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#### **LATE SUPPLEMENTARY REPORTS**

MM - Debris from Recent Flooding - MacDonald Valley and Other Areas - (79353)

#### **REPORT:**

Representations have recently been received, regarding possible assistance for residents of the MacDonald Valley and other areas, in respect of debris which has accumulated in both public and private areas as a result of the recent flooding in these locations.

It has been suggested that much of the debris has resulted from previous illegal dumping within bushland which has now been dislodged by the floods, as well as other material that has accumulated as a result.

Enquiries have been undertaken as to what assistance may be available, and it has been ascertained that funding is not available through the Department of Commerce as part of the Natural Disaster Relief Funding that Council has recently received in respect of damage to public infrastructure as a result of the floods.

However, it has been ascertained that the Disaster Recovery Centre established by the Department of Community Services has received a "volume of requests" for this type of assistance from the Hunter Valley, MacDonald Valley and other areas, with action in response to these requests currently being considered. In this regard the Disaster Recovery Centre has suggested it would be most appropriate for residents of the MacDonald Valley, and other locations similarly affected, to contact the Disaster Recovery Centre to enable requirements to be assessed.

Accordingly it is suggested that Council advise residents in these areas, by way of media releases and advice via Council's Column, to contact the Department of Community Services Disaster Recovery Centre on 1800 018 444 to register their concerns and need for assistance in this regard.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council advise residents of the MacDonald Valley, and other areas encountering difficulties with debris as a result of recent flooding in the area, to contact the Disaster Recovery Centre established by the Department of Community Services in order to register their requirements in this regard, and that such advice be conveyed by way of media releases and appropriate information within Council's weekly Column.

#### **ATTACHMENTS:**

There are no supporting documents for this report.

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**ITEM: 137** 

AGM - Local Government and Shires Association of NSW - Nominations and Applications for Greater Blue Mountains World Heritage Area Advisory Committee - (79351)

#### REPORT:

The following letter, addressed to the Mayor and dated 3 July 2007, has been received from the Local Government and Shires Association of NSW calling for nominations and applications for representatives to the Greater Blue Mountains World Heritage Area Advisory Committee:

"The Greater Blue Mountains World Heritage Area (GBMWHA) is managed by the National Parks and Wildlife Service and the Jenolan Caves Trust. The Australian Department of Environment and Heritage and the NSW National Parks and Wildlife Service are calling for nominations for the Greater Blue Mountains World heritage Area Advisory Committee.

Terms of reference for the 12 person Advisory Committee specify two Local Government members (with terms to rotate among jurisdictions).

The NSW and Commonwealth Ministers for the Environment appoint the 12 Committee members, on an honorary basis, for 3 years, with half of the membership intended to turn over after 18 months. The Committee is currently meeting four times a year. Appointees are entitled to reimbursement of travel expenses. Sitting fees are available for indigenous members.

Following recent resignation of the sitting Local Government representatives, the Associations have been invited by the NPWS to nominate 4 possible candidates for the Advisory Committee.

Nominations must be accompanied by a completed application form and brief CV by 13 July 2007. ..."

Accordingly this matter is referred to Council for its consideration as to whether or not it wishes to submit a nomination for this Committee to the Association.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

That the matter of the nomination of representatives to the Local Government and Shires Association of NSW for the Greater Blue Mountains World Heritage Area Advisory Committee be considered by Council.

#### **ATTACHMENTS:**

There are no supporting documents for this report.

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