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**TITLE            EXTRA    ORDINARY    MEETING    CENTRAL    COAST    REGIONAL  
ORGANISATION OF COUNCILS (IR 4210016)**

Directorate:    General Manager  
Business Unit:    General Manager

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**MEETING NUMBER**

Meeting No RO/07/04 commenced at Gosford City Council on Wednesday, 5<sup>th</sup> December at 8.30am.

**ATTENDANCE**

**Present:**    Jim Macfadyen, Mayor, Gosford City Council (Chairperson)  
              Laurie Maher, Councillor, Gosford City Council  
              Robyn Stewart, Councillor, Wyong Shire Council  
              Peter Wilson, General Manager, Gosford City Council  
              Kerry Yates, General Manager, Wyong Shire Council  
              Peter Brown, Department of Premier and Cabinet

**Apologies:**    Chris Holstein, Councillor Gosford City Council  
                  Warren Welham, Mayor, Wyong Shire Council  
                  Doug Eaton, Councillor, Wyong Shire Council

**COMMITTEE CHANGES**

THE COMMITTEE RESOLVES (Stewart/Yates) that Mayor, Jim Macfadyen, Gosford City Council be Chairperson of CCROC for the meeting held on Wednesday, 5<sup>th</sup> December 2007.

**DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

The Chairperson invited Committee members to declare any pecuniary interest they might have, in accordance with Section 451 of the Local Government Amendment Act 2000, in respect to the agenda for this meeting.

No declarations were received.

**DECLARATION OF NON-PECUNIARY INTEREST**

The Chairperson invited Committee members to declare any non-pecuniary interest they might have, in accordance with Section 440 of the Local Government Act 1993 and Council's Code of Conduct, in respect to the business of this meeting.

At the Declaration of Non-Pecuniary Interest:

Mayor Councillor Macfadyen, Councillor Maher, Councillor Brooks, Councillor Stewart, Peter Wilson and Kerry Yates declared his/her non-pecuniary interest in relation to RO.003, under Chapter 14 of the Local Government Act 1993.

At the Item

Mayor Councillor Macfadyen, Councillor Maher, Councillor Brooks, Councillor Stewart, Peter Wilson and Kerry Yates declared his/her non-pecuniary interest in relation to RO.003, under Chapter 14 of the Local Government Act 1993, however considered he/she was capable of making an impartial decision in respect to this matter.

## **AGENDA ITEMS**

### **RO.003 DISASTER RECOVERY FUNDING**

The Committee considered a report from the Disaster Recovery Assessment Committee (DRAC) on the applications received for funding under the Disaster Recovery Funding Project a copy of which is attached (Attachment A).

THE COMMITTEE RESOLVES that:

- 1 The projects listed as "recommended for approval" as outlined in attachment A be approved for funding.
- 2 The projects listed as "applicant to be interviewed by the committee" as outlined in attachment A be approved for funding subject to the Disaster Recovery Assessment Committee's (DRAC's) concurrence following the interviews.
- 3 The projects listed as "more information required" as outlined in attachment A be deferred for further consideration by the DRAC.
- 4 The projects listed as "not recommended for approval" as outlined in attachment A not be approved for funding.
- 5 The DRAC be requested to take the necessary action to implement the above resolution.
- 6 Gosford and Wyong Councils to review the list of approved projects and take into consideration applications for support under similar programs.

### **RO.030 GENERAL BUSINESS - THE ROLE OF CCROC**

THE COMMITTEE RESOLVES (Stewart/Maher) that a briefing paper be prepared on a review of the operation of CCROC and the options for strengthening its role and capacity to influence outcomes for the benefit of the Central Coast.

**Attachments:** A. Disaster Recovery Assessment Committee (DRAC) Report and recommendations.

**Tabled Items:** Nil

**NEXT MEETING**

**Date:** Wednesday, 7<sup>th</sup> February 2008

**Time:** 9.00am

**Venue:** Wyong Shire Council

**CLOSE OF BUSINESS**

The meeting closed at 10.30am.

