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HASTINGS DISTRICT RURAL COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING

Meeting Date: **Monday, 15 June 2020**

Time: **2.00pm**

Venue: **Landmarks Room
Ground Floor
Civic Administration Building
Lyndon Road East
Hastings**

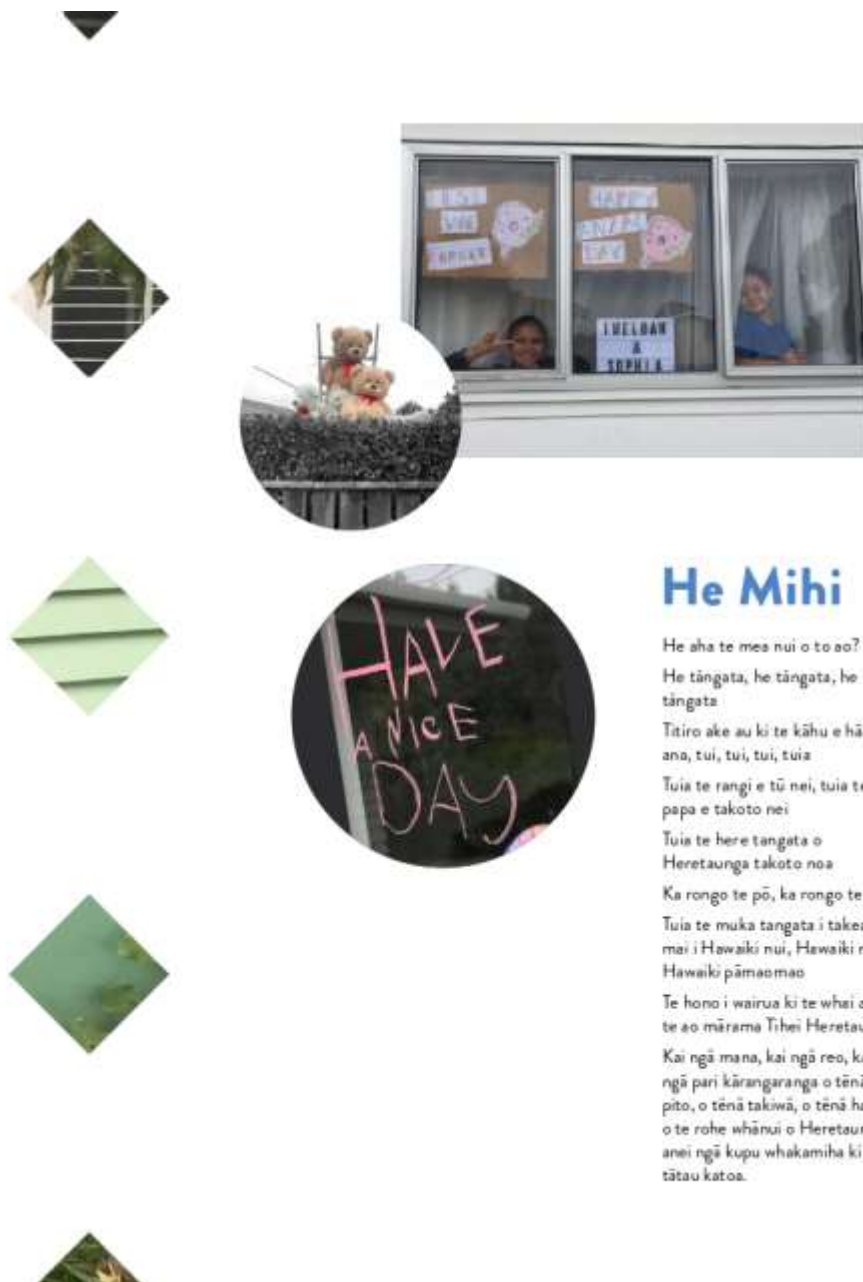
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He Mihi

He aha te mea nui o te ao?

He tāngata, he tāngata, he tāngata

Titiro ake au ki te kāhu e hāro ana, tui, tui, tui, tui

Tuia te rangi e tū nei, tuia te papa e takoto nei

Tuia te here tangata o Heretaunga takoto noa

Ka rongo te pō, ka rongo te ao
Tuia te muka tangata i takea mai i Hawaiki nui, Hawaiki roa, Hawaiki pāmao

Te hono i wairua ki te whai ao ki te ao mārama Tihei Heretaunga!

Kai ngā mana, kai ngā reo, kai ngā pari kārangaranga o tēnā pito, o tēnā takiwā, o tēnā hapū o te rohe whānui o Heretaunga, anei ngā kupu whakamihi ki a tātau katoa.

E tika ana kia tukuna atu ngā whakaaro ki a tātau mā ko ngā rau-o-piopio kua puresa atu e ngā hau maiengi, e ngā hau pūkerikeri ki tua o te ārai. Kāti tātau te tira mātāi pō ki a tātau, waiho ake ko tātau te tira mātāi ao ki a tātau.

Tēnā rā tātau katoa e whakamana nei i tō tātau nei mahere whakaaro i raro i te āhua o ngā whiu o te wā me tēnei mate urutā. He mihi kauanuanu hoki tēnei i raro i ngā tikanga me ngā tāhuhu kōrero ā kui mā, ā koro mā o te rohe whānui o Heretaunga.

Kai ngā marae, kai ngā hapū kārangaranga, nō mātau te hōnoro ki te tukua ngā mihi maioha ki tēnā, ki tēnā o koutou, otirā, ki a tātau katoa.

I te wehi i te ao me ōna āhuatanga, i whai hua tātau i ō tātau hononga, tētahi ki tētahi, i roto i nā whānau me te kāenga. Ā, mā tērā tātau e whai take kia kotahi anō te anga whakamua.

He ao kōmiromiro tō tātau ao. Mēnā ka mau tātau ki ngā rangi kua taha ake, ka kore tātau e kite i ngā hua kai mua i te aroaro. Ka kaha tātau i te kotahitanga. Mā te kotahitanga te pae tawhiti e whakawhānui. Mā tātau katoa te ara whakamua e para hai iwi kotahi. He hapori e mahi tahi ana, e whakaaro tahi ana, e whai take tahi ana.

Otirā, Heretaunga-ara-rau, Heretaunga-haukū-nui, Heretaunga-hāro-o-te-kāhu, Heretaunga-raoroa-haumako, Heretaunga-ringahora, Heretaunga takoto noa; tihei Heretaunga!

Translation

What is the most important thing in the world?

It is the people, it is the people, it is the people.

My attention is drawn to the kāhu soaring high and uniting us as one.

May it weave above and enmesh below, joining the threads of human love across Heretaunga.

May there be peace in death, peace by day in our lives.

Joined by the cords of humankind, originating from the great, far and remote homeland.

Uniting with the spirits there, emerging into the light, the world of consciousness.

The living spirit of Heretaunga within us!

