

APPENDIX 5.5: GREATER SOUTH OTAGO AREA (includes Clinton and Waipahi)

Consultation Highlights

Cheaper housing is bringing new people into the community with less commitment to local community and often these families have low income and higher need for support. Older residents usually move to bigger centres when they retire. In the past Clinton had a larger population and enjoyed more prosperity and most clubs flourished and built their own clubrooms and facilities. Now clubs are struggling and many facilities need an upgrade.

The squash club is strong at present. However, some activities have ceased to operate such as the tennis club and guides and scouts (cubs are still active). The tennis club only has junior members and uses the adjacent squash clubrooms. There is a strong will amongst clubs to carry on as in the past with little need to change as most are managing at present to administer and function. Any support from the Sport Clutha Coordinator will need to be in response to a request from Clinton clubs.

The community hall is undergoing a complete refurbishment funded by community fundraising and grants. Some low impact recreational activity such as exercise and fitness classes could be held in the hall. However, it is not suited to use by indoor ball sports.

The Primary School wants more sport options and more volunteers to lead sports. Heating the community swimming pool located at the school is another issue raised. The pony club wishes to develop an all weather facility and floodlit arena at the Domain adjacent to the rugby club fields.

Several local actions were identified during the consultation process and these are listed below. These actions will only progress with significant local leadership and community support.

Issue	Consultation summary	Recommended action	Commence	Contributing Stakeholders
High levels of duplication in clubroom facilities	Clinton has sport facilities dispersed across several sites with high levels of duplication in clubroom facilities. However, most clubs report reduced memberships and revenues (such as bar takings) but wish to continue to operate their own clubrooms.	Sports clubs in Clinton to negotiate and agree priorities for renewal or refurbishment of clubrooms before seeking funding from Council and other funders.	Short term	Sports clubs in Clinton (lead), Council, funders,
Heating of Clinton Primary school pool facility	The swimming pool is covered but unheated and the season is short. There is interest in heating the pool	Pool Committee approach Council about providing a small grant to help the School with obtaining expert advice	Short term	Clinton Primary School/Pool Committee (lead),

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		on best heating solution from a specialist swimming pool engineer.		Council (coordinator/funder)
Lack of walking opportunities in Clinton	Hillfoot Road is most popular local walking route because the road has less traffic and there is relatively good visibility. Need route developed that is either a gravel path alongside of road or shoulder widened to provide a circuit at Clinton.	Provision for walking circuit in Clinton	Medium term	Local group for example, Clinton Community Committee or Clinton Lions (lead), Council
	Lack of pedestrian crossing prevents Clinton residents from crossing road with safety and prevents some children from walking to school.	School approach Transit about the possibility of installing a crossing on main road and the school starting a walking school bus for students living on opposite side of the main road.	Medium term	Clinton Primary School (lead), Transit, Council (advocate),
	A walking track to the top of Kuriwao Peak (via 4WD access road to communications tower) or top of Popotunoa Hill (height 317m) were suggested for longer walk options with the incentive of a good view. Kuriwao option could be shared with mountain bikers.	Investigate feasibility of walking access to top of Kuriwao Peak or Popotunoa Hill	Long term	Local group (lead), local walkers
Women's fitness group	Local ladies fitness group was highly valued (now finished because community education subsidy funding change in policy of minimum number per group and Clinton is just below threshold to fund the instructor). Local provision wanted. Venue is not a problem as plenty of options in Clinton.	Resurrect fitness group through interim small grant from a funder and train a local person as instructor if insufficient women are attracted to new group.	Short term	Group members (lead), funders, Sport Clutha (support)