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1 Welcome

2 Minute's silence - Gordon Riach, Brendon Mickelson, Colin Wright

3 Public Forum

4 Apologies

5 Elections 2016

Section 99A of the Local Government Act requires the Chief Executive of each local authority to prepare a pre-election report (provided as a separate document), to include specified information about finances (cash flow, rates, borrowing and investments) and major projects. This information is taken from the 2015/25 Long Term Plan, the 2016/17 Annual Plan and previous Annual Reports. The Government's intention in making this requirement is to provide information to promote public discussion about the issues facing each local authority.

A briefing for candidates will be held in the Taihape Chamber, on 4 August 2016, starting at 4.00 pm.

Nominations close at noon on Friday 12 August 2016.

6 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.

7 Confirmation of Order of business

(Includes acceptance of late items)

8 Minutes of previous meeting

Minutes are attached.

Recommendation

That the Minutes of the Taihape Community Board meeting held on 1 June 2016, be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

9 Chair's report

A report to be tabled

Recommendation

That the Chair's report to the 3 August 2016 meeting of the Taihape Community Board, as presented, be received.

10 Council decisions on recommendations from the Taihape Community Board and consideration of other matters affecting Taihape

A memorandum is attached

File: 3-CB-1-2

Recommendation

That the memorandum 'Council decisions on recommendations from the Taihape Community Board and consideration of other matters affecting Taihape' be received.

11 Update on the Small Projects Fund

A memorandum is attached.

Recommendation

That the memorandum 'Update on the Small Projects Fund' be received

12 Requests for Service concerning Taihape

A report is attached.

Recommendation

That the report "Requests for service in the Taihape Ward, May/June 2016 be received.

13 Youth Hutt report

A report for June is attached.

Recommendation

That the Youth Hutt report to the meeting of the Taihape Community Board on 3 August 2016 be received.

14 Current infrastructure projects/upgrades and other Council activities within the Ward

This report will be circulated to members on 8 August 2016.

15 Implementation of Place-making initiatives in Rangitikei 2016/17 and 2017/18 – Council adopted process

A memorandum is attached

File: 1-CP-7-5

Recommendations

- 1. That the memorandum 'Implementation of Place-making initiatives in Rangitikei 2016/17 and 2017/18' be received.
- That the Taihape Community Board notes the process agreed to be followed to access Council funding and/or undertake place-making on Council owned properties contained in the memorandum "Implementation of Place-making Initiatives in Rangitikei 2016/17 and 2017/18".

16 Update on place-making initiatives

The Board's Chair will lead this discussion.

17 Swim-for-All – basis of charges

The report considered by the Assets/Infrastructure Committee at its meeting on 14 July 2016 is attached for information. The Board requested this information at its last meeting.

File: 1-CO-4-7

The Assets/Infrastructure Committee decided as follows:

- That Council expresses its preference that the cost of lessons per child under the Swim 4 All programme be the same at both Taihape and Marton, and that this preference be conveyed to the pool operators (Nicholls Swim Academy and Taihape Community Development Trust).
- That the Chief Executive initiate discussions with Council's partners in the Swim 4 All programme, namely the pool operators (Nicholls Swim Academy and Taihape Community Development Trust) and the primary school principals, to address issues identified in the report "Swim 4 All 2015/16":
 - A range of providers requires a strengthened quality assurance regime to ensure that an equal service is provided for all participants and health and safety obligations are met,
 - Discussions about the contribution of the programme toward the operational costs of the pools,
 - Shared responsibility for ongoing fundraising between Council and the schools,

- The role of pre-school programmes that feed into early years at primary schools,
- Ensuring equity in service delivery between north and south, urban and rural,
 and
- Maximising participation from all schools in the District.

Schools in Taihape and Marton have been alerted to these decisions, and there will discussions in September with them and the pool operators in Taihape and Marton. In the meantime, Council will find a neutral, expert assessor to review the programmes run at both pools.

Council will not be investigating how the Taihape Community Development Trust determines what payments it receives from the Swim Academy run by the Pool Manager.

18 Parks Upgrade Partnership Programme

One decision in the 2015/25 Long Term Plan was the allocation of up to \$50,000 per year in a fund for parks and reserve upgrades. The funding is allocated to projects which contribute at least \$2 (in cash or kind) for each ratepayer \$ so bringing in a total value of up to \$150,000 each year.

While the allocation of funds is decided by the Assets/Infrastructure Committee, it is envisaged that applications are prepared in consultation with Council staff. Applications are open all year round and treated on a case by case basis. Projects have an upper limit of \$45,000, with anything over this value considered through an Annual Plan process.

The projects need to be consistent with the Parks and Reserves Management Plans and the Policy on Community Gardens.

The application form for the Parks Upgrades Partnership Fund is attached for the Board's information.

19 Update on proposed changes to the District Plan

The Commissioner has confirmed he has all the additional information he requested and has formally closed the hearing. He anticipates having his decisions report ready before the end of August 2016.

20 View on number and location of public rubbish bins in Taihape and Mangaweka

One of the submissions to "What's new, what's changed...?', the consultation document on the 2016/17 Annual Plan, Council decided to ask Community Boards and Community Committees (at their August meetings) to consider the number and location of public rubbish bins in their respective communities and make recommendations for change.

Maps will be provided to the meeting showing present locations of bins in Taihape and Mangaweka for the Board to annotate as its feedback to Council.

21 Earthquake-prone buildings

Council is required to have a policy on earthquake-prone buildings and review it every five years. Council has reviewed the Policy and have not proposed any changes. Written submissions on the Earthquake-prone Building Policy close 4 pm Monday 29 August 2016. Hearings of oral submissions are scheduled for Thursday 29 September 2016 at the Council Chambers in Marton.

During the consultation process Council is seeking feedback from owners of potentially earthquake-prone buildings as to whether work required under the Policy (assessment, strengthening or removal of masonry chimneys and parapets) has been completed. There is no intended enforcement action if work has not been completed due to the impending Building (Earthquake-prone Buildings) Amendment Act. This Act will replace Council's Earthquake-prone Building Policy. The Act sets out timeframes and requirements for strengthening earthquake-prone buildings.

Further information on the Earthquake-prone Building Policy and the upcoming legislation can be found from Friday 29 July on Council's website, libraries and the main office in Marton.

22 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.

23 Late items

24 Future items for the agenda

25 Date of next meeting

5 October 2016. (This will be the Board's last meeting for the triennium.)

26 Meeting closed