1 APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON

The meeting was opened by Mr Sargison, who called for nominations for a Committee Chair for this meeting.

Moved D Gordon seconded A Blackie

THAT Councillor Doody be appointed Chair of the Committee for this meeting of the Community and Recreation Committee.

CARRIED

Councillor Doody assumed the Chairpersons role at this time.

A moments silence was held for P Allen.

2 APOLOGIES

An apology was received and sustained from R Brine and D Ayers for absence.

CARRIED

3 CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Nil.

4 RECEIPT OF MINUTES

4.1 Minutes of a meeting of the Community and Recreation Committee held on Tuesday 18 July 2017

Moved D Gordon seconded W Doody

THAT the Community and Recreation committee:

(a) Confirms the circulated minutes of a meeting of the Community and Recreation Committee, held on Tuesday 18 July 2017, as a true and accurate record.

CARRIED
5 MA\vters A\vising

Nil.

6 Presentation / Delegation

Nil.

7 Reports

7.1 Aquatic Facilities Update – Matthew Greenwood (Aquatic Facilities Manager)

M Greenwood explained that the purpose of the report was to provide the Committee with an update on the aquatic facilities for the last financial year.

M Greenwood noted that the Waiswim Schools programme had received $8000 more than the previous year. The programme focused on low cost water safety instruction to the children of the district including safety around rivers, lakes and boats. The Learn to Swim and Aquarobics figures were slightly down on the previous year. In terms of overall budget the figures were $94,000 better than budget.

W Doody asked whether anything was being done to increase awareness of the programmes. M Greenwood replied yes, there would be better advertising of the learn to swim programmes and they were using other ways of getting the message out for example speaking to the Probus Club about the different programmes available.

Moved W Doody seconded A Blackie

THAT the Community and Recreation Committee:

(a) Receives report No 170907097066.

(b) Notes the Aquatic Facilities year to date achievement against key performance indicators including Water Quality, Facility attendance and financial results.

CARRIED

7.2 Community Team Update – Tessa Sturley (Community Team Leader)

T Sturley advised that the purpose of the report was to provide an update on the key Community Team activities in July and August 2017 and to seek approval for staff seeking $45,000 in Rata Foundation funding toward Safe Community facilitation project costs.

T Sturley highlighted the recognition by Safe Community Foundation for the work done in relation to community safety. They had been accredited a Safe Community for nearly 20 years which recognised the teams consistently high quality of work. She acknowledged the large amount of work produced by staff and that this work was currently independently funded.

T Sturley also highlighted the work currently done supporting migrant communities and emphasised that as a key priority. Work was being done identifying emerging leaders in migrant communities and facilitating events that connected local migrant communities.
Another area highlighted was the shared service hub in Kaiapoi where Wellbeing North Canterbury, Plunket, YouMeWeUs were in a shared location that provided greater accessibility and anonymity to local residents.

N Atkinson requested that the Community Team speak to the Licensing Committee about alcohol related harm to provide some feedback on what they were seeing in the community. T Sturley to arrange.

D Gordon noted that the Safer Communities was coming up for reconsideration and asked if it still had relevance to which T Sturley replied yes.

D Gordon asked if the Kaiapoi Hub had been named. C Sargison advised that the shared service hub in Kaiapoi was still called the Kaiapoi Community Centre and there were still public meeting rooms available. The Darnley Club had also expanded into the space and would look after bookings and administration.

W Doody noted that the North Canterbury Family Violence Network were promoting the white ribbon campaign in November and asked if there was anything they could do as a group. T Sturley advised that they were trying to raise awareness right across the community and were working with local business for shopfront displays. They were also looking for a white tie event.

With regard to the Kaiapoi Hub, W Doody asked if there was an opportunity for Councillors to view. C Sargison advised that only half the building was currently operating. When completed there would be a proper opening to which there would be an invitation.

A Blackie referred to local police continuing to partner in community projects and asked for an explanation of that in terms of the disestablishment of the community constable position. T Sturley advised there was still police involvement in the family violence network, suicide prevention and alcohol related harm. There would be more than one police person involved.

Moved D Gordon seconded A Blackie

THAT the Community and Recreation Committee:

(a) **Receives** report No 170908097406

(b) **Requests** that the Community and Recreation Committee approve Community Team staff seeking $45,000 in Rata Foundation funding toward Safe Community facilitation and related project costs to the end of the 2017/2018 financial year.

(c) **Notes** that the Community Team have received a one-off Lotteries funding grant of $25,000 towards supporting the facilitation of suicide prevention and family violence initiatives to the end of the 2017/18 financial year

**CARRIED**

D Gordon commented that it was a good report. His question around naming of the Kaiapoi shared service facility was in respect to staff thinking about naming part in honour of the late Peter Allen who had played a role in its development. C Sargison advised that it was not up to staff however he would raise it with the Trust and Wellbeing North Canterbury subject to the Allen family approval.

W Doody thanked T Sturley for the report. She recognised it was a big portfolio with few staff.
7.3 **Community Team Annual Report 2016/17 – Tessa Sturley (Community Team Leader)**

T Sturley spoke to a PowerPoint presentation to provide a thorough overview of the annual report and provide details of the work carried out by the team. She emphasised that the report used results based accountability to provide quantifiable results. Benchmarks were set to work towards. T Sturley gave a summary of the ‘Top 5’ overall achievements for 2017/2018 including:

1. New faces around the table particularly in migrant projects and TimeBank.
2. Volunteer projects – better support and better mechanisms to link people, noted volunteers were getting older.
3. Suicide prevention – link with suicide Canterbury co-ordinator which provided the opportunity to be part of pilot programmes.
5. Regional initiatives and collaborations.

A Blackie noted that some of the benchmark figures were low, for example 30% of respondent households were satisfied with the information about what is going on in the District. He asked why they were that low to start with. T Sturley was not sure why they were so low and believed they were due for review.

With reference to the information pack for new residents P Williams asked how were they distributed. T Sturley advised that it was through places like preschools, schools and medical practices. They were not actively promoted but they did get asked for them. The packs did not just target ratepayers.

Moved W Doody  seconded A Blackie

**THAT** the Community and Recreation Committee:

(a) **Receives** report No 170908097437

**CARRIED**

8 **MINUTES FOR INFORMATION – REGENERATION STEERING GROUP**

8.1 **Minutes of a meeting of the Regeneration Steering Group held on Monday 7 August 2017**

8.2 **Minutes of a meeting of the Regeneration Steering Group held on Monday 4 September 2017**

Moved A Blackie  seconded D Gordon

**THAT** the information in Items 8.1 – 8.2 be received.  

**CARRIED**
9 PORTFOLIO UPDATES

9.1 Greenspace (Parks Reserves and Sports Grounds) – Councillor Robbie Brine

No update.

9.2 Community Facilities (including Aquatic Centres, Halls, Libraries and Museums) – Councillor Wendy Doody

P Ashbey provided an update on the recent opening of the Oxford Library and Service Centre. It had been a great team effort to transition from the pavilion to the new building. The whole facility was smart and ready for business on day one. P Ashbey spoke to a slideshow with photographs of the new building. She commented that it was light and airy and spacious. The old banking strong room was the only remaining part of the old building. Highlights were the interview space, full range of technology and security gates in the library, recycled rimu flooring from the Wrightsons seed store, study and work space, free public computers and the children’s area with interactive nook. The layout of shelves was more informal to create ‘zones’ rather than rows. There were now 10,000 collection items in the library. The library would be open six days a week including Saturday morning. Statistics on use would now be available with a door counter. There is to be a formal launch of the centre.

W Doody acknowledged the work of staff and commented that the two buildings complemented each other and looked great.

9.3 Community Development and Wellbeing – Councillor Wendy Doody

W Doody advised of the Oxford Area School Road Safety Programme the previous work. It was a well presented extremely good day. Advised that she had been part of judging of story writing and commented on the range and significance of topics that the students addressed.

9.4 Regeneration – Councillor Al Blackie

A Blackie advised that there had been minor alteration to road works at Courtney Drive due to the discovery of asbestos in the ground from the old freezing works. Instead of swale there was curb and channel at an extra cost of $180,000 which was within contingency.

A Blackie had met with Duncan Roxburgh regarding the Te Kohaka o Tuhaitara Trust walkway. LINZ had provided advice and it was a work in progress.

The Food Forest had had a very successful opening with 300 people planting 300 trees. People came from as far north as Amberley and as far south as Ashburton. A resident had even delivered a tree via zimmer frame. The Anglican Church and Rūnanga provided blessings. There was a performance by the Kaiapoi North School kapa haka group and Kaiapoi High School donated two picnic tables. It was a very visible project with a great vibe for the community to get involved in.

W Doody queried the replanting of established trees and A Blackie advised there had been good value for money as 17 trees had been moved rather than the quoted 10-12 and good weather conditions would assist with reestablishment.

10 QUESTIONS
11 URGENT GENERAL BUSINESS

Nil

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 2.03pm.

CONFIRMED

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Chairman

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Date

**BRIEFING**

At the conclusion of the meeting, Chris Brown presented a Briefing to discuss the following:

- Playground Strategy
- Toilet Strategy
- Mandeville Update.