

MINUTES	MEETING	TIME
<b>COMMUNITY FUNDING SUBCOMMITTEE</b>	<b>TUESDAY 1 MARCH 2016</b>	<b>9.00AM</b>

Minutes of a meeting of the Community Funding Subcommittee held on Tuesday 1 March 2016, commencing at 9.00am in the Manawatu District Council Manawatu Room, 135 Manchester Street, Feilding.

PRESENT: Cr Barbara Cameron (Chairperson)  
Cr Alison Short (Deputy Chairperson)  
Cr Wayne Ellery  
Cr Jo Heslop  
Cr Albert James

APOLOGY: Mayor Margaret Kouvelis

IN ATTENDANCE: Michael Hawker (Project Delivery Manager)  
Janine Hawthorn (Community Development Officer)  
Sandra Crosbie (Communications Officer)  
Allie Dunn (Business Support Team Leader)

CFS 16/150 APOLOGIES

**RESOLVED**

**That the apology from Her Worship the Mayor Margaret Kouvelis be accepted.**

**Moved: Councillor Wayne Ellery**

**Seconded: Councillor Jo Heslop**

**CARRIED**

CFS 16/151 REQUESTS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

There were no requests for leave of absence

CFS 16/152 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

**RESOLVED**

**That the minutes of the Community Funding Subcommittee meeting held on 2 February 2016 be adopted as a true and correct record.**

**Moved by: Councillor Wayne Ellery**

**Seconded by: Councillor Albert James**

**CARRIED**

CFS 16/153 NOTIFICATION OF LATE ITEMS

There were no late items for notification.

CFS 16/154 DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Councillor Wayne Ellery declared an interest in agenda item 8.4, a representative grant application from the Feilding High School Girls Rugby Team.

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## CFS 16/155 PRESENTATIONS

The following representatives were in attendance to speak to their submissions on the draft Community Rates Support policy.

Feilding Brass – Richard Kirby spoke in support of their submission, noting that their organisation currently receive a remission of 60% of service charges. The proposed draft policy would see an increase in rates payable by their organisation. He noted the proposal that applications be considered on a three yearly cycle, and asked whether an organisation that was unsuccessful in applying at that time could reapply the following year, rather than waiting another three years for consideration. He sought clarification on whether under the proposed policy the subcommittee would make the decision on funding or whether this decision would be delegated to staff.

Feilding Christian Leaders Network – representatives from member churches of the Feilding Christian Leaders Network were in attendance to speak to their submission. Eleanor Keyte-Bailey, of the Feilding Baptist Church, outlined the purpose of their group and noted how their submission outlined the types of work their groups do and how this work meets the Council's vision. David Quinn, of Activate Church, spoke about some of the work undertaken by the churches in the community. He noted that most social welfare work in New Zealand was done by the churches and when churches finances were restrained it impacted on the social services work they can do in the community. Wayne Jellyman of the Salvation Army talked about the costs of providing the services that they do, giving examples of the services they provide to the community, the number of volunteer hours involved and the level of costs met by the church to provide those services. Robert Heath, of the Feilding Oroua ~~Presbyterian Church~~ Anglican Parish noted that all of the organisations making submissions rely on volunteers. If their members were diverted into fundraising that impacts the amount of time that could be devoted to community outreach. In conclusion Kevin Barron emphasised their involvement in the community on a daily basis helping to make the community a vibrant place. Support from Council in this was essential and asked that Council consider reducing their rates cost so they were empowered to do more in the community and partner with Council to achieve their outcomes.

The Chairperson thanked submitters for their attendance.

*The meeting adjourned for a tea break at 10.11am and reconvened at 10.20am.*

## CFS 16/156 REVIEW OF COMMUNITY RATES SUPPORT POLICY

Report of the General Manager - Community and Strategy dated 24 February 2016 presenting for consideration nine submissions that had been received on the draft Remission of Rates Charged to Community, Sporting and Other Organisations following a recent review, seeking recommendation to Council the adoption of the draft policy subject to any amendments. The subcommittee noted that a targeted consultation had been undertaken on the draft policy, and an item published in the District News signalling the proposed changes to the policy, inviting people to submit.

