OPERATIONAL OVERVIEW OF THE SOUTHERN PARALLEL SPORTS CAMPUS

The SPS Facility

The SPS Facility intends to develop a world-class full service centre offering life skills, education and sports development through programs to include, resilience training, PERMA mental health, medical, nutrition, sport therapies and higher and diploma education programs.

Participants will be housed in residential style accommodation supported by hospitality services.

A core service of the Campus will be to offer encompassing programs designed to improve outcomes for Coalition Forces veterans (with, since 9/11, well over 1.6million wounded service men and women around the world) and will also include programs for high performance athletes and para-athletes. SPSCL believes mixing the sports and veterans sectors will produce priceless results.

The SPS Facility is designed to enable the delivery of a comprehensive range of courses to wounded veterans, service personnel, high performance athletes, para-athletes, and youth sports. The goal is to provide services for 50 weeks of the year, ensuring that the Campus will be fully utilised with 250 individuals on campus at any one time (175 of those being service personnel or coalition forces wounded veterans).

The SPS Facility will include a range of sports facilities, sporting services, food and onsite accommodation that is designed to meet most needs of the veterans and athletes during their courses. This includes:

- Sporting facilities on the north western half of the site, with an outdoor G3 pitch and running track, indoor G3 pitch and mezzanine running track, cricket and baseball pitch, tennis courts, high performance gym, lap pools and therapy pools and saunas.
- Supporting services, with consulting medical and therapy suites, a mental health and wellness clinic, nutrition centre and lecture halls, together with a restaurant style cafeteria, and administrative offices.
- Residential units will be located on the eastern edge of the site overlooking Lake Hood, with planned 32 x 4 bedroom townhouse style accommodation, which will allow 200-250 or more athletes at a time or approximately 600 participants per annum.

The SPS Facility will be focused on adaptive sports and life skills programs for veterans from coalition forces, either extended course (22 weeks) or intensive course (6 weeks). SPSC proposes a range of courses over periods of 3/6/10/22 week programs. SPSCL anticipate to run 16 courses in the first year, which would comprise 4 lots of intakes for the 22-week course and 12 lots of intakes for the 3-week adaptive sports programs. It is assumed all courses will have 25 attendees, which will enable around 600 participants to attend the SPS Facility per year.

The SPS Facility will also be available for high-performance sports athletes, anticipated to include rugby workshops, athlete training, and coaching. As an example SPSC is engaged in negotiations with Hakuhodo, Japan to convene youth rugby clinics and provide intensive English tutoring courses. There will also be specialist courses such as nutrition, coach & trainer, mental health, physical health, water therapies and resilience training.

As part of SPS Facility, there are also planned off-campus activities and excursions, with visits to other parts of New Zealand, during and after the courses. Families of SPS Facility participants will visit towards the end of a program to attend graduation and will also be hosted on site-seeing excursions bringing additional tourism opportunities to the region. SPSCL has engaged with a group of New Zealand Defence Force veterans to operate and manage excursions, SPSCL will support Kiwi veterans to establish businesses capable of providing support and services to the Campus.

The SPS Facility will be open to individual athletes and teams, who will be able to utilise the gym facilities. These users will be drawn from the region, national and international. It is anticipated that elite athletes will use the facilities for intensive training camps prior to competition. It is anticipated that elite athletes will use the facilities for a day or over the course of a week, with 250 individuals and 20 teams per annum. SPSCL is also planning for there to be rugby and other sports workshops. SPSCL plans to host more than 500 athletes per annum, comprised of approximately:

- 10 training programs per year of up to 250 individual athletes on campus at any one time (i.e 500+- per annum in total); and
- 8 training camps that will have capacity for 8 teams of 20 athletes each (i.e. 200+-per annum in total).
- This does not factor in planned Invictus Games style championships where it envisaged that up to 500+ athletes will attend an event utilising local motel/hotel accommodation in Ashburton.

Finally, there may also be other activities on the Campus such as sporting events, corporate events, and gatherings, which are yet to be defined. SPS is planning to have one large event per annum that will attract around 500 or more competitors and approximately 2,000 spectators. The outdoor sports facilities will be available for use by local school sports teams on weekends, and occasional regional competitions, also on weekends.

The operational activity is expected to be split approximately seventy-thirty, between international and domestic athletes/veterans. This means that approximately seventy percent of the Campus's operational activity will be new money flowing into the national economy.

SPES Facility

The SPES Facility will be established as an international standard Equestrian Sports Centre catering to polo and equestrian sports and will be established alongside the SPS Facility on the south western side of the site. This includes:

- A large indoor arena for both equestrian and polo, outdoor equestrian arenas and two full size polo fields with supporting services, stables, full service horse float park. The large indoor arena will also be made available for stud sales, vintage car, Canterbury and national produce events etc.
- A world-class Equine High Tech Veterinary Clinic staffed by equine specialists to support training and research in equine health.
- An onsite café and restaurant to service members and public 7 days a week.
- A small retail offering of equine products in joint venture with an Ashburton Equestrian retailer.

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 Twenty-four 2 bed motel style accommodation units are planned as part of the centre.

The SPES Facility will operate seven days a week, attracting memberships from throughout the Region in both polo and equestrian, and also include both national and international events in all mediums of the sport (for example international polo teams training and competing might purchase New Zealand bred and trained ponies for export back to player countries).

The operational activity is expected to be split approximately sixty-forty, between domestic and international athletes/veterans.

The Campus as a whole

Supporting both facilities will be proven technologies to ensure the Campus supports a carbon-zero strategy. As the site falls outside of Council reticulated services, SPSCL will implement solutions including:

- A proven bio-waste sewage system processing facility producing clean potable water by-product which will feed into a filtered onsite pond for irrigation and firefighting supplies.
- An SPSCL joint venture offsite bio-energy facility to process all campus bio waste producing an enriched compost for supply to SPSC glasshouse gardens and methane gas for heating and cooking within the campus.
- All major onsite facilities will be clad with a solar energy 'skin' to generate solar
 power for storage in battery banks and link to EA Networks grid. The stored battery
 banks will provide backup to the charging of campus staff electric vehicles (being
 courtesy vans and onsite golf carts).
- On-site Hydrogen supply tanks will support the Campus coaches.

Both facilities will be constructed at the same time due to chosen construction methodologies and technologies. The facilities for both centres will be 'Sprung' structures which are NZ Building Code approved structures with earthquake, fire wind, hurricane, snow load, flood proof and passive facilities. It is noted that two Sprung facilities have already been consented in Christchurch.

While it is expected that the sports fields will be open to school sports on weekends and some locals may utilise the services provided on the Campus, it is likely that this usage will be a minimal part of the operation.

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