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KĀPITI COAST DISTRICT COUNCIL	THURSDAY 6 MARCH 2014	10.05 AM

Minutes of a six-weekly meeting of the Kapiti Coast District Council on Thursday 6 March 2014, commencing at 10.05 am in Council Chambers, Ground Floor, Kapiti Coast District Council, 175 Rimu Road, Paraparaumu.

PRESENT

Mayor	R	Church	(Chair)
Cr	D	Ammundsen	
Cr	M	Bell	
Cr	M	Cardiff	
Cr	J	Elliott	
Cr	P	Gaylor	(from 1.27pm)
Cr	K	Gurunathan	
Cr	J	Holborow	
Cr	D	Scott	
Cr	G	Welsh	

ATTENDING

Ms	F	Vining	(Chair, Paraparaumu-Raumati Community Board)
Mr	J	Cootes	(Chair, Ōtaki Community Board, from 10.40am)
Mr	M	Scott	(Chair, Waikanae Community Board until 1pm)
Mr	J	McDonald	(Chair, Paekākāriki Community Board) from 1.21pm
Mr	P	Dougherty	(Chief Executive)
Mr	S	McArthur	(Group Manager, Strategy and Partnerships)
Ms	T	Evans	(Group Manager, Community Services)
Mr	W	Maxwell	(Group Manager, Corporate Services)
Mr	S	Mallon	(Group Manager, Infrastructure Services)
Ms	F	Wilde	(Chair, Greater Wellington Regional Council (GWRC))
Mr	A	Gabbara	(Manager, Rail Operations, GWRC)
Cr	P	Swain	(Deputy Chair, Regional Transport Committee, GWRC)
Cr	N	Wilson	(Councillor, Kapiti constituency, GWRC)
Ms	V	Starbuck-Maffey	(Democratic Services Team Leader)

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APOLOGIES

MOVED (Mayor/ Welsh)

An apology was received from Cr Gaylor for lateness.

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It was noted that Cr Lloyd was on leave of absence, and that Cr Gaylor was presenting a Select Committee submission on Council's behalf.

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**FRAN WILDE, CHAIR, GREATER WELLINGTON REGIONAL COUNCIL (GWRC):
PRESENTATION ON RAUMATI RAILWAY STATION**

The Chair of GWRC Fran Wilde gave a PowerPoint presentation on the Raumati Railway Station issue. She was accompanied by Cr Paul Swain Public Transport Portfolio Leader, Cr Nigel Wilson and Angus Gabara, Manager Rail Operations.

The presentation covered the following points:

- The Regional Rail Plan was intended to span a period of 30 years;
- The Kāpiti Line continued to show growth in patronage;
- Development budgets were still constrained;
- Some stations were already placed too close together (the ideal spacing between stations was 3km);
- Future developments were expected to include faster journey times from Kapiti stations (express trains, fewer stops), a 33% increase in peak trains, and a need for more Park 'n Ride (especially at Paraparaumu and Waikanae);
- The requirements for future new stations were outlined eg. 2 x 200m platforms, safe access between platforms and stations, signalling changes, shelters, security cameras , signage and lighting, carpark space and access;
- Any request for an additional station would require a business case, with consideration of strategic fit, effectiveness and efficiency;
- The history of GWRC's consideration of the Raumati Railway Station issue was outlined noting that while the Regional Rail Plan didn't support the proposal, it didn't preclude the concept of the Station. However the proposed site could be as close as 1.4km from the Paraparaumu Station, and this would slow commuter journeys by two minutes;
- The likely cost of the Raumati Station would be \$10.2 million but this didn't include the costs of disruption;
- Estimated new users of the Railway Station would be around 250 per day which would not meet NZTA's required threshold of 300;
- In summary: a case could not be made for a station costing between \$8-12 million with less than 300 new passengers as there was no strategic fit with the overall network development;
- Regarding the much-requested electrification to Ōtaki the Regional Plan did not include this development in the foreseeable future and the suggestion was made that future population growth in Ōtaki could better be served by purpose-built diesel units and/or carriages (ie long distance trains);
- Ms Wilde acknowledged the work of the Raumati Railway Action Group and also the advocacy of Cr Nigel Wilson and understood why the Action Group was not happy with the Regional Council's response.

