

# CITY OF BELMONT MEDIA RELEASE

## **COUNCILLORS CALL FOR MEDICARE OFFICE TO REOPEN IN CITY OF BELMONT**

City of Belmont Councillors have called for the reinstatement of a Medicare office within the City.

Councillors voted unanimously at the 26 May Ordinary Council Meeting to request the Chief Executive Officer correspond with the appropriate Government agencies to re-open a Medicare/ Centrelink office

“At various times it is appropriate for Council to advocate on behalf of its community to ensure they are adequately catered for,” City of Belmont Mayor Cr Phil Marks said.

“We believe the reinstatement of this office would be of great benefit to the community, particularly our elderly, who may be unable to access online services,” Mayor Marks said.

“With a growing population, public demand for a Medicare to be located in the City of Belmont is warranted and we would welcome its reinstatement.”

A Medicare kiosk service was last located in Belmont Forum and closed on September 2018. The next closest Medicare offices are located in Victoria Park or Cannington.

**ENDS**

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