

TOWN OF COTTESLOE



ART ADVISORY PANEL MINUTES

MAYOR'S PARLOUR, COTTESLOE CIVIC CENTRE
109 BROOME STREET, COTTESLOE
3.00PM, TUESDAY 18 JUNE 2019

MAT HUMFREY
Chief Executive Officer

21 June 2019

1. DECLARATION OF MEETING OPENING / ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISITORS

The Chair opened the meeting at 3.03pm.

Cr Tucak acknowledged the meeting as being held on the traditional lands of the Wadjuk Nyoongar People near Moodoorup Rocks, and wished to acknowledge and respect their continuing culture and that the area has great significance to the Traditional Owners.

Cr Pyvis requested that the Traditional Owners Acknowledgement is included as standard going forward. Cr Tucak as Chair agreed to do so as part of Agenda Item 1 until Council resolved its own position.

The Chair announced as visitor Mrs Norah Murphy, local Cottesloe resident.

2. ATTENDANCE

Committee Members Present

Cr Michael Tucak	Chair, Elected Member
Cr Rob Thomas	Elected Member
Cr Sally Pyvis	Elected Member
Ms Rosalin Sadler	Community Member

Officers Present

Liz Cartell	Administration Officer
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Apologies

Mr Stephen Mellor	Community Member
Mayor Philip Angers	Elected Member

Guest

Mrs Norah Murphy	Cottesloe Resident
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3. A) PUBLIC QUESTIONS/PUBLIC STATEMENTS

Mrs Murphy was invited to present to the Panel. Mrs Murphy expressed concern the coastal aesthetic is being compromised by siting sculpture along the foreshore. One area of particular concern is where Grant Street meets Marine Parade, considered by Mrs Murphy to be particularly significant in terms of natural beauty. She felt this noteworthy location should be free of obstruction and visual clutter.

The panel thanked Mrs Murphy for her contribution, advised that the Art Advisory Panel was in the process of conducting a sculpture audit and that her comments would be taken into consideration.

B) CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

MOVED Cr Thomas **SECONDED** Cr Tucak

The Minutes of the meeting of the Art Advisory Panel minutes held 21 May 2019 be confirmed as a true and accurate record.

CARRIED 3/1

Against Cr Pyvis

4. DISCUSSION**4.1 Public Art Strategy Objectives****4.1.1 Review draft Location Audit results**

Cr Tucak presented two maps to further explore location options, comprising:

- i) A colour coded 'existing location' map consolidating the Panel's draft audit findings to date and categorised as follows:
 - Green – Sculptures to remain (draft to be confirmed);
 - Yellow - Slight amendment required (draft to be confirmed);
 - Orange – Sculptures to be relocated (draft to be confirmed);
 - Red – Sculptures to be removed (draft to be confirmed);
- ii) A 'potential new locations' map highlighting areas considered to be:
 - opportunities to accommodate new or relocated works;
 - areas with potential to enhance east-west connectivity.

The Panel agreed it would be beneficial to keep findings of the audit confidential while the work is being undertaken.

COUNCILLOR MOTION

MOVED Cr Tucak **SECONDED** Cr Thomas

THAT the working draft of the location audit compilation remains confidential until finalised by the Committee to avoid confusion or misunderstandings.

CARRIED 3/1

AGAINST Cr Pyvis

4.1.2 Discussion of new locations

The Panel reviewed and discussed locations in detail.

A possible new location along Marine Parade was suggested by the Town as the bus stop next to Beach Access Path S4 is no longer in use. There is potential to remove the shelter and build out into one of the car parking bays to increase the area. The Panel considered the location to be too restricted.

Cr Pyvis advised the Panel she didn't support additional sculptures along the western side of Marine Parade as it was already well represented with works.

It was decided further discussion relating to new locations, together with consideration of the PSP would be deferred until Mr Mellor's return in July.

New native planting is scheduled to be carried out along the PSP from mid-end July 2019.

4.1.3 Discussion of public art relocations

The Panel discussed relocation of 'Dark Night Shines' from its current location on the corner of Napoleon Street and Stirling Highway including to the recently refurbished water feature/pond at the Civic Centre or other locations with proximity to water. The Town was requested to provide costs of relocation and suitability of the pond.

The Panel also discussed options for a sculpture loan to the Grove Library and concurred with the following recommendation.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

MOVED Cr Pyvis SECONDED Ms Sadler

THAT the AAP recommends that the sculpture 'Threshold of a Dream' to be offered to the Grove Library on a loan basis.

CARRIED 4/0

4.2 Foreshore Universal Access Art Commission

The Town's Project Manager has advised the new foreshore asphalt will be cured by April 2020 and has requested an update on progress of the proposed art commission.

Due to meeting time constraints the Panel agreed to meet informally before the next meeting to discuss/brainstorm the concept in more detail and develop a brief.

It was considered the Town would engage an art consultant to manage the commissioning process.

Action Item:

Members of the panel to meet informally before next meeting to discuss the development of a brief for the universal access path.

4.3 Sculpture by the Sea 2019

4.3.1 Location of acquired work 'She Sells Sea Shells'

The Panel agreed to defer this item until Mr Mellor's return in July.

4.3.2 Sculpture by the Sea funding update

Cr Tucak provided an update on funding status, and advised the matter is being discussed as part of 2019-2020 Budget adoption at the next Ordinary Council Meeting.

The possibility of changing the exhibition to a biennial event was raised, also the potential for Sculpture by the Sea to seek funding via the Australian Cultural Fund.

COUNCILLOR MOTION

MOVED Cr Tucak SECONDED Cr Thomas

THAT Council raises with Sculpture by the Sea the scope for the Town to match public funds raised by Sculpture by the Sea, for example through the Australian Cultural Fund, specifically in support of the 2020 Cottesloe event up to a cap of \$75,000.

**CARRIED 3/1
Against Cr Pyvis**

4.4 Annual Sculpture Event Proposal – Plinth 6011

4.4.1 Potential locations

4.4.2 Brief

The Panel agreed to defer these items until Mr Mellor's return in July.

5. OTHER BUSINESS

5.1 AAP – Committee Terms of Reference

In Mayor Angers absence the Panel agreed to defer this item until the next meeting.

5.2 Vlamingh Memorial – Replacements for Brass Plaques

Cr Tucak confirmed Council has decided to look at other possibilities for a replacement.

5.3 Chamber of Arts & Culture (WA) Membership

The Panel discussed the merits of joining and showing support for this peak body in the Arts and Culture sector.

Cr Tucak declared an interest as a current member and previous director.

MOVED Cr Tucak SECONDED Ms Sadler

The AAP resolves that the Town joins the Chamber of Arts & Culture for 2019-20 as a local government member for \$385 to reflect the AAP's intent to increase arts and culture activity in the town.

**CARRIED 3/1
AGAINST Cr Pyvis**

5.4 Percent for Art

The Panel briefly discussed the possibility of including public art incentives either mandated through the scheme or implemented through a local planning policy. No decision was proposed, pending further report to and consideration by the Council.

5.5 Additional Items Discussed**5.5.1 ProCott**

Ms Sadler asked the Chair if the AAP is going to have a formal role in ProCott going forward. Cr Tucak advised that matters were currently channelled through the Council's two representatives, Crs Young and Sadler. The committee structure, and any committee representatives, may be changing in September.

5.5.2 Postcode 3000

Ms Sadler raised the successful Melbourne initiative 'Postcode 3000'. and would like to encourage the use of '6011' as an identification marker for the Town (particularly as a welcome sign) to help unify concepts across the public space. The Panel agreed to discuss this item in more detail at the next meeting.

5.6 Action list update

Refer to Appendix 1.

6. NEXT MEETING

Proposed for Thursday 25 July at 3pm.

7. MEETING CLOSURE

The meeting was closed at 5.02pm.