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WAIKANAĒ COMMUNITY BOARD	TUESDAY, 22 MARCH 2016	7.30PM

MINUTES of a six-weekly meeting of the Waikanae Community Board held at the **Waikanae Community Centre**, Utauta Street, Waikanae on **Tuesday, 22 March 2016**, commencing at **7.30pm**.

PRESENT: Mr E Gregory Chair
 Mrs J Prvanov Deputy Chair
 Ms J Lloyd
 Mr J Westbury
 Cr M Scott

IN ATTENDANCE: Mr W Maxwell Group Manager Corporate Services
 Ms S Hutcheson Principal Policy Advisor
 Mr G Adams Traffic Engineer
 Mrs J Nock Executive Secretary Corporate Services
 Mr D Utting M2PP Alliance
 Mr J Te Puni M2PP Alliance

The Chair welcomed everyone including Mayor Ross Church and Cr David Scott.

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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

Alex Metcalfe

Mr Metcalfe spoke about an ongoing request for Council to sell Lot 104 Weggery Drive, Waikanae Beach and tabled a paper showing a combined submission from Otaihanga and Waikanae Beach residents that was submitted to the 2014/15 Annual Plan.

It was suggested the Lot be subdivided and with parts sold now that the notional road bridge between Otaihanga and Waikanae was being removed from the District Plan.

The submitters requested more visibility of this issue and asked that the Waikanae Community Board take the sale of Lot 104 as an item on their matters under action until such time that the issue can be resolved.

John Swindley

Mr Swindley, a neighbour of Lot 104, commented that:

- since Council had erected a fence near the bottom of Lot 104, to prevent access to the Reserve, there still continued to be footpath activists using it as a short cut to the reserve;
- he had received agreement from the Council to plant native plants on the bank in front of his home by the fence of Lot 104 but unfortunately the area was ravished and all plants destroyed including the theft of his security lights; and
- the bank was neglected and needed to be restored to its full potential and the main obstacle was Lot 104, so was in full support of Council selling Lot 104 Weggery Drive.

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Julian Buchanan

Mr Buchanan tabled a paper giving details of ongoing problems of harassment from vigilante footpath activists and supported the sale of Lot 104.

Ferial Falconer

Ms Falconer spoke about the increasing use by walkers, cyclists and horse riders across the Waikanae river walkway and footpath along SH1. Even with the speed limit being reduced to 50km Ms Falconer felt there needed to be some sort of protection/barrier between the footpath and roadway to help people feel safe whilst using the footpath.

Sonia Coom

Ms Coom commented on pedestrian safety around Omahi Street and requested Council and the Community Board look into this area to see what improvement could be made particularly the southern end of Omahi Street around the bend which included commercial businesses. There was limited parking and due to parking on both sides of the road it was difficult for vehicles to negotiate.

Ms Coom suggested extending the yellow line that was currently in front of the commercial businesses to prevent parking on the bend or possible time restrictions for parking which would need to be monitored.

Board Members agreed parking was a big problem around Waikanae.

John Govier

Mr Govier suggested that when the Council sells Lot 20 they lower the kerb to enable vehicles to emerge onto Weggery Drive without using the opposite pavement. At the moment it was a vacant Lot and he had witnessed four-wheel drive vehicles in the river and quad bikes drifting on footpaths. The issue had been reported to Police but to no avail.

Nigel Hopkins

Mr Hopkins spoke about Waikanae Town Centre and Cr M Scott's recent press release. He felt the press release was innovative and agreed that Waikanae needed amenities to attract people to the area. Parking was an issue and underground parking and new library were great ideas. It was felt that the community needed to know what was happening to their Town Centre.

Mr Hopkins added that the Waikanae Community Board needed to look at improving Waikanae Park as this would be a great venue to hold events.

Public Speaking Responses

104 Weggery Drive

The Chair advised that the District Plan was reviewed every 10 years and the community had an input in the review. It was hoped the sale of Lot 14 would continue and it was not certain if the funds would go into the Waikanae Reserves Fund or to pay off Council debt.

All comments had been noted and it was reiterated that no commitment could be made until the completion of the District Plan. Any further details would be reported back to the Board.

Ms Falconer - Waikanae River Walkway

It was advised that a barrier along the walkway would be too expensive and not feasible but details would be looked into.

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Ms Coom - Omaha Street

The high turnover of commercial vehicles on the corner of Omaha Street continued to be an ongoing subject of discussion, together with the problem of parking around the area. The Chair assured everyone that the Waikanae Community Board would be looking at all options to improve car parking around Waikanae and all input received was taken into consideration.

John Govier

His concerns had been noted and would be looked into.

Nigel Hopkins

The Chair commented that the Waikanae Community Board always encouraged and actively promoted events around Waikanae and thanked Mr Hopkins for his comments.

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PRESENTATION: M2PP Alliance

Darren Utting introduced James Te Puni, gave a presentation showing progress on the Expressway and responded to Members' questions.

Board Members felt it was important for the Waikanae Beach Working Group to be aware of progress of the Expressway and this would be followed up by Council's Principal Policy Advisor.

The Chair thanked Mr Utting for the presentation, also for his communication with the Board and wished him well in his new role.

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VERBAL UPDATE: Waikanae Beach Community Futures Process

Sam Hutcheson, Principal Policy Advisor advised that following the first meeting of the Waikanae Beach Working Group it was agreed that over a series of meetings, the group would develop the broad range of possible ways that the community and Council could work together, and separately, to achieve the vision of the community. When the group was ready, this work would be presented to the wider community for their feedback. Meetings had also taken place with Te Āti Awa to incorporate their vision for Waikanae Beach.

Board Members agreed the first meeting had gone well with a cross section of opinions. It was felt everyone had been open minded and given their views in a constructive manner. It was hoped the Group would continue and a plan put in place.

The Chair thanked Ms Hutcheson for the update.

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WCB MEMBERS' BUSINESS

(a) Leave of Absence

There was no leave of absence.

(b) Matters of an Urgent Nature

Board Members requested information regarding security cameras around Mahara Place and these would be looked into and reported back.

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(c) Community Board Members' Activities

Most Board Members attended a meeting of the Whakarongatai Marae and the judging of the 'Welcome to Waikanae' sign competition.

- Jocelyn Prvanov
- Waikanae Beach Community Outcomes Working Group.
 - Liaised with the Chair of Community Patrol concerning night time activities with troublesome drivers along Paetawa Road, Peka Peka.
- James Westbury
- Waikanae Beach Community Outcomes Working Group.
 - Liaised with Police around security concerns in Mahara Place.
- Eric Gregory
- Waikanae Show.
 - Press interviews.
 - Visited Kapanui School and presented certificates for their entries in the sign competition and would be visiting Waikanae School at a later date.
- Jill Lloyd
- Ongoing discussions with:
 - Destination Waikanae, particularly with problems around crossing the road to the Dairy on Te Moana Road; and
 - the Waikanae Recreation Centre and the problems they were having with their hot water
 - had been on leave, travelling around South Island.
- Cr Michael Scott
- Waikanae Show.
 - Annual Plan workshops.
 - Council meetings.
 - Promoting a vision for Waikanae and would keep Board Members informed.

Cr M Scott advised that, through Annual Plan discussions, none of the Waikanae budgets had been removed, although community grants may be reduced.

It was agreed that Members would have an offline meeting to discuss their submission to the Consultation Document.

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PARATA STREET GIVE WAY CONTROLS (IS-16-1786)

Gary Adams, Traffic Engineer spoke to the report.

MOVED (M Scott/Prvanov)

That the Waikanae Community Board approves the installation of Give Way traffic controls on the following streets where they intersect with Parata Street:

Martin Street;

Sylvan Avenue;

Hemi Street;

Balmerino Grove; and

Cranbrook Grove.

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Mr Adams advised:

- he would continue discussions with Rymans to help improve the parking around the Retirement Village and would keep the Board informed; and
- confirmed that cycleway routes along Te Moana Road would be included in the Stride and Ride programme.

The Board gave Mr Adams their thanks for his updates and constant attendance at meeting.

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DISCUSSION: Freshwater Reform 2016

Wayne Maxwell, Group Manager Corporate Services explained the Government's announcement to start public consultation on the 'Next Steps for Freshwater Report'. Greater Wellington Regional Council had the main responsibility in the region.

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CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES: 9 February 2016

MOVED (M Scott/Lloyd)

That the minutes of the Waikanae Community Board meeting held on 9 February 2016 be adopted as a true and correct record of that meeting.

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Matters Arising

There were none.

Matters Under Action

Tasman Lakes Reserve Management Plan

Mrs Prvanov would liaise with the Tasman Lakes Reserve Committee regarding the Management Plan and report back to the Board.

Beautification of Waikanae

Council's Parks and Recreation Manager was looking into the eastern side of the entrance to Waikanae and this would be reported back through matters under action.

It was commented that some of the plants had died due to the dry weather and it was hoped that this would be monitored more closely next year.

Welcome to Waikanae Sign Competition

Mr Wes Neilson of Paraparaumu Beach was the winner of the 'Welcome to Waikanae' sign competition.

MOVED (Lloyd/Prvanov)

That the Waikanae Community Board grants Wes Nielsen \$500, from the Promotion Fund, for his winning design to the Welcome to Waikanae sign competition.

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The Board was pleased with the entries received and the outcome of the competition. Some negative comments had been received but overall the feedback had been positive.

It was commented there was a sculpture within the competition that could be considered for future use around Waikanae and this would be conveyed to the Public Arts Panel.

The Chair confirmed his visit to Kapanui School and had thanked the children for their ideas. He also gave thanks to the senior children for being involved and interested in the plans for the future of Waikanae.

Waikanae Beach Community Future Process

Board Members requested, when available, a fact based set of measureable outcomes to use as a consultation document in order to impress on the District Plan.

Markets

The Chair and Cr M Scott met with Council's Parks and Open Space Manager regarding a policy on markets. Following the new health and safety legislative changes there had been a number of health and safety issues around the markets so discussions would continue with stallholders, including Council's use of open space.

Parking in Mahara Place

Board Members discussed their concerns and offered suggestions over the lack of parking around Waikanae and Cr M Scott advised he would speak with Council's Traffic Engineer to discuss possible ideas.

The Waikanae Community Board meeting closed at 9.40pm.

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Chairperson

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