ASSESSMENT FOR THREE-YEAR SERVICE CONTRACT 2009-2012

Amount requested: Recommendation:

1. Does this organisation match the rationale for a three year contract [below]?

Principles guiding the distinctions between funding organisations through the grants, contracts or annual plan are as follows:

- **Grants** should be focussed upon short term projects by organisations that directly or indirectly contribute to the Council's role as community leader or to strategic goals. Usually grants will not be large, will contribute to strategic objectives. Accountability arrangements are likely to focus on a report that confirms the project was undertaken and some indication of the success of it (for example the number of people benefiting from it).
- Organisations funded through a **contractual** arrangement are likely to have longer term funding for activities that represent core business of the Council or directly contribute to Council's strategic or policy goals. This includes organisations whose activities are such that the Council has an interest in influencing those activities. Both parties to the agreement will negotiate the purpose of the funding based on agreed outputs for the city. Negotiated agreements are appropriate where the Council has an ownership interest in the land or buildings and an interest in how the services or outputs are delivered.
- For an organisation to be resourced through the **Annual Plan/LTCCP**, that organisation should be regarded as a feature of Wellington and its unique sense of place. Its funding is likely to be of a magnitude that justifies its inclusion in the Annual Plan consultation process. Accountability would be managed through an agreed monitoring mechanism. The Council would not wish to influence the day to day operations of the organisation but rather, would be interested in the outcomes it contributes to.

Health Check

- 1. Organisation meets minimum requirements expected within the health check i.e. organisation has to have rated themselves 3 or above in each area defined within the health check and council officers need to be in agreement with this rating.
- 2. If weak in some areas are council officers confident that the organisation has identified these weaknesses and has the ability to address them?
- 3. Organisation has long term viability

Strategic Fit

1. Strength of contribution to Council Outcomes priority area/organisation

Question asked: Please provide a summary of how the work of your organisation supports one or more of the Council's Long-term Outcomes. You will find these Long-Term Outcomes outlined in the 'strategy tree' within each strategic area of the LTCCP.

6-7 Highly confident organisation will impact positively on identified council outcome/s

4-5 Confident organisation will impact positively on identified council outcome/s

2-3 Some reservations about ability of organisation to will impact positively on identified council outcome/s

0-1 No confidence that organisation will impact positively on identified council outcome/s

2. Strength of contribution towards 3 year priority areas

Question asked: Please outline how your organisation will contribute to one or more of the three year priority areas. These three year priority areas are outlined under 'Our focus for the next three years' within each strategic area of the LTCCP.

6-7 Highly confident organisation will contribute towards three year priority areas

- 4-5 Confident organisation will contribute towards three year priority areas
- 2-3 Some reservations that organisation will contribute towards three year priority areas
- 0-1 No confidence that organisation will contribute towards three year priority areas

3. Strength of activity to contribute towards 3 year priority areas

Question asked: Please identify the activities that you are requesting funding for which will enable you to achieve the above.

- 6-7 Highly confident activity will contribute towards three year priority areas
- 4-5 Confident activity will contribute towards three year priority areas
- 2-3 Some reservations that activity contribute towards three year priority areas
- 0-1 No confidence that activity will contribute towards three year priority areas

4. Organisation is in unique position to offer this service to the city

6-7 Applicant is only organisation in the city able to currently provide these services at this level

4-5 Applicant is one of a small number organisations able to currently provide these services at this level

- 2-3 Applicant is one of several organisations able to currently provide these services at this level
- 0-1 Applicant is one of many organisations able to currently provide these services at this level

Service Delivery

1. Confidence that organisation can deliver on proposed activity

6-7 Highly confident that organisation can deliver on proposed activity

4-5 Confident organisation that organisation can deliver on proposed activity

- 2-3 Some reservations that organisation can deliver on proposed activity
- 0-1 No confidence that organisation can deliver on proposed activity

2. Is Council support essential to this organisation

- 6-7 Organisation will fail without Council support
- 4-5 Organisation will struggle to survive without Council support
- 2-3 Organisation will most likely survive without Council support
- 0-1 Organisation will continue regardless of Council support

3. Is Council support essential to this activity

- 6-7 Activity will not proceed without Council support
- 4-5 Activity will struggle to proceed without Council support
- 2-3 Activity will most likely proceed without Council support
- 0-1 Activity will proceed regardless of Council support

Partnership

1. Partnership with council is robust and/or has the potential to develop

Question asked: Please outline how your organisation will work in partnership with other organisations [including the Council] to undertake the funded activities.

6-7 Highly confident that partnership with council is robust and/or has the potential to develop

4-5 Confident that partnership with council is robust and/or has the potential to develop

2-3 Some reservations about the partnership with council and/or the potential to develop this partnership

0-1 No confidence in the existing partnership with council or the potential to develop this partnership

2. Demonstrates added value to council investment through external partnerships

Question asked: Please outline how your organisation will work in partnership with other organisations [including the Council] to undertake the funded activities.

6-7 Highly confident that external partnerships will add value to the councils investment in this organisations intended activity

4-5 Confident that external partnerships will add value to the councils investment in this organisations intended activity

2-3 Some reservations that external partnerships will add value to the councils investment in this organisations intended activity

0-1 No confidence that external partnerships will add value to the councils investment in this organisations intended activity

Evaluation

1. Strength of processes and ability to evaluate in a way that will provide meaningful information against council outcomes

Question asked: Organisation will produce robust information on the impact of Council funding which supports Councils requirement to demonstrate to the public how the activities it undertakes or supports contribute to the community outcomes. Please outline how your organisation will evaluate the impact that the funded activities have on the Council's Long-term Outcomes?

6-7 Highly confident of processes and ability to evaluate in a way that will provide meaningful information against council outcomes

4-5 Confident activity of processes and ability to evaluate in a way that will provide meaningful information against council outcomes

2-3 Some reservations about processes and ability to evaluate in a way that will provide meaningful information against council outcomes

0-1 No confidence that processes and ability to evaluate will provide meaningful information against council outcomes

Overall comments and score