

POLICY NAME: DONATIONS – AUSTRALIAN REPRESENTATION
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OBJECTIVE

To provide policy guidelines to assist shire residents who represent Australia.

POLICY

Council will provide assistance for travel and accommodation expenses incurred by Ballina shire residents who are selected to represent Australia as an individual or as a member of a national team.

Guidelines for Selection:

1. The individual recipient must be chosen in a team or event that is part of a nationally recognised federation
2. The recipient must demonstrate they are a resident of the shire
3. The recipient is only entitled to one donation each financial year
4. The selection of an entire team will only result in one donation
5. The assistance must be provided for expenses that are to be incurred by the recipient as part of their role in representing Australia.

Strategies

The level of assistance to be provided for applicants representing Australia overseas and for applicants representing Australia within Australia, but outside the local government area is provided in the table below (with forecast CPI). Applications will be reported to the Council when required.

Year	Dollar Value (\$) for overseas representation	Dollar Value (\$) for representation within Australia
2018	450	225
2019	459	230
2020	469	235
2021	480	240
2022	492	246

BACKGROUND

Council recognises that shire residents representing Australia also increases the profile of the Ballina Shire. Council has developed this policy to provide assistance to those individuals to encourage residents to represent Australia and to assist with the promotion of the shire.

In accordance with Section 356 of the Local Government Act a Council Resolution is required for each and every donation each year. This policy provides a framework to assist Council when considering donations of Council fees for Community Groups.

DEFINITIONS

Council	Ballina Shire Council
Policy	Donations – Financial Assistance - Australian Representation
CPI	Consumer Price Index (Sydney - all groups)

SCOPE OF POLICY

This policy applies to Ballina shire residents being selected to represent Australia as an individual or as a member of a national team.

RELATED DOCUMENTATION

This policy has been prepared with reference to the following publications:

- Local Government Act 1993
- Council's Operational Plan and Delivery Program

REVIEW

This policy is to be reviewed at least every four years.