

7.2.4 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.

Officer Recreation Reserve

President Geoff Porter
Vice President Fay McCoubrie
Secretary Gareth Sheean
Treasurer Gary McCoubrie
Committee Member Amy Jones
Committee Member John Tivendale
Committee Member Ben Tivendale

Sutherland Park Recreation Reserve

President Glenn Burridge
Secretary Matt Hutchinson
Treasurer Sandra Butler
Committee Member Carol Gibson
Committee Member Sue Simmons

Yarrabubba Horse Riding Reserve

President Helen Sutton Secretary Bec Wicks

Treasurer Bjorn Vodanovich

Committee Member Colin Wert
Committee Member Kerry Harley
Committee Member Kate Holmes

Lang Lang Community Recreation Reserve Committee Member Krystle Miller

2. Thanks Committee Asset 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 three Community Asset Committees and seeks formal Council appointment of these members. Community Asset



Committee members make a significant contribution to community liveability and wellbeing through the management of fifteen recreation reserves.

Background

There are fifteen (15) recreation reserves within Cardinia Shire managed by Community Asset Committees:

- 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,

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:

- Officer Recreation Reserve
- Sutherland Park Recreation Reserve
- Yarrabubba Horse Riding Reserve

This report also recommends Council appoints a new member for the following reserve committee following the committee electing another member to fill a vacant position at a general meeting:

Lang Lang Community Recreation Reserve.

The committee elected Krystle Miller to fill the vacant committee member position of cricket club representative at the 17 June 2024 general meeting.

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 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 launched a Community Asset Committee portal, as a place for committee members to access important resources, information, and dates.

Council employs a full-time Liaison Officer 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.



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 provide health and social benefits to the broader community. This report presents the committee members for three recreation reserve Community Asset Committees for Council to consider their appointment.