

ADDITIONAL ITEM

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To the Ordinary Council Meeting

Director's Report
Community and Recreation Services
Department

4.7 Funding Allocation for Surf Clubs

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SUMMARY

Council committed to providing support to the North Entrance, Lakes Beach and The Entrance Surf Life Saving Clubs through savings from the Soldiers and Shelly Beach surf club developments. This budget is identified in land sales however due to a delay in signing agreements a variation to the 12/13 budget is required and is recommended to be reported through the quarterly review process.

RECOMMENDATION

- 1 That Council approve an allocation of \$234,612.00 for payment to the following surf clubs for refurbishment works:**
 - North Entrance Surf Life Saving Club from \$86,154.00**
 - The Entrance Surf Life Saving Club from \$86,064.00**
 - Lakes Beach Surf Life Saving Club from \$62,393.00.**

- 2 That this adjustment be reported to Council through the quarterly review process.**

BACKGROUND

Council resolved on 28 July 2008 to equally divide any remaining funds from the \$8million construction budget for Soldiers and Shelly Beach surf clubs between North Entrance, The Entrance, and Lakes Beach surf clubs as identified by Surf Life Saving Central Coast for an agreed program of works.

Upon completion of Shelly and Soldiers Beach surf club buildings in May 2012 and finalisation of the total expenditure including variations, \$234,612.00 remained for disbursement to the three clubs. The intention was to disburse the remaining funds prior to the end of the 2011/12 financial year. Unfortunately this could not occur due to further information and negotiation between the Surf Clubs and Council.

As a result, there is no budget allocation in the 12/13 capital works program or operational budget, however the funds are within the restricted land sales budget.

During the construction of the Shelly and Soldiers Beach surf clubs, North Entrance, The Entrance and Lakes Beach were approved and provided with funding for refurbishments to their clubs. The funding provided was as follows:

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- North Entrance Surf Life Saving Club from \$19, 875.00
- The Entrance Surf Life Saving Club from \$19,965.00
- Lakes Beach Surf Life Saving Club from \$43,636.00

Taking into consideration the previous funding allocation to the three clubs, the identified remaining \$234,612.00 from the \$8million dollar construction will be proportioned amongst the clubs as follows:

- North Entrance Surf Life Saving Club from \$86,154.00
- The Entrance Surf Life Saving Club from \$86,064.00
- Lakes Beach Surf Life Saving Club from \$62,393.00

The North Entrance club have signed the agreement for these funds which requires the contribution to be paid within 14 days of the signing. This payment is due on Friday 24 August 2012. This Club has threatened legal action if this deadline is not met. Lakes Beach club signed their agreement on 21 August 2012 which requires the contribution to be paid on Monday 3 September 2012. The Entrance club has yet to sign their agreement as they are still gaining quotes and prioritising the works. It is anticipated that this will be signed by November 2012.

THE PROPOSAL

As adopted by Council in 2008, it is proposed to provide payment to the three surf clubs and report the adjustment through the quarterly review process.

STRATEGIC LINKS

Wyong Shire Council Strategic/ Annual Plan

<i>Principal Activity</i>	<i>Service</i>	<i>Key Action and Objectives</i>	<i>Funding Source and Description</i>	<i>Impact on Key Performance Indicators/ Service Performance Indicators</i>
2	Leisure and Tourist Facilities	Working with others to gain partnerships for the provision of recreation and sporting facilities and services	To be reported in the Q1 review	Nil

Contribution of Proposal to the Principal Activity

This assists the Surf Life Saving Club in providing appropriate facilities for users.

Long Term Financial Strategy

This recommendation has limited impact on the Long Term Financial Strategy. This allocation is in the restricted funds from land sales, however due to the timing a variation is required. An adjustment will be reported to Council through the quarterly review process.

Asset Management Strategy

These works will contribute to the long term asset maintenance and renewal of these key community facilities.

Workforce Management Strategy

There will be no impact.

Link to Community Strategic Plan (2030)

This initiative supports the objective of communities having access to a diverse range of affordable and co-ordinated facilities, programs and services. In addition, this supports the strategy to provide community facilities to our community.

Budget Impact

The required budget of \$236,612.00 is available in the restricted land sales, however due to balancing the 2012/13, budget movement will be identified in the quarterly review process.

CONSULTATION

Nil

GOVERNANCE AND POLICY IMPLICATIONS**MATERIAL RISKS AND ISSUES****CONCLUSION**

Council made the commitment to the surf clubs, this variation will meet our agreement to make payment by Friday 24 August 2012 and report the adjustment as part of the quarterly review process.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil.