

NOTICE OF MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a meeting of the **SISTER CITIES COMMITTEE** will be held on:

DATE: Wednesday 23 March 2011

TIME: From 6.00pm to 8.00pm – maximum 2 hours

PLACE: Councillors Room

COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

Councillors

Cllr Jean Hay AM, Mayor Manly Council Cllr Alan Le Surf, Chairman of Committee Manly Council

Other Representatives

Vanessa Briggs Balgowlah Boys Campus Liberty Campbell St Paul's College Wayne Collins Community Member **Gay Collins** Community Member St Paul's College Amanda Dummett for Yoko Sullivan Anthony Foster Community Member Helen Foster Community Member David Freeman Japanese speaker Japanese speaker Elise Gilet Community Member Leslee Grant JET/Japanese speaker Sumiyo Mimori Judi Mudge Community Member Jack Nash Community Member Community Member John O'Brien Sue O'Brien Community Member Japanese speaker Tatsuko Ryan Trevor Schwab Community Member Lyn Schwab Community Member Carmel Smith Community Member Mackellar Girls Campus Suzanne Smith Peter Stephens Community Member Diane Sullivan Community Member

Kym Swaby JET/Japanese speaker

Council Staff

Elaine Kent Sister Cities Co-ordinator

Ross Fleming Deputy General Manager – People Place &

Infrastructure

All other Councillors are free to attend as observers and are invited to do so and to engage in discussions, but not in voting, on any matter before the Committee.

Ross Fleming

Deputy General Manager, Reople Place & Infrastructure

Date: 16 March 2011



AGENDA

SISTER CITIES COMMITTEE

MEETING TO BE HELD ON WEDNESDAY 23 MARCH 2011 AT 6.00PM TRAINING ROOM

ITEM 1	Apologies and leave of absence	
ITEM 2		Pecuniary Non- Pecuniary
ITEM 3	Confirmation of Minutes of Meeting held on Wednesday 23 February 2011 and Matters Arising	
ITEM 4	Friendship City and Sister City Projects/Exchanges	
ITEM 5	Financial Report	
ITEM 6	Correspondence	
ITEM 7	General Business - matters brought to the attention of the Chair prior to the meeting and approved for consideration.	

Mayoral Minute – Japan's earthquake and tsunami disaster



MEETING DATE: 23 March 2011

AUTHOR: Elaine Kent, Sister Cities Co-ordinator

SUBJECT: Item 4

Friendship City and Sister City Projects/Exchanges

4.1 Taito-ku, Japan – Proposed Students Visit December 2011

Confirmation has been sent to Taito City for a 7 night/8 day visit, and itinerary planning is being progressed.

4.2 Odawara, Japan - 2011 Manly/Odawara Student Exchange Programme

Programme planning is being progressed with Odawara City.

4.3 Jing'an, China

Advice has been received that a Jing'an District Government delegation propose to visit Manly this year to discuss future co-operation between us. With regard to busy 2011 calendars for both Sister Cities and Council, the months of October and November were suggested to welcome the Jing'an delegation to Manly.

4.4 Yeongdo-gu, South Korea

Any updates received will be provided at the meeting.

4.5 Gunnedah, Australia

Awaiting advice from Queenscliff Surf Life Saving Club regarding interest of their young members to participate in the August 'beach to bush' programme.

Any updates received will be provided at the meeting.

Further matters arising in regard to Sister or Friendship City Relationships will be discussed at the meeting.



MEETING DATE: 23 March 2011

AUTHOR: Maria Stathopoulos, Senior Accounting Officer

SUBJECT: Item 5 – Financial Report

Financial Statement / Current Balance of Sister Cities

Committee Account(s) as at end February 2011

1. INTRODUCTION

The Financial Report for Sister Cities Accounts as at 28th February 2011 is provided in this Agenda.

Nothing further to report.

2. RECOMMENDATION:

That the financial Report for end February 2011 be received and noted.

Maria Stathopoulos Senior Accounting Officer 7 March 2011

MANLY SISTER CITIES COMMITTEE FINANCIAL YEAR - 2010/2011

FINANCIAL STATEMENT AS AT FEBRUARY 2011

(reporting activity in current accounts)

1. BUDGET ALLOCATION

No. 011031 0027 0120

Balance of Account as at: 31 January 2011 -\$5,516.55

07/02/11 Confirmed Order/Student Exchange

Less: Ad -\$973.58

04/03/11 Transfer/Sister City Civic Functions \$9,055.47

Balance of Account as at: 28 February 2011 \$2,565.34

2. ODAWARA EXCHANGE ACCOUNT

No. 008000 9200 8094

Balance of Account as at: 31 January 2011 \$4,871.66

Balance of Account as at: 28 February 2011 \$4,871.66

3. JOAN THORBURN - TOKIMEKI DONATIONS ACCOUNT

No. 008000 9200 8093

[To be used for Student Award for Tokimeki Program in memory of Joan Thorburn]

