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Document Ref:	D19/19483			
Venue:	Meeting Room – 1A Pope Street Ryde			
Date:	Monday 11 th February 2019			
Time:	6.00pm	Started at: 6.00pm	Closed at: 7.35pm	
Chair:	Councillor Gordo	n		
Meeting Support (MS):	Linda Smith – EA to the Mayor and Councillors			
Staff Convenor:	Sue Verhoek			
Circulation:				

Committee Role:

The primary role of the Arts Advisory Committee is to:

Consider matters and inform Council and Council officers of community views and likely impact regarding:

The progress of arts and cultural sector within the City of Ryde to make Ryde a culturally rich and vibrant community. The Committee is responsible for providing advice and recommendations to Council and Council officers on the following objectives:

- · Developing excellence in arts at both community and professional levels
- Developing policies and strategies that advance arts and culture
- Creating an arts economy by developing creative industries
- · Supporting existing and growing emerging artistic talent and creative communities
- · Using arts and culture to celebrate community identity through exhibitions and festivals
- Utilising arts and cultural activity to enhance community wellbeing, social inclusion and cohesion
- Supporting the development of arts and cultural infrastructure and the activation of public spaces for arts and cultural activity

Present	Apology	Name	Position Title	Organisation
\checkmark		Councillor Gordon	Chairperson	City of Ryde
\checkmark		Councillor Pedersen	Delegate	City of Ryde
	\checkmark	Councillor Zhou	Delegate	City of Ryde
		Antonia Coutelis		
	\checkmark	Rose Torrosian		
\checkmark		Leonard Fung		
	\checkmark	Margaret Mayger		
\checkmark		Therese MacKenzie		
		Cecilia Hwang		
\checkmark		Suzanne Hauser		
	\checkmark	Priya Eliezer		
	\checkmark	Rita Lepedjian		
\checkmark		Edna Wilde OAM		
\checkmark		Jenny Ericksson		
	~	Sarah De Jong.		
✓		Alison Wall		

Committee Members as per the Terms of Reference

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~		Lindsay Godfrey	Manager – Ranger and Community Services	City of Ryde
~		Sue Verhoek	Senior Coordinator Social Development & Capacity Building	City of Ryde
\checkmark		Linda Smith	EA to the Mayor and Councillors	City of Ryde
	~	Angela Jones-Blayney	Director – Customer and Community Services	City of Ryde
\checkmark		Michael Paine	Community and Cultural Planner	City of Ryde

Deta	ils	Action	
1.	Present: As detailed above. Welcome: Clr Gordon welcomed all present.	Attendees are as per above.	
2.	Apologies: As detailed above.	As noted above.	
3.	Confirmation of the Minutes		
	The minutes from the meeting dated 12 th November 2018 were adopted.	The information was noted.	
	Actions from previous minutes:		
	Item 4 – Macquarie Park and West Ryde Art Walk		
	Discussion with potential users to be undertaken when possible designs for Wilga Park are considered.		
	Item 5.2: Death of Richard Gill AO		
	Suggestions made will be considered when a suitable commemorative activity is determined.		
	Item 5.3: Update on the Arts & Culture Position		
	The position will be readvertised and the new appointee invited to the February meeting of this committee to discuss the cultural plan and to seek feedback from committee members.		
	Item 5.4- Update on Illuminatrope Public Art installation		
	Lighting to be incorporated into the base supporting the sculpture to provide better visibility.		
	Item 5.6- Sesquicentenary of the City of Ryde		
	Further consideration will be given to this matter by the Committee in 2019.		
	Item 6.2- Traffic Signal Boxes		
	Staff to investigate whether traffic signal boxes in Ryde could be decorated with bright artworks, as in Lane Cove and Canada Bay.		

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	Agenda Items	
	4.1 Strategic Perspective – creativity program and infrastructure	
	Lindsay Godfrey introduced himself to the group and advised that he commenced his position with Council in October 2018. Significant planning is being undertaken including the development of a Social Plan, Creativity Strategy and Halls and Facilities Strategy including a review of the Community and Cultural Infrastructure Framework.	The information was noted
	Lindsay encouraged the Committee's involvement with identifying infrastructure and opportunities for the arts community. Strategies to be developed will examine buildings, facilities, support for the arts, grants and connections between people and place.	
	4.2 – Update on Ryde Central	
	The committee was advised that a report will be provided to Council soon and at present there is no update.	The information was noted
	Concept plans are expected to go to public consultation in mid-2019 with this committee provided with an opportunity to review the plans.	
	It was suggested that a special meeting of this group be called at that time.	
	4.3 Wilga Park Arts Event	
	The City Activation team is coordinating the event; however no date has been set until confirmation of a completion date for the park upgrade.	The information was noted
	Input will be sought from this group re. the arts event.	
	4.4 Street Pryde (street art project)	
	The City Activation team is coordinating this project and a report will be presented to Council in April 2019, which will identify possible sites and sources of funding.	The information was noted. Hannah to be invited to a future meeting
	Following consideration of the report by Council, Hannah will be invited to update this committee.	meeting
	4.5 City of Ryde Social Plan and Creativity Strategy	
	Mike Paine provided an overview of the Social Plan and Creativity Strategy.	The information was noted
	The Social Plan will investigate social needs and the aspirations of people in the Ryde LGA and identify key trends and the social influences that impact on peoples' quality of life. The strategy will incorporate the volunteer strategy and youth strategy.	
	The Creativity Strategy will drive the delivery of an achievable program of initiatives that will contribute to the cultural and creative life of the City.	
	Both documents will be updated regularly and will inform the Community Strategic Plan, Operational Plan and Delivery Program.	
	A comprehensive community engagement plan has been designed and will commence in late February 19.	

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	4.6 Engagement with creative arts practitioners - Creativity Strategy	
	Engagement forums will be held with various Council Advisory Committees, faith organisations, creative groups and individuals, service providers and school administrators. A range of tools and techniques will be used including phone and online surveys and intercept and telephone interviews.	
	An online survey will be available for community members and will be promoted at citizenship ceremonies and other Council events.	Facebook post to be arranged
	It was noted that there is a need to tap into individual artists who are not connected with organised groups. Contact is to be made via Arts Facebook groups and a Facebook post.	Staff to arrange for message to be conveyed at Citizenship ceremonies
	Council's artists register was discussed and it was agreed that the categories need to be expanded and the information updated.	
	Meredith Kirkton at Eden Gardens was nominated as a good contact for staff.	
	The data base from events such as the IWD art prize is to be investigated.	
	It was mentioned that an event which will capture the attention of creative art participants is required.	
	More planning re. Halls and facilities management will be undertaken and advocacy to state and federal government for creative infrastructure to meet the demands of the growing population will be sought.	
	4.7 Australia Day - Battle of the Bands	
	Councillor Pedersen was a judge at this popular event and Satin V (a five piece band) won the competition. The winning band was fresh and had a fusion of jazz and rock. Clr Pedersen interviewed the group after their win and has suggested that people "watch this space".	The information was noted
	Disfunction won the peoples prize at the event.	
	Registrations for 2020 are being accepted.	
	4.8 Sculpture by the River	
	<u>Illuminatrope</u> – the unveiling was a great success and the artists are thrilled with the installation location.	The information was noted
	A discussion regarding sculpture by the river was raised at the Illuminatrope unveiling.	
	No decision is required at present but it is something to think about for the future. Suggestions for future events included the installation of permanent items further along the river or a special event such as held in Hunters Hill.	
	Suggestions for events included, performances, workshops, sculpture exhibits all along the river, a Banjo Paterson Festival etc.	
	It was noted that the PRCG is trying to get arts groups active along the river.	
	The Illuminatrope sculpture was moved a number of times before being permanently located in Ryde.	
	All suggestions for activities can be considered as part of the consultation process.	
	It was noted that the river provides a great opportunity for art to be displayed.	
	It may be possible to arrange a joint project with neighbouring Councils and to join the Hunters Hill event – Sculptures by the Sea.	

