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<b>Venue:</b>	Meeting Room, Level 1A, 1 Pope Street, Ryde and MS Teams	
<b>Date:</b>	Wednesday 7 December 2022	
<b>Time:</b>	Started at: 5.01pm. Closed at: 6.51pm	
<b>Chair:</b>	Fiona Mann, Heritage Officer	
<b>Meeting Support (MS):</b>	Amanda Janvrin, Civic Services Manager	
<b>Staff Convenor:</b>	Naomi L'Oste-Brown, Senior Coordinator - Strategic Planning	
<b>Circulation:</b>	Working Group members, Councillors' BoardVantage, Council's Website	

**Committee Role:****Committee Members as per the Terms of Reference**

Present	Apology	Name	Position Title	Organisation
	X	Ms Penny Pedersen	Councillor	City of Ryde
	X	Mr Bernard Purcell	Councillor	City of Ryde
	X	Mr Sarkis Yedelian OAM	Councillor	City of Ryde
	X	Ms Sophie Lara-Watson	Councillor	City of Ryde
	X	Ms Lucy Cooper	Community Representative	
X		Mrs Lyn Langtry	Community Representative	Ryde-Hunters Hill Flora and Fauna Preservation Society (RHHFFPS)
		Ms Suzanne Marks	Community Representative	
X		Dr Peter Mitchell	Community Representative	
X		Ms Kim Phillips	Community Representative	Ryde District Historical Society
X		Mrs Elizabeth Willis	Community Representative	Ryde District Historical Society
		Ms Wendy Evans	Community Representative	

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Present	Apology	Name	Position Title	Organisation
X		Naomi L'Oste-Brown	Senior Coordinator, Strategic Planning	City of Ryde
X		Fiona Mann	Heritage Advisor	City of Ryde
X		Amanda Janvrin	Civic Services Manager	City of Ryde
X		Angela Phippen	Local Studies Librarian	City of Ryde

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1.	<p><b>Welcome and Acknowledgement of Country</b></p> <p><u>Acknowledgment of Country</u></p> <p>Fiona Mann provided an Acknowledgment to Country at the commencement of the meeting.</p>	Noted.
2.	<p><b>Present and Apologies</b></p>	Noted.



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<p>considering some minor maintenance work (including fixing potholes in the driveway and some kerb and guttering), and Council staff will liaise with her in regard to approvals for works, prior to undertaking any works.</p>	
<p>4. <b>Working Group Matters</b></p> <p><u>Terms of Reference</u></p> <p>Fiona Mann confirmed that the Terms of Reference that were discussed at the last meeting have been updated and circulated to members. Council staff are seeking the member's endorsement of the Terms of Reference at the meeting. The members discussed and endorsed the Terms of Reference, subject to the inclusion of the Local Studies Librarian being added to the list of attendees.</p> <p><u>Code of Conduct</u></p> <p>Fiona Mann advised that the Code of Conduct was adopted by Council at meeting held on 25 October 2022. Fiona confirmed that the Code of Conduct was circulated to all members for their information.</p> <p><u>Meeting Dates 2023</u></p> <p>Fiona Mann advised the four (4) meeting dates for next year, being:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1 March 2023</li> <li>• 7 June 2023</li> <li>• 6 September 2023</li> <li>• 6 December 2023</li> </ul>	<p>Noted – Terms of Reference endorse.</p> <p>Noted.</p> <p>Noted.</p>
<p>5. <b>Local Heritage Assistance Fund – Round 3, 2022-23</b></p> <p>Fiona Mann confirmed that a project plan has been developed and is being sed. Fiona advised a communications plan is being progressed with Council's Communications Team, which is looking at different communication channels. Fiona advised she is reviewing the guidelines and application form, confirming dates for assessment dates and liaising with Council's Communications Team to progress communication channels development, including updated content on the website for February 2023. An online talk for the Local Heritage Assistance Fund will be developed to assist enquires and the process of applying.</p>	<p>Noted.</p>
<p>6. <b>NSW Heritage Grants 2023-2025 Update</b></p> <p>Fiona thanked the working group members for input on ideas for seeking grant funding for the program. Council has decided to</p>	<p>Noted.</p>

