



NOTICE OF MEETING

**Notice is hereby given of the Meeting of the
Community Wellbeing Committee
to be held in the Council Chamber,
First Floor, Te Hīnaki Civic Building,
101 Esk Street, Invercargill on
Tuesday 10 October 2023 at 3.00 pm**

Cr D J Ludlow (Chair)
Mayor W S Clark
Cr R I D Bond
Cr P M Boyle
Cr S J Broad
Cr T Campbell
Cr A H Crackett
Cr G M Dermody
Cr P W Kett
Cr I R Pottinger
Cr L F Soper
Cr B R Stewart
Rev E Cook – Māngai – Waihōpai
Mrs P Coote – Kaikaunihera Māori – Awarua

MICHAEL DAY
CHIEF EXECUTIVE

Community Wellbeing Committee Agenda - Public

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Public Excluded Session

Moved , seconded that the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting, namely:

- a) Minutes of the Public Excluded Session of the Creative Communities Invercargill Funding Scheme Assessment Committee Held on 8 December 2022
- b) Minutes of the Public Excluded Session of the Creative Communities Invercargill Funding Scheme Assessment Committee Held on 3 March 2023
- c) Minutes of the Public Excluded Session of the Creative Communities Invercargill Funding Scheme Assessment Committee Held on 1 June 2023
- d) Minutes of the Public Excluded Session of the Creative Communities Invercargill Funding Scheme Assessment Committee Held on 31 August 2023
- e) Minutes of the Public Excluded Session of the Community Wellbeing Committee Held on 12 September 2023

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c) Minutes of the Public Excluded Session of the Creative Communities Invercargill Funding Scheme Assessment Committee Held on 1 June 2023	Section 7(2)(i) Enable any local authority holding the information to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations)	Section 48(1)(a) That the public conduct of this item would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist under Section 7
d) Minutes of the Public Excluded Session of the Creative Communities	Section 7(2)(i) Enable any local authority holding the information to carry on, without prejudice	Section 48(1)(a) That the public conduct of this item would be likely to result in the disclosure

Invercargill Funding Scheme Assessment Committee Held on 31 August 2023	or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations)	of information for which good reason for withholding would exist under Section 7
e) Minutes of the Public Excluded Session of the Community Wellbeing Committee Held on 12 September 2023	Section 7(2)(i) Enable any local authority holding the information to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations)	Section 48(1)(a) That the public conduct of this item would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist under Section 7



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Southland

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The Mayor and Councillors
Infrastructure Committee
Invercargill City Council
Esk Street
Invercargill

18th September 2023

Dear Mayor Nobby Clark and Councillors
Blind Citizens – Southland Branch wish to bring to your attention the demise of the audio dual controlled pedestrian crossing signal situated on the corners of Queens Drive and St Andrews Street.

History: In 2014, Eddie Cook (who then worked for ICC), designed, and installed a new style of audio controlled pedestrian crossing signal which enabled pedestrians who wished to cross the street to choose one of two speeds they could cross the road. One could either cross the street at the same speed as at any other pedestrian crossing in the city or one could choose to walk at a slower speed. Eddie considered this style of pedestrian crossing signal beneficial for older people, young children, mothers with prams and disabled people. When this new crossing pedestrian signal was officially opened there was a fanfare of media attention from

newspapers, radio and even national TV news items were broadcasted at the time. We the Invercargill blind community felt this new audio dual pedestrian crossing signal was helpful for many vision impaired, blind, and deafblind people to cross the road safely. We were informed that this dual controlled pedestrian crossing signal was a trial but no time-frame was given on when a decision would be made to continue using this style of controlled pedestrian crossing signal permanently or discontinue using it.

Shortly after this trial commenced, Eddie Cook left his employment with ICC and started a new job with Kiwi Rail in Wellington. Since Eddie's departure from Invercargill, the audio controlled dual pedestrian crossing signal has continued to be used in this one intersection of Invercargill.

Concerns: Over the years our members have noticed a deterioration in the quality of sound of speech within this audio dual controlled pedestrian crossing signal. When it was first installed the speech was very clear and even people who were deafblind were able to understand the instructions. One of our members, Victor West has on numerous occasions, complained to ICC staff about the quality of sound within this style of audio pedestrian signals but all he is told is that this is still a trial. We express our concern that Council has not been maintaining this audio dual controlled pedestrian crossing signal for many years and we hope that Council will investigate the best way to maintain this signal so in the future, people can continue to choose the speed they need to walk across these roads.

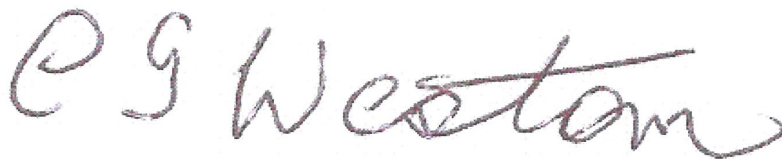
Trials should be short-term, allowing professionals to research public attitude and analyse both positive and negative elements within the trial. To run a trial for nine years does appear fruitless because if Council considers this style of controlled pedestrian crossing signal worthwhile, then you would want to rollout this style of pedestrian signals on other intersections, once those audio pedestrian crossing signals need replacing.

Over the past nine years, more physically disabled people are visible in our communities. They would benefit from these dual pedestrian crossing signals like those of us from the Invercargill blind community. We hope that Council will remove the trial concept of using this style of pedestrian crossing signals after so many years and begin to improve the sound quality of the current Audio Dual pedestrian crossing signals so people can continue to use these crossings as they are so much safer for us to use.

Another issue you need to consider is that Invercargill has more traffic driving around its streets than we did nine years ago. With an aging population and busier roads, the idea of rolling-out audio dual pedestrian crossing signals is more important today than it was nine years ago.

I understand Victor West has booked to speak on this matter at the Council's Infrastructure Committee Meeting on the 10th October.

Best wishes,

A handwritten signature in dark ink that reads "CG Weston". The letters are cursive and fluid, with a large 'C' and 'G' at the start and a long, sweeping tail on the 'm'.

Carolyn G Weston QSM
Branch Secretary

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE CREATIVE COMMUNITIES INVERCARGILL
SCHEME ASSESSMENT COMMITTEE HELD AT INVERCARGILL CITY COUNCIL,
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 101 ESK STREET, INVERCARGILL
ON THURSDAY 8 DECEMBER 2022 AT 3.00 PM**

Present: Mr T Daley (Chair)
Mr D Pottinger
Ms G Clearwater
Mrs B Ford
Mr C Mitchell-Acason

In Attendance: Ms G Crawford – Engagement and Partnerships Officer
Mrs T Amarasingha – Governance Support Advisor

1. Apologies

Mrs J Donaldson
Mr L Calder
Ms E Cook

Moved Mr Mitchell-Acason, seconded Mr Daley and **RESOLVED** that the apologies be accepted.

2. CNZ – Confidentiality and Conflicts of Interest

Ms Clearwater declared an indirect interest in relation to Application 07 - EH Productions Limited - The Ratbags.

Mrs Ford declared a perceived interest in relation to Application 08 - Don't Fret Ukulele Group - Invercargill Ukulele Festival.

Mr Pottinger declared a direct interest in relation to Application 06 - Shakespeare in the Park Charitable Trust - Shakespeare in the Park 2023: Much Ado About Nothing.

Moved Mrs Ford, seconded Ms Clearwater and **RESOLVED** to accept the Conflicts of Interest declared.

3. Minutes of the Meeting of the Creative Communities Invercargill Funding Scheme Assessment Committee held on 8 September 2022

A4067153

Moved Mr Pottinger, seconded Mr Mitchell-Acason and **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting of the Creative Communities Invercargill Funding Scheme Assessment Committee held on Thursday 8 September 2022 be accepted as a true and correct record.

4. Financial Report

A4198775

Ms Crawford presented the report and said that the issue of underspent funds has been raised with Creative NZ and it is likely a report in the next agenda. These underspent funds were not part of the 2019/2020 or 2021/22 rollover funds and Creative NZ may request to return the underspent funds.

Moved Mr Daley, seconded Mr Pottinger and **RESOLVED** that the report be received.

5. General Business

Nil.

6. Public Excluded Session

Moved Mr Daley, Mr Mitchell-Acason seconded that the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting; namely

- (a) Minutes of the Public Excluded Meeting of the Creative Communities Scheme Invercargill Fund Committee held on Thursday 8 September 2022
- (b) Project Completion Report 11 - Steph MacDonald - Abstract Art Workshop
- (c) Project Completion Report 12 - The Wanda Foundation - Waste Free Wanda
- (d) Project Completion Report 13 - Southland Art Society - Create Your Own Work of Art with Peter Belton
- (e) Project Completion Report 14 - Kennedy School of Music - TOSCA Workshop
- (f) Project Completion Report 15 - Cathy Irons - Nikau Harp Project
- (g) Project Completion Report 16 - Southern Pastel Artists - Abstracting the Landscape with Gill Allen
- (h) Summary of Applications
- (i) CCS Assessor Marking Spreadsheet Round 2
- (j) Ranking Sheet of Assessment Scores
- (k) Hearing Timetable
- (l) Application 04 - Nela Fletcher - Artist in Residence at COIN South
- (m) Application 05 - Sally Bodkin-Allen - Pictures in Her Head 3
- (n) Application 06 - Shakespeare in the Park Charitable Trust - Shakespeare in the Park 2023: Much Ado About Nothing
- (o) Application 07 - EH Productions Limited - The Ratbaggs
- (p) Application 08 - Don't Fret Ukulele Group - Invercragill Ukulele Festival
- (q) Application 09 - The Anderson Park Trust - Setting up Anderson House and Park for Wider Public Use and Enjoyment

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(c) Project Completion Report 12 - The Wanda Foundation - Waste Free Wanda	Section 7(2)(i) To enable any local organisation holding the information to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations).	Section 48(1)(a) That the public conduct of this item would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist under Section 7.
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(f) Project Completion Report 15 - Cathy	Section 7(2)(i)	Section 48(1)(a)

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(m) Application 05 - Sally Bodkin-Allen - Pictures in Her Head 3	Section 7(2)(i) To enable any local organisation holding the information to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations).	Section 48(1)(a) That the public conduct of this item would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist under Section 7.
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There being no further business, the meeting finished at 4.10 pm.

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE CREATIVE COMMUNITIES SCHEME
INVERCARGILL FUND COMMITTEE HELD AT INVERCARGILL CITY COUNCIL,
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 101 ESK STREET, INVERCARGILL
ON THURSDAY 2 MARCH 2023 AT 3.02 PM**

Present: Rev E Cook (Chair)
Cr D Ludlow
Cr T Boyle
Mrs B Ford
Mr D Pottinger
Mr L Calder

In Attendance: Ms G Crawford – Engagement and Partnerships Officer
Mrs T Amarasingha – Governance Support Advisor

1. Appointment of the Chairperson

Ms Crawford informed the committee that during a workshop with community representatives, it was agreed to appoint a rotating chairperson as a way to run the Creative Communities Assessment Committee under the guidelines from Creative New Zealand.

