
Agenda for an extraordinary meeting of the Onewhero-Tuakau Community Board to be held in the Board Room, Tuakau Memorial Hall, George Street, Tuakau **FRIDAY, 6 MARCH 2020** commencing at **5.30pm**.

Information and recommendations are included in the reports to assist in the decision making process and may not constitute Council's decision or policy until considered.

1. APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

2. CONFIRMATION OF STATUS OF AGENDA

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4.1 Funding Entry into the Tuakau Pool for the 2019/2020 Season

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To	Onewhero Tuakau Community Board
From	Sue O’Gorman General Manager Customer Support
Date	28 February 2020
Chief Executive Approved	Y
Reference #	GOV0514
Report Title	Funding Entry into the Tuakau Pool for the 2019/2020 Season

I. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to seek Onewhero Tuakau Community Board (OTCB) approval to support the continued free entry into the Tuakau Swimming Pool initiative for the remainder of the 2019-20 season. The additional funding sought for this is \$4,457.50 which is made up of \$375 GST (on the original \$2,500 allocated funds *Resolution no. OTCB2002/05*) plus \$3,550 (the amount that Belgravia Health & Leisure Group Pty Ltd (Belgravia) has agreed to cap to the end of the season for any entry costs incurred over and above the original allocated funds) plus \$533 GST on this additional funding.

The requirement for the Extraordinary Board Meeting arises because there was significantly more take up of the free entry to the pools than was ever anticipated.

2. RECOMMENDATION

THAT the report from the General Manager Customer Support be received;

AND THAT the Onewhero Tuakau Community Board approves:

- a. additional funding of \$4,457.50 (including GST) to Belgravia Health & Leisure Group Pty Ltd (trading as Franklin Pool & Leisure) as follows:
 - i. \$375.00 (being the GST amount on the \$2,500.00 funding committed by the Board under resolution OTCB2002/05), and
 - ii. \$3,550.00 (plus GST) for entrance fees at the Tuakau Swimming Pool for the remainder of the 2019/20 summer season;
- b. a Memorandum of Understanding between the Community Board and Belgravia Health and Leisure Group (trading as Franklin Pool & Leisure), as tabled at the meeting, that reflects the Board’s support to the Tuakau Swimming Pool for the 2019/20 season;

AND FURTHER THAT the Community Board notes that:

- a. there will be a review carried out on the process and the outcome to date in relation to the Board's financial support of the Tuakau Swimming Pool before any further agreement is made for the 2020/21 season; and
- b. that, subject to this review, a report seeking the Board's approval for an agreement for the 2020/21 season will be presented by September 2020;

3. BACKGROUND

The OTCB was concerned that there was a significant underutilisation of the community asset – the Centennial Swimming Pool Tuakau. They were looking at ways to make use of and encourage use of the asset.

The OTCB agreed, by consensus, in December to allocate funding to subsidise 50% of the entry fees to the pool (they had used the Ngaruawahia Community Board as a guide). This was put in place from the 24th December then increased to free entry from early January by Board consensus.

This was formally ratified by the Board at the first OTCB meeting of 2020 in February (*Resolution OTCB2002/05*) the amount was \$2,500. This amount was based on estimates of previous use of the pool.

Over the season to date the use has increased significantly with the community making use of the facility, particularly in the early evenings or after school. It has become a place for the community to gather and socialise and for the children to play together. The outcome the Board was looking for was achieved.

An estimate of these figures were that prior to subsidised funding attendance for children was approximately 10 – 20 per week (not including lane hire) – in the week ending 29th December there were 33 adults and 61 children and in the week ending 26th January 2020 there were over 230 adults and over 700 children. Spectator numbers have also increased.

However this has meant that the original \$2,500 is not enough to cover the entry fees for the rest of the season. The Board had discussions to continue with the funding and Belgravia has agreed to cap any additional funding at \$3,550, which is significantly less than the total cost of entry fees, and will invoice for this amount in March. This report is to seek formal approval for this funding.

4. CONSIDERATION

4.1 FINANCIAL

The OTCB has sufficient funds in their Discretionary Funds to allocate to further free pool entry. The OTCB will ensure that a more robust process is in place prior to any further funding being allocated in future years.

4.2 LEGAL

N/A

4.3 STRATEGY, PLANS, POLICY AND PARTNERSHIP ALIGNMENT

The initiative has been a very successful way of connecting the community with sports and leisure and has increased the use of an otherwise underutilised asset.

4.4 ASSESSMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE AND ENGAGEMENT POLICY AND OF EXTERNAL STAKEHOLDERS

Not significant.

5. CONCLUSION

The entry numbers show that the initiative has been successful and it is recommended that the OTCB now formally approve the additional funding required to retain free entry to the pool until the end of the season. A formal agreement with Belgravia is required to cap the funding required. This has been received in email form but a Memorandum of Understanding will formalise this.

6. ATTACHMENTS

Nil