Moutere Rugby Football Club Inc.

FOLLOW UP SUBMISSION TO MARLBOROUGH DISTRICT COUNCIL

ANNUAL PLAN UPDATE 2020-21

PROPOSED UPGRADE OF THE FACILITIES AT THE AWARUA PARK COMMUNITY CENTRE / CHANGING SHEDS

MOUTERE RUGBY CLUB
AWARUA PARK
1260 RAPAURA ROAD
SPRING CREEK
• In 2019 the Moutere Rugby Football Club Inc (MRFC) submitted on the Annual Plan seeking:

  a. To engage with Marlborough District Council with regard to an upgrade of the facilities at the Awarua Park Community Centre / changing sheds.

  b. Approval of funding for an upgrade of the Awarua Park Community Centre / changing sheds.

• Following initial discussion with Council staff MRFC was asked to provide a concept design and cost estimate for the proposed upgrade of the Awarua Park Community Centre / changing sheds.

• A concept design and construction cost estimate ($130,000.00 - $140,000.00 plus GST) was provided to MDC 5 May 2020.
Awarua Park - 1260 Rapaura Road – Gazetted as Recreation Reserve
Awarua Park - 1260 Rapaura Road

- Moutere RFC Clubrooms
- Awarua Community Centre & Moutere RFC Changing Rooms
LAURIN GANE – President; Moutere Rugby Football Club

History:
• MRFC (previously Awarua Football Club) was formed in 1892, name changed in 1906.
• Most successful Club in Marlborough winning 27 Senior Titles, multiple Division 2 Titles and more recently the Tasman Womens Rugby Title.

Current Teams & Club Membership:
• Largest JAB club in Marlborough (2nd largest in Tasman Rugby Union region) with 280 children registered with the club in 2019 from Under 6 – Under 13 Grades.
• Senior Club represented in Division 1, Division 2, Womans Grades and Golden Oldies.

Community / Family Focus:
• Membership reflects involvement across the whole community spectrum.
• A big focus for MRFC is being a ‘family club’ everyone is welcome, everyone is part of the Club.
• Our traditional catchment area is Tua Marina, Spring Creek, Rapaura and Grove Town, but we also have members from the wider Marlborough Area.

Current Situation with Management / Operation and Use of Community Centre / Changing Sheds:
• The Community Centre building is owned by MDC.
• The toilets are open to the public and access to the Community Centre rooms and changing sheds is currently controlled by MRFC.
• MRFC currently maintains the community rooms and changing sheds. In recent years we have undertaken plumbing repairs / replacements, exterior painting and some interior painting.
• MRFC is also responsible for payment of the power account.
HANNAH GILESPIE – Secretary; Moutere Rugby Football Club (and Current Player)

**A Players Perspective:**

- 17 years playing senior rugby across Tasman Rugby Union region.

- Awarua / Moutere changing rooms are the poorest standard out of all Tasman Union Clubs.

- All other clubs changing facilities have seen upgrades in my time.

- Visiting clubs have refused to shower at Awarua / Moutere changing rooms.

- Strong growth in women's game requires improvement to current changing room facilities, some changes that would make a significant difference include:
  - Upgraded plumbing and electrics.
  - Partitioned / cubicle showers - currently open.
  - Upgraded toilets, including toilet in each changing room rather than players having to queue with the public.
A Coaches Perspective:

• Current layout of changing rooms is unsatisfactory - only 2 changing rooms suitable for a senior side meaning sharing and rotation of use on days when multiple teams need to be accommodated. Suggest that a minimum of 4 suitable for senior teams, with 2 separate showering facilities.

• With the wider completion with all Tasman Union clubs, teams make a big effort / commitment to travel. Have received some negative feedback about the state of the Awarua / Moutere changing facilities from visiting teams.
Awarua Park Community Centre and Moutere RFC Changing Rooms
Awarua Park Community Centre and Moutere RFC Changing Rooms – East Side
Awarua Park Community Centre and Moutere RFC Changing Rooms
Awarua Park Community Centre and Moutere RFC Changing Rooms – South West Corner
EXISTING PLAN DRAFT ONLY
Proposal:

MRFC proposes changes to the Community Centre / changing sheds as per Palatchie Architecture Design Ltd Plan F Draft Only dated 1/05/2020. In brief, the proposal:

- Is entirely within the footprint of the existing building.

- Retains public toilets.

- Creates three new separate change rooms from an existing large single room and kitchen space, refer to Change Rooms 1 – 3 on plan.

- Upgrades an existing change room, refer to Change Room 4 on plan.

- Converts an old change room into a new shower area, refer to New Showers on plan.

- Converts an old store room into a combined referees room and storage area, refer to Ref and Store on plan.

- Provides separate change room and showering facilities for female players.

Based on the attached Plan F, the estimated construction cost of the project will be in the region of $130,000.00 - $140,000.00 plus GST, as assessed by George Guthrie Construction 5 May 2020.