Community Awards Committee

Meeting Date: Tuesday 11 March 2025

Time: 4:00pm-5:00pm In-Person or Online via MS Teams



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Meeting Open: 4:05pm

1. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TRADITIONAL OWNERS STATEMENT

The Chairperson, Matthew Bui, will open the meeting by reading the following Acknowledgement of Traditional Owners Statement.

"On behalf of Council, I recognise the rich Aboriginal heritage of this country and acknowledge the Wurundjeri Willum Clan and Taungurung People as the Traditional Owners of lands within the City of Whittlesea. I would also like to acknowledge Elders past, present and emerging.

2. Present

Members	In Attendance	Apology received	No Attendance
Councillor Deb Gunn - Councillor	Х		
Ray Rosales - Community Representative	Х		
Matthew Bui - Community Representative	Х		
Mahendra Sukhdeo - Community Representative	X - Online		
Judith Clements - Community Representative	Х		
Kaynat Virk - Community Representative	X		
Norma Medwar - Community Representative			X
Ben Coleman - Community Representative	X - Online		
Administrative Support	In Attendance	Apology received	No Attendance
Janine Morgan - Executive Manager Public Affairs	X		
Sarah Moloney – City of Whittlesea (Administrative Support)		X	
Melanie MacKertich - City of Whittlesea (Administrative Support)	X		

3. Apologies

Sarah Moloney

4. Declarations of Conflicts of Interest

The Chairperson asked those in attendance the following question: "Does any attendee have a conflict of interest in any matter on the agenda today?"

NIL Conflict of interest

5. Terms of Reference (TOR) Update

Janine Morgan advised that the TOR was being presents at Council Briefing tonight.

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The TOR will then proceed to the March Council Meeting for Adoption.

6. Voting on Award Categories

Discussion and recipient winners decided by mutual vote for the below award categories:

- Access and Inclusion Citizen of the Year
- Sustainable Citizen of the Year
- Young Citizen of the Year
- Senior Citizen of the Year
- Citizen of the Year

7. Finalise Award Recipients:

- Access and Inclusion Citizen of the Year: Zoe Brown
- Sustainable Citizen of the Year: Jim Bannan
- Young Citizen of the Year: Zachary Melvaine
- Senior Citizen of the Year: Bill McGillivray
- Citizen of the Year: Dr Sarvesh Soni

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- **8. Update on Award Presentation Sunday 16 March at 12:10pm** at the City of Whittlesea Community Festival.
- 9. General Business

NIL

10. Meeting Close

Meeting ended at 4:54pm