# STAFF REPORT

TO: GB Community Board

FROM: Community Services Manager

**REFERENCE**: E855

**DATE:** 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2007

**SUBJECT:** Report to September meeting

### PURPOSE/REASON FOR REPORT

To update the Board, and to raise the matter of the GB High School gymnasium refurbishment and request funding support.

## 1. Golden Bay High School Gymnasium

When the above Gymnasium was built the community, through the Golden Bay County made a financial contribution provided the facility was available to the public outside school hours. This has worked successfully for many years and Council has provided an annual contribution towards the operating costs of the facility. When the LTCCP was compiled it was agreed that a capital sum should be included towards any future upgrade.

A sum of \$35,000 was allocated in the 2007/08 financial year and with an inflation allowance this is now \$35,980. With this in mind the School has applied to the Ministry for funds to upgrade the Gymnasium this year at a total cost of just over \$100,000. At the same time they have itemised the suggested share of costs that should be met by Council and this totals \$35,850. A copy of the letter from the school is attached and details the community use of the facility and also breaks down the various costs.

### Recommendation

"That the Golden Bay Community Board agrees to the share of works as outlined in the letter from the Golden Bay High School dated 27 August 2007 and recommends to the Community Services Committee that the funds allocated in the 2007/08 Annual Plan for upgrades to the School Gymnasium, be provided to the school for this work."

## 2. Local Authority Elections

Nominations closed on 24 August and other than the Lakes/Murchison Ward and the Golden Bay Community Board there was strong interest with nominations up from previous years. Congratulations to Board members Bell, Gamby and McLellan for their re-election and to Karen Brookes for being elected to the Board for the first time.

Voting papers are posted out for all other issues between 21 and 26 September and Polling Day is 13 October.

### 3. Tukurua Beach Access

Not a lot has been achieved since the last meeting with the pressures of the election, however staff have been considering what options there are and will over the next couple of weeks investigate these.

Lloyd Kennedy