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It may e	ven be possible to join Barrangaroo and Bennelong.	
	could be sought to develop a joint project between different Councils along r. Any event arranged as part of the Sydney Festival would attract a high funding.	
City of F	Ryde artists need to be involved.	
<u>4.9 Artis</u>	sts register	
	vised that Yasmine Masri has been appointed to the position of Arts and Development Coordinator and will commence on the 17 February 19.	The information was noted
	e currently works for a developer procuring art and is also a curator. y from Canberra, Yasmine has a background in theatre and is a NIDA e.	
participa establis	e will be asked to create a contemporary opportunity for people to ate and to capture the artists in the area. She will also be involved in hing a Night Time Economy and creative portal to capture information about to the area.	
	a lot of work to do in this area in terms of keeping the information current tainable in terms of staff time and data collection.	
creation	Councils such as Bermagui and Kandos are to be approached regarding of the register and ease of use of the portal. The portal needs to be easy consumer to use.	
	ed to support and boost existing groups such as the Historical Society was ue to retiring members not being replaced.	
6. Genera	I Business	
Artworks	s purchased at COR Art Show	
2018 Ar and artis	ks which Councillor Pedersen had purchased on behalf of Council at the t Show was on display. Clr Pedersen gave a brief background of each work st and advised that funding to purchase works for Council is provided from or's budget.	The information was noted
A small	work by Milchi, an important emerging artist was purchased.	
The maj Ryde.	or piece purchased was selected as it highlights the multicultural face of	
A piece purchas	of work from the inclusive section of the show by Les Marsozski was also ed.	
	uggested that Council could offer further support to the Art Show in future / providing a guest judge or prize money.	
Internati	ional Women's Day – 9 th March 2019 at Civic Hall	
The gue	est speakers for 2019 will be Dee Madigan and Jenna Price.	The information was noted
	nt will feature: great music, slam poets, talks by Emily Dash, Angela and others.	
	ed that the change of day from Friday to Saturday will allow attendance by a oup of women i.e. working women, students etc.	



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Ryde Eisted	dfod – 13 th July to 7 th September 2019	
The Eistedd	fod is seeking volunteers, especially young people, to help at its various	Contact to be made with Youth Council to seek volunteers
Artisans Ryc	de	
This group of from 10am to	conducts events in West Ryde on the 4 th Wednesday of each month o 12.30pm.	The information was noted
as a cross c	bring a plate and eat together at the end of the session. What began ultural group has a focus on people who wish to create. A major event aned for Christmas 2019.	
Aboriginal C	cultural Heritage Bill	
make registe that Aborigin	sson advised there is an essay on this subject. The Bill is looking to er of aboriginal assets both intangible and environmental. It was noted hal people don't have the same sense of copyright as most authors and ms in public domain as we do – protocols are specific.	The information was noted
Music Event	<u>s</u>	
Allison advis	sed of upcoming events including:	
- A C ope	CD launch on 14 th March by her jazz band which will also be holding an en rehearsal at St Leonards on 18 th March.	The information was noted
	^h March – festival at Bowral based on Da Vinci. This is designed to beal to children.	
Ryde Youth	Theatre	
	vised that the following dates have been set for Youth Theatre es 5- 6 and 13-14 April 2019. The venue has not been determined at	The information was noted
	ays have been written by young people aged14 or 15. The plays reflect s of everyday life.	
	roduction for the Tuesday group will be held in November and will be ine Goodall and chimp lifestyles.	
The Monday	group is considering works based on King Arthur etc.	
Leonard Fur	ng	
Leonard is w	vorking on a Hip Hop event which if successful could tour the US.	The information was noted
He is filming	and creating a feature touching on youth issues.	
	ted that he believes youth will volunteer to assist at events when the ortal is established.	
<u>SWAP</u>		
This event w	vill be held in September 2019.	Contact Mike Paine if interested in
Council is cu	urrently looking for a group/person to run the event.	conducting the SWAP event.
ShoreShock	- Battle of the Bands	
A Battle of th	he Bands event will be held at West Ryde on 15 th March 2019, as part	Encourage local musicians to

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	of ShoreShock and bands of any genre are encouraged to take park.	participate
	Entries are open to anyone under age 19. The winners will take part in ShoreShock on 13 th April as part of Youth Week.	
7.	Next Meeting: 13 th May 2019 6 – 7.30pm Pope Street Meeting Rooms	Noted