

Community Funding Committee Agenda

Date: Wednesday, 11 September, 2019

Time: 9:00 am

Location: Council Chamber
Forum North, Rust Avenue
Whangarei

Elected Members: Cr Crichton Christie (Chairperson)
Her Worship the Mayor Sheryl Mai
Cr Gavin Benney
Cr Tricia Cutforth
Cr Sue Glen
Cr Greg Innes
Cr Greg Martin

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Community Funding Committee – Terms of Reference

Membership

Chairperson:	Councillor Crichton Christie
Members:	Her Worship the Mayor Sheryl Mai Councillors Gavin Benney, Tricia Cutforth, Sue Glen, Greg Innes and Greg Martin
Meetings:	As required.
Quorum:	4

Purpose

To disburse funds as determined by the Whangarei District Council Grants, Concessions and Loans Policy.

Key responsibilities include:

- To carry out the funding process in accordance with the Whangarei District Council Grants, Concessions and Loans Policy in an objective, fair and transparent way.
- To make recommendations on grants, concessions and loans over \$15,000 to Council.

Delegations

- Financial delegation to approve the payment of grants, concessions and loans to the value of \$15,000 or less.

Community Funding Committee Meeting Minutes

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In Attendance
 Her Worship the Mayor Sheryl Mai
 Cr Gavin Benney
 Cr Tricia Cutforth
 Cr Sue Glen
 Cr Greg Innes
 Cr Greg Martin

Not in Attendance
Also present
 Cr Crichton Christie (Chairperson)
 Cr Vince Cocurullo
 Cr Phil Halse

Scribe C Brindle (Senior Democracy Adviser)

Election of Acting Chairperson

The Committee's Chairperson was unavailable to chair the meeting.

Council's Standing Orders provide that if the Chairperson is absent the committee members must elect a member to act as Chairperson at the meeting.

Nominations for Acting Chairperson were called for. One nomination, to elect Her Worship the Mayor, was received.

Moved By Cr Greg Innes

Seconded By Cr Gavin Benney

That Her Worship the Mayor is elected to act as Chairperson at today's meeting.

Carried

1. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest made.

2. **Apology**

Cr Crichton Christie (leave of absence)

Moved By Cr Greg Martin

Seconded By Cr Greg Innes

That the apology be sustained.

Carried

3. **Confirmation of Minutes of Previous Community Funding Committee Meeting**

3.1 **Minutes Community Funding Committee meeting held 12 June 2019**

Moved By Cr Greg Innes

Seconded By Cr Gavin Benney

That the minutes of the Community Funding Committee meeting held on Wednesday 12 June 2019, having been circulated, be taken as read and now confirmed and adopted as a true and correct record of proceedings of that meeting.

Carried

4. **Decision Reports**

4.1 **Annual Operating Fund 2019-20 - Tranche 2 allocations**

Moved By Cr Greg Martin

Seconded By Cr Gavin Benney

That the Committee

1. Approves Annual Operating Fund grants for 2019-20 within its delegation, as follows:
 - a. Anawhata Museum Trust (Packard Museum) (\$9,000)
 - b. Hikurangi Historical Museum Society (\$6,140)
 - c. Jack Morgan Museum (\$4,100)
 - d. Northland Youth Theatre (\$13,800)
 - e. SeniorNet Bream Bay (\$1,245)
 - f. Te Kowhai Print Trust (\$15,000).
2. Recommends to Council to approve grants from the Annual Operating Fund above its delegation, as follows:

- a. Northland Society of Arts (Reyburn House) (\$28,000)
- b. Ruakaka Recreation Centre (\$35,660)
- c. Waipu Centennial Trust Board (Waipu Museum) (\$76,725).

Carried

Cr Cutforth joined the meeting at 9.03am during discussions on Item 4.1.

4.2 Allocation of 2019-20 Partnership Fund

Moved By Cr Greg Innes

Seconded By Cr Tricia Cutforth

That the Committee recommends to Council;

1. To approve grants from the Partnership Fund (2019-20) to:
 - a. About Time Group (under Northland Inc) – Rolling Ball Clock (\$150,000)
 - b. Northland Vintage Machinery Club – Stage 2 Museum (\$60,000)
 - c. Taiharuru Marae Inc – Marae Whare Wananga (\$150,000)
 - d. Waipu Croquet Club – New Clubrooms (\$40,000)
2. To decline grants from the Partnership Fund (2019-20) to:
 - a. Mangakahia Squash Club (under Mangakahia Sports Ground Society) – Design Plans
 - b. The Whangarei Harbour Marina Management Trust – Project Management
 - c. Whangarei Boys High School – Auditorium.

Amendment:

Moved By Cr Greg Martin

Seconded By Cr Sue Glen

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 - c. Waipu Croquet Club – New Clubrooms (\$40,000).

2. To decline grants from the Partnership Fund (2019-20) to:
 - a. Mangakahia Squash Club (under Mangakahia Sports Ground Society) – Design Plans
 - b. The Whangarei Harbour Marina Management Trust – Project Management
 - c. Whangarei Boys High School – Auditorium.

And that

3. The committee agree the application from the Taiharuru Marae Inc (\$150,000) is deferred until such time as further information is provided.

On the amendment being put Cr Martin called for a division:

Recorded	For	Against	Abstain
Her Worship the Mayor		X	
Cr Gavin Benney		X	
Cr Tricia Cutforth		X	
Cr Sue Glen			X
Cr Greg Innes		X	
Cr Greg Martin	X		
Results	1	4	1

The amendment was Lost (1 to 4)
The motion was Carried

4.3 Allocation of the 2019-20 Annual Events Fund

The motion was taken in parts.

Moved By Her Worship the Mayor

Seconded By Cr Greg Martin

That the Community Funding Committee

1. Approves the allocation of grants from the 2019-20 Annual Events Fund as follows:
 - a. Opera North – Opera in the Gardens (\$4,000)
 - b. Northland Pacific Islands Charitable Trust – Pasifika Fusion Festival (\$6,000)

- c. Onerahi Resource Centre Trust – Waitangi Day (\$3,550)
- d. Hikurangi Lions Charitable Trust – Christmas parade Hikurangi (\$3,550)
- e. Kamo Community Inc – Christmas parade Kamo (\$5,000)
- f. Onerahi Community Association – Christmas parade Onerahi (\$3,550)
- g. Lions Club of Marsden – Christmas parade Ruakaka (\$2,000)
- h. Waipu Business and Community Inc – Christmas parade Waipu (\$3,000).

On the recommendation being put Cr Martin called for a division:

Recorded	For	Against	Abstain
Her Worship the Mayor	X		
Cr Gavin Benney	X		
Cr Tricia Cutforth	X		
Cr Sue Glen	X		
Cr Greg Innes	X		
Cr Greg Martin	X		
Results	6	0	0
Carried (6 to 0)			

2. Approves the allocation of grants from the 2019-20 Annual Event Fund as follows:
 - a. Waipu Centennial Trust – Art n Tartan (\$15,000)
 - b. Waipu Caledonian Society – Highland Games (\$5,000)
 - c. Waipu Caledonian Society – Highland Games (\$5,000).

On the recommendation being put Cr Martin called for a division:

Recorded	For	Against	Abstain
Her Worship the Mayor	X		
Cr Gavin Benney	X		
Cr Tricia Cutforth		X	
Cr Sue Glen	X		

Cr Greg Innes	X		
Cr Greg Martin	X		
Results	5	1	0
Carried (5 to 1)			

3. Approves transfer of any underspend to the Community Fund 2019-20 budget for allocation.

On the recommendation being put Cr Martin called for a division:

Recorded	For	Against	Abstain
Her Worship the Mayor	X		
Cr Gavin Benney	X		
Cr Tricia Cutforth	X		
Cr Sue Glen	X		
Cr Greg Innes	X		
Cr Greg Martin	X		
Results	6	0	0
Carried (6 to 0)			

5. Public Excluded Business

There was no business conducted in public excluded.

6. Closure of Meeting

The meeting concluded at 9.51am.

Confirmed this 11th day of September 2019

Her Worship the Mayor Sheryl Mai

4.1 Community Fund 2019-20 Round 1

Meeting: Community Funding Committee
Date of meeting: 11 September 2019
Reporting officer: Cindy Velthuisen, Community Funding Officer

1 Purpose

To determine the grant allocations from Round 1 of the Community Fund for 2019-20.

2 Recommendations

That the Committee

1. Approves grants from Round 1 of the 2019-20 Community Fund as follows:

a. BeachedAz Events (under Volleyball New Zealand) for 2020 Northland Slam	\$8,000
b. Central Northland Science Fair Society for website upgrade	\$6,532
c. Deaf Action NZ for NZ Sign Language classes	\$2,800
d. Dynamo Cycling and Sports Club for Tour of 2020 Northland Cycle Challenge	\$3,500
e. FORCE for Love Whangarei Monthly Clean Up	\$1,700
f. Hikurangi Mountain Lions Club for 2020 International Lions Convention	\$3,000
g. I Have A Dream for community and whanau festival	\$3,500
h. Mangakahia Sports Ground Society for Axemen's Carnival	\$3,500
i. Mid-Northern Rugby Football Club for lights maintenance and upgrade	\$10,000
j. Mountains to Sea Conservation Trust for community snorkel days	\$2,500
k. NorthAble Matapuna Hauora for LYNKZ facility accessibility upgrade	\$5,493
l. Onerahi Football Club for lights maintenance and upgrade	\$10,000
m. Pakotai Te Oru Oru Hall for new hall chairs	\$3,000
n. Ruatangata Public Hall Society for tennis court maintenance	\$1,696
o. Shiloah Christian Ministries for transport service	\$1,000
p. Sport Northland for Hatea Loop 'Colour Run' Challenge	\$5,000
q. Table Tennis Northland for flooring upgrade	\$7,000
r. Tiaho Trust for International Day of People with Disabilities	\$2,800
s. Volunteering Northland for professional development for non-profits	\$3,500
t. Whangarei BMX Club for canteen replacement	\$6,000
u. Whangarei Indoor Bowls Association for hosting national championships	\$5,000
v. Whangarei Music Society for 2020 chamber music concert series	\$3,530
w. Whangarei Repertory Society for facility design drawings	\$1,000
x. Whangarei Rod and Custom Club for 2019 Rev Up Whangarei	\$5,000
y. Whangarei Youth Music for purchase of reed instruments	\$9,714

2. Declines grants from Round 1 of the 2019-20 Community Fund as follows:

- a. Age Concern Whangarei for IT budget planning
- b. Dyslexia Plus Whangarei for scholarship subsidies
- c. Epilepsy Association of NZ for Northland field service program

- d. Habitat for Humanity Northland for Remakery and Repair Café
- e. Kaurihohore Kamo Cooperating Parish for Monday Markets
- f. Nga Tairua Wahi Tapu for burial ground working bees
- g. Ngunguru Sports and Recreation Society for operating costs
- h. Northland Community Foundation for desk at The Orchard
- i. Onerahi Bowling Club for driveway repairs
- j. Regent Community Trust for playground at Manaia Camp
- k. Skills for Life Charitable Trust for youth workshops
- l. Te Waiariki, Ngati Korora, Ngati Taka Hapu Iwi Trust for hapu iwi development
- m. The Door of Hope Fellowship for church amenities
- n. Weed Action Whangarei Heads for weed control
- o. Whangarei Contract Bridge Club for flooring replacement
- p. Whangarei Malayalee Association for Onam celebration 2019
- q. Whangarei Rape Crisis Group for professional development
- r. YWCA Whangarei for operating costs.

3 Background

The Community Fund is Council's generalist fund to support a wide range of community initiatives.

This funding round attracted 43 applications requesting over \$275,000 in total. Typically, the winter funding round attracts almost twice as many applications as the summer funding round.

The Community Fund budget for this year (two rounds) is \$199,350.

4 Discussion

4.1 Financial/budget considerations

The total budget for the 2019-20 Community Fund is \$199,350.

This includes \$19,350 underspend carried over from the Annual Events Fund.

It also includes \$25,000 from the 2019-20 Performing Arts Fund which received no applications in the funding round held at the same time.

The total recommended allocation in Round 1 is \$114,765.

Remaining for Round 2 is \$84,585.

4.2 Assessment of applications

A discussion of the applications and the recommendations for each are in the Assessment of Applications spreadsheet (attachment 1).

