



**COMMUNITY GRANTS ASSESSMENT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD AT THE  
CIVIC CENTRE  
FRIDAY 16 AUGUST 2013**

FILE: Finance/Grant Funding/KTC Community Grants 2013

**MINUTES**

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**1. PRESENT**

Steven Rose	Alderman - Katherine Town Council
Adrian Creighton	Alderman – Katherine Town Council
Les Smale	Community Member
David Laughler	Chief Executive Officer – Katherine Town Council
Sophie Henderson	Administration Manager – Katherine Town Council

**2. APOLOGIES**

MOVED

That the apologies of Alderman Kate Ganley be accepted.

CARRIED

**3. DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

The following associations with applicants were declared:

Steven Rose – Territory Craft Katherine – Connection to the Ryan Park Community Markets

**4. ASSESSMENT OF GRANTS**

Council has a budget allocation of \$46,000 for Community Grants for the 2013/2014 financial year. This allocation is available to meet assessed projects across two categories of submissions – Grants for Community Organizations of up to \$2,000; and Grants for major events of up to \$5,000. There was therefore a shortfall of some \$16,580 in required funds to satisfy all submissions.

Once assessed, the Committee recommended a total expenditure for both categories of \$43,580, albeit with some \$10,000 of this amount being transferred to, and allocated out of general fund. A further recommendation has been made for the general fund to meet costs associated with a \$2,000 public art project.

Grants for Community Groups up to \$2,000

Council received 14 (fourteen) applications for the Community Group category totaling \$27,580.

After discussion on the merits of each application the committee determined the following projects met the grant guidelines and are recommended for approval:

<b>Organization</b>	<b>Project</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Katherine Landcare Group	Weed Management & Revegetation	\$2,000.00
Rotary Club of Katherine	Upgrade to Rotary Pavilion at Showgrounds	\$1,950.00
Somerville	Family Cinema Event	\$1,000.00
Step Out community Access	Construct a Shade Shelter	\$2,000.00
Skateboarding Australia	Skateboarding Activities	\$2,000.00
Katherine Regional Arts (B)	Artist Workshop	\$2,000.00
Katherine Regional Arts (D)	Music Program	\$2,000.00
R.S.P.C.A. Katherine Inc.	Equipment Repairs	\$2,000.00
Bridge of the River Choir	Development of Local Choir	\$2,000.00
National Trust of Australia (NT)	Purchase Security Equipment	\$1,630.00
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>18,580.00</b>

The following applications were deemed unsuccessful for this round. The applicants will be advised in writing of the reasons for their unsuccessful application.

<b>Organization</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Comments</b>
St Paul's Anglican Church	Purchase & Installation of a Dishwasher	\$2,000.00	Not contributing within capacity
Hit the Dance Floor (Auspicing from Katherine Regional Arts)	Local Events	\$2,000.00	Not contributing within capacity
Katherine Regional Arts (A)	Wet Season Workshop	\$2,000.00	Commercial factors included in application
Katherine Arts Community Service Award – Committee	Art Installation	\$2,000.00	Refer to General Business
	<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$8,000.00</b>

### Grants for Major Events up to \$5,000

Council received 7 (seven) applications for the Major Events category totaling \$35,000.

After discussion on the merits of each application the committee determined the following projects met the grant guidelines and are recommended for approval:

<b>Organization</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Katherine & District Show Society	Katherine Show 2014	\$5,000.00
Katherine Regional Arts (C)	Sculpture Competition/Project	\$5,000.00
YMCA of Katherine – Katherine Regional Youth Group	Katherine Festival Main Event Show	\$5,000.00
Mimi Ngurrdalingi Aboriginal Corp	Arts Program	\$5,000.00
Carols by Candlelight	Musical Production	\$5,000.00
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$25,000.00</b>

The following applications were deemed unsuccessful for this round. The applicants will be advised in writing of the reasons for their unsuccessful application.

<b>Organization</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Comments</b>
Alzheimer's Australia NT	Katherine Community Expo	\$5,000.00	Main activity organized through Darwin – travel and associated costs too high
Territory Craft Katherine	Mural/Mosaic Project	\$5,000.00	Duplication of funding – refer to General Business
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$10,000.00</b>	

## **5. GENERAL BUSINESS**

The Committee recommends that recurrent funding applications (Katherine District Show and Carols by Candlelight) should be discussed as part of Council's Municipal Plan and operational budget, and that if agreed then this year's grant funding allocation be reduced – with \$10,000 being transferred to general fund and allocated as direct funding to those organizations. The Committee also recommends that the current grant applications from Katherine Arts Community Service Award – Committee and Territory Craft Katherine request for \$2,000 be funded through Council's existing Public Art budget for 2013/2014. Funds are available if agreed.

The application for funding for a Mural/Mosaic project by Territory Craft Katherine was not deemed to have been developed within cost parameters, and no support/agreement had been sought from Council for the project to proceed on Council's building. No provision had been made for preparation works on the building; no provision had been made for installation costs (fixing art pieces to the walls); and no provision had been made for ongoing maintenance. The Committee was also concerned that exposure to vandalism at this location was high, and therefore maintenance costs would also be high.

6. **MEETING CLOSED**

The meeting was closed at 10.40am.