

Te Hui o Te Kaunihera ā-Rohe o Heretaunga Hastings District Council

Council Meeting

Kaupapataka

Agenda

Te Rā Hui:

Meeting date:

Thursday, 9 June 2022

Te Wā:

Time:

9.00am

Council Chamber

Ground Floor

Te Wāhi: Venue:

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Officer:



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Tiamana

Chair: Mayor Sandra Hazlehurst

Mematanga: Ngā KaiKaunihera

Membership: Councillors: Bayden Barber, Alwyn Corban, Malcolm Dixon, Damon

Harvey, Tania Kerr (Deputy Chair), Eileen Lawson, Simon Nixon, Henare

O'Keefe, Peleti Oli, Ann Redstone, Wendy Schollum, Sophie Siers,

Geraldine Travers and Kevin Watkins

Tokamatua:

Quorum: 8 members

Apiha Matua

Officer Responsible: Chief Executive – Nigel Bickle

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Democracy and Louise Stettner (Extn 5018)

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Te Rārangi Take

Order of Business

1.0 Opening Prayer – *Karakia Whakatūwheratanga*

2.0 Apologies & Leave of Absence – Ngā Whakapāhatanga me te Wehenga ā-Hui At the close of the agenda no apologies had been received. At the close of the agenda no requests for leave of absence had been received.

3.0 Conflict of Interest – He Ngākau Kōnatunatu

Members need to be vigilant to stand aside from decision-making when a conflict arises between their role as a Member of the Council and any private or other external interest they might have. This note is provided as a reminder to Members to scan the agenda and assess their own private interests and identify where they may have a pecuniary or other conflict of interest, or where there may be perceptions of conflict of interest.

If a Member feels they <u>do</u> have a conflict of interest, they should publicly declare that at the start of the relevant item of business and withdraw from participating in the meeting. If a Member thinks they <u>may</u> have a conflict of interest, they can seek advice from the General Counsel or the Manager: Democracy and Governance (preferably before the meeting).

It is noted that while Members can seek advice and discuss these matters, the final decision as to whether a conflict exists rests with the member.

4.0 Confirmation of Minutes – *Te Whakamana i Ngā Miniti*

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Te Rārangi Take

Report to Council

Nā:

From: Lex Verhoeven, Strategy Manager

Te Take: Annual Plan 2022/23 and Development Contributions Policy

Subject: 2022/23 - Consideration of Submissions

1.0 Purpose and summary - Te Kaupapa Me Te Whakarāpopototanga

1.1 The purpose of this report is to inform the Council on submissions received to the Draft Annual Plan and Development Contributions Policy 2022/23.

1.2 Background

- 1.3 The Draft Annual Plan and Development Contributions Policy were released for community feedback on 2 April 2022 with feedback closing on 16 May 2022. In total **1,301** pieces of feedback were received and the Council acknowledges the good level of interest and community involvement with the Annual Plan process. A breakdown of the feedback received is as follows:
 - 81 formal submissions to the process.
 - A further total of 1,220 pieces of feedback were also received on the Tomoana Showgrounds proposal from the following engagement methods:
 - 359 responses have been received to a website survey
 - 776 feedback return slips from the consultation document
 - Numerous interactions and 85 feedback forms at two Farmers' Market engagement sessions held on 1 and 8 May 2022.

1.4 Discussion

- 1.5 The submissions received cover a range of issues and are attached to the agenda as two separate volumes. Also attached in a separate document are the officer comments in respect of the submissions.
- 1.6 The Rural Community Board considered submissions impacting on the rural area at their meeting dated 23 May 2022, and their direction will be tabled at the 9 June Council meeting.

1.7 <u>Tomoana Showgrounds</u> - In respect of the Tomoana Showgrounds proposal a total of 1,240 responses were received to the proposal. A summary of the feedback is as follows:

Engagement Method	Yes - Purchase	No – Do Not Purchase
Website Survey	91.4%	8.6%
Consultation Document	89.3%	10.7%
Farmers Market	98.8%	1.2%
Formal Submissions	95.0%	5.0%

- 1.8 Key aspects of the feedback received from those supporting the purchase related to ensuring the land was retained for the purposes specified in the Consultation Document, and in some cases further explanation in respect of the future of the grandstand, the need for demolition (or not) and other options. A number of submissions offered suggestions in regard to future use and development which are considerations for the proposed master planning exercise, should the Council proceed to purchase the site.
- 1.9 Residents not supportive of the purchase were predominantly concerned with the fiscal burden, particularly in the current economic climate.
- 1.10 The submission from Federated Farmers proposed an alternative funding approach, however the Rural Community Board considered this matter and were comfortable with the Council's current policy approach in respect to funding reserves.
- 1.11 Comments within the submission from the Hawke's Bay Farmers' Market Society Incorporated will be of interest to Councillors, particularly in respect of power provision needs, pathways, year round outdoor use and future lease arrangements.
- 1.12 A separate report will be presented to the Council meeting of 23 June 2022 seeking a final decision on the proposal, subsequent to the completion of the due diligence process.
- 1.13 <u>Targeted Rate Proposals</u> Consultation was also undertaken directly with property owners impacted by two targeted rate proposals as follows:

1.14 Havelock North Promotion Extension

- 1.15 Subsequent to the results of a poll undertaken which indicated support for the extension of the targeted rate area, the Council proceeded to formalise the setting of the rate via the Annual Plan process. Written notification was sent to all properties impacted by the proposal including the property-specific impact to them. Details were also included on how property owners could have their say on the proposal via the Annual Plan process.
- 1.16 Council has received one submission opposing the proposal (submission 13), which questions the inclusion of some properties in the rating area, and where the funding should sit.

1.17 Haumoana Seawall Protection

- 1.18 Subsequent to representations made to Council by the H18 group of properties for a seawall solution, the Council proceeded to gauge support for a two stage targeted rate proposal to fund initially the design and consent phase, and if successful, the subsequent construction phase. Written notification was sent to all property owners outlining the proposal, the costs and the financing options. Liaison with representatives of the H18 group also occurred over the consultation period with the Council's Director: Major Capital Projects Delivery.
- 1.19 A separate report on the Council agenda for the meeting on 23 June 2022 will cover the outcome of this proposal further.

1.20 **Development Contributions Policy**

1.21 The Draft Development Contributions which contained some minor amendments and update of the charging schedule received a total of four submissions. The officer comments attached to this agenda include more detailed comments in respect of those submissions.

1.22 Other Matters

- 1.23 **Pettigrew Green Arena (PGA)** A separate report on this agenda updates Council on the development of Pettigrew Green Arena and the related funding considerations.
- 1.24 Capital Plan Reset Council has received an update on the progress of its capital plan and the challenging operating environment currently being experienced. Impacts on delivery relate to supply chain issues, inflation pressures, staff shortages and the addition of externally funded projects to the overall programme. Some realignment of the programme has been necessary to ensure budgeting is better matched to the forecast deliverability of the plan. The Annual Plan 2022/23 will include an addendum summarising these changes.
- 1.25 Policy on Remission and Postponement of Rates on Māori Freehold Land Minor tidy-up of the Council's Policy on Remission and Postponement of Rates on Māori Freehold land have been made to align with the legislative changes made under the Local Government (Rating of Whenua Māori) Amendment Act 2021. The due date to make any required changes being 1 July 2022.
- 1.26 The Council has had a progressive policy in respect of the rating of Māori freehold land for some time, so no material changes have resulted from the new legislation. The changes proposed are made for completeness only and to encompass some of the legislative narrative. A marked-up update is attached to the agenda.