To the important voices and people, our esteemed hapū communities across Heretaunga, greetings and salutations to us all.

We remember at this time, those who have passed on in former times, in recent times, and who have gathered beyond the veil of death. We acknowledge our departed and leave them to unite in death, and we now acknowledge us the living who remain.

Greetings to everyone at this time as we acknowledge and champion the recovery plan that has been borne out of this pandemic. We respectfully acknowledge too this special place and all of its cultural narratives across Heretaunga.

To our marae and the many tribes of the district, it is with honour and privilege that these acknowledgements are made to you, to all of us.

The times have in their most devastating form rekindled a fellowship of family and community that provides us the incentive and purpose to move collectively forward as one.

Change is the universal law of life. Those who dwell only in the past or present are sure to miss the future. Collectively we are strong. Collectively our vision horizon expands. Collectively we are the great architects of our own destiny, a destiny we will imagine together, as one people, a community with clarity of purpose and vision.

And so we acknowledge Heretaunga of its converging pathways, Heretaunga of its life-giving dews and waters, Heretaunga of its beauty seen from the eye of the hawk, Heretaunga of its fertile plains, Heretaunga of its hospitality and open arms, and Heretaunga of its many departed chiefs; we acknowledge the living spirit of Heretaunga within us!

Introduction

ON BEHALF OF HASTINGS DISTRICT COUNCIL

At 11:59pm on Wednesday 25 March 2020, New Zealand moved to COVID-19 Alert Level 4. People were told to stay at home, schools and universities closed, as were all non-essential businesses. Air travel and public transport effectively stopped for anything but essential services. Health services were reprioritised with elective surgeries cancelled, and triage and testing centres set up in car parks. The Government declared a national emergency. It was daunting, it was scary, and there was very real fear of what lay ahead for us as a country.

The arrival of COVID-19 on our doorstep in February had a swift and sizeable impact on our country, our district and on our people. While the New Zealand Government's approach of "go hard, go early" has no doubt saved thousands of lives and prevented a health crisis that would place our health sector under immense strain, there has been immediate community and economic impacts that it will take time for us to recover from. In addition to this, our district's rural sector has been dealt a double blow as they also struggle with drought.

We have flattened the curve, but the impacts of COVID-19 have been widely felt across all parts of our district. COVID-19 has created a range of challenges for every family and whānau in Hastings Heretaunga – for some, access to the basics of food and medicine through to possible redundancies and closure of some businesses. The pressure of 'lockdown' and the unknown has put our community wellbeing under immense strain.

The development of the Hastings District Council Recovery Plan serves to ensure Council is positioned well as a local government agency to support our economy and our people for the next 12 months and beyond.

Our Recovery Plan will see us work closely with a range of partners to help our district's economy get back to where it was prior to COVID-19, while continuing to support our community's wellbeing. Our \$130m capital investment programme will enable our suppliers to keep our people in employment and our business community to keep trading whilst delivering essential infrastructure for our future economic and community wellbeing.

Our Recovery Plan will put a COVID-19 lens over everything we are doing to ensure we are nimble in responding to the rapidly changing economic environment.

COVID-19 has meant we have all had to find new ways to operate. We will recover from this pandemic by continuing to be innovative and turn the social and economic challenges of COVID-19 into opportunities for our district.

We are well placed to get through COVID-19. It will take the combined efforts of all of us to do it. Let's support one another to help reconnect and re-build.

He waka eke noa - we're all in this together.

Sanda Hazlehurst
Mayor

Nigel Bickle
Chief Executive





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About Hastings District Council



Hastings District resides in the heart of the local iwi Ngāti Kahungunu and overlaps Te Taiwhenua o Te Whanganui-a-Orotu and Te Taiwhenua a Heretaunga; two of the six Taiwhenua of Ngāti Kahungunu Iwi Incorporated (NKII). This same district covers five other Treaty of Waitangi Settlement Entities, Ngāti Pāhauwera Development Trust that sits at our northern boundary, Ngāti Hineuru Iwi Trust that forms our Western Boundary, Maungaharuru Tangitū Trust to the immediate north of Napier City, Mana Ahuriri Trust of Napier City and inland Napier, and Heretaunga Tamatea Settlement Trust that sits at our south eastern and south western boundary; NKII being the sixth. Within this wide area there are 23 marae that reside in the Hastings District.

Hastings District is made up of three main urban areas, Havelock North, Hastings and Flaxmere, with a number of smaller rural and beachside urban areas including Clive, Te Awanga, Haumoana, Waimarama, Waiapitiki, Pōtūria, Omahu, Pakipaki, Bridge Pā, Masekākaho and Te Hauke.

The Hastings District Council's (HDC) administrative area (5,229 kilometres) is bounded to the north by Wairoa, to the east by Napier, to the south by Central Hawke's Bay, and to the west by Rangitikei and Taupō District.



Photo: Peter Scott / Abner Hawke's Bay



Our Role in Recovery

As Local Government, we have legislative obligations to safeguard our community wellbeing before, during and after an emergency. Our commitment goes beyond this to reflect our passion for our community; the people who live here, the businesses that support our economy, and the natural environment that sustains us.

In developing the Hastings District Council COVID-19 Recovery Plan (the Plan) Council will enable community, economic and environmental recovery from the impacts of the global pandemic, both on our Hastings District and on the Hawke's Bay Region.

In writing this plan, we acknowledge our role within the wider regional and national framework, which places responsibility for planning of recovery from an event such as this with our regional Civil Defence Emergency Management Group (as set out in the Civil Defence Emergency Management (CDEM) Act 2002). This approach reflects the need to plan for recovery at a strategic, regional level involving people across local authorities, the community, iwi, business, organisations and Government. Together, we will help our communities and our economies recover through an aligned approach.

At the time of writing this plan, New Zealand is still in a declared 'State of National Emergency'. Hastings along with the rest of New Zealand is still in the midst of the COVID-19 Response phase

which is focused on ensuring no one in our community goes without essential items such as food and medicine. This response may continue for 12 months or more, overlapping with our recovery efforts for a period. The road to recovery will be a long journey that may continue for 3 years or more as we transition down through the COVID-19 national alert levels to Level 0 – what will most likely be a new version of 'business as usual' in a post-COVID-19 context.

While based on the pillars of our economy and our community, this Recovery plan extends beyond developing physical assets or providing welfare services; it's a complex social process which requires local leadership and a coordinated effort to regenerate and enhance our community in the short, medium and long term.

Central government is investing many billions of dollars for recovery, with funding announcements and policy evolving as our journey through COVID-19 continues. Our Plan must be flexible and adaptable to ensure it is responsive to, and integrated with national and regional recovery plans as they are developed and implemented over the coming months and beyond.

In planning our recovery, we must work with our key stakeholders to ensure they are the architects of their journey and resilience through COVID-19. Engaging our community in developing policy will provide a robust framework for re-establishing our economic, social, emotional and physical wellbeing, essential to ensuring Hastings remaining a vibrant, safe, and prosperous place to live and work.





