



**MINUTES OF MEETING
SISTER CITIES COMMITTEE
HELD Wednesday 27 AUGUST 2014**

NOTE: All minutes are subject to confirmation at a subsequent Council or Planning and Strategy Committee meeting.

PRESENT:

Cr Alan Le Surf

Councillor (Chair)

Other Representatives

Hugh Clarke
Tatsuko Ryan
John O'Brien
Sue O'Brien
Laura Currie
Helen Foster
Anthony Foster
Diane Sullivan
Judi Mudge
Liberty Campbell

Community Member
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Community Member
Japanese Teacher, St Paul's College

Council Staff

Trish O'Grady

Executive Assistant & Protocol Officer

TO THE MAYOR AND COUNCILLORS OF THE COUNCIL

The **Sister Cities Committee** met on Wednesday 27 August to consider matters referred to it and now provides the following advice to Council.

OPEN The meeting commenced at 6.00pm in the Councillors Room.

ITEM 1 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Apologies –The Mayor, Jean Hay AM, Yoko Sullivan, Ian Host, Sumiyo Mimori, Wayne Collins, Amanda Kibby, Peter Stephens, Elaine Kent, Tomoko Waters, Christine Richardson.

ITEM 2 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

No declarations of pecuniary or non-pecuniary interest.

ACTION

ITEM 3 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

The minutes of the Sister Cities Committee meeting held on 23 July were accepted:

Moved: Anthony Foster Seconded: John O'Brien

Recommendation

The Committee recommended to the General Manager that the information be received and noted.

ITEM 4 Friendship City and Sister City Projects/Exchanges

4.1 Taito-ku, Japan

- There were no matters to report.

4.2 Odawara, Japan

Exchange Programme

Programme a great success.

The meeting was advised that a debrief meeting had been held and chaperones are preparing a formal report.

25 Year Celebrations for Odawara Program.

- A proposed visit to Odawara by Committee members was discussed and it was agreed that it would be better for a delegation to visit Odawara at a separate time to the Student Exchange Program so as not to interrupt the Exchange.
- Yoko Sullivan to discuss with Odawara staff and report to Committee.
- Planning to start for celebration of 25 years of Odawara Exchange Program during visit to Manly next year.

2015 Applications

- Liberty Campbell asked if application forms could be sent to the schools prior to end of the school year as there was a big interest at St Paul's for the 2015 Exchange and this would enable teachers to have adequate time to evaluate applications.
- Staff to prepare application forms and forward to schools prior to end of year.

Chaperone – Yoko Sullivan

- Committee agreed that a letter of thanks should be sent to Yoko Sullivan for her contribution to the Odawara Exchange Program.

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Recommendation

The Committee recommended to the General Manager that the information be received and noted.

4.3 Jing'an, China

- There were no matters to report.

4.4 Yeongdo-gu, South Korea

- Advice received that Mayor Eo and delegation may visit Manly during long weekend in October.

4.5 Gunnedah, Australia

- There were no matters to report.

4.6 City of Huntington Beach California USA

- There were no matters to report.

ITEM 5 FINANCIAL REPORTS

The end of July Financial Statement was accepted.

Recommendation

The Committee recommended to the General Manager that the information be received and noted.

ITEM 6 CORRESPONDENCE REPORT

Correspondence, In and Out tabled in folder, was noted.

Recommendation:

The Committee recommended to the General Manager that the information be received and noted.

ITEM 7 GENERAL BUSINESS**ITEM 8 NEXT MEETING DATE:**

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 22 October 2014.

Meeting closed at 7.15pm