

OFFICERS' REPORT**CELEBRATING COMMUNITY ARTS IN MOUNT WAVERLEY**

Submitting Councillor: Rebecca Paterson

MOTION

That Council endorses the proposal to celebrate community arts in Mount Waverley with:

- a letter of appreciation to the Friends of The Highway Gallery, and;*
- the installation of a plaque at Mount Waverley Community Centre thanking artists, volunteers and supporters of community arts, notably at The Highway Gallery, for their longstanding dedication, commitment and significant contribution to local arts and cultural life in Monash.*

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

The project is anticipated to cost in the order of \$500 above current operating budget for the installation of an A4 plaque pending on the level of text required.

IMPACT ON INTERNAL RESOURCES

The proposal would be accommodated within the current budget.

COUNCIL PLAN AND COUNCIL POLICIES

The proposal supports the intent of the Monash Arts and Culture Strategy 2015-2018

Vision: To inspire strong, vibrant, creative and connected communities

Theme 1: Creative Expression and Participation

- Encourage and support participation in arts and cultural activities at a local level and within communities of interest
- Ensure opportunities to participate in cultural activities that are reflective of the cultural diversity of the Monash community

RELEVANCE TO WORK ALREADY UNDERTAKEN BY OFFICERS OR COMMITTEES

The plaque would be an appropriate acknowledgment at the new Mount Waverley Community Centre of the longstanding dedication and commitment by the artists, volunteers and supporters of The Highway Gallery and the Mount Waverley community.