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WAIKANAĒ COMMUNITY BOARD	TUESDAY 21 OCTOBER 2014	7.30PM

MINUTES of a six-weekly meeting of the Waikanae Community Board held at the **Waikanae Community Centre**, Utauta Street, Waikanae on **Tuesday 21 October 2014**, commencing at **7.30pm**.

PRESENT:

Mr	M	Scott	Chair
Mr	E	Gregory	Deputy Chair
Mrs	J	Prvanov	
Mr	J	Westbury	
Cr	T	Lloyd	

IN ATTENDANCE:

Ms	T	Evans	Group Manager Community Services
Mrs	J	Nock	Executive Secretary, Corporate Services

Greater Wellington Regional Council

Mr	K	Nauta	Project Engineer Flood Protection
Mr	M	Hooker	Investigations Strategy and Planning Team, Flood Protection

The Chair welcomed everyone present, thanked Cr Jackie Elliott for her attendance and declared the meeting open.

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(a) Apologies

There were no apologies.

(b) Declarations of Interest Relating to Items on the Agenda

There were no declarations of interest.

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PUBLIC SPEAKING TIME – Grant Applications

Waikanae Music Society

Wendy van Delden, on behalf of the Waikanae Music Society, spoke to their application asking for assistance with costs of producing their 2015 brochure.

Combined Lions' Clubs of Kapiti

David Forsythe, on behalf of the Combined Lions' Clubs of Kapiti, spoke to their application asking for assistance with costs for their 2014 Lions' Foodbank Collection. It was confirmed that the Club had applied to all four community boards.

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PUBLIC SPEAKING TIME – other issues

Keep Waikanae Beautiful

Norma McCallum, on behalf of the group 'Keep Waikanae Beautiful' reminded Board Members that in 1999 Waikanae had won a Highly Commended award in the Keep New Zealand Beautiful Towns competition and in 2008 Waikanae had been awarded Best Small Town by North and South magazine. The Group were now proposing to enter Waikanae in the KNZB Beautiful Towns Awards for 2015 and to help achieve this they requested support from the Board on the following issues:

- liaise with Tranzmetro to ask that in addition to cleaning and painting the Waikanae Bridge over SH1, they also include cleaning the rail bridge and surrounding area;

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- urge estate agents and owners to press for leasing of empty shops and also:
 - the SH1 fish and chip shop wall was a disgrace, (the Group had made several attempts to contact the owner to no avail); and
 - empty section next to Bloom was full of weeds and rubbish and ideally could be transformed into a small park with seating area.
- the Council had partially tidied the crib wall from the marae to Te Moana Road but the wall remained an eyesore with dead plants and an unattractive area around the seat at the corner of Te Moana Road;
- urge contract cleaners to clean thoroughly, especially cigarette-butt filled gutters and drains; most notably along the pavement from Countdown to Aputa House; and
- two dead trees in the sculpture gardens needed to be removed.

Members commented about rubbish in the rose garden by the Station and questioned if there was a contract to keep that area cleaned; the Chair advised this would be looked into.

It was confirmed that the Council was unable to clean off graffiti if it was on private property.

Destination Waikanae

David Royal spoke on behalf of Destination Waikanae and tabled a letter regarding their Group becoming an Incorporated Society and asked for support from Board Members. Due to Waikanae not having specific representation to put to the Waikanae Town Centre Project, Destination Waikanae, which included business and property owners, was formed to give feedback into the long term planning of Waikanae and also to create interest in developing the business of Waikanae which was felt would be dramatically altered once the Expressway opened.

The Chair advised that the Waikanae Community Board was a big supporter of local groups and thanked Mr Royal for his attendance.

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CONSIDERATION OF APPLICATIONS FOR FUNDING (Corp-14-1366)

MOVED (Prvanov/Gregory)

That the Waikanae Community Board grants the Waikanae Music Society a grant of \$750 plus GST from the Promotion Fund to help with costs of producing their 2015 brochure.

CARRIED

MOVED (Scott/Prvanov)

That the Waikanae Community Board grants the Combined Lions' Clubs of Kapiti a discretionary grant of \$500 to assist with costs for their 2014 Lions' Foodbank Collection.

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UPDATE: JIM COOKE PARK STOPBANK RECONSTRUCTION – Greater Wellington Regional Council (GWRC)

Kees Nauta gave an update/presentation on the Stopbank Reconstruction that covered:

- 1 in 100 year flood map for Jim Cooke Park Stopbank breach at upper end;
- proposed Stopbanks;
- stages of Consultation (starting early 2014 and continuing to early 2015);
- issues (including tree removal, effects of construction, encroachments and impacts);
- feedback received to date (including 30 submissions supporting the stopbank and 2 against); and
- Next Steps:
 - modifying the stopbank location/design where possible to allow existing trees to remain along the boundary, where flood effects are minimal;
 - ongoing meetings with stakeholders;
 - encroachments to be addressed;
 - negotiations with equestrian centre owners continuing;
 - report back to GWRC on consultation outcomes and recommendations for preferred alignment and land purchase;
 - lodge resource consent by mid-2015, subject to land negotiations; and
 - completing the construction by June 2017).

The Chair welcomed Regional Councillor Nigel Wilson to the meeting at 8.15pm.

Members appreciated that GWRC had addressed the Board's concerns expressed at the last meeting, particularly in relation to trying to retain some trees along the residential boundary. The flood risk to Waikanae was very real and floods in the late 1950's caused large areas of Waikanae north of the river to go under water.

Mr Nauta advised they would return to the Waikanae Community Board at a later date to update Members on progress.

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UPDATE: GRAVEL EXTRACTION – GWRC

Mark Hooker gave a presentation on the gravel extraction that covered:

- recent extraction history (including a gravel 'wedge' moving downstream);
- purpose of extraction (maintain channel conveyance, manage alignment and ensure benefits for river management are maximised);
- Key Outcomes of the 2012/13 Sediment Transport Study;
- map showing aggradation/degradation;
- changes in the channel;
- changes in cross-section;
- justification for extraction;
- recent analysis (including estimated accumulation versus 1991 levels);
- graph showing comparison 2010 versus 1991/1975 (mean bed levels);
- what next (including river management consent application, developing a methodology for extraction and ongoing surveys and analysis [a 5 year survey currently underway]);
- anticipate consent publicly notified by end of 2014, Hearing mid-2015 and submissions were encouraged;

In summary, the main purpose was to limit flooding in large flood events and the focus on extraction would be between El Rancho and Jim Cooke Park but would extend down to Otaihangā.

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The Chair commented that Council would benefit being shown this presentation as they needed to be aware of the details. Also, the Waikanae Community Board was keen to support wet and dry gravel extraction as part of GWRC's 35 year River Management Resource Consent, as they did not want to see gravel migrating any further down towards the beach.

The Chair thanked GWRC for their attendance and the Board's appreciation of the level of input in the presentations.

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WCB MEMBERS' BUSINESS

(a) Leave of Absence

There was no leave of absence.

(b) Matters of an Urgent Nature

There were no matters of an urgent nature.

(c) Chairperson's Business

MOVED (Scott/Gregory)

The Chairperson's calendar covering the period 9 September to 16 October 2014 was noted.

CARRIED

(d) Community Board Members' Activities

Jocelyn Prvanov advised that the Pharazyn Reserve contract had been let for the Bird Hide and construction would start in November.

James Westbury had recently spoken with Keep Waikanae Beautiful and as a business owner and community board member fully supported their cause in finding other business groups.

Mr Westbury commented on reintroducing the Waikanae Sports Day and the Chair advised there were a number of issues and would be happy to discuss in more detail at a later date.

Eric Gregory had attended the Community Liaison Group for the Mackays to Peka Peka Alliance but was unable to attend Council meetings due to ill health. He did however manage to meet with the Waikanae Fire Brigade who had a couple of issues that asked the Board to look into:

- the Freedom Camping sign, which was encroaching on the helicopter landing area, needed to be moved closer to the pump shed door; and
- to help Pilots, a landing diamond needed to be installed on the landing area.

The Chair advised that, in the past, the Waikanae Community Board had promoted and funded the mast and lighting system and renewed the wind sock for the helicopter landing site.