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Issues and Opportunities

Given the rapidly evolving COVID-19 National Emergency, Council must remain clear on what it is our district is recovering from. Initial forecasts predict a -6.2% contraction of the Hawke’s Bay economy, of which Hastings is approximately a 53% contributor. This substantial economic downturn will result in rising unemployment, particularly for youth, Māori and unskilled workers. Reduced business turnover across the majority of sectors will see a heightened risk of business closures, declining household income, and increased social pressures that may result in a decline in community wellbeing.



	SHORT TERM (LESS THAN SIX MONTHS)	LONG TERM (BEYOND SIX MONTHS)
Economic Recovery	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Rising unemployment. ➤ Reduced training opportunities and job security. ➤ Private investment (appetite for risk). ➤ Business innovation/reinvention (e.g. physical businesses creating online service). ➤ Volatility of economy (number and speed of changes across industries). ➤ Business closures in Hastings CBD (boutique/hospitality/retail). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Business sustainability (next 12 months) through COVID-19. ➤ Decline of tourism industry (spend). ➤ Affordable housing for district. ➤ Infrastructure alignment with economic growth.
Community Recovery	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Health and wellbeing issues. ➤ Fear of resuming social interactions (anxiety). ➤ Limited capacity of community groups/organisations to provide services for vulnerable communities, e.g. elderly. ➤ Reduced education and employment opportunities for youth, Māori and unskilled. ➤ Housing availability remains an issue that could be exasperated by economic slowdown. ➤ Relevance of community facilities and programmes under Level 2 and Level 1 (limits on physical distancing). ➤ Impact on arts and culture sector (e.g. Toitū, art galleries, public art events). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Inequality in community recovery. ➤ Long-term community resilience. ➤ Care of the elderly (vulnerability).
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Our Principles

In developing our strategic planning for recovery, Council will uphold the following principles to ensure the best possible outcome for Hastings District.

- We take an evidenced-based approach to inform and support decision making.
- We take a genuine engagement and partnership approach in the design and delivery of this plan.
- We work in partnership with iwi and mana whenua in the design, development and delivery of the Hastings Recovery Plan.
- We collaborate with Hawke's Bay Councils, CDEM, government agencies, business, industry and community organisations and leaders to enable a two-way exchange of information about our opportunities and risks. We respect everyone's role and will keep within our area of expertise such that we add value and refrain from creating confusion and duplication.
- We monitor and evaluate the progress and effectiveness of our management of Recovery, and adjust our approach where required.
- We support economic growth while protecting our fertile soils, waterways and environmental resources.
- We will enable our economy by operating at the speed of business.

Our Plan Approach

Council's key recovery planning pillars are to stimulate suffering areas of our economy, and ensure the ongoing wellbeing across all sectors of our communities.

Council has reviewed the draft 2020/2021 Annual Plan (pending public consultation) and will also determine possible consequences for our 10-year Long Term Plan. Consideration will be given to how our 'business as usual' priorities align with Recovery opportunities and how we can apply for additional national investment into Recovery actions. We will continue to monitor government funding opportunities and ensure we capitalise on opportunities that may arise.

Our Recovery requires effective and ongoing communication, engagement and collaboration with our communities, and our recognition of their diverse needs.

Regenerate and Revive

ECONOMIC RECOVERY PROGRAMME

Indicative Cost (to Council, in a 12 month cycle)

Key: Low: under \$100k | Med \$100k - \$500k | High \$500k +

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Business, Training & Jobs						
Regional Economic Recovery	The five HB Councils are utilising the existing Matariki Regional Economic & Community Development Strategy (the Strategy) as the framework for the management and delivery of our recovery plan. In partnership with Strategy stakeholders Council will prioritise all existing 'BAU' activity and bespoke inwards government investment to deliver on our recovery aim.	Partnership	L	Now and on-going	Matariki Partners.	Productive and efficient recovery plan management as evidenced by data-based dashboard reports.
Business Support	Work in partnership with stakeholders to develop and implement a Business Hub in Hastings to support business recovery at Alert Level 2.	Partnership	L	In 2 months	Matariki Partners.	Businesses have access to support services in Hastings.
Employment Services	Partner with government to support an integrated employment service in Hastings.	Partnership	L	Ongoing	MSD, MBIE, iwi, public and private sector.	Increased employment levels.
HB Food Innovation Hub	Ensure successful delivery of the HB Food Innovation Hub.	Partnership	H	Ongoing	MBIE, local government and private sector.	Increased food GRP, business investment, and net new employment opportunities.
Council Policy	Council to review policy settings (e.g. economic incentives, development contributions) to determine opportunities to add value (financial and non-financial) to recovery initiatives within our fiscal envelope. This includes reviewing the scope of the Karamu Master Plan and accelerating the HPUDS review.	Internal	L	Within 3 months	HB Councils.	Report to Council with recommendations
Business and Consumer Confidence	Ensure ongoing positive public engagement and communications to support growing business and consumer confidence.	Partnership	L	Ongoing	Matariki partners and private sector.	Develop and deliver engagement and communications plan targeting increasing business and consumer confidence in Hastings.



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Council Capital and Operational Investment Programme						
Council Capital Investment	Deliver Council's circa \$130m capital investment programme for 2020/21.	Internal	H	2020/21	Council suppliers.	Programme delivered with carry forwards into 2021/22 only in exceptional circumstances.
External Funding for Council Capital Investment	Secure external funding for Council works that align with our recovery objectives, in particular strengthening our roading/ logistics network to support our reliance on primary industry. Note: Awaiting decisions on funding applications submitted: PGF - \$16M and \$33M, Crown Infrastructure \$76M.	Internal	L	2020/21	Government sources.	Any externally funded projects completed within budgeted timeframes with carry forwards only in exceptional circumstances.
Public Value Procurement	Target Council circa. \$150m + 2020/21 annual procurement programme on delivering additional 'broader outcomes' to deliver public value.	Internal	L	Ongoing	Council suppliers.	Council realises additional economic, cultural, social and environment outcomes in addition to achieving a good price on procurement activities.

Urban Development Program						
Urban Development	Continue to innovate Council's approach to facilitating residential, industrial and commercial development opportunities whilst adhering to the development principles of HPUDS, including protection of our fertile soils.	Internal	L	Ongoing	HB councils and private sector investors.	Ongoing new good quality residential, commercial and industrial development.
Hastings Housing Plan	Council in partnership with Government and private sector accelerate the delivery of homes to our people.	Partnership	L	Now and ongoing	Government, private sector developers and iwi.	60 plus Government Houses are delivered by 30 June 2021, with a further 250 plus in the pipeline. Five-year building pipeline developed.
Key Account Services	Council continues to provide key account services to support business recovery and growth.	Internal	L	Now	Businesses, developers and investors.	Council regarded highly for ease of doing business.

