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Community Services Committee Meeting Tuesday, 10 March 2020

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**Minutes of Timaru District Council
Community Services Committee Meeting
Held in the Council Chamber, District Council Building, King George Place, Timaru
on Tuesday, 10 March 2020 at 10.48**

Present: Cr Richard Lyon (Chairperson), Cr Stu Piddington (Deputy Chairperson), Cr Allan Booth, Cr Peter Burt, Cr Barbara Gilchrist, Cr Gavin Oliver, Cr Paddy O'Reilly, Cr Sally Parker, Cr Steve Wills, Mayor Nigel Bowen

In Attendance: Community Board Representatives

Geraldine Community Board – Natasha Rankin

Council Officers

Group Manager Community Services (Sharon Taylor), Libraries Manager (Adele Hewlett), Museum Director (Philip Howe), Recreation Facilities Manager (Craig Motley), Acting Art Gallery Manager (Hamish Pettengell), Governance Advisor (Jo Doyle)

1 Apologies

No apologies were received.

2 Identification of Items of Urgent Business

No matters of Urgent Business were identified.

3 Identification of Matters of a Minor Nature

Mayor Nigel Bowen to update on a discussion held with Ms Rosa Kornfeld- Matte, United Nations representative who is an independent expert on the enjoyment of all human rights by older persons.

4 Declaration of Conflicts of Interest

No conflicts of interest were declared.

5 Chairperson's Report

The Chairperson welcomed the Geraldine Community Board member, staff and public to the meeting.

The Chair has attended usual meetings and functions and met with Group Manager Community Services.

6 Confirmation of Minutes**6.1 Minutes of the Community Services Committee Meeting held on 28 January 2020****Committee Resolution 2020/3**

Moved: Cr Barbara Gilchrist

Seconded: Cr Steve Wills

That the Minutes of the Community Services Committee Meeting held on 28 January 2020 be confirmed as a true and correct record of that meeting.

Carried

7 Reports**7.1 Timaru District Libraries 2019 Annual Report**

The committee considered the Timaru District Libraries Annual Report Year Ended 31 December 2019.

The Libraries Manager reported that they are very lucky to have such a passionate and proactive library team.

The Library roof has been completed, and stage two of the process is to replace the carpet and create a community room. This will be completed before the end of the financial year.

Committee Resolution 2020/4

Moved: Cr Richard Lyon

Seconded: Cr Sally Parker

That the report be received and noted

Carried

7.2 South Canterbury Museum 2019 Annual Report

The committee considered the South Canterbury Museum 2019 Annual Report.

The Museum Director reported that there are continued efforts in creating a range of programmes, increasing public engagement with materials and exhibitions and using the internet to achieve this engagement.

The renewal of the Learning Experiences out of the Classroom (LEOTC) contract ensures guaranteed funding for two years, although a local donor has stepped in to cover the shortfall to cover these programmes.

Committee Resolution 2020/5

Moved: Cr Peter Burt

Seconded: Cr Steve Wills

That the report be received and noted

Carried

7.3 Recreation Facilities 2019 Annual Report

The committee considered the Recreation Facilities 2019 Annual Report.

The Recreation Facilities Manager reported a good year and the numbers are up again. Providing the water skills for life programme through schools is now spreading out to the rural pools.

The upgrade of the Temuka pool is due to start in March, at this stage there are no expected delays, however the parts are due to come from Italy which have closed borders due to Corona Virus.

Discussion was held in regards to the Aorangi Stadium and repairs and maintenance that are needed at this venue.

Committee Resolution 2020/6

Moved: Cr Steve Wills

Seconded: Cr Sally Parker

That the report be received and noted

Carried

7.4 Aigantighe Art Gallery 2019 Annual Report

The committee considered the Aigantighe Art Gallery 2019 Annual Report.

The Acting Art Gallery Manager reported that 2019 was a very successful year, there was an increase in visitor numbers and programs which is driven by dedicated staff.

Discussion ensued about the House Gallery, it's closure since 2017, the money put aside to research the repairs needed and at what stage the house would be reinstated.

Group Manager Community Services responded that there are a number of issues to be considered for the seismic upgrade of this building that were addressed in a November 2019 report.

An estimate of cost is likely to be provided by the middle of 2020 as expert specialists advice is needed. There is a Steering Group in place to keep Councillor's, Friends and the Grant family informed as much as possible.

Committee Resolution 2020/7

Moved: Mayor Nigel Bowen

Seconded: Cr Peter Burt

That the report be received and noted.

Carried

5 Consideration of Urgent Business Items

No matters of Urgent Business were considered.

6 Consideration of Minor Nature Matters

The Mayor reported that he was invited to host Rosa Kornfeld-Matte who is from the United Nations, and is an International expert on the enjoyment of all human rights by older persons. Cllrs Gilchrist and O'Reilly attended the meeting along with representatives of the Office of the Seniors, Aoraki Development and DHB.

Discussions were held around the aging workforce and utilising the skills in this generation.

Accessibility, transport and age friendly strategies are being created at other Council's around New Zealand.

The committee expressed their support for the development of an age-friendly strategy.

The Meeting closed at 11.27am.

Minutes confirmed 28 April 2020.

**Chairperson
Cr Richard Lyon**