

**MARRICKVILLE council**

**SUPPLEMENTARY  
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**for**

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MEETING  
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**Councillors**

I am writing to advise of the success of the 2007 Marrickville Mayoral Charity Dinner Dance in raising nearly \$74,286 to assist local charities/organisations to provide much needed assistance to young people in need in the Marrickville community. That amount is less than that announced on the night because of an error by staff in reconciling ticket sale proceeds and expenses on the previous evening.

Unfortunately, Council has also now been advised that GST is payable on the proceeds of the auction and raffle, totalling \$5,895, reducing the amount available for distribution to the charities to \$68,390.

Through the generous support of our event sponsors and community members on the evening we are in position to help the following local charities/organisations:

- Tempe Community Centre;
- Allawi Youth Movement;
- Holy Trinity Anglican Church - Youth Fitness Centre, Dulwich Hill;
- Marrickville Youth Resource Centre;
- Stepping Stone House;
- Stretch-A-Family;
- Centacare and Rosemount Good Shepherd Youth and Family Services;
- South Sydney Aboriginal Corporation Resource Centre; and
- St Peters Cooks River Anglican Church.

The Dinner Dance function was held on Saturday, 21 April 2007, in the Petersham Town Hall. The Hall was transformed into an elegant formal dinner setting with a wonderfully warm atmosphere. Entertainment was provided by the Bird Yard Big Band, an 18 piece band specializing in jazz and swing music. Two hundred and sixty five people attended, including special guests Anthony Albanese and Carmel Tebbutt, the Federal and State members for Marrickville.



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The overwhelming success of the evening is a tribute to the following dedicated Council staff, Nellette Kettle, Maria Coles, Monique Dunlop, Yolanda Saiz, Paul Giunta, Elda Fortune, Clayton Smithwick and Simon Rowell, who gave of their time to be part of the Dinner Dance Organising Committee and/or to help on the night, and the many local businesses and community members who united to support Marrickville's young people.

I would especially like to thank our major sponsors – Royal Exchange Hotel, Marrickville and Marrickville Metro Shopping Centre – for their generous support, all of the many corporate sponsors and the people and organisations who provided in-kind donations to make the charity event so successful. I am truly overwhelmed by the tremendous support.

I would like to take this opportunity to again thank the event sponsors, which included the Royal Exchange Hotel, Marrickville Metro, Petersham RSL Club, Raine and Horne Marrickville, Raine and Horne Commercial, IGA Marrickville, Mars Property Group, Banana Joe's Foodworks, Andrews Meat, the Gladstone Hotel, DeiCorp Pty Ltd, Gloster, Hone Constructions Pty Ltd, Aricon Pty Ltd, Fuji Xerox, Faros Bros Seafood and Ray White Real Estate, Dulwich Hill.

I would also like to acknowledge the following people and organisations for their support in bringing the Dinner Dance together – the organising Committee, Mark Kristian, our MC for the evening, the Bird Yard Big Band, European Catering, Aricon Pty Ltd, Australian Rugby Union, Banana Joe's Foodworks, Beautiful Bouquets, Better Read Than Dead, Big Brekky, Bonds Jewellers, Café Perci, Café Two Seven Nine, Celini's Café & Restaurant, Curves, Dendy Cinemas, Emma's on Liberty, European Catering, Face Affair, Fernando's Hair Design, Flowers by Teresa, The Glebe, Gloria's Café, The Good Guys, Alexandria, Hairflash Marrickville, Houg Houg Restaurant, HSBC NSW Waratahs, Huang Sing Kitchen, the Huntsbury Hotel, Kelby's Café, Majestic Travel, Mancini's Wood Fired Pizza, Marrickville Road Café, Mick Mazza Cycles, Mimosa Perfumes & Fashion, Mitre 10, National Rugby League, Perama Greek Restaurant, Petersham Liquor Mart, Post Café, Securityinc., Shane Warne Foundation, Sofitel, Melbourne, Subway Marrickville, White Cockatoo Hotel, Vicky Adraskelas, and Y.E. Ghaly & Co. Accountants.



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I was very impressed and grateful for the wonderful turnout and the support of everyone who attended in raising money through the auction and raffles on the night.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

**THAT** the report be received and noted.

Councillor Morris Hanna OAM  
**Mayor**

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Council's contribution to the *Passchendaele Archives Project* was completed in December 2006 (Item 11/06 CG 30), with Council's Local History section providing the Belgian Memorial Museum Passchendaele 1917 with the details of the 117 residents of the original Marrickville, Newtown, Petersham and St Peters municipalities and Camperdown suburb who died during the Battle of Passchendaele between 17 July and 15 November 1917.

In 2006, the Memorial Museum Passchendaele 1917 advised Council of the 90<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Battle of Passchendaele commemoration program that will take place in Belgium between 7 June and 11 November 2007. As part of the commemorative activities, the Australian War Museum has invited the Mayor of the Municipality of Zonnebeke, Mr Dirk Cardoen, to an exhibition launch at the War Museum in Canberra on 9 August 2007. The Belgian Ambassador, Mr Frank Carruet, has confirmed that the delegation will visit Australia during August 2007.

In February 2007, the Belgian Ambassador and the Mayor of the Municipality of Zonnebeke wrote to Council requesting the consideration of a twinning agreement between Zonnebeke-Passendale and Marrickville. The Sister Cities Committee considered the request at its April 2007 meeting and referred the matter to be considered as part of the current Sister Cities strategic planning process, due to be completed later in 2007.

The *Passchendaele Archives Project* highlighted the significance of the Battle of Passchendaele to historical and cultural life of Marrickville and re-established links between the two Councils. It is therefore appropriate that Council recognise the visit of Mayor of the Municipality of Zonnebeke by hosting a reception. All Councillors, relevant Council committee members and residents, and RSL representatives would be invited to attend a reception, which could be held at the Petersham Town Hall WWI Memorial Niche, which contains the names of the Petersham men who died at Passchendaele. At the reception, it is proposed that the Mayor of the Municipality of Zonnebeke and myself, as Mayor of Marrickville, sign a *Recognition of Historical Bond* to commemorate the 90<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Battle of Passchendaele and the Marrickville residents who lost their lives fighting there. The signed *Recognition of Historical Bond* would be held a part of Marrickville's Local History collection.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

**THAT** Council:

1. host a reception in honour of the visit of Mayor of the Municipality of Zonnebeke;
2. consider a twinning agreement between the town of Zonnebeke-Passendale and Marrickville through the Sister Cities strategic planning process;

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3. write to the Mayor of the Municipality of Zonnebeke inviting him and his delegation to visit Marrickville in August 2007 and advising that the twinning agreement request will be considered through the Sister Cities strategic planning process;
4. write to the Belgian Ambassador inviting him to visit Marrickville in August 2007 and advising that the twinning agreement request will be considered through the Sister Cities strategic planning process; and
5. endorse the co-signing of a *Recognition of Historical Bond* between Zonnebeke-Passendale and Marrickville, to be held as part of Council's Local History collection.

Councillor Morris Hanna OAM  
**Mayor**

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