

# Dunedin Gymnastic Academy Dunedin City Council 2023/24 Annual Plan Submission

#### 1. Summary

The Dunedin Gymnastic Academy is seeking:

- \$3,000,000 from DCC to support capital building costs, or,
- \$280,000 from DCC per year (starting in 2023/24), for a duration of approximately 20 years to support borrowing of \$3,000,000, and,
- DCC to act as a bank-loan guarantor, and,
- DCC support for the utilisation of Sidey Park as the preferred building location (dependent on consents and agreements).

The details of this proposal can be amended by agreement. Particular borrowing details, conditions and agreements will need to be discussed.

### 2. Background

Dunedin Gymnastic Academy:

- Are a not-for-profit charitable organisation,
- Have over 700 active members,
- Employ over 30 paid, part-time and full-time staff. Our coaches are often ex-gymnasts and tertiary students,
- It is the 5<sup>th</sup> largest gym club (by membership) in New Zealand and the second largest in the South Island,
- Has a 'gym for all' philosophy of providing fundamental movement skills for all ages and skill levels in a wide range of programmes and classes,
- Offer many programmes such as artistic gymnastics (recreational and competitive), parkour, preschool gym-fun, tumbling, trampoline, school programmes, adult gym, cheerleading, school holiday programmes and even host birthday parties,
- Provide a regional hub for Artistic gymsports, hosting Southern Champs and other large events which cater for athletes from multiple clubs across the South Island,



- A specialised training facility for multiple sports including diving and athletics (especially pole vault) as well as many other aerial skills-based sports (through open adults' classes),
- Is one of several gymnastics clubs in Dunedin. Total membership from others is approximately 200, and,
- Is governed by a committee of elected volunteers.

## 3. Proposal

We have attached our Facility Proposal document (inclusive of a feasibility assessment) to this report. We look forward to speaking to you and to answer any questions you have regarding the proposal.

## 4. Thank You

DGA thanks Councillors and Council staff for their consideration of our submission. You have invested your time and your support to DGA for many years. We have had a constant theme of support from all that we have engaged with, and with your support we are confident we are heading on the right path. Thank you.

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