

MINUTES

TITLE: Golden Bay Community Board
DATE: 10 August 2010
TIME: 9.00 am
VENUE: Golden Bay Office

PRESENT: J Bell (Chairperson), C McLellan (Deputy Chair), Board members K Brookes and L Gamby

IN ATTENDANCE: Cr N Riley, L Kennedy (Community Services Manager), N Heyes (Minute Secretary), members of the Press and Public

1. APOLOGIES

**Moved Board members McLellan/Brookes
GB10/08/01**

**THAT the apology received from Cr Borlase be accepted.
CARRIED**

**Moved Board members Gamby/McLellan
GB10/08/02**

**THAT Cr Riley be granted speaking rights.
CARRIED**

2. PUBLIC FORUM

Alan Vaughan – pleased that Council is getting around to delegating authority however, he expressed concern about delegations being given to community associations. He said they have no mandate and are not elected by the voting public and he would oppose it.

Don Mead – spoke on behalf of the Friends of Golden Bay. He updated the Board regarding the Landscape plan for Golden Bay which will take in from Separation Point to Kahurangi Point; three planners are working on it and it should be completed by the middle of 2011.

Dr Mead said the Friends of Golden Bay are disappointed in the health of the scallops and to learn that commercial boats may dredge inside the voluntary trawl line.

Dr Mead spoke to a previously tabled briefing paper regarding the Aquaculture Law Reform which summarised Cabinet papers on the Ministry of Fisheries website and

discussions with Council's Environment and Planning Manager. He said the Government wants to relax the existing species laws and that the Minister of Fisheries can change a Council's coastal plan, however it needs to show it is in the national interest to do that.

Dr Mead thanked the Board for writing to Oceanagold regarding Sams Creek mining.

The Chairperson commented regarding the issue of scallop dredging; he said the matter of dredging inside the voluntary trawl line has been taken up with Challenger Scallop Enhancement Company and vessels will be kept out from the shore and in areas where scallops are not in good condition, dredging areas will be monitored. He said the Golden Bay Community Board has been seeking a Marine Management Plan for the Golden Bay Territorial Sea and the Board would like to see Council support that.

With regard to Sams Creek mining, the Chairperson said there has been no response from Oceanagold to date.

Peter Blasdale – sought the Board's support for a public meeting to gauge the need for a multipurpose sports facility at the Recreation Park. Mr Kennedy agreed to attend the meeting, with a date to be finalised. Following questions from the Chair, Mr Blasdale said while it is a sporting-based facility they are discussing, it would also include meeting rooms. He said he would like the swimming club to be included in discussions also, and while a pool is not included in the funding, there is a need for an indoor pool.

The Chairperson explained that the multipurpose facility study undertaken by Bjarne Vanderskog was to identify where the gaps in facilities are; he said it would be good to take the discussion to the next level, especially regarding sporting facilities.

The Board pointed out that the community must raise 20% of the money required for such a project; also that Council supports both the Takaka and Collingwood school pools and a new facility could compromise that support.

Paddy Brennan – congratulated the Board on organising the opening of the Pohara walkway/cycleway.

Ms Brennan raised the matter of motocross noise. She pointed out that it is a recreational sport, not a horticultural or agricultural activity and that the voluntary code of practise is not working. Ms Brennan said that noise complaints have not been accurately recorded and cited a report by Council's Co-ordinator Regulatory. This had been substantiated by the Environment and Planning Manager who had commented in a letter that a high number of complaints would not necessarily initiate a change to a rule or practice. Ms Brennan spoke about the recent change in rules for frost fans and said Council lacks the will to help the five houses affected by the motocross noise. Ms Brennan said after five years of excessive noise she and other affected people want to stop the exemption from the rules for motocross and that noise in excess of 55 dB should be dealt with. She said noise that was measured at her place with four bikes, 500m from the track was 67 dB.

Cr Riley said he has passed on complaints to Mr Caradus; he considered that if Council can make a new noise rule for frost fans it can do the same for bikes.

Ms Brennan said they only want the bikes to abide by the 55dB rule.

Karen Pringle - Supported the concerns expressed by Ms Brennan.

Beatrice Bourhis – expressed concerns about the Takaka playground equipment. She said it is quite slippery and there are some rotten pieces of wood that make it unsafe. She asked that repairs be made to what is there and that there be additions to the playground equipment, incorporating some colour. She said she had visited the playground at Kaiteriteri and it was amazing – a good example of what a playground should be like.

It was suggested that the equipment be waterblasted.

Rachael McDowell - supported Ms Bourhis she considered the upgrades would benefit the community as well as visitors to the area.

Mr Kennedy said he would follow up on the concerns; it was suggested that the Reserves Officer talks to the parents when he comes over on 17th August.

Ms Bourhis also raised the matter of there apparently being no reserve space set aside at the Rototai subdivision or the one at Pohara behind Totally Roasted.

Mr Kennedy explained Council's policy on taking land instead of money for reserves, with questions such as 'where is the nearest playground?' being taken into account.

Peter Foster – spoke about the Board's community annual plan meetings and the suggested recommendation in the Chairperson's report. He did not consider that a Board-elect is a legal entity, or that the current Board has the authority to make decisions for the incoming board.

Mr Foster supported Mr Vaughan's comments regarding delegated authority; he said that while Southland District Council has very full delegations to its community associations, they are elected bodies and are not like the community associations in Tasman District.

The Chairperson explained the suggested recommendation regarding community annual plan meetings; that it may be too late to get the required information to Council for inclusion in the Draft Annual Plan if the new board waited to hold the community meetings until it was sworn in.

Martine Bouillir – asked about the landscaping in the Library carpark and why there were little areas of grass (that will need mowing) in amongst the low maintenance rocks and grasses areas.

Mr Kennedy said he would follow it up with Reserves staff.

Penny Griffith – informed the Board about Pat Timming's publication of "Golden Bay Bibliography" – a list of all the books that talk about Golden Bay. She said it is available for sale at the library for \$10.

Rudolph Samper – tabled a map of the area where it is proposed to put the sewage pond extension. He considered it to be too close to the township and suggested a more appropriate site.

Cr Riley said while he is submitting in opposition to this proposal, there were reasons why the site was chosen, however no other alternatives were considered. He said he is opposed to the pond with its raised bund as it will redirect water in a flood situation. Cr Riley suggested that if people have concerns they need to write to Council. He said that although submissions have closed, late submissions may be considered.

Cr Riley tabled information regarding the petition by Aldo Miccio for amalgamation of Nelson City Council and Tasman District Council.

There was some discussion on whether amalgamation resulting in a larger urban area may perhaps be beneficial to rural communities in light of comments made by Richmond councillors. It was clarified that the petition is for a study into amalgamation.

Board member McLellan – suggested the Board makes a resolution that community board meetings be taken into account when the Council meeting calendar is scheduled. She said the councillors are needed at the Board meetings.

Mrs McLellan said she was disappointed that the community board has not been consulted on recent Golden Bay planning work however Cr Riley replied that Council's Manager of Policy does intend coming back to the Board.

The meeting adjourned for morning tea between 10.30 and 10.54 am.

3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

3.1 Minutes of the meeting of the Golden Bay Community Board held on 13 July 2010

Page 2 – Harry Holmwood – last sentence - It was asked to be noted that while the Minutes correctly reflected what was said, Cr Norriss was *not* on the selection panel.

Page 5 – 4.1 - GB Medical Centre Trust – last sentence – Delete “..... *and Cr Norriss...*”

It was requested by Mayor Kempthorne that the following alterations be made:

Page 5 – second paragraph, second sentence “..... Council trustee [insert] “*who would*” then [insert] “*take part in the panel to appoint*” ... the rest of the trustees.”

Page 5 – third paragraph, first sentence “ explained that [delete] “*one of the issues*” [insert] “*the second issue*” between Council ...”

Page 5 – third paragraph, last sentence “Mik Symmons [insert] “*a Council appointed trustee*””

Moved Board members McLellan/Gamby

GB10/08/03

THAT the Minutes of the meeting of the Golden Bay Community Board held on Tuesday 13th July 2010, as amended (containing resolutions GB10/07/01 – GB10/07/22) be confirmed as a true and correct record.

CARRIED

4. REPORTS

**Moved Board members Gamby/Brookes
GB10/08/04**

THAT the reports and correspondence contained in the agenda (with the exception of correspondence item 5.2) be received.

CARRIED

4.1 Chairperson's Report

Meeting with Alli Gardner, Bjarne Vanderskog, Lloyd Kennedy – regarding Golden Bay Facilities Project next steps.

Board member McLellan asked about the implications for the first study in light of the meeting regarding a multipurpose facility at the Recreation Park.

The Chairperson said it is timely for the meeting organised by Peter Blasdale; he considered it important for the Board and Golden Bay Councillors to be at the meeting (to be held on 30 August). The Board had previously supported investigations by the Arts Council and Golden Bay Promotions regarding an expanded Information Centre/Arts Showcase and also the Drama Society proposal for a new theatre. Neither of these projects came to fruition. He said the Board's role was to find 'the gaps' then ascertain the best way to meet the needs, also to explain some of the issues – like the implications for the swimming pools at Golden Bay High School and Collingwood Area School.

Pohara Pathway/cycleway Opening – a very successful event with excess food going to the Community Hospital.

Concern was expressed as to whether the Board is being kept up to date regarding the scallop fishing. The Chairperson said that, while there may be some commercial dredging inside the voluntary trawl line at Onekaka, if the scallops are found to be not in good condition they will go. He said scallops are looking good in the Marlborough Sounds and the view is that most boats would be fishing there; he is keeping in contact with Dan Govier (Manager) and Buzz Falconer, (Director) of Challenger Scallop Enhancement Company.

4.1.1 Motocross Motupipi

The Chairperson pointed out that this issue has been highlighted again by discussions regarding frost fan noise and that the 55dB rule has been confirmed in Redwoods Valley. He said concerns about motocross are world wide and there are various innovations to try and mitigate the noise, such as electric bikes; there are

also noise reduction kits available for \$100. He spoke about the exponential noise increase as the decibels rise.

There was discussion around the difference in number of complaints recorded; also whether Cr Norriss has a conflict of interest when involved in motocross discussions.

Points made in a tabled email from Jaywyn Riley regarding motocross noise which endorsed comments by Ms Brennan were read by the Chairperson. It was agreed that Council needs to take notice of its own Plan and Policies.

The Chairperson read his suggested recommendation.

**Moved Board members Gamby/Brookes
GB10/08/05**

**THAT the Golden Bay Community Board supports the residents requests to Tasman District Council to remove Motupipi motocross being exempt from the noise rules and requiring the monitoring and enforcement of the Tasman District Council 55dB rule.
CARRIED**

Cr Riley asked for it to be noted in the Minutes that he took no part in the discussions.

4.1.2 Coba Holdings Consent Appeal

The Chairperson read his suggested recommendation.

He said the Board could register its interest in the appeal under RMA s274. It was pointed out that Wendy Drummond and Graham Wells only have beach access to their property and this is an opportunity to secure road access by seeking the formation of the first part of the right-of-way as a road. Other areas with only r.o.w. access in Golden Bay include, Tukurua Camp Road, Upper Tukurua Road and Swiftsure Street. Problems can arise when Roads are established on Right of Ways.

**Moved Board members McLellan/Gamby
GB10/08/06**

**THAT the Golden Bay Community Board considers responding to the appeal to the Environment Court by Coba Holdings Ltd by raising issues of concern to the Board which form part of the recently granted Resource Consent including vehicles on beaches, esplanade strip, coastal landscape, public access and regenerating vegetation.
CARRIED**

4.1.3 Finfish Aquaculture Proposals

The Chairperson spoke to his report.

**Moved Board members Gamby/McLellan
GB10/08/07**

THAT the Golden Bay Community Board makes a submission at the appropriate time regarding the implication of converting aquaculture space granted for spat catching and/or mussel farming to the farming of other species such as fed fin fish.

CARRIED

The Board discussed the importance of having someone from Golden Bay involved in the discussions.

**Moved Board members McLellan/Brookes
GB10/08/08**

THAT the Golden Bay Community Board seeks representation on the decision-making body for expanding or changing the scope of aquaculture in Golden Bay.

CARRIED

4.1.4 Aquaculture Amendment Proposals

The Chairperson spoke to his report.

**Moved Board members Gamby/McLellan
GB10/08/09**

THAT the Golden Bay Community Board continues to make submissions opposing aquaculture outside of Aquaculture Management Areas in Golden Bay and supporting the introduction of rent and rates on aquaculture space.

CARRIED

4.1.5 Community Annual Plan Meetings

**Moved Board members Gamby/Brookes
GB10/08/10**

THAT the Golden Bay Community Board-elect undertakes community consultation on items for inclusion in the 2011-12 Draft Annual Plan as soon as possible after the election.

CARRIED

It was pointed out that it needs to be done this way or the gathering of information for the Annual Plan may be too late to be included.

4.1.6 Broadband and Email Connection

Board member Gamby declared an interest and took no part in discussions.

It was pointed out that this is an equity issue, and this is a good time to talk about it; if members cannot get the internet they cannot participate fully. Board member Gamby's dial-up had failed and he was resorting to driving into town to use internet cafes prior to the installation of a hopefully more reliable satellite service.

**Moved Board members McLellan/Brookes
GB10/08/11**

THAT the Golden Bay Community Board requests Tasman District Council to consider additional reimbursement on a case by case basis for elected representatives who are having difficulty receiving reliable access to the internet.

CARRIED

4.1.7 Freedom Camping

The Chairperson spoke about the 'gap' in the tourism industry's initiatives to provide information on camping with regard to fire.

**Moved Board members McLellan/Brookes
GB10/08/12**

THAT the Golden Bay Community Board urges the Tourism industry to work in concert with the Rural Fire Authorities and vice versa to educate, inform, monitor and enforce fire requirements.

CARRIED

4.1.8 Takaka Inundation Study

Cr Riley reported that the review will cost more than \$48,390.88 as it is not yet complete; there is to be a report to the Environment and Planning Committee on 23 September 2010.

**Moved Board members Gamby/Brookes
GB10/08/13**

THAT the Golden Bay Community Board requests details of the scope and purpose of the Takaka Inundation Study in order to understand the reasons for the cost of this.

CARRIED

5. CORRESPONDENCE

5.1 Portable Stage – GB Recreation Co-ordinator

The meeting discussed where such a stage may be used, also additional costs of storage and registration and how it would be retained in community ownership.

It was agreed that Board member Gamby talks to Dave Myall (regarding ownership, storage, WOF, registration and events it may be used for) and that the matter lay on the table until the September Board meeting.

It was pointed out that other funding sources need to be applied to also; perhaps from the Community Arts Council, Grants from Rates with applications to Grants from Rates needing to be in before the end of August.

- 5.2 Meeting of Community Board and Association Chairs during August –
Delegations : Chief Executive Officer

The Board agreed that delegations should be cost neutral or cheaper, therefore there should be no additional cost implications for the Annual Plan.

**Moved Board members Gamby/Brookes
GB10/08/14**

**THAT the letter be received and the content noted.
CARRIED**

- 5.3 Appointee to Golden Bay Medical Centre Trust : Letter of 30 July 2010 –
Mayor Kempthorne

**Moved Board members McLellan/Gamby
GB10/08/15**

**THAT the letter be received and the content noted with the comment that this
letter has superseded the one of 20 July 2010.
CARRIED**

- 5.4 Gambling Venues Policy Review – Tasman District Council

The Board agreed that the Chairperson would speak to the submission and be accompanied by Board member Gamby.

**Moved Board members Gamby/Brookes
GB10/08/16**

**THAT the letter be received and the hearing date and time of Tuesday 17
August 2010 at 10.10 am be noted and the Board speaks to the submission at
that time.
CARRIED**

6. OTHER

Local Government Act Amendment Bill

It was noted that the spoken submission is on 26 August 2010.

Board's Budget

It was noted that the Board is under budget.

Pakawau Hall Anniversary

Cr Riley said the Pakawau Hall would celebrate its 75th anniversary on 11 October 2010. He asked if there could be a banner from Council. It was agreed that Board member McLellan liaise with Mrs Campbell-Heath.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 12.40 pm.

Date Confirmed:

Chair: