

OUTDOOR CONCERTS AND LARGE PUBLIC EVENTS

1. Background

The Town of Cottesloe is an attractive location to hold an outdoor concert or large public event.

Whilst the Town recognises that the staging of outdoor concerts and other large public events can have significant benefits to the community at large, it acknowledges that they require effective management to avoid adverse impacts on nearby residential areas and the environment.

The Town, as an owner of some venues suitable for the staging of such events, has a responsibility to ensure that these venues are used in such a way so as to minimise the inconvenience or nuisance to residents, businesses and the general public. Further, the Town also has an obligation to encourage the legitimate use of suitable privately owned venues.

As the attraction for large public events in the Town grows the Town will be in a position whereby it can foresee and manage likely impacts on the community and the environment.

2. Aims

To manage the impacts of outdoor concerts and large public events on the community and the environment.

3. Objectives

To provide guidelines to:

- Facilitate the activities of promoters who wish to stage compliant events; establish protocols to ensure that applications for events comply with statutory requirements and are appropriately located, assessed and approved.
- Limit the Town's public liability risk that may result from outdoor concerts and large public events.
- Ensure that the Town and its staff adopt a consistent and coordinated approach in the assessment and approval of outdoor concerts and large public events held in the Town.
- Incorporate controls to minimise the impact of an event on the nearby residents.
- Above all, promote the safety of event patrons.

4. Policy

The Town of Cottesloe is committed to;

- Preserving the reasonable amenity of residents and businesses surrounding a venue used for the purpose of staging outdoor concerts and large public events.
- Ensuring that the reasonable community/society expectations to be entertained are met.

All outdoor concerts and major public events shall comply with the Town of Cottesloe's Guide to Outdoor Concerts and Large Public Events.

The Town will support up to two outdoor concerts only at any venue within a 12 month period.

The Town of Cottesloe requires the promoter to take all reasonable precautions with regards to public safety, health and the appropriate and sustainable use of the venue.

A Risk Management and Evacuation Plan, satisfactory venue maintenance procedure, sufficient crowd control and appropriate public liability cover are to be provided.

An application for an event is to be made to Council on the Event Application and Checklist Form not less than 90 days prior to an event. The Chief Executive Officer may request additional information or action as deemed appropriate.

The in-principle support of the Council of the Town of Cottesloe to stage an outdoor concert or large public event does not constitute an approval. Approval for an event will only be given by the Chief Executive Officer upon satisfactory compliance with all statutory and other requirements at least 24 hours prior to the commencement of an event.

This policy applies in addition to any relevant legislation, Standards Australia standards or any other legal requirement in place at the time an application is made.

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