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Strong Urban Centres						
Hastings Urban Centre	Deliver the Council capital investment programme for Hastings CBD revitalisation plan.	Internal	H	Ongoing	Hastings City Business Association, retailers, business and stakeholders.	Increased employment, patronage, visitation, business retail and hospitality spend.
	Facilitate private and public sector capital investment into Hastings CBD.	Partnership	L	Ongoing	Private and public investors.	Increased employment, patronage, visitation, business retail and hospitality spend.
	Review and confirm the \$100k Vibrancy & Activation plan. Continue to collaborate with business associations to activate and stimulate our urban centres.	Partnership Partnerships	L	Now and ongoing in step with main street businesses.	Business Associations and BIDs.	Increased employment, patronage, visitation, business retail and hospitality spend.
Flaxmere Urban Centre	Facilitate private and public sector capital investment into Flaxmere CBD.	Internal	L	Ongoing	Private and public investors.	Increased employment, village patronage and visitation, business retail and hospitality spend.
Havelock North Urban Centre	Council will continue to provide key account services to the extensive private sector investment programme already occurring in HN and will consider (on merit) bespoke response actions that contribute to recovery.	Internal	H	Ongoing	Havelock North Business Association, retailers, business and stakeholders.	Council growth infrastructure is delivered in step with the private developer programme.
Promotion and Marketing	Support the promotion of our local business to business activity.	Partnership	L	Now and ongoing	Business Associations, businesses, HB Chamber of Commerce, HB Tourism.	Increased paymark spend data. Increased foot traffic. Increased bookings.

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Council Support Services						
Primary Sector Support (COVID-19 & Drought)	Maintain strong relationships with all primary sectors and their industry organisations to protect our productive land and enable the advocating of their priorities to government.	Partnership	L	Now and ongoing	Local and central government, industry groups, iwi.	Council is positively viewed by primary sector businesses as supportive in advocating their needs and receptive to submissions for Council services.
Regulatory Services	Council through its own processes and with Government ensure efficient and effective Resource Management Act and Building Act planning processes, including pending legislative changes.	Internal	L	Now	All parties interfacing with Council.	All services are delivered in an efficient and effective manner.
Help Business Cash Flow	Council provides prompt weekly payment to suppliers.	Internal	L	Now	All registered suppliers.	Help to ensure business cash flow.
Council Fees and Charges	Continue to review Councils fees and charging model where they impact upon successful recovery.	Internal	L	Now	Various.	Contributes towards successful recovery.

Reconnect and Restore

COMMUNITY RECOVERY PROGRAMME

Indicative Cost (to Council, in a 12 month cycle)

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Whānau Pounamu						
Community Plans	Review Community Plans as a way to understand COVID-19 impacts. Integrate solutions from COVID-19 Recovery Plan as appropriate.	Partnership	L	Now	Community leaders, government.	Community plans are re-developed in partnership with community to include specific initiatives to aid recovery from COVID-19. Initiatives are implemented within set time frames.
Camberley Project	Complete Phase 2 Application for Police Proceeds of Crime funding to support Camberley community to access key organisations that will impact positively on their wellbeing (\$1.1m over 4 years).	Internal	L	July onwards (project initiation)	Camberley key stakeholders, government.	Essential needs of individuals and whānau are met, and community health and wellbeing are supported.
Homelessness	Support public and private sector initiatives to reduce homelessness in Hastings.	Partnership	L	Now	Housing First, MSD, Police, HB DHB.	Homeless are housed and are living independently with wrap around services.
Council Senior Housing	Undertake regular welfare checks via phone to ensure residents are supported for essential needs at each Alert Level, acknowledging increased anxiety irrespective of risk.	Internal	L	Now and ongoing	Community support partners.	Residents can continue to access essential items such as food and medicines. Residents feel supported and safe.
Social Connection	Complete needs-analysis for social connection project to support community groups working with older people (65+) to reduce loneliness/social isolation in the community.	Partnership	L	Alert Level 2	Agencies working in the older people sector, TToH.	Needs assessment completed and recommendation implemented.
Wellbeing Hubs	Complete needs-analysis for the establishment of wellbeing hubs to provide factual information, resources & services to the community.	Internal	M	2-3 months	Government and other relevant NGO's.	Needs assessment completed and recommendation implemented.



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Community Funding & Grants						
Rapid Relief Fund	\$100k Rapid Relief Fund established for community grants to address impacts of emergency.	Internal	L	Now		Fund is fully allocated to a range of organisations that deliver tangible recovery benefits to Hastings as evidenced through data-based reporting.
Community Grants Fund	Investigate alternative allocation of the community grants funds with an objective to update criteria to focus on recovery efforts and groups impacted by COVID-19.	Internal	M	Now		Fund is fully allocated to a range of organisations that deliver tangible recovery benefits to Hastings as evidenced through data-based reporting.
Operational Budget	Review budgeted operational spend ensuring alignment with COVID-19 recovery objectives.	Internal	M	Now		Budgeted spend delivers tangible recovery benefits to Hastings.
Marae Development Fund	Pathway for marae to submit to Council under the Marae Development Fund policy guidelines and further develop marae aspirations.	Internal	L	Now and ongoing	Māori Standing Committee, marae, hapu, iwi.	Essential needs of individuals and marae are met, and community health and wellbeing supported.
Community Vibrancy						
Civic Pride	Continue to celebrate Hastings and Hastings Heroes. Develop and implement Hastings Proud campaign celebrating COVID-19 recovery in Hastings District.	Internal	L	Now and ongoing		Community spirit, pride and resilience are strengthened. Community embraces the natural, cultural and historical heritage of Hastings.
Arts & Culture Recovery Strategy	Develop an Arts & Culture Recovery Strategy. Partner with iwi, the Arts and Literacy Community and performers to profile a strong cultural experience that celebrates and tells Hastings stories within the COVID-19 limitations on gatherings.	Partnership	M	Now	Toitoti, Arts Inc. Nga Toi, iwi.	Enabling partnership approaches to projects that are aligned to the recovery phase and beyond. Give effect to iwi values through collaborative engagement.
Community Facilities & Public Spaces	Develop facilities plan to adapt services to enable access under COVID-19 Alert Level 1 and 2. Develop and action communications campaign promoting Council facility offerings Level 2 onwards.	Partnership	L	Now	Schools, swim clubs, swim squads, sports groups, Sport HB, community orgs.	Facilities offer relevant community activities under Level 1 and 2. Community safely accessing and enjoying Council facilities.

