



THE ADMINISTRATION OF NORFOLK ISLAND

MEDIA RELEASE

***Caring for Our Country* funding application**

As previously announced, the Administration of Norfolk Island prepared an application for funding from the Commonwealth's *Caring for Our Country* fund 2009-2010. Facilitators for the programme visited the Island late in 2008, providing information, assistance and encouragement to Administration officers and spoke to Legislative Assembly members about participating in the grant process.

Months of work and a great deal of assistance from the private sector went into the preparation of the application, which was lodged with the Commonwealth's assessment group in April.

This week official notification has been received by Administration from the Commonwealth that no funds have been granted to the Island through the *Caring for Our Country* programme this year.

The Administration would like to thank the many members of the public and local groups who were involved in the preparation of the application, many of whom spent hours preparing work plans and budgets for important environmental works in various areas of the Island.

The 2010-2011 round of *Caring for Our Country* applications will be opening later in the year, and details will be published as soon as they come to hand.

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Chief Executive Officer

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