

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 9 SEPTEMBER 2008, AT 4 pm

**Stephen Parry
CHIEF EXECUTIVE**

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COMMUNITY SERVICES AGENDA

SEPTEMBER 2008

1. COMMUNITY SERVICES BULLETIN

The July and August Community Services Bulletins are enclosed with the agenda, containing reports for from the District Arts and Heritage Curator, Library Manager, Parks and Recreation Manager and the Aquatic Services Manager.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Bulletins be received.

2. SPORT SOUTHLAND - ANNUAL REPORT

(Memo from Parks and Recreation Manager – 26.08.08)

Sport Southland provides Recreational Programming Services under a contract to the Gore District Council. Attached is a copy of the 2007/08 Annual report from Sport Southland.

The local Sport Southland Co-ordinator, Richard Pasco manages and oversees the delivery of many of the activities noted in this report. Richard is dedicated to his role and as this report indicates, there is a vast array of different activities that Richard and Sport Southland have involvement in. All of which promote the Physical Fitness, Health and Wellbeing of our community. You will note the range of services provided and the varying age groups that are catered for, from Active Movement for the under 5's to Movement for Health in the over 65's and anything in between.

Latterly Richard has also been involved with the development and planning of how the Stage 3 indoor events centre will operate and function. His input here is valued by all as knowing the issues surrounding delivery of a service, gives a new provider a good guide as to what is going to be required to be delivered so that the overall facility succeeds.

Richard will be in attendance at the meeting to answer any questions.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the report be received.

3. GORE DISTRICT COUNCIL RESIDENT SURVEY 2008

(Memo from Chief Executive – 01.09.08)

As some Councillors may be aware, the Council's 2006-16 Long Term Council Community Plan contains a number of performance measures for activities which require a survey of the public's satisfaction with services at two yearly intervals. To facilitate reporting back to the community on the performance of these activities, a comprehensive resident survey was commissioned and conducted by the Innovative Business Solutions Group of the Southern Institute of Technology.

- ✦ A copy of the survey report is now enclosed for the perusal of Councillors. I believe overall the Council has fared well in the survey. Hopefully the results will provide the Council with a good level of intelligence in respect of confirming that it is on the right track in regard to the emphasis it places on the likes of parks and reserves, arts and heritage and the aquatic centre, to enhance the quality of life for its residents. Conversely the survey can also place some perspective on contemporary, contentious issues in respect of recycling, rural roads, public toilets and footpaths. On the issue of footpaths, it should be noted that the Council has increased its expenditure in the 2008/09 financial year in direct response to concerns received about the standard of this particular asset. It will be interesting to see whether the improvements made over the next two years result in a higher ranking when the next community survey is conducted in 2010.

The results will now be fed into the Annual Report for the year ending 30 June 2008 and will no doubt receive further analysis once this report is presented to the Council for adoption at the end of September.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the survey report be received.