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<b>Venue:</b>	Meeting Room, Level 1A, 1 Pope Street, Ryde	
<b>Date:</b>	Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> August 2019	
<b>Time:</b>	6.00pm	Started at: 6.07 pm      Closed at: 7.20pm
<b>Chair:</b>	Councillor Simon Zhou	
<b>Meeting Support (MS):</b>	Linda Smith – EA to the Mayor and Councillors	
<b>Staff Convenor:</b>	Michelle Carter	
<b>Circulation:</b>	21 November 2019	

**Committee Role:**

The primary role of the festivals and events advisory committee is to consider matters and inform council and council officers of community views and likely impact regarding the delivery and development of festivals and events in the City of Ryde.

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

Present	Apology	Name	Position Title	Organisation
✓		Councillor Simon Zhou	Chairperson	City of Ryde
✓		Councillor Penny Pedersen	Councillor	City of Ryde
		Councillor Edwina Clifton	Councillor	City of Ryde
		Anita Bird	Community Representative	Resigned
	✓	Roseanna Gallo	Community Representative	
		Rose Torossian	Community Representative	
	✓	Anthony Ching	Community Representative	
✓		Nora Etmekdjian	Community Representative	
✓		Hugh Lee	Community Representative	
		Michael Park	Community Representative	
✓		Kim Lee	Community Representative	
✓		Joseph Yu	Community Representative	
	✓	Jeffery Tse	Community Representative	
		Kee Sun Lee	Community Representative	
	✓	Phillip Ward	Community Representative	
		Daniel Han	Community Representative	
✓		Joe Bechara	Community Representative	
		Emma Paxton	Community Representative	resigned
	✓	Shelly Slone-Zhen	Community Representative	
	✓	Austin Kim	Community Representative	
		Maria Zappia	Community Representative	Resignation tendered
	✓	Jacqui Owens	Community Representative	
✓		Jessica Matthews	Community Representative	
✓		Corina Seeto	Community Representative	
✓		Jaewoo Kim	Community Representative	

**City of Ryde Staff**

Present	Apology	Name	Position Title	Organisation
✓		Michelle Carter	Senior Coordinator Events	City of Ryde

✓		Liz Berger	Senior Coordinator Communications	City of Ryde
✓		Linda Smith	EA to the Mayor and Councillors	City of Ryde
✓		Nakita Mitchell	Community Event Officer	City of Ryde
✓		Angela Jones-Blayney	Director Customer and Community Services	City of Ryde

## Additional Attendees

Robert Lim

## Details

## Action

	<b>Present</b>	As noted.
1.	<b>Welcome by Chair and Apologies</b> The Chair welcomed all present to the meeting. Attendees and apologies are as above	Noted.
1.2	<b>Minutes of the previous meeting – 27<sup>th</sup> May 2019</b> The minutes of the meeting dated 27 <sup>th</sup> May 2019 were adopted.	Noted
2.	<b>Business Arising</b> <b>2.1 <u>Past events from the City of Ryde Events Team</u></b> <u>City of Ryde Prayer Breakfast</u> The annual Prayer Breakfast was held on Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> July 2019. The focus of this year's event was multiculturalism with Tim Silverman the guest speaker.	The information was noted.
2.2	<b><u>Upcoming City of Ryde Events</u></b> <u>Granny Smith Festival</u> The 2019 Festival will be held on 19 <sup>th</sup> October 2019 in Eastwood. Invoices for stalls are now being issued and the major entertainment for the event has been locked in. The Baker Boys Band will be part of the closing show – a big band sound which should have broad appeal. Fire twirlers and fireworks will also feature at the end of the night with the Excite Live stunt band. <u>Remembrance day</u> Remembrance Day for 2019 is Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> November with a Council event to be held in Memorial Park Meadowbank. It is expected that attendance may be down on previous years given that Remembrance Day falls on a Monday. Local schools will again be asked to participate and there may be more involvement from schools than in previous years.	The information was noted.          The information was noted.