2.0 Recommendations - Ngā Tūtohunga

- A) That the Council Meeting receive the report titled Annual Plan 2022/23 and Development Contributions Policy 2022/23 Consideration of Submissions dated 9 June 2022.
- B) That the written and verbal submissions (including late submissions) and officer comments attached be received.
- C) That the decisions and amendments made at this meeting be incorporated into the 2022/23 Annual Plan and 2022/23 Development Contributions Policy.
- D) That the minor updates to the Policy on Remission and Postponement of Rates on Māori Freehold Land be adopted and updated as attached (CG-16-2-01091).
- E) That the Council resolves, in terms of Section 82 (3) of the Local Government Act 2002, that the principles set out in that section have been observed in such a manner that the Hastings District Council considers, in its discretion, is appropriate for the decisions made during the course of this meeting.
- F) That officers forward replies to all submitters that thank them for their submission, advise of Council decisions in response to the submissions and offers explanation based on the officer comments as amended by the Council at this meeting.
- G) That the issues in submissions that require further action by Council through the Committee structure be noted and brought forward by officers as appropriate.

Attachments:

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1 Policy on Remission and Postponement of Rates on CG-16-2-01091 Maori Freehold Land July 2022 Version

Policy on Remission and Postponement of Rates on Māori Freehold Land

As a general principle, rates will be required on Māori Freehold Land where the land either; contains a habitable dwelling, the land is leased to an external party, or the land is utilised for productive purposes.

However, rates may be remitted in accordance with the conditions and criteria set out in the following policy.

Section A

1. Policy Framework and Objectives

Pursuant to the Local Government Act, Schedule 11, the policy applied by Council takes the following into account:

- · Various Categories of Exempt Land;
- Extension to Definition of Exempt Land;
- Incentives for Economic Development;
- Process for Assessing and Clearing Arrears;
- Legal Title and Landowners; and
- · General Land Owned by Māori that is ancestral.

The objectives of the policy, in accordance with Section (108)4 of the Local Government Act and Local Government Act (Rating of Whenua Māori)

Amendment Act 2021 are:

a. Supporting the use of the land by the owners for traditional purposes;

- Recognising and supporting the relationship of Māori and their culture and traditions with their ancestral lands:
- c. Avoiding further alienation of Māori freehold land;
- d. Facilitating any wish of the owners to develop the land for economic use;
- Recognising and taking account of the presence of wāhi tapu that may affect the use of the land for other purposes;
- Recognising and taking account of the importance of the land in providing economic and infrastructure support for marae and associated papakāinga housing (whether on the land or elsewhere);
- g. Recognising and taking account of the importance of the land for community goals relating to:
 - the preservation of the natural character of the coastal environment;
 - II. the protection of outstanding natural features; and
 - the protection of significant indigenous vegetation and significant habitats of indigenous fauna.
- Recognising the level of community services provided to the land and its occupiers; and
- Recognising matters related to the physical accessibility of the land. Te Ture Whenua Māori Act 1993, also applies.
- Reduce rating barriers for land under Māori ownership and encourage greater engagement, use and development of whenua Māori.
- Facilitate the greater occupation, development and utilisation of Māori Freehold Land for the benefit of its owners.

Conditions and Criteria

(a) Various Categories of Exempt Land

Some provisions exist within the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 exempting land from rates; these are as follows and apply automatically to land of this nature:

- Land that is used as a Māori burial ground.
- Māori customary land that is held in accordance with tikanga Māori¹.
- Land that is used for the purposes of a Marae that excludes any land used for commercial or agricultural activity or residential accommodation.
- Land that is set apart under section 338 of Te Ture Whenua Māori Act 1993 or any corresponding former provision of that Act:
 - that is used for the purposes of a meeting place, that excludes any land used for commercial or agricultural activity or residential accommodation.
 - o that is a Māori reservation under section 340 of that Act.
- Māori freehold land on which a Māori meeting house is erected, that excludes land used for commercial or agricultural activity or residential accommodation.
- Land used for the purposes of a Kohanga Reo educational establishment.
- Māori freehold land that is, for the time being, non-rateable by virtue of an Order in Council made under section 116 of this Act, to the extent specified in the order.
- Land that is subject to a Ngā Whenua Rāhui Kawenata under section 77A of the Reserves Act 1977 or section 27A of the Conservation Act 1987.
- Land deemed to be an unused rating unit of Māori Land. A rating unit is unused if:
 - o There is no person actually using any part of the rating unit: or
 - The entire rating units is used in a similar manner to a reserve or conservation area and no part of the rating unit is:
 - Leased by any person: or

- Used as residential accommodation: or
- Used for any activity (whether commercial or agricultural) other than for person visits to the land or personal collections of kai or culture or medicinal material from the land.
- A rating unit must not be treated as used solely because a person is a participant under the Climate Change Response Act 2002 in respect of an activity relating to the rating unit.

(b) Remission of Rates on Māori Freehold Land

Council will consider a request for a remission of rates on Māori Freehold Land where:

- The land is land locked where it does not have legal access, or physical access through a paper road to Council or the national roading network;
- Where a new lessee/occupier takes over a block with existing rate
 arrears that would not be recoverable based on previous use, the arrears
 of rates may be remitted where the new lessee assumes payment of
 current and future rates from the commencement of use and or
 occupation.
- Where in the opinion of the Chief Executive or its delegated officers as set out in the Council's delegation resolution, those rates outstanding cannot be recovered.
- Where an application for remission does not meet the above criteria Council has the discretion to consider the application the policy on a case by case basis.

Notes:

- 1. The exemption applies to all rates with the exception of targeted rates levied for specific services provided to the rating unit.
- 2. Remissions approved will be granted for a period of up to 3 years. A reapplication will be required at the end of the term.
- 3. If the status of the land changes, so that it no longer complies with the criteria, rates will commence from the following rating year.

¹ The Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 provides no interpretation of Māori customary land; the Te Ture Whenua Act Section 4 states Māori customary land means land in terms of Part 6, has the status of Māori customary land; Part 6 Section 129(2)(a) states "land that is held in accordance with tikanga Māori shall have the status of Māori customary land". The

cultural reference points to this are the source of rights [ancestry and occupation, or conquest] and the maintenance of rights [where kaitiakitanga and tikanga are exercised] – according to the doctrine of aboriginal title in international commor law

(c) Rating Units of Māori Freehold Land used as a single unit

Council will treat rating units of Māori Freehold Land as one for the purpose of a rates assessment where:

- A person actually uses 2 or more rating units of Māori Freehold land, jointly as a single unit
- Council is satisfied the units were previously part of, or are likely to be
 part of, the same block of Māori Freehold Land, meaning the first Māori
 land block that was held in an instrument of title and that included the
 land that became the rating units.

Application

All applications should be put in writing to the Group Manager-Corporate.

Conditions and Criteria

Where a person is using 2 or more rating units jointly as one rating unit, the 'flagship' (major rating unit) may be levied a full charge and the associated rating units may receive a 100% reduction of the Uniform Annual General Charge and Community Resource Management Rate.

The reduction will only apply where the rating unit does not contain a residential dwelling.

Where the units were previously part of, or likely to be part of the same block of Māori Freehold Land, Council will give consideration as to whether the blocks share a name in common according to the permanent record of the Māori Land Court

Council may make an application to the Registrar of the Māori Land Court for a determination before making any decision.

The Council or its delegated officer(s) as set out in the Council's delegation resolution shall determine the extent of any remission based on the merits of each situation.

(d) Incentives for Māori Freehold Land under development

To facilitate the occupation, utilisation and development of Māori freehold land for the benefit of its owners, Council will consider any requests for a remission of rates where land is being developed. Development could include:

- land being cleared and sown for horticulture, farming, forestry or developed for other industrial or commercial purposes, which does not require a building or resource consent,
- where a building or resource consent has been lodged under the Resource Management Act 1991 or Building Act 2004.

Application

All applications should be put in writing to the Group Manager-Corporate.

Conditions and Criteria

Consideration will be given as to the whether the development is likely to have any or all of the following benefits:

- benefits to the district by creating new employment opportunities,
- benefits to the district by creating new homes,
- benefits to the council by increasing the council's rating base in the long term,
- benefits to Māori in the district by providing support for marae in the district,
- benefit to the owners by facilitating the occupation, development and utilisation of the land.

Each application will be considered on its own merit although it is envisaged that any remission would only apply in respect of any General Rates levied on the land, and be applied for a maximum period of two years, which in most instances will be broadly reflect the consenting process period.

Where the entire land is being developed, a remission would apply in full. However, where the land is partially being developed, a remission would only apply in respect of the portion of land being developed.

(e) Process for Assessing and Clearing Arrears

The Council may consult with the Māori Land Court and the legal owner (that may include trustees or administrators appointed under the Te Ture Whenua Māori Act) and may investigate all rate arrears, when required, on Māori Freehold land.

Final determination of remission of arrears will be made by Council when the means and ability of the owners to pay the rates is taken into account.

(f) Legal Title and Land Owners

The Council will refer, where appropriate, to Land Information New Zealand, the Māori Land Court, relevant officers within Council, in order to access full information of legal title and land owners.

(g) General Land owned by Māori that is ancestral land

General land owned by Māori that is ancestral land may be eligible for determination with respect to the provisions for papakāinga under the District Plan.

Section B

1. Te Reo Māori – Glossary

Block	Means the whole parcel of land comprised and described in an instrument of title
Kaitiakitanga	The responsibilities of guardianship
Marae	The gathering place for the community, whaikorero, rites of passage
Meeting Place	Means any church, meeting house, hall, dining hall, kitchen, or other building (other than a dwelling) used as a meeting place and include: any land attached or appurtenant to and commonly used in connection with any such building.
Papakāinga	Residential buildings for owners to occupy customary land
Tikanga	The regulations within the practice of kaitiakitanga
Urupā	Burial ground
Wāhi tapu	A place of spiritual, physical and cultural significance ²
Whanaungatanga	The kinship based relationships that are active and maintain customary rights
Whare karakia	A church, where many marae complexes include a church

2. Land Definitions

Māori Customary Land	Land that is vested in the Crown and held by Māori in accordance with tikanga Māori. This land is non-rateable
Māori Freehold Land	Land whose beneficial ownership has been determined by the Mãor Land Court by freehold order, with multiple owned land being classified as land beneficially owned by more than two persons. This land is rateable but may also be subject to this policy
Crown Land Reserved for Māori	Land that has not been alienated from the Crown and is set aside or reserved for the use or benefit of Māori. This land is non-rateable
General Land	Land other than the above which has been alienated from the Crowl for a subsisting estate in fee simple. This land is rateable

² Wāhi tapu may be registered under the District Plan, with the NZ Historic Places Trust, or the New Zealand Archaeological Association. Council takes all these records into account, where appropriate.



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Te Rārangi Take

Report to Council

Nā:

Bruce Allan, Group Manager: Corporate

Te Take:

From:

Subject:

Pettigrew Green Arena Expansion Funding

Executive Summary – Te Kaupapa Me Te Whakarāpopototanga

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to respond to a funding request from the Regional Indoor Sports and Events Centre Trust (RISEC), trading as the Pettigrew Green Arena (PGA). The funding request has been received as a submission to the 2022/23 Annual Plan and is attached as Attachment 1.
- 1.2 The RISEC Trust has embarked on a significant expansion of the PGA with six additional indoor courts being provided in addition to the existing three indoor courts at a total cost of \$18.5m.
- 1.3 The Trust has secured \$16.526m towards this project and has made a submission to the 2022/23 Annual Plan for \$2m of capital funding to support the capital investment. The request to HDC for capital funding acknowledges that approximately 45% of the current users of the PGA come from the Hastings District and that any investment by HDC in this facility is a cost-effective way of adding significantly to the provision of indoor court space in the Hawke's Bay region which is to the benefit of Hastings also.
- The submission also makes a request for additional operational and renewal funding of \$60,000 per 1.4 annum to support their activities. This request was not made to Napier City Council (NCC), although both Councils received a request for additional operational funding through the Long Term Plan.
- 1.5 This report acknowledges that PGA makes a significant contribution to the provision of indoor court space for the Napier and Hastings communities and that the addition of 6 more indoor courts will reduce the demand on Hastings District Council to materially increase the provision of indoor courts in the Hastings District into the foreseeable future.
- 1.6 The report therefore recommends as the preferred option that Council make a financial contribution to the RISEC Trust PGA expansion project to ensure the Trust has a viable operating model going forward and is not overly encumbered by debt. The extent of that financial contribution is to be determined by Council and be up to the requested \$2m. Any financial contribution will be loan funded by Council with the corresponding financing cost being the only impact on rates.

1.7 The report also recommends that operational and renewal funding support from Napier City and Hastings District Councils remains aligned and any additional operational funding be subject to officers being able to review the operating financial forecasts to the satisfaction of the Chief Executive.

2.0 Recommendations - Ngā Tūtohunga

- A) That Council receive the report titled Pettigrew Green Arena Expansion Funding dated 9 June 2022.
- B) That Council approve capital funding to support the expansion of the Pettigrew Green Arena of up to \$2million.
- C) That Council approve additional operational funding of up to \$60,000 per annum, subject to officers being able to review the operating financial forecasts to the satisfaction of the Chief Executive.

