

International Relations Committee

Notice of Meeting & Agenda 16 August 2018

Committee Terms of Reference

1. *To facilitate, support and promote cultural, sporting, education, tourism and economic partnership opportunities between Bunbury and its international partners including but not limited to its Sister City and Friendship City relationships.*
2. *To encourage, through Sister City and other international relationships, greater understanding and friendship between City of Bunbury residents and participating cities and in doing so contribute to the mutual benefit of all communities involved.*
3. *To foster the involvement of commercial, educational and community organisations in various aspects of international relationships and to encourage the development of special links with overseas counterparts.*
4. *To promote Bunbury's international relationships to the wider community, in turn increasing community awareness and participation.*
5. *To advise Council on issues of importance and provide ideas for extending affiliations and developing new international partnerships.*
6. *To ensure all communications to Mayors of Bunbury's international partners are undertaken through the Office of the Mayor.*

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International Relations Committee Notice of Meeting

Dear Committee Members

The next Ordinary Meeting of the International Relations Committee (IRC) will be held in the Lighthouse Room at the City of Bunbury Administration Building, 4 Stephen Street, Bunbury on Thursday 16 August 2018 at 10:00am.

Signed:



Director

Date of Issue:

Agenda 16 August 2018

Members of the public to note that recommendations made by this committee are not final and will be subject to adoption (or otherwise) at a future meeting of the Bunbury City Council.

Committee Members:

Member Name	Representing
Mayor Gary Brennan	Councillor Representative
Cr Tresslyn Smith	Councillor Representative
Mr Paul Springate	Community Representative
Ms Felicity Farnell	Community Representative
Ms Amanda Yip	Community Representative
Ms Pauline Vukelic	Community Representative
Ms Valda Smith	Community Representative
Mayor Gary Brennan	City of Bunbury

Ex-officio Members (non-voting):

Member Name	Title
Mr Mark Exeter	South West Development Commission Representative
Ms Lyn Farrell	Edith Cowan University SW Campus Representative
Mr Yan Lyu	Bunbury-Jiaxing Business Office Representative

Support Staff:

Name	Title
Gary Barbour	Director Planning and Development Services
Carol McDowall	Senior Officer International Relations
Kristen Mildwaters	Property Officer
Kylie Tucker	Administration Assistant

1. Declaration of Opening

2. Disclaimer

Not applicable to this committee.

3. Announcements from the Presiding Member

4. Attendances

4.1. Apologies

Pauline Vukelic

4.2. Approved Leave of Absence

Felicity Farnell

5. Declaration of Interest

IMPORTANT: Committee members to complete a "Disclosure of Interest" form for each item on the agenda in which they wish to disclose a financial/proximity/impartiality interest. They should give the form to the Presiding Member <u>before</u> the meeting commences. After the meeting, the form is to be forwarded to the Administration Services Section for inclusion in the Corporate Financial Disclosures Register.
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6. Public Question Time

7. Confirmation of Minutes

The Minutes of the meeting of the International Relations Committee Meeting held 21 June 2018 had been circulated.

Recommendation

That the Minutes of the International Relations Committee Meeting held 21 June 2018 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

8. Petitions, Presentations and Deputations

8.1. *Petitions*

8.2. *Presentations*

8.3. *Deputations*

9. Method of Dealing with Agenda Business

Items are dealt with in the order that they appear.

10. Reports

10.1. General Update on Current Status

Applicant/Proponent:	Internal Report		
Responsible Officer:	Carol McDowall, Senior Officer International Relations		
Responsible Manager:	Kristin Mildwaters, Property Officer		
Executive:	Gary Barbour, Director Planning and Development Services		
Authority/Discretion	<input type="checkbox"/> Advocacy	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Review	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Executive/Strategic	<input type="checkbox"/> Quasi-Judicial	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Legislative	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Information Purposes	
Attachments:	Nil		

Summary

This purpose of this report is to inform the International Relations Committee on the current status of the International Relations Office.

Executive Recommendation

That the International Relations Committee review the General Update on Current Status.

Voting Requirement: Simple Majority

Strategic Relevance

Theme 1	Our community and culture
Goal	A safe, healthy and cohesive community, with a rich cultural life, and supportive social environment
Objective 1.3	A welcoming community, where diverse cultures are valued, and residents have a sense of belonging

Background

There are ongoing programs run by the City of Bunbury through our long term formal sister and friendship city relationships, as well as events and programs guided by the International Relations Department strategic framework. This item is designed to outline these, their current status and future directions.

Council Policy Compliance

There is no Council Policy applicable to this report.

Legislative Compliance

Local Government Act 1995

Officer Comments

Current and future events and activities are outlined below by relationship country.

Japan

11 August 2018

South West Festival of Japan

The South West Festival of Japan held at BREC Cube Theatre and Wellington Suites room sold out at 600 tickets. This has been a hugely popular event with people travelling from all over the south West, Perth and Mandurah. This is a one off event, but thought should be given to making this an annual event on the City of Bunbury event calendar if there is a community group willing to support it.

9 September 2018

Hanami Day at the Friendship Park at Queens Garden

This year's Hanami Day is being run by the parents of the 2018 Tokyo Talent Tour and will take place on Sunday 9 September at Queens Garden.

10 to 24 September 2018

Setagaya Junior High School Exchange with BCGS

This is a biennial tour between BCGS and the City of Setagaya. The first exchange took place in 2016 and early 2017. The incoming Setagaya Junior High School students arrive on 10 September 2018 and depart on the 22nd of September. They will be hosted by BCGS families and attend school most days. This year, the Mayoral Farewell for our Tokyo Talent Tour students will coincide with the Mayoral Welcome for the Setagaya Junior High School students on 12 September at BREC Cube Theatre. The Bunbury students will travel to Japan for their exchange in early January 2019 for three weeks.

14-16 September 2018

Gathering About Bonsai at BRAG

The Gathering About Bonsai event is a weekend long event of workshops, demonstrations, discussions and sales. The event is being run by the Bonsai Society WA and they are handling all registrations and the event on the weekend. This event will attract people from all over the South West. The Bonsai Society WA hopes that it will become an annual event. Friday night will feature a community welcome with light refreshments at BRAG where the Friends of Setagaya can come and view the bonsai at BRAG and meet the members of the bonsai workshop. \$100 for the full weekend, \$80 for Saturday, \$50 for Sunday.

Saturday 22 September 2018

Japanese Knot Bag Workshop at BRAG

This workshop is being run by Sarah Ashburner who owns a business called Japonica. Using Japanese fabrics, workshop attendees can make a Japanese knot bag under Sarah's instruction. Attendees must bring their own sewing machine. \$35, includes fabric.

25 to 27 September 2018

Japanese Film Festival Regional

For the fourth year running, Bunbury has been host to the Japanese Film Festival Regional. In 2017 the Festival was held at BREC Theatre One for the school screening and the Rose Hotel for the general screenings. The 2017 Festival attracted 437 attendees. In 2018 the entire Festival will be held at BREC with the school screening at Theatre One and the general screenings in the Cube Theatre. To date, we have received over 500 RSVPs for the school screening. Tickets to the general screenings are available on BREC's website. The Friday night film is a comedy, *Thermae Romae* and the Saturday night movie is an anime movie, *In This Corner of the World*.

September 24 to 5 October 2018

Tokyo Talent Tour (2018 Goodwill Tour to Setagaya)

This year's Goodwill Tour to Setagaya incorporates workshops and demonstrations in performing arts, visual arts and sports. Students will undertake workshops in taiko drumming, manga illustration, judo as well as visiting the Hakone Open Air Art Museum and experiencing cultural arts with the Setagaya Seniors Club and traditional craft at Jidayubori Koen (historic farm house). Students will perform their musical numbers at official City of Setagaya events as well as the schools.

2 to 7 November 2018

Incoming Tour from Setagaya

The incoming primary tour from Setagaya will arrive in Bunbury on Friday 2 November and depart on Wednesday 7 November. Students will visit Koombana Bay, the Wellington Forest Discovery Centre, the Bunbury Museum, the Bunbury Surf Life Saving Club as well as Bunbury Primary and Djidi Djidi Aboriginal School.

11 November 2018

Bunbury Runners Club to Setagaya

This year, two runners from Bunbury will travel to Setagaya to compete in the Setagaya 246 Half Marathon.

2 March – 7 April 2019

Tokyo FRUiTS at BRAG

The Japan Foundation is a part sponsor of this exciting exhibition. FRUiTS Magazine told stories from Harajuku, the creative centre of Tokyo fashion. The Tokyo FRUiTS exhibition, 20 Years of Street Fashion, will map the myriad of trends and multiple identities of Tokyo fashion, through a selection of FRUiTS street snaps curated by its creator, Photographer Schoichi Aoki.

Incoming Setagaya Runners

Three Waters Running Festival April 2019

Bunbury-Setagaya Sister Cities will welcome the visiting runners from Setagaya on the eve of the marathon and half marathon.

2019 November Setagaya Citizens Choir and Setagaya Philharmonic Orchestra

The Setagaya Citizens Choir and the Setagaya Philharmonic Orchestra have confirmed that they will visit Bunbury in November 2019. The two groups will have joint performances with the Bel Canto Singers and the South West Philharmonic Orchestra.

Wine Import Interest

Mr Kuriyama and Mr Arai intend to visit Bunbury and regional wineries with the aim of importing wines to Setagaya. Contact has been made with the Bunbury Geographe Wine Show to see if a visit can be coordinated at the same time as the show. Discussions continue

China

9 December 2018

Christmas in the City

In a bid to make the Christmas in the City Parade more of an attraction, a float has been hired by the CoB events team that can be utilised by the supporters of the Bunbury-Jiaxing supporters. The float is a giant inflatable dragon.

12 January to 24 February 2019 at BRAG

Jiaxing Peasant Painting Exhibition

Jiaxing have agreed to send over a collection of Peasant Paintings for exhibition at BRAG.

2 February 2019

Bunbury Chinese New Year Festival

2019 Festival will be Year of the Pig and held on 2 February 2019 on Victoria Street on the Café Strip. Maker & Co will be used for inside spaces. The Festival will form part of the Bunbury Fringe Festival.

Vietnam

September school holidays 2018

Bunbury City Band Delegation to Nha Trang

The Bunbury City Band is taking a delegation of 28 band members to Nha Trang to perform at venues around the city. There will be a Mayoral Farewell on 9 September 2018 at Bunbury City Band Rooms. The People's Committee of Khanh Hoa Province has approved this visit and will assist the band with the logistics of the various concert performances.

12 -17 October 2018

Incoming Mayoral Delegation from Nha Trang

We have been advised by the City of Nha Trang that they will send a Leadership Mission to Australia. They will visit Sydney, Melbourne and Bunbury somewhere between 12 and 17 October 2018.

General

9 December 2018

Christmas in the City

As mentioned previously, the CoB has hired a dragon float that will form the centre of our Sister Cities Parade. Also in the parade will be the students of the 2018 Tokyo Talent Tour, who will be pushing the new and improved mikoshi. This year, people in the parade will be allowed to hand out flyers, lollies, etc and we look forward to making this parade the best yet. We will not be having a stall at the Christmas in the City event this year.

23 February 2019

Bunbury Multicultural Festival

The Bunbury Sister and Friendship Cities have been invited again to host the Sister City Café with more information on how to get involved in the sister city program. We are currently investigating the best way to deliver this product.

11. Applications for Leave of Absence

12. Questions from Members

12.1. Response to Previous Questions from Members taken on Notice

Nil

12.2. *Questions from Members*

No questions had been received at the time of printing

13. Urgent Business

14. Date of Next Meeting

The next formal meeting will be held 18 October 2018

15. Close of Meeting

Comp list

No of tickets

Anwen Candy	1
Lee	1
Sharon	1
Liz Allen	1 City of Bunbury
Jacob Allan	1 City of Bunbury
Zach Allan	1 City of Bunbury
Danielle Norton	1 Bonsai
Kai Norton	1 Bonsai
Cohen Norton	1 Bonsai
Roy McDowall	1 Tokyo Talent Tour
Will MCDowall	1 Tokyo Talent Tour
Faye Ashdown	1 Salty Bones
Alan Ashdown	1 Salty Bones
Tam Nye	1 Salty Bones
Brett Nye	1 Salty Bones
Jake Nye	1 Salty Bones
Cooper Nye	1 Salty Bones
Mon Barrero	1
Sofia Barrero	1
Brooke Gray	2 Japanese students
Carolina Masters	1
Bernie Masters	1
Jason Shaw	4
Total	27