

MINUTES

TITLE: Community Services Committee
DATE: Thursday 28 July 2005
TIME: 9.30 am
VENUE: Council Chamber, 189 Queen Street, Richmond.

PRESENT: Crs P K O'Shea (Chair), S G Bryant, E E Henry, N Riley and E J Wilkins

IN ATTENDANCE: J Frater (Manager Property), S E Hartley (Administration Advisor), B Wilkes (Reserves Manager), R Biss (Policy Planner), members of the Rural Fire Network, and the media

APOLOGIES

Moved Crs E E Henry/E J Wilkins
CS05/07/01

THAT the apologies from Cr Higgins and His Worship the Mayor J C Hurley be received and sustained.

CARRIED

Noted that the Community Services Manager, Mr L Kennedy, was on leave.

1 PUBLIC FORUM

No members of the public were present.

2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

2.1 Minutes of Community Services Committee

Moved Crs N Riley/E E Henry
CS05/07/02

THAT the minutes of the meeting of the Community Services Committee held on 16 June 2005 containing resolutions CS05/06/01 to CS05/06/14 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

CARRIED

Cr O'Shea reminded committee members that a late item for the agenda report had been circulated regarding DIL's funding, and this would be dealt with at the conclusion of reports.

3 HERITAGE SUBCOMMITTEE UPDATE

Cr O'Shea advised that this item was on the agenda, as some of the Heritage Subcommittee functions crossover with the work of this Committee.

Policy Planner, Rose Biss, was in attendance for this item. Ms Biss explained that the Subcommittee has been in existence since 2001, and its main objective was to promote and advocate the protection of resources. This was done by encouraging Council and the community to protect the assets they own, and Council currently owns 10 buildings and structures which have a heritage classification. Ms Biss outlined other activities the Committee was involved in including heritage awards, signage projects and pamphlets, and their intention to become proactive with rural heritage, such as hop kilns.

4 PRESENTATION BY RURAL FIRE NETWORK

Tom Broderick (Deputy Principal Rural Fire Officer), Robin Thomson (Principal Rural Fire Officer), Chris Millson (Principal Rural Fire Officer) and Doug Ashford (Deputy Principal Rural Fire Officer) from the Rural Fire Network were in attendance.

Mr Broderick and Mr Millson gave a comprehensive power point presentation on how the Rural Fire Network delivered its services for the Waimea Rural Fire Authority. They explained that the major stakeholders included the Department of Conservation, Tasman District Council, Nelson City Council, Carter Holt Harvey and Weyerhaeuser NZ, and the fire district encompassed an area of over 1 million hectares. The Rural Fire Network service delivery responsibilities included fire protection and training, fire permit issues; fire response, fire equipment maintenance, fire weather monitoring, implementation of fire plan levels, and Volunteer Rural Fire Force management. Mention was made of the Tasman District Council's contribution towards upgrading depots and facilities, and the working relationship it has with the Council. The presentation concluded with an update on the future of fire services with the current review of fire legislation.

5 ACTION SCHEDULE

Cr O'Shea requested that 'Civics Education', which had been discussed at the May meeting, be added to this schedule, and that staff follow this up with Local Government New Zealand.

6 REPORTS

6.1 Chair

Cr O'Shea spoke to her report, highlighting her suggestion that an inventory be compiled of the public art in the district with such being achieved with the communities help and the co-ordination of Council staff.

Agreed that the concept of developing an inventory of public art in the district be discussed further with the Community Services Manager.

6.2 Manager Property

Mr Frater spoke to his report on general property matters throughout the district.

Cr Riley referred to the Collingwood Museum Committee's request that the building be transferred to them, and advised that the Golden Bay Community Board agreed that this building should stay in Council ownership. Cr Riley also reported that the Board would like consultation before the sections at the Pakawau subdivision were sold.

Mr Frater explained the registration process for the Ngatimoti Fire Station, and advised that the date for tenders had been extended for a week.

Cr O'Shea requested that the furnishing of the meeting room at the Motueka Service Centre be looked at, as the current arrangement was not satisfactory for conducting meetings.

6.3 Reserve Manager

Mrs Beryl Wilkes spoke to her report, and advised that staff had met with Police regarding the Richmond Skatepark, and once the video camera was installed and connected to the Police Station, it would allow the situation to be carefully monitored. Mrs Wilkes also reported that a coast care group will work on reinstating the Little Kaiteriteri Reserve which had recently been vandalised.

6.4 Community Recreation Advisor

It was noted that Mr Tasman-Jones was on leave.

Mrs Wilkes reported that she had received favourable comments about the Conifer Park Mountain bike track from Malcolm Saunders, especially about the new track and the use it gets.

Cr O'Shea asked that Tasman Youth Council members be invited to our meetings when we meet in their part of the district.

**Moved Crs S G Bryant/E J Wilkins
CS05/07/03**

**THAT reports 7.1 to 7.4 be received.
CARRIED**

6.5 New Takaka Library

Mr Frater spoke to his report on proposal for a new Takaka Library, which due to submissions to the annual plan, and suggestions that the building also incorporate accommodation for other community groups, it was considered further consultation with the Golden Bay community was required.

Cr O'Shea expressed misgivings as the project may become too large, pointing out that libraries are the Community Services responsibility. She asked that a report be brought back to the next meeting, and that the matter also go on the Community Facilities Rate Subcommittee next week.

6.6 Sale of Land Ranzau Road, Hope

Mr Frater spoke to his report which explained that the land in question was previously part of the Hope Recreation Reserve and Council had agreed that the reserve status be revoked and the zoning removed, and when separate title is available, that it be sold.

**Moved Crs E E Henry/S G Bryant
CS05/07/04**

THAT the property at 205 Ranzau Road, Hope, being Lot 3 DP5109 Certificate of Title 218814 be sold.

CARRIED

6.7 DIL's Funding Request

Late item report from Corporate Services Manager recommending that amended reserve DIL account allocations for the 2005/02006 financial year be adopted.

Agreed that this item be deferred until the next Community Services meeting.

7 INFORMATION ITEMS

7.1 Rural Fire Network

The agenda contained a monthly statistical report from the Rural Fire Network.

**Moved Crs E E Henry/N Riley
CS05/07/05**

That the information be received.

CARRIED

8 CLOSURE

There being no further business the meeting closed at 11.55 am.

Date Confirmed:

Chair: