
Notice of Motion:

In accordance with Standing Orders §2.5.1 I hereby give notice that I intend to move the motion at the **Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board meeting scheduled for 18 June 2019.**

Subject

Landowner approval application for container at Rongomai Park

Recommendation

That the Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board:

- a) Consider the landowner application from AMMI for the temporary location of a container at Rongomai Park, including staff assessment if available
- b) request staff to note and respect the local board's direction that unless there is a concept or masterplan restricting sporting codes on a local park, all efforts should be made to ensure that a variety of codes and activities can be accommodated with priority to be given to those local sports and activities that our diverse communities who live locally want and choose to take part in.

Background

1. Local residents have met with the Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board and individual members various times to discuss the many barriers that people living in Otara/Clover Park/Manukau experience on our parks. One of these barriers is access to athletics facilities. Despite barriers our locals achieve gold/silver/bronze medals at regional and national athletics tournaments which show us that there is local talent.
2. During a meeting with constituents held at the start of this term, some local residents informed the local board that they were keen to start an athletics club in our local board area to achieve this. The local board is aware that this initiative has progressed into discussions between the local residents and the Rongomai Trust which is enabling them to be based at Rongomai Park. This has not required any decision from the local board to date but we remain very supportive.
3. In 2018, the local residents (now an incorporated entity) approached the local board to request permission for a temporary container. We referred the residents (applicants) to follow due process through staff and apply for a landowner approval (LOA) for assessment and decision.
4. It is our understanding that the LOA was lodged with Auckland Council at the end of 2018. The applicants have approached the local board various times for assistance due to delays and frequent requests for information from staff.
5. We are concerned that the delay in processing this application is not just disempowering and discouraging to our community, but it is also disempowering and discouraging to the local board who have governance over this space.

Signed:

Moved by: Lotu Fuli, Chairperson, Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board



Seconded by: Apulu Reece Autagavaia, Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board Member

