

1 INTRODUCTION

The Australia Day Committee was established to provide community input into Wollongong City Council's organisation of an annual celebration of Australia Day and to determine Citizen of the Year award winners.

2 OBJECTIVES

The objective of this committee is to assist Council to deliver a safe and enjoyable community event on Australia Day within available budget resources by –

- a Providing a forum for discussion to help guide the strategic direction of the event.
- b Where appropriate forming sub-committees to oversee specific aspects of the Australia Day celebration, within available budget resources.
- c Determining and fulfilling a process for deciding the winners of the various categories in the Citizen of the Year awards.

3 MEMBERSHIP/REPRESENTATION

- Lord Mayor (Chair)
- Councillor representative
- Australia Day Council representative
- Up to ten community representatives including two youth representatives (aged under 26 years)
- Current Citizen, Young Citizen and Cultural and Community Award winners

Community representative nominations to be advertised and members to be appointed by Council. A community representative to be elected Deputy Chair.

4 CONDUCT OF COMMITTEE

- Term of appointment for community representatives to be two years, with nominations to be called in February and appointments resolved by Council in March.
- The Committee may seek any relevant external or internal expertise as it sees appropriate to any matter before it.
- A quorum will consist of half the committee plus one.
- The Committee to meet at least monthly.

5 DELEGATION

Council delegates to the Australia Day Committee Council's powers and authorities to deal with matters that come before it.

6 ACCOUNTABILITY

Committee members will be required to act within Council's Code of Conduct.

A full de-brief to take place after the Australia Day event each year, and a report submitted to EMC including budget outcomes.