

## 10. SOUTH NEW BRIGHTON PARK - BASKETBALL COURT UPGRADE



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<b>Officer responsible:</b>	Greenspace Manager
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### PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to confirm Board support for extending and upgrading the South New Brighton Park basketball half-court to a full sized outdoor basketball court (refer attached plan).

### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. The South New Brighton, Southshore Community and Recreation Sports and Arts Needs Analysis Report was completed in 2005 by Sarah Wylie. Two of the outcomes identified by the study were the need for a full sized basketball facility in the South Brighton Area, plus an upgrade of the existing half court facility which is in a state of disrepair. Following the report two workshops were facilitated by the Burwood/Pegasus Community Recreation Advisor at St Lukes Community Hall. The outcome of the workshops' was that two thirds of participants agreed a full outdoor court was required. Basketball is a very popular sport with youth in this area.

### FINANCIAL AND LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

3. The Greenspace Unit has \$22,400 funding available in the 2005/06 financial year for installation of a Burwood/Pegasus half court. Greenspace staff have carried out a feasibility study of all Burwood Pegasus parks and have agreed that best use of this funding would be to upgrade and extend the existing South New Brighton half basketball court to a full court thus meeting the needs and requests of the community.

### STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board approve option (b) to accept the proposal of upgrading and extending the South New Brighton Park basketball half-court to a full sized outdoor court.

## BACKGROUND

4. As the request has come from survey results highlighted in the South New Brighton, Southshore Community and Recreation Sports and Arts Needs Analysis Report, 2005, consultation has not been undertaken by Greenspace staff on this project. Public participation consultation for the project was carried out by the Community Recreation Advisor.
5. A number of suggestions and comments were made by public participants at the two workshops. These, along with the researchers recommendations, have been considered and where appropriate integrated into the design.
6. Basketball is an existing facility in the park and is sited well away from any residential dwellings. Extending and upgrading the current facility will have little change of impact on the surrounding environment.

## OPTIONS

7. There are two possible options:
  - (a) Do nothing or status quo. This option is not practical as Greenspace sees merit in meeting outcomes identified by the Recreation Needs Analysis Study. This option disregards the community feedback and input.
  - (b) Accept the proposal for installation of a full sized outdoor basketball court.

## PREFERRED OPTION

8. To adopt option (b) and implement construction of a full outdoor basketball court. Thus providing the community with the facility they have requested. According to the feasibility study carried out by Greenspace Unit staff this option is also the best proposal for allocation of funding.

## ASSESSMENT OF OPTIONS

	<b>Benefits (current and future)</b>	<b>Costs (current and future)</b>
<b>Social</b>	Mitigate risks to public and property.	\$22,400 for installation.
<b>Cultural</b>	No benefits identified.	No costs identified.
<b>Environmental</b>	Improved reserve facility for community recreation.	
<b>Economic</b>	No positive or negative economic impact for the community identified.	

**Extent to which community outcomes are achieved:**  
 Primary alignment with community outcome: *"A Healthy City" We live long, healthy and happy lives.*  
 Also contributes to *"A City for Recreation, Fun and Creativity" We value leisure time and recognise that the arts, sports and other recreational activities contribute to our economy, identity, health, and well-being.*

**Impact on Council's capacity and responsibilities:**  
 No impacts on council's capacity and responsibilities have been identified.

**Effects on Maori:**  
 No effects on Maori identified.

**Consistency with existing Council policies:**  
 Consistent with the Environmental Policy: *"Open Spaces and Planting - The Council will manage and maintain the open spaces of the City in ways that enhance amenity, avoid adverse effects and minimise maintenance requirements".*  
*"To acknowledge and promote the "Garden City" identity of the City by protecting, maintaining, and extending planting which complements this image".*  
*"Plus, promoting a City for Recreation, Fun and Creativity.*

**Views and preferences of persons affected or likely to have an interest:**  
 Needs Analysis survey results indicated a request for this project to go ahead.

**Other relevant matters:**