**Local Democracy Group purpose statement**   
Advisory committees and working groups contribute to achieving community expectations as set out in the Inner West Community Strategic Plan - Our Inner West 2036:

Strategic Direction 5, Outcome 5.3 - people are well informed and actively engaged in local decision making and problem solving

The key purpose of all advisory committees and working groups is to support Council to review and implement the Community Strategic Plan through Council’s four-year Delivery Program and annual Operational Plan.

Advisory committees and working groups provide a purposeful forum to deliberate and problem solve.

**Arts and Culture Advisory Committee purpose statement**

Council supports creative communities, nurtures socio-economic growth and strengthens cultural connections. The purpose of the Arts and Culture advisory committee is to:

* promote the thriving arts and culture in the area and ensure that creativity and culture are valued and celebrated
* facilitate partnerships that nurture creative initiatives, stimulate cultural economy, express cultural diversity, enhance public places and increase
* community connections
* provide input on programs, projects and planning that support local creatives, cultural infrastructure, public art and community cultural development
* advocate for the role of local artists within the creative ecosystem that is fundamental to the identity, liveability and wellbeing of residents.

**Selection criteria**

1. Knowledge of and commitment to the cultural sector, local artists and creatives
2. Direct links to arts and cultural practitioners, communities /and or organisations
3. Experience working in an arts or cultural organisation, creative program and/or cultural planning

**Application questions**

1. Describe your knowledge of and commitment to arts and culture in the Inner West
2. Describe your networks with creative industries, arts organisations and/or cultural groups.