3.0 Background – Te Horopaki

- 3.1 The PGA was developed over 20 years ago with financial support from HDC, NCC, Hawke's Bay Regional Council and the EIT. Since that time, NCC and HDC have jointly funded the operations and renewal requirements of the facility with current operational funding set at \$55,000 from both councils and \$30,000 as an annual contribution to renewals.
- 3.2 The RISEC Trust has been successful in attracting significant funding to date for this expansion project with \$16.526m of the required \$18.5m secured. A summary of the funding sources is as follows:

	\$000
Crown Infrastructure Partners	\$6,400
Napier City Council	\$4,100
Lotteries Significant Projects Fund	\$3,400
Grants and Donations	\$1,126
RISEC Trust retained funds	\$1,500
TOTAL	\$16,526
Total Build Cost	\$18,500
Funding Shortfall	\$1,974

- 3.3 The RISEC Trust does have an ability to borrow the funds requested should Council not be supportive of their funding request. However, with interest rates increasing, servicing such a loan will cost the Trust up to \$100,000 per annum (if interest rates reach 5%) with debt repayment on top. The Trust's only ability to meet those financing costs will be to increase user charges or seek additional operational funding from Council.
- 3.4 The submission received from the RISEC Trust has two requests:
 - 1. A request to increase operational and renewal funding by \$60,000 per annum.
 - 2. A request of \$2m in capital funding support to enable the project to be fully funded.
- 3.5 The submission details the growth of indoor sports in Hawke's Bay and New Zealand. It acknowledges that Hastings City is not that well served for indoor court space to meet this demand with the PGA being the primary indoor court provider for the region and meeting the demands from

- Hastings as well as Napier. The submission notes that 45% of the facility's users come from the Hastings District.
- 3.6 There is some history of the Napier and Hastings Councils supporting regional facilities in each other's jurisdictions. HDC has previously supported the PGA (\$1m capital contribution), the MTG (\$1m) and the regional hockey turfs at Park Island. NCC has also provided funding of \$1m to the Hawke's Bay Community Fitness Centre Trust at the Mitre 10 Park in 2021/22.
- 3.7 The RISEC Trust made a submission to HDC to the 2021-31 Long Term Plan last year and the following is an extract of the officers comments in relation to that submission:

Capital Funding Request

The PGA is one of the truly regional facilities in Hawke's Bay that is jointly funded by both HDC and NCC.

The submitter has requested a capital contribution of \$2m from HDC towards the \$17.5m capital build for the 6 court extension of the PGA from its current 3 courts. They have noted that they currently have \$11.25m secured which includes \$6.4m from Crown Infrastructure Funding and \$4.1m from NCC and are looking to close the current funding gap of \$6.25m. The request for HDC funding support is requested to cover Civil works around the new facility.

HDC has no provision in its LTP for any additional provision of indoor court space although there has been discussions regarding an expansion of the Flaxmere Community Centre. These discussions had not been sufficiently advanced for inclusion into the LTP and any meaningful expansion of the Flaxmere Community Centre to provide additional indoor court space will cost significantly more than the financial contribution requested by the PGA.

Council contributed \$1m in 2003 to the original build of the PGA and more recently contributed \$4m to the HB Community Fitness Centre Trust Sports Hall in 2019. That has been the extent of HDC's investment in these types of facilities in recent years.

Operating funding investment

HDC and NCC both currently provide \$55,000 each to the operating costs of the PGA. This level of funding has not changed for a number of years and the PGA has operated well with this level of funding support to the extent of being able to make a \$750,000 contribution to the Capital build from their own reserves.

It is acknowledged that it will cost more to run a larger facility but without seeing detailed operational budgets Officers are unable to verify if the level of funding requested of HDC and NCC is appropriate. That additional information has been requested. It is however acknowledged that the new facility will be open for operation by the end of 2022 and therefore will not require any additional funding in year 1 of the LTP and if an increase was to be approved, year 2 of the LTP would be a more appropriate time to do that. This has been confirmed with the submitter. Council may want to consider putting an allocation for increased funding into year 2 of the LTP and suggest an appropriate amount could be \$100,000 (an increase of \$45,000) with a caveat that Officers will work with the PGA to better understand the new operating environment.

Increase in Renewal Funding

HDC and NCC have both been making a \$30,000 contribution to the PGA to support renewals for a number of years. The Council's hold those funds in reserves until called upon by the PGA. The PGA has been successful in recent years in attracting external funding for renewals which has allowed the reserve balance to grow. If there are no further calls from the PGA for renewal funding this financial year, the HDC reserve will hold \$130,000 for this purpose.

The existing PGA is now 18 years old and its renewal requirements will continue to increase as the facility ages. Coupled that with additional court space, it is reasonable to assume that the PGA will be requiring additional funding support to meet these needs.

The renewal funding increase has been requested from year 3 of the LTP. It is the officers view that more work needs to be done in conjunction with NCC to fully understand the asset management plans and the corresponding renewal strategies and that this can be done between now and when any additional funding may be increased through either the year 3 Annual Plan or the next LTP to verify what is being requested.

Operational Effectiveness Review

Officers support the PGA undertaking a review of operational effectiveness in year 2 or 3 of the LTP and some funding could be set aside for that, should NCC decide to do the same. The funding required for this is currently unknown and can be accommodated in future Annual Plans.

3.8 Council's deliberations on that submission resulted in the following being included in the minutes:

Pettigrew Green Arena (RISEC) (Sub 146) (capital \$2m and operational expenditure \$110k) asking for \$2m. Mayor Hazlehurst had received email advice from Mr Waterhouse that they had today received a grant for \$3m from the Lotto Significant Project Fund and they now require a total of \$4m.

In response to a question from the meeting, the Group Manager: Corporate, Mr Allan explained that a better understanding of the PGA's operational model was needed. They did not need any additional funding in year 1.

Following discussion, the meeting decided to make no capital or additional operational funding provision for Pettigrew Arena. Further information from the Regional Indoor Sports and Events Centre Trust (RISEC) would inform future decisions.

3.9 While a funding request was expected from the RISEC Trust for the PGA expansion project, there has been no provision made in the 2022/23 Annual Plan for either a capital contribution or increased operational and renewal support. Council was specifically made aware of this at a workshop in March and it was noted that a submission was likely to be forthcoming.

4.0 Discussion – Te Matapakitanga

- 4.1 The PGA is the regional indoor sports arena for Hawke's Bay and the addition of six more indoor courts further adds to that reputation. With nine indoor courts at one location, the PGA will become one of the premier locations for large events in the North Island and will be able to meet the demands of the fast growing sports of Basketball, Volleyball and Futsal.
- 4.2 The Submission received is in two parts:

Operational Funding Support

- 4.3 The RISEC Trust have noted in their submission that additional operational funding of \$60,000 is required from HDC to support the addition of six indoor courts.
- 4.4 HDC and NCC have been making equal operational and renewal funding contributions of \$55,000 and \$30,000 respectively since 2014/15 and the Trust has done a good job financially to manage its affairs with this funding. The Trust has, in fact, managed to build reserves through that time which has enabled the Trust to make a \$1.5m contribution to the PGA expansion.
- 4.5 The annual renewal funding provision of \$30,000 is held in reserve by both Councils and drawn upon by the RISEC Trust as and when required. Most recently, this funding will have contributed to the re-carpeting of the arena.
- 4.6 The current operating model for the PGA is subsidised through rent received from Sport HB, Subway and the EIT with the balance of the Trust's income coming from events and court hires. With the introduction of the additional six indoor courts, the Trust will be placing a heavier reliance on income received from court hires. With court hire income predominantly from the sporting

codes that use them, there is a limit to how much can be charged before it starts to have a detrimental effect on participation.

Capital Funding Support

- 4.7 The RISEC Trust has been very successful in attracting the necessary capital funding with \$16.5m of the \$18.5m required to fully fund the development secured, representing almost 90% of the project funding required. Despite this success, the \$2m deficit does cause some constraints for the Trust going forward. They have noted the shortfall can be borrowed by the Trust, however, this does create ongoing financing costs of up to \$100,000 per annum, reducing as the debt is repaid.
- 4.8 The PGA is recognised as a regional asset for our communities and is well used by the residents of Hastings District. It is centrally located and is only nine minutes' drive down the expressway from the Hawke's Bay Regional Sports Park (Mitre 10 Park). The expansion of six indoor courts will significantly relieve current indoor court constraints for those sports that use them for Hastings and Napier residents. If Council was to contribute, it would be at a fraction of the cost of improving the provision of indoor court space in Hastings.
- 4.9 As noted above, the RISEC Trust has managed its finances well in recent years with only modest operating grants received of \$55,000 from both HDC and NCC per annum. Generally facilities of this nature require significant ratepayer support to ensure they operate effectively and the Hastings Sports Centre budgeted rating requirement is \$214,000 per year. It has also during this time managed to build healthy reserves which has enabled it to make a \$1.5m contribution to the expansion project.
- 4.10 The RISEC Trust is, however, a charitable trust and as such is restricted in how they generate their income. Officers have had discussions with the Chair of the RISEC Trust regarding the ongoing operating model with the expanded six courts. It is evident that the Trust will struggle to generate sufficient revenue to meet the operational requirements without an increase in operational funding and if they are required to service a loan to complete the development.
- 4.11 The financing cost (interest and debt repayment) for Council should it make a financial contribution to the project will be approximately \$120,000 (if \$2m at 3.5% interest). Obviously this reduces should Council contribute less than what has been requested.

5.0 Options – *Ngā Kōwhiringa*

Option One - Recommended Option - Te Kōwhiringa Tuatahi – Te Kōwhiringa Tūtohunga

5.1 That Council make a financial contribution to the Trust of up to \$2million to the PGA Expansion Project and that Council approve additional operational funding of up to \$60,000 per annum, subject to officers being able to review the operating financial forecasts to the satisfaction of the Chief Executive.

Advantages

- The RISEC Trust has been very successful in raising almost 90% of the required funding for their PGA expansion project. The impact of this project will be felt positively in the Hastings District with a significant increase in the provision of indoor court space in the region.
- While the PGA facility is in Napier, approximately 45% of the current PGA users come from the Hastings District. The benefits of this new facility will be felt in Hastings and Council's need to provide additional court space in Hastings is going to be much reduced for the foreseeable future.
- The financial contribution from HDC to the RISEC Trust of up to \$2m is a cost-effective way of
 increasing the provision of indoor court space for the betterment of Hastings and while
 Hastings users will have access to this facility regardless of Council's contribution, it is the
 officer's view that consideration of a financial contribution is warranted.

• It is acknowledged that the operating model for the expanded facility will change and be more expensive to operate. The current shared funding split between NCC and HDC has worked well in the past and officers from both Councils recommend that this continues. The recommended option requires further work to be undertaken by representatives from both Councils to assess the appropriateness of the operating model and requisite funding requirements going forward.

Disadvantages

A financial contribution to the expansion project could be seen as an impediment to any
future expansion of indoor court space in the Hastings District, although it is noted that the
courts will be built regardless.

Option Two – Status Quo - Te Kōwhiringa Tuarua – Te Āhuatanga o nāianei

- 5.2 That Council declines both the funding requests for the expansion project and the additional operational funding.
 - This option is not recommended. The PGA, with its expanded court numbers, will be a truly regional facility that the Hastings District community will benefit from, whether that is through increased participation or through the benefits derived from the ability to host major sporting events.

Option Three - An alternative option

- 5.3 That Council makes a capital contribution of \$1million in 2022/23 and consults with the community through the 2023/24 Annual Plan process for the balance of what has been requested, a further \$1m.
 - This option is provided to support the assessment of the Significance and Engagement Policy.
 It provides Council with an option to make a reduced monetary decision following the
 submission received through the 2022/23 Annual plan consultation process and to enable
 Council to consult with the community on making a further contribution.
 - The Significance and Engagement Policy has been assessed and Council can make a decision to make the full contribution as requested by the RISEC Trust.
 - While this option is presented for completeness, it is not recommended.

6.0 Next steps – Te Anga Whakamua

- 6.1 If Council was to make a financial contribution to the expansion project, the contribution will be made early in the financial year to support the Trust's cashflow requirements. The implications of the financing costs will be incorporated into the budget.
- 6.2 Officers from both NCC and HDC will work with the Trust to understand the ongoing operational requirements and future renewal obligations in order to assess the funding expectations from both Councils.

Attachments:

1 PGA Submission to the 2022/23 Annual Plan CP-01-25-1-22-50

Summary of Considerations - He Whakarāpopoto Whakaarohanga

Fit with purpose of Local Government - E noho hāngai pū ai ki te Rangatōpū-ā-Rohe

The Council is required to give effect to the purpose of local government as set out in section 10 of the Local Government Act 2002. That purpose is to enable democratic local decision-making and action by (and on behalf of) communities, and to promote the social, economic, environmental, and cultural wellbeing of communities in the present and for the future.

<u>Link to the Council's Community Outcomes</u> – Ngā Hononga ki Ngā Putanga ā-Hapori

This proposal promotes the social and economic wellbeings of communities in the present and for the future.

Māori Impact Statement - Te Tauākī Kaupapa Māori

A large proportion of children participating in indoor sports like basketball and volleyball are Māori and providing adequate indoor court space is essential to encourage their participation in sport and active recreation.

Sustainability - Te Toitūtanga

While having one regional facility increases the need for more vehicle movements to get users to the facility, the carbon footprint from the construction of one large facility is likely to be less than that of multiple buildings across the region.

Financial considerations - Ngā Whakaarohanga Ahumoni

The requested \$2m capital contribution would be loan funded if Council was to approve it. Resulting in \$120,000 in annual financing costs assuming an interest rate of 3.5%.

Significance and Engagement - Te Hiranga me te Tūhonotanga

This decision/report has been assessed under the Council's Significance and Engagement Policy as being of moderate significance.

The submission has requested a capital contribution of \$2m towards the expansion project. While this is not considered significant in terms of the Significance and Engagement Policy, it is a large contribution to make without any consultation with the community.

Consultation – internal and/or external - Whakawhiti Whakaaro-ā-roto / ā-waho

While the PGA expansion project is well advanced, there has been no consultation with the Hastings District community on any financial contribution to this project.

Risks

There are limited risks to Council in making a capital contribution to the expansion project. The Build is nearing completion and the Trust has it largely funded. If Council was to make a capital contribution it reduces the risks that the Trust will face in meeting its ongoing financial obligations.

Rural Community Board – Te Poari Tuawhenua-ā-Hapori

The PGA is centrally located within the region and there are benefits to the northern rural communities of the Hastings District in having access to this facility.

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Please indicate whether or not you wish to speak to Council in regards to your feedback on 9 June 2022. Note: This option is dependent on government advice on COVID-19 alert levels and practical considerations in regard to social distancing protocols.

Yes

What are the main topics you wish to feedback on?

This is presented on behalf of the Regional Indoor & Events Centre Trust (RISEC) trading as Pettigrew Green Arena

The plane have Zero investment in indoor courts space. The council has noy invested in over 20 years in Indoor Sports Court Space, considering the massive growth in indoor sports participation.

Please tell us your views here (Alternatively you can attach a document below)

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Regional Indoor Sports and Event Centre Trust submission to the Hastings District Council Annual Plan 2022

Introduction:

Pettigrew-Green ARENA

The Annual Plan makes no provision for additional indoor court space when indoor sports codes have unprecedented growth

There is a massive shortage of indoor sports space for Hastings people; participation in indoor sports is 41% up in 10 years (74% in 20 years), and grass-based sports is down 22% in 10 years. Indoor sports participation is bigger than grass-based sports

A central facility has massive cost efficiencies. We are asking Hastings District Council to contribute \$2M to complete the build and an additional \$60K per annum in operational and renewals support. This represents 10% of the total project costs, excluding land. The alternative is to build its own indoor centre at a \$10M investment for a 3-court stadium or \$20M for an Event Centre.

HDC was instrumental in the building of the Pettigrew. Green Arena. As an anchor partner providing funding and leadership for a regional facility. Hastings residents are more than 45% of regular users in the current three courts Pettigrew. Green Arena.

The new Arena will continue to serve the Hastings community and contribute to the social and cultural well-being of our rangatahi.

From Ezrah Eagle, Co-Captain of the Hawke's Bay U15 Basketball team 2021

"You can't put a price on the number of youth that this investment will positively impact. Your generosity will support future generations of young athletes.

E hara taku toa, e te toa takitahi, engari ke hea toa takitini – my success is not the work of one, but the work of many."

Hastings District Council (HDC) has only ever invested in 2 ½ courts, and the previous investment in indoor court space was 20 years ago. Since then, indoor sports have grown by 74% and are now at a higher participation rate than grass-based sports.

The Hastings District Council's last review of sports facilities:

"For Local Authorities, programmes providers and funders alike, the provision of sport and active recreation services and facilities are now at a crossroads in Hawke's Bay. The parochial rivalries that have sometimes held us back in the past have to be pushed to one side for the good of the region as a whole if Hawke's Bay is to increase or even maintain ground on its other regional competitors."

Why Invest in Indoor Sports - Sports participation has changed in the last 10 years.

- Grass-based sports have dropped significantly in participation:
 - o Grass-based Sports

Grass Sport		% drop		
Football	down	-15%		
Touch	down	-35%		
Rugby	down	-22%		
Cricket	down	-21%		

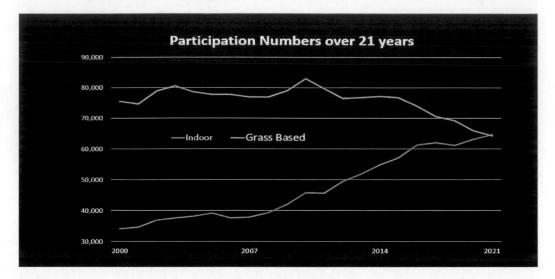
Indoor Sports

Indoor Sports		increase	
Basketball	up	+36%	
Volleyball	up	+42%	,
Futsal	up	+328%	
Badminton	up	+4%	(84% in 20 years)

All participation stats were taken from the NZSSSC Census Data – By Sport (National Analysis by year), focusing on the top 10 participation sports at secondary schools, adding Futsal as the 11th as it did not exist in 21 years

NOTE: These numbers exclude Netball played indoors. They account for 20% of the court time at PGArena.

- Indoor sports have grown by 41% (74% in 20 years), while grass-based sports declined by 22%
- Volleyball participation rates are more than Cricket and Hockey combined. Basketball is now the number two participation sport behind Netball, which also uses the Arena facility for 40% of the nights during the Netball season.



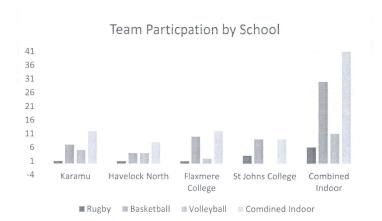
- There are significant societal, economic and health benefits from this investment which will have a high impact on health outcomes for the people of Hastings for generations.
- From the Maori Participation in Community Sport Review undertaken by Sports NZ
 "Māori are an important customer of the sport and recreation sector, with a large youth
 demographic,-therefore, a consideration of Māori needs now and into the future is essential."
 40% of 0-19 year-olds identify as Māori, which is significantly higher than the adult portion.
- From the last sports facility review:

"Councils must evaluate future growth and provide for this growth in managing its assets. This must also be done to achieve the purpose of the Local Government Act 2002. Therefore, reserves and associated facilities must be planned for and funded to support the development of the required increase in demand for capacity in the community's parks."

- 20 years ago, Basketball was the fourth-ranked sport by participation, and it is now ranked 2nd.
 - o Participation has grown by 36% in 10 years (51% in 20 years)
 - o It is now bigger than Rugby.
 - Basketball NZ claims it is the number one social sports activity in New Zealand, hence the Hastings District Council's Hoops in Parks program, which boosts courts' demand.
- There seems to be a massive movement over 10 years from traditional sports except for indoor sports – Tennis down -43%, Swim down -18%, Rugby 7's down - 23%, Rugby League down -53%, Squash down -38%, Golf down -9%, Softball down -52%, even Triathlon/MultiSports down -41%.
- We are unsure what we would do if Dodgeball, Floorball, Gym Sports, Korfball (a World Games Sport), and Handball (an Olympic Sport since 1972) got a base in Hawkes Bay.
- Hastings regular users account for more than 45% of the users of the current stadium.
- With 9 courts based on user estimation, some weeks we expect over 10,000 players and over ½ million in a year.
- The scale of the extended indoor centre will attract Central and National Tournaments and deliver
 a massive economic return to the region. It will be the third biggest indoor facility for the sports
 that use it. Auckland has nothing of this scale. We have a 100 team Tournament, over 1000 players
 booked for June next year the biggest issue is accommodation

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- This graph of rugby participation in Hastings secondary schools v Basketball & Volleyball
- An investment in an indoor facility is expensive, but working together, we can achieve a lot more.
 A stand-alone three-court facility would cost between \$10 and \$12M, with higher operating subsidies. As opposed to a \$2M investment.
- The Taradale Location is central to both Hastings and Napier residents.
 - o It is a shorter drive for some parts of Hastings than the Sports Park.
 - 15 minutes from the Show Grounds, 15 minutes from Havelock and 15 minutes from parts of Flaxmere and 5 minutes from the Sports Park.
 - o It is a 30 second drive from the Hasting District Boundary. − 150 metres
- It is a real opportunity to work with Napier City Council to have a cost-effective indoor court space investment, similar to the shared vision 20 years ago.
- The Hastings District Council led the vision to build the current Arena. HDC and the former Mayor Lawrence Yule made it happen. He was Chairman of the Arena RISEC Trust for 10 years.
 - HDC led the PGArena facility management restructuring 10 years ago when it was financially struggling.
 - 10 years ago, the Hastings District Council's annual operational contribution was \$175K, and it is now \$55K.
 - The facility was always a joint venture between both councils'. A great example of the two Councils working together for the good of the community.
- Sport plays a vital role in our society. Positive sports experiences benefit us as individuals and as communities.
 - Sport builds a young person's confidence and self-esteem and helps them make lifelong friendships.
 - o Sport helps to support and develop our individual and collective health and well-being.
 - Sport helps to grow and develop individuals holistically, helping them achieve their full potential
 - Together let's keep more youth off the streets and out of trouble

CONCLUSION

- Indoor Sports participation rates are now bigger than grass-based sports.
- Hastings District Council has only ever invested \$1M in building indoor courts.
- Due to a massive increase in indoor sports, there is now a significant shortage of indoor space.
- For a \$2M and \$60K per annum investment, Hastings District Council can deliver a massive cost-effective benefit to Hastings Users.

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Appendices for Information only

We have included some quotes regarding indoor court space in Hawkes Bay.

From the Regional Sports and Active Recreation Strategic Direction Paper

".... 2. Facilities -To provide quality facilities which meet regional and community needs in a coordinated manner.

3.Funding - To develop a coordinated approach to the funding of facilities and services across Hawke's Bay and rationalise its use to create greater efficiencies and effectiveness ..."

A recent quotes:

From the CEO of Hawkes Bay Basketball, Nick Hogan

"Basketball Hawkes Bay has experience significant growth in the past 4 years with an increase in playing numbers of at least 50%. With this current growth we have been challenged to find new days, times, and places to play the sport, but we have reached capacity. The current facility situation means that we are now having to scale back our offerings and turn teams away.

In addition to the community benefits an expansion of Pettigrew. Green Arena would allow Hawkes Bay to host national and regional representative tournaments. Currently we are unable to host these tournaments at the venue due to only having 3 courts but an expansion to the facility would place Hawkes Bay in a prime position to host events that would bring great economic benefit to the region."

From Tina Aldridge the former General Manager of HB Netball.

"With additional covered netball courts, HB Netball can continue to grow the sport and provide many more opportunities for all age groups in our region, offer new and innovative competitions and programmes any time of the year for youth, adults and the elderly and look to be able to grow male participation in Netball even more. This would be a huge gain for the community as a whole."

From Chris McIvor the former Operations Manager of HB Volleyball

"We are currently unable to access new court space for competitions and programmes. Young people are having to play late at night and we have no space to introduce new players to the game. We have to limit team entries thus players are missing out.

In terms of events we currently can not access courts due to other non sport events taking over venues and we do not have enough courts in one venue to meet hosting requirements for some regional and national events"

This extension will enable us to cater for current demand and meet future growth.

This extension is a no brainer and well overdue

From the CEO of Sport HB, Mark Aspen, Chief Executive Officer

"As is evident in the 2015 Hawke's Bay Regional Sport Facilities Plan, one of the highest priority sport facility developments was indoor courts. Since 2015, there have not been any significant projects undertaken regionally to alleviate the pressure put on indoor sports requiring court space."

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From the CEO of Sport NZ Peter Miskimmin, Chief Executive Officer

"Play, active recreation and sport is integral to New Zealand's culture and way of
life. Sport helps to define who we are, and the power of physical activity helps build social cohesion that binds
individuals, families, communities, regions, and the nation together. Sport NZ supports the planning and
decision-making processes for "spaces and places" where play active recreation and sport can take place,
meets an identified need, and provides quality experiences, so participants
develop a lifelong love of being active.

The current National Indoor Court Facilities Plan and Hawke's Bay Regional Sport Facilities Plan both identify that there is a critical under supply of access to indoor court space in the region impacting the ability to meet current demand, expected population growth and continued growth sports such as Basketball, futsal, Netball, volleyball, floorball, badminton, and table tennis. To respond to this need, the expansion of existing assets and services at the Pettigrew. Green Arena a logical solution in the view of Sport NZ.

Providing indoor sport facilities is an essential mechanism for getting more of our tamariki and rangatahi engaged in meaningful physical activity on a regular basis at community level and for those who may aspire to represent the Hawke's Bay at regional, national, or international competitions."

From James Palmer the CEO of the Hawkes Bay Regional Council

"There has been a call for more indoor court space from our community in Hawke's Bay for many years. Indoor sports codes, including Basketball, volleyball, Netball, futsal, and badminton are oversubscribed and cannot meet the demand from the community due to the historic lack of court space in our region."

From the CEO Central Football Darren Mason

"Across our two Futsal competition windows in a calendar year there are roughly between 220 and 250 team entered catering for around 2000 players. Unfortunately, we are faced with needing to turn teams away as there just is not enough space currently. The expansion will provide Central Football with significant ability to grow the game which is hugely popular in our region. Outside of local competitions, the additional court space will provide the Central Football Federation with the ability to apply to host National Futsal Competitions (Men's, Women's, Youth). Currently we do not have adequate full-size courts to make this possible. Hosting these events will also see numerous additional people travel to the region which will be a benefit to the community economy as well as showcasing our beautiful region."



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Hastings District Council: Council Meeting

Te Rārangi Take

Report to Council

Nā:

From: Louise Stettner, Manager, Democracy & Governance Services

Te Take: Appointment of a Commissioner to the Hastings District Licensing

Subject: Committee

1.0 Executive Summary – Te Kaupapa Me Te Whakarāpopototanga

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to recommend that the Chief Executive appoint a Commissioner to the Hastings District Licensing Committee (DLC) for a 5 year period.
- 1.2 The Chief Executive of a Council may, on the recommendation of the Council, appoint a Commissioner to its DLC. A Commissioner has all the functions, powers and duties of the Chair (Sale & Supply of Alcohol Act 2012 s193 (1)) and can be appointed as a Chair (s189 (2)).

2.0 Recommendations - Ngā Tūtohunga

- A) That Council receive the report titled Appointment of a Commissioner to the Hastings District Licensing Committee dated 9 June 2022
- B) That Council recommended to the Chief Executive that Mr George Lyons be appointed as a Commissioner to the Hastings District Licensing Committee for a 5 year period (9 June 2022 9 June 2027), thereby having all the functions, powers and duties of the Chair of the Hastings District Licensing Committee. (Pursuant to Section 193 of the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012)

3.0 Background – Te Horopaki

3.1 Anyone wanting to sell and supply alcohol to the public in New Zealand must apply to their local council for a licence. DLCs consider and decide all applications for licences and manager's certificates, s 187 of the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012 (the Act). DLCs are established under the Act and are administered by councils.

- 3.2 Each council must establish and maintain a list of DLC members. They can have their own list or have a combined list with one or more other councils (s192).
- 3.3 The Council must appoint 1 member as the Chair, and that person must be either a member of the Council or a Commissioner.
- 3.4 The Chief Executive of a Council may, on the recommendation of the Council, appoint a Commissioner to its DLC. A Commissioner has all the functions, powers and duties of the Chair (s193 (1)) and can be appointed as a Chair (s189 (2)).
- 3.5 The Act requires a Commissioner to be someone who: "is of good standing in the community and has the necessary knowledge, skill, and experience relating to matters that are likely to come before the committee" (s 193(2)). Commissioners are appointed for a fixed term of up to five years and can be reappointed for one or more periods of up to 5 years.

4.0 Discussion – *Te Matapakitanga*

- 4.1 The current membership of the Hastings DLC is:
 - Chair: Councillor Kerr;
 - Deputy Chair: Councillor Barber;
 - George Lyons;
 - Dave Fellows; and
 - Wayne Bradshaw.
- 4.2 The Council has appointed a member of Council (Councillor Barber) to act as a Deputy Chair. This is to allow for times when the Chair (Councillor Kerr) is unable to act due to illness, absence or other sufficient reason. It would also be useful to appoint a Commissioner to the DLC as they are able to act as the Chair if needed. For example, should the DLC be required to determine a licence that pertains to Hastings District Council a conflict of interest may arise for both the current Chair and Deputy Chair; due to both being members of Council. If the DLC included a (non-councillor) Commissioner he or she could act as the Chair on occasions such as these to enable continued decision-making in line with the Act.
- 4.3 It is therefore recommended that the Chief Executive appoint Mr George Lyons as a Commissioner for the period 9 June 2022 9 June 2027. Mr Lyons is an experienced DLC member having previously been the deputy chairperson, has good standing in the community and the necessary skills and experience.

5.0 Options – *Ngā Kōwhiringa*

Option One - Recommended Option - Te Kowhiringa Tuatahi - Te Kowhiringa Tutohunga

5.1 To recommend to the chief executive that Mr George Lyons be appointed as Commissioner to the Hastings DLC for the period 9 June 2022 – 9 June 2027.

Advantages

• Supports continuity of decision-making by providing for another member that is able to perform the role of Chair should this be required.

Disadvantages

None identified.

Option Two – Status Quo - Te Kowhiringa Tuarua – Te Ahuatanga o naianei

5.2 The Council could decide to not recommend to the Chief Executive the appointment of Mr George Lyons as Commissioner to the Hastings DLC. This option would hinder the business continuity of the Hastings DLC for the reasons outlined in the body of this report.

6.0 Next steps – Te Anga Whakamua

- 6.1 Should Council recommend to the Chief Executive the appointment of George Lyons as Commissioner to the Hastings DLC the Chief Executive will write to Mr Lyons formalising this appointment.
- 6.2 Following this appointment, officers will look at a wider appointments process to increase the list of DLC members. Elected members will be informed of this process in due course.

Attachments:

There are no attachments for this report.

Summary of Considerations - He Whakarāpopoto Whakaarohanga

Fit with purpose of Local Government - E noho hāngai pū ai ki te Rangatōpū-ā-Rohe

The Council is required to give effect to the purpose of local government as set out in section 10 of the Local Government Act 2002. That purpose is to enable democratic local decision-making and action by (and on behalf of) communities, and to promote the social, economic, environmental, and cultural wellbeing of communities in the present and for the future.

<u>Link to the Council's Community Outcomes</u> – Ngā Hononga ki Ngā Putanga ā-Hapori

This proposal promotes the social wellbeing of communities in the present and for the future.

Māori Impact Statement - Te Tauākī Kaupapa Māori

N/A

Sustainability - Te Toitūtanga

N/A

Financial considerations - Ngā Whakaarohanga Ahumoni

Fees for the Chair/Commissioner of DLCs are determined by the Minister of Justice in accordance with the Cabinet fees framework. There is an existing budget for the remuneration of Hastings DLC members.

Significance and Engagement - Te Hiranga me te Tūhonotanga

This decision has been assessed under the Council's Significance and Engagement Policy as being of low significance.

Consultation – internal and/or external - Whakawhiti Whakaaro-ā-roto / ā-waho

Mr George Lyons has indicated that he would be happy to be re-appointed to the Hastings DLC as a commissioner.

Rural Community Board – Te Poari Tuawhenua-ā-Hapori

No implications for the Hastings rural community over and above the rest of the Hastings district.



Te Hui o Te Kaunihera ā-Rohe o Heretaunga

Hastings District Council: Council Meeting

Te Rārangi Take

Report to Council

Nā:

From:

Louise Stettner, Manager, Democracy & Governance Services

Te Take:

Subject: Proposed Amendments to Schedule of Meetings

1.0 Purpose and summary - Te Kaupapa Me Te Whakarāpopototanga

1.1 The purpose of this report is to consider amendments to the schedule of Council and Committee Meetings for the 2022 Meetings Calendar which was originally adopted by Council on 28 October 2021.

This report recommends that the 2022 Meeting Schedule as amended below be adopted.

The Local Government Act 2002, Schedule 7, Clause 19 states:

"A local authority must hold meetings at the times and places that it appoints".

If a local authority adopts a schedule of meetings-

- a) The schedule-
- i) may cover any future period that the local authority considers appropriate, and
- ii) may be amended.

Although a local authority must hold the ordinary meetings appointed, it is competent for the authority at a meeting to amend the schedule of dates, times and number of meetings to enable the business of the Council to be managed in an effective way.

1.2 It is proposed that the meeting schedule be amended as outlined in the recommendations of this report.

$\textbf{2.0} \quad \textbf{Recommendations} \textbf{-} \textit{Ng} \bar{\textit{a}} \; \textit{T} \bar{\textit{u}} tohung \textit{a}$

- A) That Council receive the report titled Proposed Amendments to Schedule of Meetings dated 9 June 2022.
- B) That the Council adopt changes to the schedule of meetings for 2022 as follows:

Great Communities Subcommittee	Rescheduled	From Tuesday 14 June 2022, 1pm to Tuesday 28 June 2022, 10am
Extraordinary Civic and Administration Subcommittee	New Meeting	Thursday 16 June 2022, 11:30am

Attachments:

There are no attachments for this report.

HASTINGS DISTRICT COUNCIL

COUNCIL MEETING

THURSDAY, 9 JUNE 2022

RECOMMENDATION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC

SECTION 48, LOCAL GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL INFORMATION AND MEETINGS ACT 1987

THAT the public now be excluded from the following part of the meeting, namely:

12 Strategic Land Matters

13 Civic Honours Awards Nominations 2022

The general subject of the matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason for passing this Resolution in relation to the matter and the specific grounds under Section 48 (1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this Resolution is as follows:

GENERAL SUBJECT OF EACH MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED		REASON FOR PASSING THIS RESOLUTION IN RELATION TO EACH MATTER, AND PARTICULAR INTERESTS PROTECTED	GROUND(S) UNDER SECTION 48(1) FOR THE PASSING OF EACH RESOLUTION
12	Strategic Land Matters	Section 7 (2) (i) The withholding of the information is necessary to enable the local authority to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations). To protect ongoing land owner negotiations.	Section 48(1)(a)(i) Where the Local Authority is named or specified in the First Schedule to this Act under Section 6 or 7 (except Section 7(2)(f)(i)) of this Act.
13 Nom	Civic Honours Awards inations 2022	Section 7 (2) (a) The withholding of the information is necessary to protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of a deceased person. To protect the privacy of nominees pending decision-making in the selection process.	Section 48(1)(a)(i) Where the Local Authority is named or specified in the First Schedule to this Act under Section 6 or 7 (except Section 7(2)(f)(i)) of this Act.