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Good morning

UnitingCare is working with the state government and key people in our community to establish a Neighbourhood Centre in Agnes Water, a community hub where local people can access local services and activities and also services from agencies providing outreach services here locally.

We would like your support in making this facility for our community a reality.

For more information contact Deb Sanderson on 0427 170 633, e-mail: deb.sanderson@uccommunity or via PM.

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November 5th 2018
Mrs Mandy Jones
Local Service Manager
UnitingCare
PO Box 8069
South Gladstone QLD 4680

Re: Letter of Support for UnitingCare for the establishment of a local Neighbourhood Centre in Agnes Water.

Dear Mrs Jones

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Welcoming Intercultural Neighbours Inc. (WIN) works in partnership with UnitingCare to support the local community to address local issues. WIN will provide support for the establishment and ongoing operation of the neighbourhood centre by using the space to provide our services and partnering with UnitingCare to provide activities, events and resources for the community.

I wish UnitingCare every success in establishing a local neighbourhood centre to support our local community to better support with need of the local community.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate contact me. Kind Regards

Natalia Muszkat
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Stephen **BENNETT** MP

Member for **Burnett**

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6 November 2018

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I write to express my support for a proposed local Neighbourhood Centre in Agnes Water.

UnitingCare is one of Queensland's largest community service providers and a respected industry leader across child and family, health and aged care services. Their core mission is to continue to reduce disadvantage, to serve children, young people, adults and seniors to live valued, safe and productive lives. The organisation already does a tremendous job in and around the Bundaberg community and I support the proposal to expand their services in Agnes Water.

The proposed centre will be accessible to the local Agnes Water community, especially those who are more vulnerable, disadvantaged or socially isolated. There are plans for it to become a community hub where like organisations and agencies can be co-located and external agencies can provide outreach services to work collaboratively to support and connect the community.

Neighbourhood Centres provide community activities which connect, unite and strengthen neighbourhoods. They offer a friendly place for residents to meet and learn about different opportunities within their communities. The flow-on effect is a community that has a higher degree of wellbeing, lower mental health issues and greater resilience when facing challenges. The centre would provide residents with localised access to child, family and community services.

I support the efforts of UnitingCare and their proposal to establish a Neighbourhood Centre in Agnes Water.

Yours faithfully,

Stephen Bennett MP

Member for Burnett

Shadow Minister for Child Safety, Youth and for the Prevention of Domestic and Family Violence



Agnes Water/1770 SES
PO BOX 981
Agnes Water, QLD 4677
9th November, 2018

Mrs. Mandy Jones
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South Gladstone, QLD 4680

Dear Mrs Jones,

The Agnes Water/1770 Unit of the SES is pleased to write a letter in support of the establishment of a centrally located Neighbourhood Centre in Agnes Water which would be available for the use of a wide range of community members.

Although we have not been involved in any of the discussions regarding this proposed centre, we would anticipate that it would provide amenities for group meetings, individual rooms for consultation and counselling or other such services as are required, including a kitchen to cater for such organisations as Meals on Wheels, Parent Groups, Craft Groups etc. We would also anticipate that the Centre, in order to meet the on-going needs of a constantly changing population, also cater for the social benefits of such groups as Men's Shed and the RSL who encourage the involvement of a somewhat ignored section of our community.

We would welcome involvement in any further on-going discussions regarding the establishment of a centre along the practical lines outlined above ie, more than a place which provides office space and meeting rooms. It needs to be established in an area with ample space for wider parking bays to allow access for those with disabilities, prams etc and those unloading materials. It also would require suitable outdoor areas, wet areas, workshop space and storage facilities in order to function as a true Neighbourhood Centre and not just another building with offices. A facility of this kind would provide community activities which will allow our residents to connect at all levels.

We wish Uniting Care every success in consulting with all stakeholders and establishing a Neighbourhood Centre that would truly be an asset to our town and a support in meeting the needs of the local community. If you have any questions, please contact me.

Karen Thompson

Group Leader
Agnes Water/1770 SES Unit

5th November 2018

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Café Discovery at Agnes (Leisa Trickett) works in partnership with UnitingCare to support the local community to address local issues. Café Discovery at Agnes will provide support for the establishment and ongoing operation of the neighbourhood centre by continuing to donate vouchers/meals for fundraising activities and attendance at a neighbourhood centre to provide classes where applicable (former Maths/Science teacher with Masters in Specials Education – main area of teaching). I am also involved with local groups GAPDL (Gladstone Development Group) and DCTC (Discovery Coast Tourism Committee) – currently being involved with focus groups on developing future Agnes Water/1770 business and social needs. This ties in with developing strong community support which a neighbourhood centre would provide.

I wish UnitingCare every success in establishing a local neighbourhood centre to support our local community to better support needs of the local community.

If you have any questions, please contact me.

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The Bundaberg & District Neighbourhood Centre works in partnership with UnitingCare to support the local community to address local issues. The Bundaberg & District Neighbourhood Centre will provide support for the establishment and ongoing operation of the neighbourhood centre by referring people to the centre and its' services, and by providing assistance with the establishment of support service referral methodologies.

I wish UnitingCare every success in establishing a local neighbourhood centre to support the Agnes Waters local community.

If you have any questions, please contact me.

Regards

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Corrie McColl'.

Corrie McColl
Manager
Bundaberg & District Neighbourhood Centre
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13 November 2018

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GIVIT works in partnership with UnitingCare to support the local community to address local issues. Through GIVIT's donation portal givit.org.au, GIVIT will provide support for the establishment and ongoing operation of the neighbourhood centre by helping to source items needed by clients of the Neighbourhood Centre,

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free of charge. These items may be household items, personal care items and clothing, laptops, vouchers and more. In addition, GIVIT will also help source items needed by the centre to assist with its service delivery, such as art supplies, sporting goods, furniture and more.

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If you have any questions, please contact me.

Kayla Bauer
Community Engagement, Queensland
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Deb Sanderson

From: Sally Clarke <Sally.Clarke@apm.net.au>
Sent: Friday, 9 November 2018 10:07 AM
To: Deb Sanderson
Subject: FW: Support for Community Neighbourhood Centre in Agnes Water

Hello Deb

I was forwarded your email, requesting support for the Neighbourhood Centre that Uniting Care are involved in establishing in Agnes Waters.

Should anyone wish to contact me by phone regarding the proposal, I would be happy to share our thoughts as a RAS Assessment Agency on the benefits of such a Centre for the Agnes Waters (and surrounds) community.

My details are below.

We wish you all the best with your endeavours, and we look forward to hearing that the Centre is established and open to support the community in the future.

Kindest regards

Sally Clarke

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Sent: Monday, 5 November 2018 11:45 AM
Subject: Support for Community Neighbourhood Centre in Agnes Water

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To assist you, a support letter template has been attached, that you just need to amend to make relevant to you or your organisation and add how you would support the establishment and operation of a neighbourhood centre, print (on your letterhead if relevant), sign and scan and return to me by e-mail. Alternatively, you can post your letter to my Manger Mandy Jones.

If you could return the letter by the end of the week that would be great. However, please let me know if you would like to discuss this matter first by contacting me on the details below.

Please share with your relevant contacts.

Thank you

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Australian Hearing works in partnership with UnitingCare to support the local community to address local issues. Australian Hearing will provide support for the

establishment and ongoing operation of the neighbourhood centre by partnering with UnitingCare to provide hearing health check visits and conduct hearing health presentations.

I wish UnitingCare every success in establishing a local neighbourhood centre to support our local community to better support with need of the local community.

If you have any questions, please contact me.

Warm Regards

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Lisa Christiansen', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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6 November 2018

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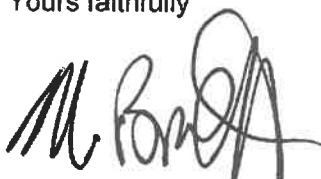
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Yours faithfully



CR MATT BURNETT
MAYOR



Discovery Coast Tourism & Commerce Inc. (DCTC)
The local tourism organisation for Agnes Water, 1770
& surrounding towns of the Southern Great Barrier Reef
Central Queensland, Australia

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8 November 20018

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Discovery Coast Tourism & Commerce Inc (DCTC) is a supporter of the UnitingCare activities that occur in our area and we are happy to provide support to them to establish a centrally located Neighbourhood Centre in Agnes Water to be accessed by the local community, especially the more vulnerable, disadvantaged and socially isolated members of our community.

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DCTC is supportive of this plan for the establishment and ongoing operation of the neighbourhood centre and will explore the variety of options where we could partner with UnitingCare and achieve a positive outcome for our community. We wish them every success and are happy to provide further details if you wish to contact us.

Kind regards,

Amber Rodgers, President
(0409 983 702)

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I work in partnership with UnitingCare to support the local community to address local issues. Given the lack of premises for a community space that is accessible for everyone, there is definitely a need for a building located centrally in town for use by unincorporated groups and other professionals to provide services needed by the community.

I wish UnitingCare every success in establishing a local neighbourhood centre to support our local community to better support with need of the local community.

If you have any questions, please contact me.



Miss Michele Morrison
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GLENN BUTCHER MP
MEMBER FOR GLADSTONE



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Glenn Butcher MP
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13 November 2018

To whom it may concern,

RE. Proposed Neighbourhood Centre, Agnes Water

I write in support of Uniting Care's efforts to establish a neighbourhood centre in Agnes Water. I understand that Uniting Care propose to rent the Old Community Centre from Gladstone Regional Council, and that discussions are in progress regarding a nominal rent.

Although Agnes Water is out of my Electorate, I have witnessed the work of Uniting Care in my Electorate of Gladstone and I can attest that Uniting Care are one of the most effective agencies in Gladstone. Uniting Care offer high-quality care to all who come to them for assistance.

I have no doubt that Uniting Care have seen in Agnes Water a strong need for a neighbourhood centre for the more vulnerable, disadvantaged and socially isolated members of the Agnes Water community.

I recognise the benefit of offering various services and activities to those living in the southern end of the Gladstone Local Government Area who often are often unable to access services offered in Gladstone or Bundaberg because of distance and financial and other disadvantage.

Neighbourhood centres are not only places that offer help in a particular locality, but also provide community activities that connect, unite and strengthen neighborhoods. They are the backbone of healthy and thriving communities.

I therefore strongly support Uniting Care's efforts and urge the parties to come to an agreement and to establish the proposed centre.

Kind regards,

Glenn Butcher MP
Assistant Minister for Treasury
Member for Gladstone

6th November, 2016

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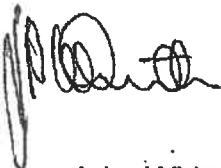
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I wish UnitingCare every success in establishing a local neighbourhood centre to support our local community to better support with need of the local community.

If you have any questions, please contact me.



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Ken O'Dowd MP

Federal Member for Flynn

9th November, 2018

Ref: KOWD:LHB

C/ Mrs Mandy Jones
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To Whom It May Concern

Letter of Support
Project: Establishing a UnitingCare Neighbourhood Centre – Agnes Water

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Yours sincerely

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Ken O'Dowd MP
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Dear Mrs Jones

Re: Letter of Support for UnitingCare for the establishment of a local Neighbourhood Centre in Agnes Water.

UnitingCare is one of Queensland's largest community service providers and a respected industry leader across child and family, health and aged care services. Their core mission is to continue to reduce disadvantage, to serve children, young people, adults and seniors to live valued, safe and productive lives.

It is my pleasure to write a letter in support of UnitingCare to establish a centrally located Neighbourhood Centre in Agnes Water to be accessed by the local community, especially the more vulnerable, disadvantaged and socially isolated members of our community.

The Neighbourhood centre will be a community hub where like organisations and agencies can be co-located and external agencies can provide outreach services to work collaboratively to support and connect the community. Offering various services and activities to benefit our community living in the southern end of the Gladstone region who often are not able to access services offered in Gladstone or Bundaberg because of distance and disadvantage.

Neighbourhood Centres are not only the first place people go to find help in a local area, but provide community activities which connect, unite and strengthen neighbourhoods. They are the backbone of regions providing opportunities for healthy and thriving communities. The flow-on effect is a community that has a higher degree of wellbeing, lower mental health issues and greater resilience when facing challenges.

Discovery Coast Rotary works in partnership with UnitingCare to support the local community to address local issues. Discovery Coast Rotary will provide support for the establishment and ongoing operation of the neighbourhood centre by **referring people to the centre services and providing monetary contribution.**

I wish UnitingCare every success in establishing a local neighbourhood centre to support our local community to better support with need of the local community.

If you have any questions, please contact me.

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