

PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE	5
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COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS GRANT ROUND 6

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RECOMMENDATION:

That Council:

1. Approves \$153,413 (ex GST) funding from the 2022/2023 Community Partnerships Grant to the following applicants:
 - a. All In Line Events Inc. for Stars in the Tropics to the value of \$7,400 (ex GST).
 - b. Australian Arakanese Association Cairns Inc. for the Arakanese New Year Water Festival up to the value of \$15,000 (ex GST).
 - c. Bats and Trees Society of Cairns Inc. for the Cairns Bat Festival to the value of \$4,000 (ex GST).
 - d. Cairns Multicultural Committee for the CARMA Youth Empowerment 'Cairns Youth Got Talent' up to the value of \$17,000 (ex GST).
 - e. Cairns Municipal Band Incorporated Association for WinterFest to the value of \$5,000 (ex GST).
 - f. Cairns Pirates Touch Football Assoc Inc. for the 10–12 years Schools State Touch Football Carnival up to the value of \$1,643 (ex GST).
 - g. Deadly Inspiring Youth Doing Good (DIYDG) Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Corporation for the Cairns NAIDOC 'Friday in the Park' 2023 up to the value of \$8,700 (ex GST).
 - h. Fiji Community Association Far North Queensland for the Cairns Bula 7's Rugby Tournament to the value of \$10,000 (ex GST).
 - i. FNQ Thai Community Inc. for the FNQ Thai Cultural Loy Kra Thong Festival 2023 up to the value of \$15,000 (ex GST).
 - j. Freshwater Tennis Club for the Freshwater Festival to the value of \$6,000 (ex GST).
 - k. Gordonvale District Chamber of Commerce Inc. for the Gordonvale Sugar Solstice Country Fair to the value of \$6,000 (ex GST).

- i. Lions Club of Cairns Marlin Coast for FNQ Dogs Day Out to the value of \$11,000 (ex GST).
 - m. Lions Club of Cairns Marlin Coast for Festival of the Beaches to the value of \$6,000 (ex GST).
 - n. Marlin Coast Rangers Football Club Inc. for the QRSS 10-12 years Girls and Boys Football State Championships 2023 to the value of \$12,000 (ex GST).
 - o. Peninsula School Sport for the All Abilities Sports Day for Students with Disabilities up to the value of \$2,100 (ex GST).
 - p. Playgroup Queensland Ltd for Messy Play Matters 2023 up to the value of \$2,100 (ex GST).
 - q. Redlynch Valley Community Group Inc. for the Redlynch Community Twilight Markets 2023 to the value of \$11,270 (ex GST).
 - r. Rovers Cricket Club Cairns Inc. for the Rovers Cricket Club NAIDOC Week Carnival to the value of \$5,000 (ex GST).
 - s. The Dr Edward Koch Foundation Ltd for the All of Us Festival – Celebrating Qld Mental Health Week up to the value of \$8,200 (ex GST).
2. Approves \$16,900 (ex GST) funding from the 2023/2024 Community Partnerships Grant to the Cancer Council Queensland for Far North Queensland Relay for Life 2023 to the value of \$16,900 (ex GST).
 3. Delegates authority to the Chief Executive Officer in accordance with the *Local Government Act 2009* to finalise any and all matters relating to the above funding agreements.
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INTERESTED PARTIES:

See Attachment 1.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Twenty-three applications were received for the Community Partnerships Grant Round 6, with a total of \$327,384 (ex GST) requested. Council officers recommend funding 19 applications to a total value of \$153,413 (ex GST).

An out of round request was also received from Cancer Council Queensland for Far North Queensland Relay for Life 2023 to the value of \$16,900 (ex GST). Council officers recommend funding this application to a total value of \$16,900 (ex GST).

BACKGROUND:

The intent of the Community Partnerships Grant is to assist community groups and organisations with the delivery of events, activities and programs that enhance the lives

of local communities, celebrate important community occasions, and provide opportunities to develop social cohesion and connection in the Cairns region.

The Community Partnerships Grant provides assistance through cash and the provision of Council venues and resources. The maximum amount per application is \$25,000 (ex GST).

The following applications for Community Partnerships Grant Round 6 have been received.

Applicant	Event	Event date	Amount requested (ex GST)
All In Line Events Inc.	Stars in the Tropics	20 May 2023	\$25,000
Australian Arakanese Association Cairns Inc.	Arakanese New Year Water Festival	16 April 2023	\$15,000
Bat and Trees Society of Cairns Inc	Cairns Bat Festival	13 May – 18 June 2023	\$5,000
Cairns Multicultural Committee	CARMA Youth Empowerment 'Cairns Youth Got Talent'	14 April 2023	\$25,000
Cairns Municipal Band Incorporated Association	WinterFest	5 August 2023	\$10,000
Cairns Pirates Touch Football Assoc Inc.	10–12 years Schools State Touch Football Carnival	18 – 21 May 2023	\$1,643
DanceSport Australia Ltd.	North Queensland DanceSport Championships	7 – 8 July 2023	\$25,000
Deadly Inspiring Youth Doing Good (DIYDG) Aboriginal & Torres Strait Island Corporation	Cairns NAIDOC 'Friday in the Park' 2023	7 July 2023	\$8,239
Fiji Community Association Far North Queensland	Cairns Bula 7's Rugby Tournament	13 – 14 October 2023	\$25,000
FNQ Thai Community Inc.	FNQ Thai Cultural Loy Kra Thong Festival 2023	25 November 2023	\$21,000
Freshwater Tennis Club	Freshwater Festival	6 April & 1 December 2023	\$10,000
Gordonvale District Chamber of Commerce Inc.	Gordonvale Sugar Solstice Country Fair	10 June 2023	\$17,000
Illuminate-FNQ Ltd.	International Space, Science and Environment Festival	15 September 2023	\$25,000
Lions Club of Cairns Marlin Coast	FNQ Dogs Day Out	1 July 2023	\$22,000
Lions Club of Cairns Marlin Coast	Festival of the Beaches	19 May & 8 December 2023	\$10,000

