Community and Recreation Committee

Agenda

Tuesday 13 February 2018

1.00pm

Waimakariri District Council Chambers
215 High Street
Rangiora

Members:
Councillor Wendy Doody (Chairperson)
Councillor Al Blackie
Councillor Robbie Brine
Councillor Dan Gordon
Mayor David Ayers (ex officio)
The Chairman and Members
WAIMAKARIRI DISTRICT COUNCIL

A meeting of the COMMUNITY AND RECREATION COMMITTEE will be held in the
WAIMAKARIRI DISTRICT COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 215 HIGH STREET, RANGIORA on
TUESDAY 13 FEBRUARY 2018 at 1.00PM.

Adrienne Smith
COMMITTEE ADVISOR

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Council policy until adopted by the Council

BUSINESS

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1 APOLOGIES

2 CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Conflicts of interest (if any) to be reported for minuting.

3 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

3.1 Minutes of a meeting of the Community and Recreation Committee held
on Tuesday 21 November 2017

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Community and Recreation committee:

(a) Confirms the circulated minutes of a meeting of the Community and
Recreation Committee, held on Tuesday 21 November 2017, as a true
and accurate record.

4 MATTERS ARISING

5 DEPUTATIONS

5.1 Waimakariri Youth Council

Andrew Besuyen, Waimakariri Youth Council Chairperson, will present the
highlights of the last years work and key forthcoming activities.

5.2 Wai Youth

Sam Redman, Youth Development Facilitator, will present the highlights of the
last years work and key forthcoming activities
5.3 **Safe Communities Foundation New Zealand**

Tania Peters, Director, Certifier and Trustee of Safe Communities Foundation will be present.

6 **REPORTS**

6.1 **Youth Development Annual Report – Tessa Sturley (Community Team Manager)**

**RECOMMENDATION**

THAT the Community and Recreation Committee:

(a) Receives report no. 180202010203
(b) Receives the Youth Council and WaiYouth Annual Report
(c) Acknowledges the work achieved by WaiYouth and Youth Council supported by the Youth Development Facilitator.

6.2 **Community Team Update – Tessa Sturley (Community Team Manager)**

**RECOMMENDATION**

THAT the Community and Recreation Committee:

(a) Receives report No 180202010191
(b) Notes that the Community Team have been granted $12,500 from Office of Ethnic Communities for Migrant-led initiatives
(c) Notes that the Migrants Group has acquired Adult Community Education funding to support English Language driver licencing and cooking class provision in our District.

6.3 **Aquatic Facilities Update – Matthew Greenwood (Aquatic Facilities Manager)**

**RECOMMENDATION**

THAT the Community and Recreation Committee:

(a) Receives report 180201009878.
(b) Notes the Aquatic Facilities year to date achievement against key performance indicators including Water Quality, Facility attendance figures and financial results.
(c) Approves the holding of a dog only swimming event at the end of the Oxford Community Aquatic Centre summer season.
6.4 Library Update – Philippa Ashbey (District Libraries Manager)

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Community and Recreation Committee:

(a) Receives report No. 180201010087

(b) Notes that the Oxford Library and Service Centre was officially opened by Mayor David Ayers on 15 December 2017.

(c) Notes the reach and effectiveness of the Libraries’ activities and events programme.

(d) Notes the range and success of user orientation and training sessions, delivered by the Waimakariri Libraries, in 2017

(e) Circulates the report to the Boards for their information.

7 PORTFOLIO UPDATES

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

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

7.3 Community Development and Wellbeing – Councillor Wendy Doody

8 QUESTIONS

9 URGENT GENERAL BUSINESS

10 MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED WITH THE PUBLIC EXCLUDED

Section 48, Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting.

The general subject of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter and the specific grounds under section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution, are as follows:
This resolution is made in reliance on section 48(1)(a) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987, and the particular interest or interests protected by section 6 or section 7 of that Act which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public are as follows:

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**CLOSED MEETING**

See In Committee Agenda (blue papers)

**OPEN MEETING**
WAIMAKARIRI DISTRICT COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY AND RECREATION COMMITTEE
WILL BE HELD IN THE WAIMAKARIRI DISTRICT COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 215 HIGH STREET, RANGIORA ON TUESDAY 21 NOVEMBER 2017 AT 1.00PM.

PRESENT

Councillor W Doody (Chairperson), Mayor D Ayers (from 1.18pm), Councillors A Blackie, R Brine and D Gordon.

IN ATTENDANCE

Councillors P Williams, S Stewart (from 1.17pm), J Meyer (until 2.09pm)
Messrs J Palmer (Chief Executive), C Sargison (Manager Community and Recreation), C Brown (Community Green Space Manager), Mrs T Sturley (Community Team Leader), and Mrs A Smith (Committee Advisor).

1 APOLOGIES

Moved Councillor Blackie seconded Councillor Gordon
That an apology for lateness be received and sustained from Mayor Ayers.

CARRIED

2 CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

No conflicts of interest were noted.

3 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

3.1 Minutes of a meeting of the Community and Recreation Committee held on Tuesday 19 September 2017

Moved Councillor Gordon seconded Councillor Blackie

THAT the Community and Recreation committee:

(a) Confirms the circulated minutes of a meeting of the Community and Recreation Committee, held on Tuesday 19 September 2017, as a true and accurate record.

CARRIED

4 MATTERS ARISING

There were no matters arising.

5 PRESENTATION / DELEGATION

There was no presentations or delegations
6 REPORTS

C Sargison provided some background information and overview of the reports being presented to the Committee today, some of which will be presented to Council as part of the Long Term Plan process in January 2018.

6.1 Community Green Space Strategic Planning – Chris Brown (Community Green Space Manager)

C Brown presented this report which provides an update on current and future levels of service and their financial impacts relating to sports facilities, public toilets and play spaces. Strategies that have been developed which were presented to the committee. These identify current levels of service relating to the asset types. There has already been a briefing to the committee on any level of service changes, and these have been presented to the Community Boards as well. When considering levels of service, affordability and the capacity of the green space team also needs to be taken into account.

Trees

There has been a review carried out on the levels of service for the maintenance of trees. The current level of service for this is based on figures identified in the 2011 Street, Reserve and Cemetery Tree Maintenance Contract of there being 5,000 trees in the district, but there is now almost 19,000. This increase in the number of trees requires an update to the maintenance cycle to what is affordable and achievable. It is proposed that the current three year maintenance cycle be changed to a staggered cycle, with maintenance timeframes being dependant on the location of the trees. With these updates to the maintenance cycle, the budget cost will remain the same.

Sports Facilities

This process was an assessment of what sports facilities will be required in the future, taking into account population trends. Key changes or recommendations that the Strategy determined are: that the Council would not need to purchase any additional land for sports facilities for the next 30 years; a four court indoor facility is a priority; upgrade existing sports ground facilities rather than investing in a further artificial turf; and that a softball facility should be developed in Kaiapoi.

Public Toilet

The Public Toilet Strategy involved a review of the districts public toilet network and identified key issues to be addressed. There are 62 public toilets included in the Strategy, of which 60 are provided directly by Council and two are located within privately-owned buildings. The recent customer satisfaction survey determines there is a dissatisfaction with the lack of public toilets in the Rangiora town centre and the condition of the Victoria Park toilets. The Strategy has determined the need for an additional 23 toilet blocks to be built within the next 10 years to cover shortfalls and cater for population growth. Determined a toilet replacement schedule, with a programme to be a toilet upgrade every two years. A lot of the bigger public toilet facilities will need to be replaced in the first few years of the ten year programme. It was noted that the majority of level of service changes are actually current practices now.

Playgrounds

An overview was provided on the process undertaken to review the current Levels of Service to achieve the aim and objectives in the Play Space Strategy. Some additional service levels that have been added to those of the 2012 Activity Management Plan, are already existing practice. The Strategy has determined that the Council will be required to develop three new play spaces and one skate park in the next ten year period. These will be located...
in Milton Memorial Reserve, Hurunui Reserve, Kippenberger/Elm Green Linkage (play spaces and the new skate park in the Woodend Pegasus Area. These will have an estimated total cost of $415,000 over a ten year period.

Questions:

Following a question from Councillor Brine, it was confirmed that these programmes have been determined on what is the priority, but there will be more opportunity for any changes in the three year programme.

Councillor Gordon – is there to be a further toilet provided in the Rangiora Town Centre? C Brown advised that staff are looking at options, which include upgrading Victoria Park toilets, or including some public toilets in the library extension. It is intended to look at the impacts of these improvements for the town centre.

Blake Street carpark – Councillor Gordon suggested there is a shortage of public toilets in this part of the town centre. There is the possibility of some temporary toilets being available, but these would be basic systems, and could be subject to vandalism.

C Sargison noted that it is intended to increase the level of service for the Victoria Park toilets, to be the same as the library toilets, which is of a higher standard, (i.e. to be cleaned three times a day), and having a more efficient door locking/opening system installed.

Councillor Doody asked about Dudley Park toilets – C Brown advised these are on the programme, but not on the long term programme to be upgraded because other toilets are considered to be a higher priority. These toilets could be considered for some minor maintenance work and tidied up.

Re the sand carpet of sports fields – these fields are extremely free draining, which are more effective during winter. Most top sports fields are sand based and this is now coming down to be a more standard level provided. It is expected that fields in the district could be used for a maximum of 16 hours per week during the winter.

Moved Councillor Brine seconded Councillor Blackie

THAT the Community and Recreation Committee recommends to Council for its consideration at the 30 January 2018 (LTP) meeting:

(a) Receives report No. 171103119339
(b) Receives the Sports Facilities Strategy (Trim: 171114123628)
(c) Receives the Public Toilet Strategy (Trim: 171114123588)
(d) Receives the Play Space Strategy (Trim: 171114123637)
(e) Approves a new level of service for the maintenance of street reserve and cemetery trees which provides a programmed maintenance visit for all trees based on the below table.

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Notes that approving the levels of service for tree maintenance will have no impact on current budget allocation.

Notes that no additional land is required to be purchased over the LTP period.

Notes that the artificial provision of $1.7million in 2018/19 is no longer required.

Approves the provision of $1.7million over the ten year period for upgrading and development of existing sports facilities.

Notes that there is a separate report on the provision of indoor court facilities.

Approves an additional total of $500,000 of capital expenditure over ten year period to provide for a new toilet at Mandeville Sports Ground (Equestrian), Milton Memorial Reserve and West Oxford Reserve. Note that the previous LTP had a funding provision of $114,000 in 20/21.

Notes that staff will investigate funding opportunities from the Tourism Infrastructure fund for West Oxford Reserve and Saltwater Creek.

Approves an additional total of $90,000 capital replacement funding over the ten year period for replacement of existing toilets which will make a total funding $1,150,000 over the period of the LTP.

Approves the inclusion of an additional $415,000 of capital expenditure over the ten year period for development of playgrounds at Hurunui Reserve, Milton Memorial Reserve, Kippenberger/Eim Green and a skate park for the Woodend/Pegasus Area.

