

#### 4. RUN WALK FOR LIFE INTERNATIONAL

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The purpose of this report is to submit an application from Pam Barnes for a licence under Section 54(1)(d) of the Reserves Act 1977 for use of part of the pavilion at Ray Blank Park for the purpose of operating her “Run Walk for Life International” business.

##### **APPLICATION**

The Parks Unit recently received an application to use the pavilion on Ray Blank Park for the purpose of running a commercial fitness/health programme on the park.

The applicant has requested use of the building and park for the following period:

1. As from 1 June 1999 (or as soon as possible thereafter), for one year
 

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| Days of the week | Monday, Wednesday and Friday |
| Time             | 09.00 am to 11.00 am         |

And in addition to the above:
2. 1 October 1999 to 31 March 2000
 

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| Days of the week | Monday, Wednesday and Friday |
| Time             | 5.30 pm to 7.30 pm           |

##### **POWERS TO ISSUE LEASES OR LICENCES**

The Council has the power to issue a licence under Section 54(1)(d) of the Reserves Act 1977.

If the application is approved, the proposal to grant a licence will be publicly advertised as required in Section 10 of the Reserves Act 1977.

##### **AVON UNITED SOCCER CLUB**

The Avon United Soccer Club has two soccer fields, a flood-lit training area and use of the changing facilities on Ray Blank Park.

There may be times when Run Walk for Life International and the soccer club are operating at the same time. The Club is comfortable with the applicant's proposal and does not envisage any conflict of use.

The applicant and the club have had discussions and agreed that the soccer club has priority over the main playing and training areas during those occasions. This will not disadvantage either party, as it is highly unlikely that all the fields and training area will be in use at the same time. In the unlikely event of that occurring, there are sufficient areas in the remainder of the park to adequately accommodate Run Walk For Life activities.

#### **SUMMARY**

Although there is a commercial element to this application the Parks Unit is supportive of the proposal and comfortable that it is providing a recreational opportunity to a specific section of the community who may not otherwise be actively involved in any other form of physical recreation. There are benefits to both individuals and the community as a whole to encourage active recreation and use of our parks.

Accordingly the Park Unit staff are recommending that the application be approved subject to a number of standard conditions.

The above report was considered by the Fendalton/Waimairi Community Board at its July meeting. The Board supported the proposal and also recommended to the Committee that a report be provided on the programme after eight months of operation.

- Recommendation:**
1. That the Run Walk for Life International application for a licence to use part of the Pavilion on Ray Blank Park under section 54(1)(d) of the Reserves Act 1977 be approved, subject to the following conditions.
    1. The applicant obtaining consent from the Minister of Conservation for the proposal.
    2. A rental that reflects the commercial nature of the proposal being negotiated by the Property Manager in association with the Parks Manager.
    3. The applicant obtaining and furnishing proof of \$1,000,000 Public Liability Insurance before commencing their activity.
    4. The applicant locating her activities off the sports fields and training areas when in use by other sports clubs.

5. All costs associated with this application and any resulting development costs being the responsibility of the applicant.
  6. Approval to lapse in the event of the proposal not commencing within two years of approval being granted.
2. That a report be provided on the programme after eight months of operation.