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Taihape Community Board

Order Paper

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5.30pm**

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Taihape Community Board Meeting

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1 Apologies

2 Public Forum

3 Confirmation of order of business

That taking into account the explanation why the item is not on the meeting agenda and why the discussion of the item cannot be dealt with until a subsequent meeting... be dealt with as a late item at this meeting.

4 Members' conflict of interest

Members are reminded of their obligation to declare any conflicts of interest that they may have in respect of the items on this agenda.

5 Minutes of previous meeting

Recommendation

That the Minutes of the Taihape Community Board meeting held on 3 December 2014, be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

6 Chair's report

A report to be tabled.

Recommendation

That the Chair's report to the 4 February 2015 meeting of the Taihape Community Board, as presented, be received.

7 Council decisions on recommendations from the Taihape Community Board

At its meeting on 11 December 2014, Council confirmed the recommendation from the Board's 3 December 2014 meeting (14/TCB/287) that Council investigate using the area of land between the Tui Street public toilets and the gumboot throwing lane as a dog exercising area. This is a separate item on this meeting agenda.

8 Update on the Small Projects Fund

Expenditure to date totals \$1,582.35. This covers curtains and other materials for the Supper Room, a contribution to the Taihape birthday event, and a contribution to building materials for the deck outside the Library (one of the recent place-making initiatives).

9 Requests for service concerning Taihape – November-December 2014

A report is attached.

Recommendation

That the report 'Requests for service concerning Taihape – November-December 2014' be received.

10 Feedback on proposed work programme for Bulls and District Community Trust, Project Marton, Rangitikei Tourism and Taihape Development Trust

A memorandum is attached.

Recommendations

1. That the memorandum "Feedback on proposed work programme for Bulls and District Community Trust, Project Marton, Rangitikei Tourism and Taihape Development Trust" be received
2. That the Committee/Board provides the following feedback to Council...

11 Final Draft Taihape Town Centre Plan

A report is attached.

Recommendations

1. That the report 'Final Draft TaihapeTown Centre Plan' be received.
2. That the Taihape Community Board thanks those who have contributed to the work of the Steering Group as the draft Taihape Town Centre Plan has evolved.
3. That the Taihape Community Board recommends that Council adopts the draft Taihape Town Centre Plan taking into account the following issues.....and includes it in the consultation process for the draft 2015-25 LTP.
 - That the Taihape Community Board recommends that Council, as a preliminary step before creating a design brief for the civic centre, work with the Taihape community to address the four key questions under the Exploration and Trials phase of the draft Taihape Town Centre Plan:
 - Can the Taihape Area School Hall be modified to adequately cater for the 5-7 large events each year, and can a MOU be negotiated to ensure availability? What is the cost?
 - How well does this arrangement work over a trial period of say one or two years? Is it adequately meeting the needs for large events?

- What potential joint venture partners are there for the Town Hall site, and what can they contribute? (This is a large site and if a large auditorium is not needed, there may be an opportunity for housing or some other form of development.)
 - Will Clubs Taihape Inc. proceed with The Hub or enter a joint venture with Council on the swimming pool site, the Civic Centre, or both?
4. That the Taihape Community Board considers further the options for developing recreation and leisure facilities on Memorial Park Council in terms of scope and location to be prepared by Clubs Taihape and the Memorial Park User Group.
 5. That the Taihape Community Board recommends that Council investigate options to coordinate the implementation of priority 1 place-making projects as outlined in the draft Taihape Town Centre Plan

12 Taihape Town Centre Plan Steering Group membership and future of the Group

An issues submission is attached.

Recommendations

1. That the issues submission Taihape Town Centre Plan Steering Group membership and future of the Group be received.
2. That the Steering Group go into recess after the Community Board's recommendations have been submitted, (resulting from the Draft Taihape Town Centre Plan), to the Council's Long Term plan, and that the Community Board appoint a new sub-committee to assist in the implementation of any "place-making " strategies and that if the Steering group does not go into recess, then, as the Steering Group is a sub-committee of the Community Board, the Board should approve Yvonne Sicely replacing Andrew Green on the Steering Group; also the Community Board should approve Matthew Thomas being asked to be a full member of the Steering Group.

13 Chairman's Report from the Taihape Town Centre Plan Steering Group

A report is attached.

Recommendation

That the report be received.

14 Youth Hutt report

A report is attached.

Recommendation

That the Youth Hutt report be received.

15 Current infrastructure projects/upgrades and other Council activities in the Taihape Ward.

A report covering these matters for the whole District, November 2014-January 2015 will be considered by the Council's Assets/Infrastructure Committee at its meeting on 12 February 2015. It will not be completed by the time of the Board's meeting. When it is available, the information for Taihape will be extracted and distributed to Board members and include on the Board's next agenda (April 2015) together with information for February 2015.

16 Proposed additional dog exercise area in Tui Street

A memorandum is attached

Recommendation

That the memorandum 'Proposed additional dog exercise area in Tui Street' be received.

17 Topics foreshadowed at previous meeting

- Supper room curtains
- Placement of photo board

The Chair will lead discussion on these two matters

18 Community Boards' Conference, May 2015

Details about the conference are attached. The Board has available the following budget to support attendance at this conference: \$1,500 for conference registration; \$1,000 for travel and accommodation. Early bird registration closes on 1 April 2015, so it is preferable for the Board to determine (by resolution) at this meeting if any member is to attend with financial support from the Board.

19 Matters arising not elsewhere on the agenda – progress update

A report is attached.

Recommendation

That the report 'Matters arising not elsewhere on the agenda – progress update' be received.

20 Community Initiative – "Good Sorts"

An issues submission is attached

Recommendations

1. That the issues submission on the Community Initiative – "Good Sorts" be received.

2. That the Taihape Community Board introduces this community initiative, acknowledging the work of our people in the Taihape Ward.

21 Papakai Park

An issues submission is attached.

Recommendation

1. That the issues submission on Papakai Park be received.
2. That the Taihape Community Board require further information regarding the costs and plans for setting up a composting toilet at Papakai Park.

22 Late items

Consideration of any items during Confirmation of order of business (item 3)

23 Future items for the agenda

24 Date of next meeting

The next meeting to be held 1 April 2015

25 Meeting closed

Rangitikei District Council

Taihape Community Board Meeting

Minutes – Wednesday 3 December 2014 – 5:35 p.m.

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Present: Mrs Michelle Fannin (Chair)
Ms Gail Larsen
Dr Peter Oliver
Cr Richard Aslett
Cr Angus Gordon
Mrs Yvonne Sicely

Also present: His Worship the Mayor, Andy Watson
Cr Ruth Rainey

In attendance: Mr Michael Hodder, Community & Regulatory Services Group Manager
Mrs Sheryl Srhoj, Administration

Tabled documents: Item 8 Chair's report
Late item Proposed amendment to Standing Orders
Late item Removal of indigenous trees (totara logs) from Taihape reserves

1 Apologies

There were no apologies.

2 Public Forum

There was no public forum.

3 Confirmation of order of business

The Chair agreed to take the following item under Late items (Item 20 on the Agenda) on the basis that it had arisen after the Order Paper had been compiled and that a decision was required at this meeting.

Removal of Indigenous trees (Totara logs) from Taihape reserves.

The Chair advised that the a further late item "Proposed amendment to the Standing Orders adopted by the Taihape Community Board" would be taken after Item 6 of the agenda.

4 Members' conflict of interest

Members were reminded of their obligation to declare any conflicts of interest that they may have in respect of the items on this agenda.

5 Confirming resolutions to appoint a member to fill the extraordinary vacancy in the Taihape Community Board

Resolved minute number 14/TCB/234 File Ref

That the Taihape Community Board confirm Resolution 14/TCB/233 appointing Yvonne Sicely to fill the extraordinary vacancy in the Taihape Community Board.

Mrs Fannin/Cr Gordon. Carried

6 Declaration by New Member

Mrs Sicely and Cr Aslett made their declarations.

24 Proposed amendment to the Standing Orders adopted by the Taihape Community Board

Resolved minute number 14/TCB/235 File Ref

That the Standing Orders adopted by the Taihape Community Board include the following addition:

The Ward Councillor for Taihape, who is not appointed by Council to be a member of the Taihape Community Board, may participate in any Board meeting as if an appointed member of the Board, except for moving, seconding or voting on motions or being included in the quorum.

Mrs Fannin/Dr Oliver. Carried

7 Minutes of previous meeting

There were two amendments to the Taihape Community Board minutes of 5 November 2014.

His Worship the Mayor asked that the minutes record that he was present at the Board's meeting of 5 November 2014.

Dr Oliver requested that the minutes record the following motion in Item 15 –Matters arising not elsewhere on the agenda –progress update.

Off-road parking bay at Gumboot Park

That the Taihape Community Board request that Council commission a report about shifting the 50km/h sign to just before the proposed parking bay.

Dr Oliver/Mrs Fannin. Lost

Resolved minute number 14/TCB/236 File Ref

That the Minutes (and Public Excluded Minutes) of the Taihape Community Board meeting held on 5 November 2014, as amended, be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

Mrs Fannin/Cr Aslett. Carried

8 Chair's report

The Chair welcomed Mrs Sicely and Cr Aslett to the meeting and thanked Cr Rainey for her contribution.

She then gave a verbal report outlining events that she had attended. These included the Meet and Group's opening of the Taihape sign by the gumboot.

She reported that she had been successful in receiving funding from Creative Communities for a mural on the inside back wall of the grandstand. The Chair thanked the Board for supporting the Christmas Lighting Display which was to be sponsored by local businesses.

Resolved minute number 14/TCB/237 File Ref

That the Chair's report to the 3 December 2014 meeting of the Taihape Community Board,

as presented, be received.

Mrs Fannin/Dr Oliver. Carried

9 Council decisions on recommendations from the Taihape Community Board

Mrs Fannin was disappointed that Council had decided to not go ahead with the proposed parking upgrade at the Taihape Pool, despite understanding their reasoning behind it. She reported that remedial work had already been undertaken on the parking area.

10 Update on the use of the Small Projects Fund

The Council's General Ledger showed no expenditure had been incurred since the Board's last meeting. Mrs Srhoj would check to be sure that commitments on the Fund were invoiced and coded correctly.

11 Requests for service concerning Taihape – October 2014

Resolved minute number **14/TCB/238** File Ref

That the report 'Requests for service concerning Taihape' be received.

Mrs Fannin/Ms Larsen. Carried

12 Meeting frequency for the Taihape Community Board

Mrs Fannin asked that Board members give consideration to holding monthly meetings. She was of the opinion that frequent meetings would allow for better debate on issues brought to the table as well as shorter meetings.

His Worship the Mayor suggested that monthly meetings would be quite beneficial for the next six months, as this would allow for the Board to ratify any decisions that may arise from the Town Centre Plan process. If the Board were to go back to bi-monthly, special meetings would be required.

Following further discussions, the Board agreed to bi monthly meetings with monthly informal workshops in between. Members were happy to have special meetings when the need arose.

Mr Hodder explained the process involved in the Board holding special meetings.

Resolved minute number **14/TCB/239** File Ref

That the memorandum 'Meeting frequency for the Taihape Community Board' be received.

Mrs Fannin/Cr Gordon. Carried

Resolved minute number**14/TCB/240****File Ref**

That for the remainder of the 2013-16 triennium, the Taihape Community Board normally meets bi-monthly.

Mrs Fannin/Cr Gordon. Carried

13 Update on the Town Centre Project – November 2014

Dr Oliver said he thought that the project was to be community led and did not believe that this was happening. He felt that Creative Communities was leading the process and that the community was not having any input.

His Worship the Mayor explained the role of Creative Communities. He said it would have been better to have longer for the town centre planning process (as had been the case in Bulls) but there was a cut off date in order to have it included in Council's Long Term Plan.

Dr Oliver suggested that, if the Steering Group could not find consensus, it would be appropriate for the Board to take the lead.

Dr Oliver noted that the final numbers of responses were: 30 for package 1, 27 for package 2, and 49 for package 3. In addition there were between 20 and 30 suggestions for dealing with street projects. He suggested that an analysis of comments with the responses would be useful.

Cr Gordon thought that there had been a good response with the number of fliers returned. However Cr Rainey was disappointed with the rural response, which she felt was due to the short time frame to get them in. She suggested that future fliers be written in layman terms.

Mrs Fannin suggested that Mrs Sicely attend the Steering Group meetings as a member of the public. This would help her to get up to speed with the process.

Resolved minute number**14/TCB/241****File Ref**

That the report 'Update on the Town Centre Project' – November 2014 be received.

Mrs Fannin/Cr Aslett. Carried

14 Youth Hutt report

Mr Hodder to ask that the Community & Leisure Services Team Leader consider the option for the "Hutt" to use the town hall during wet weather.

Resolved minute number**14/TCB/242****File Ref**

That the Youth Hutt report (November 2014) be received.

Mrs Fannin/Dr Oliver. Carried

15 Proposed dog exercise area – Robin Street

There was some discussion on this item.

The Board were all in agreement that there was a need to provide an area for people to exercise their dogs. Ms Larsen said an area the size of a netball court would be suitable, but would probably need to be fenced. The Board saw little point in re-engaging with the Office of Treaty Settlements over its Robin Street site. Another option was the piece of land between the Tui Street toilets and the gumboot throwing lane.

The Board to ask that Council investigate this matter further, including ownership (given its proximity to the railway line).

Resolved minute number 14/TCB/243 **File Ref**

That the memorandum 'Proposed dog exercise area – Robin Street' be received

Mrs Fannin/Cr Aslett. Carried

Resolved minute number 14/TCB/244 **File Ref**

That Taihape Community Board recommends that Council investigate using the area of land between the Tui Street public toilets and the gumboot throwing lane as a dog exercising area.

Cr Gordon/Dr Oliver. Carried

16 Consultation – Draft Policy on the Disposal of Surplus Lands and Buildings

Mr Hodder explained the background to the Policy on the Disposal of Surplus Lands and Buildings. Members saw no issue with the proposed policy. Mr Hodder felt it would be useful for the Taihape Community Board to put that view in a submission.

Resolved minute number 14/TCB/245 **File Ref**

That the memorandum "Consultation – Draft Policy on the Disposal of Surplus Lands and Buildings" be received.

Mrs Fannin/Cr Gordon. Carried

17 Current infrastructure projects/upgrades and other Council activities in the Taihape Ward.

Resolved minute number

14/TCB/246

File Ref

That the report 'Current infrastructure projects/upgrades and other Council activities within the Taihape Ward – November 2014' be received.

Mrs Fannin/Ms Larsen. Carried

18 Matters arising not elsewhere on the agenda – progress update

Disposal of surplus buildings on the former Taihape College site.

His Worship the Mayor advised that he was still waiting to receive a formal letter from the Ministry of Education regarding the licence to occupy. This would then need to go to Council for further consideration. There would be consultation with current users of the facilities before determining the allocation of costs for utilities etc.

Koeke Road repairs

Mrs Fannin expressed disappointment that the promised advice of when this work would be done had not been given

New Zealand Motor Home Association

Mrs Fannin to ask that Mr Wilton submit a letter to Council on behalf of the Vintage Car Club regarding their concerns about NZMHA having exclusive use of the old croquet grounds.

Resolved minute number

14/TCB/247

File Ref

That the report 'Matters arising not elsewhere on the agenda – progress update' be received.

Mrs Fannin/Cr Aslett. Carried

19 Loader Drive

Mrs Fannin spoke to her submission regarding the proposal of a street sign "Loader Drive" to be erected on the road to the swimming pool.

Council agreed to this proposal and that following further research from Archives, the sign would be named "Loader Avenue" in memory of Ernest Loader, a former Mayor of the Taihape Borough Council.

20 Late items

Removal of Indigenous trees (Totara logs) from Taihape reserves.

Cr Gordon spoke to his submission. He was unsure of Council's policy regarding the removal of indigenous trees from Taihape reserves.

Mr Hodder undertook to follow up with this matter and advise Board Members.

21 Future items for the agenda

Placement of photo board.

Supper room curtains.

22 Date of next meeting

Next meeting to be held 4 February 2015

23 Meeting closed

The meeting closed at 7.20pm.

Confirmed/Chair: _____

Date: _____

Service Request Breakdown for Taihape for November 2014

Service Requests Department	Compliance			Grand Total
	Completed in time	Completed late	Overdue	
Animal Control	7	5		12
Attacks on humans	1			1
Barking dog	2			2
Lost animal		1		1
Stock worrying		1		1
Wandering stock	1	3		4
Wandering/stray dog	3			3
Council Housing/Property	1			1
Council housing/property maintenance	1			1
Environmental Health	3	1	1	5
Dumped rubbish (within town boundary)	1			1
Noise - day and night		1	1	2
Untidy/overgrown section	2			2
Footpaths	2			2
Maintenance (footpaths)	2			2
General enquiry	2			2
General Enquiry	2			2
Parks and Reserves	3			3
Maintenance (parks and reserves)	3			3
Public Toilets		1		1
Maintenance (public toilets)		1		1
Roads	4		1	5
Maintenance (roads - not potholes)	3		1	4
Maintenance (roads - potholes only)	1			1
Roadside Vegetation/Trees	4			4
Maintenance (roadside vegetation/trees)	4			4
Street Lighting	1			1
Maintenance (street lighting)	1			1
Water	8		2	10
Location of meter/toby/other utility	1		1	2
Replace toby or meter	3			3
Water leak	4			4
Water leak at meter/toby			1	1
Grand Total	35	7	4	46

Service Requests - December 2014

Service Requests Department	Compliance Completed in time	Completed late	Overdue	Grand Total
Animal Control	65	5	2	72
Animal welfare	2			2
Attacks on animal	1			1
Barking dog	8	1		9
Dog Property Inspection (for Good Owner status)	5		1	6
Found dog	10			10
Lost animal	10	1		11
Rushing at animal	1			1
Rushing at human	1			1
Wandering stock	9	3		12
Wandering/stray dog	18		1	19
Bridges	1			1
Maintenance (bridges)	1			1
Cemeteries	1			1
Cemetery maintenance	1			1
Council Housing/Property	8	6	1	15
Council housing/property maintenance	8	6	1	15
Culverts/Drainage	1		1	2
Maintenance (culverts/drainage)	1		1	2
Environmental Health	39	2	1	42
Abandoned vehicle			1	1
Dead animal	1			1
Dumped rubbish (within town boundary)	2			2
Livestock (not normally impounded)	2			2
Noise - day and night	27	1		28
Untidy/overgrown section	5	1		6
Vermin	2			2
Footpaths	8			8
Maintenance (footpaths)	8			8
General enquiry	1		1	2
General Enquiry	1		1	2
Graffiti/Vandalism	1	1		2
Maintenance (graffiti/vandalism)	1	1		2
Halls	1			1
Maintenance (halls)	1			1
Parks and Reserves	5			5
Maintenance (parks and reserves)	5			5
Public Toilets			1	1
Maintenance (public toilets)			1	1
Road Signs	8			8
Maintenance (road signs)	8			8
Roads	7	3	2	12
Maintenance (roads - not potholes)	5	2	2	9
Maintenance (roads - potholes only)	2	1		3
Roadside Vegetation/Trees	8		1	9
Maintenance (roadside vegetation/trees)	8		1	9
Stormwater	1			1
Stormwater blocked drain (non urgent)	1			1
Street Cleaning	1			1
Street litter bins/maintenance	1			1
Street Lighting	2			2

Service Requests

Department

Compliance

Completed in time

Completed late

Overdue

Grand Total

Maintenance (street lighting)	2			2
Waste	1		1	2
Wastewater blocked drain	1			1
Wastewater overflow (wet weather)			1	1
Water	21	2	1	24
Dirty drinking water	2			2
HRWS Maintenance required	1			1
Location of meter/toby/other utility	1			1
Meter reading			1	1
New installation - water	1			1
No drinking water supply (urgent)	2	1		3
Replace toby or meter	1			1
Water flooding (other than stormwater and wastewater)	2			2
Water leak	9	1		10
Water leak at meter/toby	2			2
Grand Total	180	19	12	211



MEMORANDUM

TO: Taihape Community Board, Bulls and Marton Community Committees

FROM: Denise Servante

DATE: 27 January 2015

SUBJECT: **Feedback on proposed work programme for Bulls and District Community Trust, Project Marton, Rangitikei Tourism and Taihape Community Development Trust**

FILE: 3-GF-10

1 Background

- 1.1 Rangitikei District Council has developed a Memorandum of Understanding with four key stakeholder agencies - Bulls and District Community Trust, Project Marton, Rangitikei Tourism and Taihape Community Development Trust. Each agency currently receives a share of \$100,000 per annum set aside through the LTP. The Memorandum of Understanding sets out the expectations of each party in relation to the partnering arrangements, reporting and monitoring.
- 1.2 As part of the preparation for the Long Term Plan, Council has reviewed the MOU arrangement and, particularly, how the work programme of these agencies contributes to Council's priorities and levels of service. It has considered the attached report, "Draft work programme 2015-2018 with the MOU partner agencies for inclusion in the draft 2015-25 Long Term Plan" (Appendix 1) at its meeting on 29 January 2015.
- 1.3 Council adopted the recommendations of this report which seeks feedback from the relevant Community Boards and Committees and the Town Centre Plan Steering Groups.

2 Recommendation

- 2.1 That the memorandum "Feedback on proposed work programme for Bulls and District Community Trust, Project Marton, Rangitikei Tourism and Taihape Community Development Trust" be received.
- 2.2 That the Committee/Board provides the following feedback to Council.....

Denise Servante
 Strategy and Community Planning Manager

REPORT

SUBJECT: **Draft work programme 2015-2018 with the MOU partner agencies
for inclusion in the draft 2015-25 Long Term Plan**

TO: Council

FROM: Denise Servante, Strategy and Community Planning Manager

DATE: 13 January 2015

FILE: 3-GF-10

1 Executive Summary

- 1.1 Council's Memorandum of Understanding with four key agencies in the District (Bulls and District Community Trust, Project Marton, Rangitikei Tourism and Taihape Community Development Trust) provides for a part-funded work programme that aligns with Council's Levels of Service in the Community Well-being group of activities.
- 1.2 In December 2014, Council reviewed the Levels of Service for the relevant activities within the Community Well-being group of activities. It agreed to continue to contract with the MOU agencies for delivery of certain elements of the agreed Levels of Service.
- 1.3 This report suggests a framework for the work programme following initial conversations between Council staff and the MOU agencies. It suggests that Council approve the draft framework [as amended] and requests feedback from the relevant Community Committees/Boards and Town Centre Plan Steering Groups.

2 Background

- 2.1 Council is currently developing its Long-term Plan for 2015-25. In December, Council agreed the draft Levels of Service in the Community Partnerships and Economic Development and District Promotion activities for inclusion in the draft 2015-25 LTP.
- 2.2 Council also agreed to continue investing in the four MOU agencies¹ to deliver on specific elements of the Levels of Service for these two activities. Council is seeking delivery of a number of outcomes and recognised that this would require a work programme that contained elements of a "contract for service" with specific

¹ Bulls and District Community Trust, Project Marton, Rangitikei Tourism and Taihape Community Development Trust

measurable requirements and a “high trust contract” which contributes to building cohesive and resilient communities.

- 2.3 The draft Levels of Service where a contribution is sought from the MOU agencies are:

Community Partnerships Levels of Service (extract)	
What people want	Council’s intended Level of Service is to:
Opportunities for residents to remain socially and physically active into their retirement years, to enable them to stay in the District for as long as possible	Facilitate and lead on a Positive Ageing Strategy that aims to enhance quality of life for older people in the District.
Opportunities for people with children to access the quality of life they desire for their families	Facilitate and lead on a Youth Action Plan that aims to enhance quality of life for children and young people in the District
Cohesive and resilient communities that welcome and celebrate diversity	Develop high trust contracts with agencies in each of the three main towns to undertake community development
Economic development and District promotion Levels of Service (extract)	
What people want	Council’s intended Level of Service is to:
Attractive and vibrant towns that attract business and residents.	Contract with local organisations to develop and deliver events, activities and projects to enliven the towns and District.
Up to date and relevant information for visitors and residents on a range of services, activities and attractions	Contract with local organisations to provide a range of information, such as: * Up-to-date calendar of events, and * Community newsletters, for local distribution
An up to date, relevant and vibrant on line presence with information about services, activities and attractions, the District lifestyle, job opportunities and social media contacts.	Contract with local organisations to provide a website that is a gateway to the District, with links through to more local web pages, with information about living in the District and social media opportunities.

- 2.4 Council indicated that it is looking for a more focussed reporting mechanism with specific quantitative and qualitative measures. Additional consideration is given in this report to three key elements of the reporting framework, viz community development, town centre plans and the events strategy.
- 2.5 Meetings have been held with the Town Coordinators/Rangitikei Tourism Coordinator and Committee/Trust members in late December/early January to scope out an initial work programme for each agency.
- 2.6 A final draft of this report has been reviewed by the agencies and their comments noted. It is suggested that this report [as amended] is also shared with the relevant Community Committee/Board and the Town Centre Plan Steering Groups for comment before inclusion in the draft LTP.

3 Community Development framework

- 3.1 It is suggested that Council confirms a community development framework that can be used for reporting purposes in the “high trust contract” elements of the work programme – that is building cohesive and resilient communities that welcome and celebrate diversity. The framework which was used for the Marton Community Development Programme focussed on four dimensions of community engagement that contribute to quality of life. These are:
- Personal empowerment: individual learning, knowledge, confidence and skill
 - Positive action: to identify and involve groups excluded by poverty, health, race, gender, disability, age, rurality: recognising that not all groups start from a level playing field
 - Community organisations: includes general activity in the community, the range, quality and effectiveness of community-based groups and organisations, and the nature and quality of their relationships with each other and the wider world
 - Participation and influence: through which change in the circumstances of community life is achieved
- 3.2 This framework, Achieving Better Community Development (ABCD)², is attached as Appendix 1. It places activities such as networking between agencies, community projects such as cooking classes or community gardens, participation in consultation, submission and lobbying processes and supporting capacity within community organisations, including to support specific groups (for example, teenage parents) within a community development context.

4 Town Centre Plans

- 4.1 Council has adopted a Town Centre Plan for Bulls and is in the process of developing plans for Marton and Taihape. Council has recognised that some of the activities needed to implement the town centre plans are likely to fall naturally within the remit of the Town Coordinators³.
- 4.2 A meeting has been arranged for the Town Coordinators to meet with David Engwicht from Creative Communities in late January. At this meeting, the contribution from the Town Coordinators to the implementation of the Town Centre Plans will be further explored. Clearly this will need to be done in conjunction with the Community Committees/Boards and the Town Centre Plan Steering Groups. A

² Achieving Better Community Development (ABCD) developed by the Scottish Community Development Centre: a partnership of the Community Development Foundation and the University of Glasgow.

³ Council has also supported the Hunterville community to develop a place-making framework for its future development. However, it is not anticipated that the Town Coordinators or Rangitikei Tourism will be asked to formally contribute to this project.

verbal update will be provided to the Council meeting in January 2015 but some initial thoughts are provided in the following sections 6-9.

5 Events Strategy

- 5.1 Council's Events Policy aims to "develop a sense of place in the Rangitikei through iconic events that reflect the diversity of the Rangitikei communities and add to the attractiveness and vibrancy of the District towns to attract businesses, residents and visitors⁴."
- 5.2 Council needs to develop a strategy to achieve the policy intent. Council has previously identified that events offer a great opportunity to promote and showcase the Rangitikei lifestyle and that events should be supported based on their ability to attract large numbers of local and near-local residents⁵.
- 5.3 On the basis of the initial conversations with the MOU agencies, the following iconic events would be assured through the MOU arrangement:
 - Taihape Gumboot Day
 - Marton Harvest Festival
 - Wear-a-bull Art
 - Marton Market Day
 - A family-focussed summer event in Bulls
- 5.4 The outstanding iconic events⁶ would need to be delivered through the implementation of the Economic Development Strategy:
 - Marton Country Music festival
 - Turakina Highland Games
 - Hunterville Shemozzle
 - Mangaweka Fakes and Forgeries
 - Marton Shearing Sports
- 5.5 Council has previously identified the development of Te Ao Māori events in the District as important in a calendar of events that showcase the District. This is an aspect that remains to be considered.
- 5.6 A further category is those events which are aimed primarily at attracting locals rather than visitors. These events are not "iconic" in the sense that they would not expect to attract a large number of non-residents but nonetheless, they make a

⁴ Policy Manual, Community Resilience Policies

⁵ A key factor affecting population projections is net migration. From Census data, migration to and from Rangitikei is predominantly within the Horizons region.

⁶ Draft Economic Development Strategy [as amended 14/FPE/108]

considerable contribution to a vibrant and attractive community. An example would be the Christmas parades in each of Bulls, Marton and Taihape.

6 Bulls and District Community Trust

- 6.1 BDCT has a good track record in delivering community events. The Trust is proposing that the events it would commit to deliver during 2015/16 (and indicative of its events programme for 2016/17 and 2017/18) are the Summer Concert and Picnic at the Bulls Domain, Wear-a-bull Arts (July/August) and a Matariki event (June).
- 6.2 The continuing commitment to an event to celebrate Matariki by the Trust, in conjunction with Parewahawaha Marae, could be viewed within the community development framework as an initiative which contributes both to positive action and to community organisations.
- 6.3 The Trust has produced and distributed a community-wide newsletter, Bullitinn, for several years and proposes to continue to provide this service. In addition, it has recently negotiated with Bulls and District Enterprises to take over the administration of the Unforget-a-bull website and the “-a-bull” trademarked branding. It administers a FaceBook page for Bulls.
- 6.4 The Trust has been involved with the development and implementation of the Bulls Town Centre Plan and is keen to understand what its role could be in the future. Initially, it can see a role to support retailer engagement with the footpath and to support the community in community-led place-making initiatives.
- 6.5 Over the past several years, the Trust has led on delivery of the Youth Action Plan. The Community Development Manager has a particular interest in youth development and the Trust is keen for her to be able to pursue this as the lead agency for the Youth Action Plan, district-wide.

7 Project Marton

- 7.1 One of Project Marton’s key achievements in the past few years has been the revival of the Market Day (November) and development of the Harvest Festival activities (March). This is due in no small part to the skills and experience of the Project Marton Coordinator and her background in market retail as much as her event management skills. The Project Marton Committee will commit to deliver these events during 2015/16 (as indicative of its events programme for 2016/17 and 2017/18).
- 7.2 Project Marton produces an electronic and hard copy community newsletter, Marton Community News, with a growing distribution. The www.martonNZ.com website is incorporated into the www.rangitikei.com site. It is updated by Project Marton which also administers the Marton FaceBook presence.

- 7.3 The Project Marton co-Chair and the Coordinator have been involved with the development of the Marton Town Centre Plan. The Plan is due to be adopted by Council for consultation by the end of February. It has already achieved a degree of consensus within the town and it seems likely that the focus for implementation in the coming years will be to develop the “Boutique Town” identity. This will involve developing pop-up shops and improving retailer engagement with the footpath⁷.
- 7.4 It seems appropriate to leverage off the strengths of the Project Marton Coordinator in market retail and ask her to lead on these initiatives in Marton and to provide support and guidance for similar initiatives District-wide. The Project Marton Committee have indicated that this would align with their strategic vision.
- 7.5 Project Marton has also been involved over the past few years with the Marton Connections Project and developed a number of initiatives relating to health and social welfare services in the southern Rangitikei. Not least of these is the coordination of the monthly networking meetings for social welfare agencies that provide services in the town. Project Marton has indicated that it would wish to continue in this facilitative role. This would be considered within the community development framework, contributing across all four dimensions.

8 Rangitikei Tourism

- 8.1 The relationship between Council and Rangitikei Tourism, although contractually the same, is somewhat different to the relationship with the other MOU agencies. Rangitikei Tourism’s purpose, as contained within its rules, is “to promote the Rangitikei as a visitor destination and a great place to be”. Rangitikei Tourism necessarily relies upon a membership subscription to augment any funding received from Council. This is because the nature of its purpose does not lend itself to seeking philanthropic funding as readily as the other MOU agencies which have the wider community development remit.
- 8.2 Council funding over the recent past has been focussed on supporting the development and maintenance of a District web-portal through www.rangitikei.com. This contributes directly to the Levels of Service that Council is suggesting will enable it to meet the broad view of its statutory purpose: the provision of local public services in a cost effective fashion. In addition, Rangitikei Tourism has undertaken to use the website for District-wide promotion and not just to promote the business interests of its members.
- 8.3 This proposed work programme has the same focus on the web presence for promotional purposes and it already bears many similarities to a “contract for service”. The development of more specific outcomes, for example around the maintenance of a calendar of events, provides assurance that there is no “creep” of

⁷ It is likely to also involve a number of community-led place-making initiatives involving heritage buildings but Creative Communities have indicated that Council needs to lead a “coalition of the willing” to initiate this.

ratepayer funding beyond the broad role established by Council as legitimate to its purpose.

- 8.4 Rangitikei Tourism has indicated that it will continue to develop and maintain www.rangitikei.com as the web-portal for promoting the District as place to live, visit and do business. It has also undertaken to coordinate a calendar of District-wide events as part of its arrangement with Council. It also maintains FaceBook and Twitter pages associated with the website.
- 8.5 Rangitikei Tourism will continue to support and develop visitor attractions, such as the Gorges To Sea bike trail, and take part in District promotions, for example, providing information on activities and attractions at local events. However, these activities primarily benefit tourism/hospitality businesses and do not form part of Council's formal MOU arrangement with the agency.
- 8.6 Rangitikei Tourism has also indicated that it would welcome a greater emphasis on District promotion from Council and would like to be able to undertake more District-wide promotional activities. Council will be aware that its draft economic development strategy identified District promotion as one of five key result areas. So, there is a wider discussion to be held about a District promotion strategy which it may expected will contain Rangitikei Tourism as a key stakeholder, if not lead agency. These discussions will form part of the consultation on the economic development strategy and ultimately the Long Term Plan.

9 Taihape Community Development Trust

- 9.1 Firstly, it needs to be acknowledged that Taihape is the ward that is being most affected by the demographic changes in the District. These have been well-documented elsewhere. In summary, Taihape is experiencing the sharp edge of urbanisation: the population shift towards the southern Rangitikei and the surrounding population centres of Feilding, Palmerston North and Whanganui. The population is declining at a faster rate than elsewhere in the District, with an increasingly high proportion of Māori⁸. The proportion of older (65+ years) people in the Taihape community is not rising as fast as elsewhere in the District⁹.
- 9.2 Secondly, tangata whenua in the Taihape rohe are in the midst of the Treaty Settlement process. Given the experience elsewhere in the District and in New Zealand, this will create a dynamic within the community for the next few years which Council needs to bear in mind.

⁸ Census 2013 indicates 40% of the population in Taihape is Māori c.f. 25% District-wide

⁹ Census 2013 indicates 14% of the population in Taihape is 65+ c.f. 17% District-wide. This is associated with the higher proportion of Māori in the population due to a lower median age compared to the non-Māori population. This is also indicative of health inequalities which lead to a reduced life expectancy for Māori people. The proportion of people 65+ in the non-Māori population is consistent across the District (20%).

- 9.3 Finally, Taihape is struggling to achieve a consensus within the community over the future direction for its community and leisure assets and the other Council services that are under review as part of the Town Centre Plan.
- 9.4 These factors mean that there are significant challenges in Taihape around “building a cohesive and resilient community that welcomes and celebrates diversity”.
- 9.5 The Trust Manager is an extremely knowledgeable and experienced community development practitioner who is well-placed, with the support of Council and Trust members, to focus on delivering community development outcomes in Taihape. She is also well-placed to provide a support and advice role in this area District-wide.
- 9.6 The Trust Manager chairs the Enjoying Life in the Rangitikei theme group and has led on the Taihape Connections project. This latter involves working to support better information about and co-ordination of community health and social welfare services in town. Half of the original grant from the Ministry of Social Development for Taihape Connections remains unspent within the Trust: achievements to date include developing a community services database, facilitating the monthly networking meetings and chairing the Rangitikei Housing Advisory Group (Older People’s Housing Needs Survey and Focus Groups) within the Positive Ageing Strategy.
- 9.7 The Trust and its Manager are sensitive to the need for the Trust to develop its credibility as a community development agency in the town if it is to have success in this area. An important first step has been to recruit a full complement of Trustees from a cross-section of the community. The development of an agreed work programme which focusses on community development outcomes will be another key milestone.
- 9.8 TCDT has a good track record in delivering community events. The Trust is proposing that the events it would commit to deliver during 2015/16 (and indicative of its events programme for 2016/17 and 2017/18) are Gumboot Day (March) and the Christmas Parade.
- 9.9 A number of other events are supported in the town by the Trust. These contribute to the positive action and community organisations dimensions of the ABCD framework. Council has previously supported Te Ao Māori events in Taihape through its MOU with Mokai Patea Services and this may be an area where the Trust can provide community development support if needed.
- 9.10 The Trust also supports a number of initiatives and events to support retailers in the town. It is open to seeing how these may be reviewed in the context of the Taihape Town Centre Plan, once it is finalised.
- 9.11 The Trust produces an electronic and hard copy community newsletter, Talk Up Taihape, and proposes to continue to provide this service. The www.taihape.co.nz website is linked to www.rangitikei.com. It administers a FaceBook page for Taihape and for Gumboot Day.

10 Comment

- 10.1 One of the initial intentions of the MOU arrangement was to generate a "team spirit" amongst the Town/Rangitikei Tourism Coordinators and encourage working together on District-wide initiatives. The allocation of lead responsibility to these agencies according to their strengths and the opportunities within each area of expertise will support this aspiration.
- 10.2 A summary of the draft work programmes is attached as Appendix 2 and 3. Appendix 2 details the outline work programme for Community Partnerships related work. It is in the nature of a "high trust contract" and reporting will be in a narrative format. Each MOU agency will be asked to identify areas for focus for the coming year but these will not be prescriptive in the spirit of the MOU agreement that "Council does not seek to influence the priorities each partnering organisation has at any time". Such an arrangement recognises that delivery of the work programme will to some extent be dependent upon success in external fundraising and emerging community priorities.
- 10.3 Appendix 3 details the outline work programme for the Economic development and District promotion activity. It is in the nature of a "contract for service" and quantitative and qualitative performance measures need to be added.
- 10.4 As previously outlined, one of the consequences of a prescriptive contract for service is that Council can expect to pay a higher proportion of the costs of these outcomes. It is suggested that the overall split between the work programmes outlined in Appendices 2 and 3 is likely to be 40:60 respectively i.e. a greater proportion to be allocated to the "contract for service" elements of the MOU arrangements.

11 Next steps

- 11.1 Feedback on this report [as amended] will be sought from the Marton and Bulls Community Committees and Taihape Community Board in February. Feedback on those elements that relate directly to the Town Centre Plans will be sought from the Town Centre Plan Steering Groups.
- 11.2 The summary draft work programme will then be included in the draft 2015-25 LTP for consultation. The MOU agencies will be invited to submit their final proposed work programmes as part of the submissions process, for confirmation in the final LTP.

12 Recommendations

- 12.1 That the report on “Draft work programme 2015-2018 with the MOU partner agencies for inclusion in the draft 2015-25 Long Term Plan” be received.
- 12.2 That the Council confirms the draft work programme [as amended] and invites the Marton and Bulls Community Committees, the Taihape Community Board, the Marton, Bulls and Taihape Town Centre Plan Steering Groups to provide comment during February 2015.

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Appendix 1: Achieving Better Community Development framework

*Quality
of
Life*

**A Sustainable
Community**

**A Liveable
Community**

**An Equitable
Community**

core principles

**Social
Development**

**Economic
Development**

**Environmental
Development**

**Cultural
Development**

Contexts for change

**Personal
Empowerment**

Positive Action

**Community
Organisation**

**Participation &
Influence**

Dimensions of community engagement

Appendix 2: Draft work programme for Community Partnerships Activity

Community Partnerships Levels of Service (extract)				
Council's intended Level of Service is to:	Contribution sought from BDCT	Contribution sought from Project Marton	Contribution sought from Rangitikei Tourism	Contribution sought from TCDT
Facilitate and lead on a Positive Ageing Strategy that aims to enhance quality of life for older people in the District.	Contribute as appropriate	Contribute as appropriate		Chair of Rangitikei Housing Action Group
Facilitate and lead on a Youth Action Plan that aims to enhance quality of life for children and young people in the District	Lead partner on delivery of Youth Action Plan	Contribute as appropriate		Contribute as appropriate
Develop high trust contracts with agencies in each of the three main towns to undertake community development	Report on initiatives within ABCD framework: - Building skills and confidence - Developing networks and organisations - Positive action - Participation and influence	Report on initiatives within ABCD framework: - Building skills and confidence - Developing networks and organisations - Positive action - Participation and influence		Report on initiatives within ABCD framework: - Building skills and confidence - Developing networks and organisations - Positive action - Participation and influence Chair of Enjoying Life in the Rangitikei theme group. Support and advice on community development in Marton and Bulls

Appendix 3: Draft work programme for Economic development and District promotion Activity

Economic development and District promotion Levels of Service (extract)				
Council's intended Level of Service is to:	Contribution sought from BDCT	Contribution sought from Project Marton	Contribution sought from Rangitikei Tourism	Contribution sought from TCDT
Contract with local organisations to develop and deliver events, activities and projects to enliven the towns and District.	Support for community-led place-making initiatives in Bulls Support for initiatives to facilitate retailer engagement with the footpath Delivery of two iconic events	Manage delivery of Marton as a Boutique Town, viz pop-up shops and engagement of retailers with the footpath. Support and advise on CBD revitalisation in Bulls and Taihape Delivery of two iconic events	Lead partner for dissemination of information promoting the District as a place to live, visit and do business in at iconic events	Support for community-led place-making initiatives in Taihape Support for initiatives to facilitate retailer engagement with the footpath Delivery of one iconic event
Contract with local organisations to provide a range of information, such as: * Up-to-date calendar of events, and * Community newsletters	Production and distribution of Bullitinn. Contribute to the maintenance of the calendar of events	Production and distribution of Marton Community News. Contribute to the maintenance of the calendar of events	Coordination and delivery of up-to-date calendar of events	Production and distribution of Talk Up Taihape Contribute to the maintenance of the calendar of events
Contract with local organisations to provide a website that is a gateway to the District, with links through to more local web pages, and social media opportunities.	Maintenance and development of http://unforgetabull.co.nz/ website and associated FaceBook pages	Maintenance and development of www.martonNZ.com website and associated FaceBook pages	Lead partner on District web-portal via www.rangitikei.com Maintenance and development of District-wide pages (with links to Bulls, Marton and Taihape websites)	Maintenance and development of www.taihape.co.nz website and associated FaceBook pages



REPORT

SUBJECT: Final Draft Taihape Town Centre Plan
TO: Taihape Community Board
DATE: 30 January 2015
FILE: 1-CP-7-1

1 Executive Summary

1.1 Purpose of the report

This report presents the final draft Taihape Town Centre Plan (attached separately), prepared by Creative Communities. It seeks the views of the Taihape Community Board on the draft Plan. Council will take these views into account as part of its deliberations prior to adoption of the draft Town Centre Plan for consultation through the 2015-25 Long-term Plan.

1.2 Key issues

The draft Plan addresses the brief provided by Council to Creative Communities to establish an agreed framework and guide for:

- The future management and development of the public areas (including roads/footpaths) and green spaces in central Taihape;
- The nature and timing of the development and associated funding decisions of the public and private sector;
- Defining council's role in the CBD, and create a civic heart for the town; and
- Building a consensus on the future development of a multi-purpose facility at Memorial Park.

1.3 Major recommendations

In the final draft Taihape Town Centre Plan, Creative Communities have proposed next steps which:

- Move to implementation on those aspects where consensus has been reached (landmarks and wayfinding, place-making initiatives, retailer engagement),
- Provide further information and opportunity to build consensus on the future of the Town Hall site as a civic centre, and
- Inject momentum into discussions about the development of recreational facilities at Memorial Park.

This report suggests that the Taihape Community Board recognises that consensus has not yet been achieved within the Taihape community on some of the key issues and endorses the proposed approach contained within the draft Taihape Town Centre Plan.

2 Context

2.1 Background

Taihape is located in the northern Rangitikei District. It services a large rural community and lies on State Highway 1 and the North Island main trunk railway line. The 2013 census records the town's population as 1,509. This is a decrease of 279 people, or 15.6 percent, since the 2006 Census. Taihape is home to 10.8 percent of Rangitikei District's population.

As a gateway to the District, Taihape has developed into an important traveller destination, with a vibrant café scene in the CBD area and major tourist attractions (River Valley Lodge, Mokai Gravity Canyon) in the area. It remains a service centre for the local farming community. The town has similarities with Bulls - its southern "gateway" counterpart. Whereas Bulls has developed an identity around the *a-bull* trademark, Taihape's brand centres around being the "Gumboot Capital of the World" and it attracts large numbers of people to the annual gumboot-throwing contest.

As described in the 2012/22 Long Term Plan, Council has a strategic priority to rationalise its portfolio of Community and Leisure Assets with the intent to have fewer but better facilities in the future. This reflects the declining use of existing buildings and predicted changes in patterns of use from the changing demographic of the population.

A group in Taihape has developed a concept for a multi-purpose leisure facility (the Leisure Hub) in the Memorial Park, which sits behind the main CBD area. However, there is no consensus within the town over this development.

The town faces some important decisions around the earthquake-prone Town Hall, which also houses the Library and Information centre. The estimated seismic strengthening bill is \$2.5 million and, because of this, Council has questioned the long term future for this building. Clearly, the town needs to look at the functionality of all its assets – current and proposed – and develop a rational plan for the future.

Following the success of a process undertaken by Creative Communities in Bulls to develop the Bulls Town Centre Plan, Council commissioned Creative Communities to undertake a similar process in Taihape. The project brief outlined the issues to be addressed (see para. 1.2).

2.2 Long Term Plan

The timing of the project has been established to enable any relevant findings/recommendations to be consulted upon as part of the 2015/25 Long Term Plan.

2.3 Significance and Engagement

The decision about the future for Taihape's community and leisure facilities is deemed to be significant (major and long-term).

The process has been informed by previous research, "Planning for Population Decline: can a decline oriented approach to asset management be appropriate within the Rangitikei District?"¹ This suggested that a "smart decline" approach could be successful in the Rangitikei provided that it was done in the context of full consultation within the community.

As such, it has been Council's intent to engage as widely as possible within the community on the development of the draft Taihape Town Centre Plan and to ensure that decisions taken are, as far as practicable consensual. This is in addition to any statutory requirements for consultation, such as the special consultative procedure prior to adoption of the Long-term Plan.

2.4 Maori consultation

Given the high (and growing) proportion of the population in the Taihape township that identifies as Māori (46.6% compared to 24.3% for Rangitikei District and 14.9% for New Zealand), Council is concerned at the apparent lack of engagement of Māori in the process to date. Council is in the process of seeking advice from representatives of its Iwi liaison Komiti, Te Roopu Ahi Kaa; however, it views this as a deficit that it will need to address before any final decisions are made.

2.5 Legal issues

There are no legal issues associated with this report.

2.6 Approach

At Council's request, the Taihape Community Board established a project steering group comprising members of the local community and chaired by Board member, Peter Oliver. Board member, Gail Larsen, was also a member of the Steering Group (as was Andrew Green until he resigned from the Board). The Steering Group met regularly throughout the process and provided feedback and comment to Creative Communities as the draft Plan was developed.

¹ Robert Burgoyne, 2013

Two questionnaires were circulated through the community as the draft Plan reached milestones in development and where community direction was needed. These questionnaires provided vital information to enable Creative Communities to test for consensus on various issues.

In addition, the process started with a public meeting on 30 July 2014 and effectively was completed by a public meeting on 28 January 2015. A further public meeting was held on 16 October 2014 to provide feedback to the community following the first questionnaire. Regular updates were also provided through the Central District Times and information periodically displayed at the Library.

3 Analysis

3.1 Views

Creative Communities assessed the responses from the questionnaires and ascertained that the only consensus available to it in terms of the future of the Town Hall site was an enthusiasm to see some development of the Town Hall site to create a civic centre. There remain clear divisions as to the extent that the current building will contribute to any redevelopment of the site.

At the public meeting on 28 January 2015, which was attended by approximately 80 members of the community, this consensus was confirmed unanimously.

The process undertaken by Creative Communities has enabled the views of the community to be tested to the extent that it has identified issues where there is a consensus in the community and issues where consensus still needs to be reached.

3.2 Options

The first questionnaire circulated provided opportunity for the community to provide feedback on two key sets of option from Creative Communities.

The first of these was to consider the strategies to deliver a “Destination Town” and to choose place-making projects which should be a priority for the short- to medium-term. As a result of analysis of the responses to this questionnaire, the priority projects were identified (see page 36/37 of the draft Taihape Town Centre Plan).

The questionnaire also floated the idea of allocating \$20,000 to these community-led place-making projects.

The second was to develop a “facilities package” that would maximise the use of existing facilities to see if duplication could be reduced and result in cost savings, or if activities and services could be co-located. The analysis of the

responses to the options around a “facilities package” was inconclusive and so a second questionnaire sought to get more clarity over the community’s views on future development of its facilities.

The options and results of the survey for the second questionnaire are reproduced below (see also page 39 of the draft Taihape Town Centre Plan):

Question 1: The civic centre functions (such as library visitor information centre and council front desk) should be on Hautapu Street in Area A

Yes–118 No –3 Neutral –2

Question 2: Where should indoor recreational facilities (such as Basketball, badminton, fitness centre and sauna be located?

Area A–29 Area B–70 Either–26

Question 3: There are adequate venues in Taihape for meetings and functions up to 200 people. For events over 200 the only facilities with the capacity are the town hall and the TAS Area School Hall. Taihape hosts 5-7 such events per year.

Does Taihape need a large auditorium?

Yes–54 No–59 Neutral–17

Question 4: The Woman’s Club (council owned) is the best used facility in Taihape for clubs and small groups. If council were to provide new and better facilities, these should be integrated into:

New Civic Centre in Area A–87

Improved recreation facility in Area B–16 Either–17

Question 5 Civic Centre Options

A. Retain front two story façade of the Town Hall building, demolish the library and rear section and build a new civic centre. 30

B. Demolish the Town Hall and build a new civic centre. 37

C. Sell the existing Town hall and build a new civic centre on Hautapu Street. 6

D. Earthquakes strengthen heat and renovate the existing Town hall and make it fit for purpose. 49

3.3 Costs

Indicative costs were developed to support the options. Wherever possible, comparison was made “apples for apples” so that any inconsistencies were reproduced across each of the costs calculations. The estimated costs were

OPTION A: Retain facade & redevelop Town Hall site \$2.7 million

OPTION B/C: Full redevelopment town hall on existing or new site \$1.9 million

OPTION D: Renovated of existing Town Hall to provide same facilities as options A, B or C plus a large auditorium \$3.6 million

4 Conclusions

Creative Communities have concluded that no clear consensus has been achieved for the “big ticket items” of creation of a fit for purpose civic centre or fewer but better recreational and leisure facilities.

It is therefore suggesting in the final draft Taihape Town Centre Plan, that Council adopt a strategy which:

- Moves to implementation on those aspects where consensus has been reached (landmarks and wayfinding, place-making initiatives, retailer engagement),
- Provides further information and opportunity to build consensus on the future of the Town Hall site as a civic centre, and
- Injects momentum into discussions about the development of recreational facilities at Memorial Park.

Council is proposing to include an untagged amount of \$1.5 million in the draft Long-Term Plan, but has yet to determine when in the ten-year period covered by the Plan. This will be considered again once the preliminary work has been undertaken to define more closely the options.

In addition, Council is proposing that a share of \$60,000 is available in Taihape to implement place-making projects. This sum would be shared with the other three towns which have town centre plans (Bulls, Marton and Hunterville).

5 Next steps

The draft Taihape Town Centre Plan, attached separately, contains full details of the process and proposals that Creative Communities is recommending to Council.

