

Shoalhaven City Mayor's Relief Fund

Meeting Date: Thursday, 01 June, 2017
Location: Jervis Bay Rooms, City Administrative Centre, Bridge Road, Nowra
Time: 4:00pm

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Agenda

1. Apologies
2. Confirmation of Minutes
 - Shoalhaven City Mayor's Relief Fund – Wednesday 3 August 2016
3. Declarations of Interest
4. Reports
 - MR17.1 Contribution of up to \$25,000 - Introduction of a Safe Shelter Shoalhaven Project.....2
5. General Business

Membership

All Councillors

Mr Russ Pigg or nominee

Mr Craig Milburn

Mr Mark Williams

Mr Ian Borrowdale

Mr James Halliday

Quorum – Three (3)

Purpose

- The fund has been established and maintained as a public fund for the relief of persons in Australia who are in necessitous circumstances and it is intended that the public be invited to contribute to the fund.
- A person will be in necessitous circumstances where his or her financial resources are insufficient to obtain all that is necessary, not only for a bare existence, but for a modest standard of living in the Australian community.
- Necessitous circumstances may result from a disaster caused by flood, fire, drought, tempest or other calamity.

Delegated Authority

The management of the fund is vested in the Shoalhaven City Mayor's Relief Fund Committee. Rules have been adopted by Council.

**MINUTES OF THE SHOALHAVEN CITY MAYOR'S RELIEF FUND MEETING HELD ON
WEDNESDAY, 3 AUGUST 2016 IN JERVIS BAY ROOMS 1 & 3, CITY ADMINISTRATIVE
CENTRE, BRIDGE ROAD, NOWRA COMMENCING AT 4.05 PM**

The following members were present:

Clr Gash – Chairperson
Clr White
Clr Watson
Clr Kitchener
Russ Pigg – General Manager
Craig Milburn – Director Corporate and Community Services
Ian Borrowdale – Coordinator, Shoalhaven City State Emergency Services
Inspector Paul Gooley – Shoalhaven City Deputy Fire Control Officer

Others present: Vanessa Phelan

The Mayor thanked the Committee for their attendance.

1. Minutes of Previous Meeting

MOTION: Moved: Clr White / Second: Clr Watson

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meeting of the Shoalhaven City Mayor's Relief Fund Committee held on Wednesday 2 September 2015 be confirmed.

CARRIED

2. Financial Reports File 3926E

MOTION: Moved: Clr Watson / Second: Paul Gooley

RESOLVED that the financial reports be received for information.

CARRIED

GENERAL BUSINESS

3. Additional Item – Persons in Necessitous Circumstances

Russ Pigg asked the Committee if they were aware of any persons requiring assistance. No names were put forward.

There being no further business, the meeting concluded, the time being 4.09 pm.

Clr Gash
CHAIRPERSON

MR17.1 Contribution of up to \$25,000 - Introduction of a Safe Shelter Shoalhaven Project

HPERM Ref: D17/139514

Group: Finance Corporate & Community Services Group
Section: Human Resources, Governance & Customer Service

Purpose / Summary

To advise that at the Council Ordinary Meeting, Wednesday 26 April 2017 (MIN17.1) that Council resolved the following:

“That Council recommend to the Mayor’s Relief Fund Committee to contribute up to \$25,000 in financial assistance for the introduction of a Safe Shelter Shoalhaven Project.”

Recommendation (Item to be determined under delegated authority)

That in accordance with the resolution of the Council MIN17.319, that the Mayor’s Relief Fund Committee transfer \$25,000 financial assistance for the introduction of a Safe Shelter Project to the following job numbers:

Chart: 89125 - Mayors Relief Fund - Payments

Job Number: 30150 - Trust – Mayors Relief Fund

Activity: 21957 - Safe Shelter Program

Options

1. The contribution of \$25,000 be made as recommended.

Implications: the Shoalhaven City Council Mayor’s Relief Fund Budget is currently \$99,808.00

2. The Shoalhaven City Mayor’s Relief Fund Committee adopt an alternate recommendation

Background

At the Council Ordinary Meeting, Wednesday 26 April 2017 Council resolved the following:

“That Council recommend to the Mayor’s Relief Fund Committee to contribute up to \$25,000 in financial assistance for the introduction of a Safe Shelter Shoalhaven Project.”

This resolution of the Council reflects the results of a meeting of members of the Homelessness Taskforce held on Monday 24 April 2017 which discussed alternatives for temporary arrangements for accommodation for homeless in the Shoalhaven. An agreement was made between the churches and Council to proceed with a Safe Shelter Project. It is proposed that the Wesley Centre will provide the night time accommodation for the homeless from 5.00pm to 8.00am during the period 01/06/2017 to 30/09/2017. The funds will be used for fire and security measures, first aid equipment, volunteer training and other expenses identified as required for the operation of the project.

The administration of the funds will be undertaken by the Recreation, Community and Culture Manager and the Homelessness Taskforce kept apprised.

Community Engagement

This was previously discussed at the Shoalhaven Homelessness Taskforce Meeting, Thursday 20 April 2017.

Financial Implications

\$99,808 remains in the Shoalhaven City Mayors Relief Fund budget.