

Chairperson and Committee Members
STRATEGY AND POLICY COMMITTEE

8 JUNE 2017

Meeting Status: **Public**

Purpose of Report: For Information

COMMUNITY FACILITIES STRATEGY - HEARINGS OF SUBMISSIONS

PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1 The purpose of this report:
 - a) is to provide the Committee with the submissions received on the Community Facilities Strategy;
 - b) submitters who want to speak to the Committee on their submission will be heard at this meeting.

DELEGATION

- 2 The Strategy and Policy Committee has the delegation to hear submitters in relation to the Community Facilities Strategy;

This Committee will deal with all strategy and policy decision-making that is not the responsibility of the Council. Key responsibilities will include:

Development and/or review of strategies, plans, policies and bylaws

BACKGROUND

- 3 The development of a community facilities strategy was identified as a key activity in Council's *Future-Kāpiti* Long term plan 2015-35. Community facilities are an important part of the Kāpiti community. They provide spaces for people to participate in leisure activities, ranging from competitive sport to passive recreation and community gatherings.
- 4 The purpose of the strategy is to provide a high-level district-wide understanding of the community facilities Council has now and those that are likely to be required in the future as the needs of the Kāpiti community change. The draft strategy provides a framework to guide strategic investment decisions from both a capital and an operational perspective to make best use of Council facilities and those owned or managed by others
- 5 In order to draft the strategy based on sound knowledge and information, baseline research was undertaken including demographics, national trends and a stocktake of current facilities. Existing Council strategies and policies were referred to and a series of community workshops were undertaken in conjunction with web surveys targeted at the users of facilities and facility managers. A community wide online survey captured feedback from those not representing specific groups. A total of 157 external groups submitted responses, 112 people attended workshops and 89 people responded to the community wide survey.

ISSUES AND OPTIONS

Issues

- 6 The draft strategy was out for a one month consultation period. Submissions closed on 3 May and a total of 27 were received. All contacts from the preliminary consultation were contacted directly with information about the draft strategy and how to make a submission. Key stakeholders were further encouraged to make a submission if appropriate. The wider community was notified about submissions being opened via a public notice in each local paper, facebook updates and the Council website.
- 7 A total of 11 submitters requested to be heard and were given the opportunity to speak at this meeting. At the time of writing this report not all submitters had confirmed they would be available to speak.

CONSIDERATIONS

Policy considerations

- 8 To ensure there is appropriate alignment with Council's strategic direction the following existing documents were considered when drafting the strategy:
 - Future Kāpiti Long Term Plan (2015 – 2035)
 - Te Haerenga Whakamua, A Review of the District Plan Provisions for Māori: A Vision to the Future: For The Kāpiti Coast District Council District Plan Review 2009- 2012
 - Kāpiti Coast District Council Infrastructure Strategy (2015-45)
 - Kāpiti Coast District Council Carbon and Energy Management Plan (2015)
 - Kāpiti Coast District Council Open Space Strategy (2012)
 - Kāpiti Coast District Council Cycleways, Walkways and Bridleways (CWB) Strategy (2009)
 - Kāpiti Coast District Council CWB Network Planning Report (2015)
 - Kāpiti District Economic Development Strategy (2015-2018)
 - Kāpiti Events Plan (2015-2018)
 - Kāpiti Visitor Attraction Plan (2016-2018)
 - Kāpiti Youth Action Plan (2016-18)
 - A Strategy for Māori Economic Development and Wellbeing in Kāpiti (2013)
 - Strategy for Supporting the Arts 2012 (Kāpiti Coast District Council)
 - Strategy Towards a Sustainable Transport System (2008)

Legal considerations

- 9 There are no legal considerations.

Financial considerations

- 10 The strategy will inform the long term plan process on an on-going basis. In the first instance the financial requirements are likely to be in the form of extra

human resource to implement parts of the strategy. Budget requirements are as yet unknown but will be considered through the long term plan.

Tāngata whenua considerations

11 There are no Tangata whenua considerations.

SIGNIFICANCE AND ENGAGEMENT

Degree of significance

12 This matter has a low level of significance under Council policy.

Consultation already undertaken

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14 Submissions for the Community Facilities Strategy were open for one month and a total of 27 were received.

RECOMMENDATIONS

15 That the Committee notes:

- a) That 27 submissions have been received on the Community Facilities Strategy; and
- b) That nine people have asked to speak in support of submissions, two of whom will be speaking as individuals and also as representatives of community groups.

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ATTACHMENT

- Appendix 1 Submissions received from those who will be speaking
 Appendix 2 Submissions received from those who will not be speaking