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MINUTE ITEM

ATTACHMENTS

**Ordinary meeting of the
Community Services Committee**

**Thursday 30 July 2020
Commencing at 10.00a.m.
Council Chamber**

Civic House

110 Trafalgar Street, Nelson

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Project: Whare Haumarū

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Our Commitment

The Rotary clubs of Nelson are keen in principle to support this project and see this as an important step to build a facility to help the homeless of Nelson and support the excellent work being carried out by the Male Room.

This will include :

Financial Assistance of up to \$20,000.

We have a commitment from all 4 four Nelson Rotary clubs (Nelson, Whakatu, Nelson West and Rutherford) to provide \$2,500 each so in total \$10,000. In addition, we are applying for a District grant to match that contribution and lift the total to \$20,000.

That grant is dependent on our application being lodged by 31 July 2020 so it is a tight timeframe. To strengthen our case it is important there be a decision from the Nelson City Council Community Services Committee to confirm the minimum \$30,000 proposed funding prior to this being lodged.

The Rotary commitments will be tied to the need to provide a detailed and confirmed budget plus confirmation that the full funding required has been achieved.

In kind support directly for the project including:

Establishing a joint Project Group of Rotary members with the necessary skills to carry out the 'feasibility study' including the site investigations for services and options around new builds v second hand buildings. We understand this will be required to provide comfort to other funders ie Rata Foundation

This would include 4 key people :

Rob Edmonds - Whakatu Rotary - Project Management - Principle of RE Projects Ltd .
Certificated Building practitioner.

Alan Winwood - Nelson Rotary- Estimating and Construction related advice. Former Commercial Manager Kidson Construction

Richard Blunt - Design/Draughting- Retired Architect.

John Hambleton- Nelson Rotary -Co-ordination. Portable building experience . Founding CEO Portacom NZ Ltd.

We have further specialist knowledge in other areas within our joint membership to cover services.

Providing a feasibility report through RE Projects Ltd.

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Obtaining support and then to co-ordinate voluntary groups to complete work under supervision of Rob Edmonds to do various project tasks.:

Tasks under consideration include piling for buildings and decks, ramps for access, building modifications/upgrades if a second hand building is chosen.

This approach was highly successful in completing Rotoiti lodge recently for which Rob acted as Project Manager.

This will include some working groups of volunteers from Rotary and other agencies who have previously partnered on special projects.

To negotiate with potential suppliers/contractors to gain in-kind contribution through donations of materials or significant discounting of products and services.

To manage the project and bring it to fruition.

It will be important to acknowledge these companies and groups throughout the project.

Work Completed to Date:

We have carried out a preliminary review of the high level budget and initial site visits to review access and risks. We have identified an option that avoids the need to fire rate the building through an altered configuration and re orientation of the siting of the building.

We have carried out a search for second hand building options. As a result we have identified a School room building ex Bohally School in Blenheim which has been offered to us "free of charge" from the Ministry of Education. The interior is in good condition having been used as a classroom until recently though we are reviewing the costs of removing the asbestos cement sheeting and replacing it with a plywood/batten cladding.

We have investigated site access and have commenced a review of costs of upgrade.

The building is 78m² so is significantly larger than the 27-30m² new build option.

The benefits however are:

- The base building is free and so we will be focused on set up and upgrade costs.
- Space can be made available for a second toilet and/or shower to be added at a future date.
- A storage area can be allowed in the building and a separate shed which is not permitted can be demolished and removed.
- it means as the services provided by Male Room develop over time the spare floor space can be utilized with fit out at that time to suit needs.

We are in the process of doing some preliminary designs and as opportunity allows checking willingness of potential key suppliers to support the project.

A new build would mean a smaller building option. It must also be built to current building standards which can and does add costs to the traditional portable building structures. The building will require a permit and so will also need to be on piles as a semi-permanent building.

Nelson City Council Support

We understand that the proposal is for support to be provided for this project of up to \$30,000 with this split as follows:

Up to \$10,000 – to be applied to the feasibility study

\$20,000 –to be applied to the building

We would propose that the feasibility study be produced by the Rotary Project Group and the \$10,000 be made available to cover contracted siteworks ,transport and building costs.

John Hambleton

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Nelson Rotary