Notes that $190,000 is included for playground replacement which is consistent with previous years funding.

COUNCILLOR BRINE relayed his recent experiences in Europe and having to pay to use public toilet facilities and that these were always very clean.

Councillor Brine noted quite a big change in this comprehensive report, with the Council no longer looking at investing in artificial turf and looking at enhancing the current green space sport facilities. These facilities are very well used in the district and are a big asset that the Community Green Space team are responsible for. Councillor Brine noted the popularity of Koura Reserve and the use that the new playground is getting there.

The Chair of the Woodend-Sefton Community Board wished to note a preferred change to recommendation (n) change the wording from skate park to “recreational reserve" for the Woodend/Pegasus area.

Mayor Ayers noted there could be challenges in the future with the expectations of residents in the provision of playground facilities. Mayor Ayers also commented on the popularity of Koura Reserve.
Committee members commended the work of the staff from the Community Green Space team and the Policy team in putting these strategies together.

6.2 Preliminary Draft Community Green Space Activity Management Plan 2017 – Chris Brown (Community Green Space Manager)

C Brown presented this report, which is still in draft form. The Plan takes everything from the Strategies in the report above and put into this Plan document. This will be coming back to the committee also as part of the Long Term Plan process.

Moved Councillor Brine seconded Councillor Doody

THAT the Community and Recreation Committee:

(a) Receives report No. 171107120943.

(b) Notes the Preliminary Draft Community Green Space Activity Management Plan 2017 which is a work in progress with completion for 30 January Council meeting.

(c) Notes that the Draft Community Green Space Activity Management Plan will be reported to Council on 30th January for adoption

CARRIED

6.3 Community Facilities Provision – Craig Sargison (Manager Community and Recreation)

C Sargison presented this report for the Council to consider the provision of community facilities to meet that required by the projected population growth.

Speaking on libraries – it was noted that the use of the libraries is always increasing, and it is important to be able to plan for some future expansion. There is the need to secure some land for a facility, as in the need for the Pegasus/Ravenswood area. It is suggested that a sum of money be set aside for this in 2018. The rental of the Todds building in Pegasus for the Community Centre is to continue. Throughout the district, it is considered that there is a sufficient availability of big hall facilities, but there is a lack of smaller meeting spaces. The Pegasus Community Centre is a model for the district with the local community looking group (Pegasus Residents Association) looking after it.

It was noted that there is also other community spaces available that are not Council owned which provide good facilities (i.e. schools in Rangiora, Kaiapoi and Oxford). There is still enquiries made to the Council from some clubs looking for space to develop their facilities. There are spaces which could be used by these groups – in the regeneration area, or in Murphy Park.

It is not considered that there is the need for any more aquatic facilities in the district in the future and the area is well served for swimming pools.

There could be some adjustments to the financial provisions in the years of the LTP as noted in recommendation (k)

Following a question from Councillor Brine, C Sargison advised that the library building in Rangiora was never designed to have further levels built above.

Mayor Ayers sought information on the national trends for library usage.
Councillor Blackie – questioned why the cost of a library is almost double the current cost of a modern home. The costs relate to the degree of heating required and also as libraries tend to be large open spaces, framing and foundation has to be strengthened.

Moved Councillor Gordon seconded Councillor Brine

THAT the Community and Recreation Committee recommends to Council for consideration at its 30 January 2018 (LTP) meeting:

(a) **Receives** report N° 171026115830
(b) **Receives** the Community Facilities Report (Trim 171017112201)
(c) **Approves** the level of service for provision of library space of 60m² per 1000 population
(d) **Approves** staff investigating off site storage space for library collection storage in either Rangiora or Kaiapoi and reporting back to Council.
(e) **Approves** the provision of $40,000 in Year 1 of the Draft LTP to allow for further investigation of the provision of a Library/Community Meeting Space in either Ravenswood or Pegasus with such a facility coming on line in Year 10 of the Draft LTP.
(f) **Approves** the level of service for provision of community meeting space for new communities to service a population of 2,500 it is proposed that there is a facility to cater for around 80 people plus storage space. This can be stand alone or incorporated as part of a facility such as a Library.
(g) **Notes** that the only part of the District that does not meet this standard is Pegasus and potentially Ravenswood depending on the speed of residential development.
(h) **Notes** that it is expected that the need for additional community facilities for meeting spaces in Rangiora will be met by developments currently being planned by the Anglican and Presbyterian Churches.
(i) **Approves** staff investigating the potential for using available Council owned land at Northbrook Road or Mixed Use Business Land in the Regeneration Area, for potential development of community owned buildings and notes that staff will prepare a report for Council’s consideration.
(j) **Notes** that there is no provision for further expansion or development of Aquatic Facilities in the District for the next ten years as the existing facilities have capacity to cope with projected growth.
(k) **Approves** the following financial provisions being included in the Draft LTP:
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(I) Circulates this report to the Boards.

CARRIED

Councillor Gordon believes the Council can be proud of the facilities that are available to the community in the district and that future needs of the district are being considered.

Councillor Brine commented that the one facility that the community are seeking is an indoor court facility and is in favour of this report going through to Council. It was noted that some of the decisions relating to the Long Term Plan will be made by future Councils.

Mayor Ayers suggested that some of the decisions made in the past by the Council have been good decisions and the partnerships with other groups in the district have worked well. It was suggested that the Council could look at other community spaces and possibly working in partnership with these groups, to upgrade existing toilet or kitchen facilities that could be used by the public.

Councillor Doody also supports the Council looking at working in partnership with other community groups who may have hall or community facility that could be used by the public.

In reply, Councillor Gordon acknowledged the communities desire for a Four Court facility being built in the district and also supports the suggestion from the Mayor, of working with community groups.

6.4 Community Team Funding – Craig Sargison (Manager Community and Recreation)

C Sargison presented this report, for the Council to consider the level of financial support it provides to the Community Team. It was noted the declining level of funding available from Central Government. Staff wish to update the levels of service for the Community Team, and are working with some other Councils who are also looking at levels of service of their community teams.
C Sargison discussed the three suggested staffing options as highlighted in the report and the impact of the service provided. It was noted that if Option C was the preference (this is retaining the same budgeted figure), this may impact on the Council’s reaccreditation as a Safer Community Council. The work of the community team is well recognised within the district and nationally.

There hasn’t been any consultation with any of the funding partners at this stage. Following question from Councillor Brine, it was confirmed that the Road Safety Coordinator/Journey Planner role in the Council is subsidised almost 50% by Land Transport NZ.

Councillor Williams has concerns with extra funding being requested to provide these services to the community and believes this should be funded by central government. The new Labour government had indicated that there would be increased funding available in the budget for these community development services. Council funding should be directed to the “core” services that the Council provides to the community.

Mr Palmer said the Council can still have a discussion on community development being considered a “core service”.

Moved Councillor Doody seconded Councillor Blackie

**THAT** the Community and Recreation Committee recommends that the Council at its meeting on 30 January (LTP):

(a) **Receives** report No. 171107120563

(b) **Approves** the Community Team being staffed at a level of 5.65 FTE funded from rates which was the staffing level in 2016/17.

(c) **Notes** that external funding is anticipated of $80,000 which will fund project delivery

(d) **Approves** a rating contribution of $709,551 for the Community Team being included in the Draft Annual Plan

(e) **Notes** that staff will continue to work closely with Central Government Agencies and will keep Council informed of any further potential partnering opportunities.

**CARRIED**

Councillor Doody, being the portfolio holder for this area of the Council, acknowledges the amount of work that this community team do for the wider community with the key partners. Councillor Doody would not like to see a backward step in the programmes being available to the detriment of our own community.

Councillor Blackie acknowledged that he has been critical of the lack of funding available from central government for these services, and also would not like to see the work that the community team have already done, take a backward step.

Mayor Ayers asked the question “who is going to do the job best”? It was acknowledged that there are central government agencies with a presence in this community but the coordination of these groups with other community groups is an important role played by the Council Community Team. Mayor Ayers believes that the work of the Community Team is seen as core council business.
Councillor Brine does not support this recommendation, noting that 20 years ago, there were members of the community team who were all funded by central government departments. Councillor Brine suggests that everything is being dumped on the ratepayer and does not support this. He does not believe this will stop and noted that this has been occurring for several different terms of government that they are stepping back from supporting these aspects.

Councillor Gordon also does not support the recommendation and would support Option B, maintain status quo. He is very supportive of the work of the Community Team but has concerns with the added expense which would be put on the ratepayers. The work of the community team is an important part of the council and he supports the work it does.

Councillor Williams commented that he does support the work of the Community Team, but noted that the new Government has indicated they will be increasing their funding for these services and suggested it may be better for the government to cover any additional funding required to maintain the levels of service currently provided.

At this time, the meeting adjourned at 2.45pm and reconvened at 2.58pm.

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

C Sargison presented this report, noting the achievement against the key performance indicators. It was noted that recreation swimming is under achieving against the budget, but coming out of the winter season, it may balance out through the summer season.

Mayor Ayers commented on discussions that took place several years ago, pre earthquakes, for having a swimming pool and splash pads in the Pines Beach oval. It is anticipated there will be a submission to the Council Long Term Plan for this. Mr Sargison said the Council has to date provided a levels of service of maintaining the oval.

Moved Councillor Doody seconded Councillor Blackie

THAT the Community and Recreation Committee:

(a) Receives report No171110122276.

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

CARRIED

Councillor Brine noted there is sometimes an issue at the Dudley Park Aquatic Centre with the use of the family change room by patrons who could be using the female changing room, and in doing so, holding up other family groups who wish to use the family room.
6.6 **Library Update – Philippa Ashbey (District Libraries Manager)**

Mr Sargison presented this report, which provided an update on the recent customer service improvements, summary of the 2017 KidsFest programme, and an overview of the Libraries Annual Customer Satisfaction Survey. It was also noted that there is to be an official opening of the Oxford Library and Service Centre on Friday 15 December.

Moved Councillor Gordon seconded Councillor Brine

**THAT** the Community and Recreation Committee:

(a) ** Receives** report No. 171109122261
(b) **Notes** the most recent customer service improvements of the Waimakariri Libraries.
(c) **Notes** the positive response to the new Oxford Library and Service Centre
(d) **Notes** the reach and effectiveness of the Libraries’ KidsFest Programme.
(e) **Notes** the high level of customer satisfaction with the Waimakariri Libraries as assessed by the annual Customer Satisfaction Survey undertaken in June 2017.
(f) **Circulates** the report to the Boards for their information.

CARRIED

7 **PORTFOLIO UPDATES**

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

Nothing to report.

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

Councillor Doody is very impressed with the new Oxford Library and Service Centre noting that the community is making good use of it.

7.3 **Community Development and Wellbeing – Councillor Wendy Doody**

Nothing to report

8 **QUESTIONS**

There were no questions.

9 **URGENT GENERAL BUSINESS**

There was no urgent general business.
There being no further business, the meeting closed at 3.15pm.

