

## 4.5 FINANCE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE

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**REPORT and MINUTES** of a meeting of the **FINANCE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE** held in the Council Chamber, 5 Baring Square West, Ashburton, on Thursday 4 December 2008, commencing at 1.30 pm.

**PRESENT:** Councillors K L Holmes (Chair), N A Brown, R J Kilworth, J A Kingsbury, K W P Lowe and J A Sparks.

Also in attendance Councillors L J Leadley, I J Burgess, P W Reveley and B A Tasker; Manager Democracy & Community Services, Finance Manager, Corporate Services Manager, Property Manager, Community Planning Manager and Committee Secretary.

**APOLOGY:** Mayor M B O'Malley and Cr R C Beavan (lateness); Cr Everest (absence).

### **Confirmation of Minutes**

"That the minutes of the Finance and Community Services Committee meeting held on 23 October 2008, be taken as read and confirmed."

Sparks/Kingsbury

**Carried**

### **Corporate Services Activity Reports**

"That the Corporate Services activity reports be received."

Brown/Lowe

**Carried**

### **Web Site**

The Corporate Services Manager advised that the programme used to determine how the web site is used has been withdrawn by the supplier and future reports to the Committee will be prepared in a different format.

Cr Beavan attended the meeting at 1.33 pm.

The Corporate Services Manager left the meeting at 1.38 pm.

### **Road Closure & Glass Ban – East Street (New Years Eve)**

The Committee noted that the standard conditions of road closure requires the provision of safety marshals, however it was agreed that for the purposes of the Street Party security personnel would be used instead.

1. That East Street, from Havelock Street to Burnett Street, be closed to ordinary vehicular traffic from 12.00 noon on Wednesday 31 December, 2008, until 11.00 am on Thursday 1 January, 2009;
2. That East Street, from Burnett Street to Moore Street, be closed to ordinary vehicular traffic from 2.30 pm on Wednesday 31 December, 2008 until 11.00 am on Thursday 1 January, 2009; and
3. That Burnett Street, from Cass Street to East Street, be closed to ordinary vehicular traffic from 2.30 pm on Wednesday 31 December, 2008 until 11.00 am on Thursday 1 January, 2009, for the purpose of holding a New Year's Eve Street Party.
4. That pursuant to Clause 2 of the First Schedule to the Ashburton District Liquor Control Bylaw the prohibition of the consumption and carriage of alcohol in the town centre and environs will commence at 7.00 pm on Wednesday 31 December 2008, and continue until 7.00 am on Thursday 1 January, 2009, for the purpose of holding a New Year's Eve Street Party.

5. That pursuant to clause 16(A) 01.6 of Council's Bylaw the banning of glass drinking vessels and containers be imposed as follows:

In the West Street car park and in East Street from Havelock Street to Moore Street and Burnett Street from Cass Street to East Street between the hours of 7.00 pm on Wednesday 31 December, 2008, until 7.00 am on Thursday 1 January, 2008, for the purpose of holding a New Year's Eve Street Party."

Kilworth/Sparks

**Carried**

### ***Ashburton District Social Wellbeing Strategy***

#### **RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL**

"That Council adopts the Ashburton District Social Wellbeing Strategy."

Brown/Beavan

**Carried**

### ***Democracy & Community Services Activity Reports***

"That the Democracy & Community Services activity reports be received."

Kilworth/Brown

**Carried**

#### **Rakaia Strategic Plan**

It was reported that approximately 40 people attended the community workshop at Rakaia on 30 November. The Methven community's workshop will take place on Sunday 7 December.

#### **Community Services Expo**

The Ashburton Library will be one of the 50 exhibitors at the Community Services Expo being held at the Ashburton Trust Event Centre on 5 December. Council's Social Wellbeing Strategy will also be launched at the Expo.

#### **Rakaia cemetery**

A request was made for the Parks Manager to report on the proposed memorial wall. The work has been budgeted for this year, however work has yet to start.

### ***Industrial Development Reserve***

#### **RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL**

"That Council's special fund called the Industrial Development Reserve be applied against the costs of the Ashburton Business Estate Development."

Holmes/Kilworth

**Carried**

### ***Finance Activity Reports***

"That the Finance activity reports be received."

Brown/Sparks

**Carried**

#### **Financials**

The Finance Manager advised that the next meeting of the Committee will be provided with a report for the period ending December 2008.

The Mayor attended the meeting at 2.00 pm.

#### **Quotable Value Report**

The Finance Manager will provide Quotable Value's monthly residential market report as a regular report to the Committee. It was noted that the next rating revaluation for this district will be carried out in October 2009.

The Chief Executive attended the meeting at 2.02 pm.

### **Rangitata Terrace Road stopping**

The Property Manager reported that the remaining objection to the road stopping will be heard in the Environment Court on 26 January. Council will be represented by Cavill Leitch.

### **Ashburton Airport**

The Property Manager was requested to provide an update on the Airport finances at the 18 December Council meeting.

### **Rakaia Hall**

The Property Manager advised that the hall floor was replaced with heart rimu as requested, however the method of jointing the floor boards was unsuccessful and the new floor has given way in places. The insurers are aware that the floor is to be reinstated to its original quality.

### **Geoff Geering Drive**

The Section 224 Certificates applied for are expected to be received within the next two days.

## ***Business transacted with the public excluded (2.13 pm)***

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

The general subject of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter, and the specific grounds under Section 48 (1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution are as follows:

Item no	General subject of each matter to be considered:	In accordance with Section 48(1) of the Act, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter:	
8.1	Confirmation of Minutes – 23/10/08 <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Property matters</li><li>• Extraordinary business – ACL</li></ul> [now in open meeting] <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• CBD Action group</li></ul>	Section 7(2)(h) Section 7(2)(h) Section 7(2)(i)	Commercial activities Commercial activities Conduct of negotiations
8.2	Property Matter	Section 7(2)(h)	Commercial activities
8.3	Property Matter	Section 7(2)(h)	Commercial activities
8.4	SPARC Funding application	Section 7(2)(i)	Conduct of negotiations
8.5	Ashburton District Neighbourhood Support	Section 7(2)(a)	Protection of privacy of natural persons

Brown/Beavan

**Carried**

## ***Business transacted with the public excluded now in open meeting***

### **SPARC Active Communities Funding Application**

- “1. That Council agrees to budget \$10,000 funding (\$5,000 from existing Physical Activity Strategy funding and \$5,000 in additional funding) over the next three years as a partner in the SPARC Active Communities funding application.
2. That this funding be contingent on the application for SPARC funding being successful.”

Beavan/Sparks

**Carried**

The meeting concluded at 3.25 pm.