Tamsin Evans, Group Manager Community Services confirmed Council would speak with the Fire Brigade to discuss details.

Cr Lloyd had attended Council meetings and Long Term Plan Workshops where Elected Members had been discussing priorities of projects around the District.

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Christmas Lighting

Mr Westbury advised he had been approached by a number of Retailers requesting a more festive environment in Mahara Place during the Christmas period.

The Chair advised there was no current Council budget for this but there was \$10,000 per annum allocated within the Long Term Plan for Christmas lights along Marine Parade and along Paraparaumu Beach. Also, many years ago, the big tree outside the pub was covered in Christmas lights and the Chair would follow up with the Landlord to find out what happened to those lights.

Ms Evans recommended the Board put in a request during the Long Term Plan Workshops.

The Chair advised he would look into this matter further and would report back to the Board.

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OTAIHANGA EAST RIVERSIDE RESERVE AREA DRAFT RESERVE MANAGEMENT PLAN (CS-14-1344)

Sara Bell, Landscape Advisor spoke to the report.

The Chair advised that:

- following the adoption of this report a Development Plan would be completed (June 2015) and the Waikanae Community Board would put in a submission;
- the Waikanae Community Board would also put in a submission on the road access into the Howarth Block (through the current Winstone Aggregate area) once the highway (mid-2017) was returned to the Council; and
- further discussions would take place during the Board's Strategic Plan review (April 2015) covering medium and longer term goals and how these needed to include the Board's vision for the Otaihanga east riverside reserve.

Members commented they were happy that it would be a Recreation Reserve, available for the community to have fun and activities.

MOVED (Lloyd/Westbury)

That the Waikanae Community Board consider the draft Management Plan attached to this report CS-14-1344 and recommend it to Council for adoption.

CARRIED

Board Members commented on the field paddocks, next to the railway line, being sprayed near the specimen trees and Ms Evans would look into this and report back.

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CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES: 9 SEPTEMBER 2014

MOVED (Gregory/Westbury)

That the minutes of the Waikanae Community Board meeting held on 9 September 2014 be approved and adopted as a true and correct record of that meeting.

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Matters Arising

Kapanui School

It was advised that the children of Kapanui School, who were given a grant of \$2,500 at the September meeting, achieved the runners up prize in the Tournament of Minds competition held in Melbourne. The Chair had posted, on the Team's blog site, encouragement on behalf of the Waikanae Community Board.

Community Board logo

Board Members agreed that the new community board logo was to be sent to all successful grant applicants, going forward, so they could include it in any advertising of their event, in acknowledgement of the Board's support.

Capital Connection

Board Members commented on the fare increase on the train from Palmerston North and agreed that it was a cynical way of killing off the Capital Connection. Some Levin commuters had stated they were planning to drive to Waikanae and park and the Chair had commented, through the media, that the Waikanae Community Board needed to have their say in the National Transport Policy.

It had been suggested to Council staff that, included in the Waikanae Town Centre upgrade, the railway station platform needed to be double sided to encourage commuters to use both sides for parking.

Ngarara Road

Members questioned progress on the subdivision land that had been set aside for the realignment of Ngarara Road and Ms Evans confirmed this would be looked into.

Matters Under Action

Pharazyn Reserve Management Plan

The draft Plan should be completed by the end of 2014 followed by a consultation period through to February/March. The Board would be kept up to date.

Tasman Lakes Reserve Management Plan

Ms Evans confirmed that budgets were being put together.

Capital Improvement Fund

Dates for meetings had been sent to Board Members and the Chair requested they choose a suitable date and email the Board's Secretary so a meeting could be arranged to discuss establishing a Trust and Business Case with regard to the Capital Improvement Fund.

Waikanae Town Centre Upgrade

Dates for meetings had been sent to Board Members and the Chair requested they choose suitable dates and email the Board's Secretary so discussions could take place around the updates on the Waikanae Town Centre including reviewing the concept design and phasing report and the Implementation Plan.

The Chair thanked everyone for their attendance and declared the meeting closed at 9.35pm.

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Chairperson

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Date