

MINUTES of a meeting of the **Environment and Community Development Committee** held in the Council Chambers, Ground Floor, 175 Rimu Road, Paraparaumu, on **Thursday 13 February 2014** commencing at 9:00am.

PRESENT:

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

IN ATTENDANCE:

Mr	P	Dougherty	(Chief Executive)
Ms	P	Richardson	(Acting Group Manager, Strategy & Partnerships)
Mr	J	MacDonald	(Chair, Paekakariki Community Board)
Ms	F	Vining	(Chair, Paraparaumu/Raumati Community Board)
Ms	K	Bunker	(Executive Secretary, Minutes)

**LEAVE OF
ABSENCE:**

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and declared the meeting open with the Council blessing.

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APOLOGIES

MOVED (Ammundsen /Church)

That apologies be accepted from Cr Tony Lloyd.

CARRIED

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CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

MOVED (Gurunathan/Welsh)

That the minutes of the 28 November 2013 meeting of the Environment and Community Development Committee be confirmed as a true and accurate record.

CARRIED

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MATTERS UNDER ACTION

The following matters under action were discussed:

1. Waikanae Flood Management Plan – Greater Wellington Regional Council (GWRC) staff presented on the Jim Cooke Park Stopbank Reconstruction Project at the Waikanae Community Board meeting on 11 February. *Action: Arrange for GWRC to present to Environment and Community Development Committee on 27 March 2014.*
2. Raumati Pool Feasibility Plan – Report due to Corporate Business Committee on 20 February 2014.

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PUBLIC SPEAKING

1. Florence McNeill from Friends of the Paekakriki Streams spoke to the Committee regarding E.coli contamination in the Wainui Stream. Ms McNeill had requested re-testing of the water but this has not occurred. Ms Neill provided a document outlining ten questions that the Friends of the Paekakriki Streams would like responses to.
2. Janette Newport spoke to the Committee in support of her application to be a community representative on the Grants Allocation Subcommittee for the Community Grants programme. Ms Newport gave details of her background of community work within the Kapiti district.
3. Patricia Winskill spoke to the Committee in support of her application to become a community representative on the Grants Allocation Subcommittee for the Community Grants programme and give details of her work in the community.
4. Lyn Sleath, Secretary of Kapiti Cycling, spoke to the Committee regarding cycleways and shared pathway issues in the district and sought advice on four points outlined in a letter to the Committee; tabled at the meeting. Mr Sleath reported on the lack of effectiveness of Cycleways, Walkways and Bridleways advisory group on this matter.
5. John Mowbray, Chair of the Mahara Gallery Trust, spoke to the Committee in support of the report on the annual activities and performance of Mahara Gallery. Mr Mowbray introduced Pip Howells, who will be heading the gallery re-development project and Kevin Ramshaw, one of the galleries trustees.

**Pat Dougherty left the meeting at 9:58am and returned at 10:00am*

6. Gillian Corder spoke to the Committee in support of the report on the annual activities and performance of Kāpiti Citizens Advice Bureau. Ms Corder thanked Sam Hutcheson, the Social Wellbeing Team and the Mayor and Councilors for their support and funding.
7. Dianne Halstead, Chair of Ōtaki Citizens Advice Bureau in support of the report on their annual activities and performance. Ms Halstead thanked Sam Hutcheson and Mayor Church for their support.
8. Angela Robinson, Chair of Te Newhanga Kāpiti Community Centre, spoke to the Committee in support of the report on the annual activities and performance of Te Newhanga Kāpiti Community Centre.
9. Ken Birdling, Area Manager of Red Cross, spoke to the Committee in support of the report on the annual activities and performance of the Red Cross, in particular the Kapiti Health Shuttle and expressed support of continuing the partnership with Kāpiti Coast District Council.
10. Jean Chamberlain from St Johns spoke to the Committee in support of the reporting on the Ōtaki Health Shuttle and the annual activities and performance of St. Johns.
11. Wynn Ingram, Chair of Volunteer Kāpiti, spoke to the Committee in support of the report on the annual activities and performance of Volunteer Kāpiti.

**Cr Jackie Elliott left the meeting at 10:32am and returned at 10:33am*

12. Graham Bathgate and John Grundy spoke to the Committee seeking support for a railway station at Raumati; as per their report provided to the Committee prior to the meeting.

Discussion took place regarding the feasibility for a station at Raumati and the issue of commuter parking. The Committee was informed that Greater Wellington Regional Council (GWRC) will be presenting at Paraparaumu and Raumati Community Board on Tuesday 18 February.

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Further discussion took place proposing a motion to endorse a request from the Paraparaumu and Raumati Community Board to GWRC to build a station at Raumati.

MOVED (Holborow/Gaylor)

That the Environment and Community Development Committee endorses the communities request to ask Greater Wellington Regional Council build a railway station at Raumati.

A division was requested:

For the motion: Cr Ammundsen, Cr Church, Cr Holborow, Cr Gurunathan, Cr Scott, Cr Elliott, Cr Gaylor.

Against the motion: Cr Cardiff, Cr Bell, Cr Welsh

CARRIED

**The meeting adjourned at 11:12am and reconvened at 11:29am.*

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CHAIRPERSON'S/MEMBERS' BUSINESS

(a) Public Speaking time responses:

1. Wainui Stream

Sean Mallon, Group Manager Infrastructure Services, offered to attend a meeting with members of Friends of the Paekakriki to discuss further. Mr Mallon informed the Committee that E.coli was detected by a Massey University training exercise in March 2013. Council staff have surveyed the stream and could not locate any evidence of E.coli and have forwarded all findings to GWRC. The Chair suggested that Mr Mallon, as the Group Manager on the Paekakariki Community Board, send a letter to Greater Wellington Regional Council on behalf of Environment and Community Development Committee and provide an update of their findings at next Committee meeting. Action: *The Chair requested the issue to be added to the Committees Matters Under Action.*

2. Kapiti Cycling

Discussion took place regarding the four points raised by Kapiti Cycling. Sean Mallon, Group Manager Infrastructure Services, informed the Committee that the proposal for Kāpiti Road upgrade would be presented to Council on 6 March 2014 which would include a comprehensive look at all cycleways. The process would include stakeholder engagement. Regarding the lack of effectiveness of CWB advisory group the Committee suggested that the group should report back to Council every 6 months.

(b) Leave of Absence:

MOVED (Ammundsen/Holborow)

Leave of Absence was accepted from Mayor Church for 20th-23rd February 2014; and

Leave of Absence was accepted from Tony Lloyd for the next 6 months

CARRIED

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

(d) Declarations of Interest Relating to Items on the Agenda – there were none.

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STRATEGIC REVIEW OF KAPITI VISITOR INFORMATION NETWORK (VIN)

Philippa Richardson, Strategic Projects Manager, introduced Rob MacIntyre, from Destination Planning Limited. Mr MacIntyre provided a presentation regarding the finding of his review in to the Kāpiti Visitor Information Network. The Chair clarified that the presentation provided the Committee with information for Long Term Plan.

**Jack MacDonald left the meeting at 12:12pm and returned at 12:20pm*

Discussion took place regarding physical information centers and digital information networks, further discussion took place about locations of potential sites in the district.

MOVED (Elliott/Gaylor)

That the Committee notes:

- (a) **the findings of the independent Strategic Review of Kāpiti Visitor Information Network (i-SITEs) as attached in Appendix 2 to SP13-1080; and**
- (b) **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

**The meeting adjourned at 1:04pm and reconvened at 1:34pm.*

**Mayor Church and Pat Dougherty, Chief Executive, left the meeting at 1:04pm.*

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COMMUNITY CONTRACTS – PART I

Sam Hutcheson, Senior Social Wellbeing Advisor, spoke to the report regarding Community Contract holders annual reports. Ms Hutcheson thanked the Community group members that had reported on their annual activity and performance during public speaking time earlier.

**Cr Gurunathan joined the reconvened meeting at 1:40pm*

MOVED (Scott/Holborow)

That the Committee notes the report on performance by Community Contract holders, as set out in Appendix Two of this report SP-13-1089;

That the Committee thanks the Community Contract holder organisations for their valuable work; and

That the Committee thanks Te Newhanga Kāpiti Community Centre Management Team for their commitment and hard work towards improving the Centre's performance.

CARRIED

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MAHARA GALLERY ANNUAL REPORT

Catherine Scollay, Arts & Museums Development Officer, spoke to this report. Discussion took place regarding impressive visitor numbers and congratulated the gallery.

MOVED (Welsh/Elliott)

That the Committee receives the Mahara Gallery Trust Board Annual Report 2012-2013, and notes that the Board and Gallery continue to meet the Council's performance targets and note that there were seven exhibitions with an attendance of 14,058 visitors to the gallery over the last year.

CARRIED

**Mayor Church joined the reconvened meeting at 1:59pm*

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SUBMISSION ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 2002 AMENDMENT BILL (NO 3)

Alison Lash, Senior Advisor, spoke to the report and informed the Committee that a final version would be available later today.

MOVED (Ammundsen/Church)

That the Environment and Community Development Committee approves the attached submission (Appendix 1 to SP-14-1115) on the Local Government Act Amendment Bill (No 3) to be sent to the Local Government and Environment Select Committee subject to any amendments proposed.

That the Environment and Community Development Committee approves the Chair and Chief Executive can sign off the recommended changes.

CARRIED

The meeting closed at 2:14pm

Signed:
Chairperson of the meeting

Date: