



NOTICE OF MEETING OF THE DISTRICT DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

I hereby give notice that the District Development Committee meeting of the Papakura District Council is to be held on:

DATE: Tuesday 9th February 2010

TIME: 9.30 am

VENUE: Council Chambers
 35 Coles Crescent
 PAPA KURA

T Stratton
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

MEMBERSHIP:

Chairperson	Clr Jones
Deputy Chairperson	Clr Conroy
	HWM Penrose
	Clr Auva'a
	Clr Catchpole
	Clr Goldsmith
	Clr Piggott
	Clr O'Connor
	Clr Pringle

(Quorum 4 members)

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**PAPAKURA DISTRICT COUNCIL
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PAPAKURA DISTRICT COUNCIL

**AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE DISTRICT DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE TO BE
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 35 COLES CRESCENT, PAPAKURA ON
TUESDAY 9TH FEBRUARY 2010 COMMENCING AT 9.30 A.M.**

1. APOLOGIES

2. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

- (a) That the Minutes of the District Development Committee Meeting held on Tuesday 8th December 2009 be confirmed.

3. DEPUTATION AND PETITIONS

4. PRESENTATION

5. STRATEGIES AND POLICIES

(a) 2010/11 LOCAL GRANT PRIORITIES

REPORTING OFFICER: Leora Hirsh
Manager Community Development

ATTACHMENT: Community Grants Policy
(Attachment No. 1)

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

The purpose of this report is to assist the Council in setting funding priorities for the Council's Local Community Grants Fund in 2010/11.

BACKGROUND

The Local Unspecified Grants Fund is a discretionary fund to give financial assistance to community groups that are providing services or activities of benefit to the community of Papakura. Council sets the budget for this fund in its LTCCP. The total funding allocation is reviewed on an annual basis as part of the annual planning process.

Council also sets priorities for this fund on an annual basis, and sets a maximum grant level for this fund

The Allocation of Grants Committee has the delegated authority to award these funds to local groups and organisations working to enhance their community and to benefit the social and cultural wellbeing of Papakura residents.

Until 2009 Council also had a Regional Grants Fund, however Council no longer awards regional grants as funding to regional organisations is now mandated via the Regional Amenities Funding Act 2008.

Accommodation Support Grants are available to charitable organisations that own land in Papakura and operate locally. The funding for accommodation support grants is currently offset against rates and is discussed in the policy.

NARRATIVE

In February 2006 Council adopted a grants policy. This policy is reviewed annually. Attached to this report is a copy of the grants policy as updated in March 2009. Topics covered include:

- the process for setting grant levels
- the process for allocating grants
- the establishment of eligibility criteria
- the establishment of priorities

Funding priorities have generally been based on the Progress Papakura Community Outcomes Themes.

The 2009/10 priorities were:

- Safe and Stable Community
- Fostering involvement in the arts and recreation
- Releasing the potential of rangatahi young people
- Accessible and cared for natural environment

Accessible and cared for natural environment was added as a priority in 2009. Although only two groups applied under this category last year, it is suggested this remain a priority, particularly given the national and global focus on sustainability. It is recommended that Council re-confirm these four priority outcomes for 2010/11.

Last year the maximum grant was reduced back to \$2,500, due to a reduction in the grants budget. This funding cap does allow Council to support a wide range of community initiatives. Council supported 35 initiatives in the 2009/10 fiscal year.

Applications for this funding round will open on 24 May 2010 and close on Friday 09 July 2010.

CONCLUSION

Grant priorities should be maintained to align with current Council community outcomes. Recommended priorities are:

- Safe and stable community
- Fostering involvement in the arts and recreation
- Releasing the potential of rangatahi young people
- Accessible and cared for natural environment

Given there is no increase to the total grant budget, it is recommended that the maximum local grant level remain at \$2,500.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That the information be received.
2. That Council set priorities for the 2010/11 Local Unspecified Grant Fund as:
 - a) Safe and stable community
 - b) Fostering involvement in the arts and recreation
 - c) Releasing the potential of rangatahi young people
 - d) Accessible and cared for natural environment
3. That Council maintain the maximum grant amount to \$2,500.

6. DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS

7. REGIONAL ISSUES

(a) AUCKLAND WAR MEMORIAL MUSEUM – DRAFT ANNUAL PLAN 2010-2011

REPORTING OFFICER: D McIntosh
Management Accountant

ATTACHMENT: Draft Annual Plan 2010-2011
(Attachment No. 2)

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

This report presents, for the information of elected representatives, the Auckland War Memorial Museum (AWMM) – Draft Annual Plan 2010-2011.

BACKGROUND

In accordance with the requirements of the Auckland War Memorial Museum Act 1996 the Auckland Museum Trust Board has submitted its Draft Annual Plan for the year ended 30 June 2011 for consideration by the Territorial Local Authority Electoral College – Museums (Electoral College). The Electoral College is required to approve the funding levy request contained in the plan prior to publication and a call for public submissions on the plan.

NARRATIVE

At a meeting of Territorial Local Authority Electoral College-Museums held on 11 December 2009 the AWMM – Draft Annual Plan 2010-2011 was reviewed and it was resolved that the publication of the total levy request of \$24,330,000 contained in the plan be approved when calling for public submissions on the plan.

The total proposed levy for 2010-2011 is \$24.330 million, which is lower than that signalled in the Annual Plan 2009-2010 (\$25.170 million), but higher than projected in the 10 year Long Term Plan 2008-2017 (\$23.317 million). The proposed levy for 2011 represents an increase of \$928,000 (or 3.97%) over the 2009-2010 levy.

On this basis the share of the total levy attributable to the Papakura District for 2010-2011 is \$638,207 and represents a decrease of 3.9% from the amount levied in 2009-2010 (\$664,028). This drop in levy for Papakura, despite the increase in the total levy, comes about due to the use of capital values of property in each TLA area as the basis for allocation of the levy to each TLA. As properties are re-valued in different years for the TLAs, a relatively greater share of the levy will be paid by TLAs who have recently re-valued (assuming capital values increase).

CONCLUSION

The Electoral College has approved the funding level request contained in the AWMM Draft Annual Plan 2010-2011 and the plan has been published providing the opportunity for public submissions prior to final adoption.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That the information be received.
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7. REGIONAL ISSUES

**(b) MUSEUM OF TRANSPORT AND TECHNOLOGY –
DRAFT ANNUAL PLAN 2010-2011**

REPORTING OFFICER: D McIntosh
Management Accountant

ATTACHMENT: Draft Annual Plan 2010-2011
(Attachment No. 3)

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

This report presents, for the information of elected representatives, the Museum of Transport and Technology (MOTAT) – Draft Annual Plan 2010-2011.

BACKGROUND

In accordance with the requirements of the Museum of Transport and Technology Act 2000 the Museum of Transport and Technology has submitted its Draft Annual Plan for the year ended 30 June 2011 for consideration by the Territorial Local Authority Electoral College – Museums (Electoral College). The Electoral College is required to approve the funding levy request contained in the plan prior to publication and a call for public submissions on the plan.

NARRATIVE

At a meeting of Territorial Local Authority Electoral College-Museums held on 11 December 2009 the MOTAT – Draft Annual Plan 2010-2011 was reviewed and it was resolved that the publication of the total levy request of \$10,062,000 contained in the plan be approved when calling for public submissions on the plan.

The proposed levy for 2010/2011 is \$10.062 million, which is lower than that signalled in the Annual Plan 2009/2010 (\$10.230 million), and the same as identified in the 10 year Long Term Plan recently adopted by the Museum of Transport and Technology. The proposed levy for 2011 represents an increase of \$745,000 (or 8.0%) over the 2009/2010 levy.

On this basis the share of the total levy attributable to the Papakura District for 2010-2011 is \$263,998 and represents a decrease of 0.2% from the amount levied in 2009-2010 (\$264,416). This drop in levy for Papakura, despite the increase in the total levy, comes about due to the use of capital values of property in each TLA area as the basis for allocation of the levy to each TLA. As properties are re-valued in different years for the TLAs, a relatively greater share of the levy will be paid by TLAs who have recently re-valued (assuming capital values increase).

CONCLUSION

The Electoral College has approved the funding level request contained in the MOTAT Draft Annual Plan 2010-2011 and the plan has been published providing the opportunity for public submissions prior to final adoption.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That the information be received.
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7. REGIONAL ISSUES

(c) AUCKLAND REGIONAL AMENITIES FUNDING BOARD – DRAFT FUNDING PLAN 2010-2011

REPORTING OFFICER: D McIntosh
Management Accountant

ATTACHMENT: Draft Funding Plan 2010-2011
(Attachment No. 4)

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

This report presents, for the information of elected representatives, the Auckland Regional Amenities Funding Board (ARAFB) – Draft Funding Plan 2010-2011.

BACKGROUND

In accordance with the requirements of the Auckland Regional Amenities Funding Act 2008 the Auckland Regional Amenities Funding Board has submitted its Draft Funding Plan for the year ended 30 June 2011 for consideration by the Territorial Local Authority Electoral College – Museums (Electoral College). The Electoral College is required to approve the funding levy request contained in the plan prior to publication and a call for public submissions on the plan.

NARRATIVE

At a meeting of Territorial Local Authority Electoral College-Museums held on 11 December 2009 the ARAFB – Draft Funding Plan 2010-2011 was reviewed and it was resolved that the publication of the total levy request of \$11,600,000 contained in the plan be approved when calling for public submissions on the plan.

The proposed levy for 2010-2011 is \$11.6 million, which is only marginally lower than the maximum amount permitted under the Act. The proposed levy for 2011 represents an increase of \$2.6 million, (or 28.9%) over the 2009-2010 levy, and is consistent with what was foreshadowed and provided for in the Act. The increase is in line with the intention of the Act that the levy be phased in over a four year period, with 2010-2011 being year two of the four years.

On this basis the share of the total levy attributable to the Papakura District for 2010-2011 is \$323,877 and represents an increase of 31.6% from the amount levied in 2009-2010 (\$264,134). This increase in levy for Papakura is higher than the increase in the total levy (28.9%), and comes about due to the use of rates charged in each TLA area as the basis for allocation of the levy to each TLA. As the levels of rates charged change by differing percentages annually for each of the TLAs, the share paid by TLAs will vary and result in changes slightly more or less than the overall change in the total levy.

CONCLUSION

The Electoral College has approved the funding level request contained in the ARAFB Draft Funding Plan 2010-2011 and the plan has been published providing the opportunity for public submissions prior to final adoption.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That the information be received.

7. REGIONAL ISSUES

(d) SUBMISSION - LOCAL GOVERNMENT (AUCKLAND LAW REFORM) BILL

REPORTING OFFICER: Joy Hames
Director Policy and Democracy Services

ATTACHMENT: Submission to Select Committee
Local Government (Auckland Law Reform) Bill
(Attachment No. 5)

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

The purpose of this report is for Council to approve a submission to the Select Committee considering the Local Government (Auckland Law Reform) Bill (the third Bill).

BACKGROUND

As the final part of the changes to Auckland governance, the Minister of Local Government introduced legislation into Parliament late December to deal with the outstanding matters to set up the Auckland Council and its related Council Controlled Organisations (CCOs). This legislation has been referred to the Auckland Governance Select Committee which is required to report back to Parliament by May 4, 2010. The Select Committee has sought public submissions by the February 12, 2010.

NARRATIVE

The Council has been considering this legislation through workshops in order to prepare a submission to the Select Committee. The key concerns which are outlined in the draft submission are:

- Council's fundamental opposition to the establishment of one Auckland Council;
- The lack of certainty in the legislation on the functions of local boards and the inappropriate timing of the local board planning cycle;
- The overbearing role of central government in determining a range of CCOs and establishing these by statute without any local democratic process and the inappropriate degree of direction on how these CCO's are to be governed;
- The lack of relationship between Auckland Transport and local boards and the lack of enforceable linkage between the Council and Auckland Transport;
- The removal of the limit on the funding to be provided to "Auckland Regional Amenities";

- The lack of status of a spatial plan for Auckland;
- A range of issues with Maori representation;
- Practical concerns with the level set at which a moratorium on certain asset sales applies and the provisions relating to the transfer of employees to the Auckland Council or new CCOs.

CONCLUSION

The Local Government (Auckland Reform) Bill finalises the governance arrangements for Auckland. It is proposed that the Council makes a submission to the Select Committee setting out its views on these proposals. It is also recommended that the submission be presented in person to the Committee and that the Council appoint members to undertake this presentation.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That the information be received.
2. That the Council approve the tabled submission to the Select Committee and deputise x and y to present this submission.

8. NOTICES OF MOTION

9. CONFIDENTIAL