

De Luca moves for Council support of charities, community and sporting organisations during corona pandemic

Media Release

Following a number of local charities, community and sporting organisations either cancelling or deferring their events and competitions, Northern Beaches Independent Councillor, Vincent De Luca OAM has moved for Northern Beaches Council to investigate granting concessions and waiving fees for these organisations.

“We are already seeing a number of organisations that serve the needs and interests of our community having to cancel or postpone events and competitions to ensure the health and safety of the public”.

“With corona so easily contagious sporting organisations like Basketball, Netball and Surfing have already cancelled gala day, training events and charities as well have cancelled events”.

“These organisations pay to use Council buildings, reserves and parks to undertake their community endeavours. We need to do everything possible to explore how best we can assist them during this unprecedented time in recent history”.

“With their events and competitions either cancelled or postponed we cannot risk these organisations, which are the lifeblood of our community going under due to financial and other hardship”.

“I have given notice that at next week’s Council meeting I will move that the CEO ensures Council liaises with Northern Beaches community, charity and sporting organisations to ascertain how Council can assist them during this unprecedented period of uncertainty and risk to public health and safety”.

“I am also calling for the CEO to furnish a report responding to the needs of Northern Beaches community, charity and sporting organisations with recommendations as to hiring fee concessions or waivers, financial and other assistance Council can provide to the hardworking community organisations and their stakeholders” Cr De Luca concluded.

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