Public Fundraising Policy



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PURPOSE

This purpose of this policy is to establish and inform the community of Council's position in relation to fundraising support or charitable organisations that are seeking to advertise within public buildings where Council provides its services such as Civic Centre, Library Community Centres, Recreational Centres and Council's Service Centre.

2. POLICY

Council's by-laws state that Council's permission is required to seek donations or solicit for charitable purposes, which extends to fundraising activities, on Local Government land. The Council will not grant permission for fundraising activities to occur in the public areas of Council under the Council's care and control due to the following reasons:

- a. Management and security of external fundraising goods and products (e.g. money boxes, lollies)
- b. Inability to provide equitable support to all fundraising organisations seeking such support
- c. Visitors being offended by charities being supported
- d. Risk of theft of monies (offence is likely to be committed by a member of the public)
- e. Unintended liability.

3. DEFINITIONS

For the purposes of this policy the following definitions apply:

Fundraising activities

Includes raffles, lottery tickets, donation collections, canvassing, or soliciting for charitable purposes.

4. LEGISLATIVE FRAMEWORK

There is no legislative requirement for Council to have a policy relating to this area.

4.1 Other references

Council's document including:

- a. By-Law No.2 Roads (Donations)
- b. By-Law No.3 Local Government Land (Donations)
- c. Fees and Charges Register

5. STRATEGIC PLAN/POLICY

5.1 Strategic Plan

The following strategic objectives in Council's Strategic Plan 2025 are the most relevant to this policy:

Objective	Comments	
Community		
People feel a sense of belonging, inclusion and		
connection with the City and the community		
Diversity is welcome and celebrated		
Environment		
A community that is protected from public and		
environmental health risks		
Economy		
Places		
Streets, paths, open spaces and parks are		
appealing, safe and accessible		
Leadership		
Leadership and advocacy is focused on the		
long term interests of the community		
Customer service provides a positive		
experience for people and is based on honesty		
and transparency		

5.2 Organisation Plan

Our Strategic Plan is supported by an Organisation Plan which focuses on four key themes of organisational excellence. The themes most relevant to this report is Customer Care.

6. POLICY IMPLEMENTATION

This Policy will be implemented by the Chief Executive Officer or relevant portfolio director and managed in accordance with Council's scheme of delegations.