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Bulls Community Committee Meeting

Order Paper

Tuesday, 11 August 2015, 5.30pm

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His Worship the Mayor, Andy Watson, (ex officio)

Councillors Rebecca McNeil and Tim Harris

Please Note: Items in this Agenda may be subject to amendments or withdrawal at the Meeting. It is recommended therefore that items not be reported upon until after adoption by the Committee.



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The quorum for the Bulls Community Committee is 6 plus one elected member of Council

At its meeting of 28 October 2010 Council resolved that 'The quorum at any meeting of a standing committee or sub-committee of the Council (including Te Roopu Ahi Kaa, the Community Committees, the Reserve Management Committees and the Rural Water Supply Management Sub-committees) is that required for a meeting of the local authority in SO 2.4.3 and 3.4.3

1 Welcome

2 Apologies

3 Confirmation of Minutes

Recommendation

That the Minutes of the Bulls Community Committee meeting held on 14 July 2015 be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

4 Matters Arising

5 Council Decision on Recommendations from the Committee

There were no recommendations from the Committee presented to the Council's 30 July 2015 meeting.

6 Update on Bulls Town Centre Plan

Creative Communities has been approached to run a 7 Day makeover for the town of Bulls in 2016, dates for this are yet to be confirmed and will be forwarded on to the committee as soon as they have been confirmed. The 7 Day makeovers will be aligned with the list of priorities for placemaking outlined in the Bulls Town Centre Plan.

Work is still underway to complete the Creative Cubes started by the local youth. It is hoped to have this project finished by the end of August so the cubes can be installed. Details of where the cubes will go is yet to be agreed upon and will require consultation with retailers and the community.

7 Arrangements for parks and town maintenance services

From 1 August 2015, the Council has assumed direct responsibility for providing these services. Mowing of parks and gardening will be undertaken by a small Council team, led by Athol Sanson. Separate contracts have been negotiated for sexton duties, CBD cleaning and urban berm mowing.

8 Proposed landscaping of site with old Court-house and Gaol

A report to be tabled.

File Ref: 6-CF-5-4

Recommendation

That the report 'Proposed landscaping of site with old Court-house and Gaol' be received.

9 Small Project Grant Scheme

The 2015/16 Small Projects Grant Scheme for the Bulls Ward is \$1,184.

The allocation of the Small Projects Grant Scheme is for the period 1 July to 30 June each year. Any unspent funds at the end of this period cannot be carried over to the following financial year.

10 Notification of items from previous meeting

- Cleanliness of Wallace Development site.
- Town and Centre Plan regarding spring and summer projects.

11 Parks Upgrades Partnership Fund

The consultation document associated with the draft 2015-25 Long Term Plan, What's the Plan, Rangitikei?, outlined two options for the future upgrades to parks. Option 1 was to rely on community donated labour and materials for improving our parks. Option 2 was to make an annual provision of \$50,000 to upgrade facilities and equipment at our parks.

During submissions, there was a strong majority in favour of Council contributing funding to park renewals and upgrades and also a significant recognition of the value of community input. A substantial minority of submitters specifically suggested that a combination of both community and Council support was needed.

Council decided to allocate up to \$50,000 per year in a fund for park and reserve upgrades and has suggested that a 2:1 contribution from the community (in cash or in kind) to match Council's funding is appropriate. It has also agreed an upper limit to Council's contribution to each proposed upgrade of \$15,000, which would indicate that projects should be up to \$45,000 in total (cash and in kind contributions). Anything over this amount would be a significant upgrade for consideration through the Annual Plan process.

The Assets/Infrastructure Committee considered a process to allocate this funding at its meeting on 9 July 2015.

This process would be very much a partnership between Council and the community. It is likely that either a need, or a great idea, is identified in the community and someone from the community approaches Council to seek support. This could be at any time during the development of the project but it could be expected that if it concerned a Council-owned asset then Council would be engaged near the start.

The fund could be open for applications at any time and each application is treated on a case-by-case basis by the Assets/Infrastructure Committee.

An application form is attached. It takes the form of an "expression of interest" which is developed in conjunction with Council staff. The contribution from the community would be to describe the project, the community support/consultation that has taken place and a fundraising plan and the contribution from Council staff would be to describe the fit with Council's current objectives in managing its parks and reserves.

The Committee could then take a view on whether it wishes to support the project and to what extent. It would also give the Committee the opportunity to consider the phasing of these projects and to put a deadline for community fundraising to be completed.

The Assets/Infrastructure Committee would be unlikely to consider contributing to park upgrades which went against either:

- The objectives and/or action plan contained in the Parks and reserves management plan(s) or
- Council's intent to rationalise its parks and open spaces assets (fewer but better)

Recommendation:

That the information relating to the Park Upgrade Partnership Fund be received.

12 Update on Bulls Wastewater Upgrade Project Focus Group

The proposed extension to the designation has been limited-notified to the affected landowners and lwi. Submissions close 19 August 2015. The consents with Horizons are still on hold awaiting further information.

13 Current Infrastructure Projects/Upgrades and other Council Activities with the Ward

A memorandum to be tabled if available.

File Ref: 3-CC-1-5

Recommendation

That the memorandum 'Current Infrastructure Projects/Upgrades and Other Council Activities in the Bulls Ward' be received.

14 General Business

15 Notification of Business for the Next Meeting

- 16 Next Meeting
- 17 Meeting Closed