	Claremont Museum Advisory Committee Terms of Reference
<b>Key Focus Area</b>	Relevant Council Delegation
People	Nil

# **Objectives of the Advisory Committee**

- 1. The Claremont Museum Advisory Committee (**Advisory Committee**) is a formally appointed Committee of Council and is responsible to that body.
- 2. The Advisory Committee's functions are to:
  - a. Consider matters relating to the development, care, funding and policies of the Claremont Museum (**Museum**); and
  - b. Make recommendations to Council regarding its findings to allow for an informed decision making process.

# Advisory Committee Membership

- 3. The Advisory Committee is comprised of two Council Members and up to three community representatives.
- 4. Current Museum volunteers are not eligible to sit on the Committee.
- 5. Following each biennial local government election, Council will appoint members to the Advisory Committee as outlined above.
- 6. Membership to the Advisory Committee will be for a period of two years coinciding with biennial local government elections.
- 7. In the event of a vacancy due to the resignation of a community representative, Council may resolve to fill the vacancy by appointing a replacement.
- 8. Members of the Advisory Committee are bound by the Town's Code of Conduct for Council Members, Committee Members and Candidates.
- 9. At the first meeting following each biennial local government election, the members of the Advisory Committee will elect a Presiding Member from amongst themselves in accordance with section 5.12(1) of the Local Government Act 1995 (Act).
- 10. The Presiding Member's responsibility is:
  - a. To provide leadership and facilitate the achievement of the Committee's objectives;
  - b. To ensure that appropriate conduct is observed at Committee meetings in line with the *Town* of Claremont Meeting Procedures Local Law 2018; and
  - c. To promote full participation and open debate at meetings so that relevant matters are discussed and effective recommendations are made to Council.
- 11. If the Presiding Member is absent from a Committee Meeting, the Committee Members are to choose one of themselves to preside at the meeting in accordance with section 5.14 of the Act.

- 12. The Chief Executive Officer will appoint an employee of the Town as an Administrator to the Advisory Committee. The Administrator's responsibility is:
  - a. To serve as a secretariat to the Committee by preparing agendas and minutes, and ensuring timely distribution to all members;
  - b. To ensure that meetings are effectively organised and recorded; and
  - c. To provide administrative support for the purposes of the Committee.

## Meetings

- 13. The Advisory Committee shall meet on a quarterly basis. Meetings will be convened by the Presiding Member in consultation with the Chief Executive Officer.
- 14. All meetings of the Advisory Committee are to be conducted in accordance with the *Local Government Act 1995,* its associated Regulations and the *Town of Claremont Meeting Procedures Local Law 2018.*
- 15. Quorum for a meeting of the Advisory Committee shall be at least 50% of the number of Committee Members (whether any positions are vacant or not) of the Committee in accordance with section 5.19 of the Act.
- 16. Meetings of the Advisory Committee are generally closed to the public. Public attendance is permitted only through invitation or prior approval by the Committee.

### Reporting

- 17. The Administration shall report to the Advisory Committee at each meeting on the Museum's activity during the quarter.
- 18. Where a matter requires a decision from Council, the Advisory Committee shall resolve in its meeting to recommend a decision to Council at the next practicable Ordinary Council Meeting.

### **Delegated Powers**

19. The Advisory Committee has no delegated powers and no authority to implement its recommendations without resolution of Council.

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