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Safe & Secure Communities						
Safer Hastings	Develop and implement a Safer Hastings Recovery Plan focused on the key areas of recovery including; suicide prevention, mental health and wellbeing.	Partnership	L	Now	Safer Hastings coalition and partners.	Safer Hastings Recovery Plan developed. Actions implemented within timeframes. Positive wellbeing outcomes for community.
Neighbourhood Support Programme	Leverage this programme to promote recovery and resilience. Continued focus on crime prevention. Explore how this network can support recovery and resilience e.g. through connections.	Partnership	L	Now	Police, NZ Neighbourhood Support.	Enabling partnership approaches to projects that are aligned to the recovery phase and beyond. Give effect to iwi values through collaborative engagement. Communities are aware of support services and feel connected and safe within their neighbourhoods.
Street-By-Street Programme	Adapt Street-by-Street programme delivery and refine focus on recovery & resilience. Targets high-need streets (crime prevention & wellbeing).	Partnership	L	June	Kainga Ora, MSD, Police, HB DHB, Fire NZ, TToH, TPK.	Communities are aware of support services and feel connected and safe within their neighbourhoods.
Rural Communities						
Rural Support Networks	Raise the profile of Rural Community Board (RCB) as a platform for engagement with rural sector and voice rural concerns. Develop response plan as required in partnership with rural agencies.	Partnership	L	Now	RAG, RCB, MPI, Rural Support Trust (East Coast).	Rural community are supported and can access advice and support from relevant agencies.
Youth						
Youth Council Annual Plan	Review Annual Plan to adapt actions to align with COVID-19 restrictions. Ensure youth voice (16-24) is included in Community and Economic recovery pillars.	Internal	L	Now		Youth perspective is included in development of recovery planning across community and economic pillars.
Youth Potential Programme	Youth Potential Programme providers are supported to continue to work with rangatahi.	Partnership	L	Now	Community organisations.	Youth Potential Programme outcomes are linked to recovery priorities (e.g. resilience, wellbeing and employment).

Abbreviations and Acronyms

BIDs	Business Improvement Districts
CDEM	Civil Defence and Emergency Management
DHB	District Health Board
GRP	Gross Regional Product
HDC	Hastings District Council
HPUDS	Heretaunga Plains Urban Development Strategy
HB CoC	Hawke's Bay Chamber of Commerce
KOHC	Kainga Ora Housing
MBIE	Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment
MHUD	Ministry of Housing and Urban Development
MPI	Ministry of Primary Industry
MSD	Ministry of Social Development
NKII	Ngāti Kahunguhu Iwi Inc.
RAG	Rural Advisor Group
RCB	Rural Community Board
RMA	Resource Management Act
TPK	Te Puni Kōkiri
TTOH	Te Taiwhenua o Heretaunga



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Hawke's Bay Drought Relief Fund

The four mayors and Regional Council chairman have launched a Hawke's Bay Drought Relief Fund in response to the critical shortage of feed, as a result of the severe and prolonged drought in the region.

The lead agency for the Hawke's Bay community response for the drought, the Rural Advisory Group (RAG) will administer the applications to the fund held in Trust by the Hawke's Bay Disaster Relief Trust. Local Government has made it clear from the outset that the funds raised will only support the cost of transportation of feed to the region, not the cost of feed purchased (this would exhaust the fund in a very short time and not support many farmers)

To date, the fund has accrued \$1 million including contributions from Government (\$500k), Regional Council (\$200k), Central Hawke's Bay District Council (\$50k), Centralines (\$50k), and Hastings District Council (\$200k).

Given the urgency of the feed requirement, the application process will be managed as a high trust model of targeted assistance. People will apply through an online form on the Hawke's Bay Regional Council website and must declare they are a position of need, and have a feed budget that confirms this.

Guiding Principles

- Simple process.
- To support as many people as possible through this winter by helping keep stock alive and people's businesses afloat.
- To operate a high trust model.
- Nobody falls through the cracks. As many people in need as possible to access the funding support.
- Funding process to be as transparent as possible.
- Urgent need to distribute the funds.
- We will do our best with the funds available to support the farming community however we cannot cater for every situation.
- One off payment
- This is not to cover the costs of transport for donated feed

Delivery

- Applicants have to apply for funds via an online form on the Hawke's Bay Regional Council website: <https://www.hbrc.govt.nz/environment/farmers-hub/drought-crisis-hub/drought-relief-fund-register> (note this link is unpublished)
- Alternative methods of contact to be made available, such as a local phone number
- Applicants need to tick a box to confirm that they have a feed plan/budget and that this has informed the feed requirements being supported by their application. This information is auditable and must be supplied if asked for at a later date.
- Applicants will provide their bank deposit slip and the invoice from the supplier (they must have the same name on the invoice and bank deposit slip, and the invoice must have the transport cost separated from the feed cost) and receive an automated email to confirm their eligibility.

- The applicants will then be reimbursed as soon as possible for the transport cost – up to the maximum amount agreed according to the size of their land
- Regional Council data indicates 3,000 of farms in the drought affected area of Central Hawke's Bay and outlying areas of Hastings. We have made a conservative assessment that 50% of those farms will need support.
- A farm trading entity can apply for the support up to the indicated maximums below:
- We have split the farms into three categories to manage the feed requirements
 - Greater than 150 ha (eligible for a maximum of \$1,350)
 - Between 20 ha – 150 ha (eligible for a maximum of \$400)
 - Less than 20 ha (This funding will be administered directly to support transport operators for feed supplies for this lifestyle market).
- People can claim funding support from the date of 19 May 2020 when the fund was formally launched
- There is a reserve for the Rural Support Trust and previously committed transport costs

FAQ's

Why isn't the fund retrospective to all farmers?

The fund is limited in the scope of assistance it can provide and therefore a model of targeted assistance to farmers with critical feed shortage problems and who are still in need of help is considered the most appropriate and effective use of the funds. If the fund was retrospective, a cut-off date would still need to be applied and this could be seen to be unfair to those people who purchased bulk feed before this date. Also, some farmers made a call to destock rather than buy feed.

Doesn't helping farmers who need feed now penalise farmers who made earlier decisions?

We realise that process may be seen to be unfair for people who have bought feed before 19 May, however we are trying to do the best with the funds available. The RAG commitment is to take everyone through the winter and as much of their stock as possible, and at this stage, the RAG has decided that it needs to target those most in need of support.

Why is there a different funding process for lifestyle/ smaller land holdings?

The RAG recognises that people on smaller land holdings also need support, and this extends from advice on feed and stock management through to funding. Landowners on lifestyle farming blocks are on a significantly smaller scale to commercial farms and are unlikely to buy feed in bulk form. We need a different solution for them.

Will more funds become available?

The RAG group is working hard to source more funds and this is being approached in a number of ways.

A Give a Little page will be launched this Friday May 29 across the joint councils' main communication channels, print media, and social media. We expect a strong contribution from the

Hawke's Bay community and wider, given the drought has received media attention. The funds from this appeal will be banked with the Hawke's Bay Disaster Relief Trust, the same fund that has received the mayoral funding. Currently, the Give a Little funding is earmarked for supporting transportation of feed, but depending on the amount received, it may be used for other drought assistance.

