



# Ashburton District Council

## AGENDA

A MEETING of the ASHBURTON DISTRICT COUNCIL  
will be held as follows:

**Date:** Thursday 21 May 2009

**Venue:** Council Chamber  
5 Baring Square West  
Ashburton

**Time:** 1.30 pm

### MEMBERS:

His Worship the Mayor, M B O'Malley  
Cr R C Beavan  
Cr N A Brown  
Cr I J Burgess  
Cr J A Everest  
Cr K L Holmes  
Cr R J Kilworth  
Cr J A Kingsbury  
Cr L J Leadley  
Cr K W P Lowe  
Cr P W Reveley  
Cr J Sparks  
Cr B A Tasker

B LESTER  
Chief Executive

15 May 2009

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## ASHBURTON DISTRICT COUNCIL REPORT

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REPORT TO: Council  
FROM: Mayor

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### 4.1. MAYOR'S REPORT

#### 4.1.1 CALENDAR

Some of the meetings and functions I have attended since reporting to the last Council meeting on 9 April 2009 are as follows:

- 10 April Delivered eulogy on behalf of ADC at funeral service for the late Barry Keen  
Met with Peter Lowe re Valetta water issues
- 16 April Attended Canterbury Mayoral Forum  
Attended Hui – Canterbury Water Management Strategy
- 25 April Attended Anzac Day Ceremonies in Ashburton (2)
- 27 April Attended BCI Shareholders meeting at Methven
- 28 April Attended Canterbury Water Management Strategy meeting
- 29 April Attended RDR Management Ltd Directors' meeting  
Met with Bruce Bell  
Attended Ashburton LTCCP public meeting
- 30 April Met with Superintendent Dave Cliff and Inspector Dave Gaskin  
Attended Ashburton Business Association meeting  
Attended LTCCP Community meeting at Methven
- 1 May Attended opening of Ashburton Christian School  
Attended Mid-Canterbury Sports Awards
- 6 May Met with Dr Wootton & G Bateup re Pandemic Update  
Attended LTCCP Community meeting at Hinds
- 7 May Attended Zones 5/6 meeting in Christchurch
- 8 May Met with Minister of Transport Hon Joyce in Ashburton  
Attended World Red Cross Day Candle Lighting Ceremony in Ashburton
- 9 May Attended National Party Conference Cocktail function at Timaru
- 11 May Chaired Ashburton Business Estate Project Board meeting  
Attended Ashburton Business Association Community Plan presentation
- 12 May Led Mayoral Bike Challenge – invitation from IDEA Services users –  
joined by some Councillors and ADC staff  
Met with Cameron Holley re research on Canterbury water issues
- 13 May Attended Borough School and spoke on their participation in  
environmental issues
- 18 May Attended Ashburton Lyndhurst Irrigation Scheme Opening  
Attended Ashburton Trust Charitable Foundation meeting  
Chaired Canterbury Water Management Strategy public meeting in  
Ashburton

- 19 May                   Chaired Canterbury Water Management Strategy meeting in Christchurch  
Chaired Canterbury Water Management Strategy public meeting in Christchurch (evening)
- 20 May                   Attending meeting of Reserve Boards at ADC  
Attended Federated Farmers annual conference in Ashburton and addressed members  
Attended Ashburton Plains Rotary Club's 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration

I have been represented at other functions / events as follows during this time:

Cr Leadley attended:

- 10 April                Welcomed the 160 entrants to the South Island Vintage Car Club Rally
- 11 April                Acted as starter for Vintage Rally
- 14 April                Addressed U3A Rolleston at Christchurch Art Gallery – subject “Ashburton – A Boom Town”
- 16 April                Visited Council plantation at Fairton to discuss access issues during felling.
- 17 April                Age Concern AGM
- 25 April                Gave ANZAC address at Mayfield
- 29 April                Presented awards at CACTUS programme graduation
- 30 April                Accompanied Mayor at meeting with Executive of Ashburton Business Association
- 8 May                    Zone 5/6 Meeting in Christchurch – attended with Gavin Thomas

Cr Tasker attended:

- 20 April                Regional Transport Committee meeting

**M B O'MALLEY**  
**Mayor**

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REPORT TO: Council Meeting  
FROM: Chief Executive

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### 4.2 CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPORT

#### 4.2.1 CANTERBURY WATER MANAGEMENT STRATEGY

The last few weeks have been busy, firstly with the stakeholder meetings on the draft strategies, and then visiting the various Councils in the region to ensure all elected members are up to speed.

The public meetings on the discussion document are being held around the region from 18-22 May, with hearing of the submissions in the first week of June. Given the response from this district, there is likely to be a hearing in Ashburton on 2 June.

On 19 June, we will be attending a workshop to consider Governance options. This is part of the ongoing background work that will be part of the final strategy.

#### 4.2.2 CANTERBURY MAYORAL FORUM

The Canterbury Mayoral Forum met on 16 April in Christchurch. The first part of the meeting was an update on the Canterbury Water Management Strategy. This was attended by Hon Steven Joyce, Minister of Transport and also Associate Minister of Infrastructure.

For the next part, the Minister outlined the Government's plan for broadband, with the Government's target 75% of homes to have fibre high speed (100 megs in/out), with an increase of capacity for schools. He acknowledged that the Government is not a Telco, nor wants to be, but that the market is not providing the fibre and Government sees this as core infrastructure. The balance of the country to be serviced by a mixture of satellite/wireless.

The timeframe is to firm up their proposal by the end of May, set up a Board to call for development proposals in the second half of this year, to finalize contracts by year end. Implementation will be over the next 'few years'. He sees rural schools as essential and a priority, if not then 'flight'.

The discussion then moved to transport, and the revised draft Government Policy Statement.

This incorporates:

- changes to match present Government's priorities (economy)
- pragmatic rather than aspirational goals.
- abolish proposed regional fuel tax (noting Canterbury provide 11% of funds, and accounts for 5% of expenditure)
- 'R' funds not seen as a special fund
- FAR not up for review at present

#### **4.2.3 EMPLOYERS CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE**

Enterprise Ashburton hosted a meeting in Ashburton on 21 April for local members to be updated on employment and economic issues. Peter Townsend spoke on the recession and on the Government's Employment Summit. Of particular interest was his view on Ireland, which is now headed towards 500,000 (16%) unemployed. While Ireland has previously been championed as an economic miracle, this was based on subsidies with little structural reform, hence no sustainability. There was also discussion on recent employment trends, with a focus on the recessionary pressures.

#### **4.2.4 CIVIL DEFENCE CONTROLLERS' FORUM**

This was held in Christchurch on 22 April, attended by Cr Lowe, Mr Rouse, Mr Geddes and myself. The forum was attended by the Minister of Civil Defence, Hon John Carter (also Associate Minister of Local Government). It was a good opportunity to talk to the Minister over a range of local government issues.

#### **4.2.5 STADIUM / AQUATIC CENTRE PROPOSAL**

The background document was signed off with Messrs Myers and Jolley on 24 April to be included in the draft LTCCP consultation. This information is available on the Council website.

#### **4.2.6 NEW ZEALAND TRANSPORT AGENCY**

Mr Rouse and I met with the Regional Director on 1 May to discuss local issues and projects in the draft LTCCP. The major issues, including the implementation of the Transportation Study, the Rakaia underpass, Tinwald lights, rail relocation and the second bridge were followed up with the Minister of Transport on his visit to the district the following week.

The Regional Director indicated the second bridge could qualify for a higher subsidy rate, given the capacity benefits that would flow on to the SH1 bridge and adjacent area.

#### **4.2.7 HYDRO-TRADER**

The Deputy Mayor and myself received a presentation from Warwick Pascoe related to water and energy efficiency. We will follow this up through the Water Subcommittee / Operations Committee.

#### **4.2.8 MINISTRY FOR THE ENVIRONMENT – GREEN RIBBON AWARDS**

Council has had three projects nominated for these awards:

<b>Project</b>		<b>Category</b>
• Ashburton Waste Water	—	Urban Sustainability
• Scales Road Reserve	—	Community Action for the Environment
• Albert Street Subdivision	—	Household Sustainability

The results are being announced on World Environment Day – 4 June.

#### **4.2.9 LGNZ ZONES 5/6 MEETING – Christchurch – 7/8 May**

This was attended by the Mayor and myself on 7 May and the first session on 8 May, and by Cr Leadley and Gavin Thomas on 8 May. The LGNZ Report (May 2009) has been circulated separately.

The following is a report from the meeting.

#### **4.2.9.1 Infringement Fees for Illegal Deposit of Waste**

A remit to the AGM will be put to increase the fine for litter infringements to a maximum of \$1,000.

#### **4.2.9.2 LTCCP Audit Requirements**

It was agreed the basis for these audits needs to be reviewed due to the costs incurred (WCRC, 3.3% of rates) and the time commitment. This issue is already being discussed in Wellington with change expected.

#### **4.2.9.3 Review of Total Mobility Criteria**

There was some discussion over the strict criteria associated with the total mobility scheme, particularly as it related to the elderly in our community, and in rural areas where public transport is limited. It was agreed that contact should be made with the NZTA to seek more flexibility with this criteria.

#### **4.2.9.4 Dog Attacks**

Invercargill City Council raised the problems of dealing with dog attacks not witnessed by Dog Control Officers or police. There is no ability to seize and destroy a dog which is known to have attacked. If a dog has ceased to attack, the only powers are to seize and then seek a Court Order for destruction.

There was support to seek an amendment to the legislation to allow immediate seizure and destruction of a dog which is known to have attacked.

#### **4.2.9.5 LGNZ – President’s Report.**

The LGNZ Report is circulated separately. Lawrence Yule commented specifically:

- Government Policy Statement on Transport. General support but concern that the identified major projects do not spread the economic benefits through the infrastructure investment, and has removed an element of regional determination.
- Noted the moratorium on drinking water standards and the air quality standards. This will affect targets over the next 2 - 5 years, however details are unclear.
- Auckland re-organisation
  - Government will have its hands full and is not promoting wider changes; however if other communities come together for changes in other regions, they will not stand in their way.
  - The changes involve 6,800 staff. A transition team is currently being proposed to oversee the change.
  - Consideration is being given to a separate transport entity, however this may not be favoured.
  - Franklin looking to join Waikato Region, Rodney looking to become a unitary authority.
  - Local Government Commission will determine new boundaries and the make up of the ‘Community Boards’. The powers of the Boards will be determined through the second phase legislative process including Select Committee.
- Local Government Act Review
  - Possible changes to LTCCP compliance
  - Unlikely to change  $\pm$  10% issue

- Local Government Borrowing
  - Feasibility being looked at to bring local government stock together to give better liquidity and potential lower interest rates. Civic Assurance is involved in this review.
- RMA Reforms
  - Concern is expressed over the removal of the non-complying status and the effects of the EPA are unclear. Both have the potential to increase costs to Councils.
- Treaty Settlements
  - The issues of co-management of the Waikato River is currently before the Select Committee to consider the legislative changes related to the settlement. This process is now on hold pending a Ministerial review on co-management.
- Central / Local Government Forum
  - These will continue with the first Forum in September. Rates capping has been proposed by the Minister, but does not appear to have wider Government support.

#### **4.2.9.6 Peter Townsend (ECC)**

##### **Referred to economic outlook**

- Unemployment, believes South Island 6-7%, New Zealand 8% (1990's 12%)
- Housing bottomed out — may be?
- Exchange rate has assisted exporters, dairying — “no-one is going to kill the cows”, lamb prices good. The protein economy is in good shape
- Key to future increase in our living standards, production with integrity
- Exports through Lyttelton are holding up
- Christchurch Forum “How to get New Zealand going from a Mainland perspective”
  - Strong relationship in the South island with primary industry. He referred to the increase in productivity in the rural sector as being a miracle.
- Where to?
  - South Island will do better than New Zealand, New Zealand better than rest of world
  - Pick up will be gradual
  - Government needs to put the ‘\$’ where the drivers are
  - Carbon capture, we need to be inventive. There are opportunities and markets for this.

#### **4.2.9.7 Geoff Dangerfield, CEO of New Zealand Transport Agency**

Government Policy Statement, strongly guided by economic efficiency, mobility rather than modal / behaviour change.

#### **4.2.9.8 Ngai Tahu - Chief Executive, Anake Goodall**

Anake gave an overall view of developments in Ngai Tahu corporation. Part of the work is to increase their capacity to work with local government.

#### **4.2.9.9 John Scarry - Building Standards**

John's background is in structural engineering. He made some concerning comments on commercial building standards. His observation over BRANZ duty of care will be followed up. This relates to their commercial approach to product standards while receiving ‘tax’ income.

#### **4.2.9.10 Opposition Spokesman – Local Government and Infrastructure, Hon Shane Jones**

This was a rather light-hearted address, acknowledging that the last Labour Government became disconnected with our communities. Interesting comments included:

- Their ‘gold plated’ response to the leaky building issues and subsequent accreditation processes
- LTCCP auditing, got this wrong
- Auckland reforms, they stated the process so cannot totally argue against, but concerns over the concept of executive power of the Mayor, and the implementation timeframe.

#### **4.2.9.11 Minister of Local Government – Hon Rodney Hide**

**Gavin Thomas reports on this presentation:**

##### **Minister’s Objectives:**

The Minister started by outlining his three aims as Minister:

1. Councils to deliver low rates and focus on core activities.  
The Minister would like to see rate increases of the rate of inflation or lower. He made the point that in his view now (with a bleak economic outlook for the next five years) was a time for focusing on necessities rather than luxury discretionary projects.  
The Minister would like to see a minimizing of bureaucracy and is looking at ways central government can assist with this.
2. Greater transparency and accountability for local government. The Minister has a view that councils are not transparent enough and are too often ignoring the wishes of their communities (with implication appearing to be focused again on rate rises and discretionary spending).
3. Streamlining of processes. Specifically mentioned here were LTCCPs and consultation requirements for local government, both of which he thinks can be streamlined. He wants Councils to be able to get on with providing the core services their communities want.  
The Building Act is to be reviewed with a focus on allocation of risk and liability (currently disproportionately borne by local government as the “last man standing”). The Minister also wants to streamline building consent requirements and thereby reduce building consent costs.

##### **Central/ Local Government:**

The Department of Internal Affairs is to report on functional allocation between central and local government. The Minister has a view that functions should be carried out as close to where the impact will be as possible (devolution or subsidiary). He indicated that if there were changes in functional allocation that funding would be considered.

**Auckland Super-city:** The Minister stressed the importance of reforming Auckland’s governance now and that this was a priority.

The model being looked at would have 20 – 30 community boards with more powers than currently but not able to raise revenue or hire staff.

An Auckland Governance Transition Agency is to be established to oversee the move to the new governance (and operational) model.

**Questions:**

Mayor O'Malley asked the Minister what the costs of the Auckland super-city restructure might be. The Minister didn't know but felt whatever the costs the exercise would be worthwhile and that the costs would be miniscule compared to savings.

Mayor Frana Cardno expressed concern at the pressure rural councils (with large roading networks) were under to fund roading and asked whether there were any plans to change the FAR formula. The Minister said there were no immediate plans to change funding but said there needed to be more work done to look at alternative funding mechanisms (which presumably mean toll roads and/ or petrol taxes).

The Minister was asked about the contradictory messages coming from Government to on the one hand reduce rates, while on the other hand to invest in infrastructure to assist the economy through its current difficulties. The Minister acknowledged this but did not seem to think there was a contradiction if councils were providing the core services its community wanted. The Minister stated local government needs to support central government in the present economic climate and focus on core functions and not new luxuries such as swimming pools.

The Minister was asked about the growing bureaucracy of local government, and particularly the LTCCP process, putting off potential elected members who could not be bothered with the red tape. The Minister said he agrees and wants to change it.

Cr Rik Tindall of Ecan asked the Minister whether the spike in the price of oil in 2008 had caused the current economic crisis and if so, whether managing natural resources should be a priority for local and central government. The Minister expressed his view that because of human ingenuity resources are effectively limitless. Over time, he said, we find ways to get more resources, use less resources, or find alternatives that work as well or better.

The Minister then criticised regional councils for, as he put it, "having the arrogance to think they are the managers of the environment when in fact land owners and communities are".

This comment was well received by most attendees.

The Minister was asked about further amalgamations and responded these would only happen if driven by communities. He added the + or - 10% issue in representation reviews would be looked at.

**Bill English – Deputy Prime Minister/ Finance Minister / Minister for Infrastructure**

The Minister started by saying in the current economic conditions he expects to be saying no to most requests for new funding.

The Government is expecting \$50 billion less in GDP over the next four years and expects to take \$18 billion less in tax over that time.

There will be an increase in entitlements in Working for Families and Kiwisaver. The Government is committed to maintaining entitlements across the board because to reduce them in the current economic environment would make things worse. Overall, the Government aims to hold current levels of service.

The aim of the Government is to lift economic performance. New jobs will all be in the private sector rather than the public sector.

The Minister stressed the Government needed a strong interaction with local government to achieve its goals.

**Legislative changes:**

The Local Government Act is to be reviewed to streamline legislative requirements.

The Resource Management Act is to be reviewed in two phases; the first currently before parliament, with the second phase to include water issues and to improve alignment between the RMA and other legislation.

**Infrastructure:**

The Minister said this is a priority for the Government. He said in many respects local government was more advanced than central government due to the long term planning requirements of local government and that local government expertise would be needed to assist central government to catch up.

The Government is setting up an Infrastructure Advisory Board to provide high-level advice on direction and priorities and an Infrastructure Investment Unit to develop specific proposals.

A draft Infrastructure Plan is being developed with a twenty view. This will be consulted on in August/ September.

**Interaction with Local Government:**

The Minister again stressed the need for the Government to work effectively with local government.

One way the Government may be able to assist was to work with local government to improve access to affordable debt funding.

**Questions:**

Alex Familton (Mayor, Waitaki District Council) asked whether, given the economic importance of rural roads in delivering production from farms to markets, money could be transferred from roads of national significance to “roads of production”. The Minister said there would be a bigger roading budget but that rural roads were unlikely to be included in the roads of national significance.

The Minister was asked whether CAP funding for water and wastewater upgrades would continue and he said they were likely to continue.

The Minister was asked whether councils would be able to rate DoC land. He said this would only benefit a few councils and that other councils would dispute funding going only to this few.

The Minister was asked whether more of Auckland’s roading projects would be funded through tolls. The Minister thought that an increasing amount of infrastructure was likely to be funded through tolls in the future and that legislation would be looked at to make tolling more permissive.

The Minister was asked whether there was a likelihood of an Environmental Protection Agency being established. He thought it was likely some sort of EPA would be required.

The Minister was asked about the amount of payout to leaky-home owners that is going to lawyers rather than to repairs (average payout of \$170,000, with \$100,000 going to lawyers and \$70,000 to repairs). The Minister said Building Minister Maurice Williamson was looking at this issue.

In response to a question on the electricity transmission network the Minister said Transpower has been given the green light for investment of \$4 – 5 billion.

The company, he said, had been under-investing and while they had done considerable planning they needed to get on and do it. The Minister's view was that new generation infrastructure must be built closer to demand – reducing transmission distances.

In response to a question on the future of the Emissions Trading Scheme the Minister said there could be changes as the Government looked to iron out problems and looked to get alignment with Australia if this was possible.

**Martin Pickard – Ministry for the Environment  
Waste Minimization Act**

Focus for MfE is to be on “product stewardship,” with manufacturers, distributors and retailers being encouraged to take more responsibility for waste associated with products they sell.

MfE plan to identify priority products to focus on initially and would consult on what these might be. Unlikely to be a focus on plastic bags.

Waste Minimization Levy - \$10 per tonne levy is intended to provide a financial incentive to reduce waste and to provide a fund for waste minimization initiatives. 50% of levies will be allocated to TLAs on a population basis to fund initiatives identified in waste management and minimization plans.

Requirements to monitor and report on waste products have a cost but will increase the information available for decision-makers.

**Waste Management and Minimization Plans** - MfE will be releasing a guide for councils soon. Plans must be adopted by July 2012

**Waste Minimization Strategy** - MfE is consulting on changes to the national strategy. The reviewed strategy has fewer but higher level targets

**Question:**

A question was asked about charging (waste levy) for cleanfill to close off a landfill. Mr Pickard said MfE's intention was define this better (in the Act) so it would not be charged for.

**Emissions Trading Scheme**

The scheme comes from the Climate Change Response Act and is life. There is to be a legislative review in 2009. There is also to be investigations into harmonisation of the Act and the ETS with Australia.

If changing land from forestry to dairy MAF must now be advised 20 days prior.

Suggested anyone getting involved in the ETS should take at least two panadol before they start.

**Geoff Ensor – Tourism Industry Association (TIA)  
Freedom Camping and [camping.org.nz](http://camping.org.nz) website**

TIA have seen a need to provide support to TLAs to develop strategies to ensure freedom camping does not result in negative impacts for communities and is managed as effectively and efficiently as possible.

The camping.org.nz website is targeted at independent international visitors and encourages them to ask a local where they can camp. It also has an array of information to assist visitors on a camping holiday in New Zealand. The website address has been put on stickers that are displayed in the cab of all the major campervan and van operators.



There is a regional information section where a handful of councils currently have information on what is permitted and where people can camp. Council will need to develop a policy for the district on freedom camping and work with Ashburton District Tourism to produce content for the website.

TIA say councils that have information displayed on the website have experienced an increase camp ground usage since the website was launched so there appear to be benefits in terms of driving campers the right places to stay. Camper van operators are keen to ensure clients are being sensible

TIA say, despite the success of the initiative, there is always going to be a need for enforcement despite efforts to minimize impacts and educate campers. This appears to be a useful tool however in maximising returns from these types of visitors and minimizing impacts.

#### 4.2.10 ASHBURTON ART GALLERY AND MUSEUM

The resource consent has been lodged and notified.

B LESTER  
Chief Executive

## ASHBURTON DISTRICT COUNCIL REPORT

FILE NO: 3/7/1  
DATE: 21 May 2009  
REPORT TO: Council  
FROM: Community Services Officer  
SUBJECT: Creative Communities Funding

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### 4.6 CREATIVE COMMUNITIES FUNDING

**Report and Minutes** of a meeting of the **Creative Communities Funding Assessment Committee**, held in Meeting Room 2, 5 Baring Square West, Ashburton, on Friday 1 May, 2009, commencing at 10.10 am.

**PRESENT:** Cr R Beavan (Chair), Cr J Sparks, V Barrett, B Leonard, J Wilkinson, K Meehan.

Also in attendance Community Services Officer, V Prendergast.

**APOLOGIES:** J Wright and J Ross

**Sustained**

#### **Correspondence**

The Committee discussed recent correspondence received from Creative New Zealand in respect to changes to the ongoing review of the Creative Communities Scheme and local funding assessment committees and priorities. The Ashburton Committee is happy to continue operating in the way they are at present and will deal with any issues if and when they arise.

#### **Schedule of Applications**

The Committee had a total of \$13,532 available to distribute and agreed that funding be distributed as follows:

Number	Applicant	Amount Requested	Amount Granted
1	Ronald McDonald House South Island Trust	2,000	Declined
2	Ashburton Writers' Group	100	100
3	Ashburton Photographic Society Inc	597	500
4	Ashburton Society of Performing Arts Inc	2,000	1,150
5	Methven District Heritage Association <i>V Barrett declared an interest in this application</i>	3,232	1,000
6	Ashburton Community Theatre (ACT)	1,000	1,000
7	Ashburton Borough School	900	Declined
8	Crescendo	880	800
9	Malcolm Monteath	600	450
10	Tinwald War Memorial Hall Society	626	Declined
11	Ashburton Art Gallery <i>J Wilkinson declared an interest in this application</i>	2,000	1,320
12	Ashburton Parents Centre	1,100	600

13	Variety Theatre Ashburton <i>D Favel declared an interest in this application</i>	3,000	3,000
14	Minerals to Art Charitable Trust	6,000	3,000
15	Performing Arts Theatre School (P.A.T.S)	Not stated	500
<b>Total:</b>		<b>\$24,035+</b>	<b>\$13,420</b>

The above funds have been granted with the following conditions imposed in accordance with the scheme's eligible and ineligible activities.

<b>Applicant</b>	<b>Conditions</b>
Ashburton Society of Performing Arts Inc	Funding provided for adjudicators and hall hire

### **General Business**

J Sparks and J Ross are available to attend the upcoming Creative Communities Scheme Development workshop on 12 June in Christchurch. The Community Services Officer will provide further information regarding this workshop as it comes to hand.

It was with regret the Chairman accepted the resignation of committee member Karen Meehan. Mrs Meehan has been a member of the committee since 2002 and her knowledge will be missed. Creative New Zealand regulations state we do not need to find a replacement committee member for Mrs Meehan, but are able to do so if a willing volunteer can be found.

### **Presentation of Funding**

Up to 5% of the scheme's annual allocation can be spent on promotion of the scheme. The Committee agreed to hold the presentation evening for the successful applicants, at 5.30 pm on Thursday 21 May, 2009 at the Council building.

The meeting concluded at 12.15 pm.

## ASHBURTON DISTRICT COUNCIL REPORT

FILE NO: 1/2/3  
DATE: 21 May 2009  
REPORT TO: Council  
FROM: Housing & Social Services Subcommittee  
SUBJECT: Discretionary Funding Application

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### 4.7 DISCRETIONARY FUNDING APPLICATION

#### 4.7.1 SUMMARY

The Housing & Social Services Subcommittee met on 13 May, the minutes of which will be referred to the Finance & Community Services Committee on 18 June 2009.

The Subcommittee received a funding request which requires more immediate decision and the matter has been referred to Council.

#### 4.7.2. RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL

“That a payment of \$1,200 be made to the ComCare Charitable Trust from the Social Services Discretionary Fund to assist with rental costs of running the ActiveLinks Gym Group.”

Tasker/Burgess

**Carried**

#### 4.7.3 BACKGROUND

The ComCare Charitable Trust has made a request for funding to the Social Services Discretionary Fund to enable them to continue the ActiveLinks Gym Group for people who experience severe mental illness. The gym group currently hires a room at the Gym Company on Cass Street each Wednesday morning at a discounted rate.

The continuation of the programme is under threat due to the group being no longer able to cover the cost of room hire. They request \$1,200 to cover the cost of room hire for the next 10 months.

The Subcommittee noted this will be a one off payment to the ComCare Charitable Trust and no expectation will be given to the applicant that this will be an ongoing grant.

Due to the urgency of the situation the funds will be paid to the Trust as soon as possible.

#### Prepared By

V PRENDERGAST  
Community Services Officer

#### Approved By

J G ROLLINSON  
Manager  
Democracy & Community Services

## **ASHBURTON DISTRICT COUNCIL REPORT**

FILE NO:

DATE: 21 May 2009

REPORT TO: Council

FROM: Operations Manager

SUBJECT: Water Services Subcommittee - Stockwater Race Closure

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### **4.8 STOCKWATER RACE CLOSURE**

[Recommendation from 21/05/09 Subcommittee meeting to be tabled]

## ASHBURTON DISTRICT COUNCIL REPORT

FILE NO: 2/2/1  
DATE: 21 May 2008  
REPORT TO: Council  
FROM: Airport Authority Subcommittee  
SUBJECT: Unconfirmed Minutes of Meeting – 7/05/09

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### 4.9 ASHBURTON AIRPORT AUTHORITY SUBCOMMITTEE

**Report and Minutes** of a meeting of the **Ashburton Airport Authority Subcommittee** meeting held in the Councillors Lounge, 5 Baring Square West, Ashburton, on Thursday 7 May 2009, commencing at 9.30 am.

**PRESENT:** Councillors L J Leadley (Chair), N A Brown and K L Holmes  
In attendance J Rooney, Property Manager.

#### ***Expansion***

The Property Manager reported that work was continuing on progressing the development plan in order to meet requirements for the District Plan review. It was noted that this work needs to be completed and available to consultants by 30 June 2009.

The Subcommittee agreed that –

1. The airport site and the additional land required for runway extensions be designated in the Plan with the designation to have a minimum life of 10 years.
2. The flight paths and vectors are to be scheduled in the District Plan within the appropriate zones.

#### ***Hangars***

The Property Manager reported that an approach had been received from “Hangar Solutions” seeking approval to obtain a site for new hangars. The initial site requirement is 624m<sup>2</sup>.

The Subcommittee agreed that –

The Property Manager is to proceed to enter into leasing arrangements with Hangar Solutions.

The meeting concluded at 10.10 am.

## ASHBURTON DISTRICT COUNCIL REPORT

FILE NO: 4/11/4  
DATE: 21 May 2009  
REPORT TO: Council  
FROM: PA to the Operations Manager  
SUBJECT: Warrants of Authority

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### 4.10 WARRANTS OF AUTHORITY – OPERATIONS GROUP

#### 4.10.1 SUMMARY

As a result of the new district Bylaws, it is necessary to update the current warrants of authority. This report seeks approval of warrants of authority for staff in the Operations Department.

#### 4.10.2 RECOMMENDATION

“1. That BRYAN LEWIS PITT, DAVID LIONEL O’DONNELL, and EVAN COLWYN PRICHARD, Water Rangers, be authorised under the seal of the Ashburton District Council to act as indicated below:

- Has the authority to enter private land under Sections 171-173 and 182 of the Local Government Act 2002.
- As an authorised Officer under the Ashburton District Council Bylaws 2008.
- As a Litter Control Officer under Section 5 of the Litter Control Act 1979.

This warrant is issued pursuant to Sections 174 and 177 of the Local Government Act 2002.

2. That ROBERT STANLEY ROUSE, Operations Manager, DAVID HEDLEY ROBERTSON, Roading and Street Services Manager, ANTHONY JOHN MACPHERSON, Roading and Street Services Contracts Engineer, RODGER WAYNE HARRIS, Roading and Street Services Contracts Officer, be authorised under the seal of the Ashburton District Council to act as indicated below:

- Has the authority to enter private land under Sections 171-173 and 182 of the Local Government Act 2002.
- As an authorised Officer under the Ashburton District Council Bylaw 2008.
- Litter Control Officer under Section 5 of the Litter Control Act 1979.
- Authorised Officer under Section 356 of the Local Government Act 1974.

This warrant is issued pursuant to Sections 174 and 177 of the Local Government Act 2002, Section 5(3) of the Litter Act 1979 and Section 356 of the Local Government Act 1974.

3. That ANDREW RODERICK GUTHRIE, Water Services Manager; BARRY JOHN MARSHALL, Water Services Engineer; MAREE CHRISTINA CROZIER MCNALLY, Water Services Assets Information Officer; and GREGORY ALAN COUSTAS, Water Services Field Assistant, be authorised under the seal of the Ashburton District Council to act as indicated below:

- Has the authority to enter private land under Sections 171-173 and 182 of the Local Government Act 2002.
- Is an authorised Officer under the Ashburton District Council Bylaw 2008.

These warrants are issued pursuant to Sections 174 and 177 of the Local Government Act 2002.”

#### **4.10.3 BACKGROUND**

As a result of the new district Bylaws, it is necessary to update current warrants of authority with reference to the Bylaws adopted in 2008.

The staff identified in this report currently have warrants of authority with the exception of Mr Gregory Coustas who recently commenced employment in the Water Services Department.

#### **4.10.4 OPTIONS**

Not applicable.

#### **4.10.5 STATUTORY IMPLICATIONS**

Council officers are required to be warranted to exercise all powers and duties including such power to enter land, conduct inspections, issue notices as provided by and for the purpose of the Acts and associated Regulations and Bylaws listed.

#### **4.10.6 CONSULTATION**

Not applicable.

#### **4.10.7 STRATEGIC LINKS**

Not applicable.

#### **4.10.8 FINANCIAL**

There are no financial implications arising from the recommendations in this report.

#### **Prepared By**

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PA to the Operations Manager

#### **Approved By**

R ROUSE  
Operations Manager