**Speech by Mayor Logan K Howlett, JP**

 **Cockburn Community Development Group

Resident Associations Network**

**End of Year Celebration**

 **Monday, 29 November 2021**

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Hello and welcome – on behalf of the elected members and staff of the City of Cockburn to tonight’s event to celebrate the year with you as representatives of various community/residents associations and to thank you for on-going contribution to our community.

I acknowledge the Wadjuk people of the Nyungar nation the traditional custodians of the land on which we are gathered and pay respect to their Elders past, present and emerging and extends that respect to Indigenous Australians who are with us tonight.

I acknowledge:

* Deputy Mayor Tom Widenbar;
* Cr Michael Separovich;
* Cr Phoebe Corke;
* Cr Tarun Dewan;
* Simone Sieber, Community Development Co-ordinator;
* Tracey Radcliffe, Volunteer Resource Centre Co-Ordinator;
* Keely Robertson, Community Development Officer; and
* Members from various community organisations.

Please enjoy the evening and the opportunity to continue networking. There is a considerable depth of knowledge and experience in the room developed over many years so make sure you tap into that during the evening.

With the festive season just around the corner on behalf of the elected members and staff I take this opportunity to wish you, your family and friends all the best for Christmas and the New Year.

Stay safe.