



Rangitikei District Council

Taihape Community Board Meeting

Minutes – Wednesday 13 June 2018 – 5:30 pm

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- Present:** Mrs Michelle Fannin (Chair)
Cr Angus Gordon (arrived 5.55pm)
Ms Gail Larsen
Mrs Ann Abernethy
Mrs Yvonne Sicely
Cr Richard Aslett
- In attendance:** Mr Michael Hodder, Community & Regulatory Services Group Manager
Mrs Sheryl Srhoj, Administration
Ms Eva George, Manager, Taihape Community Development Trust
- Tabled Documents:** **Item 8** Chair's report
Item 9 Update on Place-making Initiatives - The 4-Square Corner Project and the Dog Park
Upgrade of the walkway from the parking area to Hautapu Street
- Item 11** Small Projects Grant Scheme Update – June 2018 - Planting of Taihape CBD and at the Gumboot
Signs at the Outback
Letter from TCDT –Whanau Hobby Hutt

1 Welcome

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2 Public Forum

Sgt Mark Thoms and Robert Adams addressed the Board in relation to the recent spate of burglaries in Taihape.

Mr Adams advised that he had firearms and a chainsaw stolen from his property. He was seeking the Board's support in trying to get the town back on track. He said it was important that the public remained vigilant and to report any suspicious behaviour to the police.

Sgt Thoms agreed and reiterated the need for the public needed to phone 111 rather than use the local police station number. He said that the police required more evidence and that there was a need for better CCTV cameras in Taihape.

All agreed that more community engagement was required. The Board to draft an article for the paper and TCDT newsletter reminding the community of what they needed to do to support one another.

3 Apologies

There were no apologies.

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 Confirmation of order of business

The Chair agreed to take the following items under Update on Place making Initiatives (Item 9 on the Agenda)

- The 4-Square Corner Project and the Dog Park
- Upgrade of the walkway from the parking area to Hautapu Street

The following two items to be taken under the Small Project Grant Scheme Update- June 2018 (item 11 on the Agenda)

- Planting of Taihape CBD and at the Gumboot
- Signs at the Outback

6 Minutes of previous meeting

Resolved minute number **18/TCB/025** **File Ref**

That the minutes of the Taihape Community Board meeting held on 11 April 2018, be taken

as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

Mrs Fannin/Mrs Abernethy. Carried

7 Council decisions on recommendations from the Taihape Community Board

There was a brief discussion on the trial of recycling bins which were to be located by the Taihape railway station.

Members were in favour of this initiative, but were unhappy with the proposed site. They were concerned over the lack of space for the bins and if they were not used properly then there was the potential that it would turn into a dump site which was not a good look for the number of tourists that stopped here. All agreed that further consultation was required.

Resolved minute number **18/TCB/026** **File Ref**

That the Taihape Community Board support the trial of recycling bins in Taihape and recommend to Council that they be given the opportunity to look at a more suitable site.

Ms Larsen/Mrs Abernethy. Carried

8 Chair's report

The Chair spoke to her tabled report.

Resolved minute number **18/TCB/027** **File Ref**

That the Chair's report to the 13 June 2018 meeting of the Taihape Community Board, as presented be received.

Mrs Fannin/Mrs Abernethy. Carried

9 Update on Place-Making Initiatives

The 4-Square Corner Project and the Dog Park

Mrs Abernethy spoke to her tabled submission item advising that she had received a quote for a further two BBQ tables along with three large planter boxes. The planter boxes to be placed at the 4 Square corner area along with one BBQ table while the other table to be placed at the dog park for the convenience of travellers and locals exercising dogs.

Council's Parks & Reserves Team Leader had suggested that the planters be painted a tan coloured stain which would look good with the native plants which he was to supply.

It was suggested that some form of screening/fencing be put in place at the 4 Square corner area which would form a safety barrier between the main road, making it safer for families with young children.

Resolved minute number **18/TCB/028** **File Ref**

That the Taihape Community Board purchase two BBQ tables at \$442.00 each and three planters at \$252.00 each along with paint and stain to cover and that they investigate fencing options for the 4 Square Corner site.

Mrs Abernethy/Ms Larsen. Carried

Upgrade of walkway from the parking area to Hautapu Street

In order to make the walkway from the parking area through to the businesses more attractive, welcoming and informative, it was suggested that this be made into a 'heritage walk' depicting the unique story of the community. Quotes for signage had been sought from Lasercraft for five pictorial panels which would be coated with anti-graffiti lacquer. Taihape Museum to supply Lasercraft with the digital photos. It was suggested that Resene be approached to provide the paint to tidy up the walls and that the community workers be approached to undertake this job.

Cr Aslett advised that the next project that Rangitikei Heritage intended to work on was a "Heritage Trail" involving all towns in the district. He was unhappy with the recommendation as he felt that the Board should be coordinating with Rangitikei Heritage.

Mrs Abernethy noted that she had been in touch with Taihape Area School students who were keen to design the anti-litter slogans which would be installed on the northern and southern notice boards. It was suggested that the students be invited to the Board's August meeting in order to present their slogans.

Resolved minute number **18/TCB/029** **File Ref**

That to progress the upgrade of the walkway from the parking area to the main business area of Taihape and subject to permission from business owners, the Taihape Community Board purchase five pictorial panels complete with anti-graffiti lacquer from Lasercraft at a cost of \$112.50 +GST each.

Mrs Abernethy/Ms Larsen. Carried
Cr Aslett. Against

10 Consideration of applications to the Community Initiatives Fund

It was noted that no applications had been received from the Taihape Community. The next funding round to close on 13 September 2018.

Resolved minute number **18/TCB/030** **File Ref**

That the report 'Consideration of applications for the Community initiative Fund 2018/2019–Round 1' be received.

Mrs Fannin/Cr Gordon. Carried

11 Small Projects Grant Scheme Update – June 2018

Whanau Hobby Hutt

Ms George spoke to her tabled letter requesting help with costs towards running the Whanau Hobby Hutt. This new initiative is currently being run by Gary Johnson, a TCDT Trustee who up to now has generously supplied nails, glue and sandpaper etc. as well as making his own carpentry tools available for use by grandparents, parents and their children. The Whanau Hobby Hutt is proving to be very popular and all those who are attending are learning a lot of new skills.

The Board were more than happy to support this initiative. They were keen for some of the funds to go towards safety equipment such as earmuffs, masks etc.

Resolved minute number **18/TCB/031** **File Ref**

That the Taihape Community Board agree to fund the Taihape Whanau Hobby Hutt \$1000.00 for safety equipment and materials from the Small Projects Grant Scheme.

Mrs Abernethy/Mrs Sicely. Carried

Mrs George advised that a local woman was sewing material bags and giving these out free to local businesses with the aim of reducing plastic bags. She was keen for any donations of fabric.

Mrs Fannin to write a letter of support in regards to this project.

Also discussed was an email received from Ariana Hansen on behalf of the Taihape Musicians Club Committee seeking help with funds in order to give the building a bit of a revamp.

The Board was keen for more information to be provided before considering this request. Mrs Fannin to draft a letter to the Taihape Musicians Club Committee asking for more information and to suggest that they consider other avenues of funding.

Dog Signs at the Outback

Mrs Fannin spoke to her tabled submission item regarding the need for signage by the public toilets alerting dog owners of the location of the dog exercise park. Presently there are a number of dogs soiling in the Outback area.

Mrs Abernethy to discuss signage options with Lasercraft while Mrs Fannin to seek advice from Council's Planners over size requirements.

It was suggested that Council investigate biodegradable dog waste bags that could be given away to dog owners.

Resolved minute number **18/TCB/032** **File Ref**

That the Taihape Community Board ask that Lasercraft provide a quote for two signs to be placed on poles outside the Tui Street toilets and that the signage be paid for from the Small Projects Fund.

Mrs Fannin/Cr Gordon. Carried

Planting of Taihape CBD and at the Gumboot

Mrs Fannin spoke to her tabled submission item regarding the planting of areas by the Gumboot and the CBD. She said that many of the plants that the Parks & Reserves Team Leader had sourced were specific to Taihape.

The Board was in favour that funds from the Small Project Grant Scheme be used for this project.

Resolved minute number **18/TCB/033** **File Ref**

That the Taihape Community Board agrees that \$1,000.00 be used to purchase native plants for the Taihape CBD and for around the Gumboot and this be funded from the Small Projects Grant Scheme.

Mrs Fannin/Ms Larsen. Carried

Resolved minute number **18/TCB/034** **File Ref**

That the memorandum 'Small Projects Grant Scheme Update – June 2018' be received.

Mrs Fannin/Cr Aslett. Carried

Resolved minute number **18/TCB/035** **File Ref**

That the Taihape Community Board recommends to Council that \$5,379.00 of the unspent balance of the Small Projects Grant Scheme be carried forward to the 2018/19 Financial year.

Mrs Fannin/Mrs Sicely. Carried

12 Update on Youth Services

As there was some concern that past youth programmes had not been successful in the past, it was suggested that a representative from Mokai Patea be invited to the Board's next workshop to provide an update on services that they were to deliver to the youth of Taihape.

13 Requests for service concerning Taihape

Resolved minute number **18/TCB/036** **File Ref**

That the report 'Request for Service- Resolutions – Taihape April 2018' be received.

Mrs Fannin/Cr Gordon. Carried

14 Analysis of submissions on the proposed amendment to Speed Limit Bylaw

Resolved minute number **18/TCB/037** **File Ref**

That the report 'Deliberations on the Speed Limit Bylaw Amendment 2018 – Dixon Way' be received.

Mrs Abernethy/Mrs Sicely. Carried

Resolved minute number **18/TCB/038** **File Ref**

That the Taihape Community Board recommends to Council that an amendment to the Speed Limit Bylaw be made as to reduce the speed limit from 100 km/h to 50 km/h along the whole length of Dixon Way and the short sections of Otaihape Valley and Mangaone Valley Roads which link Dixon Way with State Highway One.

Mrs Sicely/Ms Larsen. Carried

Resolved minute number **18/TCB/039** **File Ref**

That, assuming Council accept the amendment to the Speed Limit Bylaw regarding Dixon Way, Otaihape Valley and Mangaone Valley Roads, then Council enter into discussions with NZTA about lowering the speed limit from Rauma Road to the start of the 50 km/h section.

Mrs Abernethy/Mrs Sicely. Carried

15 Proposed workplan of MoU partnering organisation

Resolved minute number **18/TCB/040** **File Ref**

That the proposed workplans of MoU partnering organisation for the Taihape Community Development Trust and Mokai Patea Services be received.

Mrs Fannin/Mrs Abernethy. Carried

Resolved minute number **18/TCB/041** **File Ref**

That, regarding the proposed workplans of MoU partnering organisations Taihape Community Development Trust and Mokai Patea Services, the Taihape Community Board recommends to the Policy/Planning Committee that no changes are made.

Mrs Fannin/Mrs Sicely. Carried

16 Increased engagement with wider/smaller communities within the Taihape ward

It was agreed that this item to be left on the table for further discussion at the Board's next workshop.

17 Taihape Memorial Park – new facilities

This item was for the Boards information only.

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

Resolved minute number **18/TCB/042** **File Ref**

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

Mrs Fannin/Ms Larsen. Carried

19 Representation Review Survey

Mrs Fannin reiterated the need for further engagement with the Taihape Community in regards to retaining the Community Board.

20 Matters not arising elsewhere on the agenda – progress update

Mangaweka Village toilets

Council was presently in discussions with NZTA regarding an alternative site for the public toilets.

Resolved minute number **18/TCB/043** **File Ref**

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

Mrs Fannin/Mrs Sicely. Carried

21 Late items

Confirmation over the lease of Taihape croquet grounds to be sought from the Community & Leisure Services Team Leader.

22 Future items for the agenda

None

23 Date of next meeting

8 August 2018, 5.30 pm.

Workshop date to be advised.

24 Meeting closed

The meeting closed at 8.10pm.

Confirmed/Chair: _____

Date: