

MINUTES

TITLE: Grants and Community Facilities Subcommittee
DATE: Wednesday 12 April 2006
TIME: 10.00 am
VENUE: Loney Hall, Wensley Road, Richmond
PRESENT: Crs P K O'Shea, E E Henry, N Riley, S G Bryant,
Community Services Manager (L L Kennedy)

IN ATTENDANCE: Crs M J Higgins, E J Wilkins, R G Currie, E M O'Regan,
Community Services Manager (L L Kennedy)

APOLOGIES

Moved Crs Henry/Riley
CS06/04/01

THAT the apology from Cr T B King and Corporate Services Manager, D G Ward, for absence be sustained.

CARRIED

1. RECEIPT OF MINUTES – 22 NOVEMBER 2005

Moved Crs Henry/O'Shea
CS06/04/02

THAT the minutes of the Grants and Community Facilities Subcommittee meeting held on 22 November 2005, containing resolutions numbered CS05/11/01 to CS05/11/07 be received.

CARRIED

2. PROJECT UPDATE REPORT

Community Services Manager, Mr L Kennedy spoke to the report contained in the agenda. The reported provided the Committee with a full update on the status of the projects funded by the District and Regional Facilities Rate and also referred recommendations from the Regional Funding Forum.

The figures in Appendix 2, attached to the report, may require amendments to the draft Long Term Council Community Plan.

In reply to a question Mr Kennedy said the Motorsport group is investigating sites in Nelson City and Tasman District is still talking with the forestry company about the other site.

Cr Henry asked when Council is going to discuss Trafalgar Park, as although it has been discussed by Regional Forum, Council has not had a full discussion on it.

Mr Kennedy said the proposal is to put it into the draft LTCCP and receive input from the public, then it will be further discussed by Council. It is also included in the agenda for this meeting.

In reply to a question, Mr Kennedy said the Suter shows in year 2009/2010 and not the year stated in the report.

Cr Higgins noted that the Theatre Royal has been put on hold and the expectations of the group doing the job have changed. In the original request for funding he was not happy about the robustness of their application and is not surprised it has not gone forward. If Council approved funding on a basis that subsequently shifts, should it reconsider that funding. It appears there may be a much larger amount of money required than originally estimated. He considers a new building should be built, rather than refurbishing the old building and would like a reallocation of the funds.

Mr Kennedy suggested requesting an update from the Trustees on the whole project.

**Moved Crs Bryant/Riley
CS06/04/03**

**THAT the Trustees of the Theatre Royal be asked for an update on the refurbishment of the Theatre, including financial implications of any changes.
CARRIED**

Cr Inglis said Council should be loaning the money to organisations which should be repaid.

Mr Kennedy said the regional facilities are partially funded through Nelson City Council and Tasman District Council and the organisations make major contributions themselves.

**Moved Crs Henry/Riley
CS06/04/04**

**THAT the information be received.
CARRIED**

2.1 Recommended Funding Split for Saxton Field Complexes

Mr Kennedy said the current funding split for the development of Saxton Field is on population basis, being 64.8% Nelson City Council and 35.2% Tasman District Council.

The Regional Funding Forum recommends to the two Councils that the funding split for all facilities on Saxton Field come under the population basis, the same as for the existing field agreement which is adjusted after each Census.

**Moved Crs Henry/Bryant
CS06/04/05**

**THAT the Facilities Rate Subcommittee recommends to Council that the funding split, based on the Saxton Field split, be used for all facilities on Saxton Field.
CARRIED**

2.2 Trafalgar Park

The agenda contained a report that had been considered by the Regional Funding Forum on 26 October 2005.

Cr Henry asked that any resolution today be noted that it is an interim decision.

Cr Higgins said as a Council we are responsible to act on these matters. The Rugby Executive has made a presentation to Council and they sought to become part of premier grade. There was an issue arising to do with the upgrading of Trafalgar Park. The Rugby Union is running the risk that Council will back them because they attained the grading and they're committed to the expense. Council debated to a limited extent the merits of this case. There is no doubt that in New Zealand rugby plays a major part in our culture. As a community there is a large portion of residents who will back this activity. He will be debating strongly in favour of this project, even if it means others have to take second place. It has been discussed at the Regional Forum. Nelson City Council is committed and Tasman District has held back to process it through the annual plan consultation process. He thinks the wider community will be sympathetic to this project over others.

Cr Currie asked how many games have been guaranteed from the Rugby Union to be played at Trafalgar Park.

Cr Inglis said there should be a guarantee from the Rugby Union that we will get a certain number of games at Trafalgar Park.

**Moved Crs Henry/Riley
CS06/04/06**

THAT the Facilities Rate Subcommittee recommend to Council that:

- a) the Nelson City Council and Tasman District Council combined contribution to the upgrade of the Trafalgar Park, not exceed a maximum of \$2.2 million.**
- b) Tasman District Council's contribution be \$635,500 in the 2007/2008 year subject to Nelson City Council contributing at least \$1,564,500.**
- c) A final decision be made on funding of Trafalgar Park Upgrade once submissions on the 2006/2007 LTCCP have been finalised.**

CARRIED

Cr Wilkins left the meeting at 10.40 am.

2.3 Trafalgar Centre

The Regional Funding Forum considered a report from Nelson City Council on the upgrading and refitting of the Trafalgar Centre. The Forum resolved to request staff of the two Councils to further investigate and define the local and regional split, and prepare a report for the next meeting of the Regional Funding Forum.

2.4 Multi Sports Stadium at Saxton Field

The Regional Funding Forum considered a report and power point on 24 February 2006 on the multi sports stadium at Saxton Field.

Mr Kennedy said the multi sports stadium is included in Council's LTCCP.

Cr Currie asked what percentage rise impact will there be on Tasman District Council for this proposal.

Cr O'Shea said the old cost in the LTCCP has been built into the targeted regional rate.

Mr Kennedy said to bear in mind that not everything that is being planned will come to fruition.

Cr Currie noted that the facilities will be used seven days a week and asked if the users will be paying, to which Mr Kennedy said that they would be.

**Moved Crs Henry/Riley
CS06/04/07**

**THAT it be recommended to Council that allowance be made n the 2007/2008 financial year for a contribution of \$2.816 million towards the Multi Sports Stadium at Saxton Field and the replacement Soccer Pavilion.
CARRIED**

2.5 All-weather Athletics Track –Request for Funding

The agenda contained a report that had been considered by the Regional Funding Forum for funding towards an all-weather athletics track at Saxton Field.

Cr O'Regan arrived at the meeting at 10.50 am.

Cr Currie left the meeting at 10.55 am.

**Moved Crs Bryant/Riley
CS06/04/08**

THAT it be recommended to Council that allowance be made in the 2008/2009 financial year for a contribution of \$0.352 million towards the All-weather Athletics Track at Saxton Field. CARRIED

2.6 Performing Arts Venue

Nelson City Council have put funds aside to employ a Project Manager and to investigate the possibility of a Performing Arts Centre. A report is due back in October 2006.

3. LOCAL FACILITIES UPDATE

The agenda contained a report on the local facilities being undertaken or considered at the present time.

Cr Bryant asked when final figures for the ASB Bank Aquatic Centre will be available. He commented on payments still being made through accounts for the Centre.

Mr Kennedy said a report on the ASB Bank Aquatic Centre will be presented to Council shortly. It is proposed that any funds left over will be transferred back to the Moutere and Richmond DILs accounts and any final works needed will then be funded from the Richmond DILs.

**Moved Crs Henry/O'Shea
CS06/04/09**

**THAT the report be received.
CARRIED**

4. GRANTS FROM RATES

4.1 Golden Bay Museum

Golden Bay Museum was allocated \$30,000 in September 2005, with \$15,000 being made available at that time. The balance was held back because of concerns Councillors had about the current operation of the Museum Society.

The Museum Society has advised that they have undertaken a lot of work on policies, including employment, financial and governance and that these are now in place.

**Moved Crs Bryant/Riley
CS06/04/10**

**THAT Cr P K O'Shea and Chief Executive, Provincial Museum (W Marriott) undertake a review of the Golden Bay Museum Society's operations and report back to a future meeting on their findings.
CARRIED**

4.2 Collingwood Museum Society

In September 2005 the application from the Collingwood Museum Society was put on hold and they were asked to co-operate in sorting out the issue of the addition to the side of the Collingwood Museum.

Correspondence has been received from the Society and they have asked for their funds.

Cr Riley said if we allocate the money it may create a greater problem. It appears that there is no way that the two parties will work together.

Mr Kennedy said some of the money could be released in good faith.

Cr Riley said as long as it is for the Rockville operation he would agree with allocating them the money.

Cr Wilkins arrived at the meeting at 11.12 am.

Cr Henry suggested funding a portion and it appears there are two or three items in the application. She asked that the Chairperson and Manager liaise and agree on a figure.

Mayor Hurley arrived at 11.14 am.

**Moved Crs Henry/Riley
CS06/04/11**

THAT up to \$3,500 be released to the Collingwood Museum Society to be tagged for the Rockville operation as identified by the Chair and Community Services Manager.

CARRIED

4.3 Richmond Youth Trust

Richmond Youth Trust had approached Council about putting in a late application for funding.

**Moved Crs Henry/Bryant
CS06/04/12**

THAT Richmond Youth Trust be advised that a late application for funding will be received, but there is no guarantee given that the application will be successful.

CARRIED

4.4 ANZAC Day Concert

Mr Kennedy said that the Motueka RSA will be holding an ANZAC day concert and they have asked if Council will give a grant to run the concert. They have asked for an underwriting of \$400.

Mayor Hurley considered that it would be appropriate for them to receive a grant.

**Moved Crs Bryant/Henry
CS06/04/13**

THAT up to \$400 be paid to Motueka RSA for funding the ANZAC Day concert.
CARRIED

5. FACILITIES RATE FORECAST TO 30 JUNE 2006

Cr Currie arrived at 11.20 am.

The agenda contained a report which identified the anticipated balance of the Community Facilities Rates account at 30 June 2006, the value of loans currently being serviced by this account and identified budgeted movements through the account during the 2006/2007 year which are aligned to current proposed projects.

Cr Henry asked that Museums operating costs of \$485,000 be shown separately.

**Moved Crs Riley/O'Shea
CS06/04/14**

**THAT the report be received.
CARRIED**

The meeting concluded at 11.24 am.

Date Confirmed:

Chair: