

Wanaka Community Board

8 June 2016

Report for Agenda Item: 4

Chair's Report

Purpose

To present a report from the Wanaka Community Board Chair.

Recommendation

1. That the Wanaka Community Board **note** the report;
2. That the Wanaka Community Board **recommend** to Council:
 - a. That QLDC takes this opportunity to contribute to the reduction of alcohol-related harm by creating an alcohol free environment during normal day to day operations of the Wanaka Recreation Centre and install appropriate alcohol-free signage and information in conjunction with the smoke-free signage and information.
 - b. That QLDC allows for the alternative function of the Wanaka Recreation Centre as an events centre, by including in the booking process the option and information required to apply for a special liquor licence.
 - c. That it be noted that the Wanaka Recreation Centre does not have a bar or a commercial kitchen and is therefore not suited for an on-licence.

Prepared by: Rachel Brown



Chair, Wanaka Community Board
31/05/2016

Hawea Unformed Legal Roads

- 1 Agreement terms are finalised with regard to the Clutha Fisheries Trust and the Kane Road access. Still outstanding is agreement on the Butterfield Road access which involves the Upper Clutha Tracks Trust and the Coopers. Once this is resolved, APL Property should be able to finalise the umbrella agreement for signing by all parties.
- 2 There is a further meeting to discuss these matters occurring after publication of this agenda, so a verbal update will be provided at the meeting.

Wanaka Recreation Centre

- 3 There have been minor amendments to some completion dates due to unforeseen circumstances:
 - a. The Sports Hall completion may now be 27 June due to late arrival of lights.
 - b. The carpark may not be asphalted until spring 2016 due to cold weather.
 - c. Delays to commencing works by the subcontractor may push out completion of the Artificial Turf to 1 July 2016.
- 4 Handover to QLDC will occur before 1 July 2016.
- 5 Details of the formal opening ceremony will be confirmed at the meeting.
- 6 Three Parks water and sewer mains are both operational. Telecommunications will be live from 3 June with the main transformer installed on the site and the power supply handover occurring by mid-June.
- 7 The access road is asphalted halfway to the facility.
- 8 Signage packages are being worked through with QLDC, Sign It Signs and the design team.
- 9 QLDC operational readiness is progressing well. The General Manager Finance and Regulatory will be in attendance at the meeting and will provide a summary of the operations plan for the Wanaka Recreation Centre.

Wanaka Community Pool ('WCP')

- 10 Excavation has commenced.
- 11 Carpark works for the WCP extension are progressing
- 12 Gas piping has been installed.
- 13 Additional pool toy options have been approved by QLDC.
- 12 External fundraising for the pool is noted as a standing issue on the Board's agendas at the current time.

Draft Proposal for an Alcohol-free Wanaka Sports Facility

- 13 The Wanaka Alcohol Group, which comprises representatives from NZ Police, Parenting 4 Life, Mount Aspiring College, Friends of MAC, Kahu Youth, Public Health South, Community Networks, ACC, WellSouth Primary Health Network, and Combined Churches, has submitted to the Board a proposal that the Wanaka Sports Facility be designated 'alcohol free'. The full proposal is attached to this report (Attachment A) and it details the reasons for the suggestion and the benefits that it will bring.

14 The proposal was recently workshopped with the Wanaka Alcohol Group and following further consideration of community feedback, I am keen to establish a compromise which recognises both the problems of alcohol-related harm in our community as well as the operational expectations of a sports/events centre. Accordingly, I would like to suggest that the Board recommend to Council the following:

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Wanaka Watersports Facility Trust

15 A minute released from the Commission on 12 May set out the process in response to an offer made in the applicant's written right of reply that a minor alteration to the siting of the building may result in retention of some of the trees on the site, otherwise proposed to be removed. The Commission's instructions in response to this offer were as follows:

- a. The applicant to provide an amended site/landscape plan and supplementary arborist's report to the Council no later than 30 May 2016;
- b. The Council to serve copies of the site/landscape plan and supplementary arborist's report on the submitters;
- c. Submitters to forward any written comments on the site/landscape plan or the arborist's report to the Council by 20 June 2016. Comments may only cover the effects on the environment of the amendments proposed and not other matters already raised;
- d. These written comments are to be forwarded to the applicant and the Commission by 4 July 2016;
- e. The applicant may make any final written comments to the Commission by 18 July 2016.