Council will consider these proposals, along with any comments from the Taihape Community Board and further feedback from the community at its meeting on 26 February 2015.

Following those deliberations, it will adopt the draft Taihape Town Centre Plan in full, or in part, and with, or without amendments, for consultation as part of the Long Term Plan.

6 Recommendations

- 6.1 That the report “Final Draft Taihape Town Centre Plan” be received.
- 6.2 That the Taihape Community Board thanks those who have contributed to the work of the Steering Group as the draft Taihape Town Centre Plan has evolved.
- 6.3 That the Taihape Community Board recommends that Council adopts the draft Taihape Town Centre Plan taking into account the following issues.....and includes it in the consultation process for the draft 2015-25 LTP.
- 6.4 That the Taihape Community Board recommends that Council, as a preliminary step before creating a design brief for the civic centre, work with the Taihape community to address the four key questions under the Exploration and Trials phase of the draft Taihape Town Centre Plan:
 - Can the Taihape Area School Hall be modified to adequately cater for the 5-7 large events each year, and can a MOU be negotiated to ensure availability? What is the cost?
 - How well does this arrangement work over a trial period of say one or two years? Is it adequately meeting the needs for large events?
 - What potential joint venture partners are there for the Town Hall site, and what can they contribute? (This is a large site and if a large auditorium is not needed, there may be an opportunity for housing or some other form of development.)
 - Will Clubs Taihape Inc. proceed with The Hub or enter a joint venture with Council on the swimming pool site, the Civic Centre, or both?
- 6.5 That the Taihape Community Board considers further the options for developing recreation and leisure facilities on Memorial Park Council in terms of scope and location to be prepared by Clubs Taihape and the Memorial Park User Group.
- 6.6 That the Taihape Community Board recommends that Council investigate options to coordinate the implementation of priority 1 place-making projects as outlined in the draft Taihape Town Centre Plan

Kevin Morris
Policy Team

Taihape Community Board Agenda Item Submission Form

Meeting date:

February 4th 2015

Submitted by:

Peter Oliver

Agenda item:

Taihape Town Centre Plan Steering Group membership, and future of the Group

Description of issue to be tabled:

1. There needs to be a decision as to whether there is an ongoing future for the Steering Group after the Draft Town Centre Plan is submitted. To some extent the resolution of Issue 2 (the membership of the Group) depends on this decision. Who is implementing the "place-making strategies" - the Council, the Community Board, a separate sub-committee or the TCDT? Is the Steering Group to continue representing the general community input to the many remaining unanswered questions arising from the Draft Town Centre Plan?

2. The Taihape Town Centre Plan Steering Group started with 18 members. Three members have since resigned (including Andrew Green), leaving 15 current members. However 5 members have not bothered to attend a meeting for over 3 months with no apologies and some have never attended any meeting. Of the 10 active members the general attendance is 6 to 9 members. The Steering group would like to know if the new Community board member (Yvonne Sicely) should replace Andrew Green on the Steering group. Also one member of the public (Matt Thomas) has attended 7 meetings over the last few months, but feels that without a vote he is wasting his time. This could be solved by offering him a full membership of the Steering group.

Resolution sought:

That the Steering Group go into recess after the Community Board's recommendations have been submitted,(resulting from the Draft Taihape Town Centre Plan), to the Council's Long Term plan, and that the Community Board appoint a new sub-committee to assist in the implementation of any "place-making " strategies.

If the steering group does not go into recess, then, as the Steering Group is a sub-committee of the Community Board: the Board should approve Yvonne Sicely replacing Andrew Green on the Steering Group; also the Community Board should approve Matthew Thomas being asked to be a full member of the Steering Group.

Outcome:

1. The Steering Group goes into recess immediately after the Community Board's recommendations resulting from the Draft Taihape Town Centre Plan are made to Council and the Community Board appoint a new sub-committee for any ongoing work.
2. If the Steering Group does not go into recess, the Steering Group will accept as full members Yvonne Sicely and Matthew Thomas , effective immediately.

Taihape Community Board Agenda Item Submission Form**Meeting date:**

February 4th 2015

Submitted by:

Peter Oliver

Agenda item:

Chairman's Report from The Taihape Town Centre Plan Steering Group

Description of issue to be tabled:

Attached is a report from the Chairman of the Steering Group.

This Steering Group is a diverse group with many differing opinions on most issues.

A core group of the same 6 to 10 members only, from the original 18 people "elected", have attended the last 13 meetings over the last 4 months. The views in this report reflect the views of the majority of those core members.

Resolution sought:

That the report be accepted.

Outcome:

That the Community Board accept the report and give proper consideration to the comments made in it.

REPORT

TO: Taihape Community Board

FROM: Peter Oliver, Chairman, Taihape Town Centre Plan Steering Group

DATE: 28th January, 2015

SUBJECT: **Chairman's Report From the Taihape Town Centre Plan Steering Group**

1. Steering Group Members

The Taihape Town Centre Plan Steering Group started with 18 members. Three members have since resigned (including Andrew Green), leaving 15 current members. However 5 members have not attended a meeting for over 3 months with no apologies and some have never attended any meeting. Of the remaining 10 active (core) Steering Group members the general attendance at Steering Group meetings is between 6 to 9 members.

2. Steering Group Input into the Draft Town Centre Plan

The Steering Group have been meeting since August 2014. During this time the Steering Group's role has been mainly confined to robust critiquing of Creative Communities' ideas, which have been presented to the Steering Group as a series of draft-segments of the Draft Town Centre Plan, and some input to the 2 public questionnaires that went out to the public in the wider Taihape area.

The Steering Group think in general that the whole process has been too rushed and that they have had no proper opportunity to input actual ideas into the Draft Town Centre Plan, other than suggesting refinements and amendments to those put forward by Creative Communities. Many of the minor amendments of the Steering Group have been accepted, but many of the Steering Group's more important recommendations have not. However, the Steering Group recognises that the Draft Town Centre Plan has been commissioned from Creative Communities and it is their document and as such they are perfectly entitled to present it how they wish.

3. Steering Group Recommendations on the Round 2 Questionnaire Feedback

The Steering Group has made recommendations based on their interpretation of the public feedback resulting from the questionnaires that were sent out.

The Steering Group recognises that there are many gaps in information given to the public and Steering Group's recommendations are therefore based only on the information to hand at the time.

The Steering Group acknowledges that as more information is gathered these recommendations may need to be modified.

As a result of the last round of questionnaire feedback (Round 2), the Steering Group unanimously passed a number of resolutions and recommendations relating directly to the five questions asked of the public. These recommendations are based on the public response and also the result of considerable discussion in the Steering Group, and were not lightly made. These resolutions (taken from the Steering Group minutes) relate to the five questions put to the public:

Resolved minute number 15/4 File Ref 1-CP-7-1

Question 1: The Steering Group recommends that the location of the Civic centre remain in Area A on Hautapu Street

Peter Oliver / Jan Byford / Carried unanimously

Resolved minute number 15/5 File Ref 1-CP-7-1

Question 2: The Town Centre Plan Steering Group recommends that the preferred principle area for any new indoor recreational facilities should be in Area B the Recreation Reserve

Jan Byford/ Gail Larsen/ Carried unanimously

Resolved minute number 15/6 File Ref 1-CP-7-1

Question 3: The Steering Group recommends that the town does have a large auditorium facility available for public use.

Peter Oliver/ Gail Larsen/ Carried unanimously

Resolved minute number 15/7 File Ref 1-Cp-7-1-

Question 4: The Steering Group recommends that if a new location is required for small venues (i.e. the Woman's Club) that it should be relocated to the Civic centre.

Peter Oliver /Jan Byford/ Carried unanimously

Resolved minute number 15/8 File Ref 1CP-7-1-

Question 5: The Steering Group recommend keeping the Town Hall and take a staged approach to its renovation.

Note: "The Steering Group agreed that the option in the questionnaire "Option D" to retain the present Town hall is their preferred option."

Gina Mason/ Jan Byford/ Carried unanimously

4. Steering Group Comments on The Draft Town Centre Plan.

Since the Round 2 Questionnaire was returned, Creative Communities have produced a Draft Town Centre Plan. The Steering Group has expressed a considerable number of reservations about many of the statements in this Draft Town Centre Plan. Some of the more important points in the Draft Town Centre Plan that the Steering Group wish to comment on are listed below. These were again unanimously agreed upon by the Steering Group at their last meeting. These points, while being brief in this report, are the result of much debate within the Steering Group:

Resolved minute number 15/12 File Ref 1-CP-7-1

The Taihape Town Centre Plan Steering Group put to the Taihape Community Board the following points as comments on the draft Town Centre Plan as at 26 January 2015. The Steering Group ask that Council give these points serious consideration.

- I. Page 4: The Steering Group request that the rural ward population be included in the population statistics, if the figures for 2013 census are not available then the 2006 figures should be used.
- II. Page 4 The Steering Group would like to see the evidence of the declining use of the existing council facilities that the rationalisation process is based on.
- III. Page 5 (Process): The Steering Group do not feel they are responsible for the development of the draft Town Centre Plan but have merely provided a critique to the work produced by Creative Communities suggested Plan.
- IV. Page 5: The Steering Group does not feel that this process has been community-led.
- V. Page 8: Town population decline does not include the rural population figures.
- VI. Page 8: the Steering Group disagree with the statement that 1 in 3 of the population will be over sixty-five by 2050; this should read that it is projected that 1 in 3 over the age of fifteen years will be over 65 years of age by 2050.
- VII. There are no figures for those aged under fifteen years of age.
- VIII. Page 8: the Steering Group believe there is a lack of emphasis on the low earthquake risk and the time line for addressing earthquake strengthening.
- IX. Page 10: The Steering Group question the need for a civic square for the town and that the idea had not been discussed with the Group.

- X. Page 10: The Steering Group believe that there was a significant number of the community that expressed concern over the use of the TAS as a community hall.
- XI. Page 10: The Steering Group agree to the retention of the heritage buildings in the town and incentives to help maintain them.
- XII. Page 12: The Steering Group disagree with the idea of painting the Clock Tower in bright colours.
- XIII. Page 16/20: The Steering Group strongly disagree with the tree planting, narrowing of the main street, raised crossings points and the planting and widening and planting of the central island. The median strip should remain at 2.5m wide and not increased to 4 metres as suggested.
- XIV. Page 17: The Steering Group disagree with the listed “tactics” for the Village Green, Skate Park and Playground.
- XV. Page 17: The Steering Group do not feel the town is introverted and ignores visitors.
- XVI. Page 21: The Steering Group generally agree with side street upgrades.
- XVII. Page 22 The Steering Group does not support the summary of tactic and in particular item 4.
- XVIII. Page 23: the present Woman’s Club facilities adequately provides for the community groups it services and the Steering Group fail to understand why it needs to be replaced by a new facility
- XIX. Pages 25/6 refer to previous comments
- XX. Page 27: The Steering Group agrees with suggestions to optimise the Majestic theatre.
- XXI. Page 28: The Steering Group generally supports the summary of tactic on page 28 in particular, retention of heritage facilities and encouraging the motor-home association and its members into the town.
- XXII. Page 34: Collaboration needs to also include the Taihape Community District Trust and Taihape Community Board.
- XXIII. The Steering Group would like the opportunity to put forward a number of alternative ideas for the town centre facilities and for cooperation with Clubs Taihape.

