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**MM37/14 CLUB 6 MAX POTENTIAL LEADERSHIP PROGRAM -  
The Mayor, Councillor Bill Pickering**

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Over the last few years, Council has taken part in the Club 6 sponsorship of the Max Potential Program which provides leadership development for young people in the Ryde area.

The 22 week leadership coaching program pairs people from leadership positions in the local community, with young people - usually drawn from Years 10 and 11 in local high schools and TAFEs. The students and their coaches explore principles of personal leadership which the students, guided by their coaches, then apply in a Community Service Project over the second half of the program.

Council took part in the program in 2012, 2013 and 2014. The staff mentors last year were Melissa Attia and Austin Morris who both found the program rewarding from a staff development point of view.

The program promotes teamwork between schools, Council and community clubs for the benefit of the community and I believe it deserves to be supported.

The cost of sponsorship is \$2,000.00 per coaching position. The cost of sponsorship pays for the training of the coaches, facilitation of the various workshops and administration of the program.

To date, the role of coach has been carried out by Service Unit Managers. The duties expected of a coach require a large commitment by staff in terms of time and work. For this reason it is recommended that Council sponsor one coach for the 2015 year.


**RECOMMENDATION:**

- (a) That Council provide the opportunity for one City of Ryde Service Unit Manager to become a coach in the 2015 Max Potential Program.
- (b) That Council endorse an additional allocation of funding of \$2,000 from the existing 2014 – 2105 staff training budget to fund the coach participation fee.

**ATTACHMENTS**

- 1 Club 6 Max Potential 2015 seeking Council's Partnership with Max Potential 2015

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