



CITY OF HOBART

# **AGENDA**

## **Community, Culture and Events Committee Meeting**

### **Open Portion**

**Wednesday, 8 August 2018**

**at 5:00 pm**

**Lady Osborne Room, Town Hall**

### **SUPPLEMENTARY ITEM**

#### **ORDER OF BUSINESS**

- 10. THE SOUND OF PEACE ARMISTICE DAY EVENT - REQUEST  
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**The General Manager reports:**

“That in accordance with the provisions of Part 2 Regulation 8(6) of the *Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015*, these supplementary matters are submitted for the consideration of the Committee.

Pursuant to Regulation 8(6), I report that:

- (a) information in relation to the matter was provided subsequent to the distribution of the agenda;
- (b) the matter is regarded as urgent; and
- (c) advice is provided pursuant to Section 65 of the Act.”

**10. The Sound of Peace Armistice Day Event - Request for Council Support**  
**File Ref: F18/87779; 18/279**

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Report of the Acting Manager Community and Cultural Programs and the Acting Associate Director Community and Culture of 7 August 2018 and attachment.

Delegation: Council

**REPORT TITLE: THE SOUND OF PEACE ARMISTICE DAY EVENT -  
REQUEST FOR COUNCIL SUPPORT****REPORT PROVIDED BY:** Acting Manager Community and Cultural Programs  
Acting Associate Director Community and Culture**1. Report Purpose and Community Benefit**

- 1.1. This report seeks Council approval to provide financial and logistical support to 'The Sound of Peace' community event to commemorate the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the end of World War 1 on 11 November 2018.

**2. Report Summary**

- 2.1. Armistice Day (11 November) 2018 marks the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the end of World War 1. As a result of this significant anniversary there is an increased awareness and interest within the community for opportunities to be involved in relevant commemorations.
- 2.2. As well as annual Armistice Day commemorations held by the Returned Services League at the Hobart Cenotaph, the official opening of *The Bridge of Remembrance* is also scheduled to take place on the morning of 11 November.
- 2.3. CityNetworks, a church based organisation, is working with several partners to deliver 'The Sound of Peace' event between 11 am and 1 pm within the St David's Cathedral precinct on this day.
- 2.4. CityNetworks is coordinating this large free community event with a number of local businesses, churches and community organisations that will involve the closure of Murray Street, between Collins and Macquarie streets.
- 2.5. Organisers are expecting significant community participation and there could be between 2,000 - 4,000 community members in attendance throughout the three hour event, with free food and entertainment being provided by organisers.
- 2.6. CityNetworks has garnered financial and logistical support from the Tasmanian Government, private businesses, churches and community organisations and is seeking the support of the City of Hobart through the provision of a range of traffic management, environmental health and event related services and equipment.
- 2.7. As this event is a community recognition of the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the end of World War 1 it is considered appropriate that the City of Hobart be a partner in the delivery of this important city event.

### 3. **Recommendation**

***That:***

1. ***The council endorse the provision of the following in-kind and cash support totalling \$15,983.45 towards the delivery of 'The Sound of Peace', 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Armistice Day celebrations being held on 11 November 2018.***

***In-Kind Provision***

- ***120 Tables and Bench sets - \$4,896***
- ***Place of Assembly Licence Fee - \$300***
- ***Road Closure Permit Fee - \$300***
- ***Provision of Waste and Recycling services and bins - \$2,500***
- ***Provision of 50 bean bags - \$637.50***
- ***Franklin Square booking for not-for-profit - \$29.95***
- ***Traffic safety infrastructure - \$880***

***Financial Provision***

- ***Table and Bench Set delivery - \$440***
  - ***Provision of 20 Portaloos - \$3,360***
  - ***Traffic Management Plan and Implementation costs - \$3,000***
2. ***The actual cost provision component be provided through a budget allocation of \$6,440 to be included in the Community Planning and Coordination allocation in the 2018-19 Annual Plan.***

### 4. **Background**

- 4.1. 11 November 2018 provides the community with an opportunity to celebrate the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Armistice Day.
- 4.2. A significant aspect of the day's celebrations will be an official ceremony at the Bridge of Remembrance, linking the Domain and Cenotaph over the Tasman Highway, from 9 am.
  - 4.2.1. Details regarding this event will be provided in due course.
- 4.3. In accordance with the Anzac Centenary Public Fund it was planned that the City of Hobart would hold a community celebration on 11 November to acknowledge the federally funded Tasman Highway bridge project. However, with CityNetworks having already planned a community event, it is considered appropriate to partner with this organisation for a larger scale event rather than compete with a separate event.