The RAG group are also seeking funds through the investment community of Hawke's Bay

Given the demand from other drought affected regions for Government support, we need to present a new case to Government in future.

Why haven't the RAG bulk funded transport of feed into Hawke's Bay?

It is better for individual farmers to make a decision on the quantity and quality of feed and where to best to source feed. This allows for a farmer to use their own network to buy a supplement that suits them. This enables a far more rapid response to a farmer's particular need based on their stock and feed requirements. The RAG is wary of creating a distortion in the feed marketplace.

If farmers have received donated feed, can they apply for the fund?

No. The fund is not intended to cover the cost of transport for donated feed, and it creates a situation of inequity if this was the case.

Why aren't farmers getting a rates rebate?

Not all farmers are ratepayers.

Does the reimbursement include GST?

Hawke's Bay Disaster Relief Trust who is administering the Drought Relief Fund is not registered for GST. The grant to reimburse transport costs is not subject to GST. Reimbursement will be for the GST exclusive value.

Is the grant subject to income tax?

As this is a donation from the Hawke's Bay Disaster Relief Trust this should not be treated as taxable income however you should seek your own tax advice if you have any questions.



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INTRODUCTION

Hastings District depends on having a strong community and voluntary sector to support vulnerable communities and activate the district. The Hastings District Council (Council) has supported organisations in many ways in the past. There is a constant desire to make sure the Council is contributing appropriately to the sector, that the funding helps achieve positive outcomes and the systems in place are relevant and easy-to-use.

This Contestable Grants and Funding Framework aims to provide a clear framework for how the Council will fund community and voluntary organisations to contribute to the vision of the District as outlined in the Long Term Plan. The word 'community' is used here in its broadest sense: it signals that our community funding

Framework will support the broader outcomes such as the social, cultural, economic and environmental wellbeing of all our people and places.

Hastings District Council has many different sources of funding to empower organisations to meet their shared goals including, but not limited to:

- Community Grants
- Creative Communities funding
- Waste minimisation fund
- Youth Fund
- Mayor Fund
- Operational contracts for service
- Events Funding

FUNDING CURRENTLY COVERED BY THIS FRAMEWORK

Acknowledging that there are many different avenues for groups to gain council support including funding, this framework is currently only covering the following, but can be used as a framework for new grants in the future.

COMMUNITY

- Single-Year Community Grant (*formally Seed Funding / Community Grants*)
- Multi-year Strategic Community Partnership Fund (*formally Discretionary & Establishment Fund*)

EVENTS AND ACTIVATIONS

- Single-Year Community Event Fund (*newly contestable*)
- City Vibrancy Fund (*new /date tbc*)
- Council Facility Fee Assistance (*formally Service Wavier*)

ARTS

- Creative Communities

ENVIRONMENTAL

- Waste Minimisation Contestable Fund (*newly contestable*)

FACILITY DEVELOPMENT

- Marae Development Fund
- Rural Halls Maintenance Fund

STRATEGIC CONTEXT

The following Hastings District Council Strategies, plans and policies are critical to this Contestable Grants and Funding Framework

- Long Term Plan 2018-2028
- HDC Event Strategy
- Toi-Tu- Regional Arts and Culture Strategy
- Local Community Plans
- Social Wellbeing Framework
- Joint Waste Management and Minimisation Plan

Council's vision of Great Living, Today and Tomorrow will be fulfilled through the following 6 Broad Areas of focus:

- **Our Environment**
- **Moving Around**
- **Our Economy**
- **Where We Live**
- **Things To Do**
- **Our People**

This Contestable Grants and Funding Framework was developed to contribute to achieving focus areas 5 and 6

- **Focus area 1 – our Environment**
 - Environmental Enhancement
- **Focus area 5 – Things To Do**
 - Relaxing into our reserves
 - City Centre Cultural Precinct
- **Focus area 6 – Our People**
 - Uplifting Communities
 - Youth Development

This Contestable Grants and Funding Framework also contributes to Council's community outcomes and specific Council objectives as set out in the Long Term Plan 2018-2028 by:

Local Infrastructure:

- Places and Spaces for Recreation
- Appealing Visitor Destination
- Places and spaces for arts, culture, learning
- A community that wastes less
- Sustainable use of land and water resources

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Local Public Services:

- People safe from crime
- Fostering recreational participation
- Assisting youth in education, skill development and jobs
- Building a resilient and job rich local economy
- Appealing visitor destination
- Assistance for people in need
- Fostering the arts and cultural experience
- District heritage is conserved for future generations
- A community which wastes less
- Putting people at the centre of planning and service

FRAMEWORK OBJECTIVES AND GOALS

The objective of the Contestable Grants and Funding Framework is to provide a clear direction for financial support for the development of the areas voluntary and community sector, while also ensuring that the Council's resources are targeted at meeting its strategic outcomes.

This Framework describes the grant types that are created by Council to support the voluntary and community sector. This will make it easier for Council staff to be equitable and transparent in their treatment of organisations, and for organisations to understand how Council provides support to the sector.

GRANTS BUDGET

The funding available for each of the grants programmes is generally determined through the Long Term Plan process and adjusted for inflation annually through the budget process.

Council can elect to earmark amounts to grant for particular purposes during the annual budget process. The overall amount available per grants programme, and any amounts earmarked for particular purposes, will be published in advance of funding rounds opening for each new financial year.

The budget for the Creative Communities Grants comes directly from Creative New Zealand

The budget for the Waste Minimisation Fund comes from Council's Waste Disposal Levy Funds



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COMMUNITY GRANTS PRINCIPALS

To ensure equity across the different types of funding support covered by this framework a number of principles will be applied.

TRANSPARENCY

Grants programmes will operate transparently in all respects and all stages of the process, while protecting confidentiality.

Clear information about the opportunities to apply for funding, and Council's expectations of applicants and recipients, will be provided in a timely manner. Information about all the grants Council provides, who has received them and for what purpose, will be published annually. Council will also provide feedback to unsuccessful grant applicants about why they have been declined, so they will know what they can do to increase their chances of success next time.

EQUITY

All communities will have an equal opportunity to be considered for grants, and Council will ensure applicants are treated fairly, regardless of their size, location (within the Hastings District Council boundary) or circumstances, and provide any support they may reasonably require in applying for grants. The organisational status of an agency (registered charity, unincorporated society, social enterprise and so on) will not be a barrier to funding, so long as the organisation can demonstrate that it is established and operating as a not-for-profit agency.

ACCOUNTABILITY

Staff and decision-makers will work together to deliver good value for residents, by supporting initiatives that are cost effective and which can produce clear benefits for our communities. Assessment will be based on individual proposals, their merits and how well they align with Council's funding priorities.

Council may take into account an applicant's previous track record, their current capability and their future potential when awarding grants.