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ATTACHMENT A

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NO.	Project Description	RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL - Reasons for decision
001	<p>Cynthia St Neighbourhood Centre \$ 5,984.00</p> <p>A shade sail that covers the play area for young children during after school care and vacation care was damaged during the storms. The shade sail needs to be replaced and the Neighbourhood centre is unable to access any other funding.</p>	<p>Conflict of Interest: No</p> <p>Refer Community Recovery Fund Plan – Objective 4.5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provide funding to restore infrastructure where funding is not available from any other source and the damage affects the service provided by a not for profit organisation.</li> </ul> <p>Vote: 9-nil</p>
002	<p>Northern Women's Health Centre \$ 2,770.00</p> <p>The flooring in the group room was damaged by flooding during the June Storms. The centre requires new flooring and repairs to drainage and guttering. The centre is unable to access funds from any other source.</p>	<p>Conflict of Interest: No</p> <p>Refer Community Recovery Fund Plan – Objective 4.5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provide funding to restore infrastructure where funding is not available from any other source and the damage affects the service provided by a not for profit organisation.</li> </ul> <p>Vote: 9-nil</p>
005	<p>Spencer Community Progress Group Inc \$19,800.00</p> <p>Spencer and surrounding areas were severely affected during the storm. They were physically cut off from other areas and had no communication. Mobile phones do not work in this area. The group has been very effective in developing strategies to manage their isolation. They seek funding to better prepare themselves for future disasters.</p>	<p>Conflict of Interest: Doug Crotty</p> <p>Refer Community Recovery Fund Plan – Objective 4.3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Support and resource community groups to undertake projects and provide activities to increase community preparedness and resilience for emergencies.</li> </ul> <p>The committee was impressed with the Spencer Community Groups achievements and plans for the future. It also noted that this is an isolated community and the application will also benefit surrounding areas including Marlow, Neverfail, Lower Mangrove, Popran, Ganderman, Mill Creek and Greenmans Valley.</p> <p>Vote: 8-nil</p>

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<p>007</p> <p>Cynthia St Neighbourhood Centre      <b>\$15,000.00</b></p> <p>The Centre will organise a series of community days to encourage community members to “Get to know their neighbours”. People will also be given safety tips, encouraged to consider volunteering and assist the elderly and aged in the community.</p>	<p>Conflict of Interest: No</p> <p>Vote: 9-nil</p> <p>Refer Community Recovery Fund Plan – Objective 4.3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Support and resource community groups to undertake projects and provide activities to increase community preparedness and resilience for emergencies.</li> </ul> <p>This group has successfully organised community days over the past few years and the committee consider the funding further community days as outlined in their application would better prepare the community.</p>
<p>010</p> <p>Ourimbah Rugby Union Club      <b>\$ 5,793.00</b></p> <p>The sporting ground and surrounds were significantly damaged during the storms. The club will organise a series of working bees to repair the damage but need funding to hire equipment, provide materials and repair machinery.</p>	<p>Conflict of Interest: No</p> <p>Vote: 7-2</p> <p>Refer Community Recovery Fund Plan – Objective 4.5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provide funding to restore infrastructure where funding is not available from any other source and the damage affects the service provided by a not for profit organisation.</li> </ul> <p>The working bees will also engage community and foster the community spirit that was evident during the storm in the affected areas.</p> <p>NSW Treasury is considering a grant of \$2,000. If not approved this grant will increase \$7,793.00.</p>

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<p>011 Kinumber Residents Association \$3,000.00</p> <p>A series of meet and greet BBQ's will be organised to connect community, especially new residents and those that may be socially isolated. The aim is to increase community spirit and better prepare the community for future disasters.</p>	<p>Conflict of Interest: No</p> <p>Vote: 9-nil</p> <p>Refer Community Recovery Fund Plan – Objective 4.3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Support and resource community groups to undertake projects and provide activities to increase community preparedness and resilience for emergencies.</li> </ul> <p>The group is only requesting a small amount of funding that will contribute to a number of community days and therefore an effective use of the funding.</p>
<p>013 Brooke Ave School \$7,866.00</p> <p>This school was severely damaged during the storm and much of the damage has been repaired by insurance or Dept of Education funds. The seating area for the children was damaged during the storm and became unsafe but funding is not available from other sources to repair this damage.</p>	<p>Conflict of Interest: No</p> <p>Vote: 8-1</p> <p>Refer Community Recovery Fund Plan – Objective 4.5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Provide funding to restore infrastructure where funding is not available from any other source and the damage affects the service provided by a not for profit organisation.</li> </ul> <p>The committee noted that many children from disadvantaged families attend the school and funding may be scarce. Representations will be made to the Department of Education to consider these repairs as a priority. Funding is recommending if Dept of education unable to repair the damage.</p>

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<p>016</p> <p>Australian Red Cross      \$ 7,600.00</p> <p>This funding will assist the Red Cross to recruit, train and equip additional volunteers and Team leaders for the Central Coast. Volunteers will be trained to provide basic care, emotional comfort and support, and practical assistance including information on how to access resources and services.</p>	<p>Conflict of Interest: Jason Collins, Jason MacDonald</p> <p>Refer Community Recovery Fund Plan – Objective 4.3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Support and resource community groups to undertake projects and provide activities to increase community preparedness and resilience for emergencies.</li> </ul> <p>The committee acknowledge the work of the Red Cross and the value of the personal support given by volunteers and agreed that this was a very effective use of the fund.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Vote: 7-nil</p>
<p>020</p> <p>Regional Youth Support Services      \$ 8,000.00</p> <p>The project aims to tell the stories of the young and old in local neighbourhoods. This will create an opportunity for introductions between neighbours to bring them together to share views and stories, increase connectedness (reducing isolation of Seniors) and document these in a creative way. The result of this process and product will be a more resilient and connected neighbourhood in times of distress and crisis in the future. If you know your neighbour you are more likely to look after one another, being aware of each others habits can reduce risk and increase connectedness.</p>	<p>Conflict of Interest: No</p> <p>Refer Community Recovery Fund Plan – Objective 4.3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Support and resource community groups to undertake projects and provide activities to increase community preparedness and resilience for emergencies.</li> </ul> <p>The committee acknowledged the good work of the Regional Youth Support Services and thought this was a good way to encourage young and old to work together to better prepare the community for the future.</p> <p>Funding is recommended subject to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) RYSS to speak with W'young Council about their 'Creative Connections' project and determine how the projects could link together.</li> <li>2) RYSS to speak with the Central Coast Historical Society regarding the possibility of using the project as an historical record of the June Storms.</li> <li>3) RYSS to provide details of how the final product is disseminated widely throughout the Central Coast.</li> </ol> <p style="text-align: right;">Vote: 9-nil</p>

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021	<p>Dooralong Community Reserve Trust <b>\$11,000.00</b></p> <p>The Dooralong and surrounding communities were severely affected by the June Storms. This funding will support two events that aim to bring the community together. It will also provide materials to build shelters in a central place that will encourage community to gather and connect.</p>	<p>Conflict of Interest: No</p> <p>Vote: 9-nil</p>
023	<p>Salvation Army                    <b>\$ 110,000.00</b></p> <p>The funding will provide a centralized depot for the Salvation Army Emergency Services organisation to serve the Central coast area and beyond. This will allow for quicker response times, improved supervision of volunteers, improved logistics of food and perishables to be distributed, improved maintenance of equipment and concentrated OH&amp;S supervision of all resources. The profile of emergency services on the Central Coast will be greatly enhanced by this depot.</p>	<p>Conflict of Interest: Rachel O'Connor, Jason MacDonald, Jason Collins</p> <p>Vote: 4-2</p> <p>Refer Community Recovery Fund Plan – Objective 4.3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Support and resource community groups to undertake projects and provide activities to increase community preparedness and resilience for emergencies.</li> </ul> <p>The committee acknowledged the work of the Salvation Army. It also noted that the nearest depot is in Newcastle and therefore that this depot would be big asset to the Central. It was also noted that Doc's activate the Salvation Army at least once a year on the Central coast.</p>



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<p>025</p> <p>Patonga Beach Progress Association \$ 7,400.00</p>	<p>Conflict of Interest: No</p> <p>Vote: 9-nil</p>
<p>Patonga experienced a disaster in 2005 when fires cut off the region. The storms again required the Patonga Emergency &amp; Disaster Centre to activate and provide assistance to the region. The funding will provide the PEDC with vital equipment that will assist it to support the region in times of disaster.</p>	<p>Refer Community Recovery Fund Plan – Objective 4.3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Support and resource community groups to undertake projects and provide activities to increase community preparedness and resilience for emergencies.</li> </ul> <p>The committee noted that this area is difficult to access and that it can be easily cut off during a disaster. The Patonga Beach Progress association has provided effective support to the community in the past and the additional equipment will be an effective use of the fund.</p>
<p>026</p> <p>Gosford City Council \$ 43,500.00</p> <p>The funds will support the development of a Central Register that will be used to evacuate or warn community members that are vulnerable in the event of an emergency.</p>	<p>Conflict of Interest: Helen Polkinghorne, Julie Vaughan</p> <p>Vote: 5-2</p> <p>Refer Community Recovery Fund Plan – Objective 4.3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Support and resource community groups to undertake projects and provide activities to increase community preparedness and resilience for emergencies.</li> </ul> <p>The committee recommended for this project subject to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Discussion with the Privacy Commissioner to ensure that the register would not breach privacy legislation.</li> <li>2) Endorsement from DOC's, SES and RFS.</li> <li>3) An Update process be developed</li> </ol>

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<p>027 Wyong Shire Council \$ 19,200.00</p> <p>The Manning Park community will be engaged in a community art project that will provide a strong statement regarding the "townships identity". The project will include restoration to some of the foreshores that were damaged during the storm. The project will bring community together and better prepare them for future events.</p>	<p>Conflict of interest: Julie Vaughan</p> <p>Refer Community Recovery Fund Plan – Objective 4.3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Support and resource community groups to undertake projects and provide activities to increase community preparedness and resilience for emergencies.</li> </ul> <p>The committee noted that the Northern Wyong area was severely affected by the storm and is some what isolated. It also noted the good community development work that has been achieved since ABCD workshops held in 2005.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Vote: 8-nil</p>
<p>028 Wyong Shire Council \$ 16,000.00</p> <p>This project will gather short stories and images that will be used to for a feature insert within an edition of the Express Advocate. The aim is to capture local good news stories of how respective communities within the Shire responded together in a time of adversity, during and following the storm devastation period.</p>	<p>Conflict of Interest: Julie Vaughan</p> <p>Refer Community Recovery Fund Plan – Objective 4.3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Support and resource community groups to undertake projects and provide activities to increase community preparedness and resilience for emergencies.</li> </ul> <p>The committee noted that this project will record a history of the June Storms and provide community with an opportunity to tell their story. Fundings would be subject to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Costing of the project</li> <li>2) Discuss with RYSS regarding the Sound Scapes project and working together.</li> <li>3) Check impact and participation for Local Historical Society.</li> </ol> <p>The committee also considered the importance of recognising the disaster areas of the Central Coast and encourage the recipient to liaise with Gosford City Council in view of making a further submission.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Vote: 8-nil</p>

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NO.	Project Description	NOT RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL
003	<p>Radio 50 plus \$ 46,700.00</p> <p>Develop a mobile information and broadcasting van to travel to a wide area of the Central coast to provide information in regard to every aspect of social and health issues eg Health commission, consumer affairs, emergency services , family assistance, the whole gamut of providers, as well as and to encourage interaction by the use of music.</p>	<p>Conflict of Interest: No</p> <p>The committee considered the application and agreed that;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>the project did not meet one or more of the Strategies of the Key Result Areas and target the priorities identified in the Central Cost Community Recovery Implementation Plan</li> <li>the planning and delivery of the project or activity does not provide for the efficient and effective use of fund monies</li> </ul> <p>The committee considered the cost of the project and was not sustainable, good value for money, assist the community to be better prepared for future disasters or recover from the impact of the June storms.</p>
008	<p>Gosford City Family Support \$ 20,000.00</p> <p>An independent consultant will survey 10 key community leaders, groups, businesses and organisations in four locations on the Central Coast and develop a Register of strengths and assets. The Consultant will also identify any gaps of service, support, equipment and resources that may be required for future possible disasters. A final report would be produced seeking recommendations from community leaders.</p>	<p>Conflict of Interest: No</p> <p>The committee considered the application and agreed that;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>the project did not meet one or more of the Strategies of the Key Result Areas and target the priorities identified in the Central Cost Community Recovery Implementation Plan</li> <li>the planning and delivery of the project or activity does not provide for the efficient and effective use of fund monies</li> </ul> <p>The committee noted that the project would provide a report that may assist with future planning for disasters and provide some funds for small organisations to replenish their stocks of emergency equipment and provisions. The committee did not feel that this would greatly increase community preparedness and resilience for emergencies and therefore was not an efficient and effective use of fund monies.</p>

Vote: 9-nil

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<p>014</p> <p>Brooke Ave School</p> <p>\$ 7,431.00</p> <p>Replace carpet in the administration foyer, office and the hallway that was damaged during the June storms.</p>	<p>Conflict of Interest: No</p> <p>Vote: 9-nil</p> <p>The committee considered the application and agreed that;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>the planning and delivery of the project or activity does not provide for the efficient and effective use of fund monies</li> </ul> <p>The committee noted that the water damaged carpet has been replaced and that the application seeks to replace carpet that does not match the replaced carpet. This is for appearance reasons only and therefore the committee agreed that this was not an efficient and effective use of fund monies.</p>
<p>018</p> <p>Penlink</p> <p>\$ 29,500.00</p> <p>The funding will host a Community Festival early in September (Spring) 2008 to celebrate Community Spirit, integration, and belonging. It is an opportunity to bring together in a holistic way, many of the great support services, community groups, cultural groups and emergency services to create a dialogue with the community and between groups. It would serve as smorgasbord of information, workshops, activities and entertainment that could involve the whole community and leave a tangible legacy of connections, understanding and hope.</p>	<p>Conflict of Interest: Leoni Baldwin</p> <p>Vote: 8-nil</p> <p>The committee considered the application and agreed that;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>the planning and delivery of the project or activity does not provide for the efficient and effective use of fund monies</li> </ul> <p>The committee considered that the primary aim of this project was to support a festival that is intended to be conducted annually. It is not primarily focussed on a strategy or action that will lessen the social/health impacts of the storm on affected communities or individuals. The committee was also concerned that funding this project may give the community false expectations that the festival would be funded each year. The committee also noted the cost of the project and that a substantial amount was to be used to employ an event coordinator. The committee did not feel that funding this project would greatly increase community preparedness and resilience for emergencies and therefore was not an efficient and effective use of funds.</p>

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019	<p><b>Volunteering Central Coast \$ 148,750.00</b></p> <p>The project is aimed at developing the infrastructure required to deal with spontaneous volunteers on the Central Coast, in times of emergency. During the height of disasters, there are a large number of people who ring up or physically present to emergency and recovery services and/or evacuation centres looking to volunteer their assistance.</p>	<p><b>Conflict of Interest: No</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>Vote: 9-nil</b></span></p> <p>The committee considered the application and agreed that;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the project did not meet one or more of the Strategies of the Key Result Areas and target the priorities identified in the Central Cost Community Recovery Implementation Plan</li> <li>• the planning and delivery of the project or activity does not provide for the efficient and effective use of fund monies</li> </ul> <p>The committee noted that volunteer organisations that assist with emergency situations are already in place and have sound structures and training provisions for volunteers. The committee was not convinced that this project would enable the infrastructure to be put into place, with trained staff/volunteers to utilise it, to assist both, the community and community organisations, emergency and disaster service in disasters and other emergency situations as stated in the application. The committee noted the extensive costs and agreed that this was not an efficient and effective use of fund monies.</p>
024	<p><b>Bateau Bay PCYC \$ 7000.00</b></p> <p>The project will support a "Meet the Neighbours Trivia Night" with the aim of encouraging local residents to become more engaged in their local community.</p>	<p><b>Conflict of Interest: No</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>Vote: 9-nil</b></span></p> <p>The committee considered the application and agreed that;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the planning and delivery of the project or activity does not provide for the efficient and effective use of fund monies</li> </ul> <p>The committee noted the cost of the project and that it only targeted 100 people from the community and did not consider this as an efficient and effective use of fund monies.</p>

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029	Multicultural Fijian Association <b>\$ 50,000.00</b>	<p>Conflict: No</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Vote: 9-nil</p>
	<p>The project will support a cultural festival to be held in June to commemorate the Community Spirit during the storms in 2007. The festival aims to invite the 12 cultural groups of South Pacific Ancestry living on the Central Coast to connect with the wider community.</p>	<p>The committee considered the application and agreed that;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the planning and delivery of the project or activity does not provide for the efficient and effective use of fund monies</li> </ul> <p>The committee considered that the primary aim of this project was to support a cultural festival that would be held on an annual basis. It is not primarily focussed on a strategy or action that will lessen the social/health impacts of the storm on affected communities or individuals. The committee was also concerned that funding this project may give the community false expectations that the festival would be funded each year. The committee also noted the cost of the project and that a substantial amount was to be used to employ an event coordinator. The committee did not feel that funding this project would greatly increase community preparedness and resilience for emergencies and therefore was not an efficient and effective use of fund monies</p>
031	Penlink <b>\$ 1,000.00</b>	<p>Conflict: Leoni Baldwin</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Vote: 8-nil</p>
	<p>The project involves the development and launch of a Penlink website in order to further the aims of the organisation. The Development and promotion of a Penlink website is seen as a vital stage in the development of our communications infrastructure which will enhance the organisation's presence and effectiveness in the community.</p>	<p>The committee considered the application and agreed that;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the project did not meet one or more of the Strategies of the Key Result Areas and target the priorities identified in the Central Cost Community Recovery Implementation Plan</li> <li>• the planning and delivery of the project or activity does not provide for the efficient and effective use of fund monies</li> </ul> <p>The committee did not feel that funding the website would greatly increase community preparedness and resilience for emergencies and therefore was not an efficient and effective use of fund monies.</p>

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009	<p><b>Benevolent Society \$ 79,528.00</b></p> <p>A part time community building facilitator will work across Wyong Shire with three-four communities to build social cohesion and community connections so that community members in local streets, neighbourhoods and communities are able to get to know one another more</p>	<p>Conflict of Interest: Margot Castles / Julie Vaughan / Jillian Hogan</p> <p>The Benevolent Society has been invited to attend the next DRAC meeting on 29<sup>th</sup> November 2007 to discuss the application. The committee considers that there may be similarities with other projects that need to be explored, and concerned that funding will fund an existing service. Additionally the funds are substantially for the salaried position.</p>
012	<p><b>Central Coast Community Council \$ 98,933.00</b></p> <p>Employment of a Community Project Worker to work along stakeholders who are members of the Congress working party to hold 8 information workshops and develop community-building projects in various locations across the Central coast that will prevent detrimental social and health impacts.</p>	<p>Conflict of Interest: Margot Castles/ Helen Pokinghorne/ Julir Vaughan</p> <p>The Central Coast Community Congress has been invited to attend the next DRAC meeting on 29<sup>th</sup> November 2007 to discuss the application. The committee considers that the may be similarities with other projects that need to be explored, Funding is for an existing project i.e. the congress and there is a significant component of the funding directed toward a salaried position.</p>