CONFIRMATION

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Chairperson

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Date

BRIEFING
At the conclusion of the meeting, Craig Sargison conducted a briefing on Fees and Charges
1. **SUMMARY**

The purpose of this report is to provide a summary of key Youth Development activities as detailed in the Waimakariri Youth Council and WaiYouth Annual Report 2016-2017.

2. **RECOMMENDATION**

THAT the Community and Recreation Committee:

(a) Receives report No 180202010203

(b) Receives the Youth Council and WaiYouth Annual Report

(c) Acknowledges the work achieved by WaiYouth and Youth Council supported by the Youth Development Facilitator.

Attachment:

i. The Waimakariri Youth Council and WaiYouth Annual Report 2016-2017 (Trim # 180111001850)

3. **ISSUES AND OPTIONS**

3.1. **Youth Development - background**

3.1.1: The aim of the Youth Development Coordinator role is to facilitate the delivery of the Waimakariri Youth Development Strategy, supporting the Waimakariri Youth Council and WaiYouth Action groups, supporting the North Canterbury Youth Services Network and working with a range of local and regional stakeholders to:

- Increase the positive profile of young people in our district
- Support the development and delivery of youth-led initiatives
- Identify and facilitate opportunities for the local youth sector
- Create mechanisms whereby young people can have a greater voice in local decision-making
3.1.2: Waimakariri Youth Council was established in 2013 as a means to formally support the vision set out in the Waimakariri Youth Development Strategy.

3.1.3: Youth Council consists of 16 members from across the District, representing the mainstream high school, home school, employee and tertiary sectors.

Staff support is via the Youth Development Coordinator, supported by the Community Team Manager. The Mayor (ex officio), and two elected Councillors appointed by the Community and Recreation Committee also sit on Youth Council. Typically, a councillor acts as liaison between the Youth Council and Waimakariri District Council.

3.1.4: WaiYouth was established in 2011, following the employment of a Youth Development Coordinator. The aim was create a ‘core crew’ of young people who would plan youth-led initiatives that gave young people more ‘things to do’ and a means to present local youth in a more positive light across the District.

3.2. Annual Report

3.2.1: Overview

Youth Development in 2016/17 has focussed on consolidation. The Youth Development Coordinator worked with Youth Council and WaiYouth members on

- personal development
- team building
- the establishment of better group process,
- creating a clearer distinction between the role of each group
- improved WaiYouth/Youth Council communication.

The attached report, collaboratively prepared by Youth Council and WaiYouth members and the Youth Development Coordinator, provides an overview of the priorities and some key achievements for Waimakariri Youth Council, WaiYouth and broader Youth Development during the 2016 – 2017 financial year.

The report introduces current Youth Councillors and includes member perspectives regarding the strengths and value of the work of Youth Council and WaiYouth, along with an overview of wider youth development connections, collaborations, activities and opportunities facilitated by the Youth Development Coordinator.

3.2.2: Key Results

The tables below align key youth development activities with the goals in the Community Team Community Development Strategy 2015 – 2025, which provides an overarching framework for the collective work of the team: Youth Development, Community Development and Community Safety.

This report serves as an overview of achievements detailed in the attached ‘Waimakariri Youth Council and WaiYouth Snap Shot Review 2016 – 2017’ report, including their relationship to the four aims of the Youth Development Strategy for Youth Development Coordination in the Waimakariri District.
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- 7 local businesses  
- All local media providers  
- Professional organisations in the recording and events industry  
- All local high schools  
- Selwyn and Hurunui Youth Councils  
- Youth Voice Canterbury  
- 298 Youth Health  
- The Collective  
- Agencies and groups that make up the North Canterbury Youth Services Network  
- WDC Policy, Greenspace, Comms, Libraries, Governance and Environmental Services Unit Teams  
- R13 Trust | Youth – led Development initiatives were well informed, resourced, planned and supported. | Increase the positive profile of young people in our district  
Support the development and delivery of youth-led initiatives  
Identify and facilitate opportunities for the local youth sector  
Create mechanisms whereby young people can have a greater voice in local decision-making |
| **CONNECT**      | Facilitated regional connection | Regional and South Island Youth Connect fora  
Collaboration with Hurunui and Selwyn Youth Development on Youth in Emergency Services (YES) training camp 2017 | Local Emerging Leaders in Youth Development were able to learn and connect with others in the Youth-led sector | Create mechanisms whereby young people can have a greater voice in local decision-making |
|                  | Planned and held youth-led events | - Centre Stage Talent Showcase at Rangiora Town Hall  
- Two Cube foam parties  
- Skate Jam  
High turnout illustrated that activities were attractive to young people  
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### 3.3. Looking toward 2018

3.3.1. Youth Council and WaiYouth will reconvene for 2018 in February.

3.3.2. For Youth Council this will provide an opportunity to review feedback from local young people and to set some priorities and objectives for the coming year; particularly the review of the Youth Development Strategy, developed in 2010 to frame what was at the time a new portfolio.

3.3.3. The first priority for WaiYouth is its recruitment drive; alongside this, the group have begun their planning for a series of initiatives that engage and connect young people across the District.

3.3.4 Our new Youth Development Facilitator is working to connect with the local and regional youth sector to facilitate collaboration for increased opportunities and better outcomes for our local young people.

### 4. COMMUNITY VIEWS

4.1 In line with Community Development practice, a wide range of Community Stakeholders continue to be engaged as the Youth Development function of the Waimakariri District Council Community Team foster collaborative response to identified community issues.
5. **FINANCIAL IMPPLICATIONS AND RISKS:**

External project funding was utilised to deliver these initiatives.

6. **CONTEXT**

   6.1 **Policy**

   This is not a matter of significance in terms of the Council’s Significance Policy.

   6.2 **Legislation**

   Local Government Act 2002

   6.3 **Community Outcomes.**

   Youth Development aligns with the following Council Community Outcomes:
   - There are wider ranging opportunities for people to contribute to the decision making by local, regional and national organisations that affects our District.
   - People are friendly and caring, creating a strong sense of community in our district.
   - People have wider ranging opportunities for learning and being informed.
   - The community’s cultures, arts and heritage are conserved and celebrated.

Tessa Sturley
COMMUNITY TEAM MANAGER
The Waimakariri Youth Council and WaiYouth

SNAPSHOT REVIEW

2016-2017
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This report is an overview of the activities and work contributions of Waimakariri Youth Council and WaiYouth for 2016 – 2017.

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Monica Hodgson

**Waimakariri Youth Council**
Andrew Besuyen
Arabella Jarman
Aurora Melville
Bradley Foster
Caitlin Tipping
Emma Collins
Jacob Harford
Katie Lange
Stella Graydon
Thomas Robson
WHAT DO WE DO?

YOUTH COUNCIL

Is supported by the Mayor and two District Councillors. Youth Council is a 16 member committee of Council. Its purpose is to identify and communicate to the District Council the interests and preferences of the youth of Waimakariri in relation to the content of the strategies, policies, plans, and bylaws of the District Council; and any matter that the Youth Council considers to be of particular interest or concern to the youth of Waimakariri.

Youth Council can advise the Mayor, Council, and Community Boards in relation to processes and mechanisms for engagement with young people in the Waimakariri District. Additionally Youth Council considers any regional issues raised by local young people. Youth Council engages with youth and the community through a range of platforms and advocates and advances the Waimakariri Youth Development Strategy.

‘My experience of joining Youth Council has been amazing. I have learnt skills that I can apply to my everyday life through contributing to Youth Council meetings and other events we do. I think Youth Council is amazing because everyone is so supportive of everything. Youth Council takes in your ideas, is willing to help one another but overall we have a lot of fun and a lot of laughs’. Caitlin

WAIYOUTH

Are about making things happen ‘by young people for young people’. That includes events and opportunities like workshops, talent competitions, skate jams, etc… The Youth Development Facilitator’s role is to support a youth-led approach to this.
REPORTS FROM THE CHAIR PEOPLE

2017 was a rather interesting year for the Waimakariri Youth Council. We started the year with only four of the existing council members continuing their involvement from 2016. We also had to find a new chairperson as Hannah Price, who had been chair for the last couple of years, moved on. We rearranged our structure as a council opting to have two chairpersons for the year. Thomas and I were both incredibly busy with work, study and other involvements, so splitting the responsibility took the pressure of us and let us run the council more effectively.

The other key change at the start of the year was considering the direction of the Youth Council and WaiYouth. Previous years there was a bit of confusion as to what each group did, and with both groups getting large enough we felt it was better to give each a more specific purpose. Youth Council was to continue to be a more formal contact point and representative to the Waimakariri District Council for young people, to write submissions, consult with regarding legislation and grow the Youth Council members as leaders. WaiYouth would look to be a broader group looking at running events for youth and connecting local youth with their communities.

We opened applications to be on the Youth Council at the start of the year and were able to take on six new members. The benefit of taking on a large group of members all at once is that we got to select a group of very talented young people, from a broad range of schools, covering all areas in the district, each person bringing a different skillset to the team.

The other hurdle for the year was looking for a new Youth Development, as Leanne Bayler is moving onto a new exciting opportunity. I was lucky enough to be involved in the interview and selection process and I am really looking forward to working with the new coordinator, Sam Redman, next year.

There was a very sad occasion this year, when Peter Allen passed away on the 30th of August. Peter had been a District Councillor for many years, heavily involved in the Youth Council since its creation and hugely supportive of all our initiatives. A large part of the Youth Council success can be directly accredited to him, he certainly had a massive impact on everyone he worked with. Personally, the times I have had with him over the last two and half years at the Youth Council I have learned a lot from his leadership style and passion for the community. He will be dearly missed.

With a relatively new Youth Council, and some young members who will (hopefully) continue to stay with the council for some time, I am really excited to see how next year takes shape. There are already some projects spilling into 2018, with painting the Kaiapoi Skatepark bowl, leadership courses and some other project ideas.

This year it’s been fantastic to be so confident in the council members abilities, it’s made it so much easier to pass projects onto people, knowing they’ll be able to deliver excellent results. I think everyone has grown and are more comfortable understanding how the Youth Council works and we should see some excellent outcomes next year building on this.
REPORT FROM SUPPORT STAFF

Leanne Bayler – Waimakariri Youth Development Facilitator

I have enjoyed working with the Youth Council and WaiYouth this year.

I was appointed as Youth Development Facilitator in September 2016 after working in a support role with the young people.

I am impressed by the dedication of the Youth Council and WaiYouth Teams and have enjoyed watching them create fantastic events and support the Youth of Waimakariri.

The aim of this role is to facilitate the Waimakariri Youth Development Strategy, supporting the Waimakariri Youth Council and WAIYouth Action groups and working with a range of local and regional stakeholders to:

- Increase the positive profile of young people in our district
- Support the development and delivery of youth-led initiatives
- Identify and facilitate opportunities for the local youth sector
- Create mechanisms whereby young people can have a greater voice in local decision-making

The framework for the role has been based this year on Positive Youth Development Aotearoa. The Youth Development role connects with the North Canterbury Youth Network, this has enabled us to deliver training on Positive Youth Development, Youth and Pornography, ‘OMG they’re teens’ – training for parents.

