

6.2.2 Dissolution of Clematis Hall Community Asset Committee

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Recommendation(s)

That Council dissolve the Clematis Hall Community Asset Committee, appointed under the provisions of Section 65 of the Local Government Act (2020).

Attachments

Nil

Executive Summary

The Clematis Hall Community Asset Committee has struggled over the past years to attract volunteers and new committee members. As such, the current committee will not be able to function effectively without new committee members and complying with the Deed of Delegation. As such, the committee has notified Council they would like to dissolve and hand the facility back to Council.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Hall has been closed to the public for over 12 months and currently has no regular hirer's or bookings.

Background

The Clematis Hall Community Asset Committee has the duty to 'provide a public community centre for the hire of individuals and organisations which will be of benefit and use for present and future residents of Cardinia Shire'.

Following a number of unsubmitted compliance reports, Council was able to speak to the President of the committee who advised that he was the only committee member remaining and wanted to resign and hand the hall back to Council as they had been unable to attract new members to the committee.

The hall was closed to the public for the duration of COVID-19 and did not re-open when restrictions eased as the committee did not feel that they could meet the necessary requirements of re-opening.

Between April and June, Council worked with the committee to complete the handover process. As such, the committee have handed back to Council all documents and information and are in the process of closing the bank account and winding up.

Policy Implications

Nil

Relevance to Council Plan

2.1 We support the creation of liveable spaces and places

2.1.1 Advocate, plan for and deliver accessible community infrastructure and services that address community need.

Climate Emergency Consideration

N/A

Consultation/Communication

The Clematis Hall Community Asset Committee has worked with Council Officer's directly over the past couple of months to complete the necessary handover including paying of bills, transferring of funds and closing of bank accounts.

The local community will be notified of the change of management of the facility and the committee will be thanked for their service.

Financial and Resource Implications

Nil

Conclusion

On the request of the Clematis Hall Community Asset Committee, it is proposed to dissolve the committee and return the Hall to Council management.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Hall has been closed to the public for over 12 months and currently has no regular hirer's or bookings. Therefore, the Hall will remain closed to the public in the interim and Council will undertake a maintenance audit and determine the best management options going forward in consultation with the local community.