

Grants, Donations & Subsidies Policy

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1. Policy Objective

Provide Council with an equitable, transparent and accountable framework for determining and allocating Council grants, donations and subsidies with clear priorities linked to Council's strategic directions and the Community's needs.

2. Aims of Policy

The Grants, Donations and Subsidies Policy enables Council to:

- Clearly state the principles that will drive Council's support of community organisations, facilities and activities.
- Recognise the value and benefits of services and activities organised and provided by community based groups
- Support non-profit organisations in the delivery of community services and programs
- Provide for equitable, transparent and accountable processes in determining and allocating Council's funds.
- Provide one-off support for a range of community activities and events.

3. Policy Statement

All decisions relating to grants, donations and subsidies must give regard to the following principles.

Any grant, donation and subsidy provided by Council must:

- Contribute to improving the quality of people's lives
- Provide an effective use of Council's resources
- Achieve equity
- Produce better outcomes for the community
- Foster accountability.
- Promote strong community networks, community cohesion and social support

There must be transparent processes for the allocation and management of all grants, donations and subsidies.

The community will be informed in the Management Plan as to which organisations and community programs will be supported by Council through either the direct provision of funds or an indirect subsidy. Similarly, the Annual Report will provide information on Council's grant funding process and recipients.

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