
MINUTES

MONDAY 3 AUGUST 2009

9.19AM – 10.50AM
11.12AM – 12.18PM

Committee Room One
Ground Floor, Council Offices
101 Wakefield Street
Wellington

PRESENT:

Councillor Ahipene-Mercer (9.19am-10.50am, 11.12am-12.18pm)
Councillor Cook (Chair) (9.19am-10.50am, 11.12am-12.18pm)
Councillor Gill (9.19am-10.50am, 11.12am-12.18pm)
Councillor Pannett (9.19am-10.50am, 11.12am-12.18pm)

APOLOGIES:

Councillor Wain

IN ATTENDANCE:

Councillor Best (9.19am-10.50am, 11.12am-12.18pm)

013/09KG **APOLOGIES**
(1215/52/03/IM)

Moved Councillor Cook, seconded Councillor Ahipene-Mercer the motion that the Grants Subcommittee accept apologies for absence from Councillor Wain.

The motion was put and declared CARRIED.

RESOLVED:

THAT the Grants Subcommittee:

1. *Accept apologies for absence from Councillor Wain.*

014/09KG MINUTES FOR CONFIRMATION
(1215/52/03/IM)

Moved Councillor Cook, seconded Councillor Ahipene-Mercer the motion that the Grants Subcommittee approve the minutes of the ordinary meeting of Monday 11 May 2009, having been circulated that they be taken as read and confirmed as an accurate record of the meeting.

The motion was put and declared CARRIED.

RESOLVED:

THAT the Grants Subcommittee:

1. *Approve the minutes of the ordinary meeting of Monday 11 May 2009, having been circulated that they be taken as read and confirmed as an accurate record of the meeting.*

015/09KG DEPUTATIONS (9.20am-10.50am, 11.12am-11.24am)
(1215/52/03/IM)

NOTED:

1. Dave Greenberg and Cindy Coe from Life Flight Trust expanded on their original application with additional detail on the services of Life Flight Trust. Mr Greenberg provided the Subcommittee with several case studies of how Life Flight Trust has transported sick patients requiring tertiary level health care services to hospitals in Wellington and in other centres around the country. Ms Coe noted that although the Trust receives \$6 million in funding from the District Health Board and ACC, they still need to cover the additional \$4 million, and are facing increased costs.

TABLED, 'Life Flight: Saving lives above all else'.

2. Geoffrey Roberts and Colin Ross from the Wellington Community Law Centre expanded on their original application with additional detail on the services of the Wellington Community Law Centre. Mr Roberts noted that the Centre has a focus on community development and is already working with a number of community organisations. They noted the intention to use funding to search out proactive opportunities to engage with community services. Mr

Ross provided the Subcommittee with several case studies of how the Centre had previously engaged, and will be seeking to engage, with community groups.

TABLED, 'Funding application: Presentation to WCC Grants Sub Committee'.

3. Adam Awad from ChangeMakers Refugee Forum expanded on their original application with additional detail on the services of ChangeMakers Refugee Forum. Mr Awad noted that additional funding would allow the organisation to fund additional projects working with the refugee community and increase their access to networks within the community. He advised the Subcommittee that ChangeMakers Refugee Forum has a large work programme from holding regular refugee meetings, creating and implementing the Regional Action Plan for Refugee Health and Wellbeing, communicating with a national network of refugee service providers, and the developing a dramatic resource entitled 'Strong Families, Strong Children'.

TABLED, 'ChangeMakers Refugee Forum'.

4. Marianne Taylor from Arts Access Aotearoa expanded on their original application with additional detail on the services of Arts Access Aotearoa. Ms Taylor noted that the organisation is looking to increase its active partnership with Wellington City Council to engage in work within Wellington city. She provided several examples of the activities of Arts Access Aotearoa. Ms Taylor noted that the organisation aims to deliver up to two projects a year in partnership with Wellington City Council, in addition to its existing core services.

TABLED, 'Arts Access Aotearoa'.

5. Sarah Rooney and Steph Walker from BATS Theatre expanded on their original application with additional detail on the services of BATS Theatre. Ms Rooney noted that the BATS Theatre programme incorporates opportunities for practitioners at different levels to engage with the production process. Ms Walker noted a number of diverse performances are held at BATS Theatre each year, as well as programmes to develop the skills of playwrights.
6. Amanda Skoog and Stacey White from the Royal New Zealand Ballet expanded on their original application with additional detail on the services of the Royal New Zealand Ballet. They noted that though the organisation tours throughout New Zealand, it is committed to providing additional services to its base city in Wellington. Ms Skoog and Ms White offered the Subcommittee a number of areas where the organisation has opened its doors to Wellingtonians for classes, open days, performances, and costume

and dress loans. They noted their collaborative work with other organisations and the costs involved with this work.

TABLED, 'Royal New Zealand Ballet'.

7. Ailsa Salt from the Wellington Citizens Advice Bureau expanded on their original application with additional detail on the services of the Wellington Citizens Advice Bureau. Ms Salt noted that the Citizens Advice Bureau receives enquiries on a wide range of areas and is also the funded provider of advice on consumer law. Services include provision of a base for contacting Justices of the Peace, legislative and referral advice, a multi-lingual service, a budgeting service, and collating and maintaining a database of local service providers. It is looking to increase the delivery of its budgeting service beyond the Central and Johnsonville branches. Ms Salt also noted that the Bureau is looking to increase collaborative relationships with tangata whenua, the ethnic community, and Wellington's universities.

TABLED, 'Wellington Citizens Advice Bureau'.

(The Grants Subcommittee adjourned for morning tea at 10.50am.)

(The meeting reconvened at 11.12am.)

(Councillors Ahipene-Mercer, Best, Cook, Gill and Pannett were present when the meeting reconvened.)

8. Christine Pearce and Marc Taddei from the Vector Wellington Orchestra provided the Grants Subcommittee with additional detail on the services of the Vector Wellington Orchestra. Ms Pearce noted the Orchestra's focus on creating partnerships within the musical and general community. Mr Taddei advised that the Orchestra had a commitment to working with New Zealand-based and Wellington-based talent. Performances incorporate different themes, such as Maori mythology, which are enjoyed by a diverse audience of Wellingtonians. They noted that the Orchestra is driven by the Wellington community and would like to continue to embrace the city and its residents in its performances.

016/09KG **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**
(1215/52/03/IM)

NOTED:

There was no public participation.

017/09KG **CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**
(1215/52/03/IM)

NOTED:

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

018/09KG **PRESENTATION FROM OFFICERS** (11.24am-11.53am)
(1215/52/03/IM)

NOTED:

1. Jenny Rains, Manager – City Communities and Grants, briefed the Subcommittee on the background to the triennial grant funding applications. As this is the first time the Subcommittee has considered funding contracts of this nature, she clarified some points about the funding pool’s relationship with the contestable grant’s pool.
2. Martin Rodgers, Manager – City Arts, provided the Subcommittee with a background to the grant application process. He noted the need for a rigorous process to be balanced by the limited resources for applicants to meet stringent demands. Martin advised the Subcommittee of the steps that were involved in processing the applications.

019/09KG **REVIEW OF THREE YEAR FUNDING CONTRACTS** (11.53am-12.18pm)

Report of Jennifer Rains, Manager – City Communities and Grants.
(1215/52/03/IM) (REPORT 1)

Moved Councillor Cook, seconded Councillor Ahipene-Mercer the substantive motion.

Moved Councillor Gill, seconded Councillor Pannett the following amendment to delete recommendation two and add new recommendations two and three as follows:

2. Approve the three year funding applications as allocated in appendix three of the officer’s report, amended as follows:

| Previous Contract Term | Organisation | Current Funding | Amount Requested | Amount Recommended |
|------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------|------------------|------------------------------------|
| 2006-09 | Randell Cottage Writers Trust | \$8,628 | \$8,628 | Apply to general grants \$8,628 |

3. Recommend to the Strategy and Policy Committee that it approves the allocation of three year grant funding contracts.

The amendment was put and declared CARRIED.

The substantive motion, as amended, was put and declared CARRIED.

RESOLVED:

THAT the Grants Subcommittee:

1. *Receive the information.*
2. *Approve the three year funding applications as allocated in appendix three of the officer's report, amended as follows:*

| <i>Previous Contract Term</i> | <i>Organisation</i> | <i>Current Funding</i> | <i>Amount Requested</i> | <i>Amount Recommended</i> |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| <i>2006-09</i> | <i>Randell Cottage Writers Trust</i> | <i>\$8,628</i> | <i>\$8,628</i> | <i>\$8,628</i> |

3. *Recommend to the Strategy and Policy Committee that it approves the allocation of three year grant funding contracts.*

NOTED:

The resolution differs from the recommendations in the officer's report as follows:

The Committee added the text in **bold**.

The meeting concluded at 12.18pm.

Confirmed: _____
 Chair
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