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**Minutes of a meeting of the Nelson City Council to Hear and Consider Applications for Community Assistance Funding 2011/12**

**Held in the Council Chamber, Civic House, Trafalgar Street, Nelson**

**On Monday 5 September 2011, commencing at 9.00am**

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Present: His Worship the Mayor A Miccio, Councillors I Barker, A Boswijk (Deputy Mayor), G Collingwood, E Davy, K Fulton, J Rackley, D Shaw and M Ward

Apologies: Councillors R Copeland, P Matheson, P Rainey and R Reese

In Attendance: Executive Manager Community Services (S Coleman), Manager Community Development (K Inwood), Social Development Adviser (N Mercer) and Administration Adviser (L Laird)

His Worship the Mayor opened the meeting and Cr Davy gave the prayer. His Worship the Mayor then outlined the procedure for hearing submissions. It was noted that there were a large number of applicants to the Community Assistance Fund this year.

**1. Conflicts of Interest**

The following conflicts of interest were noted:

Councillor Barker: Age Concern Nelson

Councillor Boswijk: Kahurangi Employment Trust

Councillor Collingwood: The Nelson Kindergarten Association and the Youth and Community Facility Trust (Nelson) (the New Hub)

Councillor Davy: Kahurangi Employment Trust and Big Brothers Big Sisters

Councillor Shaw: The Nelson Environment Centre, Nelson Tasman Cycle Trails Trust, The Nelson Historical Society Inc and the Nelson Farmers Market

Councillor Ward: Waimarama Community Gardens and Lifelines

## **2. Hearing of Applications for Community Assistance Contract Funding for 2011/2012**

The Council proceeded to hear the applications for Community Assistance Contract Funding for 2011/2012.

### **2.1 Cameron Forbes and Julie Thompson, Adult Learning Support Nelson, contract number 62, pages 1-11**

The applicants gave a power point presentation (1161585). They said it was hard to diagnose dyslexia as it occurs in differing degrees, however the impact on the individual and their community was huge as the individual is often isolated and unable to work.

The applicants discussed the training and courses on offer and some of their results to date. In response to a question, Mr Forbes said the service is over-subscribed and that people are self-referred as well as referred through organisations such as Workbridge, Youth Transition Services and the New Hub.

### **2.2 Sue Tilby, Age Concern Nelson, contract number 15, pages 13-23**

Ms Tilby spoke to the application on behalf of the organisation and discussed the issues with the people they help. She said isolation is debilitating and has huge impacts on the society and that Age Concern promotes inclusiveness.

### **2.3 Shannon Johnston, Annesbrook Community Trust, contract number 67, pages 25-33**

Mr Johnston spoke about the youth programme 'Epic' that around 150 young people attend every week. He said the programme was about building positive relationships with other young people. He added that the Trust has three youth workers in Nelson schools helping to build positive relationships and environments.

In response to a question, Mr Johnston said Epic was aimed at high schools and confirmed they had applied to Tasman District Council for funding. He said they work with similar services however mentioned there was a shortage of youth-based services in Stoke.

### **2.4 Lloyd Harwood and Ronnie Martin, Arts Council Nelson, contract number 68, pages 35-62**

The applicants spoke to the application from the Arts Council and noted that a long term funding contract will ensure continuity over the possible amalgamation period.

In response to a question, Mr Harwood said about 100 people pay membership subscriptions and they do offer incentives for full membership, however this was not popular. They added membership is about 70% Nelson based and 30% Tasman based.

**2.5 Gary Blomfield, Beneficiaries and Unwaged Workers Trust, contract number 25, pages 63-73**

Mr Blomfield said the demand for services continues to be high with extra pressure during times of recession. He briefly discussed the benefits that are offered through their service and discussed the quality assurance processes they have implemented to achieve a high level of service.

**2.6 Gavin Millar, Big Brothers Big Sisters of Nelson, contract number 10, pages 75-92**

Mr Millar said Big Brothers Big Sisters had been in operation for 14 years now and currently was working with 104 young people. He said that due to the high demand for their service, they decided an additional administrative support person to support the mentors would benefit the organisation and that this application sought funding for that position.

Mr Millar confirmed they had applied for funding to Tasman District Council and through the Ministry of Social Development.

**2.7 Ray Wilson, Bowls Tahunanui, contract number 22, pages 93-101**

Mr Wilson spoke briefly to the application and tabled additional information (1161456). He said the Club employs their own groundsman and takes care of their own maintenance.

**2.8 Heather Thomas, Citizens Advice Bureau Nelson Tasman, contract number 17, pages 103-117**

Ms Thomas spoke to the application and said the organisation has 50 volunteers that undertake extensive training to be able to provide the service offered by the organisation.

**2.9 Faye Wulff, Community Arts Works, contract number 64, pages 127-149**

Ms Wulff spoke to the application and said they were seeking financial assistance with wages. She explained that they were in the process of registering with the Charities Commission.

**2.10 Lynda Rea, Family Education Network Inc Nelson, contract number 14, pages 167-187**

The applicant spoke to the application and said they were seeking funding to extend the 'Your Choice' programme into Nelson Girls College. She said the programme worked with year 9 and 10 students to encourage healthy and informed life choices. The applicant provided examples of the results from the programme held at Nelson Boys College.

In response to a question, Ms Rea said about a third of the funding comes from contributions from the schools.

**2.11 Catherine Brosnahan, Friends of Old Fairfield Inc, contract number 63, pages 189-202**

In support of the application, Ms Brosnahan discussed ideas for the use and long term vision of Fairfield.

**2.12 Don McLean and Elizabeth Bean, Hampden Street School, contract number 12, pages 203-222**

The applicants spoke about the school hall and tabled some additional information (1161461). They said it was well used by the community, and added that there were not many halls in the area and most were expensive to hire. They confirmed that the Ministry of Education was contributing \$100,000 to improve the standard of the hall.

