

7.2.3 RECOMMENDATIONS FOR MAPH COMMUNITY ASSET COMMITTEE CALLED THE COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT

Responsible Manager:	Margherita Barbante Manager Arts and Libraries
Responsible Director:	Tanya Scicluna, Director Community Services

RECOMMENDATION

That Council approves the reappointment of Mr Tony Peake to the Museum of Australian Photography Committee of Management for a term of three years from 31st August 2025 to 31st August 2028.

INTRODUCTION

This report seeks Council's approval to reappoint proposed members to the Museum of Australian Photography (MAPh)'s Committee of Management (COM).

COUNCIL PLAN STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES

Inclusive Services

Community development and advocacy to support the Monash community.
Deliver high performing services.

Good Governance

Maintain the highest standards of good governance.


BACKGROUND

The Museum of Australian Photography COM is a Community Asset Committee under Section 65 of the 2020 Local Government Act. The CEO has delegated to the COM a range of strategic, business development and collection development responsibilities that accord with its Section 65 status. At its meeting on 28 April 2020, Council resolved to establish, under section 65 of the Local Government Act 2020, the Museum of Australian Photography Community Asset Committee's Terms and Reference.

The recommendations of this report comply with the Terms of Reference.

DISCUSSION

MAPh's COM seeks Council's approval to reappoint Mr Tony Peake for a further term of 3 years to the Committee of Management as Chair of COM. Tony Peake has expertise across various fields and industries. Mr Peake is a Fellow of Chartered Accountants ANZ (FCA) and a Graduate and Fellow of the Australian Institute of Company Directors (FAICD); he brings more than 25 years' of board-level experience across the public, commercial and not-for-profit sectors.



As a Senior Partner at PwC, Tony served as an Audit and Consulting Partner, Chief Operating Officer, and Executive Director, with particular experience in the retail and consumer, education, and government sectors.

Tony is a Non-Executive Director at Domino's Pizza Enterprises Ltd (ASX:DMP), PeopleIN Limited (ASX:PPE), Bakers Delight, Country Fire Authority, Central Highlands Water, Scanlon Capital, Brencorp Properties and The Australian Ballet. He was formerly Chair of Methodist Ladies' College and a council member of the University of Melbourne.

In the 2023 King's Birthday honours he was awarded a Medal of the Order of Australia (OAM) (General Division) for service to the community through a range of organisations.

This report is also to confirm that Matt Soulsby will step down from the COM. Mr Soulsby's expertise across marketing especially marketing and audience development has assisted MAPH to develop new digital strategies and shape audiences segmentation.

COM acknowledges and thanks Mr Soulsby for his contributions to MAPH.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial implications to this report.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

There are no policy implications to this report.

CONSULTATION

MAPh COM endorsed these recommendations on 13 August 2025.

SOCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The social implication of this report is the appointment of committee members to guide, advocate and support the strategic vision of the Museum of Australian Photography. The arts, cultural and community aspirations of MAPH will benefit from their appointment and support the achievement of positive social outcomes.

HUMAN RIGHTS CONSIDERATIONS

There are no human rights implications to this report.

GENDER IMPACT ASSESSMENT

A GIA was not completed because this agenda item is not a 'policy', 'program' or 'service'.



CONCLUSION

To support the development of the strategic objectives of MAPH and the efficacy of its COM, Council's approval is sought to reappoint Tony Peake to the MAPH Committee of Management for a term of 3 years in accordance with the current Terms of Reference.

ATTACHMENT LIST

1. Terms of Reference- November 2022 [**7.2.3.1** - 4 pages]



MONASH GALLERY OF ART COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT

Terms of Reference

1. Committee of Management

The Monash Gallery of Art Committee of Management ("Committee") is constituted as a community asset committee in accordance with section 65 of the *Local Government Act 2020* (the "Act").

The operations of the Committee are pursuant to the *Instrument of Delegation* signed by the CEO under section 47(1)(b) of the Act, these *Terms of Reference* and the *Governance Rules*.

2. Purpose

2.1 The purpose of the Committee is to oversee the proper and efficient operation of the Gallery within the framework/constraints of the resources and budget provided by Council.

2.2 Specifically, the Committee exists to:

- Provide advice to the Gallery Director ("Director") on a range of strategic and operational matters;
- Monitor the Gallery Budget and provide advice to the Director;
- Recommend to Council the adoption of the Gallery Budget
- Recommend to Council the adoption of the Gallery's Strategic Plan;
- Recommend to Council the adoption of the annual Business Plan;
- Report annually to the Chief Executive Officer on the activities of the Committee and their oversight of the implementation of the Strategic Plan and annual Business Plan;
- Assist Council with the appointment of a new Director where required;
- Oversee the process by which the Gallery is managed under international and national codes of practice and guidelines for collections and gallery management, including International Council of Museums (ICOM) Code of Ethics for Museums; and
- Assist the Director to ensure that the collection management is in line with the MGA Collections Policy.

3. Strategic and operational advice

The Committee will provide the Director with strategic and operational advice in the following areas:

- 3.1 development, acquisition, preservation, maintenance, promotion and provision of access to an art collection consisting primarily of photographs;
- 3.2 development and engagement of a local, national and international audience in relation to that collection including through exhibitions, education, research, publications and public and online programs;
- 3.3 development of a fundraising strategy for the Gallery in accordance with the Strategic Plan and the annual budget;
- 3.4 facilitating and growing the strategic partnership with the MGA Foundation to promote the objectives of the MGA Foundation and to support fundraising and promotional events for the Gallery, including agreeing with the MGA Foundation the terms of any such activity or event;
- 3.5 development and delivery of the exhibition, education and public program schedule for the Gallery in accordance with the objectives of the Strategic Plan; and
- 3.6 management and operation of the Gallery from commercial, visual arts, visitor experience, business and management perspectives.

4. Annual Budget

- 4.1 Council may vary the Gallery's annual budget allocation as it sees fit but must, before adopting any varied annual budget, provide the Committee with a reasonable opportunity to comment on the proposed variations.
- 4.2 The Committee will monitor the Gallery's annual budget and provide advice to the Director.

5. Strategic Plan

- 5.1 The Committee will assist the Director in the preparation of a Strategic Plan for the Gallery for recommendation to Council, at least 6 months prior to the expiration of the current Strategic Plan and provide it to Council for approval.
- 5.2 The Strategic Plan will cover a 4-year period, or such other period directed by Council.
- 5.3 The Strategic Plan will include:
 - 5.3.1 A statement of the vision, values and objectives of the Gallery;
 - 5.3.2 The strategies that the Gallery will adopt to achieve that vision and those values and objectives; and
 - 5.3.3 Such other matters (if any) as Council directs.
- 5.4 The Committee will inform the Chief Executive Officer of:
 - 5.4.1 Changes to the Strategic Plan; and
 - 5.4.2 Any other matters that it considers could significantly affect the achievement of the objectives set out in the Strategic Plan, including any changes to the MGA Collections Policy, in a timely manner upon such changes being made.

6. Annual Business Plan

- 6.1 The Committee will assist the Director, prior to the end of each financial year in the preparation of an annual Business Plan for the next financial year. The Business Plan will have regard to the Strategic Plan, the Gallery budget for the next financial year, and the Council Plan.

7. Reporting

- 7.1 The Committee will report to the Chief Executive Officer on or before 20 August each year on the activities of the Committee and the implementation of the Strategic Plan and the annual Business Plan.
- 7.2 The Chief Executive Officer at their discretion may require that the Committee report more frequently.

8. Advice to Council

- 8.1 The Committee will assist Council in the appointment of a Director should a vacancy arise and provide a recommendation on such appointment.

9. Collection Management

- 9.1 The Committee shall:
- 9.1.1 approve the acquisition, purchase or taking on hire, commissioning or production, or acceptance as a gift or on deposit or loan, of any Works;
 - 9.1.2 approve Works to be made available by the Gallery to others by hire or loan;
 - 9.1.3 approve the disposal of any Works in the Gallery's collection;
 - 9.1.4 accept on behalf of the Gallery gifts, devises, bequests and assignments, whether on trust or otherwise;

10. Review

- 10.1 A review of these Committee Terms of Reference will be conducted on a biennial basis to comply with Council's schedule.

11. Definitions

In this document, capitalised terms have the following meaning:

- 11.1 **Act** means the Local Government Act 2020 (Vic);
- 11.2 **Committee** means the Monash Gallery of Art Committee of Management constituted as a community asset committee by Council in accordance with section 65 of the Act;
- 11.3 **Council** means the City of Monash;
- 11.4 **Director** means the Director of the Gallery appointed by Council;
- 11.5 **Gallery** means the Monash Gallery of Art;
- 11.6 **MGA Foundation** means the Monash Gallery of Art Foundation established by Deed of Trust dated 6 October 2005;
- 11.7 **Strategic Plan** means the strategic plan for the Gallery in the form approved by Council from time to time; and

11.8 **Work** means a work of art and includes a photograph and any other material held or obtained by the Gallery for the purposes of archiving, collection or exhibition.