

MINUTES	MEETING HELD ON	TIME
ŌTAKI COMMUNITY BOARD	TUESDAY 29 NOVEMBER 2011	7.00PM

MINUTES of a meeting of the Ōtaki Community Board, held in the Dr Gertrude Atmore Supper Room, Memorial Hall, Main Street, Ōtaki, on Tuesday 29 November 2011 commencing at 7.00pm.

PRESENT:

Mr	D	Moselen
Mr	J	Cootes
Cr	P	Gaylor
Ms	M	Stevens
Mr	C	Pearce

IN ATTENDANCE:

Mayor	J	Rowan	
Dr	G	Ferguson	(Group Manager, Strategy & Partnerships)
Mrs	S	Shaw	(Executive Secretary, Strategy & Partnerships)
Ms	T	Evans	(Group Manager, Community Services)
Mr	S	Mallon	(Group Manager, Infrastructure Services)
Mr	J	Perkins	(Network Contracts Engineer)
Ms	M	Sweetman	(Project Coordinator)
Ms	S	Johnson	(Strategic Projects Analyst)

The Chairperson welcomed everyone to the meeting and declared it open.

OCB 11/11/113
APOLOGIES

There were no apologies.

OCB 11/11/114
PUBLIC SPEAKING TIME

1. Mary Colman from the Kapiti Coast Harness Racing Club spoke to the Board in regards to their grant application. The funding will assist with helping fund the children's activities for the day. They have a variety of entertainment for the children including educational activities.
2. Sue McIntosh from the Waitohu Stream Care Group spoke to the Board regarding the enforcement of vehicles on Otaki Beach. She has rung the Council call centre to complain and they have said to contact the Police. Jeff Monk has photos of motorcyclists on the beach which he tabled. There are also continuing concerns around motorbikes in the restoration area.
3. Dave Frost spoke to the Board in regards to the Oriwa Crescent Playground proposal. He would like to know
 - a. what are the results from the last letter mail out re the playground?
 - b. if the playground does go ahead, would the area be classified as a dog free area?
 - c. what do the Council plan to do re toilet facilities at the reserve?

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4. Jenny Pritchard from the Horowhenua Adult Literacy spoke to the Board in regards to their grant application. They are aware that people in the Otaki area are missing out on numeracy and literacy help. Some Otaki residents are travelling down to Paraparaumu to seek help. They would like to set up a scheme in Otaki.
5. Alison Joss from Te Horo School spoke in regards to their grant application. They are seeking funding for costs towards the entertainment for their Christmas Carols Events on 2 December.
6. Rex Kerr thanked the Board and Council for the support they have received for the Heartland Rugby game and also for completing the changing rooms at the Domain. He also extended his thanks to the grounds staff that worked on the grounds; he has received a comment on how it was a great ground to play on from the opposing team's captain.
7. Joshua Pain spoke to the Board in regards to his grant application. He has been selected to attend the Ricki Herbert Football Academy in Sydney. He has been playing since he was five.
8. Mike Chase from House of Hope spoke to the Board in regards to his grant application for the Christmas in the Park 2011 event. It is being held on 3 December in Otaki. It showcases local talent and celebrates local successes in the community.
9. Romain Butterfield spoke to the Board in regards to communication and project management of the Main Street upgrade. Her concerns were regarding the lack of notification for the two public information sessions and the information not being up to date.
10. Melissa Gilberd lives on Rangatira Street. She lives right next to where the Main Street contractors have been storing their equipment and supplies. During the night work on the Main Street they constantly go back and forth to the site next to her house which has kept her and her family awake. She has rung the Council call centre that took note of her complaint and also enquired whether the noise control officers could help. She had heard that the equipment was going to be moved but it was still there, she wanted to know what is happening.
11. Heni Wirihana (Janie Wilson) spoke to the Board in regards to her grant application. Te Kura Kaupapa Maori o Te Rito who are holding a bi-annual event in Otaki. They are seeking funding to help host the visitors, and are expecting around 400 people. Heni informed the Board that she had received a phonecall from the Council that Harutai Park was unavailable for the planned event as siteworks were being undertaken on that date. She asked the Board to look into and see if the works could be postponed until after the event.
12. Noel Bigwood spoke to the Board regarding the Otaki Birthright Grant Application they have 128 families registered with Birthright. They are requesting funding for the Annual Big Dig event at Otaki Beach on 15 January 2012.
13. Gerry Hardman spoke about the Main Street upgrade. He tabled a letter he had received from the Mayor. There are issues around large vehicles using the Main Street and also the issue around emergency vehicles that need to get to Ōtaki Beach.
14. Max Lutz spoke to the Board and thanked the Board for the work they have done this year. He also asked Dr Ferguson if there was any update on the Atkinson Ave Bridge over Rangiu Stream.

