

# Benevolent h



## Letter of the Week

This week's winner receives an environmentally-friendly shopping bag.

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THE Waverley Benevolent Society has helped many people over the years who otherwise would have a bleak Christmas.

Although the Monash Council is planning a Christmas event for one day, what the benevolent society does will last much longer.

To feed people in need for one meal may last a day, but to provide a hamper will help people who may be isolated because of elderly parents or disabled family members who cannot get out shopping or enjoying other events.

The Monash event may be great publicity for one day but if the same amount was distributed it could help many families for a week.

Yes, Monash Council should provide funds for this society.

Marlan Holmes,  
Whealers Hill.

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Mandate absent

WHEN is Monash Council going to stop pandering to the minority and realise a majority still lives here as well?

Leave the senior citizens' groups alone. Who gave the council the mandate to interfere with the senior

citizens' clubs? Where was harassment of senior citizens raised on election policy material?

If the council did a survey, it would probably find most minority groups have better facilities than the senior citizens.

They have achieved this by picking an area, setting up facilities as they want, and when, eventually, told it is not appropriate for the area, cry "racist", and milk the system until they get what they want.

Monash Council can instantly provide money to light up a minority sport, but at the same time was unable to provide adequate maintenance to Oakleigh Pool.

It has now been shocked back into reality on that issue, but still shouldn't be considered trustworthy in trying to cater to the whole community.

Bring on the election and the candidates that are actually for the area and the whole community, rather than the existing candidates who I believe are obviously being controlled by very flawed external policies, influences and egos.

OAKLEIGH  
MONASH  
LEADER  
Ian Palmer,  
Hughesdale.

Destructive stance

THE Monash community is outraged at the behaviour shown by the Oakleigh Senior Citizens.

Community halls should be accessible to our entire community, and the recent OSC actions in blatantly derailing a community halls access program is ignorant and destructive.