

Department Executive Services

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REPORT

The City of Canada Bay has been actively involved in partnering with our local RSL Clubs to deliver a range of programs that will mark the 2015 Anzac Centenary in our City.

I am pleased to welcome to our Council meeting tonight representatives from Drummoyne, Five Dock and Concord RSL Clubs.

Mr Peter Christie (President) and Mr Peter Henry (Secretary) are representing Drummoyne RSL, Mr Len Costelow (President) and Mr Bob Turner (Secretary) are representing Concord RSL and Mr Robert Ridge (President) and Mr Anthony Harman (Secretary) are representing Five Dock RSL.

The Anzac Centenary is an important milestone of special significance for all Australians. The First World War helped to define us as a people and a nation.

The Anzac Centenary program encompasses all wars, conflicts and peacekeeping operations in which Australians have been involved.

The program aims to encourage all Australians to reflect upon and learn more about Australia's military history, its costs and impacts on our nation.

It is therefore fitting that the City of Canada Bay has been working with our local Returned Servicemen's Clubs to identify and deliver projects and programs that will provide our community the opportunity to be actively involved in the Centenary of Anzac celebrations.

The range of projects and programs that are being undertaken is significant, and the commitment and involvement of our local RSL Clubs is worthy of recognition.

I would like to take the opportunity on behalf of Council to thank Five Dock, Concord and Drummoyne for their contributions and ongoing commitment in ensuring that the Centenary of Anzac celebrations in the City of Canada Bay will be of special significance to our community and look forward to continuing discussions with them at the conclusion of the meeting.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the report be received and noted.