

STAFF REPORT

TO: Community Services Committee
FROM: Community Services Chair
DATE: 23 July 2008
SUBJECT: Chair's Report

Welcome to today's Community Services meeting. Thank you to all Councillors for their support through the Annual Plan round.

The Murchison Sports Complex (building and grounds) continues to make good progress towards completion with the official opening scheduled for 27 September 2008.

Running alongside the funding and building subcommittee, a governance committee has been set up to manage and run the new facility and the existing reserves and buildings. They are meeting regularly and working towards employing a Community Development Officer, finalising a constitution and preparing to run the centre once opened. A special thank you to Cr Edgar for the work she has done towards this (especially the constitution and Charities Commission registration).

Having now visited the new Takaka Library, I must say I am most impressed with this new facility. It is now up to this Committee to progress an upgrade or a new library in Richmond.

Most of our reserves and hall committees have now held their annual meetings and most appear to be in good heart. All of our parks and reserves appear to be in good order. Thank you to our contractor, SICON, for their work and also thanks to our Community Services staff who manage this and all other Community Services activities.

Stuart Bryant
Chair of Community Services

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