In addition to the criteria in the Grants, Concessions and Loans Policy, applications were assessed based on community need and impact, level of readiness, and alignment with Council's vision and community outcomes. Applications were then compared to one another,

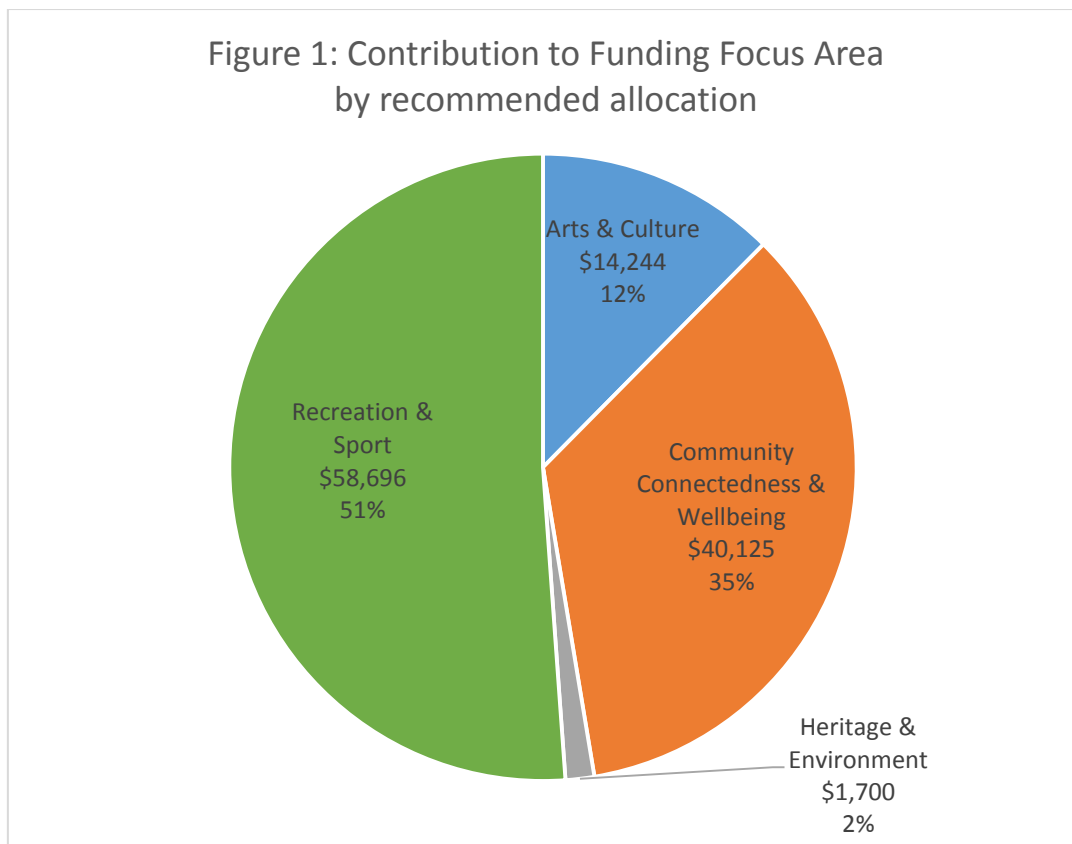
to deliver consistent outcomes, within a limited budget, and allowing for 'funding for success' where possible.

Alignment was also applied in relation to Council's Funding Focus Areas of Arts and Culture, Heritage and Environment, Recreation and Sport, and Community Connectedness and Well-being.

4.3 Analysis

The following graphs provide some analysis of this funding round and compared to last year's Community Fund.

Figure 1 shows what this funding round is proposed to give the district by funding focus area.



This can be compared to the 2018-19 Community Fund allocations (Figure 2) in which \$175,000 was allocated:

Figure 2: Contribution to Funding Focus Areas
for 2018-19 Community Fund

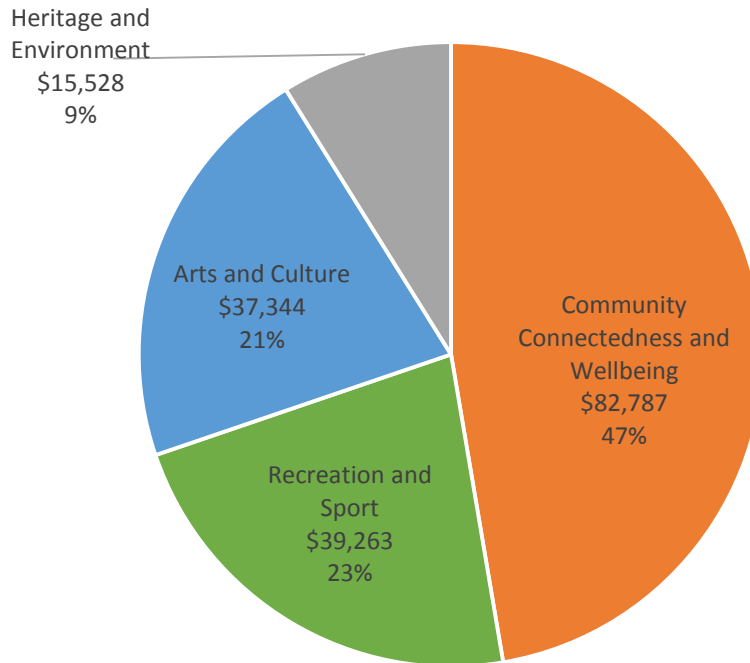


Figure 3 provides a further comparison between the amount requested and the amount recommended in this funding round.

Figure 3: Amount requested vs amount recommended
by Funding Focus Areas

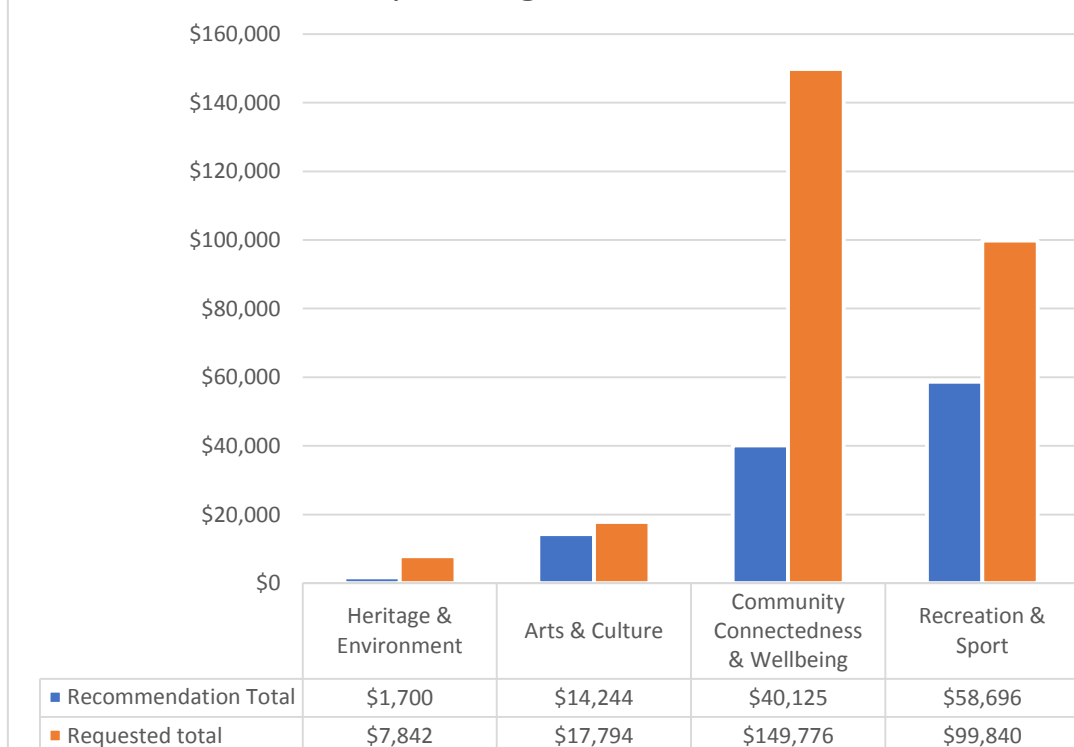
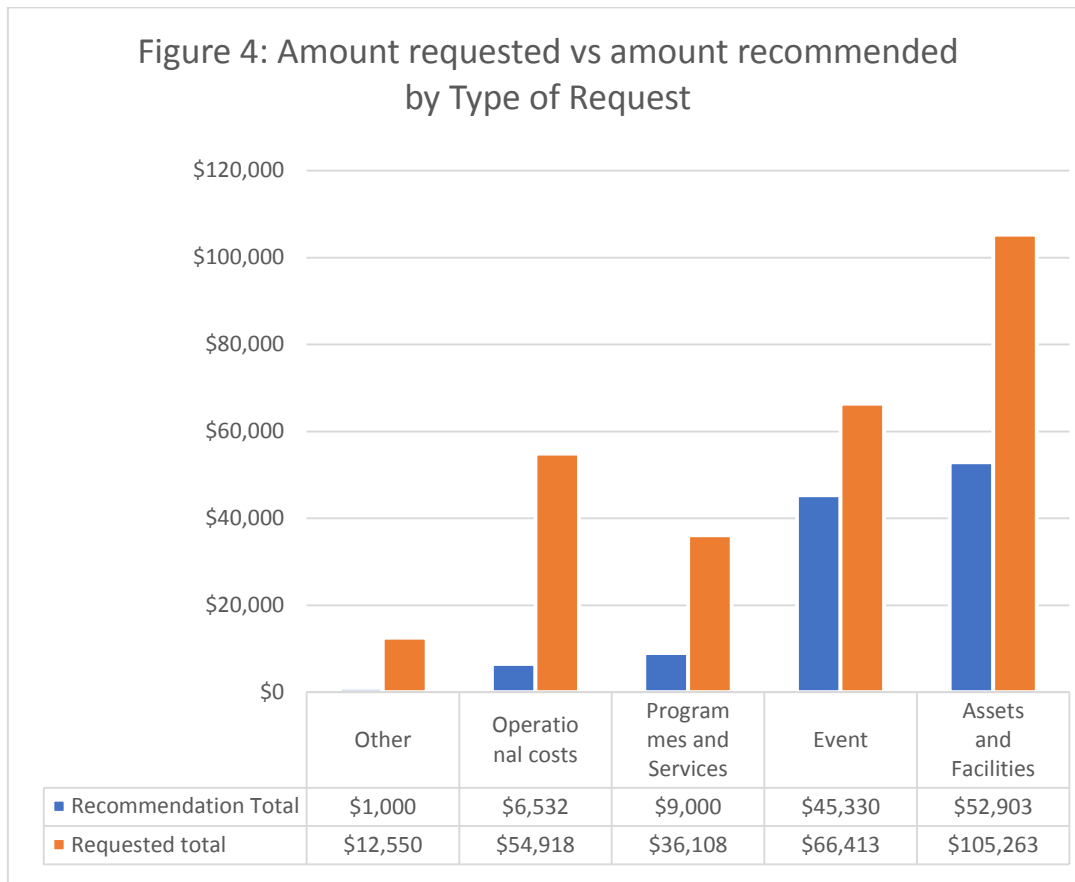


Figure 4 provides a comparison between the type of initiative the grant application is for (operational costs, programmes and services, events, and assets and facilities), in this funding round.



Ethnicity data is collected in our funding application form to provide an indicative picture of the impact of funding in our community. This information is provided in the assessment sheet for reference only.

5 Significance and engagement

The decisions or matters of this Agenda do not trigger the significance criteria outlined in Council's Significance and Engagement Policy, and the public will be informed via Agenda publication on the website and Council News.