Applicant	Event	Event date	Amount requested (ex GST)
Marlin Coast Rangers Football Club Inc.	QRSS 10 – 12 years Girls and Boys Football State Championships 2023	3 – 8 August 2023	\$15,306
Peninsula School Sport	All abilities Sports Day for Students with Disabilities	31 August	\$1,864
Playgroup Queensland Ltd.	Messy Play Matters 2023	26 May 2023	\$7,028
Redlynch Valley Community Group Inc.	Redlynch Community Twilight Markets	21 April 2023 9 June 2023 11 August 2023 13 October 2023 2 December 2023	\$11,270
Rights In Action Inc.	Supports in Action	22 June 2023	\$4,948
Rovers Cricket Club Cairns Inc.	Rovers Cricket Club NAIDOC Week Carnival	9 – 11 June 2023	\$15,000
The Benevolent Society	Neighbourhood Days	27 April 2023 26 July 2023 TBC January 2023	\$12,217
The Dr Edward Koch Foundation Ltd.	All of Us Festival – Celebrating Qld Mental Health Week	8 October 2023	\$14,869
Total			\$ 327,384

The following application has been considered an out-of-round request due to the timing of the event.

Applicant	Event	Event date	Amount requested (ex GST)
Cancer Council Queensland	Far North Queensland Relay for Life 2023	15 July 2023	\$16,900

COMMENT:

The following Community Partnerships Grant Round 6 applications are recommended for funding:

**All In Line Events Inc. for Stars in the Tropics to the value of \$7,400 (ex GST).
Event Date: 20 May 2023**

Stars in the Tropics is the first large-scale line dance workshop and social dance to be held in Far North Queensland.

Intending to showcase the Cairns region to visiting participants, the program begins with a line dance class and welcome event at Palm Cove followed by a one-day line dancing

event at Fred Moule Pavilion. The program concludes with brunch on the Cairns Esplanade.

Proposed to be held in Cairns every two years, Stars in the Tropics is creating interest overseas and domestically due to the renowned line dance instructors who will be teaching at the event. Open to observers and all levels of dance experiences, it is anticipated that 250 local and visiting attendees will participate.

Council has not previously supported All In Line Events Inc.

All In Line Events Inc. is requesting \$25,000 (ex GST) towards the delivery of the event.

Officers are supportive of this request by providing \$7,400 cash (ex GST).

Australian Arakanese Association Cairns Inc. for the Arakanese New Year Water Festival to the value of \$15,000 (ex GST).

Event Date: 16 April 2023

Since 2017, the Australian Arakanese Association of Cairns Inc. has delivered the Arakanese New Year Water Festival also known as Thingyan. The Festival is an important event celebrating the traditional New Year in the Buddhist calendar in Myanmar. It is also celebrated in Thailand, Cambodia, Laos, China, Bangladesh, Sri Lanka, and India.

The Festival, which is held in Fogarty Park, provides the opportunity for the culturally diverse community of Cairns to celebrate the rich culture and traditions of the Arakanese community with the Festival featuring cultural music and performances, market and traditional food stalls and water play.

Since 2017, Council resolved to support the Australian Arakanese Association of Cairns Inc. to a total value of \$17,906 (ex GST). This is detailed in the table below:

Funding Year	Event, Activity or Project	Amount (ex GST)
2022/2023	Thadingyut Full Moon Day Lighting Festival	\$3,700
2021/2022	Australia Arakanese Traditional New Year Water Festival	\$3,338
2021/2022	Thadingyut Full Moon Day Lighting Festival	\$1,541
2019/2020	Australia Arakanese Traditional New Year Water Festival	\$3,077
2018/2019	Australia Arakanese Traditional New Year Water Festival	\$2,920
2017/2018	Australia Arakanese Traditional New Year Water Festival	\$3,330

The Australian Arakanese Association of Cairns Inc. is requesting \$15,000 (ex GST) towards the delivery of the event.

Officers are supportive of the request by providing up to \$15,000 (ex GST) consisting of \$10,000 cash (ex GST) and the provision of venue hire and associated resources up to the value of \$5,000 (ex GST).

Bats and Trees Society of Cairns Inc. for the Cairns Bat Festival to the value of \$4,000 (ex GST).

Event Date: 13 May – 18 June 2023

The Bats and Trees Society of Cairns Inc. is dedicated to the care, protection, and conservation of bats in the Cairns region. The purpose of the Festival is to educate and foster an understanding of bats in our region, to cultivate an appreciation of the value of bats and to help create a culture of understanding that enables Cairns residents to live peacefully alongside them.

The Festival, which is part of the Australasian Bat Night program, is also a satellite event to Cairns EcoFiesta. The Festival includes a Flying-Fox Trail throughout Cairns and a Gala Twilight Event at Wharf One Cafe. It is anticipated that 500 people will enjoy the Gala Twilight Event which includes local music, guest speakers, information stalls, wildlife art stalls, and children’s activities.

Since 2018, Council resolved to support the Bats and Trees Society of Cairns Inc. to a total value of \$56,649 (ex GST). This is detailed in the table below:

Funding Year	Event, Activity or Project	Amount (ex GST)
2022/2023	Wildlife Carers Support	\$12,000
2021/2022	Bat Activity Booklet & Teacher’s Resource	\$3,750
2021/2022	Cairns Bat Festival	\$4,600
2020/2021	Wildlife Carers Support	\$15,000
2020/2021	Bats and Trees Festival 2020	\$4,000
2019/2020	Wildlife Carers Support	\$15,000
2018/2019	Flying Fox Festival	\$2,299

The Bats and Trees Society of Cairns Inc is requesting \$5,000 (ex GST) towards the delivery of the event.

Officers are supportive of the request by providing \$4,000 cash (ex GST).

Cairns Multicultural Committee for the CARMA Youth Empowerment ‘Cairns Youth Got Talent’ to the value of \$25,000 (ex GST).

Event Date: 14 April 2023

Previously part of the CARMA Multicultural Festival, the CARMA Youth Empowerment ‘Cairns Youth Got Talent’ will be delivered as a stand-alone event in 2023. Held during Youth Week, the event aims to provide opportunities for local youth to form social connections, create new friendships and build confidence.

Free and accessible to all, ‘Cairns Youth Got Talent’ features sports demonstrations, live music and art and cultural performances with CARMA encouraging young people to assist in the planning and delivery of the event. Held at the Esplanade Skate Park, it is anticipated that 30 youth groups, 600 youths, stakeholders, family, and friends will attend.

Since 2016, Council resolved to support Cairns Multicultural Committee up to the value of \$54,718 (ex GST). This is detailed in the table below:

Funding Year	Event, Activity or Project	Amount (ex GST)
2022/2023	Cairns CARMA Multicultural Festival & Youth Empowerment & Peace Finale	\$25,000
2021/2022	Cairns CARMA Multicultural Festival & Youth Empowerment & Peace Finale	\$10,000
2018/2019	CARMA Multicultural Festival 2019	\$4,000
2018/2019	CARMA Multicultural Festival 2018	\$2,000
2017/2018	Cairns CARMA Multicultural Festival 2018	\$3,000
2016/2017	Cairns CARMA Multicultural Festival 2017	\$5,718
2016/2017	Tropical Waves Multicultural Festival	\$5,000

Cairns Multicultural Committee is requesting \$25,000 (ex GST) towards the delivery of the event.

Officers are supportive of the request by providing up to \$17,000 (ex GST) consisting of \$13,000 cash (ex GST) and the provision of venue hire and associated resources up to the value of \$4,000 (ex GST).

Cairns Municipal Band Incorporated Association for WinterFest to the value of \$5,000 (ex GST).

Event Date: 5 August 2023

As part of Multicultural Month, the Edelweiss Dance Group Cairns is presenting WinterFest, a celebration of Bavarian culture and traditions at Watsons Oval, Manunda. Auspiced by the Cairns Municipal Band Incorporated Association, this is the third year that the Edelweiss Dance Group has presented similar events in the community.

It is expected 500 people will enjoy a day of cultural entertainment including the German Oompah band and Bavarian dance performances. Family relays, dance workshops, kids craft activities, face painting, jumping castles, traditional dancing, and traditional Bavarian food will be available to enjoy.

Since 2016, Council resolved to support the Cairns Municipal Band Incorporated Association to the value of \$460 (ex GST). This is detailed in the table below:

Funding Year	Event, Activity or Project	Amount (ex GST)
2016/2017	70 th Birthday Concert	\$460

The Cairns Municipal Band Incorporated Association is requesting \$10,000 (ex GST) towards the delivery of the event.

Officers are supportive of the request by providing \$5,000 cash (ex GST).

Cairns Pirates Touch Football Assoc Inc for the 10 – 12 years Schools State Touch Football Carnival to the value of \$1,643 (ex GST).

Event Date: 18 – 21 May 2023

The Cairns Pirates Touch Football Association has been successful in securing the 10 – 12 years Schools State Touch Football Carnival for the second time in Cairns. Held over four days, the Carnival will be held at the Pirates home ground in Aeroglen.

With 1,700 players expected to participate in this junior competition, the event is anticipated to deliver substantial economic benefit to the region, with many families accompanying their children to Cairns. The competition also has the benefit of providing the opportunity for local Cairns teams to compete without incurring travel expenses.

Since 2016, Council resolved to support Cairns Pirates Touch Football Association Inc up to the value of \$17,424 (ex GST). This is detailed in the table below:

Funding Year	Event, Activity or Project	Amount (ex GST)
2022/2023	Go Clubs Essentials Assistance Grant	\$3,500
2021/2022	13 – 15 Years Touch Football State Championships	\$2,355
2018/2019	Go Clubs In-Kind Field Maintenance	\$2,479
2017/2018	Go Clubs In-Kind Field Maintenance	\$3,000
2016/2017	Go Clubs In-Kind Field Maintenance	\$3,373
2015/2016	Go Clubs In-Kind Field Maintenance	\$2,717

The Cairns Pirates Touch Football Assoc Inc. is requesting \$1,643 (ex GST) for the supply of grandstands. Officers are supportive of this request.

Deadly Inspiring Youth Doing Good (DIYDG) Aboriginal & Torres Strait Island Corporation for the Cairns NAIDOC ‘Friday in the Park’ 2023 to the value of \$8,700 (ex GST).

Event Date: 7 July 2023

The Cairns NAIDOC committee is partnering with DIYDG to deliver Cairns NAIDOC ‘Friday in the Park’ 2023. Held as part of NAIDOC Week, the celebration promotes and honours the history, culture, language, and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

3,000 people are anticipated to attend Cairns NAIDOC ‘Friday in the Park’ 2023 which commences with a march from the Munro Martin Parklands to Fogarty Park. One of the biggest and most popular events celebrated during NAIDOC Week, it celebrates the history, culture, and successes of our First Peoples.

Since 2022, Council resolved to support Deadly Inspiring Youth Doing Good (DIYDG) Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Corporation up to the value of \$6,429 (ex GST). This is detailed in the table below:

Funding Year	Event, Activity or Project	Amount (ex GST)
2022/2023	Cairns NAIDOC ‘Friday in the Park’ 2022	\$6,429

Deadly Inspiring Youth Doing Good (DIYDG) Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Corporation is requesting \$8,238 (ex GST) towards the delivery of the event.

Officers are supportive of the request by providing support up to the value of \$8,700 (ex GST) for venue hire and associated resources.

Fiji Community Association Far North Queensland for the Cairns Bula 7's Rugby Tournament to the value of \$10,000 (ex GST).

Event Date: 13 – 14 October 2023

The Cairns Bula 7's Rugby Tournament is held as part of the Fijian Independence Day festivities which are delivered by the Fiji Community Association Far North Queensland. Now in its third year, the Tournament features two days of competition at Jones Park and a celebratory dinner event.

The event, which will see 24 men's and 6 women's teams competing, is expected to attract over 800 players and spectators from the local region, intrastate and interstate. The Association is also hoping to bring a men's and women's development team from Fiji.

Focused on increasing visitation and derived economic benefit, the association has commenced talks with local media and Tourism Tropical North Queensland on how to best market the event.

Based on Council's event impact calculator, it is estimated this year's event will provide total visitor spend of \$236,520 to the region.

Since 2022 Council resolved to support Fiji Community Association Far North Queensland up to the value of \$10,000 (ex GST). This is detailed in the table below:

Funding Year	Event, Activity or Project	Amount (ex GST)
2022/2023	Cairns Bula 7's Rugby Tournament 2022	\$10,000

Fiji Community Association Far North Queensland is requesting \$25,000 (ex GST) towards the delivery of the event.

Officers are supportive of the request by providing \$10,000 cash (ex GST).

FNQ Thai Community Inc. to the value of \$15,000 (ex GST) for the FNQ Thai Cultural Loy Kra Thong Festival 2023.

Event Date: 25 November 2023

Loy Kra Thong is celebrated annually throughout Thailand and neighbouring countries. Celebrations include the floating of 'krathong' or buoyant decorated baskets, which are floated on rivers to thank the Goddess of Water or to worship the Buddha's hair pagoda in heaven. The origins of Loy Kra Thong can be traced back to both India and China.

FNQ Thai Cultural Community Inc. will celebrate Loy Kra Thong by delivering the FNQ Thai Cultural Loy Kra Thong Festival 2023 at the Western Events Lawn this November.

Similar to last year's event, activities include the community taking part in the releasing of approximately 100 traditional lotus-shaped boats in the Esplanade Lagoon as well as enjoying traditional Thai cuisine and entertainment including cultural dancing and a Muay Thai demonstration. Leisure Venues has approved this activity.

Since 2018, Council resolved to support the FNQ Community Inc. up to the value of \$17,398 (ex GST) for the hosting of the annual Festival as detailed below.

Funding Year	Event, Activity or Project	Amount (ex GST)
2022/2023	Thai Cultural Loy Kra Thong Festival 2022	\$5,000
2021/2022	Thai Cultural Loy Kra Thong Festival 2021	\$4,866
2019/2020	Thai Cultural Loy Kra Thong Festival 2019	\$4,532
2018/2019	Thai Cultural Loy Kra Thong Festival 2018	\$3,000

FNQ Thai Community Inc is requesting \$21,000 (ex GST) towards the delivery of the event.

Officers are supportive of the request by providing up to \$15,000 (ex GST) consisting of \$9,000 cash (ex GST) and the provision of venue hire and associated resources up to the value of \$6,000 (ex GST).

**Freshwater Tennis Club to the value of \$6,000 (ex GST) for the Freshwater Festival.
Event Date: 6 April & 1 December 2023**

The Freshwater Festival, a bi-annual event hosted by the Freshwater Tennis Club and supported by the Freshwater CWA, continues to offer residents of Freshwater and surrounding neighbourhoods' opportunities to meet, make new friends and strengthen connections to their community.

Held at Richmond Park and scheduled close to Easter and Christmas, the Freshwater Tennis Club intends to use the same successful format as past Festivals, which featured inter-club tennis tournaments, music, children's activities and a variety of market and food stalls. It is anticipated 1,000 people will attend each Festival.

Since 2017, Council resolved to support Freshwater Tennis Club to the value of \$70,384 (ex GST) for the following activities.

Funding Year	Event, Activity or Project	Amount (ex GST)
2022/2023	Freshwater Festival 2022	\$6,000
2021/2022	Go Clubs Infrastructure Assistance Grant	\$22,714
2021/2022	Go Clubs Essential Grant	\$1,340
2021/2022	Freshwater Festival 2021	\$15,000
2019/2020	Go Clubs Infrastructure Grant	\$8,000
2018/2019	Go Clubs Infrastructure Grant	\$3,350
2017/2018	Go Clubs Essentials Grant	\$5,000
2017/2018	Local Community Event	\$3,200
2017/2018	Community Services/ Community Development Disabled Inclusion	\$5,780

The Freshwater Tennis Club is requesting \$10,000 (ex GST) towards the delivery of the event.

Officers are supportive of the request by providing \$6,000 cash (ex GST).

Gordonvale District Chamber of Commerce Inc. to the value of \$6,000 (ex GST) for the Gordonvale Sugar Solstice Country Fair 2023.

Event Date: 10 June 2023

The Gordonvale Sugar Solstice Country Fair was created to celebrate the start of the sugar cane crushing season and as a means to bring the community together while showcasing the historical significance of Gordonvale and surrounds; particularly how agri-business has shaped the foundations of the community.

Held in Norman Park, the Country Fair has grown to become an important community event for Gordonvale and surrounds and is supported by local businesses, schools, and sporting groups.

The event commences with a street parade and includes walking tours throughout Gordonvale by the Mulgrave Historical Society, children's activities and a variety of market and food stalls. It will conclude with a fireworks finale.

Since 2016 Council resolved to support Gordonvale Chamber of Commerce Inc. to the value of \$30,500 (ex GST) for the following activities.

Funding Year	Event, Activity or Project	Amount (ex GST)
2022/2023	Gordonvale Carols in the Park	\$3,500
2021/2022	Gordonvale Sugar Solstice Country Fair 2022	\$7,500
2021/2022	Gordonvale Carols in the Park	\$3,500
2020/2021	Gordonvale Sugar Solstice 2021	\$7,500
2019/2020	Gordonvale Carols in the Park	\$3,500
2016/2017	Animal Education Day	\$5,000

Gordonvale Chamber of Commerce is requesting \$17,000 (ex GST) towards the delivery of the event.

Officers are supportive of the request by providing 6,000 cash (ex GST).

Lions Club of Cairns Marlin Coast to the value of \$11,000 (ex GST) for FNQ Dogs Day Out.

Event Date: 1 July 2023

The Lions Club of Cairns Marlin Coast is partnering with Cairns Regional Council to present the annual FNQ Dogs Day Out 2023.

Held at Barron Waters Park Caravonica, the event encourages dog lovers in the region to explore, learn and experience all that is canine. Activities include agility and training demonstrations, market stalls with pet products, community organisations, entertainment, and food. Responsible dog ownership is a key focus of the FNQ Dogs Day Out with the

RSPCA, Cairns City Kennels, YAPS and Guide Dogs all participating in the event.

In addition to the provision of support through the Community Partnerships Grant stream, Council is also providing support for this event through the Animal Management Education Program.

