

MINUTES

TITLE: Community Services Committee
DATE: Wednesday 10 February 2010
TIME: 9.30 am
VENUE: Tasman Council Chamber, 189 Queen Street, Richmond.

PRESENT: Cr S G Bryant (Chair), Mayor R G Kempthorne, Crs T B King, S J Borlase, R G Currie, B F Dowler, J L Edgar, B W Ensor, G A Glover, J L Inglis, T E Norriss, N Riley, E J Wilkins

IN ATTENDANCE: Chief Executive (P Wylie), Community Services Manager (L L Kennedy), Reserves Manager (B E Wilkes), Community & Recreation Advisor (M Tasman-Jones), Collections Librarian (R Lawley), Executive Assistant (V M Gribble)

APOLOGIES

Moved Crs Glover/Wilkins
MCS10/02/07

THAT apologies from Cr M J Higgins for absence be received.
CARRIED

1 PUBLIC FORUM

1.1 P Goss, Touch the Sea Aquarium

Mr Goss presented a petition to the Committee that asked Council to reduce the rent payable by Touch the Sea Aquarium. They are prepared to pay a 60% increase. Mr de Hamel who is the educator at the Aquarium also spoke in support of the request.

1.2 B Dowler

Cr Dowler thanked the Committee for its support for the Super 14 warmup rugby game held at Sportspark which was very successful.

2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

2.1 Community Services Committee

Moved Crs Currie/Wilkins
CS10/02/08

THAT the minutes of the Community Services Committee meeting held on 16 December 2009 containing resolutions CS09/12/01 to CS09/12/16 be confirmed as a true and complete record.
CARRIED

3 REPORTS

3.1 Community and Recreation Advisor – RCS10-02-06

Mr Tasman-Jones was in attendance to speak to his report which was contained in the agenda.

**Moved Crs Glover/Ensor
CS10/02/09**

**THAT the Community and Recreation Advisor's report – RCS10-02-06 be received.
CARRIED**

3.2 Reserves Manager – RCS10-02-08

Mrs Wilkes was in attendance and spoke to her report which updated the Committee on capital projects and items of interest.

It was suggested that Waimea River Park management plan be advertised in Newsline seeking community input.

The Committee commended the volunteer groups who do the work for Native Bird Recovery Richmond, Will's Gully and Twin Bridges (Aniseed Valley).

**Moved Crs Norriss/Glover
CS10/02/10**

**THAT the Reserves Manager's Report – RCS10-02-08 be received.
CARRIED**

3.3 Touch the Sea Aquarium – RCS10-02-04

Chief Executive, Mr Wylie, was in attendance and spoke to the report contained in the agenda. A petition was received from Mr M Goss containing approximately 2014 signatures requesting that Council agree to the offer by Touch the Sea Aquarium to accept a 60% increase in rent to enable the aquarium to keep operating and continuing with the education of Nelson/Tasman schools, preschools, residents and visitors.

It was suggested that Mr Goss could apply for a grant towards his rental costs and also that a small price increase wouldn't be a deterrent to people wanting to go to the Aquarium, especially as it is a facility that can be visited during inclement weather.

**Moved Mayor Kempthorne/Cr Currie
CS10/02/11**

**THAT the petition from Touch the Sea Aquarium dated 11 January 2010 be received and that no further action be taken (RCS10-02-04).
CARRIED**

3.5 Libraries Manager – RCS10-02-03

Collections Librarian Ruth Lawley was in attendance to present Ms Bryham's report which was included in the agenda.

Mr Kennedy thanked the library staff for the work they had done in moving all the books into the new part of the library.

**Moved Crs Glover/Ensor
CS10/02/12**

**THAT the Libraries Manager's report – RCS10-02-03 be received.
CARRIED**

3.6 Community Services Manager – RCS10-02-07

Mr Kennedy spoke to his report which was contained in the agenda.

**Moved Mayor Kempthorne/Cr Inglis
CS10/02/13**

**THAT the Community Services Manager's report – RCS10-02-07 be received.
CARRIED**

3.7 Manager Property Services – RCS10-02-05

Mr Kennedy spoke to the Manager Property Services report which was included in the agenda.

**Moved Crs Dowler/Borlase
CS10/02/14**

**THAT the report of the Manager Property Services – RCS10-02-05 be received.
CARRIED**

3.6 Customer Services – RCS10-02-09

The agenda contained a report which provided an update to the Committee on the Customer Services section.

**Moved Crs Norriss/Currie
CS10/02/15**

**THAT the Customer Services Report – RCS10-02-09 be received.
CARRIED**

3 INFORMATION

The agenda contained annual reports for:
Native Bird Recovery Richmond
Will's Gully (off Hill Street)
Twin Bridges (Aniseed Valley)

The meeting concluded at 11.53 am.

Date Confirmed:

Chair: