

1. QEII CAPITAL SPENDING REVIEW

The Director of Operations reported on the outcome of the review of the proposed capital spending at Queen Elizabeth II Park. The report was prepared in response to a resolution passed by the Council at its meeting on 8 April 2002.

The report noted that the funding for the additional work at QEII had been found from capital funds set aside in future years for development of a new leisure pool and concluded that, as a separate report was being prepared on the options for capital spending at a number of facilities, including the need for the new leisure facility it would seem inappropriate to consider one-off discretionary funding bids for QEII Park outside the overall process and without an agreed asset management plan in place.

The report, however, supported the spending on renewals and replacements on the grounds that increased costs for the Council were likely if this work was not undertaken as planned. Similarly, the spending on the Village Green was also supported provided this expenditure is contained within the available funds. The report recommended that the capital expenditure programme be:

2002/03	
Village Green	\$300,000
2003/04	
Village Green	\$100,000
2004/05	
Village Green	\$100,000
HVAC Replacement	\$650,000
Main Stadium Ceiling Renewal	\$230,000

Remainder of \$1,255,000 to be returned to new facility development.

Arising from a discussion on Canterbury Cricket's commitment to the village green development the Committee **decided** to request the Leisure Manager to report to the Annual Plan Subcommittee on the terms and conditions of the original grant to Canterbury Cricket, together with an update on the current negotiations with Canterbury Cricket, in particular the need for a separate toilet block for the village green. The Leisure Manager was also requested to obtain written confirmation of Canterbury Cricket's commitment to the Village Green development. As well staff were requested to obtain a report from the Traffic Engineer on the safety implications of delaying the relocation of the Travis Road entrance.

The Committee **decided** to recommend to the Annual Plan Subcommittee:

1. That the Council give priority to the implementation of an Asset Management Plan for QEII Park.
2. That the revised capital expenditure programme, as set out above, be adopted with \$1,255,000 being returned to the budget for new facility development.
3. That the Community and Leisure Committee review the funding bid for discretionary capital items for QEII Park in conjunction with its report on general facility spending needs.