



R E P O R T	TO	WAIHI WARD COMMITTEE
	FROM	COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT
	FILE REF	528843
	DATE	27 NOVEMBER 2009
	SUBJECT	REPORT FOR DECEMBER 2009

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the report be received.

REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

The Waihi Ward Committee has an allocation of \$7,694.00 for discretionary grants during this 2009/10 financial year. Grants have been made to Waihi Summer Festival (\$350), Te Korowai Hauora O Hauraki (\$400), Waihi Drama Society (\$87), Bluelight Ventures (\$250), Waihi SCPA (\$500), Creative Waihi CT (\$40), Waihi Ministers Assn (\$34), Waihi Summer Festival (\$350) and Waihi Community Resource Centre (\$250), Waihi Playcentre (\$500), Shae Gibbons (\$100), Creative Waihi (\$395), Waihi Information Centre (\$27- hall hire), Victoria Battery Tramway & Museum (\$565), Dylan & Rachel Schmidt (\$510), Waikino Liaison Committee (\$100), Nadia Tuz (\$150), and Waihi Ministers Assn (\$34 – hall hire). This leaves a balance of \$3,052.00.

There are three applications for financial assistance this month.

WAIHI ADVOCACY SERVICE INC [527003]

The secretary of the Society writes advising that they are re-establishing the service and intend to sublease premises within Waihi. The office will be manned 5 days a week by 1 permanent full time, 3 part time advocates, 5 part time on-call and 2 casual on-call volunteers.

The maximum projected cost for the year ending 1 November 2010 is \$47,600. The writer asks for any contribution towards these costs.

WAIHI MAORI WARDENS [527522]

The Waihi Maori Wardens sub association advise that they are establishing a presence within Waihi through the sharing of office space with the Waihi Advocacy Service Inc. The association is currently working with Ngati Waihi Kapa Haka group and intend to carry out patrols during the day over the holiday period.

The association requests a contribution towards their budget items totalling \$2,820.

WAIHI ARTS CENTRE & MUSEUM INC. [528821]

The funding coordinator for the association writes advising that they have received a Lotteries Community Facilities grant towards the building of a new toilet block and emergency exit wheelchair ramp at the museum. The society has limited funds to contribute to the overall cost of the project and asks that Council contribute \$12,000 towards the balance.

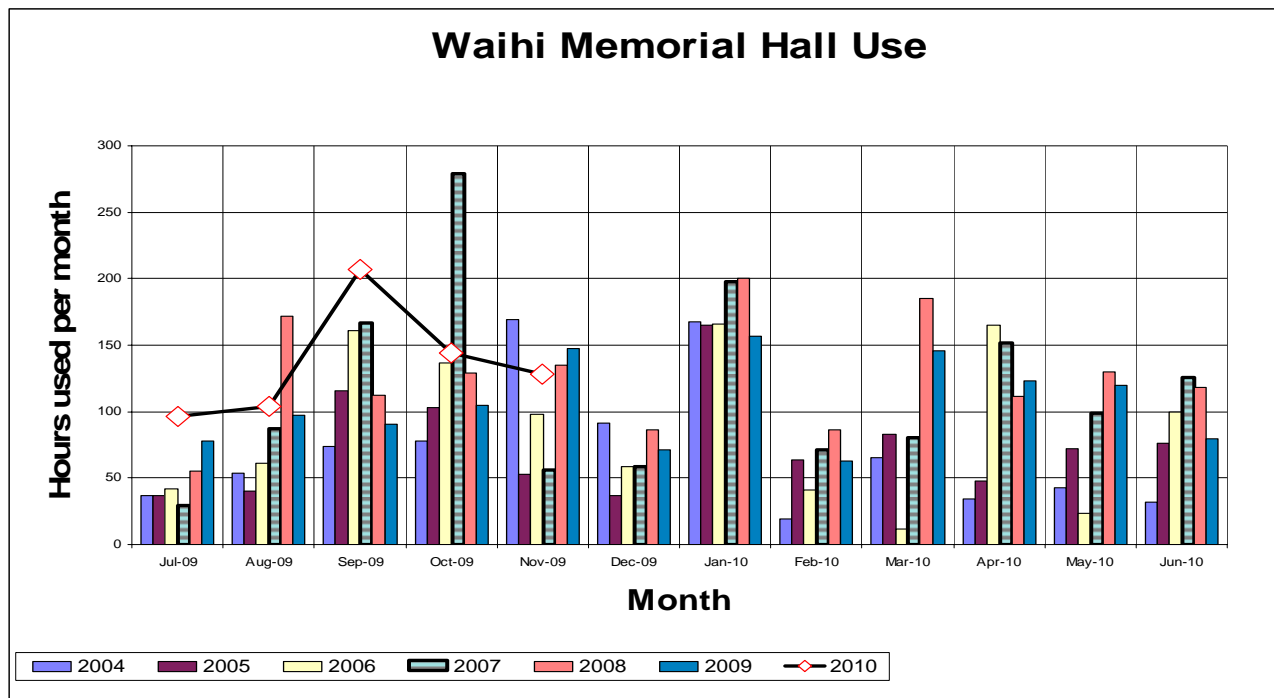
RECOMMENDATION

THAT consideration be given to these requests.

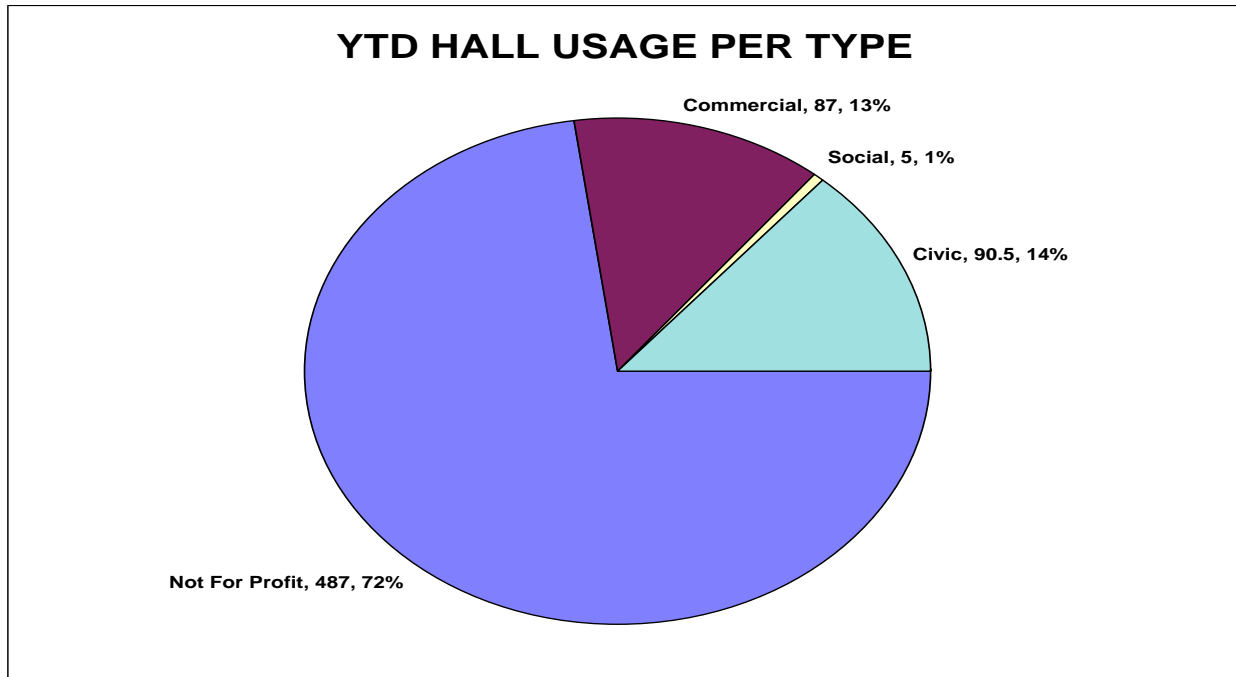
PARKS, RESERVES AND COMMUNITY FACILITIES

WAIHI MEMORIAL HALL (365058)

Hours Used per Month:

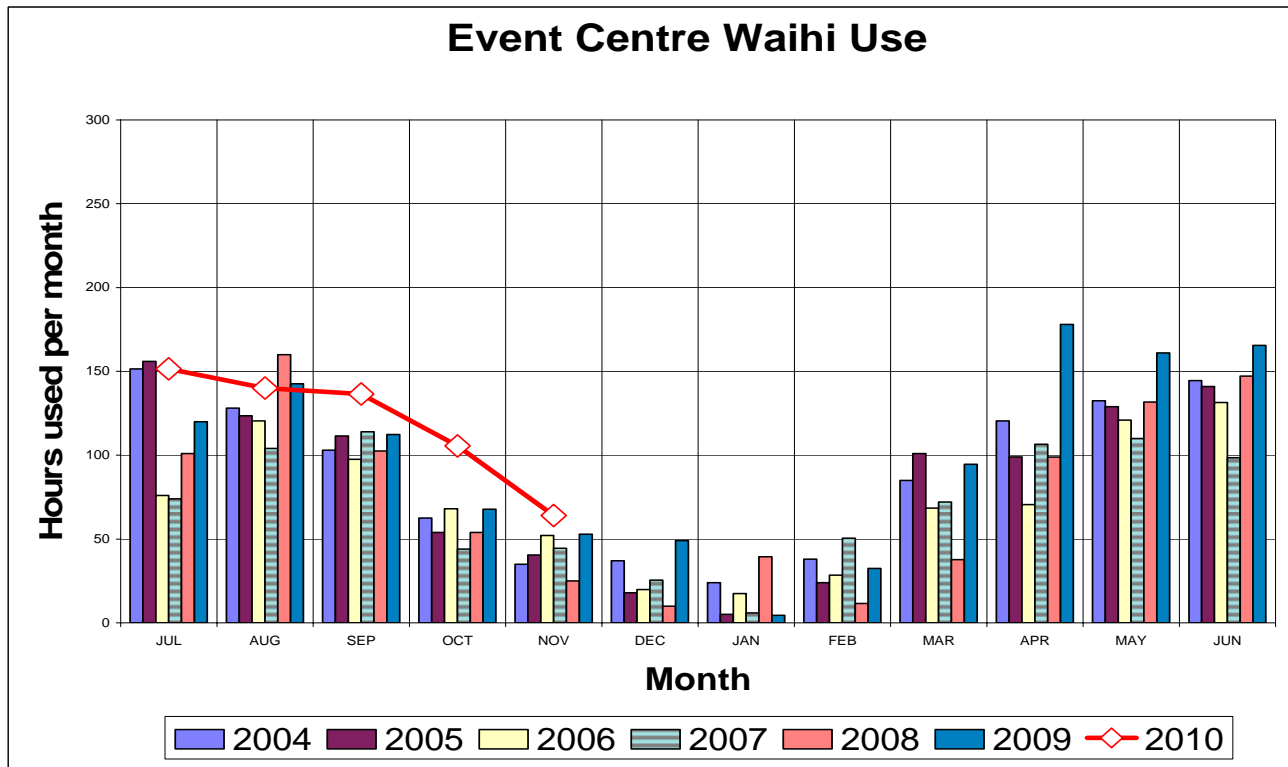


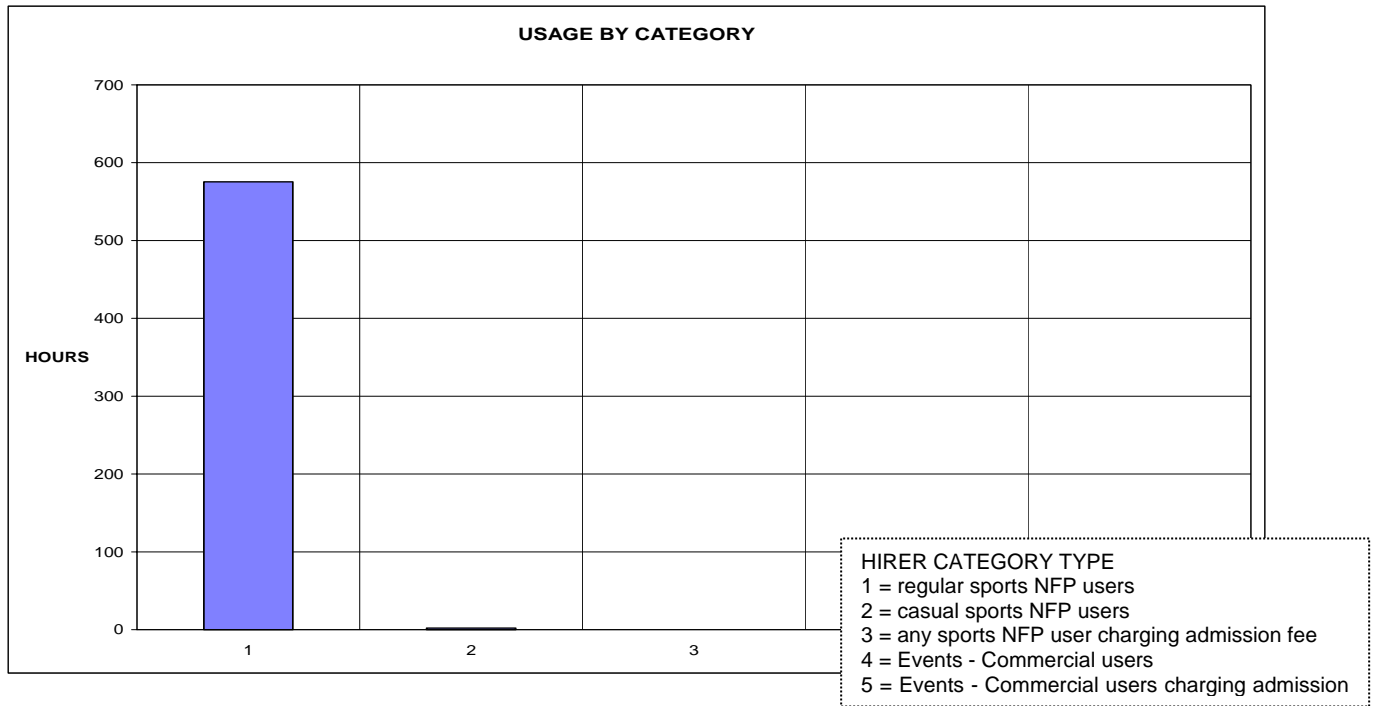
Percentage Usage per Hirer Category:



EVENT CENTRE WAIHI (365183)

Usage





CEMETERY STATISTICS

Casket and Ash burials per month:

Casket	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	June	TOTAL
2006/07	1	4	4	4	3	0	2	3	2	0	5	3	31
2007/08	5	5	2	3	2	2	1	1	3	1	0	5	30
2008/09	4	3	0	4	5	3	3	4	1	3	4	5	39
2009/10	2	8	5	2	3								20
Ashes													
2006/07	2	4	3	3	3	1	0	3	0	4	1	3	27
2007/08	0	0	1	0	0	4	1	2	2	2	1	1	14
2008/09	1	1	2	1	2	2	1	1	1	1	2	0	15
2009/10	3	0	0	4	0								7

Table of plots purchased in that month and plots remaining available:

		July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June
Casket Plots	200/10 Purchased	0	4	4	2	0							
	Total Available	293	289	285	283	283							
Ashes Plots	2009/10 Purchased	0	0	0	4	0							
	Total available	86	86	86	82	82							
Marae Plots	2009/10 purchased	0	0	0	0	0							
	Total Available	130	130	130	130	130							

CAPITAL PROJECTS SUMMARY

Projects – 2008/09						
Whiritoa Playground	54,000	Nil	Ordered	Upon delivery.	Waiting for PS1 from supplier so consent can be granted	
Projects – 2009/10						
Waihi Memorial Hall - Trestles	\$5,000	\$5170.00	August 09	August 2009	Completed	
Waihi Memorial Hall – Sound System	\$5,000	\$3,729.80	August/Sept 09	December 2009	Finalising equipment layout & cost.	
Drainage & Beach Road Boundary fence	\$22,000	Nil			Work has commenced	
Pohutukawa Reserve Upgrade (consultation)	\$7,000	Nil			Meetings are underway.	

