

10.3 MATTER OF URGENCY - BRINGA WOMENS' REFUGE DEE WHY
482/14
RESOLVED
Cr De Luca / Cr Harrison

1. That this Council notes:

- a. The Bringa Womens' Refuge at Dee Why has served the needs and interests of women and children with distinction since 1976 offering safe haven for up to three months for women and children, providing counselling, housing and support services.
- b. Warringah Council over many years has acknowledged the importance of this Refuge and contributed funding in support of the Refuge's excellent work.
- c. The NSW Government has funded Bringa to run as a refuge but under new arrangements proposes that it become a facility providing general services for the homeless, resulting in women with children having to go to Lane Cove for refuge.

2. That this Council:

- a. Commends and congratulates the Bringa Womens' Refuge for its outstanding service to the northern beaches community over the last 37 years.
- b. Calls upon all local State Members of Parliament and The Hon Gabrielle Upton MP, Minister for Family and Community Services and The Hon Pru Goward MP, Minister for Women to ensure that the Bringa Womens' Refuge is able to continue to provide a safe haven for up to three months for women and children, provide counselling, housing and support services.
- c. Requests the General Manager to forward a copy of this Resolution to those noted in clause 2(b) of this Resolution