
MINUTES
of the
SAXTON FIELD COMMITTEE MEETING
held
4.00 pm, Friday, 4 May 2018
at
Saxton Netball Pavilion, Stoke, Nelson

Present: Judene Edgar (Chair), Councillors T Tuffnell, K Maling (Tasman District Council), Councillors T Skinner, G Noonan (Nelson City Council)

In Attendance: Tasman District Council: Community Development Manager: Susan Edwards, Reserves and Facilities Manager: Richard Hollier, Senior Horticultural Officer: Beryl Wilkes, Administration Officer: Melanie Ellis. Nelson City Council: Acting Community Services Manager: Roger Ball, Parks and Facilities Manager: Rosie Bartlett, Property Parks & Facilities Asset Manager: Andrew Petherham.

1 OPENING, WELCOME

Judene Edgar opened the meeting, welcomed everyone and outlined the procedure for the meeting.

Cr Noonan noted that this would be her last meeting. Nelson City Council has decided to change its membership to be the Chair and the Deputy Chair of the Sport and Recreation Committee, rather than the Chairs of the Sport and Recreation Committee and the Community Services Committee. This means that Cr Noonan will be replaced at the next meeting by Cr Dahlberg.

2 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Moved Cr Maling/Cr Skinner
SFC18-05-01

That apologies for absence from Cr Dahlberg be accepted.
CARRIED

3 PUBLIC FORUM

Murray Cameron spoke about the Champion Green Facility. He tabled the document SFC Capital Works Programme - Facilities and Sports Circuit. He personally thanked Glenn Thorn, Tasman District Council's Reserves and Assets Projects Officer for his work on the Velodrome. He asked

for the Champion Green Facility to be brought forward from 2027/2028 in the Council's Long Term Plans to 2018/2019.

Malcolm Saunders, spoke on the Champion Green Facility. He noted that the Long Term Plan budgets contain \$2.5 million for the link road from Champion Road to Saxton Drive. He considered that the link road was not necessary and that funding from the road could be diverted to the proposed Champion Green Facility. He considered that Velodrome users would not want a link road and that the current gravel carpark near Garin College is adequate and a similar carpark could be constructed at the other end of the road leading to cost savings.

4 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Nil

5 LATE ITEMS

The Chair noted that the Nelson City Council submissions to its Long Term Plan 2018-2028 were late supplementary information to item 8.1 on the agenda.

6 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

**Moved Cr Maling/Cr Skinner
SFC18-05-02**

That the minutes of the Saxton Field Committee meeting held on Wednesday, 14 February 2018, be confirmed as a true and correct record of the meeting.

CARRIED

7 PRESENTATIONS

Nil

8 REPORTS

8.1 Saxton Field Long Term Plan 2018-2028 submissions

Community Development Manager, Susan Edwards, spoke to the report which provided the Committee with the opportunity to consider the submissions received by both Nelson City and Tasman District Councils to their Long Term Plans 2018-2028 and to make recommendations back to both Councils on the submissions. Ms Edwards noted that staff would like to make some amendments to the list of projects consulted on through both Councils Long Term Plan processes, due to inspections of the athletics track commissioned by Nelson City Council staff identifying that it needs to be replaced earlier than expected.

There was discussion about whether any money had been collected from signage at Saxton Velodrome. Ms Edwards advised that staff were holding discussions with some businesses on purchasing advertising signage at the Velodrome, but that as yet no contracts had been entered into.

There was discussion about the Velodrome meeting health and safety standards. Glenn Thorn advised that the Velodrome is fit for purpose and a first aid facility was not part of the concept

plans. The cycle club agreed with that. It was noted that it's the responsibility of whoever books the Velodrome to provide for first aid and they are informed of this when making the booking.

There was discussion about the change to the budget for the hockey turf replacement. The Long Term Plan had \$605,000, however, Nelson City Council identified work that did not need to be done and it was agreed through this Committee previously, to reduce the budget to \$550,000.

There was a question about the inline skate racing on the proposed link road. Discussion that there will be no judder bars or slippery paint on the road and there will be the opportunity to close the road for events. There would be gates to enclose the area and to reduce the potential for a 'rat run' through the area.

The Committee supported rugby league being able to play at Champion Green but the Committee did not support the Councils paying for the lights, as requested in the Tasman Rugby League's submission.

There was a discussion about the need for the Champion Green Facility proposed in several submissions. The Committee noted that there are changing room and toilets available close by at Avery Field and there are other facilities e.g. meeting rooms for hire, that are currently underutilised. The Committee agreed that there is no need for further facilities at this stage but this could be considered closer to 10 years to work out what will be needed in the future.

It was noted that Netball have asked for renovations to the downstairs changing rooms in the Netball Pavilion building. There was a comment that there is not enough room for more changing rooms. The netball court surface quality is being put through the RAM system to assess the courts' condition and this will be done in the coming year.

A discussion ensued regarding the costings and timing of the athletics track replacement. Staff recommended that the replacement track be brought forward. If the track is to be re-orientated that will be at their cost. It was agreed that the pole vault facility be declined.

There was a discussion about the budget and amendments made. The Committee agreed to \$20,000 in 2018/2019 and \$880,000 in 2019/2020 to replace the athletics track. In order to reduce the impact of that change, the Committee agreed to move \$120,000 for the Velodrome lighting and shade shelter from 2018/2019 to 2022/2023 and to move \$20,000, \$200,000 and \$20,000 for cycle/path development from years 2018/2019, 2019/2020 and 2020/2021 respectively, each to three years later in the work programme recommended to both Councils.

The Committee agreed to retain the existing programme and budget for the Champion Road/Saxton Drive Link Road in the work programme.

A question was asked if there was anything else that needs to be raised from the submissions. It was noted that Hockey have raised \$29,000 for the scoreboard. It was agreed that Nelson City Council and Tasman District Council would each contribute \$10,000 for the installation cost from existing budgets.

**Moved Cr Noonan/Cr Tuffnell
SFC18-05-03**

That the Saxton Field Committee:

- 1. receives the Saxton Field Long Term Plan 2018-2028 submissions RSF18-05-01 report; and**
- 2. recommends to the Nelson City Council and Tasman District Council that they adopt the projects outlined in Attachment 3, as amended during the meeting, to report RSF18-05-01 for inclusion in the Councils' Long Term Plans 2018-2028.**

CARRIED

The meeting concluded at 5.17 pm

Date Confirmed:

Chair:

Confirmed