Regional networks such as Strengthening the Youth Sector, and Youth Voice Canterbury are important for youth in Waimakariri and offer an opportunity to engage in a broader network.

Waimakariri District Council supported my training with Ara Taiohi Code of Ethics Training for Youth Work in Aotearoa New Zealand.

My background in public health allows me to have a community led outlook while working with our Youth. I have thoroughly enjoyed watching these young people grow in strengths as they take a youth led approach to events and projects within the district.

The shared chairing of Youth Council, while potentially problematic, has seen the group be encouraged, new voices heard and managed with integrity under the guidance of Thomas and Andrew. This Co-chairing allowed these young people to balance their work and university roles whilst giving their best to Youth Council.

WaiYouth Chair, Sophie has really stepped into a mentoring role for the WaiYouth crew. This team has grown in strength and learning this year as they have managed and delivered their events.
Youth Council is a great opportunity to become a change maker in the community and ensuring that the voice of young people is heard. This program offers leadership opportunities and the chance to work with other dynamic young people from across the district. Passionate, driven young people work make a difference in the community. This year Youth Council welcomed six new member and they range in age between 14 and 22 years.

Our oldest member of Youth Council – it’s great to have a Mayor with muscle!!! Mayor David Ayers.
Youth Wellbeing Symposium - Wellington

Katie age 14 from Waimakariri Youth Council attended this symposium with other young people from Youth Voice Canterbury recently and reports below.

‘The symposium was amazing and very insightful, the seminar included multiple speakers, performances and a choice of clinics, stories and bus stops. It was a really good chance to learn different strategies, communication and how to implement co design. We learnt the importance of forming relationships in our communities and working with them not against them. Also how we need to look at youth as people not lesser as they are often portrayed as less than adults. On the more Practical an analytic side, we learnt about funding, starting networking with passionate people and how to organise and develop new ideas.

I found that it was a great place to meet like-minded individuals and talk about my passion and hear others. On the trip I attended a course on the ethics of co design and storytelling for impact, in this I learned about how to portray and present ideas and the principles of NCO designing. The last thing I attended was a clinic on safe spaces for young people focusing on Maori kids, in this I learned about ways to help others and how the quality of help must improve and be more accessible. Overall it was a brilliant!’ Katie Lange
End of year acknowledgment

To wrap up 2016 WaYouth and Youth Council were acknowledged for their contribution in an end of year award ceremony. This gives the young people a tangible document to present to future employers. Our young people gain experience in meeting facilitation, event planning, public speaking etc which are brilliant skills to take into the workforce with them.
**Member of Parliament Questions & Answers Event**

With 2017 being an election year there were a lot of conversations about policies and local candidates. As a Youth Council, already fairly involved in the political process, we were motivated to create an opportunity to engage local youth in politics, while also informing them about party policies and candidate. This took shape as organising a MP Questions and Answers for Young Voters. The event was hosted by the Youth Council at the Town Hall on the 22nd of August, so one month before the general election.

The organisational process was fairly straight forward, having organised Youth Council events before with the support of the Youth Development Facilitator things went smoothly. The biggest challenge was promotion - attending an event where you listen to politicians talk for over an hour isn't exactly the top of a teenagers list to do on a Tuesday night, so convincing them to come was difficult. As it turned out on the night the demographic of attendees was certainly skewed towards the older population, nevertheless the younger audience certainly had the most to gain from being there.

Originally the plan was to have six MP's attend, but with two additions the day before, then one not turning up on the night, we ended up having seven in total. Each MP was allocated 2 minutes at the beginning to introduce themselves and outline their party's policies. Then they were asked a series of questions orientated towards issues effecting young people and prompted to elaborate how their party would address these. The topics included housing, mental health, transport, water and taxation. Finally, there was opportunity for those attending to ask their own questions. It was hardly surprising that the greatest difficulty on the night was keeping each candidate’s discussion to a minimum, certainly for future Q and A's a bell to cut off conversation would be a necessity!

I felt the event was successful across multiple fronts. Personally, the experience organising the event of this kind was hugely beneficial. Event organisation is a great practical skill and I know it will be one advantageous to have in the future. For the Youth Council it strengthened our relationship with local politicians, and increased our exposure. Finally, for everyone that attended they got a very regionally specific overview of party policies and left being much better informed about who and what they were voting for. Young people who were there hopefully would have gone away understanding more about politics and that it isn’t just a dull topic discussed by people twice their age, rather, something that directly impacts them and their future.

The following speakers took to the stage to answer a range of question posed by the Youth Council and members of the public:

- Matt Doocey – National Party
- Nicky Glenjarman – The Opportunities Party (TOP)
- Peter Adcock-White - Democrats for Social Credit
- Dan Rosewarne – Labour Party
- Benjamin Price – Conservative Party
- David Lee – green Party
- Richard Prosser – NZ First
Review of Youth Development Strategy

A crucial job for the Youth Council in 2017 was reviewing the current Waimakariri Youth Development Strategy, created in 2010. The current strategy outlines how the Waimakariri District Council and the community can invest in the development of youth and partner with them so they feel valued, encouraged, connected and equipped.

Collectively, the 2017 Youth Council thought the current strategy’s goals of valuing, encouraging, connecting and equipping youth, aligned with the goals of the Youth Council; and were included in the new strategy.

A change made to the current strategy was removing unnecessary information to make a more accessible, easier to read and follow document. Also, rewording in some paragraphs was required for modernising purposes.

Perhaps the most important and exciting part of reviewing the strategy is the survey. The survey was taken in 2010 and gave an idea of how youth felt about their community. Whether they felt encouraged, supported and connected. Questions were also asked if they had people to turn to in difficult times, did they have access to help in a crisis or know who to contact. The questions used in 2010 have been modernised or reworded. Modernising the questions was done carefully over a long time. This is because the Council needed to modernise the questions, but in a way that the data from the survey in 2017 can be compared to the data from 2010. This will give insight to see if the challenges facing youth in the Waimakariri in 2010 are the same in 2017. If challenges arising in the 2010 survey do not appear in the 2017 survey then the Council can use the current strategy as a way to see how the issue may have been resolved.

Due to the increase in mental illness in New Zealand, the Youth Council collectively decided that it is fundamental that a few questions be dedicated to the effects on Waimakariri youth in relation to mental illness. This will give important insight into how Waimakariri youth are coping with the effects of mental illness and how the Council can help to support, encourage and connect them with those that can provide adequate help.

The survey is due to be circulated late 2017 and early 2018 and data will then be analysed and compared with the current strategy. This will give valuable insight into how the lives of youth have changed in the Waimakariri since 2010. Once this has been done the 2017 Youth Development Strategy will be completed, that, while keeping the original values of the 2010 strategy, will be modernised, more accessible, understandable and better reflect the youth of the Waimakariri today.
**Strengths-Finder Evening**

A particular event of 2017 for me that stood out was our ‘Strengths-finder’ evening. Led by Emma Chivers a Strength Network South Pacific accredited coach. Prior to the evening session each of the Waimakariri Youth Council members completed the Clifton Strength-Finder quiz, a very straightforward quiz which provided a list of every person’s five most dominant strengths. My results were ideation, communication, responsibility, context and analytical.

It was these five strengths which we each took into the evening. On this evening it became immediately apparent that everybody had widely different strengths. In fact, no two people shared more than a few strengths. The variation in strengths matched the variations in our personalities and it was very interesting to see how we each responded to the questions throughout the night. Some of us took to the activities very competitively and some were more passive, each and every person took to each activity in an entirely different way. Throughout the evening the group dynamic felt stronger, as everyone was gaining a greater understanding of how each other acted, what they liked, what they were comfortable with, and what they feared.

For me personally, the strengths evening was compelling and interesting. It allowed me to find out more about myself and as I read further into my strengths the more sense they made. The one thing that stuck with me the most can be paraphrased into this quote; “don’t spend all your time improving your weaknesses, spend your time getting better at what you are strong at.”

*Jacob Harford*
WAIYOUTH
Sophie’s Report

WaiYouth got off to a rocky start after the Youth Development Coordinator stepped down in 2016. During this time we were able to develop better as a group and come up with a series of events that we’d like to pursue.

Our first event this year was Skate Jam which was a huge success and we are extremely grateful to Propaganda for coming down with a sausage sizzle and sponsoring some prizes. Unfortunately the weather did play up a little bit towards the end of the competition forcing us to stop the skaters due to health and safety reasons. We will definitely be running more Skate Jams in the near future due to the high interest and successful turnout.

Our next event of 2017 was the UV foam cube party. This was held in the Blake street carpark in a big inflatable cube which had UV lights and a foam machine alongside some awesome sounds. We decided to give away tickets for this event to let the youth come and see what WaiYouth are about. We had free busses running to Pegasus, Woodend and Kaiapoi to collect and drop off the teenagers ensuring they got home safely. This event was amazing we had a huge turn out and lots of great feedback especially from parents saying they would like more events like this around Waimakariri. Due to the success of our first cube event the FOD café owner offered us the cube again to run another party in which was a great opportunity for us but this time it wasn’t a success. Our advertising and marketing failed us resulting in a very small turnout. Due to being the middle of winter, it was very cold so we called it off on the night.

Centre Stage 4 was our final event for 2017 which was a huge success with a nearly full auditorium and an abundance of applications, there were so many amazing applicants. Centre Stage gives young people the opportunity to showcase their talent and win some big money! Once again we had so much great feedback especially by parents and we are so excited for Center Stage 5.

All in all WaiYouth have had a great year with the help of an amazing youth coordinator Leanne who we are going to miss immensely but we can’t wait to get stuck into planning bigger and better events for 2018.

Sophie Marsh
WaiYouth Chair
Skate Jam

Around 150 people turned out for Skate Jam, a WaiYouth organised fun event at the Rangiora Skate Bowl. While the weather was touch and go, the youth team did a great job across the board; from sweeping the bowl and park for the event, to unloading the community trailer and setting up the tables and BBQs.

Propaganda clothing pitched in with chilly bins filled with sausages and bread for the sausage sizzle they sponsored. Scottie from Skate School offered free skate hire and pumped out the music, while instructors taught safety messages and park culture, along with skate techniques. Scottie broadcasted safety messages which included smoke free and helmet safety: “Some people think helmets are not cool – what’s not cool is BRAIN DAMAGE!”

The young skaters who were in action were amazing and were watched by a crowd of all ages as they did their thing around the bowl! Unfortunately the rain came in with a rolling black cloud which forced the final competition to be called off due to safety concerns in the bowl. But the weather failed to dampen what was a fantastic youth led initiative.
WaiYouth Cube and Cube 2

In March 2017 WaiYouth hosted a cube foam party – this was a fantastic event with around 150 young people attending. The event was well managed and a bus collected young people from around the district.

The crew were then asked to host a party for young people in the Cube as part of the Rangiora Winter Festival on Saturday 29 July after the success of their last event in Blake Street Car Park. Poster design and event planning was done by the young people and we anticipated around 150 young people joining us. We were supported by Torlesse Transport with a local bus to collect young people from Pegasus, Woodend and Kaiapoi. The event was due to start at 7pm and around 20 young people filtered in once the music began. Unfortunately we just did not get the numbers. We decided to close the event early. There had been wonderful learning for the young people. We need a longer lead in time for our events to create a good media plan. Although we did have the event in the local paper and on social media and notified the high schools – tickets may have worked better for this event as it builds the interest. On the positive side three of our young people had done some DJ training ahead of the event and this gave them an excellent opportunity to hone their skills.
Centre Stage 3&4

On the back of three successful years WaiYouth delivered Centre Stage 4 in 2017. This annual, District-wide talent competition is planned, promoted and run by the young people who make up our WaiYouth Action Group. Longer-term members mentor those who have been involved in previous years and all members learn and practice skills in planning, promotion, event management, seeking sponsorship, public speaking and a range of technical skills involved in putting on a staged event. Centre Stage attracts a large number of professional-standard young entertainers and is proving to be a popular event on the local social calendar, with audiences of several hundred each year.
WaiYouth Recruitment

WAIYouth could be for you!

WAIYouth are a group of young people who take action on things their peers want to see happening in the community.

WAIYouth run awesome events, volunteer at different things, and give other young people an opportunity to get involved!

Get involved in your community

We are calling for representatives from across our district, Oxford, Rangi, Karieni, Tuahiwi, Selton, Pegasus, Woodend, Cust, Waikuku, Fernside, Ohoka.

Questions?

Please contact
Leanne Bayler
Youth Development Facilitator
021 567 544

Apply Here

If this sounds like you then please visit the application link below.
Or give Leanne a call to send you an application form.
WAIFYOUTH AND YOUTH COUNCIL - A dynamic team

A strength based approach does not happen until young people are encouraged to recognise their strengths. Youth Council and WaiYouth have had some wonderful training opportunities in the last year.

The recent Big Brothers Big Sisters Breakfast provided and opportunity for these two groups to come together to represent Waimakariri Youth Development and to be inspired around leadership, volunteering and personal development.

Sam Johnson, Student Volunteer Army founder shared his experiences of volunteering and making a difference with WaiYouth and Youth Council at the Big Brother and Sisters of North Canterbury fundraising breakfast.

Ella, Sophie and Gary Endacott – Motivational Speaker at the Big Brothers Big Sisters fundraising breakfast.
Connecting for action

Youth Council and WaiYouth gathered in the Council Chamber for a training workshop on facilitated by Ian Thurlow, ‘Connecting for Action.’ The purpose of the evening was to affirm and reinforce how we can best engage and get positive results from our meetings, ensuring that the voices of everyone present, are heard. This will be very important as the young people seek to hear the voice of youth in the community as they revise the Waimakariri Youth Strategy.

The growth and maintenance of a culture of kindness, caring, and respect was evident in the young people as they drew up a set of guidelines for to get the most out of meetings. One of the great outcomes from this training was the young people were very keen to work more collaboratively in future.

The youth were supported by Councillors Dan Gordon and Wendy Doody who took part in discussions with the young people and were interested on finding ways to make it easier for the youth voice to be heard within Council.
YOUTH DEVELOPMENT GENERAL

Youth SPACE

IDEA Services runs Youth SPACE a learning and life skills programme for young people with intellectual disabilities, Waimakariri District Council hosted the crew on a tour of the Council. These incredible young people came with a list of questions to improve things for themselves in the community. The Council then were able to offer the Youth Space young people space in the gallery at Council to showcase their art.

YES 2017 - Youth in Emergency Services Camp

The Youth in Emergency Services Camp was challenging and a great learning opportunity for youth. The young people from Selwyn, Waimakariri and Hurunui grew so much in confidence from the start of the camp until the end. They had opportunities to try new things with the support of our local emergency service crews, Coast Guard, Red Cross, St Johns, Police, NZRT12, Civil Defence, LandSAR, Waikuku Beach Surf Lifesaving Club and FENZ.

The emphasis was on Teamwork and getting a taste of variety of hands-on volunteering opportunities available to young people.

When asked what they enjoyed most about the programme, typical responses were:

- “It was cool to know what other people’s strengths were, it was also good as an icebreaker”
- ‘Seeing people’s different abilities in the surf”
- “The tramp was cool, thought I thought I was going to be eaten by a wild pig.”
- “Loved LandSAR, everyone on other activities were amazing too, ENTHUSIASM”

This is the second time that we have supported this training. It is proving to have great potential in facilitating succession planning for emergency services. - Rochelle Faimalo from Hurunui said after the recent earthquakes which impacted Hurunui she had calls from the YES young people asking her what they could do as they had been given OEC training at the camp. Many graduates have joined an emergency service organisation following the camp; including Fire Service, NZRT12, Coastalguard etc.

We were so grateful for our fantastic camp parents who supported our young people and the emergency crew members who took annual leave just to support and grow our youth crew.

Glentui Meadows Conference and Leisure Centre kindly sponsored the accommodation.
YES 2016 Graduation

A group of young people met at Kaiapoi High Schools Cultural Centre Te Kōhiko. They were gathering together to celebrate their graduation for the Youth In Emergency Services Camp 2016. These young people supported by their Youth Development Facilitators came from Hurunui, Waimakariri and Selwyn.

Certificates were presented by District Mayors; David Ayers, Sam Broughton and Winton Daly to the young people from their district.

One of the young men spoke to the group about his experience, he said “Yes Camp hit me in the face and changed my life” He spoke about making new friends from across the districts and gaining new skills.

These young people were awarded a certificate for their three month service.
NORTH CANTERBURY YOUTH SERVICES NETWORK

Youth and Pornography Workshop


Access to pornography has become so easy via the internet and difficult to monitor. Concern is high about the unrealistic and harmful expectations about sex, sexuality and relationships which young people may gain from the often heavily violent sexual content. Research shows that over 90% of boys and over 60% of girls have viewed online pornography.

This workshop is designed for professionals and volunteers working with children, youth and families. It will provide the opportunity to discuss these concerns and look to provide strategies to support young people to understand the elements of a healthy intimate relationship.

“OMG They’re Teenagers Already!” Workshop

The North Canterbury Youth Services Network hosted Dr Sue Bradshaw, from ‘298 Youth Health’ to deliver a parent information evening entitled “OMG They’re Teenagers Already!” The event was aimed at parents who might be worried that their teen or tween is not ok? Dr Bradshaw is an expert on teenage and pre-teen behaviour. She discussed what’s normal and what’s not and the signs to look out for. Sue and other experts led a discussions and answered questions with a view to empowering parents to better understand and support their young people through this difficult time. The event was supported by Kaiapoi High School and held in the Cultural Centre Te Kōhiko.
Positive Youth Development Aotearoa

Our Youth Development Coordinator used Positive Youth Development as a framework for working with young people from the district. To gain consistency across those working in the Youth Development space in Waimakariri the North Canterbury Youth Service Network promoted and provided education about Positive Youth Development to local community leaders through Training facilitator, Sela Faletolu-Fasi. Sela is the Youth Development Champion for Wayne Francis Trust and is a dynamic and encouraging speaker.

REGIONAL NETWORK INVOLVEMENT

Youth Voice Canterbury

Involvement in the Youth Voice Canterbury regional network offers our young people an opportunity to meet young people from outside the district with Youth Connect. One of our Youth Council crew represents Waimakariri on this regional youth group.
Youth Voice Canterbury

South Island Youth Connect

The South Island Youth Connect was hosted over two days by Youth Voice Canterbury (YVC), from the 13th of May to the 14th. Youth Participation groups and young people from all over the South Island came down to Blue Skies camp in Kaiapoi to attend. The overnight Hui consisted of team building activities, workshops, trainings and a social event fluro party.

We were able to share how we brought youth voices to our communities and collaborate ideas with each other in ways of connecting and building a community where youth voices are heard. By having 20 youth participant groups present including the New Zealand National Refugee Youth Council, we gathered many creative and fresh ideas to enrich our own group in how we contributed to the community.

The workshops that were provided to us consisted of Social Media and Digital Marketing, Events 101, engaging Pacifica Youth and top tips for being an effective Youth Council. This helped us to engage with youth from different cultures and backgrounds and to encourage each other in decision making and democratic processors.

The South Island Youth Connect of 2017 generated many ideas to better our own youth council in our approach to involve youth in the important decisions being made in our community. The overnight Hui helped us all to connect and get to know each other and was a good way to break the ice in the new year.  

Aurora Melville
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Youth Voice Canterbury
The Collective
Hurunui and Selwyn Youth Councils
R13 Trust
Four secondary schools
Wellbeing North Canterbury
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Various Council teams
Elected members
Rangiora Rotary Club
Civil Defence
NZ Police
St John Ambulance
Landsar
Glentui Meadows
NZRT12
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Landsar
1. SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to provide an update on key Community Team activities from November 2017 to January 2018

Attachments:

i. Minutes of the December meeting of the Waimakariri Health Advisory Group (Trim # 171220138877)

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

THAT the Community and Recreation Committee:

(a) Receives report No 180202010191

(b) Notes that the Community Team have been granted $12,500 from Office of Ethnic Communities for Migrant-led initiatives

(c) Notes that the Migrants Group has acquired Adult Community Education funding to support English Language driver licencing and cooking class provision in our District.

3. ISSUES AND OPTIONS

3.1. ENGAGING key stakeholders to enhance Community Safety, Community Development and Youth Development

3.1.1. Accessibility Sector

Community Team staff have been invited to work with others on the development of an implementation plan for the recently released Waimakariri Accessibility Strategy.

3.1.2. Healthy (Greater) Christchurch – Interim Steering Group

The Community Team Manager sits on the Interim Regional Healthy Greater Christchurch Steering Group.

At its January meeting this group discussed its transition from ‘interim’ to an enduring steering group. This will sit under the Greater Christchurch UDS Group, as the Health and Community committee. Its role will be to provide high level, overarching support to communities in addressing key health, wellbeing and community objectives in the Resilient Greater Christchurch Strategy, in which Waimakariri District Council is a partner. - Potentially this group will act as an advocate at Central Government Level for issues related to the health and wellbeing of the residents of the Greater Christchurch region.
3.1.3. Volunteer Canterbury

A meeting with the Outreach and Marketing Manager from Volunteer Canterbury was aimed at discussing how we might work together to provide a locally relevant on-line volunteering information and recruitment tool.

We are delighted to have been granted permission to create a ‘Volunteering North Canterbury’ link on the Volunteer Canterbury site. Provision of an on-line volunteering tool has been a key priority for the Waimakariri Volunteer Steering Group and the opportunity to create a local brand, or ‘front end’ to a well-established database will save thousands of dollars.

Such provision will enable us to link some of our smaller volunteer-using groups and individuals into the great range of skill development, support and education opportunities available through Volunteer Canterbury. This will help groups to attract and retain good volunteers that are ‘matched for purpose’ with their organisation.

Alongside this, Volunteer Canterbury have committed to holding free training and education in the Waimakariri District. – Most likely three sessions per year around the District. This fits with another key priority for the Steering Group. – Building Capacity and Capability.

Volunteer Canterbury are also interested in sharing our Waimakariri Volunteering stories and videos in the website once we’re underway.

Staff are currently working with Together Hurunui on the development of a North Canterbury brand. Next steps for us are to:

- Work with WDC and Volunteer Canterbury’s IT and Comms teams around logistics of link Council’s website and social media pages to the Volunteer Canterbury website
- Support the Steering Group in developing a slightly more comprehensive social marketing plan as part of its third key priority; Encouraging volunteering as a means to connect people into the community

With the groundwork done, we look forward to seeing some really good progress in this area over the next few months.

3.1.4. Migrants’ Sector

One of the key objectives identified in our Migrants and Newcomers Strategic Priorities is to connect group members with Christchurch based refugee and migrant organisations.

Our Community Development Facilitator has recently been working with Christchurch Resettlement Services (CRS), Canterbury Refugee Resettlement and Resource Centre, Christchurch Multicultural Council, and Hagley College’s Diversity Support Manager.

As a result:

- The Christchurch Multicultural Council are keen to work with our Migrants and Newcomers Group on a range of initiatives including local multicultural events.
- We have been working with the Canterbury Refugee Resettlement and Resource Centre on supporting a local refugee family.
- Christchurch Resettlement Services have linked us with one of their Bilingual Community Workers to connect with a local Indian family to check how they’re doing out here.

Alongside this, our Community Development Facilitator been working with the Christchurch Multicultural Council to explore opportunities for increased support for local migrants; including a potential opportunity to support advocacy for more inclusive provision of education, healthcare and community supports for migrant workers and their families.

This will has been a valuable connection, in terms of implementing the ‘empowerment’ aspects of the Waimakariri Migrants Plan.

3.1.5. South Island Regional Collaboration

The Community Team Manager met with Matt Walters from the Community Development Team at Nelson District Council to discuss plans to bring representatives from various TLAs
around the Upper South Island together to discuss the role for Councils in promoting support and facilitating social enterprise and the building of increased business community buy-in for socially and environmentally responsible procurement.

3.1.6. Safer Christchurch Alcohol Forum

Our Safe Community Facilitator attended a Safer Christchurch Alcohol Forum. This included speakers from Police and Christchurch Hospital A&E Department.

Police explained how they are partnering with event organisers to reduce alcohol-related harm; in the hope of making fewer arrests for issues like public disorder and assault.

The Clinical Director of the Emergency ward shared how acute alcohol related health emergencies increased pressure on staff.

The draft Christchurch Alcohol Action Plan will soon be formally endorsed by Christchurch City Council and other key partners including Police and CDHB. Following this endorsement it would be timely to give consideration as to whether WDC could look to adopt a similar plan and increase regional collaboration.

3.1.7 Ministry of Social Development

Following on from the success of our work in facilitating Family Violence initiatives on behalf of the Violence Free North Canterbury Network, we have been offered an opportunity to access $20,000 in additional project funding from the Ministry of Social Development.

This a good example of the kind of resources that can come into the community through the work of our Safe Community facilitator; without which, the Network would not be able to achieve its objectives.

3.2. CONNECTING: Facilitating connection across the Community

3.2.1. Social Services Waimakariri

Following a survey review of its role in the community, the Social Services Waimakariri network are looking to offer more of a topic-focussed approach to their meetings.

Meetings will now be held bi-monthly instead of monthly. Each meeting will be used as an opportunity to brainstorm contributing factors and potential ideas around addressing issues that relate to service provision. A different issue will be discussed at each meeting. This will be a useful formative information gathering tool in terms of considering ‘outside of the square’ solutions to on-going issues like social isolation that is caused by lack of transport.

In relation to our work in facilitating a community-led response to priority issues this will be most useful. – It makes it easier for us to apply an informed approach without calling upon already stretched providers to attend separate planning meetings.

3.2.2. Waimakariri Health Advisory Group (WHAG)

The Waimakariri Health Advisory Group (WHAG) concluded the year with a welcome to the newly appointed incoming Independent Chair and a farewell Dr John Buckingham who has been in the role for 5 years. The Community Development Advisor is replaced by Tessa Sturley as Council staff support.

Members are again following up with the CDHB around the timing of Christchurch appointments for people living out of the city and the challenges that places of many of our residents. A key concern is that older people are being given early morning and late afternoon hospital appointments, outside St John Ambulance shuttle provision. The result is often that very elderly people with poor health are putting themselves and others at risk trying to get themselves to appointments in fear of losing their place in the queue if they attempt to postpone. This has been an on-going issue, raised historically by the group; however the practice continues.

The group has asked our CDHB Board representative to draft a submission to CDHB advocating for better process in terms of arranging appointments for rural and semi-rural patients, outside of the Christchurch City boundary.
Meanwhile, the group have put plans in place to ensure key stakeholders know alternative transport options to pass onto patients.

3.2.3. Neighbourhood Connection

a) Kippenberger Estate:

The return rate for the resident survey of 189 households was nearly 54%. - A good result in the ‘survey’ world!

In response to the high rate of respondent households keen for ‘opportunities to connect with others in the neighbourhood’ (73% of the respondent households), Community Development staff hosted a neighbourhood barbeque at the Goodwin Street reserve.

We were grateful for the assistance of Rangiora Lions for manning the sausage sizzle for us; Thanks also to Councillors Paul Williams and Dan Gordon; and Jim Gerard and Judith Hoult from Rangiora Community Board for their support and assistance in making the evening a success.

At its peak, the head count was over 100 – a great turnout for a comparatively small subdivision. Feedback was most positive, with many residents taking the time to thank us for a lovely evening and others posting their appreciation on Facebook.

It was great to see the community coming together, making new connections and planning for further events in the future. Several residents have expressed interest in exploring ways to get people together more often. They are also keen to discuss how they might address some of their aspirations for their greenspaces; as well as challenges around transport for some of the older residents. We have been fortunate to secure another student intern to give us more capacity to progress such ‘next steps’ for this project.

The Kippenberger Estate survey summary and report is now complete. This will be circulated to all participating residents and presented to Rangiora Community Board prior to its wider release.

b) Waikuku Beach

Our Community Development Facilitator supported the establishment of a “Coffee Connect” Residents Group at Waikuku Beach. This was established in response to a resident enquiry around a lack of connection. The aim was to create opportunities for people living at the beach to gather regularly to get to know each other and to create more of a sense of community through a variety of small events and activities.

The Waikuku Beach group is now well established and meet regularly. In December, supported by our Community Development Facilitator they held two successful events:

- The "I ♡ Waikuku. Rivers to Sea Beach and Area Clean-up" which included a mini interactive environmental information expo in the Beach Hall.
- The "Waikuku Beach Summer Get Together"

These events were well attended by families and individuals alike. Our Facilitator will continue to offer support for planning, promotion and delivery of events in the short term as the group moves to full independence.

3.2.4. TimeBank Waimakariri

Supported by our Community Development Facilitator, the TimeBank Steering Group have established a Memorandum of Understanding with Presbyterian Support to umbrella funding. This will initially be used to employ a part-time coordinator to move the project beyond the pilot stage; including the planned establishment of a Waimakariri Learning Exchange.

3.2.5. Social Enterprise

We recently brought together a workshop including ‘like-minded’ local groups to brainstorm possibilities for local social enterprise to generate income as a means to support, connect
and empower the community. Attendees included representatives from Hope Trust, Rachel’s House, Satisfy Food Rescue, Eco Educate, Canterbury Community College, Waimakariri Migrants Group and ‘It Takes a Village’. The result was some good collaborative discussion about possibilities and the identification of some good potential ideas.

A next meeting will include representatives from successful social enterprises and supporting organisations to put some context around three ideas identified as having real potential. The aim will be to clearly identify what will be most viable and how to turn the ideas/visions into action.

3.2.6. Facilitating Cross Cultural Connection across Council and the Community

Our Community Development Facilitator and Council’s HR Manager recently co-facilitated a workshop with Council staff to discuss creative ways to celebrate diversity within the Council and help frontline staff to better connect with the various cultures in our community. One of the objectives was to establish a small Working Group, to further this initiative.

3.3. INFORMING the Community

3.3.1. Suicide Prevention Education – Supporting Council Staff

25 Council staff attended an ‘AEIOU of Suicide Prevention’ talk. This was hosted by our Safe Community Facilitator, on behalf of the WaLife Steering group and delivered by David Cairns, Suicide Prevention Coordinator for Canterbury.

This provided an opportunity to upskill staff in their work with the community and in their personal lives as to how to support and facilitate getting help for someone presenting as being at risk of taking their life.

Bryon Cope from Depression Support Network and a representative from Lifeline also attended as support for those particularly affected at a personal level.

At the beginning of his address David said how very impressed he is with the extent to which Council, through the work of the Community Team facilitates collaborative responses, right across the social health, community, business and education sectors to effectively plan a linked-up approach to addressing such issues.

3.3.2. Rural Safety Education – ‘Down the Back Paddock’

Down the Back Paddock was presented to 60 Year 3 and 4 children at Rangiora Borough School. Presenters from Civil Defence, Eco-Educate, Police, Neighbourhood Support, Civil Defence, Fire Service, Aquatics, Dog Control and Livestock experts presented in this interactive rotation of short lessons about how children can keep themselves and others safe on rural properties.

Alongside these aspects we took the opportunity to promote vehicle passenger safety with an interactive workshop with the children, illustrating how tall you need to be before you can be in an adult seat belt – the message being that children should stay in booster seats until they are 1.48M tall.

A debrief three days after the programme identified that the children had remembered some key take-home messages; particularly around fire escape plans, quad bikes and poisons, which were common to all responding children:

This popular community – led programme has now been successfully run in all but two of our District’s 23 primary schools for 15 years. We continue to fill bookings with requests for repeats as new children come into the school system.

A review of the programme content, resources and funding is underway. Staff will update the Community and Recreation Committee accordingly.

3.3.3. Violence Free North Canterbury – White Ribbon Day Celebrations
Representatives from Police, local FV support agencies and WDC and HDC visited high schools and area schools across Waimakariri and Hurunui as part of the Violence Free North Canterbury White Ribbon 2017 project. The key messages of this year’s campaign around respectful relationships.

Police reported that three young people from those schools have since made disclosures and are now being supported by appropriate agencies as a direct result of the White Ribbon presence at the schools.

When working to raise awareness of any social issue it is difficult and expensive to evaluate accurately the effect of that work. However receiving feedback that it has made a difference for these young people indicates the value of this approach. This type of project activity adds to the overall aims of ending the cycle of family violence.

Additionally, through the displays in just under 200 local businesses, retail staff reported a range of reactions to the White Ribbon message. Many conversations of support and encouragement, but still others who prefer not to acknowledge the issue.

While the emphasis was on raising awareness, there was an opportunity for individuals to make a donation in return for a White Ribbon biscuit. Over $800 was raised and this will be used to purchase resources for 2018 promotion.

3.3.4. Migrants and Newcomers Community Education Working Group

Our Community Development Facilitator supported planning and delivery of a Migrant Employment workshop, hosted by Citizens Advice Bureau.


Following on from the workshop our Facilitator, has been talking with a number of people and organisations about holding a bigger, expo-style employment seminar this year. The aim is to provide more of an interactive workshop, where attendees can create CV’s and apply for actual work.

We aim to promote this widely to employers looking for staff, and to engage a variety of experts on Employment Rights/Legal Advice.

3.3.5. Alcohol Action

The Alcohol Action group has had its Alcohol Harms banners on display over the summer period in the Oxford Supermarket, Rangiora Mega Fitness Centre and the Kaiapoi Mega Fitness Centre.

These banners aim to remind everyone that alcohol is not an ordinary commodity, to highlight the effects on health, to educate people about the laws of supply to young people and to encourage safe role modelling when drinking in front of young people.

3.3.6. Social Media Promotion over the Summer Break

Over the holiday period our Facebook expert has kept the community informed with a variety of posts about summer safety; particularly in and on the water.

Additionally, with the holiday season typically a spike period for Family Violence, we have increased promotion of the supports available so that those suffering or at risk can be heard and get help.

Posts have also included information and contact details for various support services that are available over the usual shut down period, to support those in mental or emotional crisis.
3.4. **EMPOWERING the community to identify and achieve its aspirations**

### 3.4.1. Young People

Sam Redman, our new Youth Development Facilitator now has his feet firmly under the desk and is busy establishing relationships that will enhance his work over the coming year.

With WaiYouth and Youth Council gearing up for the year, Sam’s immediate priorities are:

- **Facilitating a review of the Youth Development Strategy 2010.** Youth Council have begun this work in developing a survey which will be used to engage with young people across the District to inform key priorities, going forward.
- **Recruiting new members for WaiYouth;** ensuring good representation from across the District and the various demographics that make up our local young people
- **Establishing work plans for both groups for the year.**

### 3.4.2. Migrants and Newcomers

**a) Encouraging Celebration of Cultural Diversity – Waitangi Day Celebrations**

Our Community Development Facilitator is working with Jackie Watson and Linda Dunbar from Kaiapoi Tuahiwi Community Board and ‘You, Me, We, Us’ on the Kaiapoi Waitangi Day celebrations. The aim is to enhance the event in celebrating the increasing cultural diversity in our growing District. Denise has linked with the Christchurch Multicultural Council to source a variety of multicultural performers and food stall holders.

Alongside this Denise is working with Comms and the Typing Team on the development of a small DLE flier for the Migrants and Newcomers Group to use at such events. The aim is to increase the profile of this group as well as informing migrant residents about the kinds of support available to assist with their transition into the life of our Waimakariri communities.

**b) Adult Community Education Funding Grant**

The Waimakariri Migrants Group are delighted to have been granted ACE (Adult Community Education) funding from Hagley College for our Migrants and Newcomers classes. This will be used for ESOL classes (formal English Language education), Driver Licencing and Cooking classes for local migrants and their families.

These initiatives will involve a number of stakeholders, including North Canterbury Community College, Person to Person Help Trust, Hagley and Road Safety.

**c) Migrant Employment Support programme provision**

Our Community Development Facilitator recently met a provider for the newly released migrants’ work-ready programme offered by Careers New Zealand.

We are looking to make this course available to existing and prospective migrant workers in the Waimakariri District, though our connections in the local employment and business sector.

The course provides migrants with guidance on:

- how the New Zealand job market works
- how to plan your New Zealand career
- where to look for work that matches your qualifications
- how to promote yourself to potential employers
- what employers look for in job candidates
- how to prepare your CV for the New Zealand job market
- how to prepare for and present yourself at a job interview
- what the culture of a typical New Zealand workplace is like.
3.4.3. ‘Good One’ Safe Party Project

Were delighted with the new promotional video for the Good One project. This was released on the Council and Waimakariri Community Facebook pages just before Christmas and was hugely popular, with nearly 15,000 views, 12 shares, 56 likes and 11 comments. Most of these were tagging others in so that they’d know about this initiative.

As it says in the post, “When parties go bad, it's worse for the hosts. Good One is all about helping you have a great party without things going hairy.” The aim is that having this in place will mean that hosts can quickly get help if they need it. Thanks to sponsorship from a variety of local businesses the programme offers over $200 in giveaways & discounts for the first 50 parties registered in the Waimakariri.

4. COMMUNITY VIEWS

4.1 As detailed in 3.1, above, in line with Community Development practice, a wide range of Community Stakeholders continue to be engaged in the work of the Community Team

5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS AND RISKS:

5.1 The Community Team have been granted $12,500 in Office of Ethnic Communities funding for migrant-led initiatives.

5.2 The Migrants Group has acquired Adult Community Education (ACE) funding to support English Language driver licencing and cooking class provision in our District. This is paid out on a ‘per head’ basis, according to ACE funding criteria.

5.3 Staff await confirmation regarding an application to Rata Foundation seeking funding to support suicide prevention and family violence prevention initiatives.

6. CONTEXT

6.1 Policy

This is not a matter of significance in terms of the Council’s Significance and Engagement Policy.

6.2 Legislation

Local Government Act 2002

6.3 Community Outcomes.

The work of the Community Team aligns with the following Council Community Outcomes:

- There is a safe environment for all
- There are wider ranging opportunities for people to contribute to the decision making by local, regional and national organisations that affects our District.
- People are friendly and caring, creating a strong sense of community in our district.
- People have wider ranging opportunities for learning and being informed.

Tessa Sturley
COMMUNITY TEAM MANAGER
**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE WAIMAKARIRI HEALTH ADVISORY GROUP HELD AT THE RANGIORA SERVICE CENTRE, 215 HIGH STREET, RANGIORA**

Held at 5.30pm on Tuesday 5th December 2017

**PRESENT:** John, Madeleine, Tessa, Vicki, Suzanne, James, Philip, Catherine, Carol, Bill

**APOLOGIES:** Sarah; Dan, Murray, Andrea, Mary, Alison

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Cathie Sinclair, incoming Chair

Welcome and Introductions

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| 2.   | **MATTTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES** |           |
|      | New Chair; welcomed |           |
|      | Letters to and from Salvation Army re the Ramp- shared; After discussion members agreed that this item will be left in the meantime. Dan will table some items in February from the recent meeting he attended. |           |
|      | **Summary of year’s work December meeting** - Madeleine |           |
|      | “Waimakariri Health Advisory Group (update in December Chatter) Dr John Buckingham, our Independent Chair over the last 5 years has tendered his resignation from WHAG. We have very much appreciated John’s guidance and wisdom over that period and extend our best wishes to John and his wife Angela. |           |
|      | Cathie Sinclair has been appointed to the Chair’s role for a 3 year period and members look forward to working alongside Cathie in 2018. We were gratified with the interest in the role and the high calibre of applicants. |           |
|      | We have new representation for practice nurses and GPs who play such an important front line role in the District along with a regular update on mental health service provision from RCPHO staff. Councillor Dan Gordon has been appointed by Council to the board of Rural Canterbury Primary Health Organisation, whilst Tessa Sturley, Community Team Manager is taking on the Council staff support role with the advisory group. |           |
|      | WHAG members have been pleased to support the take up of the Accessibility Strategy for the District, which Council adopted in November. Members have also been critiquing all new off-licence alcohol applications within the District.” |           |
|      | **Action:** to present information back to WHAG members at January 30th meeting re S Army venue and accessibility |           |
MEMBER UPDATES

Disability Update

Jill

Status quo at the moment. Was a recent workshop for community board members and Councillors- set out in wheelchairs around 2 areas of the township. Philip reported that it was very illuminating.

Question about next steps ie in Church Street by the pool. We could make a submission in the annual plan as there is literally nowhere to cross the road as the cut downs don’t line up with anything.

Letter by early March to WDC – Jill also suggested the WAG group could meet with Ian Kennedy (WDC Roading manager).

**Action** Letter by early March

Midwifery - Rangiora Hospital

Suzanne

CDHB are building a new birthing unit in CHCH, this will take pressure off other places. Births locally are continuing to rise and the transfers out here. We have a good number of midwives and staffing compared to other areas. Respite beds also being well used.

Older Persons’ Health

Vicki

- Presbyterian Support (PS) has capacity in Totara Club for more clients and also with Falls Prevention.
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Held at 5.30pm on Tuesday 5th December 2017

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**APOLOGIES:** Sarah; Dan, Murray, Andrea, Mary, Alison  
**IN ATTENDANCE:** Cathie Sinclair, incoming Chair

#### Welcome and Introductions

#### CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES TUESDAY 7th November 2017

**Subject to amendment**

Moved: Vicki  
Seconded: James

**Action:** correct report from Jill in November minutes  
Madeleine

#### MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

**New Chair; welcomed**

Letters to and from Salvation Army re the Ramp - shared; After discussion members agreed that this item will be left in the meantime. Dan will table some items in February from the recent meeting he attended.

**Summary of year’s work December meeting** - Madeleine

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Dan
MEMBER UPDATES

Disability Update  
Jill

Status quo at the moment. Was a recent workshop for community board members and Councillors- set out in wheelchairs around 2 areas of the township. Philip reported that it was very illuminating.

Question about next steps ie in Church Street by the pool. We could make a submission in the annual plan as there is literally nowhere to cross the road as the cut downs don’t line up with anything.

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Midwifery - Rangiora Hospital  
Suzanne

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   1.2. In addition, this report also illustrates other key issues, feedback and customer improvement initiatives for the Aquatic Facilities.

2. **RECOMMENDATION**

   THAT the Community and Recreation Committee

   (a) Receives report 180201009878.

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

   (c) Approves the holding of a dog only swimming event at the end of the Oxford Community Aquatic Centre summer season.

3. **ISSUES AND OPTIONS**

   3.1. **2017/18 Aquatic Facilities Attendances**

   3.1.1 The table below provides a summary of the Aquatic Facilities income from attendances for the 2017/18 year to December 2017.

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3.2.1 The Aquatic Facilities water quality is measured internally throughout the day by staff when open to the public, and externally through monthly microbiological tests conducted by an independent lab.

3.2.2 The table below summarises the achievement of the required PoolSafe and New Zealand water quality standards as measured by facility and month. All testing at the Aquatic Facilities has met or exceeded New Zealand and PoolSafe standards for year to date.

