
**MM10/22 COUNCIL ON THE AGEING (COTA) NSW - Mayor,
Councillor Jordan Lane****File Number: MYR/07/10/20 - BP22/240**

Council on the Ageing (COTA) NSW is the peak organisation for people over 50 in our state. The organisation is an independent, consumer-based non-government organisation that works with politicians, policy makers, service providers and the media to ensure the views of older people are heard and acted on.

COTA is committed to achieving a society where older people are respected, consulted, included, represented, and heard and provide a range of services to support older people to live a good quality of life. Organisations including local councils can become a Friend of COTA NSW, which assists them to represent, engage and empower older people and make a positive difference in their lives.

As a Friend of COTA NSW organisations receive several benefits including access to the COTA stakeholders e-newsletter and the national ONECOTA magazine, free presentations by COTA community speakers, access to COTA webinars and acknowledgement on the COTA NSW website.

These benefits will be useful for a range of Council activities provided for seniors including the Seniors Festival and Social Inclusion Week and for programs offered by Library Services. The COTA resources and support services for seniors can also be promoted on Council's website on the Seniors webpage.

I am therefore recommending that the City of Ryde become a friend of COTA NSW for an annual fee of \$1,000.

RECOMMENDATION:

- (a) That City of Ryde becomes a Friend of Council on the Ageing (COTA) NSW.
- (b) That the annual fee of \$1,000 to become a Friend of COTA NSW is sourced from the Community and Ranger Services base budget.

ATTACHMENTS

There are no attachments for this report.

Report Prepared By:



**Councillor Jordan Lane
Mayor**

Council, submitted on 22 March 2022.