

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE MONTHLY MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE, WILL BE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 29 CIVIC AVENUE, GORE, ON TUESDAY 12 FEBRUARY 2008, AT 4 pm

**Steve Parry
CHIEF EXECUTIVE**

4 February 2008

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COMMUNITY SERVICES AGENDA

FEBRUARY 2008

1. COMMUNITY SERVICES BULLETIN

The Community Services Bulletin comprising reports from the District Arts and Heritage Curator, District Promotions and i-Site Visitor Information Centre, Parks and Recreation Manager, Library Manager, and Aquatic Services Manager is enclosed with the agenda.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Bulletin be received.

2. PRESENTATION ON HEALTHY HOMES INITIATIVE

(Memo from Chief Executive – 30.01.08)

Rachel Eyre, Co-Ordinator for Hokonui Horizons, will make a presentation on the healthy homes initiative.

3. RESERVES ROTARY HOE

(Report from Parks and Recreation Manager – 22.01.08)

The Parks and Reserves Department have a walk behind rotary hoe which is not delivering the level of service that is required for the task that it needs to do. The incumbent machine is of an age that precludes our mechanics being able to undertake any alterations or modifications to correct the problems that it has. I am told by some of our long serving reserves staff that these issues have been going on since its purchase in 1993.

During the past planting season there have been issues raised under the Councils health and safety plan where the machine is leaving the garden beds with a hard pan. This pan was causing the planting staff issues with their wrists and forearms due to striking this hard pan when planting with a trowel. This might on the face of it seem somewhat trivial but when you consider that we plant in excess of 80,000 annual plants per annum it is an issue that we need to address as a responsible employer.

I wish to replace the existing machine with a new model which is far better suited to the task. In January we had a demonstration of the new model. We had several staff look at and go over the new machine including our mechanics, to appraise it from varying viewpoints. All those present concur that it is superior to what we have and the resulting tilth that was produced was superior in depth and quality.

The existing rotary hoe is not up for replacement on the plant replacement schedule until 2010. Taking all of the above issues into consideration I propose to undertake this replacement with urgency prior to the upcoming planting season which will begin in late March. Therefore I recommend we replace the current SEP Rotary Hoe with a Grillo G107D rotary hoe priced at \$5,861.35 plus GST.

This is an unallocated Capex replacement. I wish to fund it from the current years Parks and Reserves Capex budget where after completing the programmed replacements for the current financial year I have a surplus of \$8,500.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Council approve the replacement of the Reserves rotary hoe, utilising funds available in the current years Parks and Reserves Capex Account.

4. SPORT SOUTHLAND REPORT

(Memo from Parks and Recreation Manager – 24.01.08)

Sport Southland provides recreational programming services under a contract to the Gore District Council. Attached is a copy of the latest six monthly report from Richard Pasco, the local Sport Southland Co-ordinator.

I would like to commend Richard for his dedication to this role and as this report indicates, there is a vast array of different activities that Richard and Sport Southland have involvement with, all of which promote the physical fitness, health and wellbeing of our community.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the report be received.

Eastern Southland Report July-December 2007

Key Objectives	Outcomes
<p>Improve understanding of Sport Southland's role, activities in the Gore District.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Monthly meetings and briefing to GDC Parks & Recreation Manager ▪ 6-monthly reports to Council – February/August. ▪ Active involvement with community initiatives involving physical activity ie Hokonui Horizons <p>Hokonui Horizons</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Sport Southland is part of the steering group. ▪ Attended monthly meetings
<p>Sport Development</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Coaching courses ▪ Promotion databases ▪ Club support <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Updated the Sports contact database in Eastern Southland and produced a brochure for the public about what sports and contacts are available in Eastern Southland.
<p>Active Youth</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Holiday Programmes ▪ Active Movement (under fives) ▪ Active Schools (SPARC contract) <p>Active Schools</p> <p>Held physical activity/sports days for the following schools</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Kaiwera, Pukera, Willow-bank, Knapdale, Otama - November ▪ Gore main - December ▪ St Marys - December ▪ The above days were skills based day where outside agencies eg Netball southland come in and took skills and games at the school. Each day had 8-10 different sports and was organised by Sport Southland. ▪ Visited Gore main School to help promote the Cycle tour of Southland and the Share the road message.

	<p>Holiday Programme</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ July Holiday programme took place on July 10,11,12. There we 90 children over 3 days and activities included fun games, swimming, ten pin bowling and Queens Park. ▪ October holiday programme - Took place on the 2,3,4 of October. On the 2nd of October the holiday programme was at the Gore Multi Sport Complex where the kids went swimming and Ice Skating, on the 3rd October the programme took place at Robertson Street and the 4th of October was at the Calvin Street Church. Over the 3 days 113 children participated in the Holiday programme. <p>Active communities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ September talked to a HEHA group in Gore about the physical activity opportunities in Gore, and ways that people can get active in the community ▪ Youth Development coordinator position started for the Gore community in April. Sport Southland chairing the committee overseeing this position. Assisting with planning.
Physical Activity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Walking ▪ Cycling ▪ Push Play initiatives ▪ Kiwi Seniors (over 50's monthly walking group) ▪ Movement for health (ACC Contract falls prevention over 65's) ▪ Active for life (Gym based for Green Prescription) <p>Walkers & Talkers now Active for life</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Revamp of group was done in October, the days changed to a Mon/Wed ▪ Approx 10-12 attendees for average per session ▪ Melissa is currently completing the National Heart Foundation Club leadership training book. ▪ Christmas break up held at synergy Café <p>KiwiSeniors</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ July Mystery trip to Roxburgh 43 people attended ▪ August Waihopai 48 attended ▪ September Te Anau 49 attended ▪ October Athol 32 attended ▪ November Dunsdale 36 Attended ▪ December Invercargill 39 people attended

Green Prescriptions**Referrals**

- July-6
- August-6
- September-7
- October- 9
- November-11
- December -1

Active Movement – Under 5's

- Attended a conference in Dunedin about Active Movement.
- Sessions completed at the following centres:
 - Kaiwera/Pukerau
 - Balfour Play Centre
 - Riversdale Play Centre
 - Waikaia Play Centre
 - Matura Kohanga Reo.

Movement for Health

- Sport Southland /ACC programme for over 65's.
- Melissa attended a Tai Chi conference in Christchurch and is now a trained Tai Chi instructor.
- Two Classes held on a Monday and Wednesday mornings, with 15-20 in each class. Classes began in July and finished in December. A new block of classes as well as a new programme (Graduate programme) are starting again in February and finishing in June.

Touch

- Sport Southland has assisted Touch Southland with the organising and running of the Gore competition. The men's competition ran from October till December. The mixed competition has got 10 teams and ran from October till December and resumes again in the New Year until March.
- Sport Southland has also assisted with the running of the Secondary school touch module. There are 23 teams participating in the module which ran from October through till

	<p>November and résumés again in February 2008.</p> <p>Push Play Winter Work Place Warmer Involving the gym and the pool this workplace initiative had a four week training lead up before the ‘challenge’ based at the pool on the final day. This is when one team member swum, one biked and one rowed – all indoors. The idea was to encourage people to get back into exercise the winter. 24 people took part which was ok for the inaugural year.</p> <p>National Push Play Month October Promotions throughout the month with a walk held out at Dolamore Park on the 3 November. There were 12 people that participated in the walk</p>
Mountain Biking – a growing sport for all abilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Act as liaison between GDC, DOC and local MTB club to explore, develop and maintain Hokonui MTB track. ▪ Expand new track into old water race track in Croydon Bush. <p><u>MTB Track Extension</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Coordinating maintenance on track. ▪ Securing assistance from Periodic Detention workers through the Community Corrections Centre. ▪ Organised the Gore Mountain Bike AGM. Discussion about track extension resulted in a proposal to DOC to ask permission to use 4 wheel motorbike transport to carry materials during track building. (Sport Southland supports the local club as having a club allows a strong relationship with DOC which then allows a track to be built in the Gore area. This provides great opportunities for the Gore community).
Funding	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Where appropriate ensure community awareness of funding options for sport and recreation.
Physical Activity Strategy (PAS) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Actions proposed in the Strategy ▪ Legacy Group 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Assist the GDC to implement “Actions” as stated in the Physical Activity Strategy. ▪ Provide a proactive staff member to sit on the PAS Legacy Group with a view to fulfilling the actions outlined in the PAS. ▪ Assisting the GDC with an application to SPARC for ‘Active Communities’ funding towards a position based at the new stadium.
Events	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Gore Half Marathon ▪ Southland half Ironman ▪ Moonshine Trail

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Gore Triathlon▪ Bootleggers Triathlon ▪ Eastern Sports Awards Assisting GDC with nominations for the awards and sitting on the judging panel ▪ Hokonui Triathlon Assisting the Southland Triathlon and MultiSport Club to hold and 'new' event in Gore starting and finishing at the lake on Eden Pryde's property. This event was also part of the South Island Triathlon series. 65 competed ▪ St Peters Womens triathlon December 16 - assisting the school to organise and run a triathlon. There were about 50 that competed in the event
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