Wanaka Community House

16 The Commissioners have advised that their decision on the resource consent application will be released some time during the week of 7-10 June.

Upper Ardmore Street furniture designs

17 The Board has considered concept designs for the first two street furniture installations and has agreed to the installation of a curved bench and an oval seat designed around a tree. It is hoped that these items will be installed by end June/early July.

- 18 The Board will consider further street furniture once the first two items are in place.

Hawea Library Opening Hours

- 19 The 12 week trial of longer opening hours at the Hawea Library on Saturdays (10am – 2pm) will begin on 4 June. During the period of the trial, librarians will seek feedback on the opening hours. Baseline measures of foot traffic have also been taken to assess changes in customer use as a result of the new hours.
- 20 Based upon the data and feedback received during the trial, the situation will be reassessed after the trial to determine if the extended Saturday hours should become permanent.

Wanaka Airport Planning and Development

- 21 Actions from the report presented to the Council meeting on 28 April were to:
- a. Investigate Wanaka Airport governance options and report back on preferred option including a draft Statement of Proposal;
 - b. Identify and confirm any special consultation requirements
- 22 Actions taken to date in response to these directives are to scope a project brief and to start work on the strategic business case. In addition, Council's legal advisors have been consulted on statutory special consultation requirements.

Proposed District Plan Hearings

- 23 Hearings recently finished for submissions on the rural chapters of the Proposed District Plan and there is currently a break in the hearings while the Commissioners consider everything that has been presented. This includes not just the material put forward orally at the hearings, but all the original submissions, further submissions and the legal opinions and reports.
- 24 It is planned to resume hearings in late June/early July with the Heritage and Protected Trees hearing stream.

Projects Summary

- 25 The Property and Infrastructure Department's summary of projects currently underway is attached (Attachment B).
- 26 Information from Parks and Reserves is set out below.

Policy updates:

- 27 Wanaka Recreation Reserve Management Plan – A workshop was held with key stakeholders and the Wanaka Community Board on 25 May. It is intended that the draft plan will be completed and reported to the Wanaka Community Board in July for approval to notify it for public submissions.

- 28 It is intended to review the Lismore Park, Kelly's Flat and Allenby Park Reserve Management Plan beginning late 2016, subject to Council approving this review in the 16/17 work programme (no change).

CAPEX updates:

Projects

- 29 Pembroke Park path: Sealing held up by weather. Completion in June.
- 30 Ruby Island toilet: new Norski Toilet installed. Complete.
- 31 Hawea River Track and Gladstone track renewals: Completed Hawea River Track. Gladstone track delayed by weather. Completion in June
- 32 Luggate – campground playground: work completed.
- 33 Wanaka Recreation Reserve upgrade (identified in draft 16/17 Annual Plan) – options around the scope and timing of works were discussed with key stakeholders and the Wanaka Community Board on 25 May. It is intended to further define the scope with stakeholders prior to progressing with work following the rugby season.

Minor reserve renewals

- 34 Irrigation now connected to town supply to avoid restrictions on bore supply. Further improvements to Pembroke Park irrigation scheduled for June/July.

Reports from Liaison Positions, Community Associations and recent Council meetings

- 35 Members are invited to report on the Board-related activities they have been involved in since the date of the last meeting and Councillors are asked to comment on any matters of interest to the Board from recent Council meetings.

Attachments

- A Wanaka Alcohol Group proposal for Wanaka Sports Facility to adopt an 'alcohol free' policy
- B Infrastructure Team Summary Report

DRAFT PROPOSAL FOR WANAKA SPORTS FACILITY TO ADOPT A 'ALCOHOL FREE' POLICY

To: Wanaka Community Board

Submitted by: Wanaka Alcohol Group (members include Police, Parenting 4 Life, Mount Aspiring College, Friends of MAC, Kahu Youth, Public Health South, Community Networks, ACC, WellSouth Primary Health Network, Combined Churches)

Proposal

Wanaka Sports Facility is designated 'Alcohol Free'.

