



REPORT OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 29 CIVIC AVENUE, GORE ON TUESDAY 24 APRIL 2012, AT 4.00 PM.

PRESENT His Worship the Mayor (Mr Tracy Hicks, JP), Cr P Grant (Chairperson), Crs Beale, Bolger, Davis, Dixon, Gover, D Grant, Redhead, Sharp and Watt.

IN ATTENDANCE The Chief Executive (Mr Stephen Parry), General Manager, Corporate Services (Mr Russell Duthie), General Manager, District Assets (Mr Paul Withers), Parks and Recreation Manager (Mr Ian Soper), Roading Manager (Mr Murray Hasler), Assets Manager, Utilities (Mr Ross Haslemore), Aquatics Services Manager (Mrs Kim Peterson), Library Manager (Mrs Jane Robinson), Arts and Heritage Curator (Mr Jim Geddes) (from 4.06pm), Planning Consultant (Mr Keith Hovell) (from 4.17pm), Community Development Officer, (Ms Jacqui Green), Building Control Manager, (Mr Russell Paterson) (from 4.20pm), Corporate Support Officer (Mrs Tracey Millan) and five members of the public in the gallery.

APOLOGY Cr Highsted apologised for absence.

1. GORE GOLD GUITAR YOUNG AMBASSADOR COMPETITION (18.52)

A memo had been received from the Chief Executive about the 2012 Gore Gold Guitar Young Ambassador competition. The four contestants, Jacqui Green, Gena Hughes, Shanna Forbes and Kate Brady were welcomed to the meeting. Each then gave a presentation on the topic: "You are writing a letter to a forefather who lived in Gore 150 years ago explaining what the town is like today and where you see it going in the next decade".

The Arts and Heritage Curator now attended the meeting at 4.06pm.

Cr Grant thanked the contestants and wished them well for the remainder of the competition.

2. REPORT OF THE AQUATIC SERVICES MANAGER (24.11.1)

The Committee perused the report from the Aquatics Services Manager.

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Cr Sharp, seconded by Cr Beale, THAT the report be received.

3. REPORT OF THE LIBRARY MANAGER (25.1)

The Committee perused the report from the Library Manager.

ECOMMENDED on the motion of Davis, seconded by Cr Redhead, THAT the report be received.

4. REPORT OF THE PARKS AND RECREATION MANAGER (18.1.2)

The Committee perused the report from the Parks and Recreation Manager.

In response to Cr P Grant, the Manager advised a couple of operational issues were being worked through with rugby league and union. He could foresee a favourable outcome. The future could see a second ground for league being established, as funding became available

In response to Cr Beale, the Manager advised the vacuum truck to clean the gutters would commence work that week and continue on a regular basis.

The Roding Manager advised the biennial street sweep would occur late in the cycle of the leaf drop.

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Cr Watt, seconded by Cr Gover, THAT the report be received.

5. REPORT OF THE DISTRICT ARTS AND HERITAGE CURATOR (23.5)

The Committee perused the report from the Arts and Heritage Curator.

In response to Cr Sharp, the Curator advised in a good year, about \$30,000 was received in quarterly payments from the John Money endowment fund and was tagged for visual arts.

The Planning Consultant now attended the meeting at 4.17pm.

Cr Davis wondered if the article recently featured in Woman's Day entitled "5 Great Things About Gore" could be borrowed for the Council to use.

The Chief Executive said the key thing would be to consult the publication and seek its permission to utilise the copy. It would be worth pursuing.

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Cr Davis, seconded by Cr Gover, THAT the report be received,

AND THAT the Council approach the Woman's Day Magazine and seek permission to utilise its article about Gore.

6. REPORT FROM GORE VISITOR INFORMATION CENTRE (18.18.1)

The Committee perused the report from the Visitor Information Centre Manager.

The Arts and Heritage Curator said the disheartening comments heard from outside the District had probably come from large operators and been initiated from a commercial aspect.

The Building Control Manager now attended the meeting at 4.20pm.

Cr Grant said the tourism industry knocked the south. Queenstown and Milford Sound were perceived as the gems. It was hard to sell Southland and other areas. Once visitors came and stayed, they went back to their area and sold the Gore district by word of mouth.

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Cr Beale, seconded by Cr Dixon, THAT the report be received.

7. REPORT OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT OFFICER (18.79)

The Committee perused the report from the Community Development Officer.

His Worship said the Youth in Local Government Conference had recently being held and one section, an awards dinner had been held in Gore. The Youth Council had received a highly commended reward for its work.

He congratulated Cr Redhead and the Community Development Officer for their work into the preparations for the awards dinner. The Officer had also been involved in the organising of the Launch of the Settling in Project that was to be held that evening. Given the change

in demographics it was important that the event went off well.

**RECOMMENDED on the motion of Cr Gover, seconded by Cr Watt,
THAT the report be received.**

The meeting concluded at 4.39pm.