

Title	Cultural Development Policy
Council Resolution	Item 17 (19 Dec 2016) as per Council Minutes
Responsible Directorate	Community, Economic Development and Business
Due for Review	Four (4) years from Council resolution date
Strategic Plan Reference	<p><u>Making Lives Better</u></p> <p>1.1.3 Improve community consultation and participation processes</p> <p>1.2.1 Facilitate and enable the delivery of accessible information so our communities can pursue opportunities</p> <p>1.2.2 Facilitate the delivery of services that build community capacities and capabilities</p> <p>1.2.3 Identify and facilitate linkages with Council and other service providers to create opportunities for our communities</p> <p><u>Valuing our Environment</u></p> <p>3.2.1 Set priorities for management of our natural and built environments in partnership with our communities</p> <p>3.1.3 Deliver services that create sustainable and liveable built environments</p> <p><u>Leading our Community</u></p> <p>4.3.2 Partner with community groups, business and not for profit organisations to achieve community outcomes.</p>
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PURPOSE

This policy provides direction on Council’s ongoing role and commitment in community cultural development to ensure that it is coordinated, strategic, and inclusive of all members of our community.

SCOPE

This policy applies to the actions Council takes towards encouraging cultural development and diversity in Glenorchy.

STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS

Not applicable

CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT POLICY

Introduction

Culture, defined in its broadest sense, can be described as the ideas, aspirations and way of life of a community.

Council recognises how important it is for every individual in the community to have the opportunity to express their culture. Distinctive and vibrant local cultures contribute positively to quality of life by building local pride and identity, developing sense of place and promoting greater understanding and tolerance within our diverse community.

In acknowledging the culture of the community, Council recognises the Glenorchy community is comprised of a huge diversity of cultures and experience. Council values the various differences in experience, ability, race, background, skill, age and other attributes.

Council recognises that throughout Glenorchy's history, people from diverse cultural backgrounds have come here from all around the world. The significant contributions made by the presence of these diverse cultures, community has played an important part in the growth and development of Glenorchy.

This policy aims to celebrate and promote the diversity of Glenorchy's community and its culture. It recognises Council's role in promoting cultural diversity, involving not only partners from across the Glenorchy community but also the cultural communities themselves generating and forging their own cultural identities.

Policy Statement

1. Council will adopt and implement strategies that will identify, promote and celebrate the diversity of the community, developing greater understanding and tolerance.
2. Council will ensure its processes and services are accessible to all levels of ability, cultural background, language, etc. within the community.
3. Council will adopt and implement strategies that aim to build relationships with local businesses and community, developing a strong community identity and local pride.
4. Council will provide a high standard of public areas, creating unique and distinctive places people can utilise for a variety of activities.
5. Council will adopt and implement strategies that will enhance and protect the natural and built environment, undertaking and promoting sustainable practices and fostering community appreciation of the local environment.
6. Council will adopt and implement strategies that will ensure the protection and enhancement of local cultural heritage, particularly of diverse communities;
7. Council will adopt and implement strategies that will ensure the protection, maintenance and ownership of cultural heritage and places of cultural significance to the Aboriginal community;
8. Council will recognise and support cultural development as a vital component in the life and growth of the community, through the facilitation of a wide range of relevant cultural facilities, services and activities throughout the municipality.

BACKGROUND

Council is committed to fostering and developing cultural development and diversity within the City.

This policy, and other supporting documents including the Public Art Policy, and the Cultural Plan 2002, have been developed to ensure that Council's ongoing role and commitment in community cultural development is coordinated, strategic, and inclusive of all members of our community.