Rationale

The new Wanaka Sports Facility is a long awaited and exciting facility for residents and visitors to the Upper Clutha. Designating it 'Alcohol Free' from the beginning will be a proactive move from Queenstown Lakes District Council (QLDC), sending a positive message that alcohol is not an ordinary commodity and does not need to be associated with sport.

An alcohol free environment is congruent with a facility designed to encourage physical activity and community involvement and will reduce associated alcohol-related harm.

The problem of alcohol related harm in the Southern region is significant. From a health perspective it is noted that in the Southern region the drinking problem may be worse than the rest of NZ – the New Zealand Health Survey indicates that hazardous patterns of consumption were evident in 25% of the population compared to a national average of 17%¹. Hazardous drinking refers to an established drinking pattern that carries a risk of harming the drinker's physical or mental health, or having harmful social effects on the drinker or others.

Alcohol causes such harm on physical health; with short term and long term effects, socially and in terms of crime, domestic abuse, traffic accidents e.tc, that we need to act now to start to tackle statistics like these below:

- Between 600 and 800 deaths each year occur as a result of alcohol-related causes
- In New Zealand, 52% of alcohol related deaths in males and 25% in females are estimated to be due to injuries.

¹ *The Impact of Alcohol on the Health of Southern Communities. A Report to Inform the Development of Local Alcohol Policies by Southern District Councils, Public Health South, 2013*

- 60-70% of all admissions to A&E at the weekend, between 18 & 35% at other times due to alcohol
- More than 17,000 years of life lost per year each year through alcohol
- Nearly 1/5 of all deaths for males and 1/10 for females aged between 20-24 are attributable to alcohol use
- Approximately 23,000 people are treated in the publicly funded health system each year for alcohol or other drug addictions²

Harmful patterns of alcohol consumption and even alcohol related harm has become normalised in New Zealand society. At first consideration we often think of alcohol as something that is consumed in the pub, at a restaurant or on special occasions, whereas the reality has become that it is readily available from early in the morning to late at night, not just in bars or liquor stores but in grocery shops, at cafes, sports clubs and games, to name but a few places.

Accessibility and availability are two paramount issues in reducing alcohol related harm by reducing the overall consumption across the population and there is a large body of evidence supporting this. In general when we are considering the public policy interventions to reduce alcohol related harm, the findings can be simply summed up as: less availability & less accessibility = less harm ³

QLDC is currently considering whether to implement a Local Alcohol Policy. In the meantime designating the new Wanaka Sports Facility Alcohol free would be a positive first step and at a pace acceptable to the public. Introducing Alcohol Policies, while not the total solution to the problem - is a key part in reducing alcohol related harm in Wanaka and Queenstown and will contribute to changing our drinking culture.

Benefits of an Alcohol Free Wanaka Sports Facility:

- **Improved family environment and atmosphere:** The facility will be used by children, youth, families and visitors. As an environment used by families and the local community, it is entirely appropriate to encourage visitors to be alcohol free.

Studies suggest alcohol management also has the potential to be a pathway to increased membership and greater participation e.g. with less focus on alcohol clubs may engage more with families and have increased involvement from women and young people. ⁴

- **Visitors able to enjoy sporting events without risk of drunken/anti-social behavior**

² <http://alcohol.org.nz/sites/test.alcohol.ginger.sparksinteractive.co.nz/files/documents/Alcohol%20Quickfact%20Facts.pdf>

³ See a summary of research in Alcohol in Our Lives: Curbing the Harm. Law Commission report; no. 114, Wellington 2010.

<http://www.lawcom.govt.nz/project/review-regulatory-framework-sale-and-supply-liquor/publication/report/2010/alcohol-our-lives> Chapter 6 – Why availability matters.

⁴ Ian Crundell. Alcohol management in community sports clubs: impact on viability and participation. Health Promotion Journal of Australia 2012: 23(2)

- **Less alcohol related harm in Wanaka:** e.g. such as less drink driving after sporting events and less alcohol related injuries. It may also have the potential to reduce the positive association between exposure to alcohol marketing and alcohol consumption, particularly for school children.⁵
- **De-normalisation of association between sports events and drinking culture:** Alcohol sponsorship of sports events creates a drinking culture that naturalises the relationship between sport and alcohol. For example, 90% of participants at the Wellington Sevens and 65% at the T20 and ODI cricket agreed that these sports events created the expectation that one should consume alcohol⁶

Designating the sports facility alcohol free would contribute to the wider measure of moderation and suggests every sporting/recreational event does not need to have alcohol.

