
ORDINARY MEETING

OF

**ALLOWING CAMPING AT HAPPY VALLEY PARK
SUBCOMMITTEE**

MINUTE ITEM ATTACHMENTS

Time: 1:00 pm
Date: Wednesday, 4 November 2015
Venue: Committee Room 1
Ground Floor, Council Offices
101 Wakefield Street
Wellington

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From: **Robert Johnson** (robert@capitalfootball.org.nz)
Sent: Wednesday, 14 October 2015 1:02:44 a.m.
To: thecityisours1@hotmail.com

Hi Maria,

We can't provide a print out of the usage on the ground however I am happy to let you know approximately how many games are played there on weekends during the season.

Capital Football has access to Happy Valley #1 and #2 (both senior football grounds) during the period of April 1st through to August 31st. In this period, the football season lasts for 18 weeks, meaning we would use each pitch for two timeslots on Saturdays (i.e. a 12:30pm and 2:30pm kick off) equating to 4 games each weekend. Please note these are only lower grade games.

As Happy Valley is quite often one of the first pitches in the region to become waterlogged, the use is usually restricted in order to preserve the quality of the ground to last the remainder of the season.

With this in mind, it is more accurate to approximate that we would have one senior football game per pitch over the 18 week season so a total of 36 games (give or take) throughout the season.

I hope this information helps you with your analysis.

Kind regards,
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Owhiro Bay Residents' Association
*Presentation to the WCC Environment
Committee on Proposed Happy Valley
Campground*

4th November 2015

Purpose of Presentation

- ▶ To inform committee of the views of the Owhiro Bay community in relation to the proposed Happy Valley Campground
- ▶ To request a more comprehensive review of potential sites for Freedom Camping in Wellington
- ▶ We have been actively working with WCC representatives and councillors based on our positive experience in bringing about change at the Te Kopahou Reserve

Very low community support for proposed Happy Valley campground

- ▶ Residents Association conducted a survey for 6 weeks in September and October gathering views on the change and its impact
 - 35 Respondents
 - Respondents primarily neighbours of the campground or live in the wider Owhiro Bay area.
 - When asked if they supported the Happy Valley Campground:
 - 79 per cent do not support the campground
 - Much of the 21 per cent support is subject to adequate facilities, mitigating issues such as rubbish and management of the campground

Community concerns

- ▶ From the survey results the following are the key concerns from the community:
 - Rubbish 88%
 - Environmental damage to Owhiro Stream 88%
 - Traffic volume and road safety 71%
 - Safety of the children attending the school/kindy 67%
 - Noise 58%
- ▶ These survey results are consistent with the issues raised at the public meeting
- ▶ In addition the Owhiro Bay community doesn't see the rationale for concentrating two camping areas in one small area with limited facilities

What next

1. Halt the proposed development of the Happy Valley campground proposal
2. Any further development of these types of ideas to be conducted with a community working group covering the school/kindy/residents
3. Council to look at a multiple sites as the solution to Freedom Camping/Camping requirements for Wellington
 - o Lower concentrations of campers
 - o Limits adverse affect for locals in sharing facilities
 - o Allows for targeting of locations to camper types ie self-contained/non self-contained
 - o Creates a more equitable balancing of community impact

We are willing to actively support community engagement in this process and the development of alternate solutions







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Ka ora te wai, ka ora te whenua
Ka ora te whenua, ka ora te tangata

If the water is healthy, then the land is healthy
If the land is healthy, then the people are healthy