

Waitaki District Council

Waihemo Community Board

CONFIRMED MINUTES of the Meeting of the Waihemo Community Board held in the Waihemo Service Centre, Tiverton Street, Palmerston on Monday 22 May 2017 at 7.00pm

Present	Mrs Dennison (Chair), Mrs McGregor, Mr Brown Cr Wheeler
Apologies	Mrs Watson Mr Roy Mayor Kircher
In Attendance	Cr Percival Mr Ross (Chief Executive) Mrs Hansen (Secretary)

Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

Apologies

RESOLVED
WCB17/027

Mrs Dennison/Mr Brown
“The Waihemo Community Board accepts an apology for absence from
Mrs Watson, Mr Roy and Mayor Kircher.”

CARRIED

1. Public Forum

- Annette Rosonoski – Chair of the Promotion of Palmerston (POP) Committee presented a Palmerston bus stop petition to the Waihemo Community Board. The petition was to request the Palmerston Town Centre bus stop/bus terminal be returned from the current stop site in lower Sanday Street to the original Bond Street site. There are serious health and safety issues with the current bus stop. There is no shelter from the rain, street lighting is inadequate, the bus stop is subject to heavy frosts during the winter and is too far from the toilets for passengers on coaches stopping in Palmerston. Ms Rosonoski advised that 231 signatures were received and the petition was checked for duplicated names. The POP are requesting some indication of what the outcome may be and the timeframe for the bus stop to be shifted.
- Lillian Cooper – Lillian lives on District Road and gave advice that there are plans for campervan sites to be built at the A&P showgrounds by the A&P Association. Lillian advised that people are annoyed that no communication or consultation has been undertaken by the A&P Association Committee to neighbouring properties in regard to their proposal for campervan sites at the A&P showgrounds.
- Maria Barta – Secretary of the A&P Association spoke in regard to the work that has been done and carried out on the ground levelling project in readiness for future plans. The North Otago Tree Association has given funding for trees to be planted around the embankments created from the levelling process. The A&P Association are requesting a contribution from the Waihemo Community Board of \$1,000 to assist with funding the planting of suitable shrubs, help with weed control and the creation of a biodiversity environment.
- Bill Campbell (representing James Moffat) read a letter about repairs and the working function of the Centennial Clock. This issue was raised at 12 April meeting. Council's Property Unit are responsible for the maintenance of the clock.
- Trevor Norton spoke in regard to the Hampden toilets and the plans to landscape around the toilets, have boulders in front of the toilets and seating. Trevor is proposing that the

wall facing the hall be painted with artwork. The artwork would consist of local area maps. There is an artist in the Hampden community who is willing to do this. The cost involved would be \$4,000 for basic artwork or \$5,500 to put in place anti vandalism measures. Mr Norton is looking into financing this work and there may be an opportunity for a commercial fund.

- Taranaki Smith spoke about the tank water supplies on Dunback Road and the issues he is facing in regard to this. Mr Smith also spoke in regard to the siting of the bus stop.

2. Confirmation of Meeting Minutes

RESOLVED
WCB17/028

Mrs McGregor/Mr Brown
“The Waihemo Community Board confirms the minutes of Waihemo Community Board meeting dated 10 April 2017.”

CARRIED

3. Palmerston Bus Stop

To provide guidance to the Roothing Manager on what option the Board prefers in regard to the final location of the Palmerston Bus Stop, based on the supplied layout options in the Appendix of the report.

RESOLVED
WCB17/29

Mrs Dennison/Mr Brown
“The Waihemo Community Board recommends that:
1. Council’s Roothing Manager be asked to relocate the Palmerston Bus Stop from Sanday Street back to near its original location in Bond Street along with the associated car parking and line marking changes as soon as possible.”

CARRIED

4. Building Consents Issued in Waihemo Ward for the Month of March 2017

To provide the Board members with a list of building consents issued in Waihemo Ward for the month of March 2017.

RESOLVED
WCB17/30

Mrs McGregor/Mr Brown
“The Waihemo Community Board receives the information.”

CARRIED

5. Building Consents Issued in Waihemo Ward for the Month of April 2017

To provide the Board members with a list of building consents issued in Waihemo Ward for the month of April 2017.

RESOLVED
WCB17/31

Mrs McGregor/Mr Brown
“The Waihemo Community Board receives the information.”

CARRIED

6. Assets Update

To update the Board on issues, operations and projects managed by the Assets Group, occurring within the Waihemo Ward since the last Board meeting.

RESOLVED

WCB17/32

Cr Wheeler/Mrs McGregor

“The Waihemo Community Board receives the information.”

CARRIED

7. Recreation Update

The purpose of this memorandum is to update the Waihemo Community Board on routine work, maintenance issues and progress on minor projects for the period 30 March 2017 to 8 May 2017.

RESOLVED

WCB17/33

Mr Brown/Mrs McGregor

“That Council provides information and costings for the repair of the Palmerston Centennial clock as soon as possible.”

CARRIED

RESOLVED

WCB17/34

Mrs McGregor/ Mr Brown

“That Council change the \$3,000 committed to the A&P Association from the Reserve Improvement Fund to the Waihemo Community Board discretionary fund.”

CARRIED

RESOLVED

WCB17/35

Mrs McGregor/Mr Brown

“The Waihemo Community Board receives the information.”

CARRIED

8. Verbal Updates: Chairperson’s Report; Community Board Member Area Reports; Councillor’s Report

Kathy Dennison

- Recreation workshop with Recreation officers regarding walkways and projects currently being consulted on in the Waihemo Ward
- Attended round table public meetings for the Annual Plan. There was a good community response with projects identified for the communities
- Attended the Macraes Community Development Trust meeting
- Attended a meeting with Graham Sullivan, Thunes Cloete and Lisa Baillie regarding community boards going forward. I would like to thank them for their support of the boards
- Waihemo Community Board workshop attended by all members. A good discussion was held in regard to the Board working together to create a strong team to get the best outcomes for the area
- Anzac Day was well represented throughout the Ward. Wreaths were laid on behalf of the Board by Carol Watson in Palmerston, Jan Wheeler in Hampden and Paul Roy in Dunback
- Attended Tourism Waitaki meeting at the Palmerston I-site regarding community agreement
- Along with Carol Watson and Heather McGregor organised a funding seminar involving Internal Affairs and Community Trust Otago. This meeting was well attended by the community and we have hopes that some projects will obtain the funding they require. There are many hardworking volunteers in the community and I’d like to thank them on behalf of the Board.
- Annual Plan Consultation – This year Council trialled a new style of consultation. At no time has the Board seen the public submissions which we would normally be able to view

online at the local library. The Board has no idea what submissions are in or being discussed by Council. In the past, Board members have been invited to these meetings where submissions have been discussed and this year some steps have been missed, leaving a gap in the Board's knowledge of how their communities are feeling about their interaction with Council

- I would like to take this opportunity to thank Margaret Tanner for all the support she has given to the Board as Secretary. We will miss her and wish her all the best for her future
- Michael – the Waihemo Community Board would like to extend our thanks to you for your dedication to our district and for the support you have shown our board during your time as CEO. Your leadership style has generated the respect of both your staff and the members who have worked with you. We sincerely appreciate your commitment to us over your years as CEO and wish you and Susie all the best for your future.

Jan Wheeler

- The Moeraki intersection warning system is well underway with work being carried out this week
- Annual submissions night – Palmerston area, this was attended by over 30 local submitters
- Solid Waste Plan workshop
- Workshops – Water, District Licensing Committee Review, Building Team
- Attended the opening of the Oamaru Waste Management Transfer Station
- Checked the Moeraki Millennium Walkway as it was closed due to a sewage pipeline break
- Attended Hampden Hall – Anzac Day service, laid a wreath at the Cenotaph on behalf of the Board. Cr Tavendale was the speaker on the day
- Council Committee Day
- East Otago Review – newsletter article
- Council – CEO recruitment meeting
- Council – FAR meeting and workshop for Annual Plan
- Council workshops – NO Rugby Development and Sponsorship
- Tour of the Historic Precinct with Civic Trust manager
- Moeraki Hall Committee meeting
- Moeraki Boulders SH1 – Intersection 70km/h variable speed limit for rural intersections, an active warning system is being put in place
- Bus Stop petition – this shows we need to liaise better with the Community