- 4.4. From 11 am - 1 pm CityNetworks, in collaboration with local businesses, churches and community organisations, will deliver 'The Sound of Peace' Armistice Day celebrations in and around St David's Cathedral.
- 4.4.1. Franklin Square has also been identified as a possible 'spill out' venue should the numbers of community members participating exceed the available space around St David's Cathedral, hence its inclusion in the in-kind provision within this report.
- 4.5. Tasmanian Government representatives are working closely with CityNetworks on the implementation and promotion of the event as the key Armistice Day celebration for southern Tasmania.
- 4.5.1. While the Tasmanian Government have committed to providing support to this event the extent of that support is yet to be clarified.
- 4.6. CityNetworks has requested that the City of Hobart partner in delivering this event through the provision of financial and logistical support towards the delivery of 'The Sound of Peace' community celebration, see **Attachment A** to this report.
- 4.7. City of Hobart officers met with CityNetworks representatives to clarify the extent of the support required and in consultation with other Council staff have identified the detail and value of the required support at \$15,983.45 as outlined within this report.
- 4.8. The in-kind support provided by Council would not be a direct cost, with the value of this provision being absorbed by relevant units.

## 5. Proposal and Implementation

- 5.1. It is proposed that Council endorse the provision of the following in-kind and cash support totalling \$15,983.45 towards the delivery of 'The Sound of Peace', 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Armistice Day celebrations being held on 11 November 2018.

### In-Kind

- 120 Tables and Bench sets, \$4,896
- Place of Assembly Licence Fee, \$300
- Road Closure Permit Fee, approx. \$300
- Provision of Waste and Recycling services and bins, \$2,500
- Provision of 50 bean bags, \$637.50
- Franklin Square booking for not-for-profit, \$29.95
- Traffic safety infrastructure, \$880

## Financial

- Table and Bench Set delivery, \$440
- Provision of 20 Portaloos, \$3,360
- Traffic Management Plan and Implementation costs, \$3,000

The actual cost provision component be provided through a budget allocation of \$6,440 to be included in the Community Planning and Coordination allocation in the 2018-19 Annual Plan

## 6. Strategic Planning and Policy Considerations

- 6.1. This proposal is supported by the following items with the *Capital City Strategic Plan 2015 - 2025*.

### STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE 1.3

Vibrant city centre and suburban precincts

- 1.3.1 Support and deliver events, festivals and markets;

### STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE 4.1

Community connectedness and participation realises the cultural and social potential of the community

- 4.1.4 Facilitate and support local community groups to enhance community programs and reduce social isolation; and

### STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE 4.2

City facilities, infrastructure and open spaces support healthy lifestyles

- 4.2.2 Support effective utilisation of city facilities, infrastructure and open spaces.

## 7. Financial Implications

- 7.1. Funding Source and Impact on Current Year Operating Result

- 7.1.1. Any in-kind support provided by Council to CityNetworks would not be a direct cost to Council, with the value of this provision being absorbed by relevant units.

- 7.1.2. There would be an external cost to the Council of \$6,440. There is no funding allocated for this proposal within the current financial year and if approved by the Council, the request would require an additional allocation of \$6,440 in the Community Planning and Coordination budget function area in the 2018-19 annual plan.

**7.2. Impact on Future Years' Financial Result**

7.2.1. There is no impact on future year's financial result as a result of this proposal.

**7.3. Asset Related Implications**

7.3.1. There are no asset related implications as a result of this proposal.

**8. Legal, Risk and Legislative Considerations**

8.1. City of Hobart staff have worked closely with CityNetworks representatives to ensure that a thorough risk assessment has been undertaken and that appropriate emergency management procedures are in place.

8.2. A Traffic Management Plan and implementation of this plan by a qualified third party organisation will be undertaken as part of the road closure process for the event.

8.3. A review of the security implications for this event has been undertaken and organisers will consult with Tasmania Police and other emergency services to ensure the event is as safe as possible.

8.4. The proponent, CityNetworks, has Public Liability insurance that provides \$20M cover.

**9. Environmental Considerations**

9.1. Event organisers have committed to utilising compostable take away containers during the event in order to minimise waste output.

**10. Social and Customer Considerations**

10.1. It is envisaged that there will be increased community awareness and willingness to participate in commemoration or celebration for this year's Armistice Day celebrations due to the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

10.2. 'The Sound of Peace' event provides an opportunity for the wider community to participate in a significant celebration within the City of Hobart.