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CHAIRPERSON'S/MEMBERS' BUSINESS

(a) Public Speaking Time Responses:

1. Waitohu Stream Group – Motorcycles on the beach have been an ongoing problem. There is work going on with working with Beach Patrols and looking at protocols and strategies on how to manage this.
2. Oriwa Crescent Playground – Results of the survey will be reported back to the Community Board in a formal report at the first meeting of 2012. Questions about the dog areas and toilets will also come back to the first meeting of 2012.
3. Main Street Upgrade – The comments from the meeting will be taken on board. The equipment will be removed by the end of the week from Rangitira Street and there will be no more night work. As Officer-in-Charge of the Otaki Police Sergeant Noel Bigwood commented that he was consulted about the plan down Main Street and is comfortable with the speed limit.
4. Atkinson Ave Bridge – The Bridge can be built this financial year. Council are looking at the design concepts and costing and will consult with residents in the immediate vicinity to ensure that they are comfortable with the planned bridge.

(b) Leave of Absence – there were none

(c) Matters of an Urgent Nature – there were none

(d) Declarations of Interest Relating to Items on the Agenda – Ms Stevens declared an interest with the Te Horo School grant application.

OCB11/11/116

CONSIDERATION OF APPLICATION FOR FUNDING (SP-11-425)

MOVED (Gaylor/Cootes)

That the Ōtaki Community Board approves a funding grant to be made to Horowhenua Adult Literacy Services of \$500 from the Community Grants Fund, to assist with the costs of starting up a new Literacy Service for Otaki Residents.

CARRIED

MOVED (Cootes/Pearce)

That the Ōtaki Community Board approves a funding grant to be made to Otaki Christmas in the Park 2011 of \$500 from the Community Grants Fund, to assist with the costs of running the Otaki Annual Christmas in the Park event for 2011.

CARRIED

The Ōtaki Community Board declined a funding grant to the Parkinsons Society Kapiti/Horowhenua Inc to assist with the increased costs to the Society of providing a Field Officer who services some of their members in the Otaki district.

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MOVED (Cootes/Gaylor)

That the Ōtaki Community Board approves a funding grant to be made to Otaki Volunteer Community Patrols of \$500 from the Community Grants Fund, to assist with patrol costs.

CARRIED

MOVED (Gaylor/Pearce)

That the Ōtaki Community Board approves a funding grant to be made to Te Horo School of \$500 from the Community Grants Fund, to assist with the costs of providing entertainment for the Community Christmas Carols in Te Horo.

CARRIED

MOVED (Gaylor/Stevens)

That the Ōtaki Community Board approves a funding grant to be made to Birthright (Ōtaki) of \$300 from the Community Grants Fund, to assist with the costs of running the Big Dig Event at Otaki Beach.

CARRIED

MOVED (Gaylor/Cootes)

That the Ōtaki Community Board approves a funding grant to be made to Kapiti Coast Harness Racing Club Inc of \$500 from the Community Grants Fund, to assist with the costs of children's entertainment for the Summer Festival Harness Sport Annual Event.

CARRIED

MOVED (Pearce/Stevens)

That the Ōtaki Community Board approves a funding grant to be made to Joshua Pain of \$100 from the Sporting Activity Grants Fund, to assist with the costs of attending the Ricki Herbet Football Academy in Sydney.

CARRIED

MOVED (Pearce/Cootes)

That the Ōtaki Community Board approves a funding grant to be made to Te Kura Kaupapa Maori o Te Rito of \$500 from the Building & Resource Consent Grants Fund, to assist with the costs of facility hire for the Wiki Hākinakina.

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The Ōtaki Community Board agreed to consider the grant for the Otaki Branch of NZSG next financial year, the grant is to assist with the costs of hall hire for a public display of genealogy in July 2012.

OCB 11/11/117
GREATER ŌTAKI PROJECT UPDATE

Otaki Main Street Upgrade

Tamsin Evans and John Perkins gave an update to the Board in regards to the Otaki Main Street Upgrade. Ms Evans apologised for the lack of notice of the information sessions, this was due to the exceptionally high work load Council Officers were experiencing.

After Christmas work is planned to start on 16 January. The Board suggested it might be better to start at the end of January to avoid clashing with school holidays.

The Mayor on behalf of Council apologised to the Board and Community about the unexpected delays in completing the Main Street Upgrade.

Mr Pearce thanked Ms Evans for her attendance at the information sessions and also her courage and professional manner dealing with issues around the Main Street upgrade. Mr Pearce on behalf of the local business houses acknowledged the work that Margaret Sweetman has done with the Main Street upgrade.

It was agreed that a frequently asked questions sheet should be distributed to the Board before Christmas.

The Mayor left the meeting at 8.52pm

OCB 11/11/118
CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

MOVED (Cootes/Stevens)

That the minutes of the Ōtaki Community Board meeting held on 18 October 2011 are confirmed as a true and accurate record.

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SUBMISSION FROM THE OTAKI COMMUNITY BOARD TO GREATER WELLINGTON REGIONAL COUNCIL ON THE OTAKI PUBLIC TRANSPORT REVIEW (SP-11-429)

Sue Johnson, Strategic Projects Analyst spoke to her report.

Dr Ferguson suggested the Board look at preparing a business case in the first half of the year and to include passenger transport as a key issue. Cr Gaylor provided some comments on the submission.

MOVED (Gaylor/Cootes)

That the Ōtaki Community Board notes that this review fails to develop a strategic approach to the transport issues that Ōtaki faces now and in the future.

That the Ōtaki Community Board approves the draft submission on the Ōtaki Public Transport Review (see Appendix One of report SP-11-429) to be sent to Greater Wellington Regional Council, subject to the changes made by the Board.

CARRIED

OCB 11/11/120
EXPRESSWAY

Dr Ferguson advised Board Members that NZTA will update Council and the Community Boards next week on matters relating to the Expressway route between Pekapeka and Otaki.

OCB 11/11/121
COMMUNITY ISSUES CHECKLIST AND ARCHIVE

Waitohu Stream Group

Ms Evans to look at what's happening with voluntary beach patrols.

International Arts Festival

The Board has given \$8,000 to the International Arts Festival to bring a show to Ōtaki College and have given \$2,000 to Ōtaki College to subsidise tickets for students.

NZTA – Graffiti on highway

Dr Ferguson will get a contact number for the Board to have in case they need to report graffiti.

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Board members queried graffiti on private properties and asked if there is anything Council can do. Dr Ferguson would follow up on this and report back.

Request for a sign at the top of Tasman Road

Noel Bigwood updated the Board on this request. Roading Engineers will go up and review the area.

Meeting with Otaki Police and NZTA to discuss traffic management process for Christmas period.

Sergeant Noel Bigwood gave an update on this. Passing lanes are closed over the Christmas period which will minimize the congestion. The Otaki Maori Racing Club is holding their New Year race meeting day on the 4 January which has changed from previous years so the traffic congestion should be less. Sergeant Bigwood and his staff will be working over the Christmas period to monitor the traffic through the State Highway shopping area.

OCB 11/11/122
OTHER BUSINESS

Cr Gaylor has been in contact with a resident who has been having issues around a blocked man hole which has been discharging sewage. The question was raised if operations staff can check man holes in the vicinity of the race course before big events so the risk of sewage is minimal. The resident has queried whether reimbursement would be a possibility to cover previous work that has happened trying to locate this problem.

Ms Stevens has concerns around the rubbish that is around the old Pacific Plastics Building, believing that it is a fire risk, she recently lodged a service request with Council and has heard nothing. Council Officers will follow up.

The Chair, Don Moselen extended warm Christmas and New Year Greetings to Board members and Council Officers and advised that he was looking forward to everyone continuing to work together for the benefit of the community of Otaki in 2012.

The meeting was declared closed at 10.00pm

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