

ITEM MAYORAL MINUTE: CONCORD FOOD SERVICES 40TH YEAR ANNIVERSARY

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REPORT

The 40th anniversary of the operation of Concord Food Services was celebrated at the Concord RSL and Community Club on 10 October 2012. I was honoured to join the many long serving volunteers of Concord Food Services who have supported the frail aged and people with a disability since its inception in 1972.

At the event, Chairman, Alan Wright spoke about the longevity of the service and the tireless contribution of volunteers. At the function, eight original volunteers who have provided 40 years of unbroken service were recognised for their extraordinary contribution to the community. These eight extraordinary volunteers who have provided service to our local community since 1972 are:

1. Alan Wright
2. Lorna Wright
3. Beryl Jenkins
4. Jenny Nicholls
5. Joan Healey
6. Betty Robertson
7. Mavis Wilson
8. Joan Williams

These volunteers provide a nutritious meal to clients, but they also provide an important community connection through visiting clients homes each day to provide a friendly welcome, daily contact and to monitor their wellbeing.

The Concord Food Service is assisted by over 125 volunteers and in the 40 years of service have delivered in excess of 800,000 meals and travelled over 140,000km around Concord, delivering meals.

On behalf of Council and our community I wish to express our sincere appreciation and support of the service and its role in enriching the lives of people in the community as well as each of your personal contributions to this invaluable service.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council acknowledge the contribution of the eight extraordinary volunteers from Concord Food Services who have served our community for 40 years.