



## International Relations Committee

### Minutes

15 February 2021

#### 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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## Acknowledgement of Country

We acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of this land, the Wardandi Noongar people, and pay our respects to Elders past, present and future.

## Vision

Bunbury: welcoming and full of opportunities.

## Organisational Values

### #WEARECOB

<b>WE ARE COMMUNITY</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>We are one team</li><li>We keep each other safe</li><li>We display empathy and respect</li><li>We have fun and celebrate our successes</li><li>We work together to achieve great outcomes</li></ul>
<b>WE ARE OPEN</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>We are open to opportunities</li><li>We actively listen and think things through</li><li>We are inclusive and treat everyone equally</li><li>We are honest and open in our communications</li><li>We are open to feedback to improve our performance</li></ul>
<b>WE ARE BRAVE</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>We lead the change, we own it</li><li>We trust and empower each other</li><li>We have the difficult conversations early</li><li>We hold ourselves to the highest standard</li><li>We have the courage to improve and simplify</li></ul>

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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.

#### 1. Declaration of Opening

The Presiding Member declared the meeting open at 4.01 pm.

#### 2. Disclaimer

Not applicable to this committee.

#### 3. Announcements from the Presiding Member

There were no announcements from the Presiding Member.

#### 4. Attendances

##### *Committee Members:*

Member Name	Representing
Cr Todd Brown	City of Bunbury
Felicity Farnell	Community Representative
Valda Smith	Community Representative
Helena Sahn	Community Representative
Shamara Williams	Community Representative
Janice Platt	Community Representative
Brooke Gray	Community Representative
John Taylor	Community Representative

##### *Ex-officio Members (non-voting):*

Member Name	Representing
Ms Lyn Farrell	Edith Cowan University SW Campus Representative

*Support Staff:*

<b>Name</b>	<b>Title</b>
Carol McDowall	Senior International Engagement Officer
Kylie Tucker	International Engagement Officer

**4.1 Apologies**

Cr Tresslyn Smith, Mr Paul Springate, Mr Mark Exeter, Mr Gary Barbour, Ms Felicity Anderson, Ms Pauline Vukelic and Ms Kristen Anderson were apologies for the meeting.

**4.2 Approved Leave of Absence**

Nil

**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**

Not applicable to this committee.

**7. Confirmation of Minutes**

The Minutes of the meeting of the International Relations Committee Meeting held 26 October 2020 have been circulated.

**Recommendation**

The minutes of the International Relations Committee Meeting held on 26 October 2020, are confirmed as a true and accurate record.

### **Outcome of the Meeting held 15 February 2021**

The recommendation was moved Mrs Valda Smith, seconded Ms Felicity Farnell.

The Presiding Member put the motion to the vote, and it was adopted to become the Committee's decision on the matter.

#### **Committee Decision**

The Minutes of the International Relations Meeting held on 26 October 2020 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

CARRIED

8 votes "for" / Nil votes "against"

## **8. Petitions, Presentations and Deputations**

### **8.1 Petitions**

Nil

### **8.2 Presentations**

Nil

### **8.3 Deputations**

Nil

## **9. Method of Dealing with Agenda Business**

Items are dealt with in the order that they appear.

## 10. Reports

### 10.1 Status Update

<b>File Ref:</b>	COB/523
<b>Applicant/Proponent:</b>	Internal Report
<b>Responsible Officer:</b>	Carol McDowall, Senior International Engagement Officer
<b>Responsible Manager:</b>	Felicity Anderson, Manager City Growth
<b>Executive:</b>	Gary Barbour, Director, Sustainable Communities
<b>Authority/Discretion</b>	<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
<b>Attachments:</b>	Attachment A – IRC Update

#### Summary

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

#### Executive Recommendation

That the International Relations Committee reviews the International Relations Update

*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.

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Objective 1.4 Arts, culture, heritage and events that enrich our understanding and enjoyment of life, celebrate our identity and bring the community together.

#### Regional Impact Statement

There is no regional impact associated with this report

#### 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 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 in the report.

**Analysis of Financial and Budget Implications**

There are no financial or budgetary implications arising from the recommendations of this report.

**Community Consultation**

Nil

**Councillor/Officer Consultation**

Not applicable

**Applicant Consultation**

Not applicable

**Timeline: Council Decision Implementation**

Not applicable

**Outcome of the Meeting held 15 February 2021**

The recommendation (as printed) was moved by Mrs Valda Smith, seconded Ms Felicity Farnell.

The Presiding Member put the motion to the vote, and it was adopted to become the Committee's decision on the matter.

**Committee Decision**

That the International Relations Committee note the report tabled by Senior Officer International Engagement.

CARRIED

8 votes "for" / Nil votes "against"



**11. Applications for Leave of Absence**

Nil

**12. Questions from Members**

**12.1 Response to Previous Questions from Members taken on Notice**

Nil

**12.2 Questions from Members**

Nil

**13. Urgent Business**

Nil

**14. Date of Next Meeting**

The next meeting of the International Relations Committee will be held 19 April 2021.

**15. Close of Meeting**

The Presiding Member closed the meeting at 4.17 pm.