

Memorandum: Lord Mayor

Deputy Lord Mayor Elected Members

Response to Question Without Notice

WELLINGTON PARK MANAGEMENT TRUST AND FUTURE INFRASTRUCTURE ON KUNANYI / MOUNT WELLINGTON

Meeting: Parks and Recreation Committee Meeting date: 13 August 2020

Raised by: Lord Mayor Reynolds

Question:

- (a) Could the Director please advise what work is currently being undertaken by the Wellington Park Management Trust into future visitor infrastructure?
- (b) Has there been any discussions into funding needs or investigations into funding models at the Trust level?

Response:

The Wellington Park Trust is finalising the Springs Masterplan to guide development of The Springs area and a draft will be provided to the City of Hobart in due course. It is expected to identify the need for a visitor centre at the Springs to the East of the current main car park but does not identify any significant increase in car parking capacity.

The Wellington Park Trust is also preparing a Visitor and Recreation Strategy to guide future visitor services including walking tracks, mountain bike tracks and management objectives for these activities. However the Strategy does not appear to identify infrastructure needs for the Park and assigns that responsibility to land owners.

The City of Hobart is currently reviewing the need for a Memorandum of Understanding with the Wellington Park Trust to support the office and operations. At this point the 2015- 2020 MOU has expired and no agreement has been reached on the form, if any, of a new MOU between the City and the Trust.

The City has two elected member representatives on the Wellington Park Trust who may be able to elaborate on any other funding discussions the Trust has had with Government to support their operations.

As signatory to this report, I certify that, pursuant to Section 55(1) of the Local Government Act 1993, I hold no interest, as referred to in Section 49 of the Local Government Act 1993, in matters contained in this report.

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