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<p><u>Wilga Park Opening</u></p> <p>The opening of Wilga Park will take place on 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2019.</p> <p>The event will be held between 4pm and 8pm with live performances, a bar on site, Aboriginal smoking ceremony etc.</p> <p>It is noted that this event will take place on the same day as the White Ribbon March.</p> <p><u>Citizen of the Year Awards</u></p> <p>Nominations will soon open and the Awards will be promoted through a number of channels. All present are encouraged to nominate people they believe would be worthy recipients of an award.</p> <p><u>Community Christmas Celebration</u></p> <p>This event will be held on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> December 2019 at Ryde Park.</p> <p>As per previous years, there will be water and other activities for children of all ages with a family fun day theme.</p> <p><u>Battle of the Bands</u></p> <p>Nominations for the 2020 Battle of the Bands open on 28<sup>th</sup> October 2019. The three finalists will perform at Council’s Australia Day event for 2020.</p> <p><u>Australia Day 2020</u></p> <p>Australia Day will be celebrated with a Citizenship Ceremony in the morning and a large outdoor concert at North Ryde Common in the afternoon.</p> <p><u>White Ribbon March</u></p> <p>On 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2019, a White Ribbon March will be held in Macquarie Park starting at the Engineering Faculty of Macquarie University and ending at Elourera Reserve.</p>	<p>The information was noted</p> <p>The information was noted</p> <p>The information was noted</p> <p>The information was noted</p> <p>The information was noted</p> <p>The information was noted</p>
<p><b>2.3 <u>Upcoming City of Ryde Grant Events</u></b></p> <p><u>Putney Street Festival</u></p> <p>This event will be held on 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2019 in conjunction with the Riverside Business Chamber.</p> <p>Approvals have been received to close the street for the event. Organisers will need to distribute notification letters to the residents and businesses affected by the closure.</p> <p><u>Street Football Tournament and Community Festival</u></p> <p>This event will be held on 10<sup>th</sup> November at Meadowbank Park. It is being organised by Julie Crane from the Melrose Park Football Club and in addition to football there will be stalls, selling food etc.</p> <p><u>Diwali Festival</u></p> <p>This event will be held on 9<sup>th</sup> November 2019 at North Ryde Common. This site has been selected for its natural amphitheatre so disturbance to nearby residents</p>	<p>The information was noted.</p> <p>The information was noted.</p> <p>The information was noted.</p>

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<p>should be minimal.</p> <p><u>West Ryde Carols</u></p> <p>The 2019 carols will be held on 21<sup>st</sup> December at Anzac Park West Ryde. This will be the second year that Anzac Park has been the site of the carols.</p> <p><u>Carols on the Common</u></p> <p>Rotary will again be hosting Carols on the North Ryde Common on 15<sup>th</sup> December 2019.</p> <p><u>Light up East Ryde</u></p> <p>This event will commence on 24<sup>th</sup> November and has become a popular local event in the East Ryde area.</p> <p><u>Moon Festival</u></p> <p>This event will be held over three days at Eastwood Lower Oval 13<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> September 2019, with fireworks on the Saturday night. Market stalls, community performances etc will feature during the festival.</p> <p><u>Bedlam by the Bay</u></p> <p>It was noted that this event scheduled for 27<sup>th</sup> October 2019 has been cancelled.</p>	<p>The information was noted.</p> <p>The information was noted.</p> <p>The information was noted.</p> <p>The information was noted.</p> <p>The information was noted.</p>
<p><b>2.4 <u>Upcoming Sub Committee events</u></b></p> <p><b><u>Lunar New Year 2020</u></b></p> <p>This event will be held at Eastwood on 8<sup>th</sup> February 2020.</p> <p>It is intended to close West Parade to traffic during the event for safety reasons.</p> <p>The major entertainment for the event will be provided by Paw Patrol and Sponge Bob Square Pants.</p> <p>It has been decided that the MC will host all events in English.</p> <p><b>2.5 <u>West Ryde Easter Parade</u></b></p> <p>The 2020 event will be held on 12<sup>th</sup> April 2019. Organising in relation to the event will commence in October 2019.</p>	<p>The information was noted.</p> <p>The information was noted.</p>
<p><b>2.6 <u>City of Ryde Sesquicentenary of Ryde</u></b></p> <p>To mark the sesquicentenary it is proposed to feature a number of existing events and to also host additional events.</p> <p>A report is being prepared for Council which will address the budget and other constraints for the events being planned to mark the sesquicentenary of Ryde.</p> <p>It is expected the report will be considered in November 2019.</p> <p>Suggestions have or will be sought from Council's Multicultural, Arts and Heritage Advisory Committees</p> <p>To date the topics of people, places and progress over the years in the City of Ryde are the key points being raised.</p>	<p>The information was noted.</p>

