



NOTICE OF MEETING

**Notice is hereby given of a Meeting of the
Child, Youth and Family Friendly Sub-Committee
to be held in the Council Chamber,
First Floor, Civic Administration Building,
101 Esk Street, Invercargill on
Monday 7 May 2018 at 4.00 pm**

Cr D J Ludlow
Cr A H Crackett
R Amundsen
P Ereckson
B McDermott
A McSoriley
A Knowles
G Pope
R Thwaites
M Sears

EIRWEN HARRIS-MITCHELL
MANAGER, SECRETARIAL SERVICES

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The next meeting is scheduled to be held 18 June 2018

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE CHILD, YOUTH AND FAMILY FRIENDLY SUB-COMMITTEE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, FIRST FLOOR, CIVIC ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 101 ESK STREET, INVERCARGILL ON MONDAY 26 MARCH 2018 AT 4.00 PM

PRESENT: Cr D Ludlow
Cr A Crackett
P Ereckson
B McDermott
R Thwaites
M Sears

IN ATTENDANCE: Ms M Napper – Community Development Manager
Ms G Crawford – Community Development Officer
Ms L Kuresa – Governance Officer

1. **APOLOGIES**

R Amundsen, G Pope, A Knowles and A McSoriley.

Moved Cr Ludlow, seconded P Ereckson **RESOLVED** that the apologies be accepted.

2. **INTRODUCTION**

2.1 **Youth Council Representative**

Cr Ludlow introduced Maryanne Sears, the Youth Council representative.

3. **MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 12 FEBRUARY 2018**

Moved B McDermott, seconded P Ereckson and **RESOLVED** that the minutes be accepted as a true and correct record.

4. **MATTERS ARISING**

4.1 **Invercargill City Walk**

M Napper said that she would speak to Kari Graber to try and confirm where the initiative came from but she was 99% sure that it was a Healthy Families initiative that they worked with Ms Graber to get it instituted as she was the CBD Coordinator. It was raised at this meeting because someone had mentioned that the footsteps were too small and looked like it was just for children.

B McDermott said that after talking to the Healthy Families team, it was not necessarily their job to continue to repaint them. They also thought that the footprints were okay in size but people did not know what they were for.

After further discussions, it was agreed that this matter would be referred to Kari Graber.

4.2 NZ Monitoring Report on UNCROC

Cr Crackett said that Cr Ludlow asked the question at the previous meeting as to whether the Youth Council felt they were adequately heard or not. She suggested that perhaps the Youth Council could discuss this matter as the Policy was due to be reviewed.

4.3 Fun Day at the Marae

Cr Ludlow informed the meeting that this event went well. There was a good turn out and the weather was great. It was the first time that the Water Fill Station was used.

4.4 Smokefree Areas Policy

Copies of the smokefree signage were tabled for Committee Members information.

M Napper said the signage was done in different colours and they had now being put up around town in English and Maori version. They were seen from afar and they made a statement, especially in Wachner Place.

4.5 Water Fill Station

The water fill station was launched at the Surf to City event. It was well received by everyone at the event.

B McDermott said that they had carried out some research with the company around the anti-bacterial nozzles and the nozzles were extremely safe and not needing to be wiped. They were not different to a fountain at a school or in the park, so he was not sure if the nozzles needed wiped during an event when people were busy trying to coordinate an event.

M Napper said it was raised by Cr Lewis and she had discussed the matter with him and pointed out that it was no different to all the water facilities in this building for example with people filling up their bottles and cups with water. Cr Lewis did say that it was about the quality of the water coming out rather than the protection of the outside.

4.6 Children's Urban Play Area

M Napper she was invited to the Regional Play Network which was held at the same time and invited Eve ? to speak to the whole group but as it turned out, Eve ? it was about a project underway in Christchurch where a group of community organisations were working to get the Christchurch City Council to have something this, Child, Youth and Family Friendly. Eve ? was interested in what we did and did not know anything about it, so she had suggested that she should look at our website. There was value in it but the coverage about the conference she attended in London was very small.

In response to a question by B McDermott as to whether there were any discussions with HW Richardsons around development with regard to play spaces, Cr Ludlow said that during a presentation HW Richardsons spoke about the opportunity for play equipment. It was about pursuing that to ensure that it became a reality. It was a concept at the moment but not at the planning stage.

5. **GENERAL BUSINESS**

The report had been circulated.

5.1 **Brand Update**

Cr Crackett asked if the Annual A & P Southland Kids Tryathlon that was held in the weekend branded "Friendly" and Ms Crawford said that she did not know it was being held.

M Napper said that if she saw something advertised she would make Ms Crawford aware of it and if Ms Crawford saw something advertised, she would approach the organisers. It was difficult if events were not on the Events Calendar.

Cr Crackett suggested that a running register be set up of things that happened annually such as the Kids Tryathlon for the last 14 years.

M Napper said that people needed to tell her and Ms Crawford that the events were on and the event needed to meet the criteria before they were branded "Friendly". They also need at least two weeks lead in so that they could approach the organisers.

5.2 **Cycling**

The Committee discussed this matter with regard to teaching children the rules of safe bike riding.

M Napper said that there was a school's programme in Christchurch where a group of children went out with the instructors and being taught the safety aspects of cycling.

Cr Crackett informed the meeting that there was also a nation-wide NZTA initiative for Cycling education that was about to be rolled out across the country. There were no proper certified mentors in the South Island so they were looking opportunities to educate some assessors in Southland to be able to facilitate property cycling education in schools, intermediate level and at a ride leading programme. There was a ride leading programme in Southland that Chris Foggin facilitates to bring some ride leaders up to speed in the community. They were actively working on cycling education as well.

5.3 **Policy Review**

There was a timeline to progress this.

Cr Ludlow asked if there were any changes that the Committee wanted to be made to the Policy.

M Napper said she had some approaches over the last six months from the group that looked after seniors in the Ministry of Social Development Seniors Policy Group. They were trying to encourage councils to have a senior's policy, so she had sent them ? Policy and said that this Committee believed that seniors were part of the family and something as child appropriate, would be seniors appropriate too, as far as accessibility went. She wondered if this Committee should include something that obviously included seniors.

Cr Ludlow said it was one of those things that was brought when the Policy was first introduced and one of the Councillors said that a policy for seniors should be done. It needed to be included in this Policy, so maybe it was around the wording to ensure that feedback was received from senior citizens, Age Concern and Grey Power.

Cr Crackett endorsed that and said there was no secret that Invercargill had an aging population with Council's economic to increase the population. There were still the residents to think about.

After further discussions, M Napper suggested that this be left to Mr Cameron, the Policy Analyst to have a look at and see what he came up with.

Cr Crackett said that one amendment she wanted made to the Policy was where it said "Other Relevant Council Policies, Plans and Strategies", it would be important to add the CBD Smokefree Areas Policy in the list that was there.

M Sears raised the point that the elderly loved to talk and be listened to about their families and loved ones.

P Ereckson agreed and said it was about having events that included seniors. It was about being proactive in the first instance.

M Napper said she would pass on the Committee's feedback from this meeting to Mr Cameron. Once the Policy was reviewed and adopted by Council, then the Committee could look at the other documents to reflect what had been discussed.

P Ereckson said that the next thing would be culture and how it fitted into the Policy. At the end of the day he had received an email saying that there was now new job seekers page for migrants to New Zealand that was free and paid for by the Government. It was becoming more prevalent that people needed to think about the different cultures in the community.

Cr Ludlow said that part of that involved Venture Southland's Welcoming Communities stream.

M Napper said that the first draft of the plan was meant to be sent to Wellington on Friday and she was working on the internal Council plan.

Cr Ludlow said that a separate meeting with Mr Cameron and the two Youth Council and in the meantime groups needed to bring feedback on the Policy for the May meeting.

B McDermott said that from listing to the discussions, at one point the Committee was saying the children were the building blocks and then the Committee was saying that it was about inclusive communities, so what is "Friendly". What the outcomes may look slightly different and the purpose would dictate that. He would hate it to be so wide that the Policy was stuck trying to please everyone.

Cr Ludlow said that it was built around inclusiveness and B McDermott said that inclusive could fit very well with where SoRDS was headed and that could be the friendly brand was.

5.4 **Waikiwi Rest Home**

M Napper said that this item was a point of interest for the Committee.

5.5 **Sport New Zealand - Play Aspect**

M Napper said that she had a meeting last Friday with Scott McKenzie from Sport New Zealand who lead the play aspect of Sport New Zealand's work. She had been the play champion for a number of years for Invercargill City and Mr McKenzie was very excited about this aspect and thought the 101 list was fantastic and had taken away the electronic version of that. It was good to get that positive feedback from outside the usual networks. She and Nathan Gill would be attending a Forum in Wellington for the day around the "play" piece of work and how the Committee could do more on.

B McDermott said that the first two days of that Forum would be focusing on young people and then the "play" aspect on Friday. It was almost getting it pre-sport, unorganised, how could kids get out there. It was almost about practising the thing that they may learn with their friends in an unorganised way.

5.6 **Understanding the Youth of Today**

M Sears asked that as a group of adults, what issues did the Committee understood youth went through or faced. As a youth she knew what issues she faced and the issues that she believed adults did not understand. She wanted to take feedback to the Youth Council for discussion.

The Committee discussed this matter and agreed that the big issue was information technology. It had created an entirely different landscape, good and bad, for today's youth. Technology had changed with regard to social media and how children socialised. Information was no long the wholly grail because information was readily available at the tap of a few buttons. There was not a lot of communication going on because of technology. The other issue was teen suicide and bullying. It was agreed that role modelling was very important for young people

6. **NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting is scheduled to be held Monday 7 May 2018.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 5.01 pm.

**TO: THE CHILD YOUTH AND FAMILY FRIENDLY
SUB-COMMITTEE**

FROM: M NAPPER, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT MANAGER

MEETING DATE: MONDAY 7 MAY 2018

The promotion and development of the use of the brand continues across the city.

Report Prepared by: Mary Napper – Community Development Manager and Gemma Crawford – Community Development Officer

BRAND UPDATE

A meeting has been held with the coordinator of ILT KidZone and this event is well on the way to being Friendly branded as it has been for several years.

Barnardos Invercargill and Murihiku Marae are working towards the completion of the branding process.

Gemma and Mary attended the Community Expo on Saturday 5th May with the 101 list and more information about the Friendly brand process, how to apply to use it and what to expect if you see the logo being used.

CHILD YOUTH AND FAMILY FRIENDLY POLICY REVIEW

Andrew Cameron, Policy Analyst, will attend the meeting to workshop the current policy.
