Report to the Future Melbourne Committee

Proposal by Councillor Richard Foster to attend meetings with City of Sydney, 21 August 2014

12 August 2014

Presenter: Councillor Richard Foster

Purpose and background

1. The purpose of this report is to seek Committee approval for Councillor Richard Foster to attend meetings with the City of Sydney whilst on private travel in Sydney in August 2014.

Key issues

2. Councillor Foster met with City of Sydney representatives in January 2014. As the most comparable capital city, the benefits of discussion on issues of importance to both cities are ongoing.

3. The key area Councillor Foster proposes to cover in his meeting with the City of Sydney on 21 August 2014 involves homelessness, specifically the role and management of mobile service providers.

4. Linda Weatherson, Director Community Development will be attending the City of Sydney meetings with Councillor Foster.

5. Costs associated with Councillor Foster's travel will be privately funded and are at no expense to Council.

Recommendation

6. That the Future Melbourne Committee approves Councillor Foster's proposed participation in meetings in Sydney on Council related activities.

Attachments:
1.   Supporting Attachment

SUPPORTING ATTACHMENT

Finance

1.   The costs associated with Councillor Foster's travel will be privately funded.

Conflict of interest

2.   No member of Council staff, or other person engaged under a contract, involved in advising on or preparing this report has declared a direct or indirect interest in relation to the matter of the report.

Relation to Council policy

3.   The Manager Governance Services has confirmed that the travel proposal accords with the requirements of the travel guidelines outlined in the Councillor Expenses and Resources Guidelines.

4.   The areas proposed for discussion are relevant to the goals contained in the People City Goal of the Council Plan 2013–17.

Environmental sustainability

5.   The proposal has no significant impact on environment sustainability.