

Minutes from McKenzie Pool Re-development Working Group
6pm on Monday 9 March 2009
Sports House, Hutt Park

Present: Cr Joy Baird (Chair), Cr Barbara Branch, Cr Rodger Styles, Mason Branch (PCB), Gerald Davidson (PCB), Graeme Lyon, , Roger Bagshaw, Stephen Keatley (HCC), Marcus Sherwood (HCC), Joan McGrath (Petone Schools Rep), Aaron Marsh (HCC), Allen Yip (HCC), Michael Lulich (PCB)

Apologies: Tony Stallinger (CEO, HCC), Marty Grenfell (HCC), Nick Millar, Kelly Barrat (PCB), David Allen (Consultant)

Minutes:

Welcome from the Chair

The chair discussed the up and coming LTCCP consultation process which includes a question regarding the McKenzie Pool. The question asks respondents whether they are in favour of; a sophisticated complex including community pool, spa and other facilities on a new site or a rebuild of the community pool on the current site.

Marcus Sherwood went through the updated report from David Allen. This included concept drawings for the possible sites and some high level financial figures around the options. The concept drawings were provided to assist with operational projections and to provide an indication of scale of each site and were not intended as a final design for any of the options.

A general discussion was held about each of the drawings and sites.

It was raised by the chair that a paper is going to the Council's Finance and Audit Committee next week from the Library and Settlers Museum working party recommending that part of the Settlers Museum function be retained on its current site. This effectively ruled the site out of further consideration for pool development.

The Weltec carpark site was discussed. The difficulties included the lack of Council ownership, the additional costs associated with moving activities from ??? the site and the limited extent of any benefits from such a move were discussed.

The elimination of both the Weltec carpark site and the Settlers site was agreed to by the working party.

This has left the Hikoikoi Site for a Leisure/Spa type facility and the current site plus the caretakers house site for a community pool.

It was decided that these two sites would have a full analysis and business plan completed by the end of April to allow the information to be fed into the LTCCP process.

To assist the council officers with this, Marcus Sherwood asked the group if there were any additions or changes needed to the concept drawings for each site to allow a more accurate analysis to take place. The following additions were suggested:

For the Leisure Facility:

- A larger lap pool (six lanes)
- Larger learners pool

For the Community Facility:

- The changing rooms need to be replaced or have a major upgrade.

ACTION POINTS

- **Council Officers to complete a full business analysis on both sites before the next meeting – Marcus**
- **The results of the question from the LTCCP process (to date) to be available by next meeting – Council Officers**

Meeting Closed at 7.05pm

Next Meeting date: Tuesday 28 April 6pm at the Pelorus Trust Sports House, Seaview