Jan Byford/ Gina Mason/ Carried unanimously

5. Conclusions

Of the current regular attendees at the Steering Group meetings (the core Steering Group members), the majority opinion is that the whole process conducted by Creative Communities has not been community-led, as was stated at the start of this process. Public "consultation" has consisted of presenting the public with Creative Communities' ideas, and asking the public to choose their preferences.

The Steering Group have not generally agreed with the questions in the two rounds of public "consultation", as they feel they have lacked essential details, and have not adequately covered the possibilities. Having said that, the Steering Group agrees in principle with the majority of 'place-making' strategies that Creative Communities has come up with.

It is important to note that the majority of the core Steering Group do not agree with the proposals that have been suggested for the replacement of the present Town Hall, nor do they agree with the use of the TAS Hall as a substitute auditorium. There are many reasons for this. In addition the Steering Group does not believe that enough notice has been taken of the public's written feedback comments from the first round questionnaire.

The options given for the public to choose from in the second questionnaire had glaring gaps in information, and the Steering Group does not believe the questions gave enough information, or the correct information for the public to make an informed choice.

At the time of writing this report, the Steering Group has not made a recommendation to accept the Draft Town Centre Plan because of the many things they disagree with in it.

Peter Oliver
Chairman, Taihape Town Centre Plan Steering Group



'The Hutt' Taihape

DECEMBER - JANUARY 2015

Out and About!!

December saw the end of year festivities take place with the annual Christmas parade a great chance for the Youth Hutt members to enter in the organised best dressed competitions and be part of the many floats. Many kids showed interest in entering the competitions but didn't participate in the end, however, we did have some youth actively involved on some of the floats.

The Hutt provided a small xmas closedown afternoon tea for the kids before closing for the year. Fruit, chippies, hot and cold goodies and refreshments were handed out.

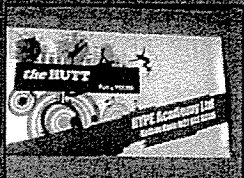
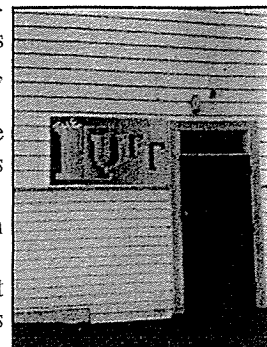
The Youth Hutt closed for xmas on the 18th Dec and reopened Mon 5th Jan for the holiday period.

January started relatively slow with only a few kids in attendance. This didn't last long before the Hutt was back in full swing as word spread the Hutt was open. The hot weather then settled in and many kids were off swimming.

The Youth Hutt remained open each day till the end of the month.

The Hutt is always looking to upgrade and extend the selection of games so if anyone at home has games, movies (dvd) and/or fruit they would like to donate, please drop them off at the Hutt or Library or give Nathan a call (0276228235) and he will organise a pick up.

The facility is busy with some older youth using the facility as well. Maintaining and enforcing a "No Bullying" rule has kept everyone safe and playing together. Overall a very good indication of the Hutt's popularity with the youth.

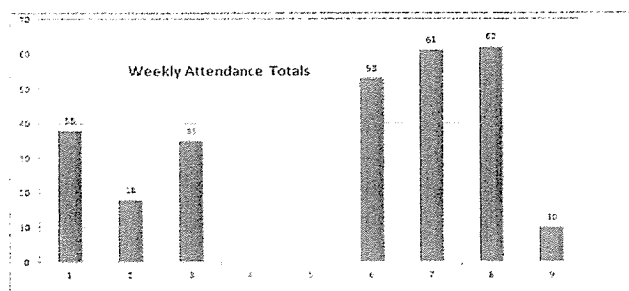
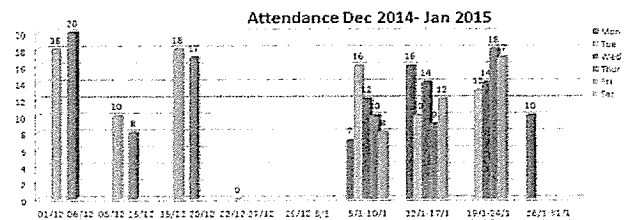


Membership

We had good numbers attending in Dec, approx 16-20 kids each day with a drop off in the second week as the schools prepared for xmas close down. 91 kids used the facility in December. The Youth Hutt re-opened on Mon 5 Jan 2015 with 186 kids having used the facility this month, that's a total of 277 for Dec/Jan and 1318 in total since opening in July.



Dec 2014 - Jan 2015	Total	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
01/12-06/12	38		18		20		
08/12-13/12	18		10		8		
15/12-20/12	95		19		17		
22/12-27/12			Closed Xmas Holiday				
29/12-31/12							
5/1-10/1	53	7	16	12	10	8	
12/1-17/1	61	16	10	14	9	12	
19/1-24/1	62		13	14	18	17	
26/1-31/1	10	10					
Total Nov 2014	277						



School Holidays

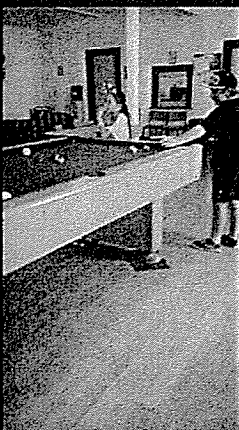
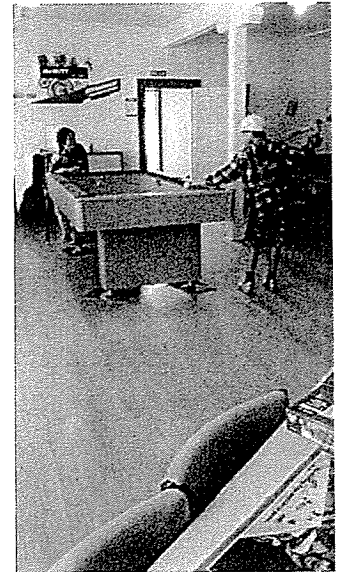
The Youth Hutt re-opened 5th - 26th Jan 1pm-5pm, and 27-30 Jan 3pm-5pm for the holiday period.

Attendance numbers for January were relatively low with most kids either away on holiday or taking advantage of the great weather swimming. They were happy to move between the Hutt, Library and River through out the holidays. We had movies, pool competitions, table tennis, xbox and board games available for the members. Food and drinks were supplied each day, although most kids utilised the fast food outlets and brought food with them. It was also great to see some ex members call in while back on holiday and visitors from Australia utilise the facility while in transit and waiting for their buses.

Music and pool remain the most popular activities with the kids. Bringing along their own music to play has been worked out well. We encouraged the kids to bring along any games they may want to share as well. Badminton equipment was also purchased but we decided to not utilise this gear till later in the year when the kids are forced indoors.

Thanks to Michaela for helping out and volunteering to spend a couple of hours during the holidays to supervise and have fun with the children. Unfortunately a couple of boys had trouble dealing with her authority and necessary action was taken to address this issue. Apart from that everyone had a great time and enjoyed the relaxed atmosphere and safe environment.

It is a shame some of our regular members are moving on to other schools and districts this year and the Hutt would like to wish them well for the future.



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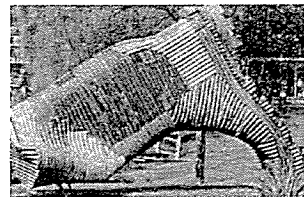
Closed public holidays

Notices:

The Youth Hutt will hold a Gumboot Day art workshop on Tuesday 3rd February to encourage and support members to submit to one or more of the three Gumboot Day art competitions (Decorate an A3 paper gumboot, Decorate a real gumboot, and Upcycle a gumboot).

Michelle Fannin is the facilitator for the workshops and the Trust will provide the workshop materials (paint, glitter, glue, etc) and the A3 paper gumboot sheet. Kids, you will need to bring your own gumboot(s) to decorate.

We would like as many members to attend this workshop which will be at The Hutt on Tuesday 3 February, 3.00-5.00pm.



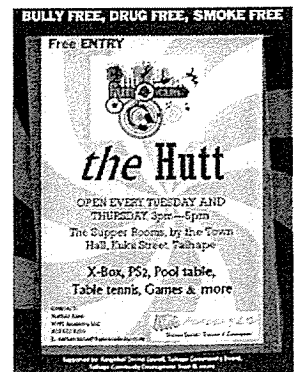
Summary

An great month with the figures for December and January showing 277 Youth using the facility. That's an average of 15 kids each day in December and 12 kids each day in January. These numbers are low but expected as most regular members were away on holiday and the hot weather has allowed them to enjoy the outdoors more frequently. Noticeably our senior student membership is low and the focus next month will be to encourage these students to be more involved.

The Youth Hutt facility is available for meetings and gatherings and is still utilised by some committees. We encourage other groups and committees to utilise this facility as well.

On a maintenance note, sanitising tablets for the urine in the gents toilet and a quantity of spare light bulbs are required if possible.

Overall 'The Hutt' is proving to be a great space to keep the kids entertained and safe. The kids have enjoyed the warm weather, the availability of the facility and the safe, relaxed atmosphere the Hutt has provided.





MEMORANDUM

TO: Taihape Community Board

FROM: Michael Hodder

DATE: 27 January 2015

SUBJECT: **Proposed additional dog exercise area In Tui Street, Taihape**

FILE: 2-RE-1-7

At its meeting on 3 December 2014 the Board recommended that Council investigate using the area of land between the Tui Street public toilets and the gumboot throwing lane as an additional dog exercise area to that currently designated on Taihape Memorial Park. Council approved that recommendation.

The recently adopted Control of Dogs Bylaw provides (clause 13) that Council may, "declare by resolution, any public place, except .. the playing surfaces of sports grounds ... to be a designated dog exercise area". The area proposed by the Taihape Community Board could potentially be dealt with like that, without constituting an amendment to the bylaw 9 and the formal public consultation that would require). The land is not owned by Council: it is possible that such a use would entail a lease from KiwiRail.

However, on investigation, the area is considered unsuitable for this purpose. There would be some impact on the established lawn and shrubbery alongside the area housing picnicking facilities. But more significant is that this is an area where children (both visiting and local) frequently play, run and kick balls around. That means the proposal comes too close to the prohibition about allowing dog exercise areas in playing surfaces of sports grounds. It is therefore intended to advise Council accordingly.

The Board made this recommendation because of previous resistance from the Office of Treaty Settlements to designating the land it administers in Robin Street as a dog exercise area. The Board may wish that request to be revived.

Recommendation

That the memorandum 'Proposed additional dog exercise area In Tui Street, Taihape' be received.

Michael Hodder
Community & Regulatory Services Group Manager

Influencing Change

Dear Conference Delegates,

The next Community Boards' Conference will be held in the beautiful Bay of Islands at the Copthorne Resort and Hotel at Waitangi from the 14th to the 16th May 2015. Your Executive, CBEC, has been hard at work putting together a programme for the Conference which will be interesting, challenging and informative. The theme of the Conference is "Influencing Change". I encourage all Community Boards from the Far north to the Deep South to make this conference a must attend event, as we all have so much to learn about the innovative ways that Councils, Boards and outsiders are successfully accepting the challenges that leadership in our communities throws at us.

This is a once in every two years opportunity for us to get together and share experiences and learn so much from each other's widely varying activities.

At this conference there will be an accent on real life examples of how some of our communities have really influenced change, for the benefit of their ratepayers. The keynote speakers will include the Deputy Mayor of the Far North District Council, Tania McInnes, who will share the outstanding success of Focus Paihia, and show what voluntary commitment, combined with local council and community board support, can achieve. The Mayor and CEO of Thames Coromandel District Council will enlighten us on the quite unique changes that have been made within their council to raise the profile and effectiveness of their community boards within their council structure.

Addresses from the Minister of Local Government, the Hon Paula Bennett, the President of Local Government New Zealand, Lawrence Yule, and the CEO of LGNZ Malcolm Alexander, will allow us the opportunity to share the considerable developments in the Local Body sector post the last elections. It will also allow us to gain an insight into the future for local government both from the government's standpoint and from the work being carried out by Local Government New Zealand which will affect us all.

The wide range of speakers selected for the conference, combined with informative interactive workshops, will provide the opportunity for delegates to participate fully and take away from the conference ideas which they can apply within their own environment.

Networking with your peers is a vital ingredient of every conference. With all delegates staying under the same roof and an entertaining social programme you will have an ideal setting to foster and develop meaningful relationships between and within the community board's family. I look forward to seeing you at the conference in May 2015.



Mick Lester

Chair, New Zealand Community
Board Executive Committee

Programme

Programme is DRAFT and subject to change. Last updated 5 December

Click the title to download the session overview.

Thursday 14 May 2015

6.00pm Welcome function at 35 South Aquarium Restaurant & Bar

Friday 15 May 2015

7.30am Registration desk open

8.30am Welcome to the Far North
John Carter, Mayor, FNDC

8.55am Change agent or change inhibitor? (files/docs/nzcbc 2015/tania mcinnes.pdf)
Tania McInnes, Deputy Mayor, FNDC

9.45am Community Empowerment: TCDC Case Study (files/docs/nzcbc 2015/david hammond.pdf)
David Hammond, CEO, Thames CDC

10.15am President's message
Lawrence Yule, President, LGNZ

10.30am Morning tea

11.15am Minister's message
Hon Paul Bennett, Minister of Local Government

11.45am LGNZ Update
Malcolm Alexander, CEO, LGNZ

12.30pm Lunch

1.15pm Concurrent session one

- Another liquor licence application? Yeah nah! (files/docs/nzcbc 2015/laurie gabites.pdf)
Laurie Gabites
- TALENT NZ: Creating a place where talent wants to live (files/docs/nzcbc 2015/wendy mcguinness.pdf)
Wendy McGuinness and Hannah Steiner, McGuinness Institute
- Consulting with communities and councils on the roll out of broadband
Gerard Linstrom, Chorus
- Conflict intervention starts with you (files/docs/nzcbc 2015/jenny rowan.pdf)
Jenny Rowan, Fairway Resolution

2.45pm Afternoon tea

- 3.15pm Concurrent session two
- Coromandel: turning good examples into everyday normal (files/docs/nzcbc 2015/david hammond workshop.pdf)
David Hammond, CEO, Thames CDC with a CB member
 - Time to step up for our kids - the need for leadership in our communities (files/docs/nzcbc 2015/justine cornwall.pdf)
Dr Justine Cornwall, Deputy Children's Commissioner
 - Growing great neighbourhoods (files/docs/nzcbc 2015/denise bijoux.pdf)
Denise Bijoux, Inspiring Communities
 - Building strong relationships with Community Boards and Maori (files/docs/nzcbc 2015/bonita bigham.pdf)
Bonita Bigham, South Taranaki DC
- 7.00pm Conference Dinner and Best Practice Awards
Copthorne Hotel & Resort

Saturday 16 May 2015

- 8.30am Registration desk open
- 9.00am Update from CBEC Chair
Mick Lester, Chair, CBEC
- 9.15am Maori Tourism (files/docs/nzcbc 2015/maori tourism.pdf)
Hone Mihaka
- 10.30am Morning tea
- 11.10am Concurrent session three
- Community or Local - what's the difference? (files/docs/nzcbc 2015/mike reid.pdf)
Mike Reid
 - Local Government – spectators or players in Community wellbeing? (files/docs/nzcbc 2015/monique davidson.pdf)
Gina Scandrett and Monique Davidson, Horowhenua DC
 - TALENT NZ: Creating a place where talent wants to live (files/docs/nzcbc 2015/wendy mcguinness.pdf)
Wendy McGuinness and Hannah Steiner, McGuinness Institute (*Repeat*)
 - Building strong relationships with Community Boards and Maori (files/docs/nzcbc 2015/bonita bigham.pdf)
Bonita Bigham, South Taranaki DC (*Repeat*)
- 12.00pm Lunch
- 12.45pm Youth perspective (files/docs/nzcbc 2015/dr sudhvir singh.pdf)
Dr Sudhvir Singh
- 1.30pm Community Board Zone Meetings
- 2.15pm Final thoughts and wrap up on the conference (files/docs/nzcbc 2015/peter winder.pdf)
Peter Winder
- 3.00pm Long service celebration and official conference closing
- 3.30pm Conference close
- 5.30pm Post conference BBQ
Copthorne Hotel and Resort

Registration

Full registration

Earlybird (paid in full on or by 1 April) **\$745**

Standard (after 1 April) **\$845**

Attendance at all conference business sessions and workshops (you will be asked to select your workshop preference during the registration process)

Satchel and contents

Daily catering

One ticket to the Thursday's welcome reception

One ticket to Friday evening's conference dinner

Entry and guided tour of Waitangi Treaty Ground - valid Thursday 14 May - Sunday 17 May

Day registration

Earlybird (paid in full on or by 1 April) **\$395**

Standard (after 1 April) **\$495**

Attendance at that day's conference business sessions and workshops (you will be asked to select your workshop preference during the registration process)

Satchel and contents

Daily catering on selected day

One ticket to the Thursday's welcome reception

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Who should attend?

- Mayors
- Community Board Members
- Councillors
- MPs
- Council Officers
- Emergency Services
- Government Agency Staff and NGO's
- Community and Youth Workers
- Resident / Ratepayers Associations
- All persons who are interested in making a difference in their community

Accommodation

Copthorne Hotel & Resort commands a superb waterfront location in the heart of the Bay of Islands, offering uninterrupted bay views surrounded by 60 acres of subtropical gardens as part of the historic Waitangi Treaty Grounds. The hotel provides individual patio or balcony from which to enjoy the views while the rooms offer a serene escape with designs inspired by nature. Onsite facilities include tennis court, spectacular free form lagoon style swimming pool, mountain bike hire and courtesy shuttle to downtown Paihia.

Rates include GST and are based on per room per night for two people. Rate excludes breakfast.

Rooms @ \$130

Suites @ \$180

Full breakfast is \$20 per person per day.

These rates are available for delegates who wish to stay within 12 - 18 May 2015.

Matters arising not elsewhere on the Agenda: Progress reports

1. Off-road parking bay at Gumboot Park

The work will be complete by end of February 2015.

2. Disposal of surplus building on the former Taihape College site, Rauma Road

Council has not yet received the anticipated licence to occupy covering the buildings which the Ministry of Education has agreed will remain on the site and be available for community use.

3. New Zealand Motor Home Association

There is no change to the situation outlined to the Board's previous two meetings. Council has not received any correspondence on this matter from the Vintage Car Club.

4. Removal of indigenous timber from Taihape reserves

At the Board's last meeting, Cr Gordon asked about the disposal of between four and five metres of a fallen totara log, cut because it was blocking the access track for contractors working on the upgrade to the Taihape wastewater pumping station.

Hamish Waugh, General Manager Infrastructure advised the Department of Conservation of the log's removal, which had been authorised by the operations team unaware of any sensitivities from the Department or local Iwi. There is still the remainder of the tree (approximately 8-10 metres of clear log, approx. 500 mm max diameter) which will be left where it is in the meantime and in future maybe local Iwi can make use of it, perhaps (for example) as a carving/structure for the Town Centre Plan.

Section 42(2) of the Reserves Act 1977 allows the Council to cut or destroy trees on a recreation reserve, but is required to minimise the impact.

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"Good Sorts"

Will table a
copy of certificate.

Description of issue to be tabled

This has been on our agenda 4 some time. How do we get nominations? What is the certificate to look like & say. How do we present the cert. Then get it into the local paper. / monthly or Bi monthly - Better.

Resolution sought

(i.e. wording of motion you intend to propose)

That TCB introduces this community initiative, acknowledging the work of ~~the~~ our people in the Taihape Ward.

Outcome

(i.e. what will happen if the Board agrees with your proposal)

Our people, our community are acknowledge in what they do in our ward/communities.

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Papakai Park.

Description of issue to be tabled

One member of Papakai Park has
talk to customer services in town hall
& myself about the idea of RDC
Setting up composting toilets @ Papakai Park.
What r the budgets from TCB on this?

Resolution sought

(i.e. wording of motion you intend to propose)

Would TCB like further information,
costs, plan on the proposal?

Outcome

(i.e. what will happen if the Board agrees with your proposal)

Cleaner, area @ Papakai Park.

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