The Council discussed the lack of commitment to funding school halls by the Government.

**2.13 Bridget Thompson, Hearing Association Nelson, contract number 47, pages 223-240**

Ms Thompson spoke to the application and outlined the affects of hearing loss, including the difficulties with personal interaction for someone who suffers from hearing loss. She said the disability was not easily recognisable and therefore hard to manage.

Ms Thompson gave a power point presentation (1161582) and said the organisation works to educate people about hearing loss and suggest strategies to help interact with people with hearing impairment.

**2.14 Jane Worthington, House 44, contract number 56 pages 247-261**

Ms Worthington discussed the aims of House 44 and tabled additional information (1161468) about their funding application. She discussed some of the activities offered and introduced some of the young people that attend House 44 who spoke about their time at the House.

**2.15 Alex Britton, Incedo Inc Nelson, contract number 26, pages 263-281**

Mr Britton spoke about the work currently underway to set up a youth shelter in Nelson. He said he currently worked out the New Hub whilst gathering data on youth housing and finding accommodation for young people in need. He said he has found a permanent building for a shelter and sought funding to get the project underway.

In response to a question, Mr Britton said they work closely with Child Youth and Family and fit in where their services are unable to.

Attendance: the meeting adjourned for morning tea from 10.40 to 10.50am.

**2.16 Julie Townshend, Lifeline Nelson, contract number 4, pages 287-330**

In support of the application, Ms Townshend spoke about the programme and volunteers. In response to a question, she said they receive no subsidies from telecommunications companies.

**2.17 Rebecca Greig and Mary Sullivan, and Fishes, All Saints Church, contract number 59, pages 331-337**

The applicants tabled additional information (1161472 and 1161581) and spoke to the application from Loaves and Fishes. They said the kitchen provides vulnerable members of the community with an important service and that currently the kitchen is not in a good state of repair.

**2.18 Rex Smith, Nayland College – Adult Community Education Programme, contract number 54, pages 331-337**

Mr Smith spoke about the Adult Community Education Programme and said the School Board is committed to the programme, although it is separate to the operation of the school. He tabled some additional information (1161474) about the Adult Community Education Programme at Nayland College.

The Council was informed of the benefits of such a programme and what it has been able to offer residents. The Council heard about the type of courses that will be offered. There was a discussion about the decline of adult education programmes nationally.

**2.19 Debbie De Geus and Kim McDonald, Neighbourhood Support Nelson Inc, contract number 21, pages 386-406**

Ms De Geus spoke to the application and tabled additional information (1161490). Ms McDonald spoke about her role as the Coordinator and spoke about the difference that the work by Neighbourhood Support is making in the community. Ms McDonald said where possible they work alongside similar community organisations.

**2.20 David Todd and Pat Heaphy, Nelson City Brass, contract number 37, pages 416-420**

Mr Heaphy spoke to the application and said Nelson City Brass was made up of five bands and offered an opportunity for the community to socialise. He discussed the band camp, events the band was involved in and other aspects of the organisation that promote the musical development of its members.

**2.21 John White, Nelson Community Christian Night Shelter Trust, contract number 7, pages 422-430**

Mr White spoke to the application and thanked the Council for previous support. In response to a question, Mr White said they had been in

contact with Incedo and other groups working to establish a youth shelter. He said many of the people they provide accommodation for have addictions and cannot share accommodation with other people.

**2.22 Nick Kiddey and Di Smith, Nelson Community Organic Gardens Trust (Waimarama Community Gardens), contract number 41, pages 432-442**

Mr Kiddey spoke to the application and said the funding environment has changed considerably in the last few years resulting in changes to the Gardens and how they are used. He said the application sought funding to promote the service of the Gardens and educate the public as to what is available.

In response to a question, Mr Kiddey said the costs and effort involved with having a stall at the Nelson Markets would be counter-productive.

**2.23 Lindsey Fish, Nelson Environment Centre, contract number 53, pages 444-451**

Ms Fish said the application sought to assist in funding two facilitators to help run an education programme for young people. The programme was about growing vegetables and aimed to encourage participants to make healthy life choices, she said.

**2.24 Liam Ryan, Nelson Jazz Club Inc, contract number 39, pages 452-459**

Mr Ryan spoke about the festival and the economic benefits for Nelson. He said the timing of the event means they cannot apply through the Council's Events Management Strategy. He said changes in the funding environment means sponsorship has dropped significantly so they have had to apply to the Council for more.

In response to a question, Mr Ryan said the impacts of not receiving the amount requested would mean there would be a decreased budget for production, marketing and the calibre of the acts offered.

**2.25 Paula Muddle, Nelson Marlborough Rescue Helicopter Trust, contract number 27, pages 460-465**

Ms Muddle gave a power point presentation (1161580) and said this was the first ever application by the Trust. She outlined the function of the Trust and said there has been a huge amount of support from the community for their service. She added that, through their ability to fly at night, they have been able to increase the scope of their service.

Ms Muddle discussed with the Council the compliance issues associated with national strategies for helicopters and ambulances that are required to carry out rescues. She said this will result in increased costs for the Trust.

The Council noted it would be helpful to have more information about other potential sources of funding to help them in their decision making process.

**2.26 John and Norma Carson, Nelson Multiple Sclerosis Society Inc, contract number 5, pages 497-503**

The submitters spoke to the application and gave a brief overview of the Society and how they support people with the disease and other similar diseases.

**2.27 Bob Murray, Nelson Railway Society Inc, contract number 43, pages 519-523**

Mr Murray said the application sought funding to assist with the purchase of diesel to run the locomotives and to keep the fares low to boost visitor numbers to Founders Park.

**2.28 Mike Watson, Nelson Santa Parade Trust, contract number 43, pages 519-523**

Mr Watson briefly spoke to the application and said they are providing a service on behalf of the Council and funding was required to keep it going.

