

HAGLEY/FERRYMEAD COMMUNITY BOARD

BARNETT PARK SUBCOMMITTEE AGENDA

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Community Board: Hagley/Ferrymead – Barnett Park Subcommittee
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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to seek approval from the Subcommittee for the draft consultation plan for the Barnett Park bike and skate area, to proceed to peer review by an independent external consultant.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. On the 17 March 2010, the Hagley/Ferrymead Community Board resolved on the motion of Bob Todd, seconded by Rod Cameron, that the Board adopt the process for a revised consultation plan and communication plan with an external independent party appointed to peer review the questions, as recommended in the staff memorandum from the General Manager of City Environment, as a means of progressing the Barnett Park Bike and Skate Area issue.
3. It was also on the motion of Bob Todd, seconded by Rod Cameron, that a subcommittee comprising the Chairperson, Deputy Chairperson and Rod Cameron be established to work with staff to devise a revised consultation plan and to produce a communication plan for the consultation of the Barnett Park Bike and Skate Area to be presented back to the Board for approval.
4. Council staff, members of the project team, Communications team and the Subcommittee members have prepared a draft consultation plan (refer **Attachment 1**) which is now to be peer reviewed by an independent external consultant, prior to the Subcommittee confirming the draft plan and presenting it to the Hagley/Ferrymead Community Board for approval.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

5. Funding for this project is provided in the 2009-19 LTCCP Sports Parks – Playground and Recreation Facilities (page 239) as shown below:

(a) 2009/10: \$79,877

There is sufficient funding to undertake the proposed consultation. Depending on the outcome of the consultation, there may be insufficient funds to complete the actual construction and additional funds will need to be applied for through future LTCCP or Annual Plan allocations.

Do the Recommendations of this Report Align with 2009-19 LTCCP budgets?

6. Yes, as above.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

7. The Subcommittee has been formally appointed by the Hagley/Ferrymead Community Board to work with staff in the development of the proposed consultation plan. No other legal considerations have been identified.

Have you considered the legal implications of the issue under consideration?

8. Yes, as above.

ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS

9. The project aligns with the 2009-19 Long Term Council Community Plan as outlined above. The proposed consultation plan is in line with current Council practice for projects of this type.

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Do the recommendations of this report support a level of service or project in the 2009-19 LTCCP?

10. Yes, as above.

CONSULTATION FULFILMENT

11. Council staff are working with the Subcommittee of the Hagley/Ferrymead Community Board on the development of the draft consultation plan for the Barnett Park bike and skate area.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Sub-Committee approve the draft consultation plan for the Barnett Park bike and skate area, to proceed to peer review by an independent external consultant.

BACKGROUND

12. A report on the proposed Barnett Park bike and skate area was considered by the Board at a meeting on 17 March 2010. The Board resolved on the motion of Bob Todd, seconded by Tim Carter, that:
- (a) The Board request that independent consultation be undertaken on the concept plan for the proposed Barnett Park Bike and Skate Area in this report, and that this consultation include a question regarding locations respondents may believe would be more suitable for a bike and skate area.
 - (b) That the Board approve in principle to allocate discretionary response funds towards the cost of undertaking independent consultation on the Barnett Park Bike and Skate Area concept plan, subject to a report indicating exact costs being presented to the Board.
13. At a meeting on 31 March 2010, the Board considered a memorandum from the General Manager of City Environment regarding the Barnett Park Bike and Skate Area and the Board's request for independent consultation. The memorandum included the following staff recommendations:
- (a) Staff come up with a revised consultation plan which includes the wider area and also includes independent assessment of the submissions.
 - (b) Staff also produce a communication plan that is approved by the Community Board. This plan to detail how the community will have input into the process and to address concerns that have been raised thus far through the consultation process. By involving the communication team, there is a level of independence from the project team. The original project team would take an advisory role and be one part of the process.
 - (c) The Board appoint a subcommittee of three Board members to work with staff on both of these plans to input into the type of consultation that will occur with the community. This will ensure that the Board gives direction and is happy with how the consultation will be undertaken.
 - (d) The communication plan is presented to the Board by the subcommittee to highlight what the consultation and communication will involved and how the community will be included.
 - (e) It is noted that an external independent party will be appointed to peer review the questions.
 - (f) In the consultation, highlight examples of similar scale skate areas (such as Templeton Domain) and continue to show the elements that the Barnett Plan had.