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	<p>apply for funding for a digital Interactive Walking Trails project, and to kick of the project with walks for West Ryde Township and City of Ryde Natural Areas and the digitising of the hard-copy Ryde Heritage Walking Trail and Gladesville Heritage Walking Trail.</p> <p>The application requested \$8,000 for the project. Fiona confirmed that notification regarding the outcome of the grant is expected in June 2023, however, in the meantime, Fiona will get started on the project and members are invited to assist with content. It was agreed that a sub-working group would be set up and to discussed at the next meeting.</p>	
7.	<p><b>War Memorial Project (NSW Office of Veterans Affairs &amp; State Library of NSW)</b></p> <p>Fiona Mann provided some background including that in October 2021, Council was contacted by the Minister for Sport, Multiculturalism and Veteran Affairs who advised that the State Government was undertaking a project to document all war memorial and requested Council’s assistance.</p> <p>The project includes Council reviewing the register and updating the existing list, together with adding new items to the database.</p> <p>Naomi L’Oste-Brown confirmed that a student planner has assisted with the project and prepared a spreadsheet listing all known war memorials in the area. Naomi advised that the student has undertaken a substantial amount of research to compile the list and we are now at a point where we would like to invite members to assist with the project to provide further information to update the register.</p> <p>Fiona Mann confirmed that we need to define what should go on the list more and will contact the Office of Veteran Affairs. It was agreed that a sub-working group would be set up and to discuss at the next meeting.</p> <p><u>Eastwood War Memorial</u></p> <p>Lyn Langtry provided a photo of the Eastwood War Memorial which is located within the grounds of Eastwood Park on the Corner of Hillview Lane and Lakeside Road and advised that maintenance and management of the public domain surrounding the Memorial is required. Fiona Mann confirmed that she will contact Council’s Parks Maintenance Department.</p>	<p>Noted.</p> <p>Fiona to contact members in new year to set up working group.</p> <p>Fiona to liaise with Council’s Parks Maintenance Department about the Eastwood War Memorial.</p>
8.	<p><b>Blue Plaque NSW Scheme – Round 2 (Heritage NSW)</b></p> <p>Fiona Mann provided details of Round 2 of the program to members, should they wish to make an application given the short timeframe to apply. Naomi L’Oste-Brown advised that Council is</p>	<p>Noted.</p>

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	<p>likely to make nominations based on the nominations made for Round 1, but which were unsuccessful (Gregory Blaxland, James Devlin, Lars Halvorsen Pty Ltd and James Squire). Update to be provided at the next meeting.</p> <p>Kim Phillips suggested gathering information for possible nominations for future nomination rounds, so entries can be prepared better.</p>	
9.	<p><b>Heritage Festival 2023 (National Trust)</b></p> <p>Fiona Mann advised that the NSW Heritage Festival runs from 10 April to 14 May 2023 and the theme is ‘Shared Stories’. Registrations open in December with entries closing in March 2023. Fiona flagged we have a bit of time to think about entries, however, if members wish to do anything or contribute any items to let Fiona know so that we can promote them through Council’s communication channels.</p> <p>Lyn Langtry advised that we could hold some sort of event in the Field of Mars where we share stories.</p> <p>Kim Phillips advised that an open house could be held at Willandra.</p> <p>Angela Phippen could possibly arrange a talk at Ryde Library.</p> <p>Fiona Mann advised that we could possibly arrange a guided walk on one of the walking trails with a talk.</p>	<p>Noted – Committee members to flag entries with Fiona.</p>
10.	<p><b>Reports from members</b></p> <p><u>Kim Phillips from Ryde District Historical Society</u></p> <p>Kim advised that the Society now has Canberra Family History Society series of postcards all linked to QR code and have stories of all people linked to the cards. Kim advised that Council could do a series and make them into posters.</p> <p>Kim confirmed that at the last meeting she brought up the issue of getting the NBN connected to Willandra. Kim advised that Telstra got back to her and advised that Willandra will be disconnected on 8 February 2023 (phone and internet etc.) and wondered if it was worthwhile for individual members from the Historical Society contacting Councillors for assistance. Kim advised that Council needs to get back to the subcontractor as the building is heritage listed. Fiona confirmed that she will follow up.</p> <p>Kim advised that the Historical Society has worked with Macquarie University on the PACE Project which includes 75 hours community service in a history environment. Sixteen (16) students (3<sup>rd</sup> year) participated, and it was absolutely brilliant. Kim advised that she</p>	<p>All reports were noted.</p>

