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Palmerston Tests the Waters with Pop-Up Dining

Residents and visitors will be able to treat themselves to a range of culinary delights at Sanctuary Lakes, following Council's decision to dip their toes into Pop-Up Dining in Palmerston.

The popular location has been chosen to trial the initiative during the 2019 Dry Season, after wide community consultation determined the level of support for mobile food vending operators to provide increased dining choices in Palmerston.

Pop-Up Dining is a growing industry that provides a range of benefits to communities.

Promoting and encouraging community dining, portable meal experiences and pop-up restaurant activities can enhance a community by increasing economic activity and commercial diversity, creating vibrancy, activating public spaces, bringing people into an area and encouraging them to stay there longer.

An annual permit fee of \$25.00 will be implemented, in line with Council's Outdoor/Alfresco Dining fee for local businesses.

Vendors may submit Expressions of Interest, in writing, to palmerston@palmerston.nt.gov.au

Following the Dry Season trial, a report will be presented to Council with a recommendation on the way forward for Pop-up Dining in Palmerston.

Quote from City of Palmerston Mayor, Athina Pascoe-Bell

Council is supporting innovative projects to activate Palmerston's public spaces and enhance our community's lifestyle. We are very pleased with the community feedback for this project and look forward to seeing how our community takes to this style of outdoor dining.

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