:00 noon.

The event has been agreed and resourced per the Council Resolution 18 April 2023 as listed below:

Ordinary Council Meeting 18 April 2023

Options for the re-establishment of Breakfast by the Lake 2024

1. *That Council proceed with Breakfast by the Lake to be held at Reddall Reserve on Australia Day 2024 capped at an upper limit of \$70,000 for the event to be funded from the annual events budget.*
2. *Breakfast by The Lake be included in the Council's annual Calendar of Events.*
3. *The event to commence 8am and finish at noon.*
 - The event includes:*
 - a. *Mayoral Welcome*
 - b. *Welcome to Country*
 - c. *Live Music (suitable for the occasion)*
 - d. *Children's Entertainment*
 - e. *Market Stalls*
4. *Production/event management includes:*
 - a. *Stage*
 - b. *Audio & infrastructure*
 - c. *Temporary structures front of house back of house*
 - d. *Accessible and portable toilets*
 - e. *Temporary fencing*
 - f. *Secure car parking area*
 - g. *Security*
 - h. *Waste facilities*
 - i. *Substantial shading and seating*
5. *Community Groups/Sporting clubs to be invited to sell cooked BBQ breakfasts directly to the public - setting pricing at their discretion and retaining the profits.*
6. *Commercial Food and drink vendors be also be invited: e.g., coffee, ice cream, donuts etc. and pay standard council charges for such events*

A verbal report on the operational delivery of the event will be provided at the meeting.

Public/social impact

Events and festivals have a unique ability to bring people together, playing a pivotal role in community building by uniting individuals from diverse religious, economic, and social backgrounds. Events celebrate the unique aspects that make Shellharbour special, instilling a sense of community pride.

Link to Community Strategic Plan

This report supports the following objectives and strategies of the Community Strategic Plan:

Objective: 1.1 We inspire community spirit

Strategy: 2.1.1 Foster creativity and events that bring people together

Objective: 4.1 We deliver our future together

Strategy: 4.1.2 Our Council builds and maintains strong partnerships and advocates effectively on behalf of the community

Consultations**Internal**

Nil

External

Nil

Report prepared by: Toni Lindwall
Manager Community Engagement and Activation

Responsible Manager: Claire Killeen
Executive Manager Marketing and Communications

Date of Meeting: 19 December 2023

Recommendation:

That the Australia Day Committee receive and note this report.

5.2 Community Awards

The purpose of this report is to recognise outstanding Shellharbour Citizens through the community awards. Nominations have been received for: Citizen of the Year, Young Citizen of the Year, Contribution to the Arts, Environmental Warrior.

The Australia Day Advisory Committee will determine the successful nominees in each category, winners will be announced at the Community Award presentation on 17 January 2024.

Background

The Community Awards in Shellharbour City celebrate outstanding citizens through the acknowledgment of the Citizen of the Year, Young Citizen of the Year, Contribution to the Arts and Environmental Warrior categories.

The nomination process for this year employed a multifaceted approach, incorporating promotion through traditional media, Council's e-newsletter, a social media campaign, postcards, posters and online accessibility through the Shellharbour City Council's website. Nomination forms were widely distributed through email to schools, community groups, and Councillors, ensuring broad outreach and engagement. This comprehensive strategy aimed to maximize community participation in recognising and honoring individuals across different age groups for their notable contributions to the community, fostering a sense of pride and appreciation.

Nominations for the 2024 Shellharbour City Community Awards were live on Council's website until 17 December 2023. The following nominations have been received to date. Information on each of the candidates will be forwarded under separate cover, as soon as possible following the closing date.

Citizen of the Year

Six nominations have been received.

Young Citizen of the Year

Two nominations were received.

Contribution to the Arts

Nil

Environmental Warrior

One nomination was received.

Public/social impact

The recognition of outstanding Citizens in Shellharbour City provides positive role models for our community. It also enhances our City's reputation as an area of excellence in community.

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Recommendation

The Australia Day Advisory Committee considered nominations received for in each category of the Community Awards and resolve the 2024 Community Award winners as follows, noting that this resolution is not to be published until after the Awards Presentation:

Citizen of the Year - <<<to be inserted at the meeting>>>

Young Citizen of the Year - <<<to be inserted at the meeting>>>

Contribution to the Arts - <<<to be inserted at the meeting>>>

Environmental Warrior - <<<to be inserted at the meeting>>>

Attachments

Nominations will be distributed at the meeting.

5.3 Update on the Community Awards Presentation

Summary

The purpose of this report is to provide a summary update on planning for the 2024 Community Awards presentation.

The awards will be held on 17 January 2024 at the Shellharbour Civic Centre commencing at 6:00pm.

The Community Awards presentation will announce the Community Award recipients and also include the Sports Star Awards.

Public/social impact

Acknowledging the award nominees and winners not only honors their individual accomplishments but also generates a positive social impact. By recognising outstanding accomplishments, the community is provided with role models who contribute to the overall enhancement of our city's reputation, creating a culture of excellence and community pride.

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6. Next Meeting

To be determined.