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<p>017</p> <p>San Remo Neighbourhood Centre \$ 55,740.00</p> <p>The 'Shed' will provide both practical and personal support for community members.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Provide survival resources for community members</li> <li>2. Provide a Central Place for people to access equipment, information, share ideas and skills</li> <li>3. Provide a place for people to meet, build community connections, tools and equipment</li> <li>4. Provide a temporary refuge for people and pets in times of disaster or long periods without essential services such as electricity and water.</li> <li>5. Provide a place for retired or unemployed men in particular, to tinker and participate in recreational activities whilst using their technical and hands on skills and to feel of benefit to the community.</li> <li>6.</li> </ol>	<p>Conflict of Interest: Jillian Hogan</p> <p>San Remo Neighbourhood Centre has been invited to the next DRAC meeting on 29<sup>th</sup> November 2007 to discuss their application. The committee specifically would like to discuss</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Will Council support the project and are willing to allocate the land</li> <li>• The sustainability of the project (including equipment and operational fundings</li> <li>• Security issues</li> <li>• Specific objectives of the project</li> </ul>	
<p>022</p> <p>Wyong Neighbourhood Centre \$ 11,800.00</p> <p>The project will build on networks already established through the WYWAT group and will facilitate community events with production and distribution of promotional and informative materials that will;</p>	<p>Conflict of Interest: Margot Castles</p>	<p>The Wyong Neighbourhood Centre has been invited to attend the next DRAC meeting on 29<sup>th</sup> November 2007 to discuss the application. The Committee is concerned that funding is for an existing service</p>



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	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Prepare the community for unfavourable events to minimise the effect and</li><li>2. Respond to an event and restore a sense of normality.</li></ol>	
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NO.	Project Description	MORALE AND/OR FINANCIAL REPORT
004	<p>Lifeline Central Coast \$ 16,000.00</p> <p>Lifeline have requested funding to support their Crisis Telephone counselling service and Response teams that supported bereaved families during and after the June storms</p>	<p>Conflict of Interest: No</p> <p>The funding is not available to fund an already existing service. The committee considered that it may be possible to fund the training component of the application. Lifeline has been requested to provide more detail regarding the training component for consideration at the DRAC meeting on 20<sup>th</sup> December 2007.</p>
006	<p>Dept of Housing \$ 8,630.00</p> <p>This project will provide a series of notice boards, erected at local community facilities in the 2261 postcode area that will display general community information. In times of disaster the notice boards would focus entirely on information for the community in relation to the disaster.</p>	<p>Conflict of Interest: No</p> <p>The Dept of Housing has been requested to provide actual costings for the notice boards. It has also been asked to provide more information on where the boards will be situated and how they will be updated and whether council approvals will be required. The application will be reconsidered at the DRAC meeting on 20<sup>th</sup> December 2007.</p>
015	<p>Copacabana Community Association Inc \$ 25,400.00</p> <p>The project will undertake 3 clean up events across the Copacabana Valley and rejuvenate an important heritage site known as Captain Cook's Lookout. Community will be encouraged to be involved and free BBQ's will follow each clean up.</p>	<p>Conflict of Interest: No</p> <p>The Association has been asked to provide more detail regarding the fencing to be erected, trimming of bushes and building of picnic tables. More detailed costings have also been requested on these items. The Association has also been asked to liaise with council regarding any council approvals that may be required.</p>

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<p>030 NSW Police (Tuggerah LAC) \$20,000.00</p> <p>Computer software 'Indigo' will be purchased to assist the Emergency Operations Centre (EOC) to co-ordinate resources to assist the designated combat agency e.g. SES in times of flooding or storm. Currently the EOC use a paper based system that was found wanting in the June response.</p>	<p>Conflict of Interest: No</p>	<p>This application has been received from the Tuggerah Command and if funded the committee believes it should be provided across the Central Coast. The Tuggerah command has been asked to work with the Brisbane Water Command and provide a quote that will allow 'Indigo' to be available for both regions.</p>