Councillors acknowledged the presentation and further discussion included the following points:

- The same presentation had been given to the Paraparaumu-Raumati Community Board who had recommended it come before Council;

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- The disparity between figures provided by the Raumati Railway Action Group and those supplied by GWRC was highlighted. However, regardless of the figures they still did not meet the threshold measure of 300 new users;
- The concept of the Railway Station had been the subject of longstanding debate. It had been retained in the GWRC Plan but its viability had eroded over time and it had never been included in the GWRC priority list as it did not meet the business case criteria demanded by NZTA. However the Plan was now being refreshed and there was always room for further debate;
- The need for further Park 'n Ride provision in Waikanae was becoming critical. Current occupancy of parking spaces was full and there was now pressure around the Primary School for commuter parking: GWRC would be prepared to consider purchasing or leasing suitable land in Waikanae if it became available.
- The Plan needed to include a shorter timeframe for addressing Ōtaki's public transport needs. The Capital Connection service was unlikely to survive in the longer term. GWRC urged greater patronage of existing services and for residents of both Waikanae and Ōtaki to submit to the Regional Plan on these matters
- The point was made about the interdependency of rail and bus services with the latter adding to total travel time for commuters. The provision of a shuttle service between Ōtaki and Waikanae could be considered, depending on levels of usage. An electric shuttle concept was also mooted, but was unlikely to manifest unless it could be demonstrated that demand outstripped the supply of bus services;
- Cr Wilson commented that the Regional Council was adopting its Draft Annual Plan today with a proposed rate rise of 6.1%. Submissions close on 28 April and he urged Kāpiti residents to make submissions.

The Mayor thanked the delegation for the presentation and discussion. Councillors agreed to pass the following resolution:

MOVED (Holborow/Gurunathan)

Council thanks the Greater Wellington Regional Council for clarifying its position around the Raumati Railway Station issue and notes the practical difficulties that have been identified within its report and the reasons why the provision of the Station is not in the Draft Regional Rail Plan.

CARRIED

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SPECIAL RECOGNITION AWARD TO HAROLD THOMAS, QSM, JP

The Mayor presented Harold Thomas with an award to mark his 31 years of public service to the Waikanae community. The Mayor cited some of Mr Thomas'

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achievements. The plaque was presented by Waikanae Community Board Chair Michael Scott who paid tribute to Mr Thomas' mentorship, integrity and leadership during his time on the Board. Cr Gurunathan also paid tribute to the causes which Mr Thomas had supported as an Elected Member. Mr Thomas said he felt it was a privilege to serve the community and he had enjoyed debating the issues. In his long career he said one of the highlights was the establishment of the Electra Trust.

The meeting adjourned at 11.49am and reconvened at 12.05pm

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PUBLIC SPEAKING TIME

1. John Hayes Chair of the Older Persons' Council read a submission on behalf of Bernie Randall (circulated) about the Kiosk at Maclean Park, Paraparaumu Beach. Mr Randall represented a group called Save the Kiosk Action Group and urged Council to consult more comprehensively with the community about the Kiosk's future.
2. Ron Cook spoke about the traffic issues on Realm Drive, criticising the apparent inaction by some Council staff. The Mayor asked him to desist from making personal remarks about staff. The Chief Executive invited Mr Cook to meet with himself or the Mayor if he had proof of his allegations about staff behaviour. Mr Cook said that traffic issues in Realm Drive included speeding vehicles, trucks using the road with consequent damage to the seal, and safety issues at the Mazengarb entrance near the bus stop.

Councillors asked questions about what remedial actions could be carried out immediately, such as installing bollards at the Mazengarb entrance and Stop signs. It was explained that the Paraparaumu-Raumati Community Board had recently voted for a suite of traffic-calming measures researched and recommended by staff. The issue of installing a speed camera was for the police to consider and action. The noise factor was due to the nature of the current road seal. The Kapiti Bus Company was apparently still using the road as a connector.

3. Win Taylor spoke in support of reinstating the Kiosk, especially the Police presence there, and also urged Council to reinstall the tui sculpture at Paraparaumu Beach.
4. Trevor Daniell spoke to a submission on behalf of the Kapiti Safer Community Trust in support of the Kiosk (letter circulated) and the police presence.
5. Trevor Daniell also spoke on behalf of the Raumati Residents' Association, saying that the Railway Group contested the user figures supplied by GWRC. He urged Council to revisit this issue with GWRC and the Railway Group.

