STAFF REPORT

TO:	Grants and Community Facilities Subcommittee
FROM :	Mike Tasman-Jones
DATE:	13 November 2009
SUBJECT:	Age Concern Nelson Inc Men's Shed application

REASON FOR THE REPORT

To present for consideration the Age Concern Nelson Inc Men's Shed application to Tasman District Council's Grants from Rates scheme received 13 November 2009 (application attached).

BACKGROUND

Age Concern hosted a meeting on Monday 12 September to canvas local interest in a Men's Shed project. The positive response at the meeting, with 40 individuals registering to be involved, has lead to Age Concern taking the lead in developing the project. A suitable site has being identified at the Nelson A&P grounds.

Cr Edgar has been involved in discussions with Age Concern and suggested developing the attached application to Tasman District Council is for establishment costs.

DISCUSSION

The Subcommittee has discretion on allocation to grants using held-over funds.

The annual budget for Grants from Rates is \$162,000 with \$143,885 allocated in the August round and an additional allocation of \$10,000 to Nelson School of Music and \$1,120 to Nelson Drag Racing Association \$6,995 is available to allocate.

RECOMMENDATION

The Grants and Community Facilities Subcommittee considers the attached application from Age Concern Nelson Inc for \$2,500.

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