

Minutes of Meeting

Arts Advisory Committee Meeting

Venue	Conference Room, Station Street, Mullumbimby
Date	Thursday, 19 June 2025
Time	2:00 PM

BYRON SHIRE COUNCIL

ARTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

19 JUNE 2025

Minutes of the Arts Advisory Committee Meeting held on Thursday, 19 June 2025

File No: I2025/885

PRESENT:

Councillors:	Cr Sarah Ndiaye	Present
	Cr Janet Swain	Present
	Cr Jack Dods	Present
Community Members:	Ed Horne	Present
	Sara Yael Cowan	Absent
	Sam Collyer-Moss	Audio-Visual
	Philip Channells	Apology
	Oriel Paterson	Present
	Benja Roberts	Present
Invited Members:	Jane Fuller (Arts Northern Rivers)	Apology
Staff:	Esmeralda Davis (Director Corporate and Community Services)	Present
	Deb Stafford (Manager Social and Cultural Planning)	Apology
	Sharyn French (Manager Environmental and Economic Planning)	Absent
	Melitta Firth (A/Community and Cultural Development Coordinator)	Apology
	Marisa Snow (Arts and Culture Officer)	Present
	Sarah Harvey (Gallerist)	Apology
	Claire McGarry (Place Manager - Byron Bay)	Audio Visual
	Rob Appo (A/Community and Cultural Development Coordinator)	Present
	Jim Roberts (Coordinator Open Space)	Present
	Storm Townsend (Minute Taker)	Present

Cr Ndiaye (Chair) opened the meeting at 2:12pm and acknowledged that the meeting was being held on Bundjalung Country.

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ATTENDANCE VIA AUDIO-VISUAL LINK:

Sam Collyer and Claire McGarry attended via audio-visual link.

APOLOGIES:

Apologies were received from Philip Channels, Jane Fuller, Deb Stafford and Melitta Firth.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST – PECUNIARY AND NON-PECUNIARY

There were no declarations of interest.

MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

**Report No. 3.1 Adoption of Minutes of the Arts and Creative Industries
Advisory Committee Meeting held 17 April 2025**

File No: I2025/664

Committee Recommendation:

That the minutes of the Arts Advisory Committee Meeting held on 17 April 2025 be confirmed. (Swain/Dods)

The recommendation was put to the vote and declared carried.

Note: The minutes of the meeting held on 17 April 2025 were noted, and the Committee Recommendations adopted by Council, at the Ordinary Meeting held on 22 May 2025.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

At the previous Arts Advisory Committee Meeting on 17 April 2025, it was reported that the Soul Street NYE contract awarded to Experience Rova was in its final year. In fact, the current contract, offering one-year extensions based on performance, is in place until 2026/2027. Council has now offered an additional term to Experience Rova for the 2025/2026 event in line with the contract arrangements. Following this, one further extension may be offered for the 2026/2027 event, subject to the previous year's performance. An open tender process will then be undertaken to determine future arrangements with event management contractors.

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FOR INFORMATION ONLY

Report No. 6.1 **Byron Bay Foreshore Update**
File No: I2025/806

Jim Roberts and Claire McGarry left the meeting at 3.23pm and did not return.

Report No. 6.2 **Supporting Aboriginal Cultural Expression**
File No: I2025/797

There being no further business the meeting concluded at 4:01pm.