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<p><b>2.7 <u>West Ryde Plaza monthly Activation</u></b></p> <p>Michelle explained the proposal to activate the West Ryde Plaza with events to be held each month for a 3 month trial.</p> <p>She explained that:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- events will be held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of each month in November, December and January being - Friday 15 November, Friday 20 December and Friday 17 January 2020.</li> <li>- Events need to conclude by about 8pm so as not to disturb nearby residents</li> <li>- A caravan type stage and one food truck will be used during the trial</li> <li>- There will be a bar with alcohol served in glasses which can be returned for a deposit refund.</li> <li>- Wine barrel tables and chairs will be set up.</li> <li>- The purpose of the entertainment is to support local artists and marketing will go out to the community requesting local artists apply.</li> </ul> <p>The committee members were supportive of the proposal and the expenditure required and suggested that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- local businesses could provide pop up stalls in addition to the food truck or instead of</li> <li>- The opportunity to take part should be extended to business on both sides of the railway line.</li> <li>- Nora advised she can approach local community groups which may volunteer their services if extra assistance is needed.</li> <li>- Local performers should be given the opportunity to take part.</li> <li>- Councillor Pedersen offered to promote the event on her radio show</li> <li>- The event should be plastic free and all participants reminded of this.</li> </ul>	<p>The information was noted.</p> <p>Nakita was congratulated for her work on the proposal and presentation to the committee.</p> <p>Clr Zhou congratulated the Events staff for their work with numerous projects.</p>
<p><b>3.0 <u>General Business</u></b></p> <p><u>The process of Stall Allocation for City of Ryde events</u></p> <p>Background: there was recent discussion at a Lunar New Year meeting regarding the right of political groups to have a stall at City of Ryde events.</p> <p>It was noted that there are approximately 35 – 40 stalls at the Lunar New Year event.</p> <p>The Lunar New Year committee does not wish to allow political groups or groups affiliated with political purposes to hold a stall.</p> <p>It was noted that current Council guidelines do not expressly preclude political groups from operating a stall.</p> <p>The current criteria regarding selection as a stall holder includes the need to hold public liability insurance, the ability to pay for the stall, appropriate food safety certificate if applicable and the acceptance of the terms and conditions of having a stall.</p> <p>Local community and commercial organisations are then given priority.</p>	<p>The information was noted.</p> <p>A show of hands was sought to gauge whether this committee supports a move to ban political parties from holding stalls and taking part in any parades held in conjunction with a Council event.</p> <p>The result supported a ban on political parties being eligible to hire a stall or to participate in parades at all City of Ryde events.</p> <p>After discussion within the group, a second show of hands was taken as to whether such a ban should apply to all City of Ryde events excluding the Granny Smith Festival as this festival is much larger than all other City of Ryde events.</p>

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<p><u>Clean up the world event</u></p> <p>This will be held on 21<sup>st</sup> September 2019 at Kissing Point Park.</p> <p><u>Ryde East Public School – lego brick fair</u></p> <p>This event will be held on 15<sup>th</sup> September 2019.</p> <p>The event will sensory friendly and all are encouraged to promote the event through their contacts.</p>	<p>The majority of members supported the vote that the ban apply to all City of Ryde Events excluding the Granny Smith Festival.</p> <p>Further input will be sought from the other event subcommittees and a report then presented to Council.</p> <p>The information was noted</p> <p>The information was noted</p>
<p>4. <b>Next Meeting:</b></p> <p>The next meeting is scheduled for Monday 25<sup>th</sup> November 2019.</p>	<p>Noted</p>