

NAPIER PEOPLE AND PLACES COMMITTEE

Open Minutes

Meeting Date: Thursday 1 July 2021

Time: 10.00am – 11.16am
12.10pm – 12.28pm

Venue Large Exhibition Hall
Napier War Memorial Centre
Marine Parade
Napier

Livestreamed via Council's Facebook site

Present Councillor Boag (In the Chair), Mayor Wise, Deputy Mayor Brosnan, Councillors Browne, Chrystal, Crown, Mawson, McGrath, Price, Simpson, Tapine, Taylor and Wright

In Attendance Chief Executive (Steph Rotarangi)
Director Corporate Services (Adele Henderson)
Director Community Services (Antoinette Campbell)
Director Infrastructure Services, (Jon Kingsford)
Director City Services (Lance Titter)
Manager Communications and Marketing (Craig Ogborn)
Manager Community Strategies (Natasha Mackie)
Investment and Funding Manager (Garry Hrustinsky)
Senior Advisor Policy (Michele Grigg)
Manager Sport and Recreation (Glenn Lucas)
Community Funding Advisor (Belinda McLeod)
Community Engagement Lead (Mary-Anne Pay)
Children's Librarian (Kate Powis)
Team Leader Governance (Helen Barbier)

Administration Governance Advisors (Anna Eady and Carolyn Hunt)

Karakia

The Elected Members opened the meeting with a karakia.

Apologies

Nil

Conflicts of interest

Nil

Public forum

Napier Neighbourhood Support Group (NNSG) – Jason Wawatai (Chairperson) and Adrienne Galvin

Adrienne and Jason gave a brief update of what the Napier Neighbourhood Support Group is about. In particular they noted:

- The results of a Police survey conducted in Auckland found the majority of respondents between the ages of 15 and 25 felt the safest out of all surveyed, although they were the most at risk age group, as they tend to put themselves in risky situations. The 60+ age group were the ones who felt most unsafe, although they are the most safe as they do not put themselves in harm's way.
- Since Napier City Council's (NCC) Community Safety Survey was carried out in February Jason's impression is that community feelings of safety will have declined after some significant incidences of violence in Napier.
- The focus of NNSG is to support the NCC's Safer Napier policy in its endeavours to provide the community with a sense of community safety, crime prevention assistance, collaboration with stakeholders to achieve common safety outcomes and enhance the sense of wellbeing amongst the neighbours in the community.
- It will continue to provide a service that supports the NCC's objectives, the NCC's international accreditation status as a Safe City, the safe as houses programme, and to help build resilience within the Napier Community.
- They establish new Neighbourhood Support Groups and support existing groups, although this has challenges as people move and do not update NNSG. NNSG reorganises defunct groups, providing resources to new members and notifying groups of actual and potential local crime activity.
- Police provide crime statistics to NNSG which they can then distribute to relevant neighbourhood groups.
- NNSG would like to see high wooden fencing banned from use as crime can occur behind them unseen.
- NNSG has 22,000 members from 8000 households. There has been a surge in single people wanting to join NNSG, not so they can attend neighbourhood meetings, but so they are included in information distribution about their area.
- NNSG's membership is growing, but they would like more members, 25 – 45 year olds in particular. NNSG talks to community groups and attends community events. They also aim to educate community leaders so they can talk about NNSG to their groups.
- People can sign up to NNSG through a variety of ways, the most popular is through 'Get Ready' and the Facebook page. NNSG then connects them with a nearby neighbourhood group and sends an information pack.

Announcements by the Mayor

Nil

Announcements by the Chairperson

Nil

Announcements by the management

Nil

Confirmation of minutes

Councillors McGrath / Chrystal

That the Minutes of the meeting held on 29 April 2021 were taken as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

Carried

AGENDA ITEMS

1. NAPIER COMMUNITY SAFETY SURVEY 2021

<i>Type of Report:</i>	Information
<i>Legal Reference:</i>	N/A
<i>Document ID:</i>	1308267
<i>Reporting Officer/s & Unit:</i>	Michele Grigg, Senior Advisor Policy

1.1 Purpose of Report

To provide a summary of findings from the Napier Community Safety Survey 2021.

At the Meeting

Council Officers spoke to the report and were supported by Dr Virgil Troy and Nataliya Rik from SIL research.

In response to questions it was clarified:

- Approximately ten of the survey questions were the same as questions in the Annual Social Monitor Survey. There were also safety focused questions included.
- Council supports opportunities and activities that promote alternative pathways for gang members, or those at risk of joining gangs. It also liaises closely with Police around managing and responding to anti-social gang and criminal behaviour.
- Safety strategies which are being implemented, such as the new street Ambassador service, will have their own measures of success. It may also be possible to see some results of the new safety strategies in the next Social Monitor Survey.
- Advocating for more Police in Napier City needs to be carried out at the governance level.
- Council support the Napier Safety Trust, who currently manage and monitor the non-Council facility CCTV cameras. The CCTV network is due for an upgrade, but no increase in cameras is planned.
- Police continue to share data with Council on where crime is happening, and what sort of crime it is. Both organisations have a role to play in reassuring the community and to increase people's perceptions of safety.
- Community members who are members of a Neighbourhood Support Group report feeling safer than non-members. These residents are more predominantly in an older age bracket. The survey has not measured the correlation between being aware of the Safer Napier activities and feelings of Safety, but this could be measured in future surveys.

Committee's recommendation

Councillors Browne / Wright

The Napier People and Places Committee:

- a. Receives the Napier Community Safety Survey 2021 report.

Carried

2. AQUATICS SURVEY 2021 REPORT: SIL RESEARCH

<i>Type of Report:</i>	Information
<i>Legal Reference:</i>	N/A
<i>Document ID:</i>	1325377
<i>Reporting Officer/s & Unit:</i>	Glenn Lucas, Manager Sport & Recreation

2.1 Purpose of Report

The purpose of this report is to inform council of the results of the SIL Aquatics Survey 2021 and the implications that these customer insights have on future asset and operational improvements.

At the Meeting

The Officer took the report as read. They were supported by Dr Virgil Troy and Nataliya Rik from SIL research and in response to questions noted:

- The results of the Aquatics Survey are consistent with the Napier Resident Survey data, which has been administered annually over the last ten years. Where a change has been noticed has been around the condition of the pools which has been slowly degrading over time.
- The sampling for this survey was carried out over different days and at different times of day. One of the reasons younger people are not represented significantly in the results is that parents responded on behalf of their families.
- There is a general decline in physical activity by youth across most sports. There are many reasons for this, including accessibility and affordability.
- Cleanliness has been sighted as a reason for not attending the aquatic facilities. As both locations are old surfaces can appear unclean, but actually are degraded so appear unclean despite regular operational cleaning.
- Trouble-makers at the facilities can be trespassed. Security guards have been installed to deter anti-social behaviour. They are also helping with tips on managing difficult situations and staff are given training on dealing with difficult customers.
- The Green Family Taradale Pool is competition for the Council facilities in the 'Learn to Swim' area, but it is not available to the public for recreation.
- Public pools used for recreation do not make a profit. Council subsidises its aquatic facilities by approximately \$8 - \$11 per person, per visit.

Committee's recommendation

Councillors Wright / Crown

The Napier People and Places Committee:

- Note the results of the SIL Aquatics Survey.
- Note the influence of these insights to future investment and improvements for Napier's aquatic network.
- Endorse continued work to plan and implement capital and operational improvements to both aquatic facilities.

Carried

3. NAPIER LIBRARIES SUMMER READING PROGRAMME FUNDING 2021-2022

Type of Report:	Operational
Legal Reference:	N/A
Document ID:	1323548
Reporting Officer/s & Unit:	Belinda McLeod, Community Funding Advisor

3.1 Purpose of Report

To seek approval to apply for external funding from Eastern Central Community Trust, to support the Napier Libraries 2021-2022 Summer Reading Programme, that will take place between 13 December 2021 and 23 January 2022, at both the Napier and Taradale Libraries.

At the Meeting

Library Council Officers spoke to the report and noted:

- The summer programme was delivered at the Maraenui bilingual school. All students participated and it had a great response. It is hoped this approach can be repeated this year in a low decile school.
- This year numbers will not be capped as in previous years.

Committee's recommendation

Councillors Brosnan / Mawson

The Napier People and Places Committee:

- a. Approve the application to the external funder, Eastern Central Community Trust for the Napier Libraries 2021/22 Summer Reading Programme to be held from 13 December 2021 and 23 January 2022, at both the Napier and Taradale Libraries.
- b. That a **DECISION OF COUNCIL** is required urgently due to the tight deadlines to apply for funding. This will require the resolution to be passed before the decision of Council is taken.

Carried

DECISION OF COUNCIL

That, in terms of Section 82 (3) of the Local Government Act 2002, that the principles set out in that section have been observed in such manner that the Napier City Council considers, in its discretion, is appropriate to make decisions on the recommendation.

Council Resolution Councillors Simpson / Chrystal

The Napier People and Places Committee:

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Carried

The meeting adjourned at 11.16am and resumed at 12.10pm.

PUBLIC EXCLUDED ITEMS

Councillors Brosnan / Mawson

That the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting, namely:

1. Napier Creative Communities Scheme March 2021
2. Aquatic Strategic Framework/Napier Aquatic Facilities Section 17A
3. Napier Civic Awards Nominations 2021

Carried

The general subject of each matter to be considered while the public was excluded, the reasons 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 were as follows:

General subject of each matter to be considered.	Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter.	Ground(s) under section 48(1) to the passing of this resolution.
1. Napier Creative Communities Scheme March 2021	7(2)(c)(i) Protect information which is subject to an obligation of confidence or which any person has been or could be compelled to provide under the authority of any enactment, where the making available of the information would be likely to prejudice the supply of similar information or information from the same source and it is in the public interest that such information should continue to be supplied	48(1)A That the public conduct of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist: (i) Where the local authority is named or specified in Schedule 1 of this Act, under Section 6 or 7 (except 7(2)(f)(i)) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987.
2. Aquatic Strategic Framework/Napier Aquatic Facilities Section 17A	7(2)(b)(ii) Protect information where the making available of the information would be likely unreasonably to prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied or who is the subject of the information	48(1)A That the public conduct of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist: (i) Where the local authority

	7(2)(i) Enable the local authority to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations)	is named or specified in Schedule 1 of this Act, under Section 6 or 7 (except 7(2)(f)(i)) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987.
3. Napier Civic Awards Nominations 2021	7(2)(a) Protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of a deceased person	48(1)A That the public conduct of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist: (i) Where the local authority is named or specified in Schedule 1 of this Act, under Section 6 or 7 (except 7(2)(f)(i)) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987.

The meeting closed with a karakia at 12.28pm

Approved and adopted as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

Chairperson

Date of approval