Heather McGregor

- Community Forum Waihemo Submissions at the Community Centre
- Community Board meeting
- Anzac Day Services Palmerston and Dunback
- Hall Committee meeting
- Palmerston RSA Charitable Trust meeting
- Steve Bennett Internal Affairs and Carol Melville Community Trust Otago Community Workshop
- Council and submissions
- Community Board Conference, Methven
- The Community was well attended in the Waihemo Submission Forum. There was good representation throughout the Waihemo Ward and positive feedback from those who attended
- Anzac Day services in Palmerston and Dunback were well attended. There was some positive communication with the temporary light that is on the Memorial Arch in Palmerston
- There was a very good turnout of community groups that attended the workshop from the Internal Affairs and the Community Trust of Otago. This gave those groups an understanding of how to apply for funds for their projects
- It is welcoming to see contractors working on Ronaldsay Street over the last three weeks
- Citizen's Awards open today for people in the community to be acknowledged for the volunteer services. It would be great if there is some nominations put forward from the Waihemo Ward
- The NZ Community Boards Conference held in Methven from 11-13 May is attached to this report.

Ken Brown

- Informal and formal meetings and small things from the community
- Tourism Waitiaki workshop – local people with good ideas, tourism increasing, benefit to all areas

Carol Watson

Mrs Dennison presented the report in Carol's absence:

- During May the Board organised a meeting with Steve Bennett from Internal Affairs which I attended. This meeting then led to the Community Board organising a joint meeting with Otago Community trust, Internal Affairs and local organisations and clubs. There seemed to be a lot of interest in liaising with these organisations for grants and funding from those attended
- Anzac Day - I had the privilege of laying the wreath at the Palmerston service
- Attended the Community Board Conference in Methven from 11–13 May. There were a variety of interesting speakers including Sam Johnston from the Student Volunteer Army and Eyal Halamish who is currently CEO of Our Say, an organisation which helps leaders in their communities with easy to use technologies. There were many other speakers as well as Malcolm Alexander, CEO of Local Government NZ and David Rutherford, Chief Human Rights Commissioner
- The Student Army have kits available for schools that are free of charge. They also have a new programme which students engaging with older people on a regular basis. They can do a variety of things including cleaning up after weeding or helping them learn computer skills and generally just being someone to interact with over a set period of time. The student ends up with a letter of recommendation for prospective employers seeking students for work experience. It was a very full on two days as they try to make available as much information as possible. We also had a Zone meeting, the Zone Committee intend to arrange a meeting in the near future. The venue was excellent with a number of meeting rooms, theatre, and large hall area
- Thank you for the opportunity to attend the conference

RESOLVED

WCB17/36

Mr Brown/Mrs McGregor

“The Waihemo Community Board receives the information.”

CARRIED

Michael Ross

Michael thanked the Board for the work that they have done over the years, and recapped on some of the work and issues that Council has undertaken over the years

- Water – The upgrading of the Oamaru water a number of years ago and now looking at extending and piping the Oamaru Water down and as far as the Kartika Straight
- Moeraki – Haven Street, this has been a great example of Community initiatives
- Economic Development – Council has worked with the two poultry farms in the area, with another planned for the future. This is great for the communities, employment etc
- Oceana Gold – Worked closely with Oceana Gold over a number of years. This has brought employment to the area and is good for communities and economics of small towns
- The rising tide of regulations from Central Government is costing the country dearly. All legislation and regulations are passed down to Local Government with no funding to go with the changes
- The work that was done with the collaborative councils on Earthquake Prone Buildings was huge and if this work wasn't done, half of the Oamaru main street would be unusable
- Cycle trail south – this project could be sped up by locals talking to land owners in regard to the ideas and way forward

Cr Percival

- Advised that he is impressed by the work done by the Board and Board Members, acknowledging the time spent in carrying out this work for the community
- Juggling the money and budgets is also hard work when dealing with Community expectations

Michael Ross presented Mrs Dennison and Mr Brown Local Government Awards for 14 years' service to Local Government.

9. Items for Information

To provide Waihemo Community Board members with a copy of the following items for information:

- Mayor's and CEO's report to 10 May 2017 Council meeting.
- Health and Safety Update to 15 March 2017 and 26 April 2017 Customer Services Committee Meeting.

RESOLVED
WCB17/37

Cr Wheeler/Mr Brown
"The Waihemo Community Board receives the information."

CARRIED

There being no further business the Chairperson declared the meeting closed at 8.45 pm.

Confirmed this 3rd day of July 2017 at Waihemo Service Centre, Palmerston.

(signed)

Chairperson