10.3. The event also provides an opportunity to deliver a community celebration for Armistice Day celebrations and complements the official launch to be held at the Bridge of Remembrance earlier in the day.



**11. Marketing and Media**

- 11.1. The Communications and Marketing Division will be engaged to identify the most effective way to align with and build on the marketing and promotion being undertaken by the event organisers and the Tasmanian Government.

**12. Community and Stakeholder Engagement**

- 12.1. Representatives of the Tasmanian Government and CityNetworks as well as staff within the Parks and City Amenity, City Infrastructure, City Planning, City Economy, Tourism and Events and the Community and Culture Division have been consulted in the preparation of this report.

**13. Delegation**

- 13.1. This item is delegated to Council.

*As signatory to this report, I certify that, pursuant to Section 55(1) of the Local Government Act 1993, I hold no interest, as referred to in Section 49 of the Local Government Act 1993, in matters contained in this report.*



Mark Joseph  
**ACTING MANAGER COMMUNITY AND  
CULTURAL PROGRAMS**



Kimbra Parker  
**ACTING ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR  
COMMUNITY AND CULTURE**

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Attachment A: CityNetworks request for Council support ↓



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27<sup>th</sup> July 2018

Dear Hobart City Council

As previously discussed with Lord Mayor Ron Christie and Kimbra Parker, CityNetworks has promoted 'The Sound of Peace' Armistice Celebrations in Hobart and across Tasmania in cooperation with the churches of Tasmania, RSL Tas, The Tasmanian Government, Bellringers, local Councils, businesses, schools, community groups etc. I'm particularly encouraged at all the different entities who have embraced the need for a non-political, non-commercial celebration that the whole city is invited to, and also just how many are willing to forego their agendas in order to 'come in peace' as we celebrate together. This fragile yet powerful unity has been built on this narrative:

*Throughout WW1 Church bells were silenced for years, only ringing to signal an invasion by the enemy. But after the Armistice was signed in 1918 the church bells spontaneously burst into life, as did street parties, music, dancing, community meals etc. On Sunday Nov 11<sup>th</sup> this year, along with commemorating the ANZAC sacrifice, we're organising church bells and street parties replicating those at the end of the war, celebrating peace, prosperity and all that Australia has become because of the ANZAC's.*

The current stakeholders for this event are

1. CityNetworks designed the celebration, have underwritten it until now and will continue to do so as needed. I am confident that this will have a powerful unifying effect across the city and am therefore fully committed to its success.
2. Hobart Heads of Churches have been our main consultants in designing the celebration.
  - a. The churches will provide somewhere in the order of 120 volunteers for food, kids programs, set up, clean up etc. These are in addition to the Salvos contribution.
  - b. The Salvos will coordinate food for the celebration. This includes both a financial contribution as well as 30-40 volunteers. The Salvos will also train others who will provide food at the celebration.

#### GENERAL INFORMATION

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- c. The Anglican Church will provide the bells, the main stage area, stage equipment, baby grand piano, etc. they've also indicated that they'd like to give money towards food.
- d. I expect the total financial contributions from the churches to be \$5000 - \$6000.
3. Tas government have a meeting to decide their contribution on Tuesday next week. I'm confident that conversation will land in a very good place.
4. RSL Tas have given their approval and been most helpful in consistent dialogue plans have moved forward
5. The Bellringers have taken on new bellringing students and training them for the big day. They are also planning open days for the Bell tower as well as hosting school excursions in the lead up to Nov 11.
6. All Cafés and restaurants in the CBD will be asked to contribute to dessert
7. Schools are contributing in a range of different ways, music, buglers for the last post,

To enable these celebrations, CityNetworks requests a number of things from Hobart City Council which we hope can be achieved as Hobart City Council's contribution to these celebrations. Please let me know any feasibility issues that you encounter.

1. The closure of Murray St between Collins St and Macquarie St on Nov 11<sup>th</sup> from 10am until 2.30pm.
2. The use of Franklin Square during that same timeframe
3. Police assistance for crossing the road between these two sites.
4. Assembling of Tables and chairs onsite as long tables running right up the street. Enough to seat about 2000 people.
5. Provide rubbish bins throughout the event and their removal afterwards

Thank you so much for your enthusiasm! I look forward to working together.

Kind Regards

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Kelvin Smith".

Kelvin Smith  
Director