

Record of Proceedings – Maroondah Arts Advisory Committee

Wednesday 12 December 2018

Meeting held at Wyreena Community Arts Centre 6pm -7.30pm

- 1) Attendees:** Cr Mike Symon (Chair), Cr Marijke Graham, Deputy Mayor Cr Kylie Spears, Roger Archbold, Les Chessells, Jo Herbig, Kiron Robinson, Wendy King (Manager Community Services), Rosalie Hastwell (Team Leader Arts and Cultural Development), Richard Holt (Public Art Officer)

Apologies: Phil Turner (Director – Strategy and Community)

- 2) Conflict of Interest**

None

- 3) Confirmation of Record of Proceedings:**

Move: That the Record of Proceedings from the Meeting held on 29 August 2019 be accepted

First: Jo Herbig

Second: Roger Archbold

- 4) Business arising from last meeting:**

a) Maroondah Art Collection Policy

Due to the unavailability of the Curator Exhibitions and Collection Emily Jones for this meeting, the item will be rescheduled for the February 2019 meeting. Background Notes were previously distributed with the Agenda for the November meeting.

Action: To be included on the agenda for February 2019 meeting.

b) Development of next Arts and Cultural Development Strategy

The next Strategy will be for 2020 - 2025. An outline of the process and timeline for research and consultation was presented (see attached)

- 5) Arts and Cultural Development Strategy - Workshop**

A workshop to identify potential directions for the next Strategy focused on

- 1) Key strengths of current strategy and approach
- 2) Gaps in the current strategy and approach
- 3) Emerging opportunities within Maroondah and its regional context

See attached for workshop results.

Action: Use the workshop results to help inform further research and consultation for the Strategy.

6) Public Art update and discussion about signal boxes

See presentation attached

Items discussed included:

6.1 Update on the status of the HE Parker Reserve public art elements. A rationale for taking a design-led approach to the creation of a Maroondah sporting hall of fame was discussed. The Committee agreed that the design-led approach would add value to the sporting hall of fame concept.

Action: The Committee's advice will be communicated to the project management group for the Hall of Fame

6.2 Due to ongoing issues with damage and vandalism, the Leaf Totems sculpture at Town Park Croydon is to be relocated to the internal courtyard at Maroondah Federation Estate. It was proposed that a new artwork, suitably robust for the site, be commissioned to replace it at the Croydon site.

Action: A new artwork will be commissioned by June 2019 to replace Leaf Totems at Croydon Town Park

Action: A communications plan will be developed to advise the public of the relocation of Leaf Totems and the commissioning of a replacement work

6.3 The use of traffic signal boxes for public art was discussed. Options presented were either a community art approach or a more curated approach. There is an opportunity to test the success and value of this type of project in association with the McGivern Prize exhibition at the end of 2019

The Committee supported the proposal for a curated approach to link in with the McGivern Exhibition, as a pilot model for the use of signal boxes for public art in Maroondah .

Action: Arts and Cultural Development to investigate, and develop if feasible, a curated signal box art project in conjunction with the 2019-20 McGivern Prize exhibition, utilising signal boxes in Ringwood between the two exhibition sites at Realm and Maroondah Federation Estate.

7) Meeting Dates for 2019

Proposed meeting dates for 2019 are:

Wednesday 6 - 7.30pm

27 February

29 May

28 August

27 November

The meeting closed at 7.30pm

Next meeting: 6 - 7.30pm Wednesday 27 February 2019. Venue TBA