Ms Crawford called for a nomination to appoint a chairperson.

Moved Cr Ludlow, seconded Mr Pottinger and **RESOLVED** that Rev Cook be appointed as chairperson for the meeting.

The committee agreed to resolve the appointment of the chairperson for upcoming meetings under general business.

2. Apologies

Mrs J Donaldson
Ms G Clearwater
Mr T Daley

Moved Cr Boyle, seconded Mr Calder and **RESOLVED** that the apologies be accepted.

3. CNZ – Confidentiality and Conflicts of Interest

Rev Cook declared a perceived conflict that Sally Bodkin-Allen is a distant relative.

Moved Cr Ludlow, seconded Mrs Ford and **RESOLVED** to accept the Conflicts of Interest declared.

4. Minutes of the Meeting of the Creative Communities Scheme Invercargill Fund Committee held on 8 December 2022

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Moved Mr Pottinger, seconded Mrs Ford and **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting of the Creative Communities Scheme Invercargill Fund Committee held on Thursday 8 December 2022 be accepted as a true and correct record.

5. Financial Report

A4386356

Ms Crawford presented the report and said that the next allocation from Creative NZ is due to be made on 1 July 2023.

Moved Rev Cook, seconded Cr Ludlow and **RESOLVED** that the report be received.

6. Public Excluded Session

Moved Rev Cook, seconded Cr Boyle and **RESOLVED** that the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting; namely:

- (a) Minutes of the Public Excluded Meeting of the Creative Communities Scheme Invercargill Fund Committee held on Thursday 8 December 2022
- (b) Project Completion Report 17 - Jubilee SuperGrans - Arts Workshop
- (c) Project Completion Report 18 - CanInspire - CanBead Workshops 2022
- (d) Project Completion Report 19 - Connected Media Trust - Someday Workshops
- (e) Summary of Applications
- (f) CCS Assessor Marking Spreadsheet Round 3
- (g) Ranking Sheet of Assessment Scores
- (h) Hearing Timetable
- (i) Application 10 - CanInspire Charitable Trust - Invercargill CanBead Workshops
- (j) Application 11 - Little Green Man Productions - Wonderland Glow Show 2023
Application 06 - Shakespeare in the Park Charitable Trust - Shakespeare in the Park 2023: Much Ado About Nothing
- (k) Application 12 - CCCS Sunday School - Samoan Learning School
- (l) Application 13 - Emma Bishop - Show in a Week
- (m) Application 14 - Lisa Benson - Light from Stars Can Still Find Their Way
- (n) Application 15 - Outreach Singing Trust Aotearoa - The Sing Thing

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(b) Project Completion Report 17 - Jubilee SuperGrans - Arts Workshop	Section 7(2)(i) To enable any local organisation holding the information to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations).	Section 48(1)(a) That the public conduct of this item would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist under Section 7.
(c) Project Completion Report 18 - CanInspire - CanBead Workshops 2022	Section 7(2)(i) To enable any local organisation holding the information to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations).	Section 48(1)(a) That the public conduct of this item would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist under Section 7.
(d) Project Completion Report 19 - Connected Media Trust - Someday Workshops	Section 7(2)(i) To enable any local organisation holding the information to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations).	Section 48(1)(a) That the public conduct of this item would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist under Section 7.
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(h) Hearing Timetable	<p>Section 7(2)(i) To enable any local organisation holding the information to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations).</p>	<p>Section 48(1)(a) That the public conduct of this item would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist under Section 7.</p>
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(l) Application 13 - Emma Bishop - Show in a Week	Section 7(2)(i) To enable any local organisation holding the information to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations).	Section 48(1)(a) That the public conduct of this item would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist under Section 7.
(m) Application 14 - Lisa Benson - Light from Stars Can Still Find Their Way	Section 7(2)(i) To enable any local organisation holding the information to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations).	Section 48(1)(a) That the public conduct of this item would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist under Section 7.
(n) Application 15 - Outreach Singing Trust Aotearoa - The Sing Thing	Section 7(2)(i) To enable any local organisation holding the information to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations).	Section 48(1)(a) That the public conduct of this item would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist under Section 7.

7. General Business

Moved Rev Cook, seconded Cr Ludlow **RESOLVED** that the Committee appoints;

1. Mr Pottinger as the Chairperson for the meeting scheduled on 1 June 2023 at 3.00 pm.
2. Mr Calder as the Chairperson for the meeting scheduled on 31 August 2023 at 3.00 pm.
3. Mr Calder as the Chairperson for the meeting scheduled on 30 November 2023 at 3.00 pm.

There being no further business, the meeting finished at 5.07 pm.

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Mr T Daley
Mrs B Ford
Mr L Calder

In Attendance: Ms G Crawford – Engagement and Partnerships Officer
Mrs T Amarasingha – Governance Support Advisor

1. Apologies

Rev E Cook
Mrs J Donaldson

Moved Cr Ludlow, seconded Mr Daley and **RESOLVED** that the apologies be accepted.

2. CNZ – Confidentiality and Conflicts of Interest

Nil.

4. Minutes of the Meeting of the Creative Communities Scheme Invercargill Fund Committee held on 2 March 2023

A4426245

Moved Cr Ludlow, seconded Mr Calder and **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting of the Creative Communities Scheme Invercargill Fund Committee held on Thursday 2 March 2023 be confirmed.

5. Financial Report

A4593364

The Committee discussed the report.

Moved Mr Calder, seconded Mr Daley and **RESOLVED** that the Creative Communities Scheme Invercargill Fund Committee:

1. Receives the Financial Report.

6. General Business

Nil.

7. Public Excluded Session

Moved Cr Ludlow, seconded Mr Calder and **RESOLVED** that the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting; namely:

- (a) Minutes of the Public Excluded Meeting of the Creative Communities Scheme Invercargill Fund Committee held on Thursday 2 March 2023
- (b) Correspondence 1 - Potential Application - Kennedy School of Music – Helen Watson Music Collection
- (c) Correspondence 2 - Lindsay Beer - Update on Bluff Summer Sounds Accountability
- (d) Project Completion Report 20 - Southland Kiribati Community and Youth - SKCY Art Workshop
- (e) Project Completion Report 21 - EH Productions - The Ratbaggs
- (f) Project Completion Report 22 - CS Art Charitable Trust - Art Exhibition & Open Days
- (g) Project Completion Report 23 - Don't Fret Ukulele Group - Invercargill Ukulele Festival 2023
- (h) Project Completion Report 24 - Shakespeare in the Park Charitable Trust - - Much Ado About Nothing 2023
- (i) Summary of Applications
- (j) Ranking Sheet of Assessment Scores
- (k) Hearing Timetable
- (l) Application 16 - Southland Literacy Association - Literacy Conference 2023
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- (r) Application 22 - E H Productions - The Ratbaggs TV Series
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	held on Thursday 2 March 2023	commercial and industrial negotiations).	
(b)	Correspondence 1 - Potential Application - Kennedy School of Music – Helen Watson Music Collection	Section 7(2)(i) To enable any local organisation holding the information to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations).	Section 48(1)(a) That the public conduct of this item would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist under Section 7.
(c)	Correspondence 2 - Lindsay Beer - Update on Bluff Summer Sounds Accountability	Section 7(2)(i) To enable any local organisation holding the information to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations).	Section 48(1)(a) That the public conduct of this item would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist under Section 7.
(d)	Project Completion Report 20 - Southland Kiribati Community and Youth - SKCY Art Workshop	Section 7(2)(i) To enable any local organisation holding the information to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations).	Section 48(1)(a) That the public conduct of this item would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist under Section 7.
(e)	Project Completion Report 21 - EH Productions - The Ratbags	Section 7(2)(i) To enable any local organisation holding the information to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations).	Section 48(1)(a) That the public conduct of this item would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist under Section 7.
(f)	Project Completion Report 22 - CS Art Charitable Trust - Art Exhibition & Open Days	Section 7(2)(i) To enable any local organisation holding the information to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations).	Section 48(1)(a) That the public conduct of this item would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist under Section 7.
(g)	Project Completion Report 23 - Don't Fret Ukulele Group -	Section 7(2)(i) To enable any local organisation holding the information to carry on,	Section 48(1)(a) That the public conduct of this item would be likely to result in the disclosure of

<p>Invercargill Ukulele Festival 2023</p>	<p>without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations).</p>	<p>information for which good reason for withholding would exist under Section 7.</p>
<p>(h) Project Completion Report 24 - Shakespeare in the Park Charitable Trust -- Much Ado About Nothing 2023</p>	<p>Section 7(2)(i) To enable any local organisation holding the information to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations).</p>	<p>Section 48(1)(a) That the public conduct of this item would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist under Section 7.</p>
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Taokotaianga
Vainefini Kuki Airani
Southland - Cook
Island Cultural Art
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Section 7(2)(i)

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Section 48(1)(a)

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There being no further business, the meeting finished at 5.05 pm.

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE CREATIVE COMMUNITIES SCHEME
INVERCARGILL FUND COMMITTEE HELD AT COUNCIL CHAMBERS, FIRST FLOOR,
TE HĪNAKI CIVIC BUILDING, 101 ESK STREET, INVERCARGILL
ON THURSDAY 31 AUGUST 2023 AT 3.00 PM**

Present: Mr L Calder (Chair)
Cr D Ludlow
Mr D Pottinger
Ms A Lewis
Mr K Herman
Rev E Cook

In Attendance: Ms G Crawford – Engagement and Partnerships Officer
Mrs T Amarasingha – Governance Support Advisor
Miss M Tupara – Executive Support

1. Apologies

Cr P M Boyle

Moved Rev Cook, seconded Cr Ludlow and **RESOLVED** that the apologies be accepted.

2. CNZ – Confidentiality and Conflicts of Interest

Forms were tabled by Ms Amarasingha, and once filled in, members provided their signed forms to Ms Crawford. The following conflicts were declared on these:

Mr Pottinger declared a perceived conflict for Application 8 – Out of School Music Classes – OSMC Musical Concert Tour.

Rev Cook declared an indirect conflict for Application 3 – Chroma Southland – Murihiku Pride 2023.

3. Minutes of the Meeting of the Creative Communities Scheme Invercargill Fund Committee held 1 June 2023

A4627511

Moved Mr Pottinger, seconded Cr Ludlow and **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting of the Creative Communities Scheme Invercargill Fund Committee held on Thursday 1 June 2023 be confirmed.

4. Financial Report

A48030221

The Committee discussed the report.

Moved Rev Cook, seconded Ms Lewis and **RESOLVED** that the Creative Communities Scheme Invercargill Fund Committee:

1. Receives the Financial Report.

5. General Business

Rev Cook raised a question regarding whether the Festival Fund top-up from Creative New Zealand was going to be actively promoted going forward. Ms Crawford said that it was. Ms Crawford advised that the Creative Communities marketing had not been refreshed as yet and the Creative Communities Committee will have a chance to sign off on it before it is released. Ms Crawford advised of the process of reaching out to the public and what it looked like.

Cr Ludlow raised a question regarding whether Great South have been made aware of the extra festival funding and Ms Crawford advised that she was unaware if they had but will ensure Great South is made aware.

6. Public Excluded Session

Moved Rev Cook, seconded Mr Herman and **RESOLVED** that the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting; namely:

- (a) Minutes of the Public Excluded Meeting of the Creative Communities Scheme Invercargill Fund Committee held on Thursday 1 June 2023
- (b) Project Completion Report 1 - Bluff Promotions - Summer Sounds 2023
- (c) Project Completion Report 2 - Tulaga Aiolupotea - Creative Street Art
- (d) Project Completion Report 3 - Nela Fletcher - Artist in Residence at COIN South
- (e) Project Completion Report 4 - Sally Bodkin-Allen - Pictures in Her Head 2023
- (f) Project Completion Report 5 - Yellow Eye - ARO Matariki
- (g) Project Completion Report 6 - Every Body is a Treasure Trust - Click Happy Invercargill
- (h) Project Completion Report 7 - Little Green Man Show - Wonderland Glow Show 2023
- (i) Project Completion Report 8 - Kennedy School of Music - Music Therapy Workshops Part 2
- (j) Project Completion Report 9 - Outreach Singing Trust - The Sing Thing
- (k) Project Completion Report 10 - Southland Art Society - Life Drawing Classes, Three Terms and One Weekend Workshop
- (l) Summary of Applications
- (m) CCS Assessor Marking Spreadsheet Round 1
- (n) Ranking Sheet of Assessment Scores
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Section 48(1)(a)

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There being no further business, the meeting finished at 5.34 pm.

**MINUTES OF COMMUNITY WELLBEING COMMITTEE, HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS,
FIRST FLOOR, TE HĪINAKI CIVIC BUILDING, 101 ESK STREET, INVERCARGILL ON TUESDAY
12 SEPTEMBER 2023 AT 3.20 PM**

Present:

- Cr D J Ludlow (Chair)
- Mayor W S Clark
- Cr R I D Bond
- Cr P M Boyle
- Cr S J Broad
- Cr T Campbell
- Cr A H Crackett (via Zoom)
- Cr G M Dermody
- Cr P W Kett
- Cr I R Pottinger
- Cr L F Soper
- Cr B R Stewart
- Rev E Cook – Māngai – Waihōpai

In Attendance:

- Mr M Day – Chief Executive
- Mrs P Christie – Acting Group Manager – Finance and Assurance
- Ms J Hutton – Interim GM – Customer, Communications and People
- Mr J Shaw – Interim GM – Consents and Compliance
- Mr A Cameron – Chief Risk Officer
- Ms C Rain - Manager – Parks and Recreation
- Ms C Horton - Senior Open Spaces Planner
- Ms G Cavanagh - Manager - Environmental Services
- Mr C Bowen - Open Spaces and Recreation Strategic Advisor
- Ms H Guise - Property Portfolio Manager
- Ms L Knight – Manager – Strategic Communications
- Mr G Caron – Digital and Communications Advisor
- Ms G Crawford - Engagement and Partnerships Officer
- Ms D Carson - Community Activator
- Mrs T Amarasingha – Governance Support Advisor

Cr Ludlow opened the meeting with a karakia as it is the Maori language week.

1. Apologies

Mrs Coote, Cr Crackett for joining via Zoom

Moved Cr Stewart, seconded Cr Boyle and **RESOLVED** that the apologies be accepted.

2. Declaration of Interest

Nil.

3. Public Forum

Nil.

4. 2023 Youth Council Update - Climate Change and Vaping Survey Results Report

A4810257

Mr Liam Calder, Ms Emma Pope, and Ms Emma Wills were in attendance to present the report.

Ms Wills spoke about questions posed by Council around climate change and noted that for better involvement youth need to be included in decision-making. If Council wants the Youth Council's ideas on specific areas of climate change, they would prefer to have a workshop with Council. They want to see Council focusing on good news stories and positive information. In relation to greener practices, the Youth Council was pleased to hear about the environmental options that were chosen for public parades.

Ms Pope spoke about vaping survey results and explained the results. It was noted that the Youth Council believe in the expansion of smoke-free the CBD boundary and this expansion may include school zones. They would support for Smoke-Free 2025. She said it would be useful to see more smoke-free and vape-free signage within the CBD and use Council's social media platforms for the awareness of smoke-free zones. Further she said, the Youth Council was interested to know what measures exist when specialised vape stores want to be open in the city's smoke-free zone.

Mr Calder spoke to the report and noted that the Youth Council would be opening its nominations on 15 September 2023 for the 2024 Youth Council Elections and nominations would close on 15 October 2023.

In response to a query about the best social media channels to get youth opinions on Council projects, it was noted that Facebook and Instagram would be best. Council needed to find out what elements would attract youth to these engagement programmes.

In response to a query about the Youth Council's concerns about having vape shops in the CBD and what they could suggest to change this, Ms Wills said she would take the question to the Youth Council for their opinion.

In response to a query about what mechanism was used to get 164 responses to this survey, it was noted that they sent the code for the survey through the youth councillor's to participants.

In response to a query, if the youth councillors felt the survey result be different if more people had participated, it was noted that if more people answered the survey it could be more reliable but they think the information through the survey was valid.

In response to a query about whether they believed there was an increase in vaping, it was noted that according to their personal experience, they believed there was an increase and it was becoming a huge problem at schools.

Moved Cr Ludlow, seconded Cr Soper and **RESOLVED** that the Community Wellbeing Committee:

1. Receives the report "2023 Youth Council Update - Climate Change and Vaping Survey Results Report".

5. Minutes of the Meeting of the Community Wellbeing Fund Subcommittee held on Thursday 3 August 2023

A4776266

Moved Cr Boyle, seconded Cr Dermody and **RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the Community Wellbeing Fund Subcommittee held on Thursday 3 August 2023 be received.

6. Minutes of the Meeting of the Community Wellbeing Committee held on Tuesday 8 August 2023

A4784968

Moved Cr Ludlow, seconded Cr Stewart and **RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the Community Wellbeing Committee held on Tuesday 8 August 2023 be confirmed.

7. Minutes of the District Licensing Committee Meetings held on August 2023

A4847582

Moved Cr Kett, seconded Cr Soper and **RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the District Licensing Committee Meetings held on August 2023 be received.

8. Sandy Point Domain Masterplan and Management Plan

A4772834

Ms Caroline Rain, Ms Cassandra Horton and Mr Chris Bowen presented the report.

Ms Rain provided an overview of the report and noted that the Masterplan would provide a long-term vision for how the Domain could be used in the future. In this process, Council officers engaged with the community to finalise the Masterplan.

Ms Horton and Mr Bowen took the Committee through a presentation for the Masterplan.

Ms Horton said that in order to understand the strategic direction, engagement sessions were conducted with multiple partners, stakeholders and Mana Whenua. Over 1,500 responses were received through the residents' survey. Leisure and recreation, native vegetation, pest control, safety and security were key findings through the engagements.

Mr Bowen explained the existing situation of the Sandy Point Domain and the overarching strategy including enhancing recreational offerings, promoting visitor

experience, and building environmental resilience. At this stage, the Masterplan would focus on 10 year timeframe.

In response to a query that the Masterplan contains a presumption of closing access to Oreti Beach for vehicles, Ms Rain said no and explained that the beach was out of scope of the Masterplan and any access changes here would need to be addressed collaboratively with the Department of Conservation, Environment Southland, Iwi, Southland District Council, and roading through a Memorandum of Understanding.

In response to a query if Coopers Creek would be covered by the Management Plan, Ms Rain said yes.

In response to a query about issues at Coopers Creek, it was confirmed that those specific issues would be addressed by the Management Plan.

In response to a query about pest control, it was noted that under the current Management Plan, there were pest control programmes for predatory and ecological plant species and it was expected that more species would be identified in the next Management Plan.

In response to a query about document restructuring for the stakeholders of Coopers Creek who have a licence to occupy, it was noted that there was no immediate work on that area because Council was waiting on feedback on disputes in that area.

In response to a query about road closure down the side of the river, it was noted that if current trends continue, it is important to develop the idea of secondary access through this Masterplan. The data collected on this matter indicated that it required having different management options.

In response to a query about cost, it was noted that the Management Plan would provide the costs for the next three years. The Masterplan is the only focussed on the vision.

It was noted that after Council endorsed the Masterplan it would enable the consultation process for the Management Plan to begin. This process contains two stages, initial written submissions for what people would like to see in the Management Plan then the Management Plan would be drafted accordingly and the draft would then open for written submissions as the second stage of the process. The process needs to be conducted according to the Reserves Act.

In response to a query about the best way to engage with people, it was noted that engagement would be planned using multiple avenues. The consultation plan would be presented to the Committee at a later stage.

The Committee had a robust discussion on document restructure around licence holders in Coopers Creek and decided on an amendment to the resolution adding a fourth recommendation.

Moved Rev Cook, seconded Cr Soper and **RESOLVED** that the Community Wellbeing Committee:

1. Receives the report "Sandy Point Domain Masterplan and Management Plan".

2. Endorses Council officers to proceed with the Management Plan two-step public notification process beginning with Step 1 which will be held 30 September – 15 December 2023.
3. Endorses the Sandy Point Domain Masterplan (Attachment 1).
4. Note changing the wording under the risks listed under Table 2 of the report; Potential Lease Implications – word "will" changes to "may"
And add the following sentence: "Any such proposal will come back to Council before a decision will be made."

Note: Cr Crackett voted against.

9. Reclassification of Reserve Land for Museum

A4772884

Ms Caroline Rain and Mr Chris Bowen presented the report. It was noted that there would be a submission period to endorse the reclassification of the area and this would be advertised for a minimum of one month.

In response to a query about the consultation period noting that the Reserves Act requires a minimum two-month consultation period, Mr Andrew Cameron advised the Committee that there are two separate processes which could be run separately or concurrently. The Reserve Act has a two-month period requirement for the consultation for the Management Plan, which would be dealt with at a later stage.

In response to a query about delaying the process for the reclassification consultation and the new museum design going into lot 2, Ms Erin Moogan said that the process was paused because of not having certainty about what actually that space would be required for. In terms of the timeframes around this, it would take four to six months, construction would not start during this period. The change process is particularly low risk. Further, she said, when presenting the concept designs, the possibility of stepping into the additional space in lot 2 was noted and that there would be a requirement to address this under the reserves process.

Mayor Clark raised a point of order regarding the statement made by Rev Cook by challenging another councillor who asked for guidance under the law and Cr Pottinger supported the point of order. The Chair noted and upheld the objection.

In response to a query about the timeframe for construction and possible delays, it was noted that the Project Management Office were continuously reviewing the progress and the timeframe.

Cr Pottinger raised a point of order regarding Cr Soper's statement about Sections 24 and 52 of the Reserves Act noting that the Committee have not received legal advice on his query on these sections.

The Chair said Mr Cameron provided legal advice on the timeline query and noted that it is appropriate to acknowledge that it is the obligation of staff when presenting a report

to acknowledge when there is risk and ultimately the decision around risk appetite is something that sits at a governance level.

Moved Cr Dermody, seconded Cr Bond and **RESOLVED** that the Community Wellbeing Committee:

1. Receives the report "Reclassification of Reserve Land for Museum".
2. Endorses part of Lot 2 DP 430107 as indicated on the plan shown in Attachment 1 be reclassified as Local Purpose (recreational and cultural building and associated activities) Reserve and united with lots 1 and 3.
3. Endorses proceeding to advertise for submissions for a minimum of one month (Saturday 30 September to Friday 3 November) to reclassify an area of Queens Park as Local Purpose (recreational and cultural buildings and associated activities) Reserve as indicated on the plan (Attachment 1).
4. Endorses proceeding to advertise for submissions for a minimum of one month (Saturday 30 September to Friday 3 November) to reclassify Lot 3 DP 308322 from Local Purpose (Museum) Reserve to Local Purpose (recreational and cultural buildings and associated activities) Reserve so that it will be united as one parcel with part of Lot 2 DP 430107 and Lot 1 DP 430107.

Note: Cr Dermody left the meeting at 5.14 pm.

10. South Port New Zealand Limited – New Zealand Railways Corporation Act 1990

A4845612

Mr Heather Guise presented the report and noted that this was purely a legislative process.

Moved Cr Campbell, Cr Stewart and **RESOLVED** that the Community Wellbeing Committee:

1. Receives the report "South Port New Zealand Limited – New Zealand Railways Corporation Act 1990".

Recommendation to Council

2. In accordance with Section 25A(8) of the New Zealand Railways Corporation Act 1990, the Invercargill City Council cancel the condition relating to Record of Title 759190 comprising:
 - a) Lot 1 Deposited Plan 504399.
 - b) Section 1 Survey Office Plan 9996.
 - c) Section 1 Survey Office Plan 11396.
 - d) Part Section 41 Block I Campbelltown Hundred (Bluff Island Harbour).
3. In accordance with Section 25A(9) of the New Zealand Railways Corporation Act 1990, the Invercargill City Council authorises an authenticated copy of this resolution to be forwarded to the District Land Registrar, who shall note the records accordingly.

11. Adoption of Board (TAB) Venues Policy and the Class 4 Gambling Venues Policy for consultation

A4844808

Ms Gillian Cavanagh and Ms Rhiannon Suter presented the report. It was noted that the pre-engagement venue at the Marae was with a range of stakeholder and social groups to get their direction for this complex issue for the community.

The Committee had a robust discussion about sinking lid and cap options and decided to make amendments to recommendations 2, 3 and 4.

Moved Cr Campbell, seconded Cr Boyle and **RESOLVED** that the Community Wellbeing Committee:

1. Receives the report "Adoption of Board (TAB) Venues Policy and the Class 4 Gambling Venues Policy for Consultation".
2. Adopt Draft Class 4 Gambling Venues Policy with the sinking lid and cap options for consultation (A4808292)
3. Adopt Draft Board (TAB) Venues Policy with the sinking lid and cap options for consultation (A4808768)
4. Delegate a hearing panel (Three names of Councillors and/or Mana whenua representatives) for hearings on a date to be confirmed.
 - I. Cr Soper
 - II. C Ludlow
 - III. Cr Bond
 - IV. Cr Boyle

Note: Cr Stewart declared a conflict of interest.

Note: Rev Cook, Cr Soper and Cr Crackett voted against for recommendations 2 and 3.

12. Annual Dog Control Report 2022/2023

A4762729

Ms Gillian Cavanagh presented the report and said the Annual Dog Control Report is a legal requirement under the Dog Control Act 1996 and it provides a snapshot of the activities in Council's animal control area for the previous year.

A correction was noted in the report (page 188 of the agenda) under the table showing the date comparison, for the 2022/2023 year the registration population as at 30 June 2023 was 8,434 needs to be corrected to 9,351 and this change should carry over into the actual report.

It was noted that 2021/2022 date had been impacted by Covid-19.

In response to a query about the unregistered dog population, it was noted that Council does not have data on this.

It was noted that the impoundment rate was around 6%.

In response to a query about people who were struggling with dog registration fees, Ms Cavanagh noted that they are working with people struggling to pay and also working with support services like Jubilee Budget Services.

In response to a query around the process for the pound, it was noted that the owner has seven days to claim the dog and after that, the dog becomes the property of Council. Officers would then reassess the dog for rehoming and if the dog was not good enough for rehoming, officers would go through the process of recommending euthanasia.

In response to a success rate of resolving dog complaints, it was noted that there was a high success rate.

Moved Cr Ludlow, seconded Rev Cook and **RESOLVED** that the Community Wellbeing Committee:

1. Receives the report titled "2022-2023 Dog Control Annual Report".
2. Adopts the 2022-2023 Dog Control Annual Report.

13. Activities Report

A4749479

Note: Cr Broad left the meeting at 5.35 pm.

The Committee acknowledged the wood donation from Queens Park to schools for wood carvings.

Moved Cr Stewart , seconded Cr Campbell and **RESOLVED** that the Community Wellbeing Committee:

1. Receives the "Activities Report".

14. Public Excluded Session

Moved Cr Kett, seconded Cr Stewart and **RESOLVED** that the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting, namely:

- a. Minutes of the Public Excluded Session of the Community Wellbeing Fund Subcommittee Held on 3 August 2023
- b. Minutes of the Public Excluded Session of the Community Wellbeing Committee held on Monday 8 August 2023
- c. Bluff Boat Ramp User Fees and Collection Methods

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:

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
a) Minutes of the Public Excluded Session of the Community Wellbeing Fund Subcommittee Held on 3 August 2023	<p>Section 7(2)(i) Enable any local authority holding the information to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations)</p>	<p>Section 48(1)(a) That the public conduct of this item would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist under Section 7</p>
b) Minutes of the Public Excluded Session of the Community Wellbeing Committee held on Monday 8 August 2023	<p>Section 7(2)(i) Enable any local authority holding the information to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations)</p>	<p>Section 48(1)(a) That the public conduct of this item would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist under Section 7</p>
c) Bluff Board Ramp User Feeds and Collection Methods	<p>Section 7(2)(i) Enable any local authority holding the information to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations)</p>	<p>Section 48(1)(a) That the public conduct of this item would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist under Section 7</p>

There being no further business, the meeting finished at 6.00 pm.

MINUTES OF THE DISTRICT LICENSING COMMITTEE - SEPTEMBER MEETINGS 2023

Present: Cr Darren Ludlow
Ms Catherine Howard

1. Licence Renewals - Approved by DLC Chair Cr Ludlow

- 1.1 **Bottle-O Bluff Renewal of Off Licence** – Approved on 14 September 2023
- 1.2 **The Grille** – Approved on 28 September 2023

2. Manager - New Certificate - Approved by DLC Chair Cr Ludlow

- 2.1 **196/2023** – Approved on 11 September 2023
- 2.2 **182/2023** – Approved on 11 September 2023
- 2.3 **194/2023** - Approved on 28 September 2023
- 2.4 **209/2023** - Approved on 28 September 2023
- 2.5 **192/2023** - Approved on 28 September 2023

3. Manager – Renewal of Certificate - Approved by DLC Chair Cr Ludlow

- 3.1 **203/188/2014** – Approved on 11 September 2023
- 3.2 **2023/132/2022** - Approved on 11 September 2023
- 3.3 **2023/120/2022** - Approved on 11 September 2023
- 3.4 **2023/182/2014** - Approved on 11 September 2023
- 3.5 **2023/140/2022** - Approved on 11 September 2023
- 3.6 **2023/146/2022** - Approved on 11 September 2023
- 3.7 **2023/989/2020** - Approved on 11 September 2023
- 3.8 **2023/139/2022** - Approved on 11 September 2023
- 3.9 **2023/181/2016** - Approved on 11 September 2023
- 3.10 **2023/162/2019** - Approved on 11 September 2023

3.11 2023/160/2014 - Approved on 11 September 2023

3.12 2023/147/2022 - Approved on 14 September 2023

3.13 2023/94/2022 - Approved on 21 September 2023

3.14 2023/211/2016 - Approved on 21 September 2023

3.15 2023/119/2022 - Approved on 21 September 2023

4. Special Licences - Approved by DLC Chair Cr Ludlow

4.1 Marist Brothers RFC Late Special Licence for Funeral – Approved 12 September 2023

4.2 Ascot Park Racecourse Consortium – Special Licence for Harness and Galloping Season 2023/2024 - Approved on 14 September 2023

4.3 Lammermoor Distillery – Off-site Special Licence for Southern Crafters Market on 4 and 5 November 2023 - Approved on 21 September 2023

4.4 The Church 1914 – 80th Birthday - Approved on 28 September 2023

4.5 Queens Park Golf Club – Football Prize Giving - Approved on 28 September 2023

5. Other Business

11 September 2023

- Discussion Willis Lane in Wellington. Licensing option for Invercargill Central.
- Late Special coming through for Marist RFC for a funeral.

14 September 2023

- Lease signed for 14B Don Street.
- Incomplete On Licence application returned to Applicant.
- Discuss agenda for meetings with NZ Police and Te Whatu Ora Medical Officer of Health, and Licensing Inspectors.
- Discussion around proposed On Licence and Sim Golf Shop.
- Rugby World Cup change in legislation information is on the Council Website.

19 September 2023

- Please see attachment 1 for the minutes from this meeting (A4887225).

21 September 2023

- The Committee met with the reporting agencies and EHO/Licence Inspectors this week.
- Minutes from the full Committee meeting were approved.
- Amendment to Special Licence 73/SPL/27/2023 for He Waka Tuia to add additional dates to the issues licence. This is the fourth amendment to Special License 73/SPL/27/2023.

- The ARLA Annual Report has been submitted to ARLA, and will be on the Council's website.
- Update on replacing the Alcohol Ban Signage.

28 September 2023

- Discussion on matters relating to the Otatara Bowling Club and Southland Rodeo.
- Invite staff member to the next DLC member.
- Application received for Ascot Park Christmas at the Races.

Attachments

Appendix 1 – Minutes of the District Licensing Committee on 19 September 2023 (A4887225).

**MINUTES OF THE DISTRICT LICENSING COMMITTEE
19 SEPTEMBER 2023 AT 2.40 PM**

Present: Cr Darren Ludlow - Chairperson
Cr Lesley Soper - Member
Cr Peter Kett - Member

Ms Catherine Howard – Support Officer

Apologies: Cr Ria Bond - Member

1. Cr Soper was nominated as Deputy Chair of the District Licensing Committee.

Moved Cr Ludlow

Seconded Cr Kett

2. Given the changes to the alcohol licensing process involving DLCs being required to allow tikanga to be incorporated into proceedings, and evidence to be received in Te Reo Maori, should the DLC consider putting a paper to Council to have Mana Whenua representation be appointed to the committee. It is understood this could provide sensitivity to issues in their community, but ultimately hearing decisions are based on the law.

Cr Soper said it would be valuable to the process.

Cr Kett recommended the representatives have required knowledge or qualifications for S&SA 2012.

3. Consideration to be given to advertising to members of the public to apply to be a member of the District Licensing Committee.
4. All in agreement that meeting with Regulatory Agencies and Licensing Inspectors was a valuable exercise. An annual meeting with regulatory agencies would be beneficial. Once a year with Inspectors would also be enough, unless there is a high turnover of staff then the DLC would consider another meeting.

Meeting finished 2.55 pm.

THE ELECTORAL (LOWERING VOTING AGE FOR LOCAL ELECTIONS AND POLLS) LEGISLATION BILL

To:	Community Wellbeing Committee
Meeting Date:	Tuesday 10 October 2023
From:	Michael Morris - Manager Governance and Legal
Approved:	Michael Day - Chief Executive
Approved Date:	Wednesday 4 October 2023
Open Agenda:	Yes
Public Excluded Agenda:	No

Purpose and Summary

Shortly before Parliament rose, the Government introduced a Bill seeking to lower the voting age for Local Government Elections. This was in response to the Supreme Court making a declaration of inconsistency against the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act for the voting age being 18. This paper invites Council to consider making a submission on the Bill and if so whether it is for, against or neutral.

Recommendations

The Committee:

1. Receives the Report "The Electoral (Lowering Voting Age for Local Elections and Polls) Legislation Bill".
2. Confirms that Council does/ does not wish to make a submission on the Bill.
3. Confirms if a submission is to be made whether that submission is For/Against/Neutral.
4. Delegates to Mayor/ Crs **xxx** to approve the Submission.

Background

On 21 November 2022 the Supreme Court of New Zealand released a decision that made a Declaration of Inconsistency against the Government relating to retaining the voting age for all elections at 18.

This Declaration was made under provisions of the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990 and triggered a process that required the Government to respond.

As part to the Government response the initial plan was to introduce legislation to Parliament that would lower the voting age to 16 for National and Local Government Elections.

However, to change the voting age for National Elections the Bill would need a super majority of 75% of all Members. Both the National Party and Act Party indicated they did not support such a change, meaning the super majority could not be met.

However, to make the change to the Local Elections Act 2001 it only requires an ordinary 50% majority.

On 15 August 2023 the Minister for Local Government introduced The Electoral (Lowering Voting Age For Local Elections And Polls) Legislation Bill (the Bill), which will lower the voting age for Local Elections to 16 years of age and provides the mechanics to make the change.

It had its first reading in Parliament on 29 August 2023 and was sent to the select committee. The submissions opened on 8 September 2023.

The opposition at the first reading spoke against the Bill.

In the event of a change of Government at the next election it is likely that this Bill will not proceed, based on statements made by both the National and Act parties.

However, in the event the current Government is returned or National and Act decide to proceed further with this Bill then it is recommended that a submission be made to ensure the views of Council are known.

One key issue with the Bill is that it retains the voting age at 18 for Licencing Trust Elections. This means for much of Invercargill¹ there will be a two-tier voting paper, with those over 18 able to vote for all elections, and those under 18 able to vote for Council but not the Invercargill Licencing Trust (the Trust).

Issues and Options

Analysis

Regardless of where this Committee decides to be in terms of supporting or not, there are technical issues that should be submitted on in terms of the voting age difference between the 16 years for Council and the 18 years for the Licencing Trust and the impact that will have on our election administration.

The Bill creates a number of practical implications for Council in the running of the local elections. The key issues identified relates to the Licencing Trust.

Invercargill is home to one of the largest Licencing Trusts in the country, the Invercargill Licencing Trust has been part of Invercargill since 1944.

By lowering the voting age from 18 to 16 for Council but retaining the voting age for the Trust at 18 this will create confusion amongst the public as to who can vote for who and what.

¹ Noting of course, that much of urban Invercargill is within the Licencing Trust boundary but much of the more rural parts of the City including Otatara and south towards Bluff are not part of the Trust boundary. Follow this link to our website to explore the Trust Boundary:
<https://gis.icc.govt.nz/ICViewer/?map=ea51ad5ec0f840a6bc4d633a0e41662c>

There are already a number of issues each election cycle with people wishing to vote for the Trust but are unable to as they lie outside of the boundary (a boundary that has not been changed for many years and therefore bears no real semblance with the urban boundary of the modern Invercargill City) and this will only add to the confusion in the public.

While we can understand the Policy reasons for this decision (to retain the age at 18 for Trust elections) given the legal age to purchase alcohol is 18, there are a number of practical implications that will directly impact this Council and our community.

Chief amongst these will be the various incarnations of the voting forms that we will need to prepare. In addition to current form, another form would have to be created for an Invercargill City youth voter, who can vote for the Mayor, Council, and Regional Council only and have the Trust nominations removed. This is likely to add to complexity to printing and potential cost.

It will also complicate the issuing of special votes, especially around those who turn 16 after the roll closes but before Election Day.

However there is nothing that is not insurmountable in terms of the voting forms. The number of birthdays between the close of the roll and Election Day are likely to be low enough to not cause a major problem, but it does add an extra level of complexity to the mix while issuing special votes.

The wider issue remains where this Committee and Council agree that the age should be reduced to 16 years.

There are arguments for and against this.

Looking at the For Reasons:

By lowering the voting age to 16 for Local Government Elections it involves Rangatahi in politics and helps get them interested in democracy as it is something tangible they can take part in.

While it is disappointing that the Bill is only for local elections and not all elections, it is a great place to start and reflects the importance of all people to have a chance to be heard and influence the election of those who make decisions.

Engaging people early into the experience of voting every three years will help lock in those patterns of behaviour and will help motivate other people to vote.

We are happy to support anything that will help engage more people in the democratic process.

And Looking at the Against Reasons:

This Bill will not change the political landscape in New Zealand, all it will do is to increase the level of complexity in arranging Council elections. Are 16 year olds equipped to make decisions on who governs their City, but not on who governs the Country or who sells them a beer or wine? It seems to be creating a two tier system, National Government and Local Government where you can experiment.

Key reasons, highlighted again and again for falling involvement in elections relates to the lack of "Civics" education in our schools, there is nothing in the current curriculum that readily prepares students for their duties as citizens and residents of New Zealand and our councils. It is a black box of mystery to so many people. For Local Government the answer for "Why did you not vote?" is often "they don't do anything for me." This is of course wrong, however with limited means to communicate with voters and nothing to start with in terms of civics it is a hard sell, whereas National Government has the luxury of regular coverage across many news platforms.

Significance

While the issue of lowering the voting age is a very significant decision, it is one for Parliament to make. The decision to make a submission is not a significant decision in terms of the Policy.

Options

As noted above, there are two options, to make a submission or not to.

If a submission is to be made, then the key decision to be made is whether the submission is in support, against or neutral. Regardless it is staff recommendation to make comments on the two tier age for voting that will affect much of the City.

The final decision is who will be able to approve the submission as it is due on 20 October 2023 and the next Council meeting is on 31 October 2023 unless an Extraordinary meeting is arranged to approve any submission on 17 October.

Community Views

The Community has not been consulted over this, however they will be encouraged to make their views known to the Justice Select Committee via the submissions process.

The Youth Council have been alerted and will make their own decision on whether to make a submission or not.

Implications and Risks

Financial Implications

Making a submission does not have any direct financial implications. However, the two tier age group voting will have a financial consequence for Council as there will be another permutation of the voting papers that will need to be printed for the 16-18 year olds in Invercargill who can vote for Council but not the Trust.

Legal Implications

There are no legal implications directly for Council, other than part of the submission process.

Climate Change

There is no climate change impact with the proposed change or making the submission.

Risk

There are indirect risks to Council from this change, these include the greater level of complexity in the voting documents however these are not considered insurmountable.

Next Steps

Draft and finalise the submission, if one is to be submitted.

Attachments

A copy of the Bill can be made available to those interested.

ACTIVITIES REPORT

To:	Community Wellbeing Committee
Meeting Date:	Tuesday 10 October 2023
From:	Group Managers
Approved:	Michael Day - Chief Executive
Approved Date:	Tuesday 26 September 2023
Open Agenda:	Yes

Purpose and Summary

This report provides an update on a wide range of activities across the Council.

Recommendations

That the Community Wellbeing Committee:

1. Receives the "Activities Report".

Customer and Environment

Customer Services

Te Hīnaki Civic Building – Customer Interactions

	August 22	August 23
Emails	1,465	1,244
Call centre	5,123	5,291
Concierge	913	2,044
Cashiers	3,546	3,997
Building Desk	229	311
Building Inspections booked	470	498
Requests for service received	1,743	1,765

August was a busier month in the Te Hīnaki Civic Building both at Concierge and the Cashiers. This was mainly due to rates payments and the rates rebate forms for the new rateable year being available. The last day of rates (Friday 25 August) brought 389 transactions through the cashiers and was significantly higher than last year's month-to-date.

Call Centre numbers were similar to last year but up by 1000 calls approximately from July, mostly due to rates and dog registration enquiries throughout the month.

The Call Centre answered 97.2% of the 5291 calls received within 2 minutes.

The top Requests for Service for August were Property Files 407, Dogs/Animals 333, Waste Net 188, Rates 131 and Roothing 118.

Bluff Service Centre – Customer Interactions

	August 2022	August 2023
Concierge	312	377
Cashiers	166	104
NZ Post	1,158	626
Kiwibank	291	536
Lotto	1,400	1,625
Library	234	235

In our Bluff Service Centre, NZ Post stopped cash out with transactions in February 2023 and as a result, transaction numbers have decreased every month. This has nearly halved year on year for August from 1,158 to 626.

Property Records

Details for August 2023 compared with August 2022.

	August 2022	August 2023
Land Information Memorandum (LIM) Lodgements.	54 (50 = Residential 4 = Commercial)	52 (46 = Residential 10 Days 5 = Commercial 1 = Residential 5 Days)
Average days to issue a LIM (Compared with 10-Day Statutory Time Frame).	4.33 Days	6.44 Days
LIMs are processed within Statutory Time Frames.	100%	100%
Property File Requests	292	364

Building and Planning

Building

	August 2022	August 2023
Building Consents issued within 20 working days	97%	99%
Code Compliance Certificates issued within 20 working days	99%	88%

Planning

	August 2022	August 2023
Non-notified resource Consents issued within 20 working days	95%	100%

Environmental

Compliance

	August 2022	August 2023
Noise	72	72
Litter	7	4
Overgrown Sections	7	1
Animals (ex dogs)	11	3
Parking Complaints	60	90

Parking complaints continue to trend higher than the same month of the previous year.

Animal Control

	August 2022	August 2023
Registrations	936	586
RFS received	274	317
Infringements	3	8
Prosecution	0	0
Impounded	33	18
Rehomed	2	1

Dogs Returned	30	17
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Environmental Health

	August 2022	August 2023
Verifications Completed	42	31
New Food applications	7	9
Health Licences	0	1
Alcohol Licences issued	33	33

Communications

The by-election was a key focus for August communications, along with the Project 1225 museum rebuild and the Civic Theatre's Upstage Festival.

As expected, there was significant media interest and coverage of the by-election result and new Councilor Steve Broad. The release of the museum concept designs was successful through social media, the website and all media channels. The designs were received extremely well across the community and by the media, with strong positive feedback shared from all channels.

The naming of Te Unua Museum of Southland was also covered and received positively, and the inaugural Upstage: Invercargill Festival of Cabaret garnered positive press coverage and social media interaction through the Civic's page.

Other media coverage in August included Donovan Park, a Council hearing on a rooster complaint and the oat milk factory.

Work focused on increasing user engagement and positive community sentiment through social media continues to see results, with the highest monthly reach of all time on Council's Facebook page for August and almost double the average number of page visits. Higher engagement and reach in our page's content ensures the platform's algorithm will favour less engaging and more informative posts that Council needs to share with the community. This work builds towards our key Communications objective to enhance pride in the city and Council's work.

Key stats

- **15** Media Queries responded to
- **17** Media Releases sent
- **66** Facebook posts on Invercargill City Council page
- **208,669** people reached on Facebook
- **14,491** people directly visited Invercargill City Council Facebook page
- **159** new followers on Facebook (11,606 total followers)
- **3182** people reached on Instagram
- **31** new followers on Instagram (1360 total followers)
- **24,839** unique website visitors
- **105,647** website page views

Notable Facebook Posts



Post impressions	Post reach	Post engagement
51,655	49,360	2,512

Interactions

Like	Love	Haha	Wow	Care	Angry
843	265	0	4	0	0
Reactions	1,107				
Comments	40				
Link clicks	1				
Shares	25				

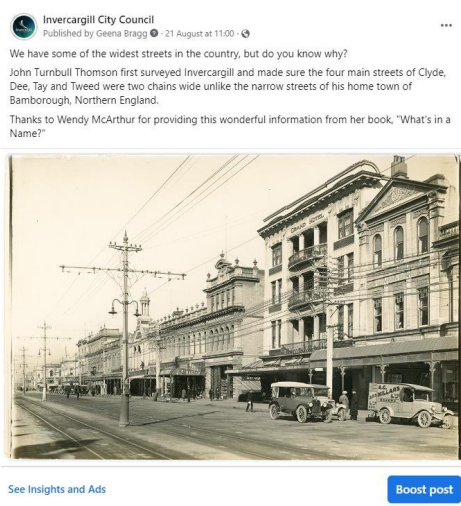


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Post impressions	Post reach	Post engagement
41,741	41,737	1,958

Interactions

Like	Love	Haha	Wow	Care	Angry
468	44	0	11	0	0
Reactions	522				
Comments	37				
Shares	43				
Other clicks	1,105				



Post impressions	Post reach	Post engagement
82,876	79,161	3,900

Interactions


Like	Love	Haha	Wow	Care	Angry
719	39	2	4	0	0
Reactions	764				
Comments	131				
Shares	64				
Other clicks	2,788				

Invercargill City Council
Published by Alana Dixon · 9 August at 19:00 · 🌐

🌿 We've been cleaning up after a tree fell in Queens Park in last week's wild weather.

🌿 As well as the tree that fell into the duck pond, we've also proactively removed six others of a similar age and size from the same area.

Today our contractor was on-site to do some stump grinding and mulching, which we use as a natural weed suppressant around our parks. As we've done in the past, the tree logs themselves have been sold to offset the cost of managing the tree removals.



See Insights and Ads Boost post

Post impressions	Post reach	Post engagement
39,736	39,736	2,425

Interactions

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168	6	0	5	11	0
Reactions	190				
Comments	24				
Shares	4				
Other clicks	2,111				

Leisure and Recreation

Venues and Events

The Civic Theatre has experienced a surge in meetings and function booking enquiries, with a significant increase compared to the same period last year.

The utilisation of the main theatre remains consistent for this time of year, setting the stage for the traditionally busier season ahead. This stability reflects the enduring popularity of the venue and its continued role in our community's cultural life.

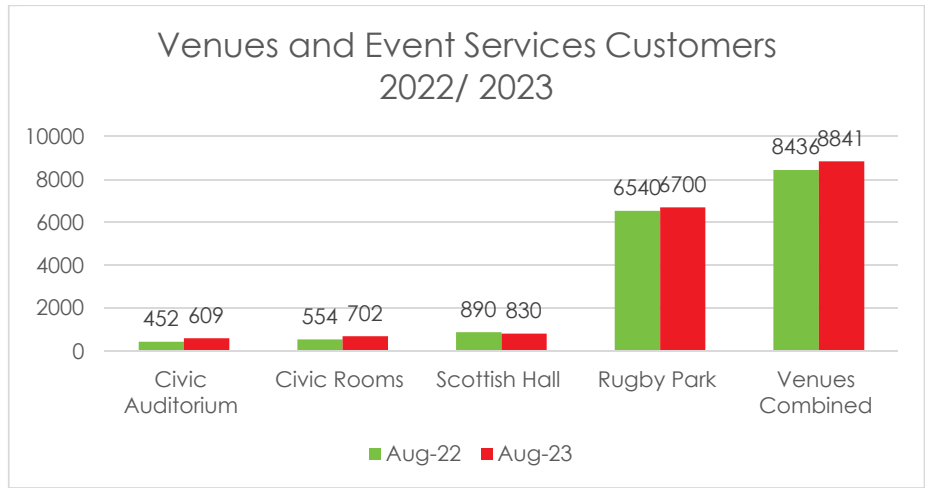
One of the standout successes during this period has been the activation of the Wikitoria Room. It came to life during the Upstage Cabaret festival season, hosting a variety of business and council meetings, demonstrating its adaptability and significance as a versatile and affordable venue.

The Upstage Invercargill Festival of Cabaret was conceived to activate the typically quiet month of August and provide efficient and affordable access to venue space by encouraging multiple events to share common stage setups and event promotion under a common marketing umbrella. The festival gave audiences an opportunity to see performances not typically offered as well as nurturing local talent, and opportunities for community participation. The festival featured a diverse range of performances, including comedy, cabaret, burlesque, and music, complemented by workshops and daytime films. Expanding the festival's reach and engaging a broader audience through strategic planning, targeted marketing, and outreach efforts will be imperative for subsequent festivals.

The versatility of the venues and the continual focus on diversification into new markets to meet the changing needs of the community continue to bring new experiences to the Civic. A recent highlight was the successful Supper Club event hosted by celebrated local chef Ethan Flack, which accommodated 30 people in the Drawing Room.

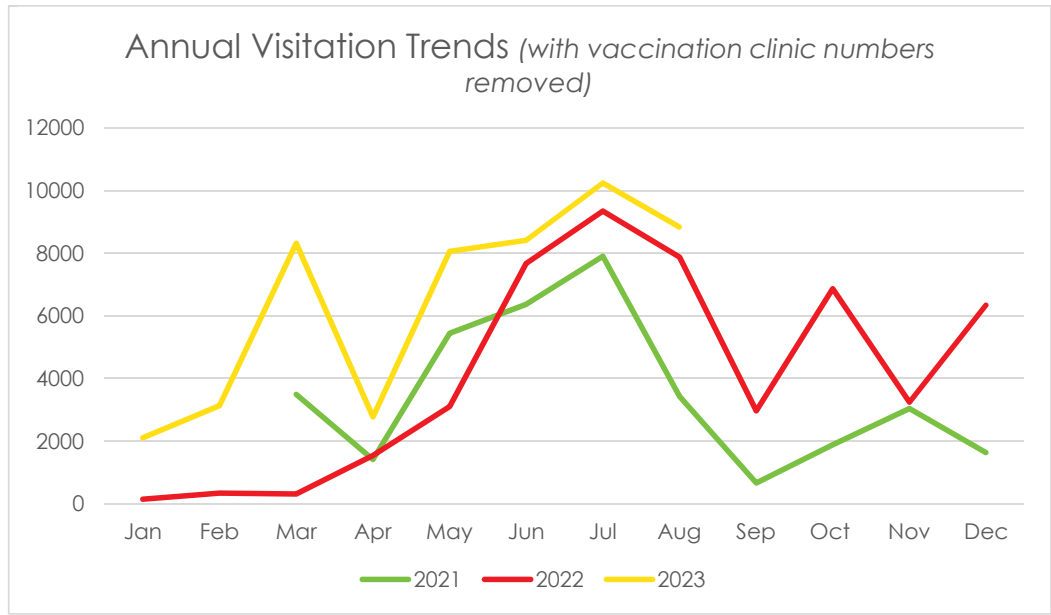
Rugby Park has enjoyed a successful start to the NPC season and minor improvements to the facility have improved customer experience such as the installation of drinking fountains and gate improvements. Our Venues team has taken on ticketing operations, which have proven effective thus far. This transition is expected to result in a modest increase in ticketing revenue.

Participation and visitation stats



Note: The data collected for the Civic Rooms 2022 includes vaccination clinic visitation and therefore skew year-on-year comparisons.

Annual visitation continues to follow the established seasonal trends with a modest increase from last year.



Upcoming Key Events - Major Events only

Event	Genre	Event Type
KPI: Increase public use through a range of community events and touring productions		
Southland Stags Vs B.O.P - 27 September	Rugby Fixture	Sporting, National Competition
Ladies Night - 27 September	NZ Play	National Touring
The Cat in the Hat - 29 September	Children's play	National Touring
2023 General Election Hub - 3 to 12 October	Town Hall	Democratic Access / Civic function
Disney's Newsies Jr – 7 / 8 October	Musical	Local, Community, Children's
Dracula's: The resurrection Tour - 13 / 14 October	Theatrical Concert	International Touring
Queen, It's a Kind of Magic – 15 October	Music Concert	National Touring
King Kapisi - Rodger Fox Big Band with Erna Ferry – 20 October	Music	National Touring
Bjorn Again - 26 October	Music	International Touring
Last Night of The Proms - 28 October	Concert	Local, community
Show Me Shorts Film Festival - 29 October	Film Festival	Local, National, international
Bill Bailey - 8 November	Comedy	International Touring
RNZB Hansel and Gretel – 15 November	Ballet	National, Touring

Upcoming City Centre Coordinator Events –Via the Great South Delivery contract

Event	Date	Location	Event Type
KPI: Creating a vibrant city centre			
Rugby Fan Zone	Saturday 14 – Saturday 28 October	Invercargill Central Ltd	Create a 'Fan Zone' in Invercargill Central where supporters and the community can socialise and support their team and the RWC competition. This may include an area of bean bags and couches, visits from Southland Stags to the Fan Zone, a photo board and post-it note style message board, supporters' gear giveaways, game updates and team profile information. Cross-promotions with local businesses that will be screening the live matches.
Halloween – Lunchtime	Tuesday 31 October	CBD locations	Positive interaction with lunch-time shoppers, with those handing out treats

			dressed to the Halloween theme.
Night Food Market – On Don St	Friday 10 November	Don Street	To position a variety of food/beverage trucks and stall holders on the road with tables and chairs set up. Patrons will be able to relax and enjoy their meals while enjoying ambient background music from a portable sound unit.

Parks

Derwent Park - Fruit Tree Pruning Workshop

A hua rākau (fruit tree) pruning workshop at Derwent Park Orchard was co-hosted with Healthy Families Invercargill.

Parks and Recreation Amenity Team shared their knowledge with a number of other staff and some very keen members of the community. It was an opportunity for:

- Glengarry Kindergarten children to further connect with the reserve in a fun way.
- Staff to upskill in this area and to have a go together.
- Building horticultural skills with community members on fruit trees and maara kai (community gardens).
- Education on pruning techniques to encourage good quality and quantity fruit that can be easily reached for the community to harvest.
- Supporting food security in Invercargill by helping make healthy fresh food accessible across the community.

Kew Kindergarten - Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)

An MOU has been signed with ICC and Kew Kindergarten for a partnership regarding management, development and maintenance of Panton Street Playground.

A key aspect was planting kowhai seedlings that have been propagated and grown by the Kindergarten community. A planting event with the Kindergarten community was held to establish small groves within native grasses.

Encouraging relationships with education providers that are keen to care for or adopt-a-park promotes opportunities for ongoing connection, care, education, kaitiakitanga (guardianship) and engagement in future developments.



Figure 1: Kew Kinderaarten Community planting at Pantou St

Low Mow Approach

A number of reserves including Sandy Point Domain, Thompsons Bush, Town Belt and Donovan Park have been selected for trialling a reduced mowing regime.

This idea was implemented following suggestions made by staff and the community for best practice management of spaces sustainably.

Parks and Recreation are exploring ways in which to generate feedback on this approach from multiple communication channels, from request to Requests for Service to Lets Talks Pages, aiming for QR code prompts on our signage.

Signs have been erected to proactively communicate this with reserve users.



Figure 2: Sign sharing the environmental benefits of the reduced mowing approach with reserve users.

Queens Park Shelter Tree Renewal and Fairway Four Realignment

Parks and Recreation Staff have applied themselves well during the winter planting season.

Around 500 shelter trees and native shrubs were planted between golf fairways four and five as part of the fairway four realignment and 1000 shelter trees and native shrubs were planted along Kelvin Street.



Figure 3: Planting and mulching 1000 shelter trees and native shrubs along Kelvin Street after shelter tree removals.

Queens Park Tree Falls



Fig 4: The fallen leader of the gum tree on the ground prior to the rest of the tree being felled.

A major storm event at the end of the July resulted in the loss of a candle bark gum tree (*Eucalyptus rubida*) planted in the 1970's in the Australian Border near the car park on Queens Drive.

The park road was closed for a short time while the tree was felled by a contractor.

From external observation there was no obvious indication of potential failure. The clean-up there is largely complete with damaged vegetation programmed for replacement.

A mature pine tree subsequently fell over during the middle of the day near the duck pond. It was noted that the soil around the upturned root ball was very wet and it is likely to have contributed to the failure.

Seven other trees in the area were removed during the immediate clean up as they were within the group or were significantly damaged. The tree that fell and one other were identified as from those intruding into the airspace above Queens Park.

There was damage to the pond edge, paving and other vegetation.

A planting plan for the area has been developed to ensure a number of slow growing specimen trees will grow to become stately heritage or legacy trees over time.



Figure 5: Access along the St Andrew St Track and in the duck pond area was disrupted for a few days by the fallen pine tree and clean-up operations.

Venue Booking System Update

Parks and Recreation staff have been refining the booking system for implementation. The focus is on the sports spaces, both seasonal and casual.

The booking system will be rolled out across Leisure and Recreation with 15 sites in the various business groups being moved onto an electronic platform.

The system will provide better visibility and transparency of available venues for the community and an improved internal and external customer experience.

Southland Crematorium – Beam Installation

To ensure continuity of provision and provide more location options for customers, three new beams have been installed at the Crematorium with a total of 180 plots.



Figure 6: Two new beams in the Garden of Rest



Figure 7: The new beam in the Garden of Memories with planting programmed shortly.

Play Activation

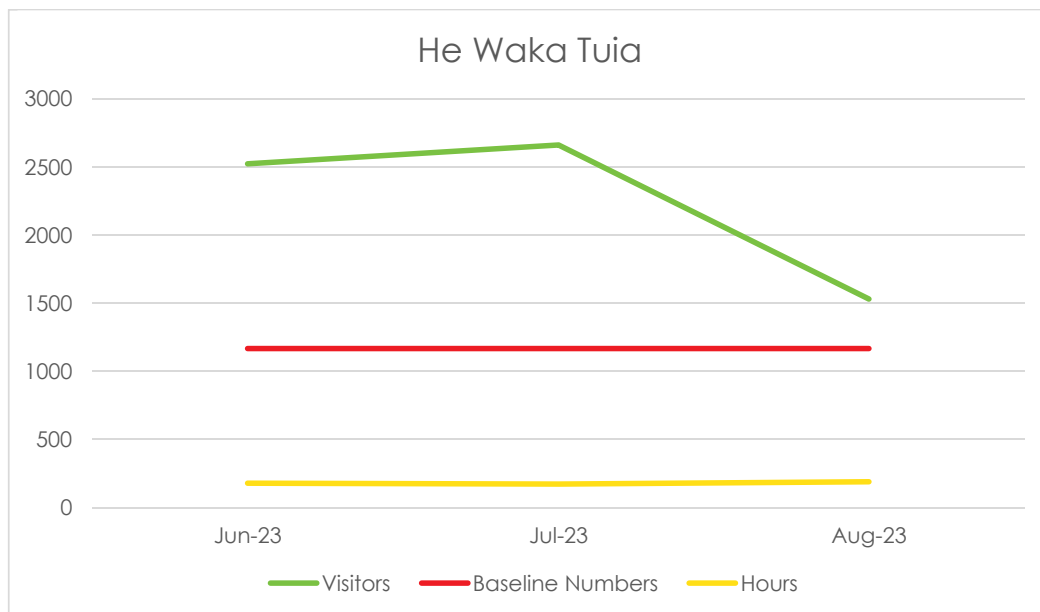
Planning for the next Invercargill Tunatuna Portable Pump Track Location

Planning is underway for hosting the Tunatuna portable pump track in Invercargill.

The track will be in the city from late November 2023 to mid-February 2024 providing active school holiday fun. It is a fun and playful mix of rollers and berms that help develop riding confidence and skills. The track has been popular during the time it has been located within Motupōhue/Bluff.

Watch out for the Community Survey, looking to get community input on finalising the location for this amazing regional asset.

Arts, Culture and Heritage



Following the successful Play 2.0 exhibition, Configure opened with a number of exhibition related programmes to support the works. These additional programmes attracted 232 participants during the month.

Configure: Home (5 August – 3 September 2023)

An exhibition featuring works by seven female artists; Kiri Mitchell, Kylie Norton, Maggie Covell, Tamara Nicholson, Anna Muirhead, Sarah Baird and Michele Beevors. Designed to break apart stereotypes and explore the relationship that females have with the 'home', this show is a continuation of the Configure exhibitions previously installed at Forrester Gallery and Ashburton Art Gallery.

Additional programmes included:

- Mindful Mondays: Colouring (August 7)

A free, walk in session where participants could use watercolours to paint their own art work during their lunch break.

Low Sensory Hour (August 8)

An hour specifically aimed at people who are neuro-divergent or have sensory issues. The lights were dimmed, music turned down and fidget toys provided for people to engage with.

BYO Baby (August 11)

An opportunity for parents to bring their baby to He Waka Tuia and meet and mingle with others. Attendees were able to relax with a cup of tea while exploring scenes of motherhood within our exhibition Configure: Home.

Attendees: 5

Taonga Pūoro Workshop (August 17)

A workshop led by Mahina Kauri and Kim Halliday which teaches people how to use traditional Māori instruments. This was part of the cabaret festival and registrations were covered by Arts Murihiku.

Build a Bertha (26 August)

An activity for kids over the weekend where they created their own version of Sarah Baird's sculptures of protesting Berthas using air dry clay.

Femmages (31 August)

An evening event where participants created a collage using female-dominated art techniques. Inspired by Miriam Schapiro

Southland Museum and Art Gallery

The reconstituted Southland Museum and Art Gallery Trust Board have met for the first time. They appointed Rev. Evelyn Cook as interim Chair. This will be reviewed at a subsequent meeting. The Board visited the closed Southland Museum and Art Gallery building.

Relocation of the Collection – Level 3 to Level 2

As shelving currently located on Level 3 is to be reused at Tisbury; the collection has begun to be transferred to Level 2 and the Ground Floor. Space was made available through the relocation to the Temporary Off-site Storage facility.

The plan for the relocation will involve the allocation of shelf numbers on pallets; wrapping for freezing and pest control; and signing off the material – depending on whether it will be transported by the Museum staff or the contractor.

This work will be completed by 29 September to enable ABL to begin to remove the shelves from the first week of October.

Relocation to Tisbury

The project plan which has been developed by the Museum staff, Stephen Cook and RCP continues to be refined in anticipation of the relocation which will begin in December 2023.

The team have a target date of 4 December 2023 to have collection prepared; and at that point work on the dismantling of the workshop and offices will also begin.

Aquatic Services

Splash Palace had water polo start back up in late August on Friday evenings. Due to the popularity, there is limited pool space available for lane swimming and aqua jogging during this time.

Splash Palace also hosted many high school netball teams who were in Invercargill for a tournament. These teams participated in hot and cold recovery sessions and general recreational use of the pools.

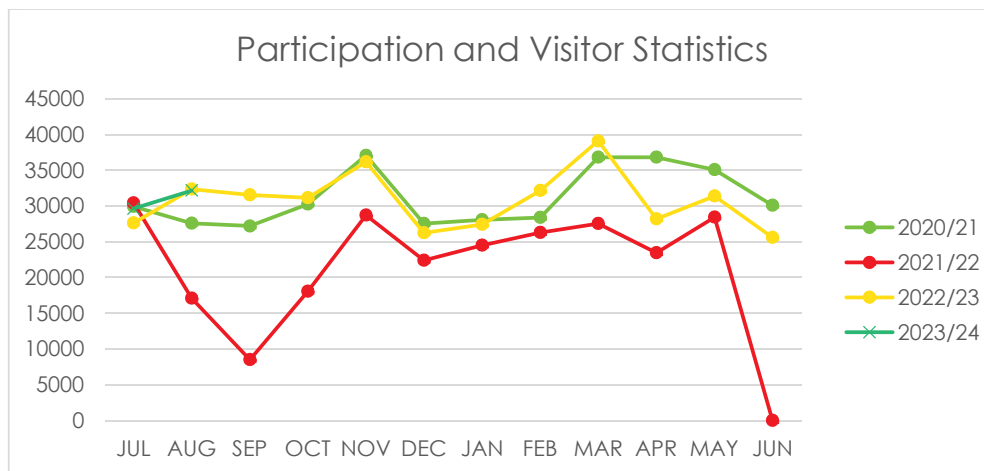
Participation and Visitor Stats

There was a 9% increase in participation in August from July and August 23 participation had similar participation to August 22 and was a 14% increase on the last 5-year average.

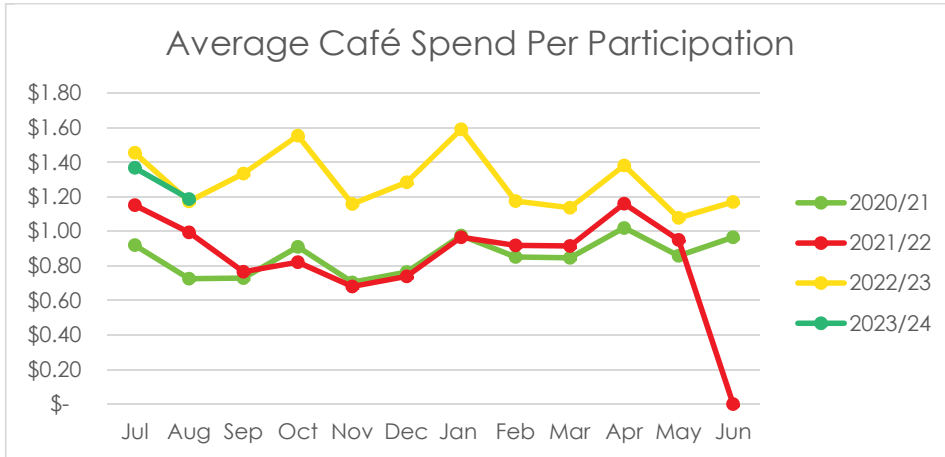
Café and Retail

The café in August had an average spend per participation of \$1.19, the benchmark for a café in an aquatic facility is \$0.80 per participation. Revenue in the café for August was 1% higher than in August 22, with similar participation levels. August revenue was 6% less than July.

Splash Palace is seeing slow growth in retail sales with the 23/24 monthly average being 2% higher than the 22/23 monthly average.

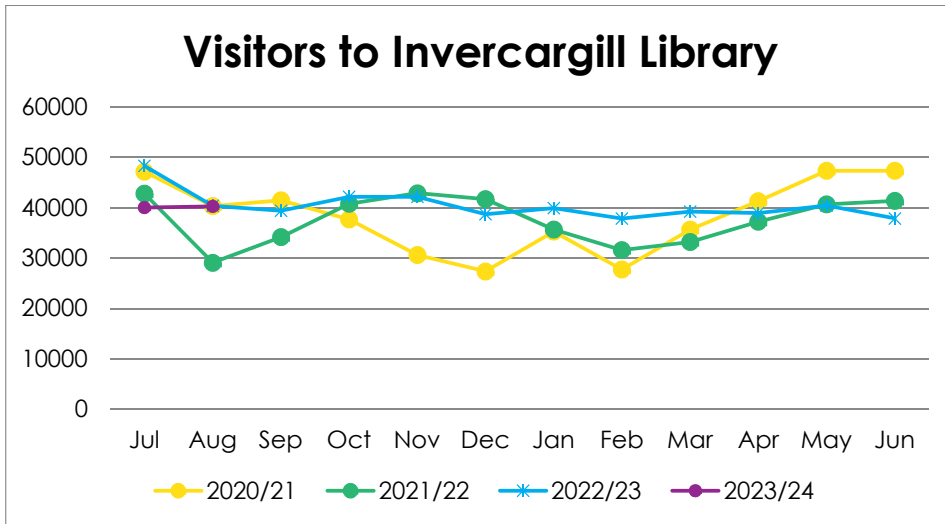


June 22 participation was zero due to being closed for maintenance.



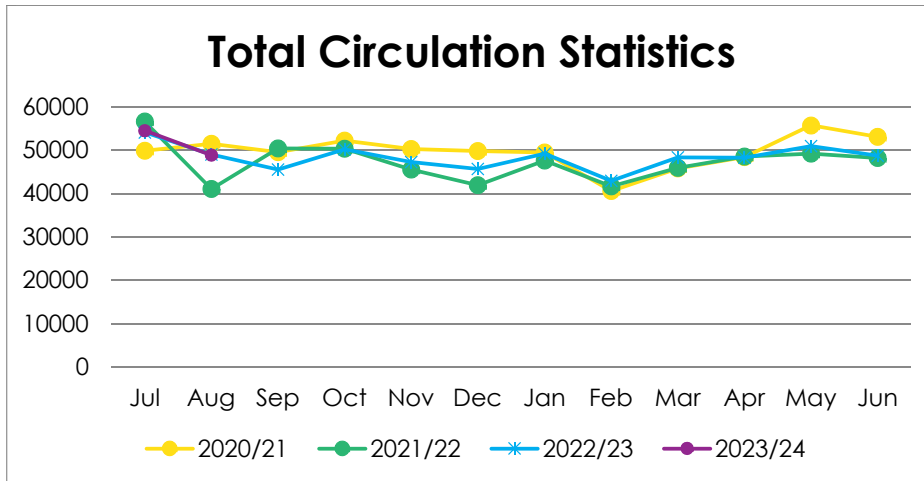
Libraries

Library Visits



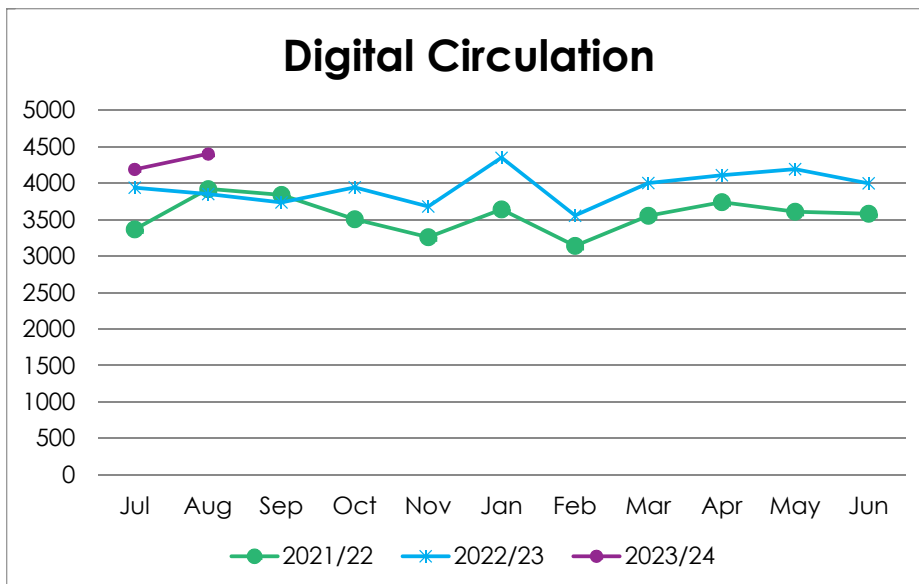
Visitor numbers have remain steady with 40,275 visiting in August 2023.

Library Circulation



Circulation of in August 2023 (48,878) was slightly less than the previous year (48,998) by 120. The major changes have been the continued increase in digital circulation and in the physical collections an increase in the circulation of DVDs possibly brought about by the closure of United Video in South City. This increase was by nearly 17% over the same period for the previous year. This has been offset by the continued decline of the circulation of music CDs and a review of this collection will be undertaken by the end of the financial year.

Digital circulation



Digital circulation for August 2023 was 4,400 which is the largest monthly circulation since we began providing this service. Dunedin Library have recently added over 6000 items to the Borrowbox platform increasing the amount available for loan to 23,847 for all consortia member libraries which includes Invercargill.

Engagement

Family History Month

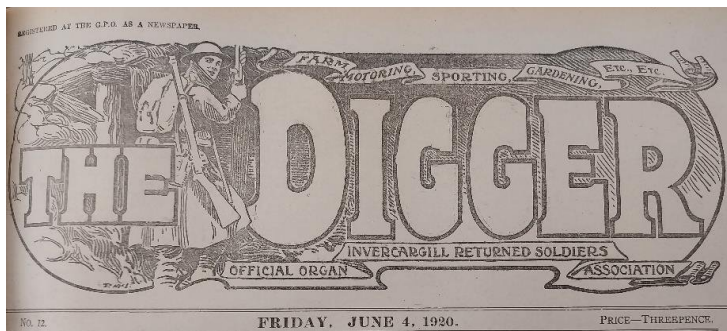
August was New Zealand Family History Month and in collaboration with the New Zealand Society of Genealogists, a range of free talks were provided.

16 August 2023 – Overview of DNA testing and interpreting results.

17 August 2023 – Immigrant journeys to New Zealand. Stories by several speakers.

18 August 2023 – Preserving your photos and old documents.

Newspaper digitisation



As part of the National Library of New Zealand's Collaborative Newspaper Digitisation Programme Invercargill City Libraries has this year been successful in our application to extend the digitisation of the Southland Times to include the years 1937-1945. Also included in this application is the newspaper "The digger: official organ Invercargill Returned Soldiers' Association" which the Library holds from March 1920 to January 1921. The budget for this is \$22,402 (excluding GST) with the National Library providing 50%.

Archives



Archive and Library staffed hosted a class from Middle School who are celebrating their 150th anniversary this year. The children looked at old newspapers, school registers from the 1870s,

and old photographs of their school, as well as completing a library treasure hunt. Archive staff are also assisting the jubilee committee with historical records found at the school.