
MINUTES
of the
SAXTON FIELD COMMITTEE MEETING
Komiti Whenua Saxton
held
1:30pm, Tuesday, 2 May 2023
at
Saxton Netball Pavilion, , Stoke, Nelson

Present: Mr D Shaw (Chairperson), Tasman District Councillors J Ellis and B Maru and Nelson City Councillors C Rollo and T Skinner

In Attendance: Tasman District Council: Reserves and Facilities Manager (G Reburn), Reserves Officer (R Coleman), Reserves Officer – Contracts and Projects (T Strange), Reserves and Facilities Administrator (J Park)

Nelson City Council: Events and Venues Adviser – Project Manager Major Events (S Dalton), Team Leader Events (A de Maupeou), Parks and Facilities Asset Planner (K Noldan), Team Leader Parks and facilities Activity Management (P Harrington)

Part Attendance: Douglas Jackson (Skate Nelson), Julie Baxendine (Director of Nelson Cricket), George Vance (General Manager of Nelson Cricket), Jack Sutherland (Life Member of Nelson Cricket)

1 OPENING, WELCOME

Chairperson Derek Shaw welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Group Manager community Infrastructure (R Kirby), Group Manager Community Services (A White), Principal Parks and Facilities Asset Planner (A Petherman)

Recommendation

That apologies be accepted.

3 PUBLIC FORUM

Julie Baxendine (Director of Nelson Cricket), George Vance (General Manager of Nelson Cricket) and Jack Sutherland (Life Member of Nelson Cricket), provided an update to the Committee on the the presentation made by Tim Murdoch (Former Operations Manager of Nelson Cricket) on 3 August 2022, where he discussed the lack of international cricket at Saxton Field due to the lack of infrastructure. They also provided a report on the 2022/2023 fixtures and the possibility of future fixtures at Saxton Oval and the infrastructure requirements to host national and international games.

Questions and discussions included:

- The need for fibre to the wicket and media towers and the cost for these
- The proposed difficulty with fundraising for the media towers and that help would be needed from the Council
- Fibre was currently installed to the greenkeepers building and conduit that goes to the wicket.
- What other components would be needed to gain international matches if the fibre to the wicket and media towers were in place? - training facilities, scheduling and accomodation.
- How were bids tendered?
- Could they get away with having scaffolding for games for next summer to confirm having international games
- Will Nelson Cricket look at getting lighting on the oval for night games?

Douglas Jackson (Skate Nelson) discussed building a skate park at Saxton Field in the area of Circus Green. Mr Jackson noted how Skate Nelson started with the help of the Lions and fundraising and that cost of the skate park would be around \$2m. He confirmed that all members of the Skate Nelson Board were skateboarders but that would be consultation with professionals on the design of the skate park.

4 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

5 LATE ITEMS

6 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Moved Councillor Maru/Rollo
SFC23-05-18

That the minutes of the Saxton Field Committee meeting held on Tuesday, 7 February 2023, be confirmed as a true and correct record of the meeting.

CARRIED

7 PRESENTATIONS

Nil

8 REPORTS

8.1 Saxton Field Activity Report

Parks and Facilities Asset Planner, Karl Noldan and Reserves and Facilities Manager, Grant Reburn, presented the report.

Discussion included:

- Updating the athletics, football and cricket fields website bookings system
- Timeframe for the purchase of land by Radio NZ
- Irrigation on the oval now being completed and if this would benefit Avery Field, being quite hard during certain times
- A suggestion of a workshop to review the 2021 activity management plan that was adopted by both councils
- Saxton Field being used for disc golf and a suggestion of having Nelson Tasman Disc Golf attend the next Saxton Field Committee meeting.

Moved Councillor Ellis/Councillor Skinner

SFC23-05-19

That the Saxton Field Committee receives the Saxton Field Activity report

CARRIED

9 CONFIDENTIAL SESSION

Nil

The meeting concluded at Enter time 3:30pm

Confirmed as a correct record of proceedings by resolution on 8 August, 2023.

SFC23-08-20

That the minutes of the Saxton Field Committee meeting held on Tuesday, 2 May. 2023, be confirmed as a true and correct record of the meeting.