

# STAFF REPORT

**TO:** Full Council  
**FROM:** Community Services Manager  
**DATE:** 31 May 2010  
**SUBJECT:** **Facilities Rate and Reserve Financial Contributions – RCN10-06-09**

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## PURPOSE

To seek Council decisions on the submissions relating to the Facilities Rates and Reserve Financial Contributions for inclusion in the final Annual Plan 2010/2011, as a result of the consultation process on the Draft Annual Plan 2010/2011.

## DISCUSSION

Community Services staff have reviewed all the submissions relating to the Facilities Rates and the Reserve Financial Contributions budgets and have made the following recommendations:

### 1 FACILITIES RATE

#### 1.1 Cricket/athletics pavilion

Request to increase the Tasman District share of this pavilion from \$1,046,000.00 (as shown in Draft Annual Plan) to \$1,216,000.00 – a \$170,000.00 increase.

Note: when the Draft Annual Plan was prepared work was still being finalised on the costings and the plan noted that the \$1,046,000.00 figure was a guide only.

#### Recommendation

THAT the Tasman District Council approves the request to increase the Council's contribution to the proposed cricket/athletics pavilion at Saxton Field from \$1,046,000.00 to \$1,216,000.00 in the 2010/2011 financial year with funding being provided from the Shared Facilities Account.

#### 1.2 Saxton Field Stadium – Submission No 38

The Saxton Field Sports Stadium Society requested \$114,015.00 additional contribution from Council towards the final cost of the Saxton Stadium.

Council's funding of this building to date has been \$3.838 million of the total cost of just over \$13 million (approx 29%). As stated in the submission the original funding was based on an estimated cost that was two years old by the time the building was completed and the increased costs are just over 5% in that time. Nelson City Council has agreed to fund the bulk of the shortfall, recognising that Tasman District Council did increase its contribution by the rate of inflation about 12 months ago.

### **Recommendation**

THAT Tasman District Council approves the request to increase the Council's contribution to the Saxton Stadium by \$114,015.00 in the 2010/2011 financial year with funding being provided from the Shared Facilities Account.

## **1.3 Richmond Community Facility**

As the earliest any funds will be required is in 2010/2011 and 50% of the proposed rate was levied in 2009/2010, it is suggested that Council consider levying a nil rate for 2010/2011. Funds received from the 2009/2010 rate can be used for any proposal approved by Council with such funds being available after 1 January 2011.

### **Recommendation**

THAT Tasman District Council does not levy the Richmond Community Facility portion (\$6.41 per property) of the District Facilities Rate in the 2010/2011 financial year.

## **1.4 ASB Aquatic Centre Fitness Facility**

Council has been approached by CLM Ltd (pool management contractors) about the provision of a fitness facility at the pool. Depending on how this is funded, it would have a significant beneficial impact on future years pool subsidy.

CLM has offered to make a contribution of \$500,000.00 towards such a building with this being written off by the company over a number of years, which would affect the level of benefit received by Council in the first few years. Council would be the owners of the building.

On top of the \$500,000.00 contribution, CLM will be responsible for the full fitout of the facility estimated at up to another \$500,000.00.

Staff asked the Project Manager of the new Learn to Swim Pool to provide a detailed up to date estimate of the final pool costs and also an estimate of cost of providing a 432 m<sup>2</sup> fitness facility.

The total estimated cost of a fitness facility including all fees,  
design fees and contingency \$825,000.00

Suggested funding:

1.	CLM contribution	\$500,000.00	
2.	Savings on Learn to Swim Pool	<u>\$150,000.00</u>	\$650,000.00
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	Shortfall		\$175,000.00
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CLM has provided a funding proposal which shows the benefits to Council of providing a fitness facility at the pool starting at \$26,000.00 per annum in 2013/2014 and increasing to \$60,000.00 per annum by 2018/2019.

At this stage we have not negotiated these figures with CLM, however, should Council agree to the idea, staff would undertake this task.

### **Recommendation**

THAT Tasman District Council approval be given to build a fitness facility at the ASB Aquatic Centre with funding being provided as follows:

CLM contribution	\$500,000.00
Savings from Learn to Swim Pool	150,000.00
Additional funds from District Facilities Rate	175,000.00
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	\$825,000.00
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and that such funds be provided in the 2010/2011 financial year.

### **1.5 Cycle track – Saxton Field**

This project is noted in the Draft Annual Plan for the 2012/2013 financial year, however, the recent meetings of the Regional Funding Forum and the Saxton Field Working Party have recommended to both Nelson City and Tasman District Councils that this funding be brought forward to 2011/2012.

### **Recommendation**

THAT, as requested by the Regional Funding Forum and the Saxton Field Working Party, Tasman District Council approves the funding of the cycle track at Saxton Field being brought forward from the

2012/2013 year to the 2011/2012 year with funding being provided from the Shared Facilities Account.

## 1.6 Moutere Hills Community Centre (Submission No 160)

The Management Committee requested an increase in the level of funding the Centre's operation and maintenance from \$18,000.00 to \$39,000.00 per annum. An allowance was made in the Draft Annual Plan for an additional \$3,000.00 and staff would suggest a further increase of \$4,000 based on the Committee's submission.

### Recommendation

THAT Tasman District Council approves the funding from the Facilities Operating Rate for the Moutere Hills Community Centre being increased by a further \$4,000.00 per annum.

## 2 RESERVE FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTIONS

The following requests have been received as part of the Annual Plan process along with some suggestions that funds allocated in the Draft Annual Plan be reduced:

### Motueka account

- Tapu Bay Toilet bringing funds forward from 2011/2012 to 2010/2011 \$20,000.00

### Golden Bay account

- East Takaka cycling/walkway \$25,000.00

### Richmond account

- Library drive-through – cost of closing the access and converting the area to a reserve with a pedestrian path, gardens, lighting etc \$45,000.00
- BMX track in Richmond (Submission 246) \$15,000.00
- Aged Concern power supply upgrade (Submission 247) \$8,000.00

### Moutere/Waimea/Lakes account

- Murchison Reserve culvert (Submission 248) \$15,000.00
- Tamaha Sea Scouts, Mapua (Submission 254) funds to assist with connecting services to their new building \$7,400.00

- Moutere Hills Reserve – cricket wicket \$7,500.00
- Mapua Wharf Reserve areas landscaping \$15,000.00
- Hoddy Reserve – new toilet (Submission 52) \$35,000.00
- Mapua Skatepark extension \$60,000.00
- Wakefield Bowling Club – insulation and heating (Submission 253) \$3,500.00
- Kina Beach Reserve culvert – reduction in funds required -\$15,000.00
- Brightwater Recreation Reserve – new lights already installed  
Funds not now required in 2010/2011 -\$14,000.00

These requests have all been considered by the Ward Councillors and agreed to. There are sufficient funds to meet all requests within the respective ward Reserve Financial Accounts.

### **Recommendation**

**THAT Tasman District Council approves the above requests for funds from the various Reserve Financial Contributions accounts for inclusion in the 2010/2011 Annual Plan.**

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