

<b>POLICY:-</b>	
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<b>PROCEDURES/GUIDELINES:-</b>	
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<b>RESPONSIBILITY:-</b>	
Draft Policy developed by:	General Manager
Committee/s (if any) consulted in the development of this Policy:	N/A
Responsibility for implementation:	General Manager
Responsibility for review of Policy:	General Manager

## **Policy Objective**

To recognise the importance of arts and culture in contributing to civic pride, belonging, commemoration, celebration, sense of place and social development of the community.

## **Cultural Policy**

That Council:-

- Recognise the original custodians of the land on which the Upper Lachlan Shire is situated;
- Maintain and enhance the natural and cultural environments for the benefit of future generations;
- Optimise participation through cultural activities that are affordable, available and accessible to all within the community;
- Foster social tolerance and facilitate shared community experience and expression;
- Encourage creativity and originality;
- Support collaboration across professional disciplines and within the community;
- Respect and value freedom of expression;
- Encourage excellence in cultural expression;
- Encourage practicing artists;
- Value the contribution on volunteers; and
- Encourage and contribute to life-long learning activities in our community.

## **Relevant Legislation and Council Policies**

The following legislation and Council policies that are relevant to this Policy include:-

- Local Government Act 1993;
- Local Government (General) Regulation 2005;
- Government Information (Public Access) Act (GIPA) 2009;
- State Records Act 1998;
- Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979;
- Environmental Planning and Assessment Act Regulations 2000;
- Council Social and Community Plan 2013-2018;
- Council Cultural Plan 2017-2020;
- Council Code of Conduct;
- Council Code of Meeting Practice;
- Council Code of Business Practice;
- Council Community Enhancement Policy;
- Council Public Access Policy;
- Council GIPA Policy;
- Council Gathering Information Policy;
- Council Service Delivery Policy; and
- Council Complaints Policy and Procedure.

## **Variation**

Council reserves the right to vary or revoke this policy.