

**1.      NGARRU MAYIN ELDERS**

An Annual Report has been received from Ngarru Mayin Elders (**See Attachment No. 1**).

**RECOMMENDATION**

That the information be noted.

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**2.      SOUTHERN PHONE COMPANY LTD**

A letter of thanks has been received from Southern Phone Company Ltd regarding the Southern Phone Grants Program (**See Attachment No. 2**).

**RECOMMENDATION**

That the information be noted.

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**3.      ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY**

A letter has been received from the St Vincent De Paul Society regarding their application for financial assistance (**See Attachment No. 3**).

**RECOMMENDATION**

That the information be noted.

# Attachment No. 1

For the attention of the Interim General Manager of the Narromine Shire Council, Mayor Councillor Davis and other Councillors elect.

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## ANNUAL REPORT

### NGARRU MAYIN ELDERS and NARROMINE HISTORICAL MUSEUMS

Visitors from all over the World and Interstate have visited and left Positive Feedback via verbal and written communication on the Museum itself, "The Historical Information" available and the Staff in conjunction with Volunteers.

We look forward to adding New Exhibits when and where possible. We appreciate donations from everyone and feel privileged to be entrusted with it's care and display.

We still as a "Not for Profit" Incorporation rely heavily on Donations, but are pleased that so far we haven't had to charge a Set Entry Fee.

The Group applies for Grants during the year and are grateful to have been successful in obtaining some.

The Museum has been able to run Workshops in the Museum in 2016 including Aboriginal Wood Carving Classes, Craft Classes, Language & Local History Classes. This has been a source of Income for the Museum.

The Museum has hosted User Groups; For Example:- Local Preschoolers, Primary/Secondary Students and accompanying Teachers/Support Staff and the Narromine Shire Council operated Vacation Care. Historical Groups from other towns in the Orana Region and even the Outer Reaches Of the Sydney Metropolitan Area.

These visits vary between an Educational/ Cultural Journey with a dash of Fun thrown in. It includes recognition of our First Peoples. For Example NAIDOC activites and various other Themes (depending on the time of year).

We as a Group are happy to Open the Museum "out of hours"to assist anyone. School Students, University/ College Students and lovers of Family History. Thus enabling the best possible outcomes to further their Research and Our Identity as a Productive Organisation in the town.

The Museum is pleased to be able to say on Record that we have been able to assist those pursuing a "Health Focus" in the Narromine District. To be able to work in conjunction with Orana Arts, Landcare and Health Providers that promote a holistic approach to Health. Body & Soul. We were able to assist the NARROMINE Hospital Auxiliary with their Major Fundraiser for the year by providing extra Tables/ Chairs and Manpower.

In conclusion we would like to thank the NARROMINE SHIRE COUNCIL and Councillors. We must make Special Mention of Robyn Ryan (Tourism Development Officer), Julie Munro (Co-ordinator Family&Vacation Care) and Vas Roberts ( Director Corporate, Community & Regulatory Services) who work so closely with us and who support us unconditionally.

We invite all Local Councillors to visit with us and discuss any mutual concerns.

At the end of the day we are all here for the Benefit and Betterment of our Local Community.



12 January 2017

Councillor Craig Davies  
Narromine Shire Council  
PO Box 115  
Narromine NSW 2821

Dear Councillor Davies

**SOUTHERN PHONE GRANTS SCHEME**

The Southern Phone Grants Program was a successful two year program that has now concluded. It was an initiative activated in 2014 to deliver additional support to our shareholder communities. Serving rural and regional Australia is behind every aspect of Southern Phone's operations, which aims to demonstrate its value to local regions by ensuring profits contribute to the shareholder communities in which they were generated.

As you would be aware, the Grant Scheme's main objectives were to provide funding for projects that have a direct benefit to the community within the council area. We are proud to say that more than 410 community projects were beneficiaries of this scheme, having received over \$1.8 million in funding. Priority was given to groups with the ability to sustain the project or its outcomes after funding ceased. The grants have enabled some important projects to 'get off the ground', some of which had been well planned and partially funded by the community, but just needed a bit of extra financial support to bring the plans to life. Via the scheme, we are proud to acknowledge that thousands of local residents have enjoyed the improvements these grants make to communities.

Over the last two years Southern Phone has had the wonderful opportunity to attend many Grant presentation events. This allowed us to see first-hand the positive difference these Grants have made in our shareholder communities.

We'd like to take this opportunity to thank you for your support of the Southern Phone Grants Scheme and for facilitating our desire to give back to the communities in which we operate.

While the Southern Phone Grant Scheme will conclude this year, we will continue to actively explore community based initiatives that build on our work to date and support the many great communities across regional NSW.

Please feel free to give me a call directly, if you would like to discuss further.

Yours sincerely,

David Joss  
Managing Director  
Southern Phone Company Ltd

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CC: Greg Lamont, General Manager Narromine Shire Council



St Vincent de Paul Society

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20<sup>th</sup> December 2016

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Dear Ms Redden

***Re Application for financial assistance***

Thank you for your correspondence of the 18<sup>th</sup> October, being outcome to our Application for Assistance for the Narromine Vinnies Centre. Please note Council's decision is accepted without question.

The purpose of our correspondence is to draw to your attention an anomaly between your policy and one of the reasons given for not funding our application.

In your correspondence, third paragraph –

*'Council when assessing your application considered the purpose for which funds were to be used if granted. Council, in the past, has not funded building of sheds etc. and do not want to set a precedent.....'*

In Council's Donations, Sponsorships and Waiver of Fees and Charges Policy, page 3 - Application Process - Capital Projects - one of the examples given is 'building of a shed'.

As stated at the beginning of this correspondence we accept Council's decision without question, however, thought for 2017, Council may wish to replace/delete this example at the next review of the policy prior to requesting submissions.

Please accept our correspondence provided with good intention.

Merry Christmas,

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Rhonda Keane'.

**Rhonda Keane,  
Central Council Retail Manager**

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