

# Response to Mangawhai Activity Zone Petition

**Meeting:** Kaipara District Council  
**Date of meeting:** 29 April 2020  
**Reporting officer:** Jenny Rooney, Community Funding Coordinator

## Purpose/Ngā whāinga

To provide information regarding the Mangawhai Activity Zone Petition presented at the Council meeting held on 26 February 2020.

## Executive summary/Whakarāpopototanga

The purpose of this report is to provide Council with the relevant information in response to the issues raised in the Mangawhai Activity Zone Petition.

## Recommendation/Ngā tūtohunga

That the Kaipara District Council

- a) Notes the information in this report in response to the Mangawhai Activity Zone petition.

## Context/Horopaki

### Background

The Mangawhai Activity Zone Charitable Trust (MAZ) Petition (**Attachment A**) and information sheet (**Attachment B**) were delivered to Council offices on 13 February 2020. A report on the petition was tabled by the Governance Advisor at the Council meeting held on 26 February 2020 and Council requested that the Chief Executive investigate the issues raised in the petition and report back to Council.

The principal petitioner, Colin Gallagher, Chairman of the Mangawhai Activity Zone Charitable Trust (MAZ) gave a verbal presentation of the petition at the 26 February Council meeting. The petition outlined the MAZ Skate Park project, how the project meets the criteria of the Reserve Contribution Fund (RCF) and the reasons why it deserves funding from this Fund to complete the project. MAZ requested the following in the petition:

- \$800,00.00 be immediately available to MAZ from the KDC Reserve Contribution Fund (RCF)
- To complete construction of the skate park per RCF criteria
- RCF, generated by developers mainly from the Mangawhai area, has \$6.738 million as of 30 September 2019, yet KDC allocates no funding to MAZ.

The petition stated that MAZ has not received funding from Kaipara District Council.

### Mangawhai Activity Zone funding

In the 2015-2019 period, Mangawhai Activity Zone Charitable Trust received a combined total of \$198,205.10 in funding: \$28,607.95 from the Community Grants Fund and \$169,597.15 from the Mangawhai Endowment Lands Account (MELA).

The first round of the district wide Reserve Contribution Contestable Fund was held in December 2019, the amount available for distribution was \$300,000.00.

The total applications received amounted to \$1,152,351.67.

Two applications from Mangawhai Activity Zone Charitable Trust were received for the following:

- \$391,326.53 For the Skate Park Flow Bowl Construction
- \$170,000.00 To build a Pump Track for community use.

The application for the Pump Track was successful and \$170,000.00 was allocated from the district wide Reserve Contribution Contestable fund.

The Skate Park application was declined as the amount requested was higher than the total amount available in the funding round. The recommendation from the Committee was that Mangawhai Activity Zone Charitable Trust work with Council staff so that the project is considered in the Long-Term Plan review. The Committee's recommendation was conveyed to Colin Gallagher, Chairman of Mangawhai Activity Zone and subsequent meetings have been held to discuss this option.

## Discussion/Ngā kōrerorero

### Financial implications

For the Skate Park project to be considered for funding, engagement with the Mangawhai community will need to demonstrate that the project is seen as a priority.

The project can then be included into the Long-Term Plan review and considered for allocation from the contributions received in the Reserve Contribution Fund - Mangawhai catchment area. This fund is separate to the Reserve Contribution Contestable Fund which is the district wide fund that has a limited discretionary budget of \$300,000.

### Significance and engagement/Hirahira me ngā whakapāpā

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

### Next steps/E whaiake nei

Staff will work with the Mangawhai Activity Zone Charitable Trust to:

- Engage with the wider Mangawhai community to investigate the priority of the Skate Park project
- If so, investigate the Skate Park project for inclusion in the Long Term Plan Review
- Investigate actual costs to complete the project
- Explore options for funding from the Mangawhai Catchment Reserve Contributions Fund.

### Attachments/Ngā tapiritanga

	Title
A	Petition from Mangawhai Activity Zone Charitable Trust (MAZ)
B	Information sheet on the petition from the MAZ Charitable Trust