

**COMMUNITY ACTIVATION GRANTS POLICY**

**1. SCOPE**

- 1.1 The Community Activation Grants Policy applies to:-
- (i) Clubs and Organisations in the Waratah-Wynyard municipal area or those which have substantial membership or community benefit to residents;
  - (ii) Residents of the Waratah-Wynyard municipal area representing Australia in sporting, cultural, recreational or similar pursuits; and
  - (iii) Applications and expressions of interest for event sponsorship funding.
- 1.2 Financial and in-kind assistance through Community Activation Grants provides the opportunity to apply for funding for Community Small Grants, Recreation & Wellbeing, Art & Culture, Youth & Education, Community Support and Events.

**2. PURPOSE**

- 2.1 To provide a framework for the provision, eligibility and prioritisation of a community grants program that supports community initiatives that encourage and enhance social and cultural wellbeing, recreation and that foster economic development and education pursuits.

**3. POLICY STATEMENT**

- 3.1 The Council will allocate funding on an annual basis (as part of the annual planning and budget process) for allocation to clubs and organisations as part of a Community Activation Grants Program.
- 3.2 Grants shall be offered to assist in the provision of community projects and activities, support individuals selected to represent Australia and to sponsor local events that provide economic and social benefit for the community.
- 3.3 The allocation of grants will occur within the following broad categories and in accordance with specific criteria provided in the Community Activation Grants Guidelines:
- (i) Assistance to Clubs and Organisations;
  - (ii) Assistance to individuals who Represent Australia in a sporting, cultural, recreational or similar pursuit; and
  - (iii) Event Sponsorship.
- 3.4 Funding will be offered through a single annual funding round, aligned with the financial year.
- 3.5 The annual funding round will open from 1 July each year, subject to Council's annual budget adoption.
- 3.6 Council may offer targeted funding rounds.
- 3.7 All applications for funding will be assessed and prioritised in accordance with the Guidelines.
- 3.8 Total grants awarded will not exceed the allocated funding in any given year.



## LEGISLATIVE REQUIREMENTS

*Local Government Act 1993 - Section 77 Grants and Benefits.*

Legislative terminology – Chief Executive Officer/General Manager At the Waratah-Wynyard Council, the title Chief Executive Officer is a term of reference for the General Manager as appointed by Council pursuant to section 61(1) of the Local Government Act 1993; and carries the same meaning for the purposes of the Local Government Act 1993 and all other legislation administered by or concerning the Council.

## RELATED PROCEDURES/GUIDELINES

Community Activation Grants Guidelines

Application Form

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