

17.3 COUNCILLOR NOMINATIONS TO AWARD PANEL TO ASSESS WILLOUGHBY AUSTRALIA DAY AWARDS

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| ATTACHMENTS: | 1. IMPLICATIONS |
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| CITY STRATEGY LINK: | 6.1.1 A COUNCIL THAT IS OPEN, ACCOUNTABLE AND REPRESENTS ITS CONSTITUENTS |
| MEETING DATE: | 11 DECEMBER 2017 |

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

To nominate Councillor representatives to an award panel to assess the nominations for 2018 Willoughby Australia Day Awards.

2. OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

That Council nominate the Mayor and up to two other Councillors to form an award panel to assess nominations for the 2018 Willoughby Australia Day Awards.

3. BACKGROUND

Council announces every year the Willoughby Australia Day Awards in three categories: Citizen of the Year Award, Young Citizen of the Year Award and Cultural and Community Building Awards. All award nominations have in the past been assessed by a Citizen of the Year Award Committee comprising of Mayor and one Councillor representative.

4. DISCUSSION

Council has received a number of nominations for the 2018 Willoughby Australia Day Awards. A Councillor award panel is required to assess nominations and decide on the awards.

The suitable mechanism for assessing nominations for the Willoughby Australia Day Awards is a one-off panel with a specific task and a finite term convened annually.

5. CONCLUSION

An award panel endorsed by Council can convene to consider the nominations for 2018 Willoughby Australia Day Awards that acknowledge and celebrate the contributions of Willoughby citizens.

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| IMPLICATIONS | COMMENT |
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| City Strategy Link: | 6.1.1 A Council that is open, accountable and represents its constituents |
| Business Plan Objectives, Outcomes/ Services | The Events team supports the Willoughby Australia Day Awards nomination, judging and celebration processes. |
| Policy | <p>The Award nomination forms provide that in assessing a nomination, the judging panel may consider:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The benefit to the community from the nominee’s service or contribution • Whether the nominee has had to overcome any particular difficulties or hurdles • Whether the nominee worked as part of a team and their role within the team • Other outstanding achievements by the nominee • Other recognition of the nominee’s contribution or work, and • Whether the nominee has had assistance from Council, government or other organisations. |
| Consultation | Not applicable. |
| Resource | The Events team provides promotional resources and work that supports the receipt, assessment and celebrations to mark Australia Day. |
| Risk | Not applicable. |
| Legal | Not applicable. |
| Legislation | Not applicable. |
| Budget/Financial | This is within approved budget. |

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