

21 October 2024



Dear

# **Local Government Official Information Request**

Thank you for your request for information from Council. All requests to the Council for information are required to be considered in accordance with the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (LGOIMA). More information about how the Council handles LGOIMA requests can be found in the Council's LGOIMA Request Policy, which is available on the Council's website.

Your request for information was received on 24 September 2024 and related to Bulls Community Committee – Haylock Park. Our response is below:

Are the lease monies collected on Haylock Park held separately in a specific account 1. dedicated for the park.

### Response:

No, lease monies are not held separately for Haylock Park.

2. How much money is available for the development of Haylock Park.

### Response:

No funding has been budgeted to develop Haylock Park.

What is the process to have a playground similar to Walker Park be installed at Haylock 3. Park?

#### Response:

To install a playground at Haylock Park, a submission could be made through the Annual Plan/Long Term Plan process for Council's consideration. An alternative option is a recommendation could be made through the Bulls Community Committee asking Council to investigate this request.

4. What compliance costs would be incurred?

# Response:

Compliance costs would be associated with building and resource consent (if required), as well costs to ensure compliance with playground standards. Compliance costs are unable to be estimated without detail of the size and location of the proposed playground on Haylock Park, as well as, detail regarding height of structures, earthworks, etc. Consideration would also need to be given to stormwater management and costs associated with the provision of services e.g. water, wastewater, power.

5. Can local contractors volunteer their services at a lower cost be employed, e.g fencing contractors, drainage contractors.

## Response:

A community group can contact Council's Community Projects Manager (Pio Rowe) to discuss their idea if they have a project they want to implement. Council calls this a community-led project. The staff member would discuss the project idea with the community group to gain a good understanding of the project. The staff member would then consult with other colleagues as appropriate, e.g. Parks, Property, Roading etc. Staff members would also consider relevant plans, such as the Parks, Open Spaces & Sports Facilities Strategy, District Plan, identify what consents were required etc. If the project was given the go ahead, an agreement would be written, clearly identifying the responsibilities of each party, e.g. costs, ongoing maintenance etc.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

Please note that it is our policy to proactively release our responses to official information requests, where appropriate. Our response to your request will be published shortly at <a href="https://www.rangitikei.govt.nz/council/about/contact-us/official-information">https://www.rangitikei.govt.nz/council/about/contact-us/official-information</a> with your personal information removed.

If you wish to discuss this decision with us, please feel free to contact Karen Cowper 06 327 0099.

Yours sincerely

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