10. BARNETT PARK SUBCOMMITTEE - FINAL CONSULTATION PLAN FOR BARNETT PARK BIKE AND SKATE AREA

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to present the recommendation from the Barnett Park Subcommittee that the Hagley/Ferrymead Community Board approve the draft consultation plan for the Barnett Park bike and skate area (refer **Attachment 2**) to proceed to public consultation to be undertaken by an independent external consultant.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 2. On 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 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. On 21 July 2010, the Subcommittee resolved on the motion of Bob Todd, seconded by Rod Cameron, that the revised draft consultation plan prepared by Council staff, members of the project team, Communications team and the Subcommittee members proceed to peer review by an independent external consultant, prior to the Subcommittee confirming the draft plan and presenting it to the Hagley/Ferrymead Community Board for approval.
- 5. The revised draft consultation plan was reviewed by an independent external consultant (refer **Attachment 1**). Some amendments have been made to the wording of the draft consultation plan, in particular the questions to be asked of the community, as a result (refer **Attachment 2**).

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 6. Funding for this project is provided in the 2009-19 LTCCP Sports Parks Playground and Recreation Facilities (page 239) as shown below:
 - (a) 2010/11: \$52,183

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?

7. As above.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

8. 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?

9. Yes, as above.

ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS

10. The project aligns with the 2009-2019 Long Term Council Community Plan as outlined above. The proposed consultation plan is in line with current Council practice for projects of this type.

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

11. Yes, as above.

CONSULTATION FULFILMENT

- 12. Council staff have been working with the Subcommittee of the Hagley/Ferrymead Community Board on the development of a revised consultation plan for the Barnett Park Bike and Skate Area.
- 13. The consultation plan has been peer reviewed by an independent external consultant.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Hagley/Ferrymead Community Board approve that the final draft revised consultation plan for the Barnett Park bike and skate area as shown in **Attachment 2**, including the communications plan, proceed to public consultation to be undertaken by an independent external consultant.

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

That the staff recommendation be adopted.

CHAIRPERSON'S RECOMMENDATION

That the Subcommittee recommendation be adopted.