Since 2021, Council resolved to support Lions Club of Cairns Marlin Coast Inc. to the value of \$24,000 (ex GST) for the following activities:

Funding Year	Event, Activity or Project	Amount (ex GST)
2022/2023	FNQ Dogs Day Out 2022	\$6,000
2021/2022	Festival of the Beaches 2022	\$12,000
2020/2021	Festival of the Beaches 2021	\$6,000

Lions Club Marlin Coast Inc. is requesting \$22,000 (ex GST) towards the delivery of the event.

Officers are supportive of the request by providing \$11,000 cash (ex GST).

Lions Club of Cairns Marlin Coast to the value of \$6,000 (ex GST) for Festival of the Beaches.

Event Date: 19 May & 8 December 2023

Festival of the Beaches is a bi-annual event which provides the opportunity for the residents to meet, make new friends, trade, and connect in a fun environment.

Held at Coast Watchers Park the Festival features music and performances from Trinity Anglican School students, local and international food offerings, arts and crafts markets and an array of children's activities.

With an expected attendance of 1,200 people, the event also provides the opportunity for the Lions Club to increase its membership and to raise funds to support local charities.

Since 2021, Council resolved to support Lions Club of Cairns Marlin Coast Inc. to the value of \$24,000 (ex GST) for the following activities:

Funding Year	Event, Activity or Project	Amount (ex GST)
2022/2023	FNQ Dogs Day Out 2022	\$6,000
2021/2022	Festival of the Beaches 2022	\$12,000
2020/2021	Festival of the Beaches 2021	\$6,000

Lions Club Marlin Coast Inc. is requesting \$10,000 (ex GST) towards the delivery of the event.

Officers are supportive of the request by providing \$6,000 cash (ex GST).

Marlin Coast Rangers Football Club Inc. to the value of \$12,000 (ex GST) for the QRSS 10 – 12 years Girls and Boys Football State Championships 2023.

Event Date: 3 – 6 August 2023

Marlin Coast Rangers Football Club Inc. has been selected by Peninsula School Sport to host the QRSS 10 – 12 years Girls and Boys Football State Championships, a four-day competition bringing school football teams from across the state to Cairns.

Held at the Marlin Coast Rangers home ground in Trinity Beach, the competition will bring together 24 representative teams throughout Queensland. It is anticipated that a total 900 people will attend the event comprising of 384 players, referees, and team management, and over 500 spectators and local and state dignitaries.

Based on Council's event impact calculator, it is estimated this year's event will provide total visitor spend of \$979,200 to the region.

Since 2016, Council resolved to support Marlin Coast Rangers Football Club Inc. to the value of \$21,267 (ex GST) for the following activities:

Funding Year	Event, Activity or Project	Amount (ex GST)
2021/2022	2022 QRSS Girls State Championships U13 – U15 & U16 – U19	\$13,813
2020/2021	Go Clubs In-Kind Field Maintenance	\$2,700
2018/2019	Go Clubs In-Kind Field Maintenance	\$2,954
2016/2017	Go Clubs In-Kind Essentials	\$1,800

Marlin Coast Rangers Football Club Inc. is requesting \$15,306 (ex GST) towards the delivery of the event.

Officers are supportive of the request by providing \$12,000 cash (ex GST).

Peninsula School Sport to the value of \$2,100 (ex GST) for the All Abilities Sports Day for Students with Disabilities.

Event Date: 31 August 2023

Peninsula School Sport is one of 12 regional school sport boards across Queensland and is responsible for the provision and administration of school sport for ages 10-19 years in the Far North Queensland (FNQ) region.

All Abilities Sports Day for Students with Disabilities is an annual event which encourages local schools to participate in an interactive sports day for students of all abilities. The intent of the event is to provide fun, friendship, development, and participation in a non-competitive sporting environment.

Local sporting organisations, service providers and development officers are invited to participate in this event, which is aimed at highlighting available pathways and access to sports for students with disabilities. The event also provides opportunities for teachers to upskill and apply this knowledge in creating programs for their own schools.

350 students from the Cairns region are expected to participate in over 14 sporting

activities on this 'Come Try Out' day at Barlow Park.

Since 2021, Council has resolved to support Peninsula School Sports to the value of \$13,201 (ex GST) for the following activities.

Funding Year	Event, Activity or Project	Amount (ex GST)
2022/2023	All Abilities Sports Day for Students with Disabilities 2022	\$700
2021/2022	All Abilities Sports Day for Students with Disabilities 2021	\$811
2021/2022	11 – 12 Years Boys Rugby League State Championships	\$11,690

Peninsula School Sport is requesting \$1,864 (ex GST) towards the delivery of the event.

Officers are supportive of the request up to the value of \$2,100 (ex GST) consisting of \$1,050 cash (ex GST) and up to the value of \$1,050 (ex GST) for venue hire and associated resources.

Playgroup Queensland Ltd up to the value of \$2,100 (ex GST) for the Messy Play Matters 2023.

Event Date: 26 May 2023

Since 2017, Playgroup Queensland Ltd has delivered Messy Play Matters, an event that promotes sensory and messy play to families with children aged up to five years.

Attracting approximately 600 people, the event is designed for young families to connect while enjoying an enriched learning experience in an inclusive and accessible setting.

Activities include face painting, Indigenous and cultural activities, and children's entertainment for all to enjoy. Relevant community organisations will have the opportunity to participate and promote their services.

Since 2016, Council resolved to support Playgroup Queensland Ltd to the value of \$11,333 (ex GST) for the following activities:

Funding Year	Event, Activity or Project	Amount (ex GST)
2021/2022	Messy Play Matters 2022	\$4,500
2019/2020	Cairns Messy Play	\$1,083
2018/2019	Cairns Messy Play – Mayors Discretionary Fund	\$500
2018/2019	Cairns Messy Play	\$2,217
2017/2018	Cairns Messy Play	\$400
2016/2017	Cairns Messy Play	\$241
2016/2017	National Playgroup Week Cairns	\$2,392

Playgroup Queensland Ltd is requesting \$7,028 (ex GST) towards the delivery of the event.

Officers are supportive of the request up to the value of \$2,100 (ex GST) for venue hire

and associated resources.

Redlynch Valley Community Group Inc. to the value of \$11,270 (ex GST) for the Redlynch Community Twilight Markets 2023.

Event Date: 21 April, 9 June, 11 August, 13 October & 2 December 2023

The Redlynch Community Twilight Markets are held five times a year at Xavier Herbert Park in Redlynch from 5:00pm – 8:30pm. The markets, which provide the opportunity for the residents of Redlynch Valley to gather and connect, feature a festival atmosphere with live music, food and beverage stalls and children’s activities.

While Xavier Herbert Park is an ideal location to host these markets, the park does not have sufficient toilets or lights to support an evening activity and these items need to be hired for each market.

Since 2016, Council resolved to support Redlynch Valley Community Group Inc. to the value of \$37,317 (ex GST) for the following activities:

Funding Year	Event, Activity or Project	Amount (ex GST)
2022/2023	Redlynch Halloween “Tunnel of Terror” 2022	\$2,422
2021/2022	Redlynch Community Twilight Markets 2022	\$10,000
2021/2022	Halloween “Tunnel of Terror” 2021	\$1,400
2021/2022	Redlynch Christmas Fair	\$1,500
2020/2021	Redlynch Community Twilight Markets 2021	\$10,000
2020/2021	Redlynch Christmas Fair	\$1,500
2019/2020	Redlynch Christmas Fair	\$1,500
2018/2019	Halloween “Tunnel of Terror”	\$2,495
2017/2018	Redlynch Christmas Festival	\$3,500
2016/2017	Redlynch Christmas Festival	\$3,000

Redlynch Valley Community Group Inc. is requesting \$11,270 (ex GST) towards the delivery of the event.

Officers are supportive of the request by providing \$11,270 cash (ex GST).

Rovers Cricket Club Cairns Inc. to the value of \$5,000 (ex GST) for the Rovers Cricket Club NAIDOC Week Carnival.

Event Date: 9 - 11 June 2023

Held at Endeavour Park, the NAIDOC Week Cricket Carnival aims to engage and connect with First Peoples through the delivery of cricket experiences and features three days of Junior and Senior cricket competitions and a Come and Try Day for young children.

The senior competition consists of six men’s and two women’s teams from local Cairns and Mulgrave Cricket Clubs with the Yarrabah Club invited to participate. The junior competition, a Master Blaster (four batting overs and two bowling overs) will be overseen by volunteers and Cricket Queensland representatives, who will also provide activities for the Come and Try Day games.

This year's event has been intentionally scheduled outside of school holidays to attract more children. Queensland Cricket will be promoting and supporting the event whilst delivering their existing cricket programs at local schools at Cairns West State School, Balaclava State School, Whitfield State School and Parramatta State School.

Cultural dancing, live entertainment from local indigenous artists and pop-up stalls from community organisations specialising in health and Indigenous support will be featured throughout the Carnival.

Since 2021, Council resolved to support Rovers Cricket Club Cairns Inc. to the value of \$9,030 (ex GST) for the following activities:

Funding Year	Event, Activity or Project	Amount (ex GST)
2022/2023	Rovers Cricket Club NAIDOC Week Carnival 2022	\$4,500
2021/2022	Go Clubs Essentials Grant	\$4,530

Rovers Cricket Club Cairns Inc. is requesting \$15,000 (ex GST) towards the delivery of the event.

Officers are supportive of the request by providing \$5,000 in cash (ex GST).

The Dr Edward Koch Foundation Limited to the value of \$8,200 (ex GST) for the 'All of Us Festival – Celebrating Mental Health'
Event Date: 8 October 2023

The third annual 'All of Us Festival - Celebrating Mental Health' is to take place on Sunday 8 October as part of Mental Health Week (7 - 15 October 2023) in Fogarty Park.

Delivered by The Dr Edward Koch Foundation Ltd, the event is designed to raise awareness of the importance of mental health and provide information and connection to mental health and support services.

The Festival is expected to attract 6,000 people and will feature a variety concert including multicultural and school performances, food and market stalls, children's activities, and a low sensory tent for those with special needs. Mental health agencies and local support services will be invited to participate at this year's Festival.

Any proceeds from the Festival will benefit the Foundation's Backyard Renovation Program which is developed to improve the mental, social, and physical results of isolated residents who require assistance with a minor backyard makeover.

Since 2017, Council resolved to support The Dr Edward Koch Foundation Ltd. to a total value of \$18,284 (ex GST). This is detailed in the table below:

Funding Year	Event, Activity or Project	Amount
2022/2023	All of Us Festival – Celebrating Mental Health Week	\$9,326
2021/2022	All of Us Festival – Celebrating Mental Health Week	\$6,000
2017/2018	You're Not Alone – Suicide Awareness Concert	\$2,958

The Dr Edward Koch Foundation Limited is requesting \$14,869 (ex GST) towards the delivery of the event.

Officers are supportive of the request by providing up to \$8,200 (ex GST) consisting of \$2,000 cash (ex GST) and up to \$6,200 in venue hire and associated resources.

Cancer Council Queensland to the value of \$16,900 (ex GST) for Far North Queensland Relay for Life 2023

Event Date: 15 July 2023

Far North Queensland Relay for Life 2023 is a vital fundraising event for the Cancer Council Queensland. The event is of significance to families and groups in the community whose lives have been impacted by cancer and provides connection in understanding experiences and importantly, to reflect on the lives of loved ones.

The funds raised at the event will be used to support Cancer Council Queensland's services, research, and prevention projects, and will provide ongoing positive impact on vulnerable people of Cairns and the surrounding community.

800 people are expected to participate in the day, with activities to include a Cancer Carers and Survivors Walk, a Candlelight Ceremony and the multi-hour relay around Barlow Park, live music and performances, market stalls and food vans.

Since 2015, Council resolved to support Cancer Council Queensland to a total value of \$104,061 (ex GST). This is detailed in the table below:

Funding Year	Event, Activity or Project	Amount
2021/2022	Far North Queensland Relay for Life 2022	\$9,650
2020/2021	Cairns Relay for Life 2021	\$24,000
2019/2020	Cairns Relay for Life 2020	\$24,000
2018/2019	Cairns Relay for Life 2019	\$24,000
2017/2018	Cairns Relay for Life 2018	\$7,470
2016/2017	Cairns Relay for Life 2017	\$7,470
2015/2016	Cairns Relay for Life 2016	\$7,471

Cancer Council Queensland is requesting \$16,900 (ex GST) towards the delivery of the event.

Officers are supportive of the request by providing up to \$16,900 (ex GST) towards venue hire and associated resources.

Applications not recommended for funding

The following applications are not recommended for funding:

Applicant	Event	Amount requested (ex GST)
DanceSport Australia Limited	North Queensland DanceSport Championships	\$25,000
Illuminate-FNQ Ltd.	International Space, Science and Environment Festival	\$25,000

Applicant	Event	Amount requested (ex GST)
Rights In Action Inc.	Supports in Action	\$4,948
The Benevolent Society	Neighbourhood Days	\$12,217

OPTIONS:**Option 1:** (Recommended)

That Council:

1. Approves \$153,413 (ex GST) funding from the 2022/2023 Community Partnerships Grant to the following applicants:
 - a. All In Line Events Inc. for Stars in the Tropics to the value of \$7,400 (ex GST).
 - b. Australian Arakanese Association Cairns Inc. for the Arakanese New Year Water Festival up to the value of \$15,000 (ex GST).
 - c. Bats and Trees Society of Cairns Inc. for the Cairns Bat Festival to the value of \$4,000 (ex GST).
 - d. Cairns Multicultural Committee for the CARMA Youth Empowerment 'Cairns Youth Got Talent' up to the value of \$17,000 (ex GST).
 - e. Cairns Municipal Band Incorporated Association for WinterFest to the value of \$5,000 (ex GST).
 - f. Cairns Pirates Touch Football Assoc Inc. for the 10–12 years Schools State Touch Football Carnival up to the value of \$1,643 (ex GST).
 - g. Deadly Inspiring Youth Doing Good (DIYDG) Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Corporation for the Cairns NAIDOC 'Friday in the Park' 2023 up to the value of \$8,700 (ex GST).
 - h. Fiji Community Association Far North Queensland for the Cairns Bula 7's Rugby Tournament to the value of \$10,000 (ex GST).
 - i. FNQ Thai Community Inc. for the FNQ Thai Cultural Loy Kra Thong Festival 2023 up to the value of \$15,000 (ex GST).
 - j. Freshwater Tennis Club for the Freshwater Festival to the value of \$6,000 (ex GST).
 - k. Gordonvale District Chamber of Commerce Inc. for the Gordonvale Sugar Solstice Country Fair to the value of \$6,000 (ex GST).
 - l. Lions Club of Cairns Marlin Coast for FNQ Dogs Day Out to the value of \$11,000 (ex GST).

- m. Lions Club of Cairns Marlin Coast for Festival of the Beaches to the value of \$6,000 (ex GST).
 - n. Marlin Coast Rangers Football Club Inc. for the QRSS 10-12 years Girls and Boys Football State Championships 2023 to the value of \$12,000 (ex GST).
 - o. Peninsula School Sport for the All Abilities Sports Day for Students with Disabilities up to the value of \$2,100 (ex GST).
 - p. Playgroup Queensland Ltd for Messy Play Matters 2023 up to the value of \$2,100 (ex GST).
 - q. Redlynch Valley Community Group Inc. for the Redlynch Community Twilight Markets 2023 to the value of \$11,270 (ex GST).
 - r. Rovers Cricket Club Cairns Inc. for the Rovers Cricket Club NAIDOC Week Carnival to the value of \$5,000 (ex GST).
 - s. The Dr Edward Koch Foundation Ltd for the All of Us Festival – Celebrating Qld Mental Health Week up to the value of \$8,200 (ex GST).
2. Approves \$16,900 (ex GST) funding from the 2023/2024 Community Partnerships Grant to the Cancer Council Queensland for Far North Queensland Relay for Life 2023 to the value of \$16,900 (ex GST).
 3. Delegates authority to the Chief Executive Officer in accordance with the *Local Government Act 2009* to finalise any and all matters relating to the above funding agreements.

Option 2:

That Council does not endorse the recommendations and adopts an alternative funding allocation.

CONSIDERATIONS:

Risk Management:

COVID-19 restrictions have increased the costs to deliver events, activities, and projects in the region as organisers comply with COVID-19 requirements. Currently there are no restrictions on attendee numbers or attendee restrictions for events.

Council Finance and the Local Economy:

Budget considerations:

- The Community Partnerships Grant has an allocation of \$651,388 (ex GST) for the 2022/2023 financial year.
- \$434,276 (ex GST) of funds have already been allocated.
- Recommended funding in this report amounts to \$153,413 (ex GST).
- The remaining balance available for distribution is \$63,699 (ex GST).

2022/23	
2022/23 Budget	\$651,388
Currently allocated	\$434,276
Recommended in this report	\$153,413
Remaining Budget 2022/23	\$63,699

The Out of Round request for Cancer Council Queensland to the value of \$16,900 (ex GST) will be considered in the 2023/2024 Community Assistance/Outgoing Grant Budget – Community Partnerships Grant Stream.

Corporate and Operational Plans:

The applications recommended in this report align with Council's Corporate Plan 2021 – 2026:

- Focus One – Robust Economy
Strategy: Optimise visitation and tourism opportunities.

- Focus Four – Community Culture

Strategy: Support diverse sport, cultural and community groups that contribute to wellbeing.

ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment 1: Interested Parties



Vania Bau
Community Partnerships Officer



Brett Spencer
Executive Manager Community Life



Destry Puia
Director Lifestyle and Community

ATTACHMENT 1: INTERESTED PARTIES**All In Line Events Inc.**

Committee Position	Name
President	Christine Herbing
Treasurer	Steve Herbing
Secretary	Cristine Herbing
Committee Member	Daryl O'Reily
Committee Member	Carol O'Reily

Australian Arakanese Association Cairns Inc.

Committee Position	Name
President	Kaing Soe Win
Treasurer	Maung Saw Hlaing
Secretary	Kaing Moe Oo

Bats and Trees Society of Cairns Inc.

Committee Position	Name
President	Maree Treadwell Kerr
Treasurer	Brynn Matthews
Secretary	Sera Steves
Committee Member	Hilary Whitehouse
Committee Member	Moira Stephens
Committee Member	Noel Preece
Committee Member	Kathleen Agar
Committee Member	Cheryl Hudson
Committee Member	Gaby Schierenbeck

Cairns Multicultural Committee

Committee Position	Name
President	Kesa Strieby
Treasurer	Dariush Mishafiei
Secretary	Cicilia Halaholo
Committee Member	Alison Geno
Committee Member	Joshua Crathers
Committee Member	Adrian Tofilau
Committee Member	Julie Ormsby

Cairns Municipal Band Incorporated Association

Committee Position	Name
President	Gary Turner
Treasurer	Noel Rumble
Secretary	Chris Wright
Committee Member	Andrea Leumann
Committee Member	Andrew Stevens
Committee Member	Fred Humphreys
Committee Member	Jo Wells
Committee Member	John Gibbs
Committee Member	John Sexton
Committee Member	Jude Friesen

Committee Member	Knobby Neilsen
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Cairns Pirates Touch Football Assoc. Inc.

Committee Position	Name
President	Peter Rowe
Treasurer	Larry Hunter
Secretary	Jane Anderson
Committee Member	Graham Telfer

DanceSport Australia Limited

Committee Position	Name
President	Riana Morellini
Treasurer	Denise Telfer
Secretary	Rebecca Beardsley
Committee Member	Richard Perry
Committee Member	Lin McFarlane
Committee Member	Kevin Morellini
Committee Member	Jennifer Jones
Committee Member	Greg Telfer
Committee Member	Sharon Courts

Deadly Inspiring Youth Doing Good (DIYG) Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Corporation

Committee Position	Name
President	Semara Jose
Treasurer	Porsha O'Brien
Secretary	Stacee Christian
Committee Member	Praneel Bahela
Committee Member	Kai Lowah

Fiji Community Association Far North Queensland

Committee Position	Name
President	Ili Cava
Treasurer	Kesaia Vunibokoi
Secretary	Pauline Brown
Committee Member	Elenoa Bolawaqatabu
Committee Member	Lopeti Kaukimoce
Committee Member	Eroni Raivarovaro
Committee Member	Popipate Vula
Committee Member	Ipolito Tikoibua
Committee Member	Kesa Strieby

FNQ Thai Community Inc.

Committee Position	Name
President	Thanapan Kulsant Yuri
Treasurer	Oranuch Vilaivong
Secretary	Chanpen Grause
Committee Member	Arisa Kaewwangsang
Committee Member	Lakhana Jenkin
Committee Member	Thong Thammajak

Committee Position	Name
Committee Member	Ticha Harris
Committee Member	Nim Stilson
Committee Member	Junya Thongsa
Committee Member	Simintra Growner
Committee Member	Tony Robinson
Committee Member	Phermpoon Anderson

Freshwater Tennis Club

Committee Position	Name
President	Brian Davis
Treasurer	Jane Docherty
Secretary	Sean Lesina
Committee Member	Kane Brown
Committee Member	Shaji Chope
Committee Member	Don Curruthers
Committee Member	Margaret Linklater
Committee Member	Karen Howser

Gordonvale District Chamber of Commerce Inc.

Committee Position	Name
President	Susan Byrne-Callaghan
Treasurer	Fran Moore
Secretary	Allan Dredge
Committee Member	Lorraine Roadley
Committee Member	Michael Roadley
Committee Member	Sue Thompson

Illuminate – FNQ Ltd.

Committee Position	Name
Director, Acting CEO	Sharon Bonython-Ericson
Director	Gill Mailman
Director	Jenny Fraser

Lions Club of Cairns Marlin Coast Inc.

Committee Position	Name
President	Janet Fitzgerald
Treasurer	Karen McMullen
Secretary	Norm McMullen
Committee Member	Peter Budd
Committee Member	Peter Lawton
Committee Member	Margaret Green

Marlin Coast Rangers Football Club

Committee Position	Name
President	Rod Hickling
Treasurer	Sue Hickling
Secretary	Sarah Mitchell
Committee Member	Nic Stevens
Committee Member	Gary Morton

Committee Position	Name
Committee Member	Conan Berry
Committee Member	Belinda Patmore
Committee Member	Kirsty Jennings
Committee Member	Andrea Palumbo

Playgroup Queensland Ltd.

Committee Position	Name
Chair	Gloria Sherlock
CEO	Kirsty Dixon
Director	Christine Chew
Director	Jane Bourne
Director	Jane Won
Director	Janice Elsley

Redlynch Valley Community Group Inc.

Committee Position	Name
President	TBC
Treasurer	Heung Joon Oh
Secretary	TBC
Committee Member	Shane Trimby
Committee Member	Bettina Gall
Committee Member	Paola Mejia

Rights In Action Inc.

Committee Position	Name
President	James Brown
Treasurer	Gwion Cain
Secretary	Yvonne Todd
Committee Member	John Hartigan
Committee Member	Luke Wenitong
Committee Member	Priya Varsani
Committee Member	Brody Oxenham

Rovers Cricket Club Cairns Inc.

Committee Position	Name
President	John Margiotta
Treasurer	Noelle Halpin
Secretary	Mark Malone
Committee Member	Peter Ferguson
Committee Member	Darren Halpin
Committee Member	Joshua Chadwick

The Benevolent Society

Committee Position	Name
Chair	Tim Beresford
Director	Charles Prouse
Director	Andrew Yates
Director	Rod Young

Committee Position	Name
Director	Christine Feldmanis
Director	Nancy Milne
Director	Robyn Mildon
Director	Robert Griew

The Dr Edward Koch Foundation Limited

Committee Position	Name
President	Graham Koch
Treasurer	Julia Petersen
Secretary	Dulcie Bird
Committee Member	Neil Parsons
Committee Member	Alan Griffiths
Committee Member	David Garozzo-Vaglio

Cancer Council Queensland

Committee Position	Name
President	Mal Mackney
Secretary	Danielle Reithmiller
Committee Member	Maureen Fields
Committee Member	Robin Piccolo
Committee Member	Tammy Lucas
Committee Member	Gerry Mier
Committee Member	Tara Barnwell
Committee Member	Sharni Whittaker
Committee Member	Leanne Hutchinson
Committee Member	Leanne Dance
Committee Member	Joy Meany

Note: The identification of interested parties is provided on a best endeavours basis by Council Officers and may not be exhaustive