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Order Paper

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The quorum for the Marton Community Committee is 4 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

4 Matters Arising

5 Council Decision on Recommendations from the Committee

There were no recommendations requiring a Council decision.

6 Update from the Project Marton Co-ordinator

To receive a verbal update.

7 Update on Town Centre Plan Project

A memorandum is attached.

File Ref: 1-CP-7-2

Recommendation

That the memorandum 'Update on the Town Centre Plans for Marton' be received.

8 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.

9 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.

10 Items noted for inclusion at the previous meeting

Committee discussion.

- Town signage on highways
- Seating at Hunterville
- Barbecue Seating at Wilson Park

11 Volunteers Day in conjunction with Project Marton

Committee discussion.

12 Photographs of play equipment

Committee discussion, proposed at the June 2015 meeting.

- Grassless reserve, Tawa
- Aotea Lagoon, Porirua

13 Council responses to queries at previous meetings

At its June 2015 meeting the Committee noted that Ms Prince would arrange for the fence at Wilson Park to be water blasted and the Committee resolved to purchase paint for the fence and furniture at the park. Subsequently to that there was a severe weather event and it was decided that those funds set aside for the painting and any remaining funds from the small projects grant scheme be donated to the Mayoral Flood Relief Fund to support the community, and more specifically to affected schools and essential services.

14 Small Projects Grant Scheme

To date no funding from the Small Projects Grant scheme has been allocated for projects. The available funding is \$3,232.

15 Current infrastructure projects/upgrades and other Council activities within the ward

A memorandum to be tabled.

File Ref: 3-CC-1-5

Recommendation

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

16 General Business

17 Notification of Business for the Next Meeting

18 Meeting Closed