



Rangitikei District Council

Taihape Community Board Meeting

Minutes – Wednesday 8 August 2018 – 5:40 pm

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Present: Mrs Michelle Fannin (Chair)
Cr Angus Gordon
Ms Gail Larsen
Mrs Ann Abernethy
Mrs Yvonne Sicely
Cr Richard Aslett

Also Present: Cr Ruth Rainey
Ms Eva George, Manager, Taihape Community Development Trust (left at 7.12pm)

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

Tabled documents:

- Item 7** Chair's report
- Item 13** Update on Place-making Initiatives – Addition to 4 Square Corner Project
- Item 14** Small Projects Grant Scheme Update- August – Spring Fling Signage
- Item 16** Update from MoU partnering Organisations – Funding request from Taihape Neighbourhood Support

1 Welcome

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2 Public Forum

None

3 Apologies

There were no apologies.

4 Members' conflict of interest

Mrs Abernethy declared a conflict of interest in regards to the following items:

Taihape Museum request for water charge credit
Funding request from Taihape Neighbourhood Support

5 Confirmation of order of business

The Chair agreed to take the following item under Update on Place making Initiatives (Item 13 on the Agenda)

Additions to 4 Square Corner Project

The following item to be taken under Late Items (Item 21 on the Agenda)

Rapid Numbers

6 Minutes of previous meeting

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| Resolved minute number | 18/TCB/044 | File Ref |
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That the minutes of the Taihape Community Board meeting held on 13 June 2018, be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

Mrs Abernethy/Mrs Sicely. Carried

7 Chair's report

The Chair spoke to her report, outlining the events and meetings that she had been involved with over the past two months.

She said that there had been a lot of positive comments about the recent upgrade of the Taihape gardens.

The Board were all in favour that on their behalf, a letter of acknowledgement be sent to the Parks & Reserves Team Leader. It was suggested that the Maori plant names also be included in the signage.

Mrs Abernethy noted that there had been an interesting article in the Wanganui Chronicle regarding the proposed upgrade to the Hautapu river parks and tracks.

Resolved minute number **18/TCB/045** **File Ref**

That the Chair's report to the 8 August 2018 meeting of the Taihape Community Board, as presented be received.

Mrs Fannin/Cr Gordon. Carried

8 Council decisions on recommendations from the Taihape Community Board

Trial of Recycling Bins in Taihape

As the Board had been unable to determine a suitable site for the trial of recycling bins in Taihape, it was agreed that this item be discussed further at the Board's October meeting.

It was suggested that once the new CBD contractor commenced, it may reinforce the Board's view that in fact very limited recycling would be disposed of.

9 Council's plans and process for town and District signage

This was for the Board's information only. More information to be made available to the Boards next meeting.

10 Representation Review – results of pre-consultation and initial proposal

The Board to consider their submission for the Representation Review for the 2019 election at their workshop on 12 September 2018.

Resolved minute number **18/TCB/046** **File Ref**

That the 'Consultation information for Council's initial proposal for representation for the 2019 local election' be received.

Mrs Fannin/Cr Aslett. Carried

11 Review of Control of Liquor Bylaw – local effectiveness and concerns

Mrs Sicely spoke on behalf of the Taihape Police advising that they were happy with the current Bylaw. However they were keen to see the closing hours of licenced premises being reduced from 3am to maybe 1 or 2am. She said that this may reduce some of the alcohol related issues in town. Mr Hodder explained that Council currently did not have its own local alcohol policy for this issue (and thus the default provisions in the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act applied); there would need to be significant interest before undertaking what could be a significant piece of work.

Cr Gordon suggested that changes be made need to one of the Taihape maps showing the prohibited areas given that it may be private property.

The Board were all in agreement that that the liquor control areas which apply to Taihape continue to be included under the Liquor Control in a Public Place Bylaw.

Resolved minute number **18/TCB/047** **File Ref**

That the Taihape Community Board recommend to the Policy/Planning Committee that the liquor control areas which apply to Taihape continue to be included under the Liquor Control in a Public Place Bylaw for the following reasons:

- It works very well
- It is easy to police

Mrs Sicely/Ms Larsen. Carried

12 Proposed amendments to the Animal Control Bylaw

It was agreed that this item be discussed further at their workshop on 12 September 2018

13 Update on Place-Making Initiatives

Mrs Abernethy gave a verbal update on the current place making initiatives.

The planter boxes and BBQ table for the Outback had arrived. Once these were painted they were to be planted out in keeping with the town garden theme.

On behalf of the Board, Ms George to approach the Whanau Hobby Hutt and Mokai Patea Services to ask if any of their students would be keen to paint the planters and BBQ table

Mrs Abernethy reported that she had contacted Lasercraft regarding signage for the dog exercise area. Quotes for the walkway boards had been received and permission for painting the walkway wall had been granted from the building owner.