![Compliance with NZS 5826:2010](image)

3.3. **Oxford Community Aquatic Centre mid-season update**

3.3.1 Attendance at the Oxford pool is largely influenced by the local weather, which can make accurate predictions problematic. While the season started with some windy and wet weather, more recently, it has been brilliant and the locals have been coming out in support of their summer pool.

3.3.2 Casual attendances compared to the same time in the previous year, (end of November to end of January), are up by almost 40% with an increase of around 20% in pre-paid entries.

3.3.3 Following a swell in interest for such events locally, we are looking to run a dog only swimming event at the end of the summer season. We have received requests for such an event from several dog enthusiast clubs and concerned individuals. Similar events have been run at other outdoor pools around the country with great success and we have sought
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4. **COMMUNITY VIEWS**

4.1. In November we conducted a customer satisfaction survey of our Aquarobics participants at Dudley Park and Kaiapoi Aquatic Centres. The survey seeks feedback on the content of the classes and enjoyment of our customers with 85% of the respondents scoring the programme as excellent on the aspects of the tutors, presentation style, knowledge and content. Our overall satisfaction score was 100% with feedback complimenting both the Aquarobics tutors and other facility staff.

4.2. In early December, we ran a Learn to Swim survey with our facilities achieving an overall satisfaction rating of 95%. Responses were largely positive also broadly covering other aspects within the facilities themselves. For some, as always cost of the lessons is a factor, with mixed feedback received regarding changing rooms. It is good to see customers reflect on the positive progress their child has made and hear that they recommend our programme and facilities to others.

5. **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS AND RISKS**

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6. **CONTEXT**

6.1. The community’s needs for health and social services are met.

6.2. The range of community and recreation facilities meets the changing needs of our community.
1. SUMMARY

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2. RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Community and Recreation Committee:

(a) Receives report No. 180201010087

(b) Notes that the Oxford Library and Service Centre was officially opened by Mayor David Ayers on 15 December 2017.

(c) Notes the reach and effectiveness of the Libraries’ activities and events programme.

(d) Notes the range and success of user orientation and training sessions, delivered by the Waimakariri Libraries, in 2017.

(e) Circulates the report to the Boards for their information.

3. ISSUES AND OPTIONS

3.1. Library Activities and Events 2017

3.2. The Waimakariri Libraries host many activities and events throughout the calendar year, designed to connect, engage, inform, and empower our community. In 2017 we implemented a new way to record the numbers for these events, by reporting on a 90 day cycle, to help improve the way we calculate and analyse the statistics.
3.3. The various activities are scheduled to run during school term times, with special school holiday events planned to keep families connected to the libraries, and to continue to engage children with their reading.

3.4. The following numbers show a breakdown of attendance in the 2017 calendar year for Library activities and events

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3.6. New event initiatives in 2017 included: A book Group for Children, Lego Club, iPad Art, Coding Club, Science Snippets with Science Alive, Next Chapter Dementia Group, Movie Mornings, and Games for Grown Ups which connect the elderly community; as well as multiple Friends of the Library events with local authors, including Bernadette Hall, and Te Awhina Rangimarie Arahanga, and writing workshops for children and adults in collaboration with the School for Young Writers.

3.7. Long-standing events like Book Groups for Adults, the Games Afternoon in Kaiapoi, and school holiday events such as the popular Summer Reading Challenge for pre-schoolers, primary schoolers, and teenagers, the How To Fest, and KidsFest continue to generate excellent attendance numbers.

3.8. Kids Fest 2017 showed record attendance with 2,511 children and 636 adults attending or participating in 17 events and activities organised by Waimakariri Libraries’ staff.
3.9. Among the recurring library events, the most popular sessions continue to be Waimakariri Libraries’ weekly Storytimes, Babytimes, and Toddler Times activities for preschool children and their parents.

![Image of children performing]

3.10 The following numbers show a term by term record of attendance, with an increase displayed in Term 3 when we celebrated Maori Language week, in collaboration with Tuahiwi, Rangiora Borough, and Ashgrove primary schools, whose kapa haka groups performed at these sessions. NB: Numbers in a green font are subsets of the numbers recorded above in blue.

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<th>Storytimes, Babytimes, &amp; Toddler Times:</th>
<th>Number of sessions:</th>
<th>Number of Children:</th>
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<td>Term 1</td>
<td>70</td>
<td>753</td>
<td>594</td>
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<td>Term 2</td>
<td>80</td>
<td>969</td>
<td>807</td>
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<td>78</td>
<td>1,160</td>
<td>907</td>
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<td>Term 4</td>
<td>59</td>
<td>829</td>
<td>697</td>
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<td>2017 totals</td>
<td>287</td>
<td>3,711</td>
<td>3,005</td>
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3.11 This equates to an average of 23 people attending each of the 287 weekly preschool sessions run by the Waimakariri Libraries.
3.12 **Library User Orientation and Training Sessions 2017**

3.13 The Waimakariri Libraries also host sessions designed to help customers become well oriented with library services, and offer training sessions on how to access and use library resources. These sessions include Appy Hour, Ancestry, school visits to the libraries, and librarian visits to schools and preschools in the district.

3.14 Many of these activities are designed to work as one-on-one training session, to give the customer the best possible service.

3.15 An exciting new initiative in 2017, was the collaboration with the 2020 Communications Trust to deliver digital literacy skills programmes for adults via the ‘Stepping Up’ modules, offered in conjunction with the Trust. This new development has helped adults in our community become more confident with digital tools, and media, and has resulted in some adults gaining employment as a result.

3.16 The 2020 Communications Trust donated 18 repurposed laptops to assist with the programme. Library staff have received training in the delivery of the modules and have gained new skills as tutors.

3.17 The following numbers show a breakdown of attendance numbers for Library User Orientation and Training Sessions delivered by Waimakariri Libraries in each term through the 2017 calendar year:

<table>
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<tr>
<td>Term 1</td>
<td>108</td>
<td>359</td>
<td>217</td>
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<td>Term 2</td>
<td>89</td>
<td>951</td>
<td>246</td>
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<td>Term 3</td>
<td>80</td>
<td>1,342</td>
<td>186</td>
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<td>Term 4</td>
<td>50</td>
<td>579</td>
<td>100</td>
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<td><strong>2017 totals</strong></td>
<td><strong>327</strong></td>
<td><strong>3,231</strong></td>
<td><strong>749</strong></td>
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3.18 This equates to an average of 12 people attending each of the 327 user orientation and training sessions.

3.19 The Waimakariri Libraries’ Learning Connections team worked well in 2017 to connect with local schools. The team coordinated successful book week activities, library challenges designed to teach children how to access information related to their studies, e-resource presentations that promote the Kids e-Library resources such as: e-audio books from Borrow Box, e-books from Wheelers e-platform, Te Ara Encyclopedia of New Zealand, World Book Online, NZ Geographic, Tumble Books, and the Any Questions service in collaboration with the Waimakariri Libraries Reader and Reference team.

3.20 These coordinated initiatives have seen an increase in the usage, and user rates for the aforementioned resources, as well as an increase in new library memberships, and the number of books borrowed. They help to foster a commitment to lifelong learning, love of reading and appreciation of the value of libraries among the children.
3.21 The following numbers show a breakdown of attendance numbers for class visits during each term through the 2017 calendar year. NB: Numbers in a green font are subsets of the numbers recorded above in blue.

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<th>Class visits:</th>
<th>Number of sessions:</th>
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<td>8</td>
<td>236</td>
<td>16</td>
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<td>Term 2</td>
<td>30</td>
<td>792</td>
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<td>29</td>
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<td>13</td>
<td>461</td>
<td>34</td>
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<td><strong>2017 totals</strong></td>
<td><strong>80</strong></td>
<td><strong>2,557</strong></td>
<td><strong>219</strong></td>
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3.22 This equates to an average of 35 people attending each of the 80 class visits run by the Waimakariri Libraries.

3.23 Library staff have also developed a coordinated programme of visits to connect with all preschool organisations across the district. These curriculum-focused visits have also seen positive results in terms of new library memberships and book borrowing statistics. Most importantly, these activities help to develop a library connection for the children, a love of reading, and familiarity with the librarians from an early age.

3.24 The following numbers show a breakdown of attendance numbers for preschool visits during each term through the 2017 calendar year. NB: Numbers in a green font are subsets of the numbers recorded above in blue.

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<th>Pre-school visits:</th>
<th>Number of sessions:</th>
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<td>123</td>
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<td>8</td>
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<td>4</td>
<td>118</td>
<td>16</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>2017 totals</strong></td>
<td><strong>28</strong></td>
<td><strong>674</strong></td>
<td><strong>122</strong></td>
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3.25 This equates to an average of 28 people present at each of the 28 preschool visits made by the Waimakariri Libraries team.
Official opening of the
Oxford Library and Service Centre
15 December 2017
3.26 Oxford Library and Service Centre

3.27 The Oxford Library and Service Centre was officially opened by Mayor David Ayers on 15 December 2017.

3.28 Stella Graydon and Emma Rutherford, Oxford Area School Student Leaders for 2018, spoke at the opening ceremony about what libraries mean to them. In her speech, Emma said:

“A library is one of the most important things a community can do for its people. It is a place where we can learn from our past and discover our future. In a library, we can sit in one place, and be transported around the world and back again. A library can be a refuge for the mind, a place where we can develop our dreams and where we can inspire children to grow a life-long love of reading.

The library as we knew it is rapidly changing. It is not simply a place for books and reading anymore. The library is the hub and the heart of a community. It is not only a place for knowledge, it can be a refuge, a place to relax, a place to meet, a place to feel welcomed, a place to feel a sense of belonging and of community. It plays such a vital role in connecting people, not only with big wide world, but also with each other. Libraries can be focal points for community education, they can help take a lead in supporting local projects and initiatives.”

Emma Rutherford

3.3 The Management Team/CE has reviewed this report and supports the activities of the Libraries.

4 COMMUNITY VIEWS

Community views were canvassed through the Libraries’ Annual Customer Satisfaction Survey which was conducted in June 2017. The survey results show a high level of satisfaction with Library Services. (63.18% Very Satisfied; 34.32% Satisfied; 1.36% Dissatisfied; 0.45% Very Dissatisfied; 0.68% No Opinion. Total participants: 448)

5 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS AND RISKS

5.3 Library activities are being met from within the Libraries’ budgets.

5.4 The following table summarises the Libraries’ financial position as at 31 December 2017.

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<td>Surplus/Deficit</td>
<td>73,656</td>
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6 CONTEXT

6.1 Policy

This matter is not a matter of significance in terms of the Council’s Significance Policy.

6.2 Legislation

Local Government Act.

6.3 Community Outcomes

Library activities support the following community outcomes:

- Public spaces and facilities are plentiful, accessible and high quality
- People have wide ranging opportunities for learning and being informed
- People are friendly and caring, creating a strong sense of community in our District
- The community’s cultures, arts and heritage are conserved and celebrated
- There is a safe environment for all

The Committee has delegated authority to develop goals and strategies for Library Services.

Phillippa Ashbey
Libraries Manager