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<p>has heard from her contact (Linda) at Macquarie University today and is excited to work with the students again in 2023. Kim advised that Macquarie University is running the Project in both semesters, which might be a possibility that Council could be involved. Kim confirmed that she will be catching up with Linda to progress the Project and will report back to the first meeting next year. Angela Phippen advised that if they meet at Top Ryde could she be invited to the meeting.</p> <p>Kim advised that there is talk about a development application for Wallumetta (Victoria Road, Ryde), which proposes a childcare centre on the tennis courts, and may include changing the curtilage of the house. Fiona advised that any enquiries received by the Ryde Historical Society about development applications are to be directed to Council's Customer Service team, who can assist people making enquiries about development applications.</p> <p>Kim advised that Willandra, will be open days on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday from March through to November 2023 and an open day on 19 November 2023 focused on war and remembrance.</p> <p><u>Dr Peter Mitchell</u></p> <p>Peter confirmed that he is a member of the Gladesville Probus Club and gave a talking to new members of the Club recently. One person in attendance was Ms Janet Vine and she grew up in Frederick Street, Ryde and went to Gladesville Public School and still lives in Ryde. He will follow up to gather more local history information with her.</p> <p>Peter advised that the author of <i>Wallumedegal - An Aboriginal History of Ryde</i>, Mr Keith Smith, recently passed away. Peter believes that Keith had almost completed his review of the book before he died. Angela requested that Peter contact his widow to access the draft he was working on as it is important that this material is secured.</p> <p><u>Angela Phippen</u></p> <p>Angela advised that she attended the Launceston Dragon Tails Conference to give a paper. The conference occurs every two years and it was a fantastic conference with great sharing of information and wonderful people to liaise with.</p> <p><u>Lyn Langtry – Ryde Hunters Hill Flora and Fauna Preservation Society (RHFFPS)</u></p> <p><b>Events and Activities</b></p> <p>Lyn advised that Sunday, 16 October 2022 - a Picnic Day was held in the Field of Mars, which was highly successful and well attended. Activities were run by the members, the Habitat Native Nursery and City of Ryde Bushcare had stalls there, a barbecue and music and bird and saltmarsh walks were provided. The Environmental</p>	
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	<p>Education Centre was also open for visitors. This event coincided with the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the opening of the Visitors Centre on 16 September 1972.</p> <p>Sunday, 6 November 2022 - two bird walks were held.</p> <p>Sunday, 4 December 2022 - an End-of-Year Gathering for members and their families was held.</p> <p><b>Field of Mars</b></p> <p>Fauna in the Field of Mars has been active – the mound belonging to Roast the brush turkey has been taken over by the younger Sydney, named as such because he is part of a Sydney University study, a pair of tawny frogmouths have two chicks, long-necked turtles are present, a satin bower bird is busy collecting blue objects for his bower, the wood ducklings are developing well and the eastern water dragons have been spotted sunning themselves. Two swamp wallabies decided to “crash the party” last Sunday, much to the delight of attendees who observed them from the Visitors Centre.</p> <p><b>Next year</b></p> <p>Events called ‘Music on Mars’ and ‘Life on Mars’ are planned for 2023. Their aim will be to enhance the enjoyment of Field of Mars and to educate its users.</p> <p><b>Management Committee Member</b></p> <p>The Society has been deeply saddened by the passing of John Boyle who worked tirelessly for the environment in the City of Ryde and elsewhere. He was not only a committed and energetic member of the Committee but also a Bushcare volunteer at Darval Park and the Field of Mars. He will be missed by all who knew him in our Society.</p>	
11.	<p><b>General Discussion / Other Business</b></p> <p>No matters raised under this Item.</p>	Noted.
12.	<p><b>Next meeting</b></p> <p>The next meeting is on 1 March 2023 5:00pm – 7.00pm, in the Committee Room – Level 1A Pope St, Ryde and via TEAMS.</p>	Noted.