

ORDINARY MEETING

OF

GRANTS SUBCOMMITTEE

AGENDA

Time: 1:30pm
Date: Wednesday, 20 June 2018
Venue: Committee Room 1
Ground Floor, Council Offices
101 Wakefield Street
Wellington

MEMBERSHIP

Mayor Lester
Councillor Dawson
Councillor Day
Councillor Free (Chair)
Councillor Gilbert
Councillor Young

Have your say!

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AREA OF FOCUS

The Grants Subcommittee is responsible for the effective allocation and monitoring of the Council's grants.

Quorum: 3 members

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1 Meeting Conduct

1.1 Apologies

The Chairperson invites notice from members of apologies, including apologies for lateness and early departure from the meeting, where leave of absence has not previously been granted.

1.2 Conflict of Interest Declarations

Members are reminded of the need to be vigilant to stand aside from decision making when a conflict arises between their role as a member and any private or other external interest they might have.

1.3 Confirmation of Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 31 May 2018 will be put to the Grants Subcommittee for confirmation.

1.4 Items not on the Agenda

The Chairperson will give notice of items not on the agenda as follows:

Matters Requiring Urgent Attention as Determined by Resolution of the Grants Subcommittee.

1. The reason why the item is not on the agenda; and
2. The reason why discussion of the item cannot be delayed until a subsequent meeting.

Minor Matters relating to the General Business of the Grants Subcommittee.

No resolution, decision, or recommendation may be made in respect of the item except to refer it to a subsequent meeting of the Grants Subcommittee for further discussion.

1.5 Public Participation

A maximum of 60 minutes is set aside for public participation at the commencement of any meeting of the Council or committee that is open to the public. Under Standing Order 3.23.3 a written, oral or electronic application to address the meeting setting forth the subject, is required to be lodged with the Chief Executive by 12.00 noon of the working day prior to the meeting concerned, and subsequently approved by the Chairperson.

2. General Business

SOCIAL AND RECREATION FUND

Purpose

1. This report provides recommendations for allocation of funding through the Social and Recreation Fund for three organisations (from 1 July 2018).

Summary

2. The Council provides grants to assist community groups and organisations to undertake projects that meet community needs. Grants are also a mechanism for achieving the Council's objectives and strategic priorities, especially those priorities that rely on community organisations carrying out specific activities.
3. A range of organisations are funded through multi-year contracts. Three organisations deliver outcomes relating to homelessness and transitional housing and have funding contracts with three-year contracts ending 30 June 2018.

Recommendation/s

That the Grants Subcommittee:

1. Receives the information.
2. Agrees to the allocation of funding through the Social and Recreation Fund (from 1 July 2018), as listed below, subject to Social and Recreation funding being available through the 2018/2028 Long-Term Plan.

#	Organisation	WCC funding (2017/18)	Recommendation	Comments
1	Downtown Community Ministry Wellington Inc	\$141,131	\$23,522	Continued operational funding for the Te Whakamura Ai Te Ahi contract. Two months transitional funding pro-rata on 2017/18 funding.
2	Ngāti Kahungunu ki Pōneke Community Services Inc	\$254,628	\$42,438	Continued operational funding for the Te Whakamura Ai Te Ahi contract. Two months transitional funding pro-rata on 2017/18 funding.
3	Wellington Night Shelter Trust	\$152,389	\$25,398	Transitional operational support for two months, pro-rata on 2017/18 funding.

Background

4. Grants and funding are included in the Annual Plan to provide an appropriate mechanism for the Council to respond to community groups and organisations that are undertaking projects that:
 - Meet a need identified by the community.
 - Align with council's strategic goals and community outcomes.
 - Rely to some extent on participation and engagement by community organisations.
5. Organisations and projects are funded through both contracts and contestable grants pools. The contestable pools provide grants that are discretionary, short term and generally project based in nature. The Council also enters into multi-year contracts when it has an interest in ensuring particular activities occur that contribute to Council's strategies or policies.
6. The Strategy and Policy Committee agreed (in April 2005) to a re-configured grants framework in which organisations whose activities directly contribute to Council's strategic or policy goals would be funded through a detailed contractual arrangement before a review of the funding and outcomes achieved at the end of the contract (generally three years).
7. These organisations and the specific needs they meet are critical to Wellington, contributing to Wellington's sense of place and are part of the city's infrastructure. Organisations that are funded through three year contracts are considered sustainable in the long term but need some financial support and some certainty of funding. Organisations funded by the Council through multi-year contracts need to meet the relevant fund criteria of the Social and Recreation Fund.

Discussion

Te Whakamura Ai Te Ahi

8. Te Whakamura Ai Te Ahi is a collaboration of Downtown Community Ministry and Ngati Kāhungunu ki Pōneke. The collaboration was funded through a three year contract (2015- 2018) to deliver services aligning to Te Mahana – Ending Homelessness.
9. The contracted amount for Te Whakamura Ai Te Ahi was \$395,759 p.a., with \$141,131 being held by Downtown Community Ministry and \$254,426 by Ngati Kāhungunu ki Pōneke Social Services Inc.
10. We are recommending a two-month extension of the existing contract for these two organisations to allow us to move to a Housing First model aligning our funding with that of our partners. This will ensure complimentary and enhanced services developed and delivered for Wellington.
11. We are recommending a transitional grant for a two-month extension of the existing contract. For Downtown Community Ministry this amounts to \$23,522 and for Ngati Kāhungunu ki Pōneke the transitional amount is \$42,438.

Wellington Night Shelter Trust

12. The Wellington Night Shelter currently offers hostel and emergency shelter for men who are homeless.
13. The Trust is funded through a three year contract (2015/18) with a level of funding of \$95,000 p.a. In 2017/18 this was increased to \$152,389 (a one off).

14. The Trust is developing a model that will include transitional housing and to allow time to discuss with other funding partners we are recommending and extension of two months of the current contract.
15. We are recommending a transitional grant of \$25,398 for a two-month extension of the existing contract for The Wellington Night Shelter

Officers

- Jenny Rains, Manager Community Services
- Jennifer Parker, Team Leader City Partnerships
- Mark Farrar, Team Leader Funding and Relationships

Attachments

Nil

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SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Engagement and Consultation

A number of organisations seeking support through our grant programmes have made detailed submissions within the 2018/2028 Long-Term Plan consultation process.

Treaty of Waitangi considerations

For each of these grant funds there are specific criteria and questions relating to Māori. The Social and Recreation Fund applicants are asked to describe how their project services to assist Māori potential.

Financial implications

The Long Term Plan makes provision for community grants in several places:

- 2.1.6 – Community environmental initiatives
- 3.1.4 – Grants and creative workforce
- 4.1.4 – (Arts and) Cultural grants
- 5.2.4 – Grants (Social and Recreation).

The Social and Recreation Fund comes under project (157.1124).

Policy and legislative implications

Council funds have been created to assist community initiatives in line with Council strategy. Council Officers engage and consult widely with a range of groups and organisations before funding applications are made and throughout the assessment process.

Risks / legal

N/A

Climate Change impact and considerations

N/A

Communications Plan

N/A

Health and Safety Impact considered

Projects seeking support from Council are delivered by organisations and groups who are legal entities and responsible for health and safety of the project, events, etc.