

## **URGENT DECISION OF THE HIBISCUS AND BAYS LOCAL BOARD**

**Dated: 1 December 2016**

**SUBJECT:** To request the Hibiscus and Bays Local Board consider and approve a report under urgency on Hockey Hibiscus Trust to enable an immediate start to construction.

### **BACKGROUND:**

1. A report on Hockey Hibiscus Trust regarding hockey facilities at Metro Park East, Silverdale is scheduled for the Hibiscus and Bays Local Board meeting on 14 December 2016.
2. The report seeks:
  - to approve Hockey Hibiscus Trust final plans and an addendum to its existing agreement to lease document.
  - to approve the landowner application by Hockey Hibiscus Trust to install electric cables for the turf half a metre outside the boundary of its existing agreement to lease area.
3. At its business meeting of 19 November 2014 the Hibiscus and Bays Local Board approved a lease area to Hockey Hibiscus Trust at Metro Park East comprising:
  - landowner approval to provide for one full and one half artificial hockey turfs to be located within the lease area provided final detailed plans were subsequently approved by the local board
  - an agreement to lease to enable Hockey Hibiscus time to seek and secure all necessary funding and consents then construct the one full and one half artificial hockey turfs and associated improvements with community lease attached to take effect on the completion of the works and issue of the code compliance certificate.
4. Hockey Hibiscus has advised they are ready to commence construction. Through finalisation of the detailed design Hockey Hibiscus has advised that the electric cables for the turf will need to be installed half a metre outside the boundary of the existing agreement to lease area in order to avoid the footings for the light-poles and the concrete path around the hockey turf. An addendum to the existing agreement to lease is required to record this additional land. Landowner approval is also required to formalise the use of the additional land.
5. The detailed design has been reviewed by the Sports Park team, who confirm the plans are acceptable. North Harbour Hockey Association has also provided its endorsement of the design from a hockey perspective.

6. This report recommends the Hibiscus and Bays Local Board approve the final detailed plans and an addendum to the existing agreement to lease to Hockey Hibiscus Trust. Also recommended is the grant of landowner approval to Hockey Hibiscus Trust to install electric cables for the turf half a metre outside of the boundary of its existing agreement to lease area.

## **REASON FOR URGENCY**

7. A request to consider the report under urgency is sought for the following reasons:
  - The Hockey Hibiscus Trust (trust) is ready to commence construction, having secured all necessary funding, engaged a contractor and completed site preparation work. The trust cannot commence construction until the local board has approved the final plans. Waiting until 14<sup>th</sup> December 2016 means the trust will lose up to 14 construction days.
  - Hockey turfs must be constructed in dry weather conditions. It is vital to take advantage of all good weather windows available to avoid any issues at the tail end of the construction programme.
  - The trust is under time pressure to expend some of external funding it has received. Commencing construction as soon as possible will alleviate this pressure and minimise the risk of losing funding through delayed construction.
8. The impact of the report is minor as the Hibiscus and Bays Local Board have already considered and resolved in November 2014 the substantive issue of developing a hockey turf on Metro Park East and confirming a lease area for Hibiscus Hockey Trust. The decisions sought through this report (to approve the detailed design and extend the lease area) will have no additional impact on the park that has not already been substantially considered through robust local board decision-making.

## **DECISIONS:**

### **That the Hibiscus and Bays Local Board:**

- a) approve the final detailed plans for the Hockey Hibiscus Trust one full and one half hockey turfs and associated developments (Attachment A)
- b) approve an addendum to the existing agreement to lease to Hockey Hibiscus Trust at Metro Park East dated 21 October 2015 to record the additional land required to complete its one full and one half hockey turfs and associated developments (Attachment B)
- c) grant landowner approval to Hockey Hibiscus Trust to install electric cables for the turf half a metre outside the boundary of its existing agreement to lease area. That the Hibiscus and Bays Local Board consider and approve the report on Hibiscus Hockey Trust under the urgent decision-making process before the next scheduled local board meeting on 14 December 2016.

**AUTHORISED FOR RELEASE**



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**Authorisation**

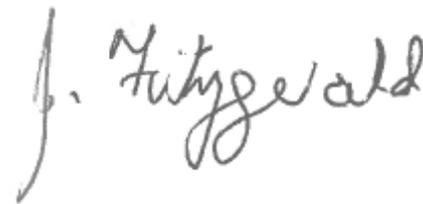
This decision is authorised by Members Parfitt and Fitzgerald, who have delegated authority to make, on behalf of the local board, urgent decisions on matters that cannot wait until the next scheduled ordinary meeting of the local board. Resolution number HB/2016/195.



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Julia Parfitt  
Chairperson

Date: 1 December 2016



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Janet Fitzgerald  
Deputy Chairperson

Date: 1 December 2016