



# Open briefing: Investment in Sport and Recreation 4.45pm

Feedback from elected members:

How Council invests in recreation, sports and play - principles

Rating/comments on first set of slides

General agreement with all slides:

- · Agree focus on wellbeing and participation
- Agree to partnerships with schools, collaboration
- Agree prioritising youth and community participation rather than elite
- Strongly agree with the need to provide toilets/change rooms on significant sports fields reserves
- Also noted that safety is important

## 1. Should this investment include measures and reporting on impact to inform future investment decisions

Generally agree – but within reason and relative to level of investment:

- Need to understand how 'performance' is defined. Eg: well-being, evoking feelings over numbers. Qualitative v quantitative.
- Should not create too much work for groups
  Changing the language to use less "sport" and more" rec/play"
- Agree need to engage with codes on what performance means needs to include 'give back' aspect, eg: how many volunteers involved

#### 2. Should we incentivise affordable opportunities?

Some strong agreement and some neutral:

- Agree on target participant groups, eg: young people
- Support for needs-based investment
- Agree that participation is more likely to go up if opportunities are accessible and low cost
- Support for free fields for free activities

## 3. Should there be more resource and/or lower levels of cost recovery for some neighbourhoods/communities, participant groups

Range of views - Neutral/Disagree/ Strongly agree

- Need to understand what equity looks like in a sport and rec context.
  Neighbourhoods does not work.
- Push play for all ages generational, hubs, community areas
- Barriers must be removed for youth, lower socio-economic, disabled
- Opportunities need to be where and when targeted participant groups can do them

#### 4. Should we require/incentivise carbon reduction?

Generally agree, but think this will be hard to do

- Hard to influence competition structures
- Support more localised activity, especially fun activities, mixed, whanau etc
- Learning from the clubs on what is do-able.

#### 5. Change demand/supply model

#### Agree/Neutral

- Agree Council should be more enabler than provider to meet demand.
- Needs to be negotiation/consultation
- Strongly agree to share facilities and equity as part of this
- Need to understand more

Other comments

Need to consult and talk to sports groups

Needs co-ordination – who is overseeing this with different groups, clubs, organisations

Needs to be done with, not done to

Many things set by clubs, RSOs and NSOs which we don't have control over

### **Briefing materials**

Attachment 1 - Presentation: