

Date: Monday 24 March 2014
Time: 9.30am
Meeting Room: Maungakiekie-Tāmaki Local Board Office
Venue: 7-13 Pilkington Road
Panmure

Annual Plan Hearings - Maungakiekie-Tāmaki

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*Member of New Zealand Federation of Roller Sports Inc.
Affiliated to Federation International De Roller Sports*

Our Chairman apologises for not being able to attend today due to being overseas.

What we are proposing today is the construction of a second indoor skating facility behind the existing rink in Mountain Rd, Panmure to create a skating hub for Auckland City.

The Mt Wellington Roller Sports club has a long history in the Tamaki-Maungakiekie area from the time the outdoor rink was provided by the Borough Council in 1961 until now, 53 yrs later.

The original rink was replaced to its present site in Mountain Rd in 1970.

The Club built the existing building and has over the years developed it into a valuable asset for the community.

The demand has prompted the Club to employ a Manager and with his efforts and the many volunteers who run the Club growth has been very strong. With 250 members the time available is fully utilized and since mid 2013 when the Council demolished the Papatotoe Skating rink requests for time cannot be satisfied.

The increasing housing intensification in the area will also increase demand.

Our proposal is for a second building to be constructed behind the existing rink in Mountain Rd, Panmure allowing for the existing Club management to operate with two skating surfaces and create a skating hub for Auckland City.

The Club caters for all Roller Sports including In-Line Hockey, Speed skating and Artistic Figure Skating. The main age group we cater for range from 5 to 55yrs including Female and Male participants. A second rink would also enable National events to be staged in Auckland.

Public recreational skating is also important which provides a service for the community at low cost. Schools and holiday programmes are also users of the facility and this could expand markedly. We are currently providing for 600-700 persons per week.

For a second rink we would require the allocation/provision of land on a lease basis and an initial support fund to provide leverage for further funding. The Mt Wellington Club would also support a second building financially and we do not see any ongoing funding requirements by Council.

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