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MEMBERS' BUSINESS

(a) Responses to Public Speaking Time

- To John Hayes (Bernie Randall) – consultation with the community was ongoing about the fate of the Kiosk with the Community Board organising a meeting in the next couple of weeks. The Council would respond in writing to the questions posed in the submission. Tamsin Evans Group Manager Community Services clarified that the costs mentioned in the officer report

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that went to the Community Board were estimates, and included one from the builder of the Kiosk. Funding could be found but this would mean reallocating money from other budgets. Other options for the site were investigated and reference was made to the Kāpiti Island Gateway concept, which would be the subject of a report at the March meeting of the Environment and Community Development (ECD) Committee. There were health and safety issues with the Kiosk in its current state including damage to the bearing pillars which were not visible as they were under the Kiosk.

- To Ron Cook – the Mayor reiterated his point about Council staff not being personally attacked in public and said he had taken independent legal advice on this matter. Mr Cook apologised.
- In regard to the traffic issues on Realm Drive, the Group Manager Infrastructure Services Sean Mallon made the following points:
 - At the February meeting of the Parapararumu-Raumati Community Board five recommendations were passed to deal with issues of speed and enforcement;
 - The police had committed to carrying out more monitoring and enforcement on the road and would consider installing a speed camera if monitoring indicated this was required;
 - The report did not recommend the installation of Stop signs but did recommend that a further report be provided to the Board in six months time to indicate the effect of the traffic-calming measures. At that point the Board could consider installing a Stop sign;
 - The works having been approved by the Board were expected to commence immediately;
 - Mr Mallon explained that reducing the speed limit would require consultation, an officer report and consideration by the Board which would then have to make a recommendation to the Regulatory Management Committee. The speed issue would be revisited in six months' time;
 - Regarding the suggestion of bollards these could be considered if it was proven that trucks were driving over the kerb at the corner;
 - The question was asked whether the Kapiti Bus Company had been contacted by Council with a request to alter their route and avoid Realm Drive;
 - The Council had monitored vehicle movements and speeding at the site and had data which did not support residents' claims;
 - The Council maintained a network of roads across the District and tried to provide a consistent level of service across this network. Everyone wanted a hotmix surface, but under Council policy movements of more than 8,000 vehicles were required before the hotmix seal would be laid down, unless there were other mitigating

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factors. According to Council data there had been a reduction in the speed of vehicles using the road as a result of Council works done in 2006 and 2007. There had also been no accidents along the road in nine years.

- Under the current District Plan Realm Drive was classified as a connector road and no type of vehicle was prohibited from using it or any road in the District.
- To Trevor Daniell – the need for consultation on the Kiosk was acknowledged and consultation was underway through the Community Board.

The meeting adjourned at 1pm and reconvened at 1.21pm

Jack McDonald Chair of the Paekākāriki Community Board joined the meeting.

- (b) Leave of Absence – none was requested.
- (c) Matters of an Urgent Nature – there were none.
- (d) Declarations of interest – none

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CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

MOVED (Ammundsen/Bell)

That the minutes of the Council meeting on 23 January 2014 be accepted as a true and accurate record of that meeting.

CARRIED

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MAYOR'S REPORT

The Mayor's report was tabled.

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RAUMATI POOL BUILDING REFURBISHMENT (CS-13-1091)

This report was introduced by Leisure and Open Space Planner Nathan Mourie and Leisure and Open Space Asset Manager Lex Bartlett. They outlined the history of action and options in regards to the building. Council was asked to consider whether detailed design work should proceed. Other key points included:

- If the project was deferred, funding was available to keep the building viable;

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- The land was classified as reserve land but it had never been gazetted by the Department of Conservation (DOC) – gazettement was being done now. Council was the administering authority for the site;

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- Council was in discussion with a number of community groups who may wish to use the building. Councillors asked if those groups might be able to contribute funds towards the development. Although unlikely, they could have access to grant funds unavailable to Council;
- An assessment of the seismic condition of the building would be carried out subject to the decision Council made today;
- Discussions were ongoing with the Raumati Swimming Club about their continued use of the building; if the development used the Club's rooms on the first floor in the building a scissor lift would have to be installed;
- Some Councillors were in favour of deferring the project and maintaining the building until 2015 when the project could be revisited during the LTP process. Others were in favour of spending some money to progress the design and get things moving;
- It was acknowledged that the issue should be discussed with the Paraparaumu-Raumati Community Board, although the final decision rested with Council. It was explained that this report would have gone back to the Community Board for a recommendation to Council but a decision was needed now for input to the Draft Annual Plan process.
- Cr Ammundsen moved recommendations 43, 44 and 45 and these were seconded by Cr Gurunathan. The meeting then agreed to vote on each recommendation separately, and both mover and seconder agreed to this.

