

**ITEM                    VALE - DR BRUCE MENZIES**

**Department        Executive Services**

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**REPORT**

I would like to bring to Council's attention the recent passing of Dr Bruce Menzies, a longstanding local general practitioner and cherished member of the Drummoyne community.

Born in 1917, Dr Bruce Menzies practiced in Drummoyne for over six decades, following in his father's footsteps.

For Dr Menzies, his medical practice was a matter of service to the community.

One of the most notable points of his career was his contribution to the vaccination of the Drummoyne community. During the polio epidemic, on one day alone Dr Menzies vaccinated 1,200 local children.

Dr Menzies was tireless in his care for our local community. He often delivered babies and then went on to care for the children as they grew up and raised their own families.

He was conducting home visits for frail and vulnerable patients into his late 80s and was particularly devoted to the aged single men in aged care facilities.

Council would like to celebrate Dr Menzies for his service to our community and give our condolences to his family.

**RECOMMENDATION**

THAT Council receive and note the report.

