

# **STAFF REPORT**

**TO:** Grants and Community Facilities Rate Subcommittee  
**FROM:** Manager Corporate Services  
**DATE:** 19 October 2005  
**SUBJECT:** Project Update

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## **MOTUEKA POOL COMPLEX**

Staff have recently received a feasibility report from the appointed architects, Loughnan, Hall and Thompson detailing estimated capital costs, project operating costs and a patronage assessment for this complex. More details will be provided at today's meeting once staff have had time to peruse and evaluate the report.

It is a staff recommendation that the next stage with this project would be to arrange a workshop with the Motueka Pool Committee and members of this Subcommittee. It is suggested that such a workshop be held during the week of 14 November 2005.

## **LAKE ROTOITI COMMUNITY HALL**

There are now only a small number of outstanding issues relating to this complex which Council staff and Committee members are working towards completing under urgency in order that code of compliance may be issued.

Staff are working with the Hall Committee on issues specific to insurance, assessed user risk and hall hireage policy.

## **MURCHISON SPORTS COMPLEX**

Staff held a meeting with the community committee on Friday 30 September 2005 at 1.30 pm. The outcome to the meeting was that the Subcommittee wish to proceed with the project on a staged basis, commencing in September 2006.

Council staff requested that the Project Committee prepare fundraising details and that these be forwarded to the Corporate Services Manager for comment and perusal prior to reporting to today's Subcommittee meeting. At the date of writing this report, fundraising details have not been received however it is fully expected that they will still be presented at the meeting.

## **MOUTERE HILLS COMMUNITY CENTRE**

Many thanks to those who took the time to attend a very successful official opening of this complex on 8 October 2005.

The final bills are being received for the centre and a (semi final) financial report will be presented to today's meeting.

## **RUGBY PARK GRANDSTAND**

In late September 2005, Progress Report No 3 was circulated to all Subcommittee members. This report provided a full update on progress with the facility and a financial update including the fundraising by Goodsport Motueka.

Since this report was received, good progress has been made with a number of pre-cast panels now installed and bleacher units onsite ready for installation.

Progress Report No 4 is due on 25 October 2005 and will be handed out at the meeting for information purposes only.

An information brochure is to be sent out to Motueka Ward residents during the week of 31 October 2005 which will provide an update on the project and information on how to become a financial donor through the seat acquisition programme and other forms of sponsorship.

## **TAKAKA DRAMA SOCIETY INC**

A few weeks ago the above Society approached Council about funding a new playhouse for their Society. Indicative costs could be between \$1.5 million and \$2.0 million.

During discussions with representatives of the Society, we discussed the possibility of using an existing facility within the Bay. One option put forward for consideration was the Pohara Hall which currently has limited use.

It was agreed that a preliminary feasibility study be done on the suitability of the Pohara Hall for a Performing Arts Centre.

Issues that needed to be considered were:

- Acoustics?
- How the auditorium could be cleared of seating to maintain its viability?
- What storage areas would be required for hall seating and for the Drama Society?

- Whether the existing stage, changing rooms and access to those areas would require enlarging?

The Society have discussed these issues with an architect and are meeting on 24 October to discuss this matter further. It has been suggested that if they decide that they wish to proceed with the idea that a presentation be made at a future Community Facility Rate Meeting.

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