MOVED (Ammundsen/ Gurunathan)

That the Council approves the concept for the development of the Raumati Pool building as described in Appendices 4 and 5 of this report (CS-13-1091) and agrees the detailed design should be developed in the current financial year.

A show of hands was requested

For the motion – 5

Against the motion – 5

The Mayor used his casting vote and the motion was LOST

MOVED (Ammundsen/ Gurunathan)

That the Council approves the project to redevelop the Raumati Pool building being deferred with the timing and funding being reviewed during the development of the 2015 Long Term Plan.

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MOVED (Ammundsen/ Gurunathan)

That funding through the Lottery Grants Board Community Facilities Fund be investigated if the project is to proceed.

CARRIED

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GOVERNANCE STATEMENT – 2013-2016 TRIENNIUM (Corp-13-1054)

Ms Starbuck-Maffey Democratic Services Team Leader spoke to the report explaining that a Governance Statement was required by April under statute and that the document explained to the community how the Council operated. Councillors requested some amendments and raised some issues:

- The dot points under the heading Economic Development Projects (page 5) would be checked for completeness;
- It was clarified that the responsibility for water quality monitoring was largely the responsibility of GWRC; Council does carry out a limited amount of water monitoring and this was covered under the section on Stormwater (page 7);
- With regard to the section on page 8 on the Council's Voting System Council requested officers to research the process for considering a possible change to the current STV system;
- The text should be updated to reflect the amendments to the Local Government Act 2002 in respect of the Mayor's powers and the appointment of Committee Chairs;
- Councillors requested the Memorandum of Partnership between Council and iwi be brought to a Council meeting for consideration. The document was currently being reviewed through Te Whakaminenga o Kāpiti;
- The division of responsibility between Council and staff was clarified (page 16);
- A minor amendment was to be made to the table on page 18 to explain when the Control of Alcohol in Public Places Bylaw was adopted.

MOVED (Holborow/Ammundsen)

That in accordance with Section 40(1) of the Local Government Act 2002, the Council adopts and makes publicly available the Governance Statement for the 2013-2016 Triennium as at Appendix 2 of report Corp-13-1054 with amendments by the Council.

That the Council authorises the Chief Executive to make administrative updates to the Governance Statement as necessary in respect of any subsequent changes in circumstances or amendments the council

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might make to the individual policies contained or referenced in the Governance Statement.

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**REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES AND
COMMUNITY BOARDS (Corp-14-1097)**

Environment and Community Development Committee

MOVED (Gaylor/Holborow)

That the Council notes:

- **the findings of the independent Strategic Review of Kāpiti Visitor Information Network (i-SITES) as attached in Appendix 2 to SP 13-1080; and**
- **the work streams being undertaken to investigate further the implications and costs of the recommendations so that these can inform the decisions Council makes as part of the 2015 Long Term Plan process.**

CARRIED

Otaki Community Board

MOVED (Gaylor/Ammundsen)

That the Council does not develop a tennis court in the Te Horo Beach area at this time and that the funding be returned to the Otaki Reserves Fund; and

That \$80,000 be prioritised within the Otaki Reserve Fund towards a significant project at Te Horo Beach involving wider community support, developed in accordance of the criteria of the Otaki Reserve Fund.

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Paraparaumu-Raumati Community Board

MOVED (Gurunathan/Bell)

That the decision on the future of the kiosk at Maclean Park be deferred for consideration at the Paraparaumu-Raumati Community Board meeting on 1 April 2014, to enable the Board to engage with the community and establish the level of interest in the future of the kiosk.

CARRIED

MOVED (Gaylor/Scott)

That Council receives report Corp-14-1097.

CARRIED

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DRAFT MINUTES OF THE CIVIL DEFENCE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT GROUP – 22 NOVEMBER 2013

MOVED (Ammundsen/Gaylor)

That Council receives and notes the unconfirmed Minutes of the Civil Defence Emergency Management Group Joint Committee meeting on 22 November 2013.

CARRIED

The meeting was closed at 2.35pm

Signed / / 2014

Mayor Ross Church, Chair