

6 Ordinary Business

6.2 General Reports

6.2.1 Appointment of Community Asset Committees for Recreation Reserves

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Recommendation(s)

That Council:

1. Appoint the following persons to the respective recreation reserve Community Asset Committees appointed by Cardinia Shire Council in accordance with the Local Government Act 2020.

Cardinia Recreation Reserve

President	Chris Beard
Vice President	Bill Orr
Secretary	Liz Bergmeier
Treasurer	John Adlam
Committee Member	Rudy de Jong
Committee Member	David Young
Committee Member	Luke Turner
Committee Member	Bradey Welsh

Chandler Reserve

Co-President	Rod Smith
Co-President	Mark Pedder
Secretary	Geoff McKimmie
Treasurer	Judy Strong
Committee Member	Steve Livermore
Committee Member	Brad Bishop

Lang Lang Community Recreation Reserve

President	Dave McLean
Secretary	Laura Healy
Treasurer	Geoff Pickering
Committee Member	Wendy Thom
Committee Member	Sam Loughridge
Committee Member	Max Papley
Committee Member	Andrew Bullen
Committee Member	Keith Halden
Committee Member	Joe Giacco
Committee Member	Stuart Casey
Committee Member	Carolyn Wainwright

Worrell Reserve

President	Kris Strong
Secretary	Howard Winter

Treasurer	Neil Burns
Committee Member	Chris Beardhaw
Committee Member	Gary Campbell
Committee Member	Jamie Grace
Committee Member	Claude Cullino

2. Thanks all Committee members for their valuable contribution to the management of community recreation reserves.

Attachments

Nil

Executive Summary

This report advises Council of the memberships elected for the Community Asset Committees for Cardinia Recreation Reserve, Chandler Reserve, Lang Lang Community Recreation Reserve, and Worrell Reserve and seeks formal Council appointment of these members. It is also recommended that Council expresses its thanks to committee members for their hard work and service to the community through the management of these recreation reserves.

Background

There are twenty-five (25) recreation reserves within Cardinia Shire which are managed under the following arrangements:

- Twelve (12) of the reserves managed by Council appointed Community Asset Committees,
- three (3) are Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning (DELWP) owned with Council appointed as Committee of Management under the Crown Land Reserves Act and managed by Council appointed Community Asset Committees,
- nine (9) are DELWP owned with DELWP appointed Committees of Management under the Crown Land Reserves Act, and
- one (1) is Pastoral Agricultural & Horticultural Association (PA&H) owned with a PA&H appointed Committee of Management.

Members of Reserve Community Asset Committees are elected annually, and upon election require appointment by Council resolution pursuant to Local Government Act 2020. Community Asset Committees can only be approved by Council.

This report recommends Council appoints new members for the following reserve committees following public meetings that have been conducted by Councillors or Council Officers:

- Cardinia Recreation Reserve.
- Chandler Reserve*
- Lang Lang Community Recreation Reserve.
- Worrell Reserve.

*Please note, Chandler Reserve did not elect a Secretary or Treasurer at their March 2021 AGM and their President resigned in October 2021. This report recommends Council appoint a new committee member and Office Bearers following a general committee meeting in November 2021.

Cardinia Shire Council has a huge network of volunteers who selflessly give their time, expertise, and energy to provide and develop community resources. A large part of this network is involved with managing community recreation reserves across our shire. Council

values the important role that community asset committees have in assisting Council in the significant improvement and ongoing management of Council's facilities. Council is committed to ensuring that these assets are maintained to a high standard by working in partnership with Community Asset Committees.

Council conducts routine maintenance and provides Recreation Reserve Community Asset Committees with maintenance allocations, workshops to up skill volunteers and access to leadership courses. To further support committees with their work, Council has recently launched the Community Asset Committee portal, as a place for committee members to access important resources, information, and dates.

Council employs a full-time Liaison Officer (1 EFT) to support the recreation community asset committees including providing training for volunteers and assisting committees in compliance with risk requirements.

Policy Implications

The appointments to these four reserve committees are consistent with both Council policy and requirements for Community Asset Committees.

New and important resources on the portal are the Community Asset Committee Governance Manual and Governance Training. The manual includes information and templates to help committees in their role as part of a community asset committee to ensure good practices and consistent and effective management of Cardinia Shire Council facilities. The manual also outlines the statutory requirements and aids in all areas of governance.

The online Governance Training is provided to all Recreation Reserve Community Asset Committees to ensure members have the skills and knowledge to be able to understand the requirements implemented in the risk project.

Relevance to Council Plan

1.5 Our People - Variety of recreation and leisure opportunities

1.5.1 Provide active and passive recreation facilities to meet the needs of residents.

1.5.2 Increase opportunities for residents to participate in a range of sport, recreation and leisure activities.

5.2 Our Governance - Open governance

5.2.2 Govern and make decisions in the best interests of the Cardinia Shire community.

Climate Emergency Consideration

N/A

Consultation/Communication

Notifications of Annual General Meetings for Community Asset Committees for Recreation Reserves are advertised through local media and internally to all user groups of that reserve.

Financial and Resource Implications

N/A

Conclusion

Community Asset Committees voluntarily assist Council in the ongoing management and improvement of Council's recreation facilities. This enables the community to participate in sport and recreation activities that provides health and social benefits to the broader community. This report presents the committee members for four recreation reserve Community Asset Committees for Council appointment.