Council expects all grant applicants to give advance thought to how they will know their project, activity or service has been a success. For larger grants and partnerships, applicants will be asked to propose appropriate outcome measures, and a plan for how these will be monitored and reported back.

All grant recipients will be required to account for how they have spent funds and share what they have achieved and learnt.

RESPECT

Council shares many interests, values and goals with the not-for-profit sector, but also recognises that the sector is made up of self-determining and independent organisations.

Like the Council, each has its own mission, and is accountable to its own community.

Council's relationships with these organisations will be characterised by mutual respect and an acknowledgement that delivering positive outcomes is a shared responsibility.

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COMMUNITY LEAD

Grants are a means of financially supporting community-led initiatives, and in this respect they are fundamentally different from other procurement arrangements. When Council procures from a third party, it is purchasing a service to meet a specific need or requirement, and that service is delivered to Council's specifications.

In contrast, the initiatives Council supports through grants are conceived and delivered by the community, for the community. This distinction will be reflected in the grants programme, in the language that is used, the process that is designed and the relationships that Council enters into with grant recipients.

PROPORTIONALITY

Council will strive to balance its statutory responsibility to ensure the lawful and prudent expenditure of public funds, with a commitment to work in a way that acknowledges integrity of community organisations, and recognises the impact of its requirements on their limited time and resources. The information Council collects, and its expectations of grant applicants/recipients, should always be proportionate to the scale of what is being proposed or funded. The processes and documentation that organisations are asked to complete should be appropriate to the size of the grant, the situation of the applicant and the level of risk presented to the council.

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RULES FOR CONTESTABLE GRANTS

FUNDING AGREEMENT & CONTRACTS FOR SERVICE

Any form of funding will be described in a Funding Agreement or a Contract for Service and may include key performance indicators and agreed upon deliverables.

The agreement will contain the responsibilities that both the Council and the organisation receiving support agree upon, and the project, activity or service that the organisation will provide to the community. The contract will vary depending on the amount of support provided and the type of support.

ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS

The primary beneficiaries of community grants will be not-for-profit, charitable and voluntary organisations operating in the Hastings District for Hastings District residents. These groups are often referred to collectively as 'community organisations' because they are established with the primary purpose of providing a benefit to the wider community. There are three main groups that can apply for Community Grants:

- Community organisations; Most community organisations have a formal legal structure and founding documents (e.g. a constitution) which set out governance and management arrangements consistent with their charitable mission. Having a recognised structure enables Council to enter into a formal legal agreement with the organisation, and ensures appropriate accountability for how grant funds will be managed.
- Groups with no formal legal structure; Groups with no formal legal structure may apply for funding, provided they are able to nominate an 'umbrella' organisation which has agreed to receive and administer the grant on their behalf – the umbrella organisation will be legally accountable to Council for the expenditure of the funding.
- Social innovation and social enterprise; Council welcomes funding applications from social enterprises delivering outcomes for our communities. Social enterprises exist in a hybrid space, where social, environmental or cultural goals and commercial objectives come together. To be classed as a social enterprise for the purposes of grant applications an organisation needs to demonstrate the majority of its profits/surplus is reinvested in the fulfilment of its mission.

INELIGIBLE APPLICANTS

Community grants as covered by this framework are not available to:

- Political parties
- Schools*
- Commercial entities**
- Internal applicants (for example to fund projects, programmes or facilities run by Council or its employees)
- Hastings District Council CCOs (Council Controlled Organisations)
- Other local authorities, government agencies or public sector entities

* Schools may apply to for a grant for non-curriculum projects

**Commercial Entities may apply for a waste minimisation fund

ELIGIBLE EXPENSES FOR GRANT FUNDING

Applicants will be asked to provide an overall budget for the project, activity or service that will deliver those outcomes. In most cases Council will be one of several sources of funding for the project, activity or service rather than the sole funder, and this should be reflected in the budget.

The budget for the project, activity or service is likely to include a range of costs. Examples include:

- Project wages*, professional fees (e.g. artists' fees) and volunteer expenses
- Administration and office expenses
- Accommodation expenses including rent, leases, maintenance, insurances and utilities
- Costs integral to service delivery (e.g. vehicle expenses for a mobile social service)
- Marketing, advertising, website and printing costs
- Programme expenses such as materials, equipment hire, venue hire and tutor's fees.

Applicants will need to indicate how they plan to spend their council grant including details of the project, activity or services and how it will be used to fund specific components of the budget, or to help offset the overall cost. Appropriate outcomes for the level of funding Council provides will be negotiated with recipients, and any special conditions for how the grant can be spent will be reflected in the funding agreement.

**Wages need to be connected to an outcome and be project based.*

INELIGIBLE EXPENSES FOR GRANT FUNDING

The Contestable Grants and Funding Framework provides decision-makers with considerable flexibility to determine how best to support their communities to deliver positive outcomes, as outlined above. However, there are some purposes that will not be funded.

The following activities will not be funded:

- Debt servicing or repayment
- Legal expenses
- Activities that promote religious ministry or political purposes and causes
- Medical expenses
- Public services that are the responsibility of central government (e.g. core education, primary health care)
- Large physical works – e.g. improvement to community buildings – that require consents or permits, prior to the necessary consents or permits being obtained (grants may be awarded in principle but funds will not be released until all conditions are satisfied)
- Purchase of alcohol
- Retrospective costs (where the activity has already taken place), unless this is necessary as a condition of the grant or Council is satisfied there are other mitigating circumstances
- Groups who's services are delivered outside the district

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LOWER PRIORITIES

In a competitive funding environment, the following may be a lower priority for funding:

- Ongoing Salaries and administration costs
- Travel and accommodation outside the area, unless Council is convinced there will be a tangible benefit for local communities
- Fundraising events or activities, especially where the beneficiary is a third party (e.g. charity events, sponsored walks), unless we determine the event has a wider community benefit beyond its primary purpose as a fundraiser
- National organisations
- Health based organisations that could be funded by the DHB
- Education based organisations that could be funded by the MOE
- Groups whose services are not located in the district
- Council may specify additional exclusions for funding to those set out above. Refer to the relevant grants programme for more information about specific exclusions

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Organisations affiliated in some way to elected members or employees of Council can still be considered for grant funding. However, organisations in this category should note any possible conflict of interest (or perception of a conflict of interest) in their application to ensure any necessary steps can be taken to mitigate this.

Elected members or council employees involved in funding decisions are also required to note any possible conflict of interest (or perception of a conflict of interest), and will not be involved in any assessment or decision-making related to these applications.



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ASSESSMENT AND PRIORITISATION

This section explains the factors Council will consider when assessing proposals, to determine their relative merit, and assist decision-makers to prioritise between proposals of similar merit.

PROPOSAL ASSESSMENT

Each funding proposal should be assessed by at least three different people, discussed and then allocated according to the groups' recommendation. When assessing the strength of an individual proposal, and which proposals should be considered a priority for funding, decision makers will consider whether the applicant has:

- Made a compelling case for how their proposal aligns to the funding priorities established
 - Clearly defined the purpose and expected community outcomes of their project, activity, or service, for example the need they are meeting and why this is important
 - Clearly described their project, activity or service, what will be delivered and have satisfied Council that it is viable
 - The capability, capacity and experience to deliver their project, activity or service to an appropriate standard, evidenced by a relevant track record of successful delivery
 - Presented a realistic, evidenced-based budget for their project, activity or service, and identified exactly how the grant would be spent
 - Given thought to how they will show the grant has positively impacted the community (or for larger grants and partnerships, identifying how they will evaluate the success of their project, activity or service)
 - Understands who their project, activity or service will benefit and where in the Hastings District Council area these people are likely to come from
 - The necessary experience, networks or profile to give them credible access to the people who will benefit
 - Provided evidence of community support for, and/or involvement in the project, activity or service and/or evidence of support from their recognised regional or national body (where relevant)
 - Shown that their project, activity or service will support multiple funding priorities (this is not required, but may lend additional weight to the application)
 - Outlined all Council funding (financial or otherwise) it has currently received at the time of applying
- Council will apply the 'proportionality principle' in evaluating the applications. Applicants seeking larger grants will be expected to answer in more detail and provide additional evidence compared with applicants seeking smaller grants.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

Council grant programmes are consistently oversubscribed, and it is not possible for Council to meet all requests for funding. In making decisions Council will take applicants' overall financial situation into consideration.

Council will ask all grant applicants what they (or others) will contribute to the cost of their proposed project, activity, or service. An applicant's own contribution may include volunteer labour, donated materials, donated professional services and/or their own cash reserves.

When assessing and prioritising applications, Council may take into account any or all of the following:

- The applicant's overall financial position, including their ability to support the project, activity or service from their own resources and/or to access grants from other sources.
- Whether the applicant has accessed, or made reasonable attempts to access, other sources of financial support for their project, activity or service, including grants from other funders, or fundraising within their community.
- Whether the applicant has received, or is receiving, any other grants, contracts, subsidised accommodation or other financial assistance from Council.

FUNDING PRIORITIES

The aim of funding priorities is to provide a clear guidance to potential applicants on what the Council would particularly like to fund to achieve community outcomes that contribute to its strategic direction. As part of setting the funding priorities, Council may specify additional exclusions for funding to those set out in this Framework – such as setting a minimum or maximum grant size, or excluding certain types of expenditure (for example international travel). It may also highlight factors they consider would significantly impact on their decision making. These additional exclusions will be communicated to applicants prior to applying.

FUNDING ALLOCATION PANELS

Funding allocation panels will be appointed for various funding programmes to ensure the right mix of relevant expertise and knowledge are involved in assessing grant applications. Allocation panels will be appointed before the commencement of each funding round for a duration of three years to align with councillor appointments. This is to ensure that there is a broad mix of expertise on the panels on an on-going basis and to ensure other people have the opportunity to experience being a panel member.

Some smaller funds will be assessed by council staff, for these funds an internal funding assessment group will be established based on the skill set needed. Funding Assessment groups should be made up of at least three people to ensure fairness and transparency across all applications and funding rounds



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TYPES OF COMMUNITY GRANT PROGRAMMES AND PRIORITIES

SINGLE YEAR COMMUNITY GRANT

This fund provides funding up to 20k for new ideas that meet a key priority area

Priority areas for the Single Year Community Grant are:

1. Uplifting our communities' wellbeing by providing access to help and advice.
2. Fostering a sense of pride within our district and across our diverse communities
3. Promoting happy, healthy and active communities.

MULTI-YEAR STRATEGIC COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP FUND

These funds are for community initiatives that are already up and running, meet our vision and are clearly making a big difference in our communities, these are three year partnership agreements

Priority areas for the Strategic Community Partnership Fund are:

1. Assisting youth in education, skill development and jobs
2. Assistance for people in need
3. Fostering the arts and cultural experience
4. People are safe from crime
5. A community which wastes less
6. District heritage is conserved for future generations

COUNCIL FACILITY FEE ASSISTANCE

This fund helps charitable or not-for-profit organisation in Hastings with the cost of Council Parks, Reserves and Venues for Community Events

Priority areas for the Council Facility Fee Assistance Fund are:

1. Diversity, The event for which the grant is sought must benefit significant numbers of Hastings residents
2. Accessibility, The event must be accessible to the wider community

SINGLE-YEAR COMMUNITY EVENT GRANT

Hastings District Council Single-year Event Grant supports not-for-profit community organisations that support small community led events that are aligned with Council plans and strategies and contribute to the social or economic wellbeing of the district.

The Community Events Fund is available to not-for-profit community organisations planning community events in the Hastings District that are in line with Council's Event Strategy

CITY VIBRANCY FUND

Hastings District Council City Vibrancy Fund supports community organisations to run activations, events and projects that add to the vibrancy of the Hastings CBD. These small community led events that are aligned with Council plans and strategies and contribute to the City Vibrancy and Hastings Alive Plans.

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CREATIVE COMMUNITIES SCHEME

These grants are available for arts projects. The funds are supplied by Creative New Zealand, applicants to this fund must show how their project fits with criteria set by the Creative Communities Scheme and Hastings District Council.

Creative New Zealand has three funding criteria for this scheme. They are:

1. Broad community involvement, The project will create opportunities for local communities to engage with and participate in arts activities
2. Diversity, The project will support the diverse arts and cultural traditions of local communities, enriching and promoting their uniqueness and cultural diversity
3. Young people, The project will enable and encourage young people (under 18 years) to engage with and actively participate in the arts

WASTE MINIMISATION CONTESTABLE FUND

The Waste Minimisation Contestable Fund aims to support waste minimisation projects that result in a new waste minimisation activity, either by implementing new initiatives or expanding on existing activities. To contribute to building a community that values our resources, re-uses, re-purposes and recycles what it can.

Achieved through education, engagement and the development of new technology and ways of working.

Priority areas for the grant for Waste Minimisation Fund are

1. Minimisation / avoidance / reduction of waste creation
2. Reuse of waste materials
3. Recycling of waste materials
4. Recovery of waste resource (the selective extraction of disposed materials for a specific next use, such as recycling, composting or generating energy).

MARAE DEVELOPMENT FUND

The Marae Development Fund assists with marae preservation and development, with projects assessed against eligibility criteria set out in Hastings District Council's Marae Development Fund Policy.

RURAL HALLS MAINTENANCE FUND

Councils rural halls maintenance funding scheme is designed to assist with the building maintenance of halls in the rural and plains areas of Hastings. It does not cover ongoing operational costs or capital development.



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FURTHER INFORMATION

Further Information around Hastings District Council's grants schemes can be found at

www.hastingsdc.govt.nz/grants

Or by contacting

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