

# Policy

## Sister Cities

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## Objective

To promote:

- international friendship, peace and goodwill.
- economic, cultural, educational, recreational and other beneficial exchanges.
- develop and co-ordinate contacts between Fremantle and its sister cities.
- an awareness and appreciation of the traditions, customs and culture of Fremantle and its sister cities.
- tourism in Fremantle.
- student exchange programmes to council sister cities for students who reside or if not reside in the Municipality attend a school within the Municipality.

## Policy

To provide:

- assistance and co-ordinate the exchange of information between Fremantle and sister city communities.
- letters of introduction to residents who are arranging a visit to a sister city.
- a forum for the exchange of sister city ideas and/or experiences.

### Penang, Malaysia (1978)

To encourage trade and tourism.

### Yokosuka, Japan (1979)

To encourage trade and tourism.

To facilitate and participate in youth exchange programmes.

Capo D'Orlando, Italy (1983)

- To encourage cultural and historical links and exchanges.
- To maintain family associations which now exist.
- To encourage trade and tourism.

The Friendship Agreement is an alternative to the formal Sister City arrangement. These agreements are to share greetings/exchanges for a particular purpose and a specified amount of time.

**Policy Implementation Steps**

The size of delegations visiting from Fremantle should generally be small provided, that other people may join the delegation at their own expense.

The duration of visits to Sister Cities should be brief and business like, provided that the protocol and customs of the host country are acknowledged and respected.

The level of our hospitality should generally be conservative at the same time being appropriate to the occasion.

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