Balance of Account as at: 31 January 2011 \$1,220.00

Balance of Account as at: 28 February 2011 \$1,220.00

4. TICC STUDENT EXCHANGE DONATION ACCOUNT

No. 008000 9200 8098

Balance of Account as at: 31 January 2011 \$3,214.34

Balance of Account as at: 28 February 2011 \$3,214.34



MEETING DATE: 23 March 2011

AUTHOR: Elaine Kent, Sister Cities Co-ordinator

SUBJECT: Item 6 – Correspondence Report

Correspondence In:

 Emails from Taito City progressing December 2011 visit to Taito-ku of two Manly students

- Emails from Odawara City progressing 2011 student exchange programme
- February Yeongdo News publication
- February CLAIR Newsletter
- 50 student applications for 2011 Manly/Odawara Student Exchange Programme
- Emails from Taito City and Odawara City regarding disaster in Japan

Correspondence Out:

- Emails to Taito City responding to, and progressing, December 2011 visit of two Manly students
- Email to Queenscliff Surf Life Saving Club regarding 'beach to bush' project with Gunnedah Shire Council
- Emails to Odawara City responding to, and progressing, 2011 Manly/Odawara Student Exchange Programme
- Reminder email to school Principals and Japanese Language Teachers regarding due date for student applications for Odawara exchange
- Emails to Odawara and Taito regarding earthquake and tsunami
- Letters to students re successful or unsuccessful to interview stage, and to schools to advise status of their student's applications re 2011 Manly/Odawara Student Exchange Programme



MEETING DATE: 23 March 2011

AUTHOR: Elaine Kent, Sister Cities Co-ordinator

SUBJECT: Item 7 – General Business

General Business brought to the Attention of the Chair prior to the meeting and approved for consideration.

7.1 The following Mayoral Minute is included in this Agenda for the information of Sister Cities Committee members:

TO: Ordinary Meeting - 14 March 2011

REPORT: Mayoral Minute Report No. 4

SUBJECT: Disasters in Japan

FILE NO:

I am sure I speak for everyone here tonight in expressing our immense sadness on learning of the terrible events presently underway in Japan.

For many years, now, the community of Manly has had strong, developing relationships with two communities in Japan, both situated on the Eastern seaboard of Japan's main island of Honshu.

Manly and Taito Ku, one of the 23 wards of Japan's capital city Tokyo, formed a 'Sister City' relationship in 1982.

In August 2010 Manly Council celebrated the twentieth anniversary of our 'Friendship City' relationship with Odawara City in Japan's Kanagawa Prefecture.

The relationships between Manly and the two communities in Japan have been from the outset characterized by genuine warmth and deepening bonds of friendship. Visits by children, students, bands, choirs, orchestras, welfare groups and community groups between Manly and Taito Ku have all been part of the relationship.

Students from Odawara and Manly have participated in some 19 Annual Student Exchanges between the two communities, the Manly students representing local schools and their Japanese counterparts representing The Tokimeki International School of Odawara City. In the course of time, many, many friendships have developed between residents of our community, and those of Taito Ku and Odawara City.

So, it was with immense concern and great sadness we learned of the terrible disasters unfolding this last week in Japan and of the great suffering there.

Odawara herself is no stranger to earthquakes. The Great Kantō earthquake of 1923 resulted in ninety percent of the buildings in Odawara collapsing immediately, and fires burned the rubble along with anything else left standing. And yet, Odawara was rebuilt and is today a thriving, beautiful city.

We are reminded, too, of the terrible destruction that was visited on the city of Kobe by an earthquake in 1995. And yet, Kobe was rebuilt, and today stands as one of the leading commercial and industrial cities of the world.

The whole world is mindful of the extraordinary resilience, ingenuity and determination of the Japanese nation. There is no doubt that Japan will transcend the terrible misfortunes which presently visit her and I am sure the entire community of Manly will join with me in expressing our deepest condolences to the people of Japan, and in sending to the communities of Taito Ku and Odawara City in particular, our very best wishes.

RECOMMENDATION

I Move that

The Council express to the communities of Taito Ku and Odawara City its great sadness for the unspeakable pain of all its citizens after last Friday's earthquake and tsunami that devastated a large part of its North Eastern coastal communities.

The community of Manly, indeed all the people of Australia, feels your nation's pain and share in your nation's unspeakable grief at this time.

Manly citizens pledge its support for the relief and recovery effort of the Australian National Government. And Council wishes you well.

ATTACHMENTS

There are no attachments for this report.

***** End of Mayoral Minute *****

The date of the next meeting of Manly Council's Sister Cities Committee is:

Wednesday 27th April 2011

Councillors Room 6pm – 8pm.