It was suggested that colour samples be provided to the Board's workshop in order to finalise colour choices for the BBQ table and planter boxes and that photo samples also be made available.

Additions to 4 Square Corner Project

Mrs Abernethy spoke to her submission item, outlining the need for a 'Doggy Do Bin' to be placed in the 4 Square grassed area. This was now proving to be very popular with people stopping and taking the opportunity to exercise their dogs.

The Board were all in favour of purchasing a Doggy Doo Bin for this area.

Resolved minute number **18/TCB/048** **File Ref**

That the Taihape Community Board use funds from the Small Project Grant Scheme to purchase a Doggy Doo Bin for the 4 Square grassed area.

Mrs Abernethy/Mrs Sicely. Carried

14 Small Projects Grant Scheme Update – August 2018

On behalf of Taihape Neighbourhood Support, Mrs Oliver spoke to their request for funding. They were seeking funds of \$383.35 which was to go towards purchasing a laptop and printer which was to be based at their office in the Taihape Police Station.

Mrs Oliver gave a brief outline of the organisation. She said it was continually increasing its membership to the point where now 10% of households are members. As she was stepping down from her role the intention was to now appoint a paid co-ordinator

The Board were all supportive of this request so agreed to fund the Taihape Neighbourhood Support Group \$383.35.

Resolved minute number **18/TCB/049** **File Ref**

That the Taihape Community Board agree to fund the Taihape Neighbourhood Support Group \$383.35 towards purchasing a laptop and printer from the Small Projects Grant Scheme.

Mrs Fannin/Ms Larsen. Carried

Letter from Taihape Museum

The Taihape Museum had written a letter to Council requesting a credit of \$220.90 towards their water account. This invoice had been high due to a leaking toilet which had since been fixed.

Undertaking Subject

Mr Hodder to follow up with Councils Finance Team, regarding the Taihape museum letter for a water rates credit request.

Resolved minute number 18/TCB/050 File Ref

That the Taihape Community Board support Taihape Museum's letter to Council seeking a credit for their water charge.

Mrs Fannin/Mrs Sicely. Carried

Resolved minute number 18/TCB/051 File Ref

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

Mrs Fannin/Ms Larsen. Carried

15 Update on Youth Services

Resolved minute number 18/TCB/052 File Ref

That the memorandum 'Youth Development Programme Update – July 2018' be accepted.

Mrs Fannin/Cr Aslett. Carried

16 Update from MoU partnering organisations

There was a brief discussion on what could be done about the state of the unoccupied buildings in the Taihape CBD, many of which had absentee owners who were not interested in having them rented out.

Mr Hodder advised that any changes to the District Plan would take some time but it may be feasible to look at differential rating in terms of the Local Government (Rating) Act.

Resolved minute number 18/TCB/053 File Ref

That the Taihape Community Board ask that Council investigate policy options around the poor state of the unoccupied CBD properties in Taihape.

Cr Gordon/Mrs Fannin. Carried

Ms George advised that the Whanau Hobby Hutt had purchased safety glasses, protective hearing aids, sanding equipment along with nails etc. with funds received from the Small Project Grant Scheme. A more detailed report to be provided once all monies had been spent.

Spring Fling Signage

Ms George spoke on behalf of the Taihape Development Trust in regards to the tabled funding request for Spring Fling signage.

She outlined all the planned event for the Spring Fling week which included colouring competitions, baby animal fair, market day and a community event at the Outback.

Ms George left the meeting at this point.

The Board discussed the request, deciding to donate \$400 to go towards two Events Boards.

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That the Taihape Community Board donate \$400.00 towards Spring Fling signage and that this be funded from the Small Projects Grant Scheme.

Mrs Abernethy/Cr Aslett. Carried

17 Requests for service concerning Taihape

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

Mrs Fannin/Mrs Abernethy. Carried

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

This item to be discussed at the Board's September workshop.

19 Matters not arising elsewhere on the agenda – project update

Additional/upgraded CCTV cameras

It was suggested that a security camera be installed in the vicinity of the Huia Street Community Housing

Mangaweka Village toilets

Alternative sites are currently being considered.

Taihape Memorial Park – proposed amenities block

A public meeting was held on 3 August 2018 to discuss options. A report to be tabled at the next meeting of the Assets/Infrastructure Committee on 9 August.

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

Resolved minute number **18/TCB/056** **File Ref**

That the extract 'Current infrastructure projects/upgrades and other Council activities within the Taihape Ward' dated May-June 2018 be received.

Mrs Fannin/Cr Gordon. Carried

21 Late items

Mrs Sicely queried why some property owners had been allocated rapid number while others hadn't. Mr Hodder replied that these were allocated by Council and that he would ask the GIS officer to contact her.

22 Future items for the agenda

None

23 Date of next meeting

The next meeting to be held 10 October 2018, 5.30 pm.

24 Meeting closed

7.50pm

Confirmed/Chair: _____

Date: