



# Rangitikei District Council

## Taihape Community Board Meeting

Minutes – Wednesday 13 December 2017 – 5:35 pm

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The quorum for the Taihape Community Board is 4.

Council's Standing Orders (adopted 3 November 2016) 10.2 provide: The quorum for Council committees and sub-committees is as for Council, i.e. half the number of members if the number of members (including vacancies) is even or a majority if the number of members is odd.

- Present:** Mrs Michelle Fannin (Chair)  
Ms Gail Larsen  
Mrs Ann Abernethy  
Mrs Yvonne Sicely  
Cr Angus Gordon  
Cr Ruth Rainey (left at 7.45pm)  
Cr Richard Aslett
- In attendance:** Mr Michael Hodder, Community & Regulatory Services Group Manager  
Ms Sheryl Srhoj, Administrator
- Tabled Documents:** Item 12: Funding request from Scott Parkes for Ohingaiti and Hunterville Sports  
Item 16: -Notes regarding pedestrian path between Paradise Terrace to Ruru Road  
Item 21: Late item submissions – Taihape Town hall defibrillator/Taihape Waste Transfer Station Levels of Service

## **1 Welcome**

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

## **2 Apologies**

All Board members were present but His Worship the Mayor asked for his apologies to be recorded.

## **3 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.

## **4 Confirmation of order of business**

The Chair agreed to take the following items under Late Items (Item 21 on the Agenda) on the basis that they had arisen after the Order Paper had been compiled and a decision was required at this meeting.

Levels of Service at Taihape Waste Transfer Station  
Installation of a Defibrillator outside Taihape Town Hall

A late item submission from Scott Parkes on behalf of the Ohingaiti and Hunterville Sports was accepted to be discussed under Small Projects Grant Scheme Update- December 2017 (item 12 on the Agenda)

## **5 Public Forum**

Mr Arana Gardiner and Mr Colin McFarlane spoke to the Board about their involvement with the anti P campaign in Taihape. Both men had first-hand experience with substance abuse and were well aware of the devastation that this drug caused.

Being part of the United Peoples Movement they were keen to offer their support to current users and their families. They hoped that in time this would extend to other awareness campaigns such as suicide prevention along with children's programmes. They had met with other agencies in town and were hoping to establish a collective/network group. They were presently looking into suitable venues with the old "Hutt" site in Kuku Street being a possibility.

The Board were very supportive of what they were trying to achieve and wished them all the best.

## 6 Minutes of previous meeting

**Resolved minute number**                      **17/TCB/064**                      **File Ref**

That the minutes of the Taihape Community Board meeting held 11 October 2017, be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

Mrs Abernethy/Ms Larsen. Carried

## 7 Chair's report

The Chair gave a brief verbal report, thanking Mrs Abernethy for her work with the outdoor barbeque table and planter box project.

She also acknowledged the support that she had received over the past year from Board members, Councillors and staff

**Resolved minute number**                      **17/TCB/065**                      **File Ref**

That the Chair's report to the 13 December 2017 meeting of the Taihape Community Board, as presented be received.

Mrs Fannin/Mrs Sicely. Carried

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

There were no recommendations to Council from the Board's meeting on 11 October 2017.

At the Finance/Performance Committee's meeting on 30 November 2017, grants were approved from the Community Initiatives Fund to the Taihape Play Centre and from the Events Promotion Scheme to the Taihape A & P Show and Taihape Dressage.

## 9 Proposed changes to delegations

There was some discussion on this item.

Mrs Abernethy felt that there was a need for better communication with the local farming communities. She suggested that Board members attend school meetings at Mataroa, Moawhango, Papanui Junction and Mangaweka in order to fill them in on any issues of relevance to them. Also suggested was to invite country school students to take part in any future projects similar to that of the painting project which the Taihape Area School students had recently undertaken.

All members agreed that there was a need to raise the Board's profile so were happy for Council to provide them with increased delegations.

**Resolved minute number**                      **17/TCB/066**                      **File Ref**

That the report 'Increasing Delegations to Community Committees/Boards, 20 November 2017' be received.

Cr Gordon/Cr Aslett. Carried

**Resolved minute number**                      **17/TCB/067**                      **File Ref**

That the Taihape Community Committee requests Council provides them the following increased delegations;

Community Initiatives Fund  
MoU Group Work Programmes  
Community Facilities/Services  
Increased Engagement with wider/smaller communities

Mrs Fannin/Mrs Abernethy. Carried

## **10 Validation of current local parking enforcements (and suggestions for new ones)**

After some discussion the Board were all in agreement that no changes be made to the parking restrictions in Taihape.

**Resolved minute number**                      **17/TCB/068**                      **File Ref**

That the Taihape Community Board recommends to Council that no changes are made to parking restrictions.

Mrs Fannin/Mrs Abernethy. Carried

## **11 Update on Place-Making Initiatives**

Mrs Abernethy spoke to this item. She reported that painting of the planters and barbeque tables had now been completed. She wished to acknowledge Mrs Leah Collings who had taken it upon herself to organise the Taihape Area School students as she had been taken unwell.

Ms Larsen to place the barbeque tables and planter boxes on site. Cr Gordon to supply topsoil and Mrs Abernethy to purchase compost and flowers.

It was suggested that next year the students be invited to grow their own seedlings for planting out.

Mrs Abernethy to send a letter of thanks to the Taihape Area school students along with a personal letter of thanks to Mrs Collings.

**Resolved minute number**                      **17/TCB/069**                      **File Ref**

That Mrs Abernethy purchase compost and flowers for the planter boxes and that she then be reimbursed from the Place making fund.

Cr Aslett/Mrs Fannin. Carried

## **12 Small Projects Grant Scheme Update – December 2017**

A funding request from the Ohingaiti and Hunterville Sports was tabled and discussed.

As there were a number of Taihape families that attended this event, the Board were happy to make a contribution of \$650 towards their costs. This would be funded from the Small Project Grant.

**Resolved minute number**                      **17/TCB/070**                      **File Ref**

That the memorandum 'Small Projects Grant Scheme Update – December 2017' be received.

Mrs Fannin/Ms Larsen. Carried

**Resolved minute number**                      **17/TCB/071**                      **File Ref**

That the Taihape Community Board agrees to contribute \$650 from the Small Projects Grant towards the Ohingaiti and Hunterville Sports day costs.

Mrs Fannin/Ms Larsen. Carried

## **13 Youth Development Programme Update – December 2017**

A copy of the report from the Strategy & Community Planning Manager to the Policy/Planning meeting of 9 November 2017 was attached for the Board's information.

## **14 Requests for service concerning Taihape – October 2017**

It was noted that in future Taihape figures only are made available.

**Resolved minute number**                      **17/TCB/072**                      **File Ref**

That the report "Requests for Service concerning Taihape for October 2017", be received.

Mrs Fannin/Mrs Abernethy. Carried

## 15 Pedestrian Path between Paradise Terrace to Ruru Road

Mrs Fannin said that there had been some concern from local residents about the lack of consultation over the closing of this path.

She reported that residents were not wanting a fortune to be spent on making the path safer, however they were happy with the update that they had received from Council's Project Engineer.

**Resolved minute number**                      **17/TCB/073**                      **File Ref**

That the memorandum 'Pedestrian Path between Paradise Terrace to Ruru Road, Taihape' be received.

Cr Gordon/Cr Aslett. Carried

**Resolved minute number**                      **17/TCB/074**                      **File Ref**

That the Taihape Community Board fully supports upgrading the pedestrian path between Paradise Terrace to Ruru Road, Taihape to making it safer on a like for like basis.

Cr Gordon/Mrs Fannin. Carried

## 16 Pedestrian access between Taihape CBD and Mangaone Valley Road/Dixon Way

Mrs Abernethy spoke to her resubmitted item. She felt that there had been some confusion with the New Zealand Transport Agency about what the Board were asking. She was keen for Council to give consideration to reducing speed limits to allow for the safety of our community.

The Board agreed that the best option would be to get this done in two stages. First is to obtain speed restrictions on all side roads including Rauma and Mangaone Valley Road. Following this, the Board would look at State Highway 1.

**Resolved minute number**                      **17/TCB/075**                      **File Ref**

That the resubmission item from Ann Abernethy be received.

Mrs Sicely/Ms Larsen. Carried

**Resolved minute number**                      **17/TCB/076**                      **File Ref**

That Taihape Community Board recommends to Council that a speed limit of 50km/h be imposed on Dixon Way, and all side roads off SH-1 from the rail overbridge to (and including) Rauma Road and Mangaone Valley Road and that signage alerting motorists to the

high pedestrian usage of these roads be erected on both State Highway 1 and O'Taihape Valley Road.

Mrs Abernethy/Mrs Sicely. Carried

## **17 Outcome of consultation on priority buildings – Building (Earthquake-prone buildings) Amendment Act**

The information was attached for the Board's information only.

## **18 Update on Taihape Memorial Park project**

Cr Gordon spoke to this item. He said that all information had now been gathered and collated which he would forward to Board Members for their thoughts. Both he and Cr Rainey would provide Councillors with an update at Council's meeting on 14 December 2017.

Cr Gordon commented that each group had very similar use patterns which was wide spread. There was a need to put up a new facility but not necessarily on the grandstand site. A suggested site was at the end of the netball courts but there would be a need for some give and take on behalf of all user groups. If there was a new build, ideally the old toilets would be removed and new ones located by the playground or there was the option to make use of those in the Taihape Swim Centre.

It was suggested that Council invest in some good quality portaloos which could be moved around the district.

Cr Aslett wished to acknowledge all the work that Crs Gordon and Rainey had put into this project.

## **19 Current infrastructure projects/upgrades and other Council activities within the Ward**

**Resolved minute number**                      **17/TCB/077**                      **File Ref**

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

Mrs Fannin/Mrs Sicely. Carried

## **20 Matters arising not elsewhere on the agenda – progress update**

It was noted that the gate by the Hautapu street reserve had been installed by Bill Neilson.

**Resolved minute number**                      **17/TCB/078**                      **File Ref**

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



received.

Mrs Fannin/Mrs Abernethy. Carried

## 21 Late items

### Taihape Town Hall Defibrillator

Following consultation with the two businesses which have defibrillators, Taihape New World had agreed to move theirs in order to have it available 24 hours while McDonalds had declined.

Some Board members were still keen to have a defibrillator outside the town hall as they felt that this was the heart of the town.

It was agreed to purchase one defibrillator along with a lock box for outside the Taihape town hall and then one lock box to allow for the defibrillator at New World to be moved and made available 24 hours

**Resolved minute number**                      **17/TCB/079**                      **File Ref**

That the Taihape Community Board purchase one defibrillator (type to be confirmed) and one lock box for outside the town hall and one lock box for New World

Mrs Fannin/Mrs Abernethy. Carried

### Taihape Waste Transfer Station – Levels of Service

Ms Larsen spoke to this item. She said that over the past few months the levels of service had dropped at the Taihape Waste Transfer Station. Rubbish and recycling was left to pile up due to the bins not being changed regularly. The attendant was doing his best despite receiving a lot of negative criticism from the locals. Rats were now becoming a problem. Ms Larsen was able to provide photos which Mr Hodder would pass onto the Solid Waste Officer who had been advised of this issue.

**Resolved minute number**                      **17/TCB/080**                      **File Ref**

That the Taihape Community Board request that Council ensure that the conditions of the Taihape Waste Transfer Station Contract are met and that they report back to the next meeting.

Ms Larsen/Mrs Sicely. Carried

## **22 Future items for the agenda**

Discussion on Motor Home friendly town/feasibility study re walkways/cycle trails.

## **23 Date of next meeting**

The next meeting to be held 14 February 2018

## **24 Meeting closed**

The meeting closed at 8.10pm.

Confirmed/Chair: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: