

7. PORRITT PARK - STAGE ONE PAVILION UPGRADES

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The purpose of this report is to advise progress on the construction of stage one of the pavilion upgrades at Porritt Park.

PROGRESS

A letter of acceptance has been forwarded to Armitage Williams, following the Property and Major Projects Committee's prior recommendation.

The contract documents have been signed by both parties.

Insurance cover forms have been sighted from the Council's insurers, and Armitage Williams insurers.

A Health and Safety Plan has been received from Armitage Williams. This has been reviewed and accepted by the Council's Health and Safety Auditor.

A contractor's performance bond has been received from Armitage Williams' surety, The National Bank of New Zealand, to the value of \$35,000.

The inaugural site meeting was held at Porritt Park, with consultants, contractor, the Leisure Unit, and Canterbury Hockey representatives present. Site meetings will be held fortnightly in the first instance as co-ordination is established, and monthly thereafter.

Site access conditions have been agreed, with Armitage Williams making the ground floor of the pavilion available for a weekend tournament at the end of November. Public unisex toilets are to be available throughout the contract duration.

Hockey have requested that the ground floor of the pavilion be made available in February and March for the use of a NZ training squad. Armitage Williams have agreed to aim to meet this request.

Construction areas are fenced off, and secured to prevent public access.

BUILDING CONSENT

A building consent has been received with some minor modifications requested.

PROGRAMME

Construction commencement date: 10 November 2003

Construction completion date: 19 April 2004

The project is approximately one and a half weeks behind the projected project delivery programme. We are still expecting to meet the previously reported occupation date.

BUDGET

The approved project budget is \$725,000 excl. GST.

Spending against this budget is as follows:

Item	Budgeted Expenditure	Actual Expenditure	Remaining Funds
Construction contract (excl cont.)	\$586,064	\$0	\$586,064
Contingency	\$25,000	\$0	\$25,000
Fees - Stage One	\$70,000	\$58,500	\$11,500
Fees - Stage Two	\$40,000	\$40,000	\$0
Misc (B. Consent, advertising etc)	\$3,936	\$3,936	\$0
TOTAL	\$725,000	\$102,436	\$622,564

WORKS IN NEXT PERIOD

The first month's works comprises demolition, site works and foundation setout.

Asbestos removal is the first priority for the contractor, in order that the construction works are cleared of the dangerous material, and future delays are not incurred.

It is important to form the mound extension early in the contract to allow time for settlement to occur before paving at completion.

**Chairman's
Recommendation:** That the information be received.