

ITEM NO: 5

SUBJECT: COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE / DONATIONS – RECOMMENDATIONS  
BY COUNCILLORS

FILE NO: C00944

**Recommendation:**

*That the Council approve the following donations from the Councillors' Minor Local Projects Vote:*

<u>Organisation</u>	<u>Amount</u>
<i>Springwood Ministers Association</i>	<i>\$300.00</i>
<i>Katoomba High School Cadets</i>	<i>\$100.00</i>
<i>Blue Mountains Community Gardens</i>	<i>\$500.00</i>
<i>Katoomba Cricket Club</i>	<i>\$300.00</i>
<i>Grow Group c/- Mid Mountains Community Centre</i>	<i>\$85.00</i>
<i>Lapstone Pre School</i>	<i>\$336.00</i>
<i>Lower Mountains Rotary Club</i>	<i>\$200.00</i>
<i>Fusion Blue Mountains</i>	<i>\$100.00</i>
<i>Blue Mountains Basketball Association</i>	<i>\$200.00</i>
<i>Rotary Club of Lower Blue Mountains</i>	<i>\$200.00</i>
<i>Grow Group c/- Mid Mountains Community Centre</i>	<i>\$100.00</i>
<i>Katoomba High School Cadets</i>	<i>\$100.00</i>
<i>Rotary Club of Central Mountains</i>	<i>\$100.00</i>

**Report by General Manager:**

On 11 July 2000 the Council adopted a revised Policy for Councillors' Minor Local Projects allocations for the provision of community assistance/donations. The following recommendations for donation, which appear to fall within the ambit of the Policy, have been received and are submitted for approval.

**Minor Local Projects**

<u>Recommending Councillor</u>	<u>Organisation</u>	<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Clr Searle	Springwood Ministers Association	Toward the Springwood Community Carols	\$300.00
Clr Searle	Katoomba High School Cadets	To RFS Eric Berry for the Cadets Christmas Party	\$100.00
Clr Gibbs	Katoomba Cricket Club	Purchase of equipment and uniforms	\$300.00
Clr Greenhill	Grow Group c/- Mid Mountains Community Centre	Toward Hall Hire	\$85.00
Clr Greenhill	Lapstone Pre-School	Assist in the provision of recycling services for 4 years	\$336.00

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Clr Greenhill	Lower Mountains Rotary	Assisting in the running of the Australia Day Ceremony	\$200.00
Clr Hamilton	Fusion Blue Mountains	Assist with Christmas Celebrations	\$100.00
Clr Hamilton	Blue Mountains Basketball Association	To assist the Junior Members	\$200.00
Clr Luchetti	Rotary Club of Lower Blue Mountains	Australia Day Celebrations 2009	\$200.00
Clr Luchetti	Grow Group c/- Mid Mountains Community Centre	Assist with their support of the work of the Grow Group	\$100.00
Clr Van Der Kley	Katoomba High School Cadets	To RFS Eric Berry for the Cadets Christmas Party	\$100.00
Clr Van Der Kley	Rotary Club of Central Blue Mountains	Assist with cost of Carols in the Park	\$100.00

**Mayoral Contingency Fund**

Clr Searle	Blue Mountains Community Gardens	Toward participation in the first Community Gardens Calendar 2009	\$500.00
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**ITEM NO: 6****SUBJECT: RESIGNATION FROM THE BRAEMAR HOUSE AND GALLERY****FILE NO: F01268 - 08/206150**

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**Recommendations:**

- 1 *That the Council formally accepts the resignation of Mrs Mardi Magree from the Braemar House and Gallery Committee.*
  - 2 *That the Council acknowledge Mardi Magree's service to the community as a Committee member and Gallery volunteer with a letter of appreciation.*
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**Report by Group Manager, Community & Corporate:****Reason for report**

The reason for this report is to advise the Council, in accordance with the requirements of the Local Government Act for the appointment of members to committees, of the letter of resignation dated 2 September 2008 received from Mrs Mardi Magree of the Braemar House and Gallery Committee, effective as of 13 October 2008.

**Background**

At the Ordinary Meeting of 29 January 2008 the Council resolved to appoint Mrs Mardi Magree to the Braemar House and Gallery Committee (Minute No. 375, 29/1/08). During the past eight and a half (8½) months, Mrs Magree held the position of Volunteers' Co-ordinator of the Gallery, on the Committee. Unfortunately, due to ongoing health problems, Mrs Magree has found it necessary to resign from the position and Committee.

Mrs Magree has been a volunteer with the Braemar Gallery for eleven (11) years assisting in various aspects of running the community Gallery. Although she has decided to resign from the Braemar House and Gallery Committee she will be endeavouring to continue volunteering at the Gallery.

In accordance with the adopted Constitution of the Braemar House and Gallery Committee (Minute No. 554, 15/7/08) - Clause 4. 4.1 – *“the Committee shall consist of not more than twelve (12) and a minimum of four (4) members approved and appointed by the Council”*. As the Braemar House and Gallery Committee is currently comprised of eight (8) committee members it will not be necessary to recruit an immediate replacement for Mrs Magree.

In addition, it is also noted that the Braemar House and Gallery Committee at their meeting on 13 October 2008 appointed Committee member, Mrs Pamela Crafoord, to the position of Volunteers' Co-ordinator. As Volunteers' Co-ordinator Mrs Crafoord is entitled to receive an honorarium of \$500 per annum as per resolution of the Council – (Minute No. 554, 15/7/08).

**Sustainability Assessment (Triple Bottom Line Reporting):**

<b>Effects</b>	<b>Positive</b>	<b>Negative</b>
Environmental	Nil	Nil
Social	Status quo maintained	Nil
Economic	Nil	Nil

**Financial implications for the Council**

Nil

**Legal and risk management issues for the Council**

Nil

**External consultation**

Not required

**Conclusion**

That the Council formally accepts the resignation of Mrs Magree from the Braemar House and Gallery Committee and acknowledges her service to the community as a Committee member and Gallery volunteer with a letter of appreciation.

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**ITEM NO:** 7**SUBJECT: RESIGNATION AND APPOINTMENT – WARRIMOO TENNIS COURTS COMMITTEE****FILE NO:** F00290 - 08/249921

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**Recommendations:**

- 1 *That the Council formally accepts the resignation of Mr Geoff McManus from the Warrimoo Tennis Courts Committee.*
  - 2 *That the Council acknowledge Mr Geoff McManus' service to the community as a Committee member and Court Maintenance Officer with a letter of appreciation.*
  3. *That the Council formally appoint Mr David Kennedy to the Warrimoo Tennis Courts Committee in the position of volunteer Court Maintenance Officer.*
  4. *That the Council formally approve the payment of \$100 per month (\$1,200 per annum) honorarium to the incumbent of the position of volunteer Court Maintenance Officer of the Warrimoo Tennis Courts.*
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**Report by Group Manager, Community & Corporate:****Reason for report**

The reason for this report is to advise the Council, in accordance with the requirements of the Local Government Act for the appointment of members to committees, of the letter of resignation received from Mr Geoff McManus of the Warrimoo Tennis Courts Committee dated 22 October 2008 effective immediately, and the recommended appointment of Mr David Kennedy to the same position.

**Background**

At the Ordinary Meeting 15 February 2005 the Council resolved to appoint Mr Geoff McManus to the Warrimoo Tennis Courts Committee (Minute No. 40, 14/02/05). During the past three years (3) and eight (8) months Mr McManus held the position on the Committee of volunteer Court Maintenance Officer for which he received an honorarium of \$100 per month. Unfortunately, due to family commitments, Mr McManus has found it necessary to resign from the position and the Committee.

The Warrimoo Tennis Courts Committee, in their email dated 19 October 2008, requested the Council to formally appoint Mr David Kennedy to the Committee. Mr Kennedy is a local resident who lives opposite the tennis courts and has agreed to take on the role of volunteer Court Maintenance Officer. The Committee has requested that the position of volunteer Court Maintenance Officer continue to receive an honorarium of \$100 per month (\$1,200 per annum).

**Sustainability Assessment (Triple Bottom Line Reporting):**

<b>Effects</b>	<b>Positive</b>	<b>Negative</b>
Environmental	Nil	Nil
Social	Status quo maintained	Nil
Economic	Nil	Nil

**Financial implications for the Council**

There is budget for the payment of the honorarium in the 2008/2009 operating budget.

**Legal and risk management issues for the Council**

Nil

**External consultation**

Not required

**Conclusion**

That the Council formally accepts the resignation of Mr Geoff McManus from the Warrimoo Tennis Courts Committee and acknowledges his service to the community as a Committee member and volunteer Court Maintenance Officer with a letter of appreciation.

That the Council formally appoints Mr David Kennedy to the Warrimoo Tennis Courts Committee in the position of volunteer Court Maintenance Officer and approves the payment of an honorarium of \$100 per month (\$1,200 per annum) to the incumbent of that position.

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