

6.2.5 Disbandment of Lang Lang Hall Community Asset Committee

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Recommendation(s)

That Council resolves to disband the Lang Lang Memorial Hall Community Asset Committee, established by the Council on Monday 20 July 2020 under the provisions of Section 65 of the Local Government Act (2020), and thank the members of the committee for their contribution to the community.

Attachments

1. LANG LANG MEMORIAL HALL COMMITTEE resignation letter [6.2.5.1 - 1 page]

Executive Summary

The Lang Lang Memorial Hall Community Asset Committee has struggled over the past years to attract volunteers and new committee members. The existing committee advised Council that they found the governance and reporting requirements associated with managing the hall very challenging despite the administrative support provided by council officers. A special committee meeting was called on the 21st July 2022 where the current committee determine to resign as the caretakers of the Lang Lang Memorial Hall Committee, and to hand back the facility and its management to council.

Background

The Lang Lang Memorial Hall Community Asset Committee was appointed by the Council on 20 July 2020 and has the duty to 'provide a public community centre for the hire of individuals and organisations which will be of benefit and use for present and future residents of Cardinia Shire' as detailed in their instrument of delegation. The current committee have taken on this role for a significant period of time and despite trying to attract new members, the committee has remained the same.

The committee have notified Council that the governance and reporting requirements are now beyond their capability. Community Asset Committees are required to comply with COVID-19 directions and risk, occupational health and safety and Governance provisions, as detailed by Council and included in the Local government Act (2020). The committee have advised Council officers that they have not been able to recruit new members. At a special committee meeting held on Thursday 21st July, 2022, only three community members, in addition to the committee and Council officers attended. At this meeting the committee tendered their resignation and handed the management of the Lang Lang Hall to Council.

Council officers will work with the committee to transition all aspects of the hall management back to Council.

Council thanks the outgoing committee members for their significant commitment and contributions to the hall and their willingness to work with Council to make the transition as smooth as possible.

Policy Implications

Nil

Relevance to Council Plan

2.1 We support the creation of liveable spaces and places

2.1.1 Advocate, plan for and deliver accessible community infrastructure and services that address community need.

Climate Emergency Consideration

N/A

Consultation/Communication

The broader community were advised of the committee's intention to resign and were invited to attend the meeting.

The local community will be notified of the change of management of the facility and Council will work with the hall's existing/regular hirers.

Committee members will be formally thanked for their service.

Financial and Resource Implications

There are no costs associated with disbanding the Lang Lang Hall Community Asset Committee. Existing bookings will proceed with Council officer support.

Conclusion

On the request of the Lang Lang Memorial Hall Community Asset Committee, it is proposed to disband the committee and return the Hall to Council management. Subject to Council endorsement, Council officers will write to the committee advising them of the resolution and thanking them of their service to the community.

LANG LANG MEMORIAL HALL COMMITTEE

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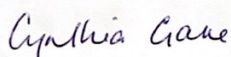
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To Whom it May Concern

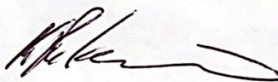
We, the undersigned members of the Lang Lang Memorial Hall Committee of Management hereby resign as caretakers of the Lang Lang Memorial Hall as of today, 21st July 2022.

We find Shire requirements for governance and reporting beyond our capabilities, and having been unable to find anyone to take over we hand it all back to the Shire.

Yours Faithfully,



Cynthia Gane
Secretary



Ken Robinson
President



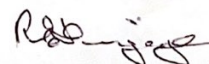
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