

PALMERSTON NORTH CITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the Play, Recreation & Sport Committee Meeting Part I Public, held in the Council Chamber, First Floor, Civic Administration Building, 32 The Square, Palmerston North on 27 April 2022, commencing at 1 pm.

Members Present: Leonie Hapeta (in the Chair), The Mayor (Grant Smith) and Councillors Billy Meehan, Brent Barrett, Zulfiqar Butt, Lew Findlay QSM, Patrick Handcock ONZM, Karen Naylor and Bruno Petrenas.

Non Members: Susan Baty, Renee Dingwall, Lorna Johnson, Orphée Mickalad and Aleisha Rutherford.

Apologies: Rachel Bowen (late arrival).

Councillor Rachel Bowen entered the meeting at 1:49 pm during consideration of clause 13. She was not present for clauses 7 to 12 inclusive.

7-22 **Apologies**

Moved Leonie Hapeta, seconded Aleisha Rutherford.

The **COMMITTEE RESOLVED**

1. That the Committee receive the apologies.

Clause 7-22 above was carried.

Minute of Silence

Councillor Billy Meehan led a minute of silence for Stephen Penn, a member of the Manawatū Mustangs, who tragically died at the Speedway last week.

8-22 **Public Comment**

Kerry Hocquard from the Cancer Society of New Zealand made public comment regarding the "Results of the 2022 Audit of Shade Provision in Parks" report.

She reflected on the importance of trees providing shade in our parks and public spaces to encourage sun-smart behaviour and highlighted the insufficient funding in the parks and reserves development budget; as it would currently take 15 years to plant enough trees to provide adequate shade in all Council parks and reserves.

She requested an increase in the budget so that adequate shade

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could be provided in all parks sooner.

Moved Leonie Hapeta, seconded Patrick Handcock ONZM.

The **COMMITTEE RESOLVED**

1. That the public comment be received for information.

Clause 8-22 above was carried.

9-22

Presentation - Manawatū Triathlon League

Mark Evans, Event Director for the Manawatū Triathlon League presented their plans for the 3-days triathlon event. The event has been run since 2020 and is programmed to happen in Palmerston North in December 2022.

The League aims to develop a national reputation for the event as a must-do for all athletes, especially for junior athletes and their families, with the goal to increase athlete diversity and community participation.

Mr Evans mentioned the importance of showcasing Palmerston North's facilities and environment. He hopes to build the event and gain national and international exposure. He looks forward to the continued support from the Council and the Palmerston North community.

Moved Billy Meehan, seconded Patrick Handcock ONZM.

The **COMMITTEE RESOLVED**

1. That the Play, Recreation & Sport Committee receive the presentation for information.

Clause 9-22 above was carried.

10-22

Confirmation of Minutes

Moved Leonie Hapeta, seconded Patrick Handcock ONZM.

The **COMMITTEE RESOLVED**

1. That the minutes of the Play, Recreation & Sport Committee meeting of 23 February 2022 Part I Public be confirmed as a true and correct record.

Clause 10-22 above was carried with 3 abstentions.

Abstained:

The Mayor (Grant Smith), Councillors Susan Baty and Lew Findlay QSM.

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11-22 Manawatū Gymsports' Facility Concept Outline for a proposed new gymnastics facility - Regional Sport Facility Plan Steering Group's recommendation on next steps

Memorandum, presented by Julie Macdonald - Strategy and Policy Manager.

Moved Leonie Hapeta, seconded Aleisha Rutherford.

The **COMMITTEE RESOLVED**

1. That the Committee receive the Regional Sport Facility Plan Steering Group's report on the assessment of the Manawatū GymSports' Facility Concept Outline for a regional gymnastics facility in Palmerston North.

Clause 11-22 above was carried.

12-22 Manawatū Gymsports' Regional Facility Proposal - Council land options

Memorandum, presented by Kathy Dever-Tod - Group Manager - Parks and Logistics.

Moved Aleisha Rutherford, seconded Billy Meehan.

The **COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS**

1. That Council note the identified Council land options for the Manawatū Gymsports' Regional Facility Proposal.
2. That Council include the list of identified Council land options in any future decision-making process for the Manawatū Gymsports' Regional Facility Proposal.

Clause 12-22 above was carried.

13-22 Results of the 2022 Audit of Shade Provision in Parks

Memorandum, presented by Kathy Dever-Tod, GM Parks and Logistics.

In discussion, an additional motion from Councillor Lorna Johnson was passed to include in the annual budget deliberations the bringing forward to the next 2 to 3 years the funding to accelerate the planting of trees to improve shade in the parks.

Councillor Rachel Bowen entered the meeting at 1:49 pm.

Moved Lorna Johnson, seconded Aleisha Rutherford.

The **COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS**

1. That the report titled Results of the 2022 Audit of Shade Provision in Parks dated 27 April 2022, be received for information.
2. That the funding for tree planting in programme 1099 be brought forward from years 4-10, to a maximum of \$40,000 each year, and

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that this be referred to the annual budget deliberations.

Clause 13-22 above was carried.

14-22 Progress report: Sport Manawatū - Six-month report (1 July - 31 December 2021) to the Palmerston North City Council

Memorandum, presented by Julie Macdonald - Strategy and Policy Manager and Brad Cassidy – Sport Manawatū.

Moved Leonie Hapeta, seconded Billy Meehan.

The **COMMITTEE RESOLVED**

1. That the Committee receive the memorandum titled 'Progress report: Sport Manawatū – Six-month report (1 July to 31 December 2021) to the Palmerston North City Council' presented to the Play, Recreation and Sport Committee on 27 April 2022.

Clause 14-22 above was carried.

15-22 Committee Work Schedule

Moved Susan Baty, seconded Patrick Handcock ONZM.

The **COMMITTEE RESOLVED**

1. That the Play, Recreation & Sport Committee receive its Work Schedule dated April 2020.

Clause 15-22 above was carried.

The meeting finished at 2:48 pm.

Confirmed 17 August 2022

Chairperson