OTHER WORKS SUMMARY

	\$ Allocated	\$ Expended	Proposed Construction Date	Proposed Completion Date	Status of Project
Pump House Retaining Wall	40,000 from the CRF Budget.	6,000.	Late May 09	Late June	On hold until Discovery Centre plans are finalised.
Renovation Haszard St Toilets	\$33,000	Nil	Feb 09	March 09	On Target
Renovation one unit 7/17 Moresby Ave Waihi	\$32,000	Nil	Feb 09	March 09	On Target

Renovation of Unit at Haszard St, Waihi

As noted in the above table, renovations on the unit are due to start early next year. The plans for the renovation of the unit are being drawn up and once this is completed, the next stage will be to invite quotes from preferred suppliers.

Renovation of the Haszard Street Toilet

All of the various suppliers contributing to the renovation have been contacted and they are all on track to commence the work in February 2010. The toilet block will be closed for the duration.

Vandalism

There have been several acts of vandalism over the last month; this has included the removal of two crucible rubbish bins and the burning of toilet seats and graffiti.

Cemetery Fence

Work has commenced at the Waihi Cemetery with the removal of the existing trees and fences a decision needs to be made on the type of fence that will be installed along the Waihi road boundary. The types that could be installed range from post and wire, post and rail, pole and windbreak or post and round rail. The fence line will be planted with a Camellia hedge when it is more appropriate to plant trees. Although a post and wire fence would not cost as much, staff

suggest that a post and pole fence would look more appropriate and with the round poles as rails will be a lot less susceptible to graffiti.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT consideration be given to a post and pole fence.

Ramarama Reserve, Whiritoa

A request has been received from a resident adjoining the reserve, asking Council to mow the overgrown area between the property at 49 Fishermans Bend and the river. This area is under Council ownership but has not been maintained by the Council. The adjacent landowner has maintained the area until it became a deceased estate. If Council decided to maintain this area, it would cost approx \$500.00 for the initial cleanup and then approx \$25.00 extra per month to mow. The request from the resident is detailed below.

“At the owners request to us, the reserve in front of 49 Fishermans bend Whiritoa that borders the Ramarama stream is all overgrown with weeds and an old pine tree and other tress and shrubs, which are spreading. It is a deceased estate and the now deceased owner used to mow it and keep it clear but he has been gone for 2 years. Please could someone have a look and address this problem as we are trying to sell the property for the 2 daughters, and it is a drawback for the family and buyers remark on the untidy state of the reserve to us.”

RECOMMENDATION

THAT consideration be given to this request.

Maintenance Access of Road Reserve - Rosemont Road

There is a reserve area at the end of Rosemont road that Council currently maintain. At the end of this reserve is a short section of road reserve outside No. 10 that has become an issue for Waihi Walkways staff to maintain. There is conflict with the property owner and there has been bollards installed so our mower cannot access the area. Staff request that one of the bollards be removed to allow staff to mow the area.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT consideration be given to this request.

Waikino Domain Committee

The inaugural meeting of the Waikino Domain Committee was held on Monday the 30th November 2009 at the Waikino Hall. Cr Hayden and the Strategic Planning Projects Manager attended the meeting. All nominated Committee members were present.

Glen Rangiua was elected unopposed as Chairman, with Lesley Maxwell being elected Secretary, also unopposed.

The need for a local Committee was discussed as well as the role of the Committee and the history of the Domain.

The Waihi Ward Committee at its next meeting will consider the minutes of this meeting.

Issues canvassed included:

- Lease and desire to renew this
- Access to the swimming hole and the need to clear the track
- Availability of aerial photographs to assist planning
- Maintenance of area currently planted in native trees
- The pile of removed trees and how to deal with these
- Weedspraying
- Next cricket meeting and match
- Reserve Management Plan
- Planting Kauri's and NWG offer.

The Committee were focussed and enthusiastic concerning their role.

John Mclver
Community Development Officer

Robyn Kirby
Facilities Manager

Steve Clark
Parks & Reserves Manager