

[1] C/3: CIVIC RECOGNITION FOR SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY DURING COVID-19

1.1 OUTCOME SOUGHT:

Approval of an award to recognise voluntary work undertaken in the community by individuals and organisations during COVID-19 Alert Level 3 and 4 period.

1.2 BACKGROUND:

Council has been made aware of both individuals and organisations who made an outstanding voluntary contribution by assisting members of the community during the period when New Zealand was at COVID-19 Alert Level 4 i.e. lockdown. The assistance provided by these volunteers included shopping and delivering supplies to people unable to leave their homes, providing meals, provision of essential household items etc.

Council believes these volunteers are worthy of recognition and would like to do this by inviting them to a ceremony and presenting them with an award acknowledging their service to the community.

A separate Award to recognise these volunteers is required as this does not meet the criteria required for Council's annual Civic Award.

The normal agenda headings are not covered.

1.3 SUGGESTED RECOMMENDATION: (HER WORSHIP)

That –

1. The report be received.
2. A ceremony be held to acknowledge those people whose voluntary assistance in the community during COVID-19 Alert Level 4 is deemed worthy of recognition.
3. An award for Civic Recognition for Service to the Community during COVID-19 be approved and awarded to those worthy of recognition.

1.4 RECOMMENDATION