

Note: These recommendations are subject to adoption at
Councils next Ordinary Council Meeting scheduled for 16 November 2021

Minutes of the Australia Day Advisory Committee
Meeting Held Online remotely via Teams webcast video link
on Wednesday 3 November 2021 commencing at 4:30pm

Present:

Cr Marianne Saliba (Chairperson)	Mayor, Shellharbour City Council
Cr Robert Petreski	Shellharbour City Council
Cr Kellie Marsh	Shellharbour City Council
Mr Ron Dryburgh	Community Representative
Ms Barbara Street	Community Representative
Mr Donald Briggs	Community Representative
Ms Sandra Mitrevski	Representative for the Member for Shellharbour
Mr Shane Bitschkat	Representative for the Member for Kiama

Attendance:

Mr Jamie Dawson	Manager Community Engagement and Activation
Ms Jessica Smith	Events and Activation Officer
Ms Flora Lepouras (part)	Executive Manager
Ms Christie Bryan (Minute taker)	Corporate Meetings Officer
Ms Christine Matesic	Corporate Meetings Officer

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 / Leave of Absence

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Don Briggs / Ron Dryburgh

Apologies were tendered on behalf of Councillor Moira Hamilton, Citizen of the Year Donald Martin, Young Citizen of the Year Charli Ryan and Youth Community Representative Kiki Cuda.

CARRIED

3. Confirmation of Minutes

3.1 Australia Day Advisory Committee Meeting 7 April 2021

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Kellie Marsh / Robert Petreski

That the Minutes of the Australia Day Advisory Committee Meeting held on 7 April 2021 as circulated be taken as read and confirmed as a correct record of proceedings.

CARRIED

4. Disclosures of Interest

Nil

5. Presentations

5.1 Governance Induction for Community Representatives

Presenter – Flora Lepouras
Executive Manager, Shellharbour City Council

Ms Lepouras noted that the community representatives were provided with a copy of the Code of Conduct for Council Committee Members, Delegates of Council and Council Advisers and that they had signed an acknowledgement of their responsibilities and obligations as a community representative under the Code of Conduct as well making particular note of Declarations of Interest and the requirement to declare an interest at the appropriate time in the Agenda if they had a conflict as prescribed in the Code of Conduct.

The Mayor thanked Ms Lepouras for her report.

6. Staff Reports

6.1 Update on Australia Day Awards Nominations (11759142)

The nomination process has been simplified so that it is easier for the community to submit a nomination. The nominations are open for another 4 weeks.

Don Briggs asked if there is a print form available for him to pick up from Council and drop off to organisations that he is a member of. The Mayor informed Mr Briggs the form is available on Council's website and everyone is able to access it.

Action: When the new artwork/social media post is available for nominations an email is to be sent to the Committee advising it can be distributed amongst their networks.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Shane Bitschkat / Barbara Street

That the Australia Day Committee receive and note this report.

CARRIED

6.2 Update on Australia Day Awards Event (11759144)

Barbara Street asked in relation to the Sports Awards how many awards are there and what is the criteria? Jessica Smith advised there are 7 awards in total including three major categories. Those being: Sports Person of the Year, Young Sports Person of the Year and Team of the Year.

Don Briggs stated this is going to be awesome.

Ron Dryburgh raised the question what is the style of seating for this event? The Mayor confirmed this will be row theatre style seating.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Shane Bitschkat / Don Briggs

That the Australia Day Committee receive and note this report.

CARRIED

6.3 Update on the Australia Day Community Event (11759143)

There will be two Citizenship ceremonies held and there will be a live stream held on Facebook for the citizens to be a part of the Aboriginal Welcome Smoking Ceremony. There will also be a twilight concert event held at Reddall Reserve.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Shane Bitschkat / Sandra Mitrevski

That the Australia Day Committee receive and note this report.

CARRIED

7. Items for Information

Nil

8. General Business

Nil

6. Next Meeting

Date: 8 December 2021

Meeting closed 4.54pm