How to be Alcohol free?

Alcohol Policy:

We propose that the Wanaka Sports Facility has a written Alcohol Policy (assistance can be provided with this by local health organisations). This would apply to all areas of the facility, car park, grounds and side lines and for sponsorship of events. Alcohol free sports events would be included in the 'Terms and Conditions' of any events or groups hiring or using the Facility.

Signage and getting the message out

Signage if appropriate in the grounds and side lines e.g. stating "Alcohol Free Fields".

Alcohol Free should be included on the Council website information about the facility, the facility's own website (if applicable) and any publicity material to ensure the message is consistently communicated.

Summary:

This is an opportunity for Wanaka to take positive steps to start to change the drinking culture and we would like to ask for the support of the Wanaka Community Board. Alcohol free is harmonious with physical activity and a family friendly facility.

⁵ Brown (2016) Association Between Alcohol Sports Sponsorship and Consumption: A Systematic Review. Alcohol and Alcoholism Advance Access published February 23, 2016

⁶ Gee et al. (2013) 'The culture of alcohol promotion and consumption at major sports events in New Zealand'. Health Promotion Agency

INFRASTRUCTURE TEAM SUMMARY REPORT

REPORT ISSUED ON: Tuesday, 31 May 2016

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Wastewater - Renewals - Wanaka Package	Renewals	Sewerage	Simon Leary		1/08/15	1/09/15	15/06/16	30/06/16				
Gordon Road Pump Station Upgrade	New Capital	Sewerage	Simon Leary		18/12/15	12/02/16	11/03/16	3/06/16				
Edgewater Gravity Sewer Upgrade - Seperable Portion 2	New Capital	Sewerage	Rob D				30/06/16	30/09/16				
Wanaka Wastewater - Aubrey Road East Ret	New Capital	Sewerage	Lane V	28/07/14	20/10/14	1/06/15	15/10/15	12/02/16				
Wanaka Airport Pump Station (Upgrade to	New Capital	Sewerage	Rob D			9/01/16		6/05/16				
District Wide Reseals Project	Renewals	Transportation - NZTA	Richard H	27/11/14	19/02/15	1/10/15	30/05/16	1/07/16				
Wanaka Wastewater - Golf Course Road Gra	Renewals	Sewerage	Rob D	14/08/15	11/09/15	6/11/15	4/12/15	26/02/16				

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Bremner Park Stormwater Upgrade - Interi	Renewals	Stormwater	Simon Leary	23/06/15	21/07/15	15/09/15	15/11/15	12/02/16				On Hold
Mt Aspiring Road booster to address fire	Renewals	Water Supply	Rob D	18/12/15	15/01/16	8/04/16	6/05/16	29/07/16				
Water Supply - Renewals - Wanaka Package	Renewals	Water Supply	Simon Leary			1/09/15	15/06/16	30/06/16				
Water Supply - Renewals - Hawea Package (Bores)	Renewals	Water Supply	Andrew T		4/04/15	30/05/15	30/09/15	20/11/15				
Albert Town Ring Main	Renewals	Water Supply	Rob D		3/04/15	13/11/15	6/05/16	29/07/16				
Luggate Water Supply Land Legalisation	Renewals	Water Supply	Richard H	30/01/15	27/02/15	24/04/15	22/05/15					
Wanaka Yacht Club Borefield Stage 1	New Capital	Water Supply	Rob D	28/08/15	23/10/15	12/02/16	3/06/16	26/08/16				
Beacon Point Road - Upgrade	New Capital	Transportation - NZTA	Simon Leary	31/03/15	9/10/15	29/01/16	30/03/16	30/03/17				On Hold
Wanaka Transportation - MI - Bridge between Tenby St East and West	New Capital	Transportation - Non Sub	Simon Leary	8/05/15	15/10/15	18/01/16	29/02/16	28/02/17		On Hold	N/A	On Hold

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Hawea Water Upgrades - Intake to Scott's	New Capital	Water Supply	Andrew T	10/01/15	7/03/15	27/06/15	19/09/15	18/12/15				