6 Attachment

1. Assessment of applications

Assessment of applications: 2019-20 Community Fund Round 1

Applicant	Project	Focus Area	Type	Ethnicity (impact)	Commentary	Requested	Recommendation
Age Concern Whangarei	IT Budget Planning	Community Connectedness & Wellbeing	Operational costs	Not provided	To support their ICT budget for the year, including ongoing subscriptions, servicing, and support, plus provision to review and upgrade. Caters for 6 staff and 20 volunteers. Membership of 1200. Currently on Windows 7. Limited/indirect community benefit. As this caters mostly for internal staff and volunteer use rather than the general public, and given the highly contested nature of this Fund, this application is recommended for decline at this time.	\$ 3,965	Decline
BeachedAz Events (under Volleyball NZ)	Northland Slam	Recreation & Sport	Event	70% NZ Euro; 20% Maori 10% other	To run a weekend beach volleyball competition at Marsden Point, attracting local and national players, and part of national circuit. Unique and free event likely to attract spectators of 1,000-2,000. Beginnings of an annual event. A positive, new addition to the events calendar that is expected to yield good benefits to the district (economic and social). Recommending full support.	\$ 8,000	\$ 8,000
Central Northland Science Fair Society	Website upgrade and design	Community Connectedness & Wellbeing	Operational costs	75% NZ Euro; 10% Maori; 10% Asian; 5% other	To upgrade their website, which is a tool for teachers, students and judges for the annual science fair held at Forum North. The site is considered to be dated, unsupported, not secure, inaccessible, and incompatible with their users' tools. This organisation does not generate income beyond what is needed for running the Fair itself. Demonstrates high need and high impact for 2000 users. As this is a one-off, much needed upgrade and directly supports wider community engagement, recommending supporting this application (minus 12-month web hosting fee component).	\$ 6,532	\$ 6,532
Deaf Action NZ	NZSL in the community - summer programme	Community Connectedness & Wellbeing	Programmes and Services	Not provided	To deliver 2 courses of sign language in Whangarei over 20 weeks, catering for 80-100 people. Received grants in 2017/18 (\$2680) and 2018/19 (\$3354) - feedback from participants is positive. Recommending supporting one course only due to this being a repeat applicant and the highly contested nature of this Fund.	\$ 5,606	\$ 2,800
Dynamo Cycling and Sports Club	20th Edition Tour of Northland Cycle Challenge	Recreation & Sport	Event	80% NZ Euro; 15% other Euro 5% Maori	To run a four-day cycle challenge around Northland. Expecting 300 competitors plus supporters. The applicant is also seeking support from FNDC and KDC as well as sponsors. Given economic benefit expected, recommending supporting this application.	\$ 3,500	\$ 3,500
Dyslexia Plus Whangarei	Scholarship subsidies	Community Connectedness & Wellbeing	Programmes and Services	95% NZ Euro 5% other	To fund 4 students to be assessed and tutored for the year, plus tutoring only for 5 students. Limited community benefit, therefore recommending for decline. This also may fall under the Ministry of Education's area of responsibility, which would mean it is not eligible for funding under our Policy.	\$ 10,000	Decline
Epilepsy Association of NZ	Northland Field Service Program	Community Connectedness & Wellbeing	Operational costs	51% Maori 41% NZ Euro 8% other	For operational costs for Northland epilepsy educator/support person. Reach of 1000, which includes clients (12 per month) and their wider network, plus public talks. The alignment with Council's vision and funding focus areas is unclear, and community impact is not as strong as other applications received, therefore recommending decline. In addition, the group's incorporated societies register is not up to date.	\$ 5,000	Decline
FORCE	Love Whangarei Monthly Clean Up	Heritage & Environment	Programmes and Services	61% NZ Euro 25% Maori 14% other	To purchase equipment (mostly safety) to support volunteer clean up activities around the district. Last year - 226 volunteers, 10,000kg rubbish collected. Aligns with local and national waste initiatives, and our Community Outcomes. Good collaboration and community involvement. Recommend full grant.	\$ 1,700	\$ 1,700
Habitat for Humanity Northland	Remakery and Repair Café	Community Connectedness & Wellbeing	Operational costs	50% NZ Euro 40% Maori 10% other	To support the operations of the Remakery and Repair Café, aiming to reduce landfill and teach new skills. Previous grant \$2,500 for set up and launch (Sept 2018). Aligns with local and national waste initiatives. Estimating 500 attending the repair cafe and workshops. This request would fund the operating budget shortfall, going towards wages, building overheads, marketing, workshop materials, travel and miscellaneous supplies. No quotes or evidence of these costs were provided. Given the insufficient information provided and the highly contested nature of this Fund, recommend that this application is declined at this time.	\$ 6,834	Decline
Hikurangi Mountain Lions Club Charitable Trust	Multiple Districts and International Lions 2020 Convention	Community Connectedness & Wellbeing	Event	Not provided	To support the hosting of a Lions convention in Whangarei. Anticipating 600 people plus partners to attend (national and some international). Includes for partners' entertainment program transport costs. Promoting Whangarei and the work of Lions. Given economic benefit expected, recommending a contribution towards this event in line with similar applications in this funding round.	\$ 3,944	\$ 3,000

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Applicant	Project	Focus Area	Type	Ethnicity (impact)	Commentary	Requested	Recommendation
I Have a Dream Charitable Trust	Community and Whanau Engagement Festival	Community Connectedness & Wellbeing	Event	75% Maori 15% NZ Euro 10% other	To run a community fun day in Tikipunga. Previous attendance 780. Collaborating with a number of local entities. Most expenses are not eligible for funding: food, prizes, transport, therefore recommending contribution to entertainment only in line with other similar events we support.	\$ 10,000	\$ 3,500
Kaurihohore Kamo Co-operating Parish	Monday Markets	Community Connectedness & Wellbeing	Event	90% NZ Euro 10% Maori	To support community markets run on holiday weekends (3 per year) - for marketing, gazebo and children's activities. Previous grant given was \$935 for marketing flags (2018). No quotes or supporting information provided. There are several similar community markets in the district that operate self-sufficiently, therefore this application is recommended to be declined.	\$ 985	Decline
Mangakahia Sports Ground Society Incorporated	Axemen's Carnival	Community Connectedness & Wellbeing	Event	40% NZ Euro 40% Maori 20% other	To run a community fun day, with axemen competition, stalls and entertainment. A collaboration between sports centre affiliates, marae and school. Previous event had 300 (rained out); anticipating 700+. Potential to be of some district-wide interest as a free 'country fair'. Recommending supporting in full, which is in line with similar events we fund.	\$ 3,500	\$ 3,500
Mid Northern Rugby Football Club	Floodlight Maintenance	Recreation & Sport	Assets and Facilities	40% NZ Euro 40% Maori 20% Pacific	To replace existing field lights with new LED lights. This is expected to improve visibility for evening trainings. The club has nearly 300 playing members including 140 juniors. WDC Parks staff have confirmed there is no budget earmarked for lighting upgrade at this site, and the lights are owned and operated by the Club. As this supports recreation and sport in the district, it is recommended to support this application.	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000
Mountains to Sea Conservation Trust	Community Guided Snorkel Days	Recreation & Sport	Event	48% NZ Euro 38% Maori 14% other	To run 4 free guided snorkelling days for families at Reotahi and now Pataua, with the aim of promoting marine conservation and reserve protection. Attracts/benefits 200 people on average per 'day' (1,000 in total). Good collaboration and sharing of costs. Regular applicant. While this event provides good community benefit, it is a regular and repeat applicant, and this Fund is heavily contested; therefore recommending a partial contribution.	\$ 3,154	\$ 2,500
Nga Tairua Wahi Tapu	Nga Tairua Working Bees	Heritage & Environment	Assets and Facilities	87% Maori 9% NZ Euro 4% Pacific	For costs associated with the maintenance of a wahi tapu maori reserve cemetery in Pipiwai. This is a private family burial plot, one of many in the district. Volunteers provide the labour at their monthly working bees, and this request is for fuel and maintenance of their equipment. Staff were not able to determine the legal status of this entity, and attempts to obtain this from the applicant were unsuccessful. To be eligible to apply, an applicant must be a registered incorporated society or charitable trust, or apply under the umbrella of such an entity. As legal status was not able to be determined, and that this is a private family burial plot, this application is recommended to be declined.	\$ 3,500	Decline
Ngunguru Sports and Recreation Society	Operating costs	Recreation & Sport	Operational costs	79% NZ Euro 15% Maori 6% other	For operational costs for the complex. Need and expected impact of this grant request are unclear, citing general growth and expansion plans as per their strategic plan. It serves the Tutukaka Coast community as a multi-purpose hub with over 800 members. Financials show the Society runs at a loss most years (\$36k in 2019). Note this entity provides a gambling facility. The Society has 2 WDC community loans with a combined balance owing of \$51k. The repayments on these loans is approx. \$11k per year. Due to these loans and the overall financial performance of this entity, this request may be considered debt servicing, which is ineligible under the grants policy - therefore recommending this be declined.	\$ 10,000	Decline
NorthAble Matapuna Hauora	LYNKZ Facility accessibility upgrade	Community Connectedness & Wellbeing	Assets and Facilities		To purchase fit-for-purpose, fully inclusive furniture and equipment for the disabled clients and their families attending the LYNKZ programme. NorthAble is relocating its LYNKZ facility into existing NorthAble premises that they are upgrading. There is insufficient contract funding to support the purchase of this equipment. The new facilities will support over 50 clients and their families each week - this number is expected to grow with more accessible premises and equipment. The facility is expected to also become a hub for other community groups and agencies working within this sector. The application demonstrates strong need and impact for the disabled community, so recommending supporting this application. Given the highly contested nature of this Fund, a partial contribution is proposed, for the mobile toilet hoist and two rising desks.	\$ 9,083	\$ 5,493

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Applicant	Project	Focus Area	Type	Ethnicity (impact)	Commentary	Requested	Recommendation
Northland Community Foundation	Permanent Desk at The Orchard	Community Connectedness & Wellbeing	Operational costs	73% NZ Euro 10% Maori 17% other	To rent desk space at The Orchard for one year, as the customer-face of this local philanthropic organisation. The staff and volunteers currently work remotely, using cafes to meet with clients/fund applicants. A permanent office space would foster more trust in the organisation and present a professional image to the public. The Foundation supports the local community through grants and endowment plans. Note that the amount requested is amended to deduct GST (\$5,850 less 15% is \$5,087). Alignment to Council's Funding Focus Areas is not as strong as other applications, therefore this application is a lower priority for funding compared to the other applications received. Given the highly contested nature of this Fund, this application is therefore recommended to be declined.	\$ 5,087	Decline
Onerahi Bowling Club	Club Driveway	Recreation & Sport	Assets and Facilities	80% NZ Euro 15% Maori 5% other	To replace the existing driveway to improve drainage and safety for club members. The club has 1,100+ members and visitors annually, most of whom are elderly and walk or drive over the driveway to get to and from the club. The existing paved driveway is uneven with several potholes. The club will contribute financially and with volunteer labour to uplift the pavers and prepare the site for concrete laying. While the current driveway may be problematic, it still appears to be servicable for the time being. The driveway upgrade is for indirect benefit to the Club, unlike other applications received in this funding round. Given the highly contested nature of this Fund, this application is recommended to be declined at this time.	\$ 10,000	Decline
Onerahi Football Club	Sportsfield light fitting replacement	Recreation & Sport	Assets and Facilities	59% NZ Euro 20% Other Euro 15% Maori 6% other	To replace existing field lights with new LED lights. This is expected to improve visibility for evening trainings and extend the available playing area, thereby reducing detrimental field impact. The club has over 250 playing members. WDC Parks staff have confirmed there is no budget earmarked for lighting upgrade at this site, and the lights are owned and operated by the Club. As this supports recreation and sport in the district, it is recommended to support this application.	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000
Pakotai Te Oru Oru Hall	Replacement of hall chairs	Community Connectedness & Wellbeing	Assets and Facilities	50% NZ Euro 50% Maori	To replace 120 chairs in the community hall, used by 100-150 people each week (+/-7,000 per year) for various activities and functions. The existing chairs are over 50 years old and described as "kindy" chairs. They are noted as cracked and unsafe; no longer 'fit for purpose', particularly for the formal functions held at the hall. The committee is contributing funds and arranging freight themselves. Note that the requested figure was corrected to \$4,280. This application aligns with the Fund's intent to support local communities, therefore recommending supporting this application. Given the highly contested nature of this Fund, a partial contribution is recommended.	\$ 4,280	\$ 3,000
Regent Community Trust	Child Friendly Manaia Camp	Community Connectedness & Wellbeing	Assets and Facilities	45% NZ Euro 10% Other Euro 5% other	To install a playground at Manaia Campgrounds, expected to benefit 150 groups each year. The committee is contributing funds and volunteer labour. While it will provide a valued asset to the many camp users, this is not a public access facility and will be on private land, and given the highly contested nature of this Fund, it is therefore recommended the application is declined at this time.	\$ 8,500	Decline
Ruatangata Public Hall Society	Tennis Court Maintenance	Recreation & Sport	Assets and Facilities	Not provided	To conduct annual maintenance of the tennis courts, and replace two nets. The artificial turf requires annual care to prevent dirt penetration and fungal growth. No usage numbers provided, so impact and benefit isn't known. This application aligns with the Fund's intent to support local communities, therefore recommending supporting this application.	\$ 1,696	\$ 1,696
Shiloah Christian Ministries	Shopping service for the elderly	Community Connectedness & Wellbeing	Programmes and Services	74% NZ Euro 13% Maori 13% Asian	To support vehicle running costs to transport elderly residents between Hikurangi and Whangarei fortnightly. Currently servicing 7 regular users, with capacity for 10 - high investment for the level of impact. No supporting evidence of costs provided. There are some transport services available for the elderly, although most charge a fee. Public transport is the responsibility of Northland Regional Council. This entity has not applied for an operating grant this year and has not submitted a grant report for the previous grant. Weighing up all the above factors, a partial contribution is recommended.	\$ 2,660	\$ 1,000

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Skills for Life Charitable Trust	Youth Resilience Workshops	Community Connectedness & Wellbeing	Programmes and Services	40% Maori 35% NZ Euro 10% Pacific 10% Other Euro 5% other	To run 40 workshops for young people on issues such as self-esteem, conflict management, role modeling, and relationships. Each workshop to cater for up to 15 people. The Trust currently provides courses and 1:1 sessions through contracts with MSD and Health. Details of the workshops, including outcomes and benefits, and the relationship with contract-funded services, are limited. This project is considered to be the responsibility of central government agencies, and therefore is not an eligible activity under Council's funding policy - recommending this be declined.	\$ 10,000	Decline
Sport Northland	Hatea Loop Challenge	Recreation & Sport	Event	72% NZ Euro 25% Maori 3% Pacific	To add a 'colour run' theme to the 4th annual Hatea Loop walk/run challenge. The aim is to add fun and vibrancy to the event, to help maintain participation levels and promote physical activity. It also aims to support the Hundertwasser Art Centre. Participant numbers average 750, with 800 being the maximum allowable. Applicant assures the colour sachets will be safe for people and the environment, and they have approval from Council's Parks team. Actual budget shortfall is \$7000, and clean up is included. A unique and colourful event for the city, therefore recommending supporting this request. Given the highly contested nature of this Fund, and to align with similar sized events Council supports, a partial contribution is recommended.	\$ 8,000	\$ 5,000
Table Tennis Northland	Facilities development	Recreation & Sport	Assets and Facilities	70% NZ Euro; 20% Maori 10% other	To resurface the playing area and replace carpet in the rest of the facility. The carpet is almost 40 years old and worn. The playing floor was last resurfaced 12 years ago - it is now slippery, creating a hazard for players. Members plus other facility users average 1,000 per year. Multiple quotes provided and good controls in place to manage funding. The club has taken steps to upgrade other parts of the facility at its own cost. Average project cost across 3 quotes is \$17k. The club is located in the ASB Stadium complex at Kensington, and provides 11 international standard playing tables, with day and evening club sessions plus professional coaching. A good application that supports active recreation and sport activity for all ages, therefore recommending supporting this application. Given the highly contested nature of this Fund, a partial contribution is recommended. (Note that the 2018 financial statements are not available as the club has misplaced their receipt book. They are working to resolve this.)	\$ 10,000	\$ 7,000
Te Waiariki/Ngati Korora/Ngati Taka Hapu Iwi Trust	Hapu Iwi Development	Community Connectedness & Wellbeing	Other	50% Maori 20% NZ Euro 30% Other	To create a hapu iwi development plan. Details provided are limited on what this entails, the benefit and the impact. The alignment with Council's vision and funding focus areas is unclear. Most costs are for personnel, particularly consultant fees. For all these reasons, recommending this application is declined.	\$ 10,000	Decline
The Door of Hope Fellowship	Church amenities	Community Connectedness & Wellbeing	Assets and Facilities	70% Maori 20% Pacific 10% NZ Euro	To convert the bathrooms and install shower units at the church. Actual budget is \$9,278. Some of the church members (young and old) sometimes have toileting accidents that require the ability to shower, for H&S and for their dignity/mana. It states that the church has about 100 members who attend the church for a full day on Sundays, and for other activities during the week. Financial accounts state that membership numbers are falling, and the stated numbers attending services is lower than suggested in this application. The need, impact and benefit of this application to the community are not as strong as other applications. Also, Council's funding policy states that applications where the primary focus is to promote religious activity are ineligible. While this request isn't directly about promoting a church, it is directly benefitting a church. For the above reasons, this application is recommended for decline.	\$ 10,000	Decline
Tiaho Trust	International Day of People with Disabilities	Community Connectedness & Wellbeing	Event	50% NZ Euro 40% Maori 10% other	To run the 7th annual IDPD event, supporting and celebrating differences in an inclusive environment. This year's event includes music, dance, art and craft, with stalls showcasing the disabled's handmade products, as well as information on services available. The disabled community represents 29% of the Northland population. Collaboration with ethnic/migrant communities also. Expected attendance of 1000-1500. Regular applicant with history of delivering this free, inclusive, community event. Good benefits for our disabled community and for bridging the gap in understanding. Recommending supporting this application.	\$ 2,800	\$ 2,800

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Volunteering Northland	Professional Development for Non-Profits	Community Connectedness & Wellbeing	Programmes and Services	Mostly NZ Euro (percentages don't add up)	To run monthly professional development workshops for not-for-profits on governance matters. Fourteen sessions, delivered by Lead, are offered in a relaxed environment, that will be live-streamed by CNorth for anyone to access. Estimating 150-500 direct attendants, and 5000-7000 through the live-stream. Supports committee/board members and the NFP sector. Good collaboration and well-supported. The workshops will start before funding decisions are made, however these will be continuing for 16 months and the request is a small portion of the total cost. The applicant receives an operating grant from Council. Miscommunication meant an increase in operating grant for this purpose wasn't considered. This is a good initiative that supports the whole community sector and as such the recommendation is to support this application.	\$ 3,500	\$ 3,500
Weed Action Whangarei Heads (under Whangarei Heads Landcare Forum)	Weed Action Whangarei Heads	Heritage & Environment	Programmes and Services	Mostly NZ Euro (percentages don't add up)	To purchase equipment to support volunteer weed control at various public reserves around Whangarei Heads. Equipment includes a brush cutter, saws, secateurs, carry equipment, first aid, trestle tables. Builds social cohesion and local ownership of local forests and foreshore, and preserves the environment for locals and visitors to enjoy. However, this group already receives funding of \$5k through Council's Parks team for their activities, therefore this application is recommended for decline at this time.	\$ 2,642	Decline
Whangarei BMX Club	Canteen replacement	Recreation & Sport	Assets and Facilities	Not provided	To replace the club's shipping container canteen and fit it out as a kitchen. The existing container is rusted, no longer weather and vermin proof and therefore a H&S concern. Request includes purchase and delivery of new container, kitchen counter, urn, pie warmer, plumbing and electrical. The canteen services 100 club members, their families, and visitors. It is a source of revenue for the club, with turnover of \$5-8k pa. The club has run at a small loss the last two years. As this request would help the club to help itself, supporting this request is recommended. Given the highly contested nature of this Fund, a partial contribution is recommended.	\$ 8,490	\$ 6,000
Whangarei Contract Bridge Club	Carpet replacement	Recreation & Sport	Assets and Facilities	62% NZ Euro 25% Maori 13% other	To replace the clubroom's carpet, which is 50 years old, worn and creating a trip hazard. The club has 150-200 mostly senior members, and runs 4-5 playing sessions per week, plus tournaments. States that they are unable to hire out the rooms due to the carpet H&S concerns. Total job cost is \$19k, of which they have funding of \$2k (plus grant applications in progress). This entity received a grant of \$9,000 last funding round for interior painting, therefore this request is a lower priority for funding this time. Given the highly contested nature of this Fund, this application is recommended for decline.	\$ 10,000	Decline
Whangarei Indoor Bowls Association	Hosting of National Open and Masters Indoor Bowls Championships	Recreation & Sport	Event	90% NZ Euro 10% other	To support the hosting of the NZ National Open and Masters Indoor Bowls Championships in June 2020. Anticipating over 1,000 entries for the 8-day event. The event has been running annually for 70 years, and this is the third time it will be hosted in Whangarei. Expected to promote the sport of indoor bowls and the 8 local affiliate clubs, as well as provide economic benefit for the district, therefore recommending supporting this application. (Note the project budget was revised and expected shortfall is \$7,000 - requested amount amended accordingly). Given the highly contested nature of this Fund and in consideration of similar applications in this funding round, a partial contribution is proposed.	\$ 7,000	\$ 5,000
Whangarei Malayalee Association	Onam Celebration 2019	Arts & Culture	Event	75% Asian 20% NZ Euro 5% Maori	To put on the Onam cultural festival evening, featuring performances, activities, and cuisine of the Kerala region of India. The event is ticketed at \$30 pp. The event is on 12 September, one day after the funding decisions are made, making it likely the costs are already incurred and therefore retrospective and ineligible. The applicant was advised of this likelihood at the time of applying and advised to apply in the March funding round for the 2020 event. In addition, their incorporated societies register is not up to date with no financial statements loaded. Therefore, this application is recommended to be declined.	\$ 2,000	Decline
Whangarei Music Society	2020 Chamber Music Concert Series	Arts & Culture	Event	71% NZ Euro 24% Maori 5% other	To put on the 2020 Chamber Music NZ Regional Concert Series (4 concerts). Expected ticket sales of 275 over the 4 concert series (approx. 70 per concert). Tickets are \$30, with under 18 years old free. Previous grant was for the 2019 concert series (\$4,227, PAF). Supports the provision of a variety of arts and entertainment in the district, therefore recommending supporting this application.	\$ 3,530	\$ 3,530

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Whangarei Rape Crisis Group Inc	Professional Development	Community Connectedness & Wellbeing	Operational costs	40% Maori 35% NZ Euro 10% Pacific 15% other	To provide professional development to staff and volunteers. The Group provides counselling, advocacy, support, and education to victims of sexual abuse and assault. No details given on what the professional development is or the direct benefit of this, and alignment to Council's Funding Focus Areas is not as strong as other applications. Therefore this application is a lower priority for funding compared to the other applications received and, given the highly contested nature of this Fund, is recommended for decline.	\$ 7,500	Decline
Whangarei Repertory Society	Design drawings and estimating services	Arts & Culture	Other	55% NZ Euro 25% Other Euro 10% Maori 10% other	To have architectural drawings and quantity surveying completed for theatre building upgrade works to meet seismic, accessibility, fire safety and district plan compliances. This follows on from an engineer's assessment that Council provided a grant for last year (\$4,300). This will enable the Society to seek quotes from builders. First priority is front entranceway to allow better access and emergency egress. The theatre hosts 2,200 patrons annually, plus cast and crew. The application indirectly supports the Funding Focus Area of arts and culture, but aligns with H&S priorities. Given the highly contested nature of this Fund, a partial contribution only is recommended.	\$ 2,550	\$ 1,000
Whangarei Rod and Custom Club	Rev Up Whangarei 2020	Community Connectedness & Wellbeing	Event	Not provided	To put on the 4th annual hot rod and custom car/motorbike show, as a family day of free entertainment and to enliven the CBD, while also supporting a local charity (through direct donations). Aiming to improve the quality rather than the size of the event. Attracts 300+ cars/bikes and estimated audience of 6000. Previous grant was \$2,500. The event budget for 2020 shows an increase in costs of approx.\$10,000, half of which is for increased staging and performance groups. As a free, highly successful community event, that supports the CBD as well as providing a platform for fundraising for a charity, supporting this application is proposed. However, to align with grants for similar sized events, and given the highly contested nature of this Fund, a partial contribution is recommended.	\$ 10,000	\$ 5,000
Whangarei Youth Music	Clarinet and Saxophone Tuition Program - Purchase of hired instruments	Arts & Culture	Assets and Facilities	40% NZ Euro 20% Maori 12% Asian 10% Pacific 18% Other	To purchase clarinet and saxophone instruments (10) for reed tuition programme. These have previously been hired for the 2019 year with a Council grant in 2018 (\$4k). The hire cost is deductible from the purchase cost if purchased by December and this is factored in to the request. The expected life of these instruments is 20 years, and there is evidence of good controls in place to manage the care of them. These instruments would be used by beginner and learner students, reducing the financial burden on families until learners reach an advanced stage. Strong need of permanent instruments is shown, to attract and retain learners, to complete the concert band and orchestra and sustain these into the future. Since the reed programme started in October 2018, 24 students have enrolled. This entity receives a rent concession and some relief on building outgoings, totalling approx. \$80k. Strong application that supports youth and the arts, reduces financial barriers, and is expected to have a lasting impact. Although on first glance this may appear a large investment for 10 instruments or learners, it in fact supports 20-30 students per year for 20 years, as well as filling gaps in the concert band and orchestra now and into the future, therefore recommending supporting this application. Given that the reduced cost expires in December allowing little time for seeking funds elsewhere, and given the underspend in the Performing Arts Fund this year, funding for success (full grant) is recommended.	\$ 9,714	\$ 9,714
YWCA Whangarei	Operating costs	Community Connectedness & Wellbeing	Operational costs	50% Maori 40% NZ Euro 10% other	For operational costs (particularly power, telephone, rates) to support the hostel (emergency housing) and resilience and empowerment programmes for young women. Citing benefit to 1300 but otherwise no detail given on hostel and programmes offered. YWCA received a grant in 2018 (\$4,200) for a full year programme, which is due for completion by December. They also receive a peppercorn rental for their premises. Emergency housing and programmes for youth are things Council supports, however given the lack of detail in the application, the support already provided, and the highly contested nature of this Fund, this application is recommended for decline this time.	\$ 10,000	Decline
						\$ 275,252	\$ 114,765

RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC

That the public be excluded from the following parts of proceedings of this meeting.

The general subject of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter, and the specific grounds under Section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution are as follows:

1.	The making available of information would be likely to unreasonably prejudice the commercial position of persons who are the subject of the information. {Section 7(2)(c)}
2.	To enable the council (the committee) to carry on without prejudice or disadvantage commercial negotiations. {(Section 7(2)(i))}.
3.	To protect the privacy of natural persons. {Section 7(2)(a)}.
4.	Publicity prior to successful prosecution of the individuals named would be contrary to the laws of natural justice and may constitute contempt of court. {Section 48(1)(b)}.
5.	To protect information which is the subject to an obligation of confidence, the publication of such information would be likely to prejudice the supply of information from the same source and it is in the public interest that such information should continue to be supplied. {Section 7(2)(c)(i)}.
6.	In order to maintain legal professional privilege. {Section 2(g)}.
7.	To enable the council to carry on without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations {Section 7(2)(i)}.

Resolution to allow members of the public to remain

If the council/committee wishes members of the public to remain during discussion of confidential items the following additional recommendation will need to be passed:

Move/Second

"That _____ be permitted to remain at this meeting, after the public has been excluded, because of his/her/their knowledge of Item _____.

This knowledge, which will be of assistance in relation to the matter to be discussed, is relevant to that matter because _____.

Note:

Every resolution to exclude the public shall be put at a time when the meeting is open to the public.