### RECOMMENDED

**That the Remission of Rates Charged to Community, Sporting and Other Organisations be adopted subject to the following amendments:**

- 1. That an explanation be added to the objective to reference the Local Government Rating Act 2002 as clarification.**

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**Moved by: Councillor Barbara Cameron**

**Seconded by: Councillor Wayne Ellery**

**CARRIED**

**RECOMMENDED**

**That the Remission of Rates Charged to Community, Sporting and Other Organisations be adopted subject to the following amendments:**

- 2. That the remission scale be 50% of rates payable including annual water charges.**

**Moved by: Councillor Barbara Cameron**

**Seconded by: Councillor Wayne Ellery**

**CARRIED**

*Councillor Alison Short recorded her vote against the motion.*

**RECOMMENDED**

**That the Remission of Rates Charged to Community, Sporting and Other Organisations be adopted subject to the following amendments:**

- 3 That the delegated authority for decision making on applications for Community Rates Support remain with the Community Funding Subcommittee.**

**Moved by: Councillor Barbara Cameron**

**Seconded by: Councillor Wayne Ellery**

**CARRIED**

#### **CFS 16/157 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUND APPLICATION – FEILDING HIGH SCHOOL (FAHS)**

Report of the General Manager - Community and Strategy dated 24 February 2016 presenting for consideration a Community Development Funding Application received from the Feilding High School seeking financial assistance towards the costs for the production of 'FAHS War Years' with four performances to be held in the School Hall over the evenings of 9 to 12 March 2016.

**RESOLVED**

**That the Community Funding Subcommittee grant \$250 to the FAHS Feilding High School towards advertising costs for the production of 'FAHS War Years' with four performances being held in the School Hall over the evenings of 9 to 12 March 2016.**

**Moved by: Councillor Alison Short**

**Seconded by: Councillor Jo Heslop**

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**CARRIED**

**CFS 16/158 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUNDING APPLICATION – PALMERSTON NORTH BIRD CLUB (INC)**

Report of the General Manager - Community and Strategy dated 24 February 2016 presenting for consideration a Community Development Funding Application received from the Palmerston North Bird Club (Inc) seeking financial assistance towards the costs of hosting the New Zealand National Bird Show in the Feilding Civic Centre from 28 to 31 July 2016.

**RESOLVED**

**That the Community Funding Subcommittee grants \$2,260 to the Palmerston North Bird Club (Inc) towards the costs of venue hire for the New Zealand National Bird Show being held at the Feilding Civic Centre from 28 to 31 July 2016.**

**Moved by: Councillor Jo Heslop**

**Seconded by: Councillor Alison Short**

**CARRIED**

**RESOLVED**

**That the grant for the Palmerston North Bird Club (Inc) show be funded from 2016-17 allocation as the event was being held in July 2016.**

**Moved by: Councillor Barbara Cameron**

**Seconded by: Councillor Alison Short**

**CARRIED**

*Councillor Jo Heslop left the meeting at 11.41am*

**CFS 16/159 REPRESENTATIVE GRANT APPLICATION – FEILDING HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS RUGBY**

*Councillor Wayne Ellery declared an interest in this item, took no part in the discussion and left the meeting at 11.42am.*

Report of the General Manager - Community and Strategy dated 24 February 2016 presenting for consideration an application for a Representative Grant received from the Feilding High School Girls Rugby Team to attend the SANIX World Rugby Youth Tournament 2016 Girls' 7's in Fukuoka, Japan on 26 April 2016.

**RESOLVED**

**That the Community Funding Subcommittee contribute \$2,000 towards the cost of the Feilding High School Girls Rugby Team trip to the SANIX World Rugby Youth Tournament 2016 Girls' 7's in Fukuoka, Japan on 26 April 2016 subject to full funding being raised and trip proceeding.**

**Moved by: Councillor Barbara Cameron**

**Seconded by: Councillor Alison Short**

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**CARRIED**

*Councillor Wayne Ellery returned to the meeting at 11.50am.*

CFS 16/160 LATE ITEMS

There were no late items for consideration.

CFS 16/161 MEETING CLOSURE

The meeting was closed at 11.51am

Approved and adopted as a true and correct record:

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**CHAIRPERSON**

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**DATE**