



Notice is hereby given that a Meeting of the Northern Community Board will be held on:

Date: Monday, 15 February 2021
Time: 6.30pm
Meeting Room: Mossburn Fire Station
Venue: 45 Devon Street
Mossburn

Northern Community Board Agenda OPEN

MEMBERSHIP

Chairperson	Greg Tither
Deputy Chairperson	Lance Hellewell
Members	Peter Bruce
	Pam Naylor
	Carolyn Smith
	Sonya Taylor
	Councillor John Douglas

IN ATTENDANCE

Community Liaison Officer	Kathryn Cowie
Committee Advisor/Customer Support Partner	Rose Knowles
Community Partnership Leader	Kelly Tagg

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Terms of Reference – Community Boards

TYPE OF COMMITTEE	Community board
RESPONSIBLE TO	<p>Council</p> <p>Each community board will have a relationship with the committees in section 8.4.2 to 8.4.5 of the delegations manual based on the scope of the activities/functions delegated to each committee.</p>
SUBCOMMITTEES	As noted in section 8.5 of the delegations manual various subcommittees will report to specific community boards.
LEGISLATIVE BASIS	<p>Resolution made by Council through the representation arrangements as per the Local Electoral Act 2001.</p> <p>Role, status and membership as per subpart 2 of Part 4 of the Local Government Act 2002 (LGA).</p> <p>Treaty of Waitangi as per section 4, Part 1 of the LGA.</p> <p>Opportunities for Maori to contribute to decision-making processes as per section 14 of Part 2 of the LGA. Community boards delegated powers by Council as per schedule 7, clause 32, LGA.</p> <p>Appointment of councillors to community boards as per section 50, LGA.</p>
MEMBERSHIP	<p>Oreti and Waihopai Toetoe Community Boards have seven members elected by the local authority triennial elections plus a member appointed by Council. All other community boards have six members plus a member appointed by Council.</p> <p>The chairperson is elected by the community board. Councillors who are not appointed to community boards can only remain for the public section of the community board meeting. They cannot stay for the public excluded section unless the community board agrees.</p>
FREQUENCY OF MEETINGS	Every second month but up to ten ordinary meetings a year
QUORUM	Not less than four members
KEY FUNCTIONS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> to promote the social, economic, environmental and cultural well-being of local communities and in so-doing contribute to the realisation of Council's vision of one District offering endless opportunities to provide leadership to local communities on the strategic issues and opportunities that they face to be advocates and representatives for their local community and in so doing ensure that Council and other agencies have a clear understanding of local needs and aspirations to be decision-makers on issues that are delegated to the board by Southland District Council

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • to develop relationships and communicate with key community organisations, special interest groups, residents and businesses within the community • to maintain an overview of the services Council delivers to its communities and assess the extent to which these services meet community needs • to recommend the setting of levels of service and budgets for local activities.
DELEGATIONS	<p>The community board shall have the following delegated powers and be accountable to Council for the exercising of these powers.¹</p> <p>In exercising the delegated powers, the community board will operate within:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) policies, plans, standards or guidelines that have been established and approved by Council 2) the needs of the local communities; and 3) the approved budgets for the activity. <p>Power to Act</p> <p>The community board will prepare and implement programmes of work, which will be reflected in its community board plan, which are relevant to the purposes of the community board that are consistent with the long term plan and annual plan processes of Council. Such programmes are to include budgetary provision for all costs associated with the work.</p> <p>Community Well-Being</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4) to develop local community outcomes that reflect the desired goals for their community/place 5) to monitor the overall well-being of local communities and use the information gathered to inform development of local strategies to address areas of need 6) work with Council and the community to develop a community board plan for the community of interest area – working in with any community plans that may exist. <p>Community Leadership</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 7) communicate and develop a relationship with community organisations, local groups, and special interest groups within the local community of interest 8) identify key issues that will affect their community of interest's future and work with Council staff and other local representatives to facilitate multi-agency collaborative opportunities 9) promote a shared vision for the community of interest area and develop and promote ways to work with others to achieve positive outcomes 10) provide a local community perspective on Council's long term plan key performance indicators and levels of service

¹ Local Government Act 2002, s.53

as detailed in the long term plan, and on local expenditure, rating impacts and priorities.

Advocacy

11) submissions

- a) authority to make recommendations to Council on matters to be considered in submissions Council may make to external organisations' regional or national policy documents, select committees
- b) authority to make submissions to Council or other agency on issues within its community of interest area
- c) authority to make submissions to Council on bylaws and recommend to Council the level of bylaw service and enforcement to be provided, having regard to the need to maintain consistency across the District for all Council bylaws.

12) authority to prepare a submission to Council on the proposed levels of service, income and expenditure within the community of interest area, for consideration as part of the long term plan/annual plan process

13) provide comment by way of the formal Annual Plan/Long Term Plan process on relative priorities for the delivery of District services and levels of service within the community board area.

District activities include:

- a) wastewater
- b) solid waste
- c) water supply
- d) parks and reserves
- e) roading
- f) libraries
- g) cemeteries
- h) emergency management
- i) stormwater
- j) public toilets
- k) community housing

14) Council will set the levels of service for District activities – if a community board seek a higher level of service they will need to recommend that to Council and it will need to be funded in an appropriate way (locally).

Community Assistance

15) authority to establish prioritisation for allocation based on an overarching set of criteria from council to guide the scope of the activity

- 16) authority to grant the allocated funds from the Community Partnership Fund
- 17) authority to allocate bequests or grants generated locally consistent with the terms of the bequest or grant fund

Northern Community Board

- 18) make decisions regarding funding applications to the Northern Southland Development Fund. The Northern Community Board may invite a representative of the community of Dipton to take part in the decisions on applications to the Northern Southland Development Fund.

Unbudgeted Expenditure

Approve unbudgeted operating expenditure for local activities of up to \$20,000.

Approve up to a \$20,000 increase in the projected cost of a budgeted capital works project/item that is included in the annual plan/LTP.

Authority to delegate to the chief executive, when approving a project definition/business case, over-expenditure of up to \$10,000 for capital expenditure against the budget detailed in the Annual Plan/LTP.

Service Delivery

Local Activities

For activities within the local activities category, the community board shall have authority to:

- a) recommend to Council levels of service for local activities having regard to Council budgets within the Long Term Plan and Annual Plan process
- b) recommend to Council the rates and/or user charges and fees to fund the local activities
- c) accept donations of a local asset eg a gas barbeque, park bench, etc with a value of less than \$20,000.
- d) approve project definitions/business cases for approved budgeted capital expenditure up to \$300,000
- e) recommend to the Services and Assets Committee the approval of project definitions/business case and procurement plan for capital expenditure over \$300,000 and/or any unbudgeted capital expenditure
- f) monitor the performance and delivery of the service in meeting the expected levels of service
- g) facilitate the development of local management plans (for subsequent recommendation to Council), where required by statute or in support of District or other plans for reserves, harbours, and other community facilities, except where powers:
 - have been delegated to Council officers; or
 - would have significance beyond the community board's area or otherwise involves a matter of

	<p>national importance (Section 6 Resource Management Act 1991); or</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> involve the alienation of any part of a proposed or existing esplanade reserve by way of width reduction, easement, lease or otherwise. <p>Local activities include:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> community leadership local halls and community centres (within Council's overarching policy for community facilities) wharves and harbour facilities local parks and reserves parking limits and footpaths Te Anau/Manapouri Airport (Fiordland Community Board) Stewart Island Electricity Supply Authority (SIESA) (Stewart Island/Rakiura Community Board) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> for the above two local activities only recommend levels of service and annual budget to the Services and Assets Committee monitor the performance and delivery of the service <p>19) naming reserves, structures and commemorative places</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> authority to decide upon requests from the community, regarding names of reserves, the placement of structures and commemorative places. <p>20) naming roads</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> authority to decide on the naming for public roads, private roads and rights of way <p>21) assist the chief executive by providing comment (through the board chairperson) to consider and determine temporary road closures applications where there are objections to the proposed road closure.</p> <p>Rentals and Leases</p> <p>In relation to all leases and licences of land and buildings for local activities within their own area, on behalf of Council;</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> accept the highest tenders for rentals more than \$10,000 approve the preferential allocation of leases and licenses where the rental is \$10,000 or more per annum. <p>Environmental management and spatial planning</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> provide comment on behalf of the relevant community/communities on resource consent applications referred to the community board for comment. recommend to Council the level of bylaw service and enforcement to be provided within the community, having regard to the need to maintain consistency across the District.
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	<p>24) provide advice to Council and its committees on any matter of interest or concern to the community board in relation to the sale of alcohol where statutory ability exists to seek such feedback.</p> <p>25) provide input into regulatory activities not otherwise specified above where the process allows.</p> <p>26) recommend to Council the initiating of an appeal or reference to the environment court on decisions in respect to resource consent applications on which the board has made submissions; ability to provide input to support the development of community planning for a civil defence emergency; and after an emergency event, to provide input and information to support community response efforts.</p>
LIMITS TO DELEGATIONS	<p>No financial or decision making delegations other than those specifically delegated by Council.</p> <p>The community board shall only expend funding on purposes for which that funding was originally raised and in accordance with the budgets approved by Council through its Long Term Plan/Annual Plan. In accordance with the provisions of section 39(2) of Schedule 7 the board may not incur expenditure in excess of the approved budget.</p> <p>Matters which are not Delegated</p> <p>Southland District Council has not delegated to community boards the power to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • make a rate or bylaw • acquire, hold or dispose of property • direct, appoint, suspend or remove staff • engage or enter into contracts and agreements and financial commitments • institute an action for recovery of any amount • issue and police building consents, notices, authorisations and requirements under acts, statutes, regulations, bylaws and the like; • institute legal proceedings other than the delegation to recommend to Council the initiating of an appeal or reference to the environment court on decisions in respect to resource consent applications on which the community board has made submissions.
CONTACT WITH MEDIA	<p>The community board chairperson is the authorised spokesperson for the board in all matters where the board has authority or a particular interest.</p> <p>Board members, including the chairperson, do not have delegated authority to speak to the media and/or outside agencies on behalf of Council on matters outside of the board's delegations.</p> <p>The assigned Executive Leadership Team member will manage the formal communications between the board and its</p>

	<p>constituents and for the board in the exercise of its business. Correspondence with central government, other local government agencies or official agencies will only take place through Council staff and will be undertaken under the name of Southland District Council.</p>
REPORTING	<p>Community boards are unincorporated statutory bodies which are elected to represent the communities they serve.</p> <p>The boards maintain bound minute books of their own meetings.</p>

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1 Apologies

At the close of the agenda no apologies had been received.

2 Leave of absence

At the close of the agenda no requests for leave of absence had been received.

3 Conflict of Interest

Community Board Members are reminded of the need to be vigilant to stand aside from decision-making when a conflict arises between their role as a member and any private or other external interest they might have.

4 Public Forum

Notification to speak is required by 12noon at least one clear day before the meeting. Further information is available on www.southlanddc.govt.nz or phoning 0800 732 732.

5 Extraordinary/Urgent Items

To consider, and if thought fit, to pass a resolution to permit the Community Board to consider any further items which do not appear on the Agenda of this meeting and/or the meeting to be held with the public excluded.

Such resolution is required to be made pursuant to Section 46A(7) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987, and the Chairperson must advise:

- (i) the reason why the item was not on the Agenda, and
- (ii) the reason why the discussion of this item cannot be delayed until a subsequent meeting.

Section 46A(7A) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (as amended) states:

"Where an item is not on the agenda for a meeting,-

- (a) that item may be discussed at that meeting if-
 - (i) that item is a minor matter relating to the general business of the local authority; and
 - (ii) the presiding member explains at the beginning of the meeting, at a time when it is open to the public, that the item will be discussed at the meeting; but
- (b) no resolution, decision or recommendation may be made in respect of that item except to refer that item to a subsequent meeting of the local authority for further **discussion."**

6 Confirmation of Minutes

6.1 Meeting minutes of Northern Community Board, 16 November 2020



Northern Community Board

OPEN MINUTES

Minutes of a meeting of Northern Community Board held in the Lumsden Southland District Council Office, 18 Diana Street, Lumsden on Monday, 16 November 2020 at 7pm.

PRESENT

Chairperson	Greg Tither
Deputy Chairperson	Lance Hellewell
Members	Peter Bruce
	Pam Naylor
	Carolyn Smith
	Sonya Taylor
	Councillor John Douglas

IN ATTENDANCE

Councillor	Rob Scott
Community Liaison Officer	Kathryn Cowie
Committee Advisor/Customer Support Partner	Rose Knowles
Community Partnership Leader	Kelly Tagg
Chief Financial Officer	Anne Robson
Graduate Accountant	Brie Lepper
Planning & Reporting Analyst	Shannon Oliver
Roading Contract Manager	Nick Lewis
Senior Projects Manager	Geoff Gray

1 Apologies

There were no apologies.

2 Leave of absence

There were no requests for leave of absence.

3 Conflict of Interest

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

4 Public Forum

Geoff Gray – Senior Projects Manager updated the Board on the Mossburn water bores upgrade project which is programmed for completion this financial year. The purpose of the project is to protect the ground water from contamination, and the old bore is non-compliant to current drinking water standards.

5 Extraordinary/Urgent Items

There were no Extraordinary/Urgent items.

6 Confirmation of Minutes

Resolution

Moved Pam Naylor, seconded Lance Hellewell and resolved:

That the Northern Community Board confirms the minutes of the meeting held on 19 October 2020 as a true and correct record of that meeting.

Reports

7.1 Financial Report for the year ended 30 June 2020

Record No: R/20/10/61319

Graduate Accountant – Brie Lepper was in attendance for this item.

Ms Lepper advised that the purpose of the report was to present the financial report for the year ended 30 June 2020.

The Board noted that the financial information is still being audited and that the results in the report could change.

Resolution

Moved Pam Naylor, seconded Carolyn Smith and resolved:

That the Northern Community Board:

- a) **Receives the report titled “Financial Report for the year ended 30 June 2020”**
dated 11 November 2020.

7.2 Council Policies Under Review - Consultation

Record No: R/20/10/62024

Shannon Oliver – Planning and Reporting Analyst was in attendance for this item.

Ms Oliver advised that the purpose of the report was to provide information on the four policies that are currently being reviewed by Council.

The policies that will be available for consultation from 4 November 2020 are:

- Significance and Engagement Policy
- Policy on Development and Financial Contributions
- Procurement Policy
- Revenue and Finance Policy.

During discussion officers advised that in paragraph 32 of the report, the amounts which properties in each community board area pays for rates would differ depending on the facilities and infrastructure in the area and levels of service to be provided.

Resolution

Moved Sonya Taylor, seconded Lance Hellewell and resolved:

That the Northern Community Board:

- a) **Receives the report titled “Council Policies Under Review - Consultation”**
dated 6 November 2020.
- b) Determines that this matter or decision be recognised as not significant in terms of Section 76 of the Local Government Act 2002.
- c) Determines that it has complied with the decision-making provisions of the Local Government Act 2002 to the extent necessary in relation to this decision; and in accordance with Section 79 of the act determines that it does not require further information, further assessment of options or further analysis of costs and benefits or advantages and disadvantages prior to making a decision on this matter.
- d) Notes that Council endorsed the draft policies for consultation at its 21 October 2020 meeting and agrees to make a formal submission on the following draft policies

- Significance and Engagement Policy
 - Policy on Development or Financial Contributions
 - Procurement Policy
 - Revenue and Financing Policy
- e) Notes that the consultation period is from 8am, 4 November to 5pm, 4 December 2020.

7.3 Long Term Plan 2031 - Direction Setting Report

Record No: R/20/10/62660

Shannon Oliver – Planning and Reporting Analyst and Brie Lepper – Graduate Accountant were in attendance for this item.

Ms Oliver advised that the purpose of the report was for the Community Board to allocate local budgets for 2021-2031 and to recommend to Council local rates for the year commencing 1 July 2021.

Resolution

Moved Pam Naylor, seconded Sonya Taylor and resolved:

That the Northern Community Board:

- a) **Receives the report titled “Long Term Plan 2031 - Direction Setting Report”** dated 11 November 2020.
- b) Determines that this matter or decision be recognised as not significant in terms of Section 76 of the Local Government Act 2002.
- c) Determines that it has complied with the decision-making provisions of the Local Government Act 2002 to the extent necessary in relation to this decision; and in accordance with Section 79 of the act determines that it does not require further information, further assessment of options or further analysis of costs and benefits or advantages and disadvantages prior to making a decision on this matter.
- d) Recommends to Council that the following rates and charges (including GST) for the year commencing 1 July 2021 be included in the Long Term Plan 2031.

<u>Rate</u>	<u>Rate GST inclusive</u>
Northern Community Board rate	\$198,278
Athol Memorial Hall rate	\$16,059
Five Rivers Hall rate	\$10,013
Lumsden Hall rate	\$20,775

- e) Recommends to Council the setting of the following Northern hall fees and charges (including GST) for the year commencing 1 July 2021 for inclusion in the Long Term Plan 2031.

<u>Athol Hall fees and charges description</u>	<u>Fee/Charge</u> <u>(GST Incl)</u>
Hall Hire (24 hours)	\$200.00
Hall Hire (half day)	\$40.00
Hall Hire (Full day – during the day)	\$80.00
School and special interest groups	50% discount
Cleaning (if required) per hour	\$50.00

<u>Five Rivers Hall fees and charges description</u>	<u>Fee/Charge</u> <u>(GST Incl)</u>
Hall	\$50.00
Chairs (per day)	\$20.00
Bond (no GST)	\$200.00

<u>Lumsden Hall fees and charges description</u>	<u>Fee/Charge</u> <u>(GST Incl)</u>
All day hire (8 hours)	\$100.00
All day and night hire	\$150.00
Sports team	\$17.25
Lounge/Supper Room	\$50.00
Cleaning (if required)	\$150.00

- f) Identifies that the Hall Boundaries need investigated to identify residents not paying a hall rate for their local area so that they are included.
Requests this be included in the Long Term Plan 2031 consultation process to encourage feedback from the local community.

7.4 Proposed Naming of Private Road at 1040 Kingston Garston Highway, Fairlight

Record No: R/20/10/64067

Nick Lewis – Roading Contract Manager was in attendance for this item.

Mr Lewis advised that the purpose of this report is for the Northern Community Board to determine the road name for the section of private road over the property at 1040 Kingston Garston Highway, Fairlight, as requested by the property developers, Kingston Lifestyle Properties Limited.

Resolution

Moved Pam Naylor, seconded Lance Hellewell and resolved

That the Northern Community Board:

- a) **Receives the report titled “Proposed Naming of Private Road at 1040 Kingston Garston Highway, Fairlight” dated 2 November 2020.**
- b) Determines that this matter or decision be recognised as not significant in terms of Section 76 of the Local Government Act 2002.
- c) Determines that it has complied with the decision-making provisions of the Local Government Act 2002 to the extent necessary in relation to this decision; and in accordance with Section 79 of the act determines that it does not require further information, further assessment of options or further analysis of costs and benefits or advantages and disadvantages prior to making a decision on this matter.
- d) Approve the naming of the private road section over the property at 1040 Kingston Garston Highway, Fairlight as Flyer View Lane.

7.5 Chairperson's Report

Record No: R/20/11/65011

Chairman Tither took the board through his report which included:

- resource consent application for Riverstones early child centre Lumsden for an extension to building and playground area.
- attendance at Around the Mountain Cycle Trail meeting. They are looking to set up an independent board of directors for this asset, should be up and running 2021.
- attendance at the playgrounds discussion in Invercargill. Adam Stride from Play safe has been engaged to audit all playgrounds in SDC areas. Adam gave an overview of injuries caused in playgrounds and with compliance to playground safety this could **be reduced**. Adam's presentation covered a wide range of safety issues from surfaces to equipment and the layout of that equipment. There will be independent reviews for every playground for the boards to consider when upgrading or introducing new equipment.
- Received a map from Ben Whelan-Roading Engineer of the footpath renewals for Mossburn Devon Street.

Resolution

Moved Carolyn Smith, seconded Councillor Douglas and resolved:

That the Northern Community Board:

- a) **Receives the report titled “Chairperson's Report” dated 9 November 2020**

The meeting concluded at 8.45pm

CONFIRMED AS A TRUE AND CORRECT RECORD AT A
MEETING OF THE NORTHERN COMMUNITY BOARD
HELD ON 16 NOVEMBER 2020

DATE:.....

CHAIRPERSON:.....

Community Leadership Report

Record No: R/21/1/3624
Author: Kelly Tagg, Community Partnership Leader
Approved by: Anne Robson, Chief Financial Officer

☐ Decision ☐ Recommendation ☒ Information

Purpose

- 1 The purpose of this report is to update the board on the community leadership activities in the area.

Recommendation

That the Northern Community Board:

- a) **Receives the report titled “Community Leadership Report” dated** 10 February 2021.

Attachments

- A Community Leadership Report [↓](#)



What's happening in your area

Community Partnership Fund

The next round of the Northern Community Partnership Fund closes on 28 February 2021.

The board has \$12,629 left to distribute. Application forms can be found online at <https://www.southlanddc.govt.nz/my-community/northern/community-partnership-fund>

Recent funding outcomes

Funds distributed to recipients in the Northern area recently are as follows:

District Initiatives Fund

- Northern Southland Community Resource Centre Charitable Trust – senior programmes - \$1,500
- Northern Southland Riding for the Disabled – operating expenses and coaches - \$1,500

Funding

Southland Funders Forum update

In December, staff attended the Southland Funders Forum which is a group of funding agencies who meet quarterly to discuss the current funding environment, provide updates, and specific projects. Attendees include staff from Community Trust South, Department of Internal Affairs, Invercargill City Council, Invercargill Licensing Trust, and Sport Southland. A major announcement was made by the Department of Internal Affairs who informed their \$40 million Lottery Covid-19 Community Wellbeing Fund is being temporarily suspended and will not be accepting applications or making funding decisions until after January 2021.

Upcoming funding deadlines

The following funds are now open for applications which close on 31 March 2021:

- Sport NZ Rural Travel Fund
- Creative Communities
- District Heritage Fund

- District Initiatives Fund
- Ohai Railway Fund
- Northern Southland Development Fund
- Stewart Island Visitor Levy

Application forms for the above funds are available on Council's website at <https://www.southlanddc.govt.nz/my-council/funding-and-grants/>

Local initiatives

Northern Southland Community Pool

Staff have been in contact with the Northern Southland Community Pool Committee regarding a request from the pool for a grant from the Mararoa Waimea ward reserve to assist with their roofing upgrade project. A full report follows in this meeting's agenda.

Cycle Trail Events

The Cycle and Celebrate and Down River Dash events were held late last year on 29th November and 13th December respectively. Both the turnout and the weather were successful and many reported positive feedback after the Down River Dash regarding the refreshed trail surface (following the flood damage) from Centre Hill to Mossburn.

Garston community meeting

The community meeting held on 12 October was very well attended by the Garston community. At the meeting it was agreed that a trust be formed to drive local projects and developments in the Garston area.

Eight attendees expressed an interest in forming the trust and staff are assisting them to work through the governance process in order for the trust to be established.

The subject of the Garston hall was also raised at the community meeting and staff helped the group to carry out a public consultation about the hall. Flyers were delivered to all box holders in Garston and links to an electronic version of the survey were shared on social media. About 30 responses were received with 100% of the responders being supportive of the sale and demolition/removal of the Garston Hall. The Garston hall committee will work to progress this matter.

Also following on from the meeting it was discussed that it would be good if there were more opportunities for the community to get together in Garston. A community BBQ and waterslide day on the green was planned for Sunday, 6 December. By all accounts this was well supported by the local community with approximately 120 people joining in festivities on the day.

What's happening outside your area

District/regional Initiatives

Leadership Academy

Progress is being made on the establishment of a Leadership Academy facilitated by Southland Chamber of Commerce in partnership with Council and being held in the following locations.

- 15 April – 27 May 2021 in Edendale
- 8 June – 13 July 2021 in Lumsden
- February/March 2022 in Otautau

Southland Chamber of Commerce is working with Council to ensure that modules relating to community-led development and community leadership are included in the course content. Southland Chamber of Commerce are currently preparing their marketing material for this academy and further information will be available soon.

Community Power of Play Huddle

Sport Southland are partnering with a variety of stakeholders across the region to ensure that opportunities for kids to play are preserved, enhanced and relevant to the world we live in today.

Staff attended a workshop on 24 November facilitated by Sport Southland, Sport NZ and the Research Agency Innovation Unit. The purpose of the workshop was to connect with a range of people working directly and indirectly in play at the community, local authority and regional levels to gain insights on play to support a more strategic approach to play as well as to showcase good and emergent practice from the community.

SDC Holiday Programme

The annual SDC Holiday Programme is currently underway around the District, run by Sport Southland. They will hold the programme in eight locations (Tokanui, Otautau, Riverton, Wyndham, Lumsden, Winton, Te Anau and Stewart Island) on eight days between 15 January and 1 February 2021. Further information regarding attendance numbers and feedback from attendees will follow at the next community board meeting in April.

Welcoming Communities

The Southland Murihiku Welcoming Plan was developed by Venture Southland in 2018 with a three-year lifespan is due to expire in 2021. MBIE has informed Southland's councils that in 2021 each council will need to begin to develop their own welcoming plans. This is an opportunity for Southland District Council to develop a plan that reflects its community's needs and unique circumstances. The first stage of this process involves the establishment of an advisory group in early 2021 to guide the process for the development of the new welcoming plan. Staff are in the early stages of forming this new advisory group.

Water treatment course

A pool water treatment course was held in Invercargill on 24 November for our community pools, run by WSP and held at Splash Palace. It is essential for pools to have at least one member of their committee qualified in water treatment for their facility. Southland District Council covered the cost of 10 attendees from 10 pools around the district to attend.

Community service awards

Staff are undertaking a review of Southland District Council's Community Service Awards to ensure a consistent district-wide approach. At this stage, it's being proposed that members of the community will be able to nominate individuals for a community service award through a standardised application form and an annual closing date. Community boards will then consider and allocate up to two awards per community board per year. A report will go to the Community and Strategy Committee in the New Year that includes a draft of the new community service awards process.

Stewart Island Visitor Levy numbers

Stewart Island visitor numbers to Stewart Island for the period July 2020 to November 2020 have increased by 2,906 compared to the same period in 2019.

Milford Opportunities Project

Work continues on this project with the governance group due to meet again in February. The last round of wide public engagement took place in October and the analysis of the comments received will be part of the information considered when making decisions on the actions to recommend for the master plan. Alongside the public comments the project team has also had significant feedback from tourism operators and other key stakeholders. The master plan will be completed and made public by the middle of 2021.

What's coming up?

Strategy and policy

Procurement Policy

Staff have been revising the Procurement Policy and developing a draft procurement manual. The formal consultation period for the policy was 4 November to 4 December 2020. Submissions will be presented to Council on 28 January 2021. The executive leadership team will adopt a procurement manual that implements Council's policy approach, following adoption of the policy.

Other policy work

Review of a suite of policies that will inform the Long Term Plan was undertaken in November and December 2020. This included the Revenue and Finance Policy, the Policy on Development and Financial Contributions, and the Significance and Engagement Policy. The formal consultation period for these policies was 4 November to 4 December 2020. Submissions will be presented to Council at its 28 January 2021 meeting.

Staff are also working on the asset management and contract management policies. Review of the Elected Members' Remuneration and Reimbursements Policy, the Fraud Policy and the Sensitive Expenditure Policy is underway.

Stewart Island visitor levy

Strategy and policy are leading the review of the Stewart Island visitor levy. An update on the progression of this work was presented to the Community and Strategy Committee at its November 2020 meeting. The committee adopted a timeframe to complete the review of the Stewart Island/Rakiura Visitor Levy Policy and the Stewart Island/Rakiura Visitor Levy Bylaw, with consultation regarding any change to the levy quantum proposed to occur in line with the 2022-2023 Annual Plan process.

The Stewart Island Levy Subcommittee is meeting in February 2021 to work with staff in developing a 10 year funding plan for allocation of levy funds, in line with the policy.

Corporate risks

Staff have started preparing for the next round of reporting on Council's strategic risks. Staff will be updating the quarterly risk register, and then quarterly reports will be provided to the Finance and Assurance Committee in March 2021, and to Council in April 2021. The Finance and Assurance Committee will also have a discussion on one of the top strategic risks at the conclusion of their meeting.

Long Term Plan

Staff are continuing to complete the necessary work required to get the draft budgets, consultation document, activity management plans, infrastructure and financial strategies finalised. We are currently

finalising the dates for Audit NZ to review the supporting information necessary to complete the Consultation Document. As a result, staff are working on amending the project plan to meet the legislative requirements, to ensure the LTP is adopted by the end of June 2021.

Stakeholder updates

Highways South

- the pavement rehabilitation on SH6, south of Winton (entrance to Sinclair Transport north of Gap Road) is underway now and will be completed in February
- pavement rehabilitation work near Mossburn will begin later in summer, once the above work is complete
- the recent resurfacing of Josephville Hill on SH6 is the start of ongoing work culminating in a rehab of this area
- Crawford Tunnel update: A solution has been determined for this issue and we are now working towards implementing this. In the meantime, the temporary traffic lights have been removed and a priority give way is in place at this location
- chip sealing around the network continues until March - please obey the speed restrictions on these sites, even if unattended. This is to ensure the success of the seal and avoid the need to cause further delays by coming back and fixing damage
- Highways South sends a weekly email listing all **planned** interruptions on Southland state highways for the coming week. If you or others in your community would like to be added to this list, please visit our Facebook page (www.facebook.com/HighwaysSouthNZ) and click on the 'Sign up' link
- for journey planning and **unplanned** delays/detours both in Southland and other regions please visit [www. https://www.journeys.nzta.govt.nz/](https://www.journeys.nzta.govt.nz/)
- please keep in mind that the coming months are expected to be hot, and this can have an effect on road surfaces, so please drive with care
- a reminder that the Burt Munro rally is coming up on the 10 February, so there are likely to be a lot more bikes on both state highways and local roads

Operational Report for Northern Community Board

Record No: R/21/1/3881
Author: Carolyn Davies, Executive Assistant
Approved by: Anne Robson, Chief Financial Officer

☐ Decision ☐ Recommendation ☒ Information

Purpose of Report

The purpose of the report is to update the board on the operational activities in the Northern Community Board area.

Recommendation

That the Northern Community Board:

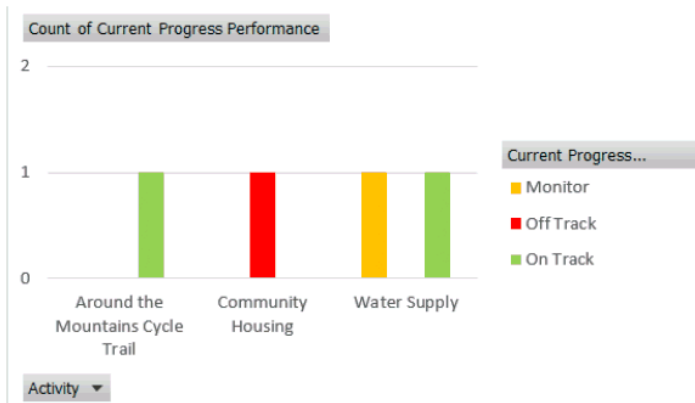
- a) **Receives the report titled “Operational Report for Northern Community Board”**
dated 10 February 2021.

Attachments

A Report to Northern Community Board - 15 February 2021 - Operational report [📄](#)



1. Projects within current financial year



CLARIFICATION OF FUNDING SOURCES

Local funded: stormwater, cemeteries, footpaths, SIESA, water structures and community halls.

District funded: water, wastewater, public toilets and roading.

Local or District funded (dependent on service): community facilities, parks and reserves.

ACTIVITY	CODE	NAME	CURRENT PHASE	CURRENT PROGRESS	2020/21 BUDGET	PROJECT CURRENT COMMENT
WATER SUPPLY	P-10376	Falling main replacement - Lumsden	Pre delivery phase	On track	\$71,858	Signed landowner agreement has been received, contractor has been informed that they can now re-establish on site.
AROUND THE MOUNTAINS CYCLE TRAIL	P-10419	Repair flood damage on cycle trail.	Delivery phase	On Track	\$583,544	Construction works completed in November 2020, now in defects period

Report to Northern CB
15/02/2021

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ACTIVITY	CODE	NAME	CURRENT PHASE	CURRENT PROGRESS	2020/21 BUDGET	PROJECT CURRENT COMMENT
WATER SUPPLY	P-10265	District metered areas - Lumsden Balfour	Delivery phase	Monitor	\$83,025	Pricing has been received from Downer and approved. Install has been pushed out to mid-February 2021 to align with the re-establishment of the contractor to complete the Lumsden rising main replacement.
COMMUNITY HOUSING	P-10309	External repaint (including roof) of Lumsden community housing units	Delivery phase	Off Track	\$27,157	Works on replacing roof and painting in progress

2. Service Contracts

CONTRACT NAME	CONTRACT MANAGER COMMENTARY
10/01 – Water and Waste Water Services Operation and Maintenance	The water and waste water contract is operating well. Further high rainfall events have required increased monitoring of river intakes.
17/ 03 – Waimea Alliance	<p>The Northern area received further flood damage over January, mostly around Garston and Nokomi areas. Repairs are ongoing over the period and into February along with other Waimea areas, particularly around Waikaia.</p> <p>Routine maintenance and township cyclic work is ongoing, and includes minor projects and RFS works.</p> <p>Pre-reseal repairs have been completed for the Northern area and are working in other areas of the Waimea and Central Alliance patches.</p> <p>Council's sealing contractors have been completing works in various locales around the district including the Northern and other Waimea ward areas.</p>
20/01 – Lumsden Office and library cleaning	We are very happy with the cleaning under this contract. Staff have sent positive comments and the contract manager has been completing regular quality assurance.
Toilet Contracts	Mossburn toilet project has been completed with new doors installed, Athol cleans have been increased to meet the demand of increased visitors to the area. Lumsden has been operating well. Council have received positive feedback on the well-kept blocks, a credit to the cleaners.



CONTRACT NAME	CONTRACT MANAGER COMMENTARY
Mowing	Some spraying is required at the cemetery, mowing is progressing well even though growth has been fast.

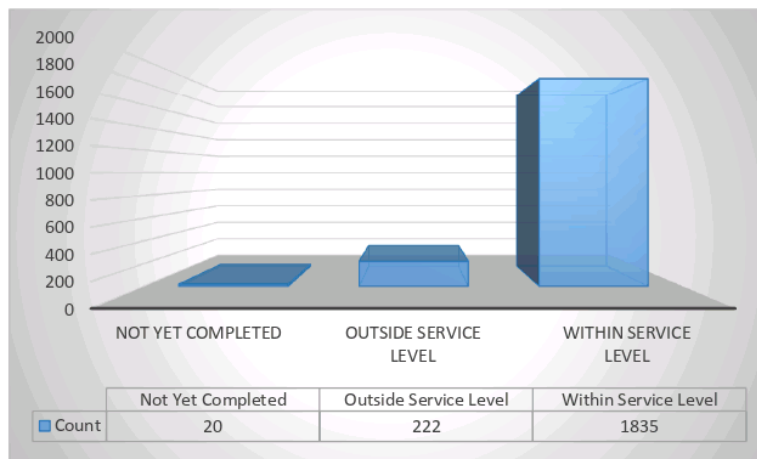
3. Request for service data 16 September 2020 – 18 January 2021



REQUEST TYPE	COUNT
Around the mountain repairs and maintenance	1
Cemeteries repairs and maintenance	1
Culverts blocked - rural	2
Debris on gravel roads (safety)	1
Licensed premise queries or complaints	6
New sign requests (where none existed before)	4
Noise control (not animal noises)	2
Roadside spraying - noxious weeds	1
Rural SCADA defined water problems	1
Rural water - no water supply	4
Rural water low water pressure	1
Toilet cleaning	1
Toilet repairs and maintenance	6
Vegetation urban/berm mow/overgrown/visibility issues	4
Gravel potholes and corrugations (safety)	1
Sealed road - potholes and blowouts (routine)	1
Transport - road matters general	1
Urban stormwater (the drain)	4
Warning and reg. signs existing (speed, curve etc)	1
Water asset leak - (main, hydrant, valve, meter)	3
Water pressure low	1
Water toby leak	2
Water toby location	3
Wheelie bin damaged	1
Wheelie bin new	2

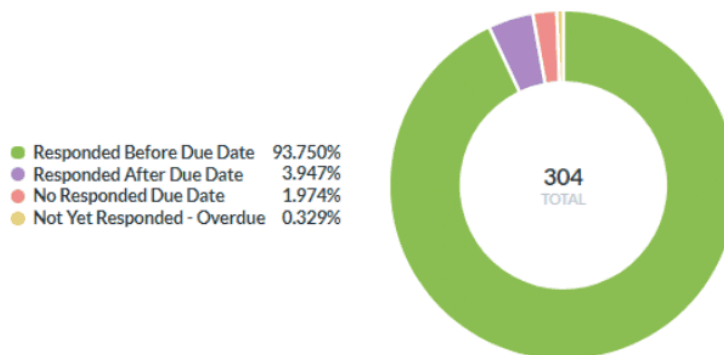
REQUEST TYPE	COUNT
Wheelie bin stolen	1
Wheelie bin collection complaints	2
TOTAL	58

RFS Count by completion time status



Note: RFS' that were not yet completed or outside the service level were due to factors including COVID-19 lockdown restrictions, further investigations/work required and extensions of time to complete the requests.

IPS Requests, Response Time Status





4. Local finance reporting

Athol - Business Units as at 31 December 2020									
	Income			Expenses			Capital		
Business Unit	Actual YTD	Budget YTD	Budget Full Year	Actual YTD	Budget YTD	Budget Full Year	Actual YTD	Budget YTD	Budget Full Year
Operating Costs - Athol	\$333	\$329	\$879	\$250	\$330	\$659			
Cemetery - Athol	\$493	\$495	\$989	\$411	\$495	\$989			
Beautification -Athol	\$2,988	\$2,994	\$5,989	\$7,199	\$6,617	\$13,234	\$6,874		
Playground - Athol	\$1,315	\$1,319	\$2,637	\$198	\$1,319	\$2,637			
Hall - Athol	\$5,633	\$5,755	\$11,721	\$6,359	\$6,412	\$11,838			
Total	\$10,763	\$10,892	\$22,215	\$14,417	\$15,172	\$29,357	\$6,874	\$0	\$0

Garston - Business Units as at 31 December 2020									
	Income			Expenses			Capital		
Business Unit	Actual YTD	Budget YTD	Budget Full Year	Actual YTD	Budget YTD	Budget Full Year	Actual YTD	Budget YTD	Budget Full Year
Beautification - Garston	\$6,093	\$6,093	\$12,851	\$12,472	\$7,358	\$14,717			
Playground - Garston	\$832	\$840	\$1,679	\$411	\$1,294	\$2,588			
Playcentre Building	\$1,060	\$1,079	\$2,157	\$1,297	\$1,436	\$2,157			
Total	\$7,986	\$8,012	\$16,687	\$14,179	\$10,088	\$19,462	\$0	\$0	\$0


Lumsden - Business Units as at 31 December 2020

	Income			Expenses			Capital		
Business Unit	Actual YTD	Budget YTD	Budget Full Year	Actual YTD	Budget YTD	Budget Full Year	Actual YTD	Budget YTD	Budget Full Year
Administration - Lumsden			\$1,518						
Operating Costs - Lumsden	\$2,604	\$2,454	\$4,907	\$7,785	\$4,188	\$4,907			
Street Works - Lumsden	\$3,433	\$3,410	\$7,029		\$1,410	\$2,820			
Refuse Collection - Lumsden	\$15,377	\$15,275	\$30,550	\$8,309	\$17,275	\$34,550			
Stormwater Drainage - Lumsden	\$6,491	\$6,447	\$12,996	\$3,917	\$6,529	\$12,895		\$20,000	\$20,000
Cemetery - Lumsden	\$3,323	\$5,643	\$11,285	\$7,950	\$7,789	\$15,578			
Beautification - Lumsden	\$25,981	\$25,851	\$51,702	\$42,155	\$26,127	\$52,253			
Recreation Reserve - Lumsden	\$1,808	\$1,845	\$3,690	\$3,150	\$2,059	\$3,690			
Playground - Lumsden	\$1,152	\$1,149	\$2,297	\$1,955	\$2,865	\$5,729			
Camping Ground - Lumsden	\$600	\$600	\$1,200						
Hall - Lumsden	\$9,167	\$9,372	\$19,044	\$9,176	\$11,192	\$19,570			
Information - Centre	\$1,525	\$1,576	\$3,151	\$5,416	\$2,599	\$4,531			
Total	\$71,461	\$73,621	\$149,369	\$89,811	\$82,033	\$156,523	\$0	\$20,000	\$20,000

Mossburn - Business Units as at 31 December 2020

	Income			Expenses			Capital		
Business Unit	Actual YTD	Budget YTD	Budget Full Year	Actual YTD	Budget YTD	Budget Full Year	Actual YTD	Budget YTD	Budget Full Year
Operating Costs - Mossburn			\$3,485	\$325	\$1,923	\$3,845			
Street Works - Mossburn	\$8,410	\$8,409	\$16,819	\$7,612	\$15,734	\$31,468			
Stormwater Drainage - Mossburn	\$2,400	\$2,400	\$4,799	\$698	\$2,405	\$4,799			
Cemetery - Mossburn	\$8,371	\$2,928	\$5,855	\$9,203	\$2,927	\$5,855			
Beautification - Mossburn	\$5,327	\$5,327	\$10,653	\$8,444	\$8,327	\$16,653			
War Memorial Park	\$8,342	\$8,342	\$16,684	\$14,136	\$8,703	\$16,684			
Playground - Mossburn	\$768	\$768	\$1,537	\$193	\$768	\$1,537			
Total	\$33,618	\$28,174	\$59,832	\$40,612	\$40,787	\$80,841	\$0	\$0	\$0



Northern Southland development fund - Business Units as at 31 December 2020									
	Income			Expenses			Capital		
Business Unit	Actual YTD	Budget YTD	Budget Full Year	Actual YTD	Budget YTD	Budget Full Year	Actual YTD	Budget YTD	Budget Full Year
Northern Southland Devlpt Fund			\$10,600			\$9,825	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total	\$0	\$0	\$10,600	\$0	\$0	\$9,825	\$0	\$0	\$0

Community Leadership - Northern - Business Units as at 31 December 2020									
	Income			Expenses			Capital		
Business Unit	Actual YTD	Budget YTD	Budget Full Year	Actual YTD	Budget YTD	Budget Full Year	Actual YTD	Budget YTD	Budget Full Year
Community Leadership Northern		\$0	\$6,069	\$30,093	\$12,663	\$56,867	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total	\$0	\$0	\$6,069	\$30,093	\$12,663	\$56,867	\$0	\$0	\$0

Athol beautification operating expenditure is \$582 over budget, due to a tidy up completed at the Athol green waste site, this is offset by an underspend in Athol playground general maintenance (\$1,121) for the year to date. Capital expenditure is currently \$6,874 over budget due to the final work on the beautification portion of the railway display project. This project was completed on 21 August 2020. A budget of \$6,424 for this work was carried forward from 2019/2020. The carry forward budget was coded to maintenance projects in error. This will be corrected in February forecasting to realign the budget with the actual spend.

Garston beautification operating expenditure is \$5,113 over budget, due to mowing and gardening completed to date. This is due to the annual purchase order being dated December in the purchase order system.

Lumsden cemetery income is \$2,159 under budget due to lower cemetery income to date. Lumsden operating costs are \$3,597 over budget, this is due to Southland District Council rates being higher than budgeted for. Street works is \$1,410 under budget due to no general maintenance required to date. Refuse collection is \$8,966 under budget due to less street litter bin costs to date. Stormwater is \$2,612 due to under spend in monitoring and maintenance costs. Stormwater capital expenditure is \$20,000 due to the reticulation upgrade of the SE catchment that was budgeted for 2020/2021. This project has been deferred to 2023/2024 and an allowance has been made in year 3 of proposed LTP. Beautification expenditure is \$16,025 over budget, due to mowing and gardening completed to date. \$10,000 of the additional mowing costs is due to annual purchase order being dated December in purchase order system. This will be investigated further in February. Recreation reserve is \$1,090 over budget due to higher electricity expenses. Lumsden Hall is \$2,016 under budget due to lower cleaning, electricity and operating costs to date. Information centre is \$2,816 over budget due, which is predominately due to \$1,867 of internal water meter charges, charged to the incorrect business unit. This will be corrected in February.



Mossburn cemetery income and expenditure are over budget due to higher internment income and expenditure year to date. Operating costs is \$1,597 under budget due to an under spend in general projects to date. Street works operating expenditure is \$8,122 under budget due to internal capital costs expected for footpath renewals, which has yet to occur. Stormwater is \$1,707 under budget due to an under spend in general maintenance to date. War memorial park is \$5,432 over budget due to higher mowing expenses.

Community Leadership expenses is \$17,431 over budget due to the community leadership grants budget not being currently in line with the grant allocation rounds. The budget will be phased to be in line with the expected grant payment dates.

Reserve Balances

RESERVE	30 JUNE 2020	BUDGET 30 JUNE 2021	FORECAST 30 JUNE 2021
Athol community centre	\$7,906	\$8,118	\$8,118
Athol general	\$22,147	\$21,546	\$15,122
Total – Athol	\$30,053	\$29,664	\$23,240
Garston special projects	\$36,998	\$36,841	\$36,841
Total – Garston	\$36,998	\$36,841	\$36,841
Lumsden community centre	\$4,823	\$5,123	\$5,123
Lumsden cemetery	\$676	\$676	\$676
Lumsden footpaths	\$4,699	\$8,908	\$8,908
Lumsden general	\$73,712	\$76,430	\$76,430
Lumsden stormwater	\$68,378	\$48,479	\$48,479
Total – Lumsden	\$152,288	\$139,616	\$139,616
Mossburn general	\$102,593	\$83,733	\$81,584
Total – Mossburn	\$102,593	\$83,733	\$81,584
Northern Southland development fund	\$321,408	\$322,183	\$322,183
Total – Northern Southland development fund	\$321,408	\$322,183	\$322,183
TOTAL RESERVES	\$643,340	\$612,037	\$603,464

Council Report

Record No: R/21/1/3139

Author: Kelly Tagg, Community Partnership Leader

Approved by: Anne Robson, Chief Financial Officer

☐ Decision

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Environmental Services

Group Managers Update

Museums

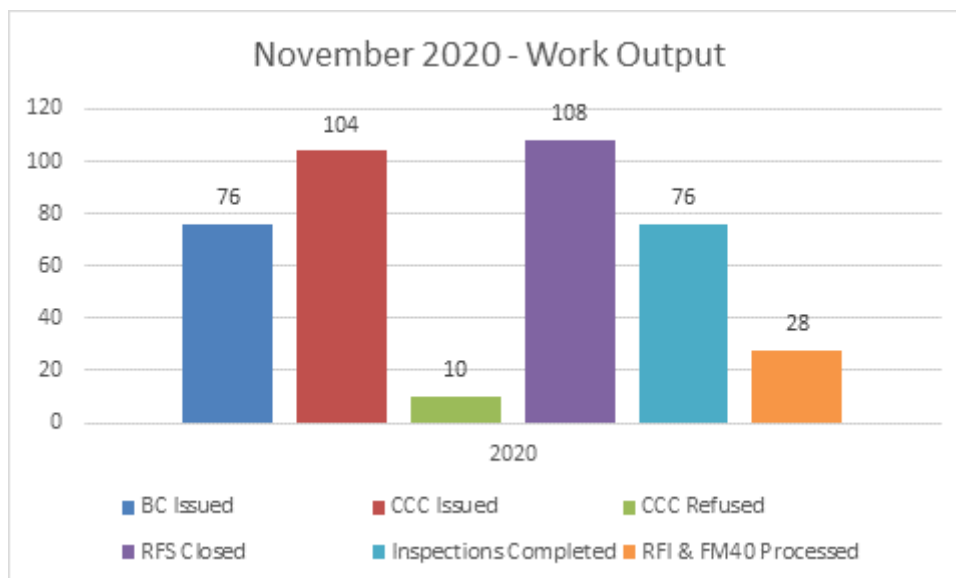
1. There was a fabulous celebration at the opening of the Rakiura Museum on 1 December. It was a great gathering of the locals with the school children performing with the kapa haka group supported by the local marae. Their hospitality to those visiting Stewart Island was equally impressive.
2. The exhibits in the museum have been well laid out and tell the history of people on the Island. Several significant items from family collections were entrusted to the care of the museum and have added to the rich history of the area.

Emergency Management Southland

3. Angus McKay has resigned his position as EMS manager and has accepted a new role with the Ministry of Primary Industries (MPI) in Wellington as chief controller, starting at the end of January 2021.

Building Solutions

4. Council continues to receive a higher volume of consents post Covid-19 lockdown than were received prior, with 93 consents received during November 2020, this is 11% more than were received in November 2019.
5. The team have maintained their improved processing timeframes for building consents issued, achieving 81% compliance for November 2020. Overdue consents with requests for further information which sit with the customer are being continuously 'drip fed' back into the team's workload preventing a 100% compliance achievement.



November 2020 – Building Consents Received

Primary Property Hk Ey → Property Ward	Count	Sum of Application Val...
Mararoa Waimea	26	NZ\$5,423,712.50
Stewart Island Rakiura	3	NZ\$58,000.00
Waiau Aparima	22	NZ\$2,264,264.00
Waihopai Toetoe	12	NZ\$944,500.00
Winton Wallacetown	34	NZ\$4,355,192.00

Dog Control

6. Animal control staff completed their first dog safety training workshop at Environment Southland for their compliance officers in relation to the risks they face entering private property. Great feedback was received from Environment Southland and it was a job well done.
7. Animal control staff are also running a series of workshops looking at ways to improve the dog registration process, for the purpose making it more efficient.

Environmental Health

8. The team is starting work on developing online applications for alcohol licensing. Once this is completed health licensing will then follow.
9. It is proposed to start work on amending Council's Alcohol Fee Setting Bylaw, having been delayed due to Covid-19 and its effects on business.
10. The review is expected to be completed by 1 July 2021.

Resource management

11. Covid-19 has not noticeably affected incoming resource consent workloads. Incoming resource consent applications remain consistent (or slightly behind) with the same period in 2019. There has also been two vacancies within the team and a team member taking unexpected leave which has impacted on getting consents issued within timeframes for the months of October and November. Additionally, there has been a substantial increase in the number of enquiries received by the team and we anticipate that the consent volumes into the New Year will remain steady (on par with previous years).
12. Up until the alert level 4 restrictions coming into force, ongoing policy focused work was occurring on the regional work streams for Climate Change, Biodiversity, Landscapes and Natural Character. In the national space, Covid-19 has delayed some anticipated national direction. Particularly the national policy statements on highly productive land and indigenous biodiversity have been delayed and it is anticipated that they will now be released in April 2021. Recent discussions within the resource management sector indicate that the wider RMA reform is progressing at pace and it is anticipated that there will be a bill introduced to parliament on the new direction mid-2021. Significant environmental change and the impacts of this change has been signalled in the LTP. Additional funding over and above the current budgets will be required to position the resource management team to be able to implement the legislative requirements.
13. Council has endorsed a report to bring forward the review of the landscapes section of the District Plan. Work is now underway to understand the unique nature of Southland's landscapes, cultural values and local areas of significance. There are a number of pieces of work that will inform a review and also a number of conversations with communities and landowners.
14. Public feedback is currently being sought on identifying the important and outstanding landscapes in our District so that there is adequate protection and enhancement of these landscapes moving forward. It is anticipated that a plan change will be notified in the middle of 2021.
15. Council initiated the Rakiura Dark Skies Plan Change and this will be made operative prior to Christmas. This is the last step in the plan change process and it will accordingly require all future lighting to be installed in accordance with the new rules.
16. A monitoring and enforcement role within the team has recently been filled and in the future more work around education, monitoring and enforcing the provisions of the District Plan will take place.
17. Resource consent data for previous few months is detailed below.
 - September – 34 applications received, 27 decisions issued
 - October - 31 applications received, 26 decisions issued
 - November – 21 applications received, 23 decisions issued.

Services and Assets

Forestry (IFS)

18. The financial year 2020/2021 harvesting out of Waikaia block 4 is complete. There were 22,325 tonnes recovered which is 3,545 tonnes more than appraisal. This results in a net profit of \$1.209 million which improves over budget by \$295,000.
19. Pruning and thinning silviculture operations in Gowan Hills have commenced.

Around the Mountains Cycle Trail

20. The contract for repairs to the trail, associated with the February flood event, has achieved practical completion.
21. Additional MBIE funding has been gained to repair a flood damaged culvert that was not originally identified and this will be added as a variation to The Roding Company construction contract. The construction is now complete.
22. A separate flood event has significantly damaged a section of trail near Centre Hill and a long term solution is being developed to restore the trail and reduce/eliminate the river threat. Given commencement of a new cycle season, a temporary route diversion has been completed to avoid the washed out section.

Property

23. We are currently working with reduced staff but have been receiving assistance from other staff members for the incoming/outgoing community housing tenants.
24. The backlog of disposals are nearing completion with the Waianiwa hall transfer and Ohai bowling club building sale to be finalised soon. The Maitāhara Island hall and Menzies Ferry hall are with the Department of Conservation to dispose of and Council has applied for a portion of the proceeds. The next round of abandoned land properties will be processed in early 2021.
25. We are now turning our attention to the many lease and licence agreements that are held on Council property to get them all up to date.

Strategic Water and Waste

Te Anau Wastewater Discharge Project

26. Following Council resolutions from 23 October 2018 meeting, it was resolved to proceed with a sub-surface drip irrigation as disposal route.
27. Work on the pipeline element has now been completed with practical completion issued in July.
28. Work is also continuing on detailed design of MF plant and SDFI field following Council approval to award contracts to Downer and Fulton Hogan respectively. Physical works have now started at both the Te Anau and Kepler end of the pipeline.
29. The resource consent application for the discharge to the Upukerora has also been lodged with Environment Southland (ES) and with affected party approval provided by a number of stakeholders. A request for additional information has been prepared and forwarded to ES on 6 November. It is anticipated that this will be sufficient to allow ES to decide on a notification route moving forward.

Land and Water Plan Implementation

30. Environment Southland released their proposed Land and Water Plan in 2017.
31. In total 25 appeals were received by Environment Southland of which Council has identified 10, which it will join as a Section 274 party. Council has also lodged an appeal to the decision. The basis of Council's appeal, is largely around the 'non-complying' activity status on wastewater discharges to water. The latest direction issued from the Environment Court outlines a proposed path, where appeals to objectives will be heard ahead of mediation, by grouped topic on policies and rules. Evidence in support of the appeals have been filed with the Environment Court.
32. Interim decisions were released by the Environment Court in late December with a recommendation that further expert conferencing be undertaken in early 2019.
33. A further hearing was held in mid-June 2020 where evidence was presented on additional information that the courts required Environment Southland to provide based on their interpretation of a number of key principles underpinning the plan. Agreement has now been reached on all outstanding appeals related to the objectives and policies with a further report before the court grouping appeals of a similar nature by topic.
34. At this stage Council retain interest in two of the appeal topics related to infrastructure and discharges. On 18 November 2020 a report released from the Court identified 18 December as a date for mediation on the infrastructure grouped topic. It is important that Council are represented at this mediation so as not to lose any of the protection that these policies and rules provide when maintaining and replacing our infrastructure.

Review of Solid Waste Contract Arrangements

35. Following a series of WasteNet meetings and Council mediation the RFP process was formally ended on 18 December without any award. At this stage each of the WasteNet councils are considering potential short and longer term options to process recycling post 30 June when current contract arrangements expire.
36. Further recent developments are more closely related to the changing nature of the global recycling markets that have resulted in other councils reviewing how they manage recycling operations. Currently there is no market for low grade plastics and limited markets for fibre (paper/cardboard) with a number of councils across the country now opting to discontinue their collection.
37. Agreement was reached with Invercargill City Council in June to handle Council's recyclables through their contract arrangement with their incumbent contractor. This is for an 18-month period, after which alternatives will be considered separate to the ongoing LTP process.

Review of Waste Disposal Levy

38. On 27 November, Associate Minister for the Environment, Eugenie Sage, announced a wide reaching review of the Waste Disposal Levy. The levy introduced through the Waste Minimisation Act 2008 places a charge of \$10 per tonne for all waste disposed at municipal landfill sites. Of the money collected half is returned to TLAs to help fund waste minimisation activities with the remainder going to a contestable fund where any organisation can apply to gain funding to help set up waste minimisation initiatives.

39. The review proposed to both increase the levy (phased over three years) from the current \$10 per tonne to a proposed \$50-\$60 per tonne which brings it more into line with similar levy schemes in Australia and overseas. It is also proposed that the scheme will also be extended to include all landfill types (currently it only applies to those receiving household waste).
40. Revenue raised from the landfill levy is currently around \$36 million per annum. It is estimated that the proposals would result in an increase of levy revenue of around \$220 million by 2023.
41. The consultation document outlined four potential options for transitioning from current arrangements to future arrangements by 2023. The submission prepared by WasteNet was presented to Council on 30 January and formally submitted to MfE on 31 January.
42. In August it was announced that the levy would incrementally increase to \$60 per tonne by July 2024. This has been budgeted for through the LTP process.

3 Water Reforms

43. There is currently a significant amount of work ongoing across the three waters reform in New Zealand. Council is currently awaiting DIA sign off on our delivery plan for undertaking the additional stimulus funding and close to finalising a procurement plan to enable delivery.
44. It was confirmed on 12 November that the delivery plan was signed off in its entirety by the DIA.
45. Procurement of the delivery plan will be through two separate panels with local contractors and consultants. Panel one will focus largely on reticulation work whereas panel two will be more focussed on condition assessment work across our three waters networks with a significant programme of CCTV work throughout wastewater and stormwater networks. Tenders for the panel 1 request for information closed on 17 November and at time of writing tenders are undergoing evaluation with the anticipation panellists will be in place by late November.
46. In addition, work is ongoing to progress investigation into alternative collaborative work models across Southland and Otago with a view to meeting government expectations that the sector will voluntarily aggregate to a significant scale (most likely cross regional) to deliver long term service delivery benefits.
47. In late October Council also received a significant request for information (RfI) from the Department of Internal Affairs in support of the reforms. This will most likely require a significant amount of additional workload across not only water and waste but also others across the organisation within a relatively short timeframe. Deadline for returns is 1 February 2021.

Project Delivery Team (PDT)

48. 20 Don Street shift has now been completed and staff are settling into their new spaces.
49. The Forth Street tower upgrade is now underway and will be delivered in stages around staff access.
50. Te Anau waste water project is now well underway with construction activity on both sites.
51. We are now starting to see some supply issues as a result of Covid-19.
52. Planning now well underway for delivery of the three waters reform stimulus funding projects.
53. Works continues on core improvement projects.

Community Facilities

54. The Long Term Plan process continues to be at the forefront of the work programme with staff and the finance team adding the final changes to the projects and budgets after the third round of meetings.
55. The tender documents for the Northern, Eastern, Central and Wallace mowing contracts have been published and local contractors notified. The tenders closed on 22 December. This provides staff with ample time to meet the governance timeframes for community board, committee and Council meetings. The new contracts will start on 1 July 2021.
56. Staff have started renewing the gardening contracts. These will also be a mix of direct negotiation with the incumbent contractors and tendering. The Riverton gardening tender has been published and closed 25 November 2020.
57. Good progress is being made towards getting Council's asset management system (IPS) set up to receive the asset data. Waugh Consulting are entering data into the development application. Staff can then run test scripts to validate that all the processes work.
58. Contractor availability and material supply is delaying progress on some of these projects.
59. Contractors have completed the development of the Monkey Island camping area.
60. It was incredibly disappointing to discover the new concrete and grass areas had been damaged on 1 December. The team has been working hard on this redevelopment so this popular summer space can once again be enjoyed by the community and visitors over the Christmas and summer period.
61. Police were notified of this incident.

Strategic Transport

District Wide Roading Programme

62. Resurfacing works are well underway with Downer focusing on the more urban sites of Riverton and Winton with the works then shifting to the more rural areas in the New Year. Fulton Hogan have more rural sites for their contract area.
63. Due to the work being highly weather dependent priorities may shift between coastal and inland sites to ensure the season's works program is completed.
64. Lower Hollyford Road repair works have commenced with the plan to have the first 13km (just past the air strip) completed by Christmas. Repairs will then proceed to re-establish the last section of road to the start of the Hollyford track. This is expected to be completed in March depending on weather condition. It is anticipated that public access will be available from Christmas but will need to be carefully managed particularly when construction works are being undertaken.
65. The annual district wide Roadroid survey which provides a snapshot of the gravel road roughness condition across the district has been completed. The initial indication is that a combined score of 88% for good or satisfactory was achieved which is above the 85% target.
66. WSP as Council's new structures services provider have continued to complete the next round of bridge inspection and are making good progress. From the inspection Dipton Mossburn Road bridge number 4 has required urgent action. This has resulted in a posting reduction from 90% to 70% which has significantly impacted on heavy transport industry. Due to the lack of suitable

detour and the length of detours, the replacement of this bridge is seen as a priority and the bridge programme is being reviewed with the goal to reprioritise the bridge for replacement.

People and Capability

67. Health and safety governance training will be scheduled with Council and community board chairs in early February 2021.
68. A number of roles have been advertised and recruited for over the past two months. These include roles in the building team, resource management, community facilities and water and waste.
69. These roles are to support the teams achieve their objectives, statutory timeframes and provide support to our communities.

Recommendation

That the Northern Community Board:

- a) **Receives the report titled “Council Report” dated** 10 February 2021.

Attachments

There are no attachments for this report.

Northern Southland Community Pool - Request for Funds

Record No: R/21/1/3752
Author: Kathryn Cowie, Community Liaison Officer
Approved by: Rex Capil, Group Manager Community and Futures

☐ Decision ☒ Recommendation ☐ Information

Purpose

- 1 The purpose of this report is for the Northern Community Board to decide if they would like to make a recommendation to Council to grant funds to the Northern Southland Community Pool from the Mararoa Waimea ward reserve.

Executive Summary

- 2 The Northern Southland Community Pool are in the process of fundraising to replace the roof on their facility. They have approached Council staff about accessing funds from the Mararoa Waimea ward reserve to assist with this project.
- 3 The total cost of the project is \$122,000 and the pool committee are seeking \$16,000 from the ward reserve. The balance of funds will be made up of money already secured from various community funders and their own funds.
- 4 The pool committee were advised of several options for funding support from Southland District Council and have chosen to apply for a grant from the ward reserve by making an application via the Northern Community Board, who will then decide whether or not to make a recommendation to Council to support this request.

Recommendation

That the Northern Community Board:

- a) **Receives the report titled "Northern Southland Community Pool - Request for Funds" dated 1 February 2021.**
- b) Determines that this matter or decision be recognised as not significant in terms of Section 76 of the Local Government Act 2002.
- c) Determines that it has complied with the decision-making provisions of the Local Government Act 2002 to the extent necessary in relation to this decision; and in accordance with Section 79 of the act determines that it does not require further information, further assessment of options or further analysis of costs and benefits or advantages and disadvantages prior to making a decision on this matter.
- d) Recommends to Council to grant the Northern Southland Community Pool \$16,000 from the Mararoa Waimea ward reserve.

Background

- 5 The Northern Southland Community Pool are currently in the process of raising funds for a project to replace the roof of the pool facility. The roof is past its use by date and needs replacing to ensure the continued safety of pool users.
- 6 The total project cost to replace the roof is \$122,000 (excluding GST). The Northern Southland Community Pool Committee have been granted a considerable portion of this (\$90,000) from various community funders (Lotteries, Community Trust South, Meridian and SDC Community Partnership Fund), and have shortfall of \$32,000 to complete the project.
- 7 Council staff have been contacted by the pool committee regarding making an application to Council for a grant from the Mararoa Waimea ward reserve to assist with this project. They are requesting an amount of \$16,000 with the remainder of the funds coming from their own reserves.
- 8 As part of the conversation with the pool committee, Council staff advised of the following options to receive funding from Council for their facility:
 - apply to the Northern Community Board Community Partnership Fund
 - ask the Northern Community Board to consider adding a pool rate to assist with costs
 - ask the Northern Community Board to make a recommendation to Council to access the Mararoa Waimea ward reserve funds.
- 9 For the second and third options above, the pool committee were asked to provide copies of their capital and maintenance plans for the next five years, financial accounts, budgets for the next five years, and an application letter explaining the request and why it is necessary. In their request, the pool committee have indicated in their five year budget for their capital reserve account, that most of this has already been earmarked for future work on the external roadside wall to bring it up to earthquake standards. The information provided by the committee is attached to this report.
- 10 The pool committee decided to go for the third option – to make a request that the community board recommends to Council to grant them funds from the Mararoa Waimea ward reserve.
- 11 It is worth noting that the Northern Southland Community Pool have already made an application to the Community Partnership Fund in its first round in August 2020, where they were granted \$5,000 towards this project.

Issues

- 12 If the grant is not approved, the Northern Southland Community Pool may have to use funds of their own which have already been tagged to other maintenance projects.

Factors to Consider

Legal and Statutory Requirements

- 13 As there are no longer ward committees, Council need to make the final decision to approve or not approve funds granted from the Mararoa Waimea ward reserve.

Community Views

- 14 The pool facility is well utilised and supported by Northern Southland residents.

Costs and Funding

- 15 The total cost of the project is \$122,000. The pool committee have already secured \$90,000 towards the project, and are seeking a further \$16,000 from the Mararoa Waimea ward reserve. The remainder will be paid from their own funds. The Mararoa Waimea ward reserve is currently sitting at approximately \$128,164, and is forecast to have \$65,674 left at the end of the 2021 financial year.

Policy Implications

- 16 There are no policy implications.

Analysis

Options Considered

- 17 Recommends or does not recommend to Council to grant \$16,000 to the Northern Southland Community Pool from the Mararoa Waimea ward reserve.

Analysis of Options

Option 1 – recommends to Council to grant \$16,000 to the Northern Southland Community Pool from the Mararoa Waimea ward reserve

<i>Advantages</i>	<i>Disadvantages</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> the Northern Southland Community Pool Committee are able to complete their project to replace the roof on the facility, therefore maintaining the facility, and making it safe for users 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> funds are not available for other projects in the Mararoa Waimea ward area

Option 2 – does not recommend to Council to grant \$16,000 to the Northern Southland Community Pool from the Mararoa Waimea ward reserve

<i>Advantages</i>	<i>Disadvantages</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> funds are available for other projects in the Mararoa Waimea ward area 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> the Northern Southland Community Pool Committee will either have to use more of their reserves or will have to source funding from elsewhere, which could delay the project, or they will not have enough funds to cover other costs associated with the pool operation and maintenance

Assessment of Significance

- 18 Not considered significant.

Recommended Option

- 19 Option 1 - recommends to Council to grant \$16,000 to the Northern Southland Community Pool from the Mararoa Waimea ward reserve

Next Steps

- 20 If the community board agree to make a recommendation to Council, a report will go to the Council meeting on 3 March 2021.

Attachments

- A NS Community Pool - application for funding - PUBLIC EXCLUDED [↓](#)

Chairperson's Report

Record No: R/21/1/1872

Author: Rose Knowles, Committee Advisor/Customer Support Partner

Approved by: Anne Robson, Chief Financial Officer

☐ Decision

☐ Recommendation

☒ Information

Purpose of report

- 1 The purpose of the report is to provide an update the Northern Community Board on activities that the chairperson has been involved since the November 2020 meeting.
- 2 The report also provides an opportunity for the board chairperson to present an overview of the issues he has been involved with.
- 3 Items of interest that the chair is reporting on are as follows:

The gardening contract has been extended until the 30 June 2021. This will give us time to work with any interested parties in the contract to become an approved contractor with the health and safety and traffic management requirements.

Attended a meeting with Steve Mine from Southroads regarding trees and shrubs at the south entrance to Lumsden. Approved Southroads to do the pruning, removal of dead trees and general tidy up.

Recommendation

That the Northern Community Board:

- a) **Receives the report titled "Chairperson's Report" dated** 10 February 2021.

Attachments

There are no attachments for this report.

Exclusion of the Public: Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987

Recommendation

That the public be excluded from the following part(s) 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:

7.4 Northern Southland Community Pool - Request for Funds - Attachment A - NS Community Pool - application for funding

General subject of each matter to be considered	Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Ground(s) under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution
NS Community Pool - application for funding	s7(2)(a) - The withholding of the information is necessary to protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of a deceased person.	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 exists.