**2.29 Frances McElhinney and Neil Deans, Nelson School of Music, contract number 31, pages 533-541**

The applicants said the School of Music was a major facility in Nelson and provided a home for many smaller organisations. They were seeking additional funding to continue their services.

**2.30 Pamela Seymour, Nelson Symphony Orchestra Inc, contract number 6, pages 543-547**

Ms Seymour briefly spoke to the application and said it was to assist with the costs of contracting a conductor.

**2.31 Deanne Kilpatrick, Nelson Tasman Youth Workers Collective, contract number 44, pages 559-573**

Ms Kilpatrick spoke to the application and confirmed that they had received support from Tasman District Council.

**2.32 Fiona Newey, Nelson Tasman Cycle Trails Trust, contract number 23, pages 549-557**

Ms Newey spoke to the application and confirmed that they had not received any of the funding they have applied for and said they will be asking Tasman District Council for the same amount. She clarified that the application sought funding for administration support that had not been accounted for in the central government package.

**2.33 Glenda Carnegie, Open Home Foundation, contract number 55, pages 581-591**

Ms Carnegie spoke about the services offered by the Open Home Foundation. She said the family home is staffed to care for children and young people with serious challenges, and mentioned a case of a child as young as 7 years old that was a danger to the community and was homed until that child was safe to be re-integrated.

Ms Carnegie added that most of these children and young people are not allowed at school and remain in the family home for 6 – 24 months.

**2.34 Lovey Gieger, Parikarangaranga Ki Rangitoto Trust, contract number 65, pages 593-601**

The applicant spoke to the application and said the organisation aims to work with the Maori community and other cultures to learn about each others' cultures and promote peaceful communities.

**2.35 Chris Walsh, Presbyterian Support Upper South Island, contract number 52, pages 603-607**

Mr Walsh spoke to the application and said they were looking to work with the whole Stoke community with a goal of a coordinated community that runs after school facilities, linking youth up with the resources on offer in Stoke. He said there was a need for a point of coordination with community organisations in the area.

**2.36 Seb Stewart and Eleanor Strathorne, Q-Youth Incorporated, contract number 24, pages 609-626**

The applicants explained the role of Q-Youth, and tabled some additional information (1161499). He said they work with a minority group, however the impacts are far reaching for that group. Mr Stewart said their goal was to promote an inclusive and accepting culture in Nelson that will impact on groups beyond just that of queer youth. He also confirmed that they had applied to Tasman District Council.

**2.37 Jo Robinson, RNZPS Nelson Marlborough Area/Nelson Tasman Bays, contract number 29, pages 635-653**

Ms Robinson discussed the goal of Plunket and how their service benefits the community. She said their long term vision was around inter-agency collaboration. She confirmed that they were seeking \$5,000 a year and that they do receive central Government funding.

Attendance: the meeting adjourned for lunch from 1.05 to 1.30pm.

**2.38 Dayanira Bakhshi, Nelson Multicultural Council Inc, contract number 30, pages 466-496**

Ms Bakhshi explained that the application was largely to cover staff wages as the current coordinator was working about 6 hours per week more than contracted for.

She explained that the Nelson Multicultural Council was seen as a leader nationally, and that there had been a central government request for them to run workshops for other multicultural societies around New Zealand.

In response to questions, Ms Bakshi explained that other committee members currently work on a volunteer basis to cover the additional work required. She also described some of the more recent initiatives of the Council, and described some of the activities that the Council runs for refugee groups in Nelson.

**2.39 John Haynes, Stoke Community Centre Inc, contract number 3, pages 661-673**

Mr Haynes described the programmes offered through the Stoke Community Centre. He noted that the focus of the Community Centre was to exercise the minds and bodies of seniors and ensure that they were not socially isolated. The Community Centre currently has over 300 financial members, but over 600 contacts on its database.

The Centre currently employs 5 part time staff, and the application focused on part time wages for a kitchen hand to assist with meal preparation, he said.

In response to a question, Mr Haynes clarified that the centre provides for those aged over 60. At this stage the Community Centre is not involved with Stoke youth, but the Centre otherwise interacts with the wider Stoke community through a day-care centre.

**2.40 Dee Cresswell, Stopping Violence Services, contract number 20, pages 675-681**

Ms Cresswell spoke to the application, and clarified that funding was sought particularly for those who had self-referred to their programme, rather than those referred by Police and other agencies.

In response to a question, Ms Cresswell explained that referrals from the Family Court were funded by the Court. The cost of the programme is \$2500 per participant. Stopping Violence Services receives some additional funding, and they were currently requesting a small contribution from those who had self-referred to the programme.

Ms Cresswell explained that approximately 80-85% of programme participants were from the Nelson area.

**2.41 Judy Robinson, Tahunanui Community Centre Inc, contract number 19, pages 683-700**

Ms Robinson spoke to the application, and explained that the Tahunanui Community Centre was seeking funding to assist with developing a strong and resilient community. In particular, the Centre planned to develop the community garden project further, and aimed to establish new programmes focused on healthier lifestyles.

In response to a question, Ms Robinson explained that activities were targeted at a wide range of age groups living in Tahunanui, including young families, solo parents, semi-retired and retired persons.

**2.42 Paul Drummond, Tahunanui School, contract number 13, pages 701-710**

Mr Drummond explained that Tahunanui School was seeking Council support for the redeveloped school pool currently under construction. He noted that all funding for the pool was coming from the community, through fundraising and other grants. There was no Ministry of Education funding available for school pools.

Mr Drummond explained that the pool would be open to the public, for longer hours and at much cheaper rates to than other pools, including a swim school. He noted there would be no on-going costs to the Council.

In response to a question, Mr Drummond explained that previously the school had utilised a key-system to allow community use of the pool. The school is also considering allowing community walk-in access, and is working with local moteliors to offer pool access to travellers to the region. The school has already fundraised over \$100,000 itself and local businesses have also contributed labour and materials to the project.

**2.43 Mike Williams, Tasman Broadcasting Trust (Fresh FM), contract number 61, pages 711-717**

Attendance: Councillor Barker declared an interest and took no part in the hearing of this application.

Mr Williams explained that Fresh FM is a Community access radio, and operates as a not-for-profit radio station. The radio station is driven by community interests and needs, and works in particular with migrant, multicultural and youth groups.

Mr Williams noted that the application for funding was to increase outreach to groups. He explained that it was increasingly difficult to find sponsorship for such radio programmes.

**2.44 Mel Shearer, Tasman Regional Sports trust, contract number 58, pages 719-739**

Ms Shearer spoke to the application and explained that previous funding for the Leadership in Schools had diminished to the point where there was

no longer any funding for this programme. SPARC funding to Sport Tasman had also reduced significantly.

She explained that the amount of funding being applied for was relatively small, but it would have a huge effect on Sport Tasman's ability to continue the programme.

**2.45 Paul Lafotanoa and Steve Martin, Tasman Rugby League Incorporated, contract number 50, pages 741-749**

Mr Martin explained that Tasman Rugby League was being re-built and was offering opportunities for people to become involved in the game. The focus of the application was to build on volunteer support to engage school children, secondary school students and at-risk youth in the game. Traditionally Rugby League appealed to lower socio-economic groups.

In response to a question, Mr Lafotanoa explained that, in comparison with Rugby Union, Rugby League has generally been marginalised in terms of funding and support. He included that Tasman Rugby League Incorporated runs programmes including teaching techniques of the game to children from an early age.

**2.46 Karen Howieson, The Nelson Ark, contract number 69, pages 751-759**

Ms Howieson described the Nelson Ark's programme for young people, focusing on abuse, bullying and enhancing youth training and work support. The Nelson Ark was hoping to increase the numbers of programmes run.

Ms Howieson emphasised that young people on the programmes are generally from troubled backgrounds and there were often issues with mental health, violence or substance abuse. She emphasised the benefits of working with animals and how it assists young people to gain strength and confidence.

In response to questions, Ms Howieson explained that The Nelson Ark works alongside other agencies, particularly those who have referred the young person to them. She noted that referrals from Nelson and Tasman were generally evenly split, and that in particular there were a large number of referrals from Stoke. They also received funding from the Tasman District Council.

**2.47 Karen Price, The Nelson Historical Society Inc, contract number 9, pages 761-767**

Ms Price thanked the Council for the grant received last year. She explained that the Society is particularly engaged in compiling the history of Italian immigrants in Nelson.

She outlined some of the difficulties that the Society had compiling this history, as the Italian community heavily relied on oral history and many aspects had never been recorded prior to this point. The Society has also

worked with other agencies such as the National Archives to advance this project.

**2.48 Patrick Steer & Carrie Mozena, The Nelson Tasman Housing Trust, contract number 8, pages 769-778**

Attendance: Councillor Collingwood declared an interest and took no part in the hearing of this application.

Mr Steer explained that the Nelson Tasman Housing Trust focused on emergency housing. The Trust works alongside 10 other agencies to provide emergency accommodation in Nelson. The service is used extensively, with full occupancy in emergency accommodation over the past 4 months. The Trust also coordinates a bond bank.

In response to a question, Mr Steer explained that although a few historical bond bank loans have been written off, most are being paid back. The Trust has more recently established rigorous conditions around bond bank loans.

**2.49 Margo Ruhen, Victory Community Association Trust, contract number 35, pages 779-789**

Ms Ruhen thanked the Nelson City Council for previous funding, and outlined the main projects that the Victory Community Association Trust was involved in. She noted that the Coordinator role for the Trust has had a large turnover, because the role involves far more than the 5 hours a week at minimum wage currently budgeted for.

She explained the Trust's main projects were the Annual Little Day Out and the Keep Victory Beautiful project. The Trust also aimed to grow relationships with other local groups in Victory to strengthen the community.

In response to a question, Ms Ruhen clarified that previous Council funding had been for both a coordinator of the Victory Community Association Trust and the Little Day Out event.

Attendance: Councillor Davy left the meeting at 2.46pm

**2.50 Kindra Douglas, Victory Community Health Centre, contract number 66, pages 791-795**

Ms Douglas spoke to the application (1161577) and explained that the Victory Community Health Centre services a large proportion of the Nelson community, particularly those with high needs.

The Centre's mission is to provide low-cost, easily accessible services. It was looking for partnership with the Council to assist with administration support. Ms Douglas pointed out that the level of funding applied for equated to just over \$1 per person using the services.

In response to a question, Ms Douglas clarified that the wages aspect of the application was for one employee.

**2.51 Jude McNabb, Volunteer Nelson, contract number 18, pages 797-803**

Ms McNabb spoke to the application, and added that the Canterbury Community Trust had now granted funding of \$10,000. She explained that Volunteer Nelson provided support and training for community groups that relied on volunteers. Volunteer Nelson acts as a hub of services for community groups, including providing an important network for different groups and services. It also runs a mentoring project and peer support groups for the community sector.

**2.52 Peter Creston, Wakapuaka Tennis Club (Inc), contract number 46, pages 805-809**

Mr Creston explained that the Wakapuaka Tennis Club is a community focal point for Nelson North. The Club works alongside local schools, and provides an extensive junior tennis programme. There is also an established senior programme with a social emphasis. Club members use the courts on an almost daily basis, although there is one free day per week for community use through the summer.

In response to a question, Mr Creston clarified that the tennis courts are on Council land, but that the Club is responsible for the maintenance of the tennis courts.

Mr Creston also clarified that, except for one professional coach for the junior programme, the Club is otherwise run on a volunteer basis.

**2.53 Simon Keely, Weet Bix Kids Triathlon, contract number 28, pages 817-832**

Mr Keely explained that next year's event would be the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Weet Bix Kids Triathlon. The Triathlon aims to encourage healthy lifestyle by encouraging children into multisport. Mr Keely commented that while the entry fees were perceived to be high, all events were still run at a loss.

In response to questions, Mr Keely explained that Sanitarium's sponsorship relates to all events across the country, and sponsorship had been retained for a further 3 years. The Nelson event was expected to cost around \$77,000 to run, and other local Councils around the country assisted with providing funding for these events around the country.

Mr Keely also noted that assistance was provided to low-income families for help with entry fees. As well as the general management fee, there was also a local coordinator contracted to assist with running the event.

### 3. Standing Orders 3.3.7 - Duration of Meetings

Resolved

***THAT in accordance with Standing Orders paragraph 3.3.7 the meeting continue beyond six hours.***

His Worship the Mayor/Boswijk

Carried

### 4. Hearing of Applications for Community Assistance Contract Funding for 2011/2012 (continued)

#### 4.1 Carrie Mozena, Women in Nelson Inc, contract number 16, pages 839-843

Attendance: Councillor Collingwood declared an interest and took no part in the hearing of this application.

Ms Mozena explained that Women in Nelson Inc owns and operates the Women's Centre. This application was focused on the running of workshops, aimed at developing lifeskills and on arts and crafts. She noted that the Women's Centre serves around 450-500 women a year through various workshops, equipping them with useful life skills such as communication skills, conflict management and relaxation techniques.

Ms Mozena noted that Women in Nelson has received Nelson City Council funding for the past 2 years, and they are now applying for funding again as the funding scenario has changed significantly in that time. Funding is applied for from other organisations as well, and participants do pay some fees, however as many women using the centre are on low incomes, they try to keep fees as low as possible.

#### 4.2 Bob Bickerton & Tony Stallard, Nelson Music Festival Trust, contract 49, pages 505-509.

Mr Bickerton emphasised the high profile of the Nelson Chamber Music Festival both nationally and internationally. He tabled some additional information (1161501), and explained that funding was being sought to assist with administration and promotion of the event.

Mr Stallard summarised the economic impact of the festival for Nelson, and noted that the event added \$1.4 million to Nelson's economy. The Trust also supported other local organisations such as the Nelson School of Music.

In response to a question, Mr Bickerton explained that the Trust was currently exploring rebranding the festival, and they wanted to emphasise Nelson within the branding. They were also approaching central Government for support to cement the event as a Nelson festival.

Mr Bickerton added that the budget for ticket sales for the festival was expected to be around \$200,000.

**4.3 Katrina Lange, Nelson A & P Association, contract number 45, pages 408-415**

Ms Lange spoke to the application and explained that the A&P Association was looking to increase participation from the agricultural community. They were intending to make the show self-funding in the future if possible.

In response to questions, Ms Lange explained that a funding application of \$6000 had also been made to Tasman District Council and they were also applying for other community grants.

Ms Lange noted that the show will be located at the Richmond Showgrounds, and they would be running an advertising campaign through local newspapers, radio stations and newsletters through schools. They had also received some sponsorship in the form of free radio advertising.

**4.4 Jeanette Van der Burg, Health Action Trust – Compass, contract number 60, pages 241 – 245**

Ms Van der Burg explained that Compass worked with those with mental health issues and the funding application was to provide an 0800 telephone number to support such individuals.

**4.5 Matt Shipman, Youth and Community Facility Trust (Nelson) (The New Hub), contract number 42, pages 853-871**

Attendance: Councillor Boswijk left the meeting at 3.39pm.

Attendance: Councillor Collingwood declared an interest and took no part in the hearing of this application.

The applicant explained that the funding application was to assist with providing afternoon drop-in activities and holiday programmes. Without funding, these activities would not be able to continue. He emphasised that the application was purely for wages and use of equipment.

Mr Shipman emphasised the broad range of activities on offer regularly at the New Hub, including a number of workshops offered at a very low cost for young people.

In response to questions, Mr Shipman noted that many agencies working with youth across Nelson did work together and that the New Hub was used by a number of other youth agencies. The New Hub also refers young people onto other agencies. The New Hub is open every day for all youth and other organisations to use the facilities.

Attendance: The meeting adjourned for the day at 3.46pm.

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In Attendance: Executive Manager Community Services (S Coleman), Manager Community Development (K Inwood) Social Development Adviser (N Mercer) and Administration Adviser (E-J Ryan)

## **5. Hearing of Submissions (Continued)**

### **5.1 Marty Clark, Way2Go, contract number 40, pages 811 - 815**

Mr Clark explained Way2Go focused on removing barriers to encourage the community to be physically active. The application was for 50% of the coordination costs associated with Way2Go, as 50% of the Way2Go hubs were within the Nelson area. Funding would support the professional development and programme delivery of Way2Go coordinators.

In response to questions, Mr Clark clarified that in the past there had been significant funding from SPARC but that funding would no longer be available for the upcoming years. He noted that 6000 people across the region were getting active as a result of the Way2Go programme.

He explained that each hub focused on the immediate community, and targeted particular groups within the community. Way2Go has excellent links with other groups, which assisted with sourcing people to engage in their programmes.

### **5.2 Amie Karsten, Matatupu Puna Te Reo Playgroup, contract number 36, pages 339-349**

Ms Karsten gave a video presentation showing the playgroup's activities.

In response to questions, Ms Karsten explained that there were no other playgroups of a similar nature in Nelson. The group had just started this year and had been in contact with the Playgroup Association, although they were not yet formally part of this network.

Ms Karsten noted that the Playgroup was small but growing, with 8-10 whanau regularly attending and more members joining.

She explained that funding would assist them to promote the playgroup through different day care centres and kindergartens. They would also like to have signage to advertise their group.

### **5.3 Janet Whittington, Nelson Provincial Farmers Market Incorporated, contract number 38, pages 511-517**

Ms Whittington clarified that the application was for a one year contract for signage on Hardy Street and Selwyn Place to notify the public that Morrison Street was closed for the market. She explained that the application was for \$2000, and that any difference would be returned if the signs were cheaper than anticipated.

Ms Whittington explained that the Farmers Market was a not for profit group, and they acted as a small business incubator for the stallholders, which were independent businesses.

The road signs were necessary as the market could not exist without road closures. At the moment the group rented the signs on a monthly basis, and they could not otherwise afford to purchase new signs.

In response to a question, Ms Whittington explained that she was speaking with the Waimarama Community Gardens about being a part of the market. However, it was important to balance the ability of stallholders to make a profit with the amount of foot traffic coming through the market.

### **5.4 Ron Kjestrup, Young Men's Christian Association of Nelson (Inc), contract number 33, pages 845-851**

Mr Kjestrup spoke in support of the application. He noted that 65 staff were currently employed by the YMCA in Nelson, and they were involved in community support and community collaboration, and regularly in contact with about 500 Nelson families. The YMCA self-funded around \$40,000 - \$50,000 worth of projects each year.

The YMCA intended to expand their youth project, looking to bring together about 18 different organisations they already liaise with, to focus services on youth.

In response to questions, Mr Kjestrup considered that the different organisations offering services to youth in Nelson were generally willing to collaborate together, although the various groups did not necessarily wish to merge. He considered that the YMCA was well placed to take

leadership and assist with collaboration to ensure that services were delivered to youth.

Mr Kjestrup did not think that there was a duplication of services being offered to youth, but considered that the various groups could perhaps leverage off each other more. Mr Kjestrup considered that the core of youth services worked with youths' strengths, building leadership and resilience, rather than focusing on 'fixing' any perceived issues. He considered that the YMCA could become an 'umbrella' to support other youth organisations.

Attendance: The meeting adjourned for morning tea from 10.05am to 10.25am.

Attendance: Councillor Shaw left the meeting at 10.09am

## **6. Consideration of Applications for Community Assistance Funding for 2010/11**

The Manager Community Development, Kath Inwood, addressed the meeting. She explained the Community Assistance Policy 2009 and said it set out the parameters within which decisions could be made. The Policy included general criteria that applied to applications for both contracts and one-off grants, as well as specific criteria relating to each. She confirmed that these criteria had been taken into account by staff when considering the applications.

Given that the Community Assistance fund was extremely over-subscribed, Ms Inwood explained that Council would need to decide whether to give greater amounts of funding to particular applicants, or whether to spread lesser amounts of funding more broadly amongst many different applicants.

Ms Inwood then drew Council's attention to the fact that the Council needed to decide what proportion of the total fund to allocate to one-off grants which, according to the Policy, was required to be between 10% - 20% of the total available fund.

Council then proceeded to discuss the applications for Community Assistance funding.

### **6.1 Declarations of Interest**

The following interests were noted, and these members did not take any part in the discussion of the respective applications:

His Worship the Mayor: Nelson Marlborough Rescue Helicopter Trust Inc

Councillor Barker: Age Concern Nelson, Isel House Charitable Trust, and Tasman Broadcasting Trust (Fresh FM)

Councillor Boswijk: Arts Council Nelson (Nelson Live Poets Society) and Kahurangi Employment Trust

Councillor Collingwood: Nelson District Kindergarten Association, The Nelson Tasman Housing Trust, Women in Nelson Inc and Youth and Community facility Trust (Nelson) (The New Hub)

Councillor Shaw: The Nelson Historical Society Inc and Nelson Provincial Farmers Market Incorporated

Councillor Ward: Arts Council Nelson (Nelson Live Poets Society), Lifeline Nelson, and Nelson Community Organic Gardens Trust (Waimarama Community Gardens)

Executive Manager Community Services, Susan Coleman, also declared an interest with the Nelson Community Toy Library and Presbyterian Support Upper South Island, and left the room during the discussion of these applications.

## 6.2 One-Off Grants

Council began by discussing the various applications for one-off grants.

During the discussion, Councillors noted their frustrations that many of the applications were for programmes or organisations that were previously funded by central government, but for which central government funding had now been terminated.

It was noted that several applicants had applied for both one-off grants as well as contract funding, and Council discussed in each case whether to award a contract, a one-off grant or both.

With regards to the application by Stoke Bowling Club, Councillors agreed that any funding awarded should be tagged to the acquisition of bowling equipment only.

The level of funding to award to one-off applications was discussed, and it was considered that \$58,400 was an appropriate amount to award between the various one-off grant applications. Council understood that this amounted to 14% of the total fund, and accordingly resolved as follows:

***THAT of the total funds available for Community Assistance, 14% be allocated to one-off grants.***

Barker/Collingwood

Carried

## 6.3 Community Contracts

The Council then discussed the applications for community contracts.

It was noted that funds awarded to Age Concern Nelson Incorporated should be tagged to the Taxi Mobility Scheme.

During the discussion surrounding the application by the Nelson School of Music, Councillors noted that the School had received \$120,000

through the Annual Plan process (\$70,000 of which was subject to due diligence). It was noted that the application was for a 4 year contract, but agreed that because the due diligence process was still being undertaken, a one year contract should instead be offered this year.

During the discussion regarding the application by Nelson Marlborough Rescue Helicopter Trust Inc, Councillors expressed a high level of frustration that the Trust ought to be funded by the Government.

Resolved

***THAT a letter be written to the Member of Parliament for Nelson, the Hon. Nick Smith, expressing Nelson City Council's disappointment that the Nelson Marlborough Rescue Helicopter Trust Inc had not received central government funding.***

Barker/Fulton

Carried

Attendance: The meeting adjourned for the day at 12.00pm.

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## **Minutes of a resumed meeting of the Nelson City Council to Hear and Consider Applications for Community Assistance Funding 2011/12**

**Held in the Council Chamber, Civic House, Trafalgar Street, Nelson**

**On Wednesday 7 September 2011 at 9.03am**

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Present: His Worship the Mayor A Miccio, Councillors I Barker, A Boswijk (Deputy Mayor), G Collingwood, K Fulton, P Rainey, J Rackley, D Shaw and M Ward

Apologies: Councillors R Copeland, E Davy, P Matheson, and R Reese

In Attendance: Executive Manager Community Services (S Coleman), Manager Community Development (K Inwood), Social Development Adviser (N Mercer) and Administration Advisers (E-J Ryan)

### **7. Consideration of Applications for Community Assistance Funding for 2010/11 (Continued)**

The Council discussed the charitable status of various organisations that had applied for funding. It was noted that the intention of the Community Assistance Policy was to grant funding to not-for-profit organisations, and that it could be difficult for some organisations to

prove charitable status, although they may well be not-for-profit organisations.

Council discussed this matter and agreed to resolve:

***THAT Council will consider the applications for Community Assistance Funding from all applicants, regardless of whether or not such applicants officially have charitable status.***

His Worship the Mayor/Boswijk

Carried

Social Development Adviser, Nicola Mercer, reminded Council that, if funding was to be spread wisely across a large number of applicants, the proposed services to be delivered could be reduced. She suggested that a discussion between staff and each applicant would need to follow the meeting to determine realistic contract outcomes.

The Council then continued to discuss the applications for community contracts.

It was agreed that a letter be written to the Ministry of Education, as well as all Nelson MPs, regarding the application by Nayland College – Adult Community Education Programme, expressing Council’s disappointment that central government had removed funding for Adult Education programmes.

With regards to the application by Presbyterian Support Upper South Island, it was suggested that, if awarded a contract, this organisation should be expected to act as a catalyst for coordinating the work of various different organisations and funding granted should be ‘tagged’ to such a coordinating role.

With regards to the application by Nelson Community Organic Gardens Trust (Waimarama Community Gardens) it was noted that this was a new initiative, and it was suggested that a shorter contract be offered to allow time for the initiative to grow and develop.

During the discussion regarding the application by the Nelson Music Festival Trust, it was noted that the Festival had the potential to become a major event for Nelson. Discussion centred around whether it was appropriate to fund the Festival through the Community Assistance Fund, or whether Council could fund this event from another source. The Executive Manager Community Services, Susan Coleman, offered to look into this matter further and report back to Council.

During discussion regarding the application by Q-Youth Incorporated it was agreed that any funding awarded be tagged towards the salaries applied for.

With regards to the application by Tahunanui School, it was noted that the Ministry of Education no longer provides funding for school swimming pools. Executive Manager Community Services, Susan Coleman,

explained that some school swimming pools were considered to be community pools and advised that this project may best be addressed through the Community Facilities Asset Management Plan when it can be assessed whether or not there is a need for a new facility in Tahunanui.

With regards to the application by City of Nelson Highland Pipeband Incorporated, it was agreed that any funding granted should be tagged to training.

Attendance: The meeting adjourned at 11.09am, and resumed at 12.44pm

It was drawn to Councillor's attention that the resolution passed earlier in the meeting:

***THAT of the total funds available for Community Assistance, 14% be allocated to one-off grants.***

was based on the incorrect understanding that \$58,400 equated to 14% of the total Community Assistance funds available. Council discussed this further, and agreed that 12% was an appropriate amount to award as one-off grants, as this amount still fell within the 10% - 20% band stipulated in the Policy.

According to Standing Orders 3.9.17, all members present agreed that this corrected calculation was fresh information, and that the previous resolution should be revoked and a new resolution passed. Accordingly:

Revoked

***THAT of the total funds available for Community Assistance, 14% be allocated to one-off grants.***

His Worship the Mayor/Boswijk Carried

Resolved

***THAT of the total funds available for Community Assistance, 12.04% be allocated to one off grants***

Boswijk/His Worship the Mayor Carried

## 7.1 Community Contracts

Having discussed all the applications before them, Council then resolved:

***THAT the following Community Contracts for the financial year 2011/12 be confirmed.***

Organisation	Allocated	Years Allocated
Age Concern Nelson	\$3,400	2
Beneficiaries and Unwaged Workers Trust	\$4,100	4
Big Brothers Big Sisters of Nelson	\$6,800	3

Community Art Works	\$10,300	2
Lifeline Nelson	\$6,800	4
Loaves and Fishes, All Saints Church	\$11,600	1
Nelson Community Christian Night Shelter Trust	\$1,500	4
Nelson School of Music	\$27,300	1
Tahunanui Community Centre Inc	\$4,800	1
The Nelson Tasman Housing Trust	\$8,200	4
Volunteer Nelson	\$5,500	4
Adult Learning Support Nelson Inc	\$6,200	3
Annesbrook Community Trust	\$6,800	3
Arts Council Nelson	\$40,000	4
Citizens Advice Bureau Nelson Tasman	\$6,200	3
Friends of Old Fairfield Inc	\$3,100	4
Health Action Trust - Compass	\$1,700	4
House 44	\$24,600	4
Incedo Inc Nelson	\$24,600	3
Neighbourhood Support Nelson Inc	\$9,900	4
Nelson Environment Centre	\$1,800	2
Nelson Jazz Club Incorporated	\$21,500	4
Nelson Marlborough Rescue Helicopter Trust Inc	\$18,500	4
Nelson Multicultural Council Inc	\$8,600	4
Nelson Multiple Sclerosis Society Inc	\$1,200	4
Nelson Santa Parade Trust	\$9,200	4
Nelson Tasman Youth Workers Collective	\$1,800	2
New Zealand Council of Victim Support Groups Inc - Nelson	\$3,400	4
Open Home Foundation	\$4,900	1
Presbyterian Support Upper South Island	\$9,200	2
Richmond Group Riding for the Disabled Inc	\$600	1
Royal New Zealand Plunket Society - Nelson Marlborough Area/ Nelson Tasman Bays	\$2,200	4
Stoke Community Centre Inc	\$2,200	4
Stopping Violence Services	\$1,800	3
Tasman Broadcasting Trust (Fresh FM)	\$3,100	4
The Nelson Historical Society Inc	\$1,800	1
Victory Community Association Trust	\$9,200	4
Victory Community Health Centre	\$15,400	2
Wakapuaka Tennis Club (Inc)	\$8,000	1
Whenua Iti Outdoors	\$2,300	3
Women in Nelson Inc	\$1,500	4
Youth and Community Facility Trust (Nelson) (The New Hub)	\$21,500	2
Nelson City Brass	\$15,400	4

Way2Go	\$4,900	2
Bowls Tahunanui	\$400	4
City of Nelson Highland Pipeband Incorporated	\$2,500	4
Family Education Network Inc - Nelson	\$1,100	3
Hampden Street School	\$0	0
Hearing Association Nelson	\$800	1
Matatupu Puna Te Reo Playgroup	\$300	1
Nayland College - Adult Community Education Programme	\$5,500	2
Nelson A&P Association	\$0	0
Nelson Community Organic Gardens Trust (Waimarama Community Gardens)	\$1,100	2
Nelson Music Festival Trust	\$0	0
Nelson Railway Society Inc	\$800	2
Nelson Symphony Orchestra Inc	\$2,100	2
Nelson Tasman Cycle Trails Trust	\$2,200	2
Parikarangaranga Ki Rangitoto Trust	\$300	2
Q-Youth Incorporated	\$14,200	2
Stoke Bowling Club Incorporated	\$0	0
Tahunanui School	\$0	0
Tasman Regional Sports Trust	\$1,300	2
Tasman Rugby League Incorporated	\$1,100	2
The Nelson Ark	\$1,100	1
Weet Bix Kids Triathlon	\$0	0
Young Men's Christian Association of Nelson (Inc)	\$8,200	2
EnergySmart Limited	\$0	0
Kahurangi Employment Trust	\$0	0
Nelson Provincial Farmers Market Incorporated	\$200	1
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$426,600</b>	

Ward/Rackley

Carried

## 7.2 One-off Grants

***THAT the following One-Off Grants for the financial year 2011/12 be confirmed.***

<b>Organisation</b>	<b>Amount allocated</b>
Blue Light Youth at Risk	\$500
Dramatix Theatre Development Trust	\$2,400
House 44 South East Stoke Incorporated	\$2,500
Nelson Surf Life Saving Club	\$1,000

Royal New Zealand Plunket Society Nelson Marlborough Car Seat Rental Scheme	\$1,500
Age Concern Nelson Incorporated	\$1,000
Beneficiaries and Unwaged Workers Trust	\$600
Big Brothers Big Sisters of Nelson	\$1,500
Child Matters	\$1,000
Chin Community of Nelson	\$1,000
English Language Partners Nelson Marlborough Inc	\$1,000
Isel House Charitable Trust	\$1,500
Mabuhay Top of the South Filipino Radio	\$0
Neighbourhood Support Nelson Inc	\$800
Nelson Community Toy Library	\$1,500
Nelson Cricket Association Inc	\$1,500
Nelson District Kindergarten Association	\$2,000
Nelson Musical Theatre Inc	\$1,000
Nelson Railway Society Inc	\$1,300
Nelson Symphony Orchestra Inc	\$0
Nelson Tasman Cycle Trails Trust	\$1,500
Nelson Tramping Club	\$500
New Zealand Society of Authors	\$1,000
Parent to Parent Nelson	\$2,000
Parents Inc	\$2,000
Parikaranga Ki Rangi Trust	\$500
Q-Youth Incorporated	\$1,750
Stoke Toy Library Society Incorporated	\$600
Volunteer Nelson	\$750
Whakatu Maori Wardens Incorporation	\$2,000
Abel Tasman Educational Trust	\$0
Arts Council Nelson (Nelson Live Poets Society)	\$500
Bhutanese Society of Nelson New Zealand	\$750
Bowls Tahunanui	\$0
Citizens Advice Bureau Nelson Tasman	\$750
Colonel Noel Percy Adams Trust (Melrose) Society	\$1,500
Enner Glynn Playcentre	\$1,000
Epilepsy Association of New Zealand	\$2,000
Family Education Network Inc - Nelson	\$0
Friends of Old Fairfield Inc	\$1,500
Friends of the Hira School	\$0
Hearing Association Nelson Inc	\$2,000
Kidpower Teenpower Fullpower Trust	\$0
Magenta Creative Space	\$750
Matatupu Puna Te Reo Playgroup	\$0
Nelson Cadet Unit	\$500
Nelson Community Organic Trust (Waimarama Community Gardens)	\$1,500

Nelson Environment Centre Incorporated	\$250
Nelson Region Hospice Trust	\$1,750
Nelson Tasman Filipino Community Inc	\$2,200
New Zealand Zomi Innkuan (Nelson)	\$250
Royal New Zealand Foundation of the Blind	\$0
Alzheimers Society Nelson Inc	\$2,500
Arthritis New Zealand Inc	\$1,000
Kahurangi Employment Trust	\$1,000
Nelson Budget Services Inc	\$0
Stoke Bowling Club Inc	\$500
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$58,400</b>

Boswijk/Collingwood

Carried

Councillor Barker thanked His Worship the Mayor for the efficient manner in which the meeting had been run.

There being no further business, the meeting concluded at 12.54pm.

Confirmed as a correct record of proceedings:

Chairperson

Date

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