

MINUTES

TITLE: Golden Bay Community Board
DATE: 11th July 2006
TIME: 9.04 am
VENUE: GB Service Centre Meeting Room, 78 Commercial Street, Takaka

PRESENT: J Bell (Chairperson), C McLellan (Deputy Chair), Crs N Riley (until 12.47pm) and S Borlase, and Board member L Gamby

IN ATTENDANCE: Mayor Hurley (from 9.14am), B Askew (Service Centres Manager), N Heyes (Minute Secretary)

APOLOGIES

Nil

1. PUBLIC FORUM

Penny Griffith – spoke about the new telephone directory instructions for Civil Defence; she asked for information on which radio station applies to Golden Bay and whether people can be assured they will be able to broadcast during a power cut. Ms Griffith pointed out that during the power outage on 25th June 2006 National Radio did not broadcast in Golden Bay. She asked whether Tasman District Council knows about the limitations of radio reception in Golden Bay.

Cr Riley said a generator is to be installed on the National Radio site in the next day or so which would automatically take over in the event of a power outage. National Radio broadcasts on 98.2, 24 hours a day.

Mik Symmons – spoke on behalf of the Golden Bay Housing Trust; he asked for a letter of support to the Canterbury Trust to enable the Golden Bay group to access funding.

Mr Symmons pointed out that the new census figures showed the Golden Bay population to be 345 lower than the 2001 census; also the number of occupied dwellings has increased by 5.

Jane Dixon – spoke on behalf of Golden Bay Promotions, and informed the Board that they are hoping to have hanging baskets in Takaka and Collingwood townships this summer.

Cr Borlase said that when he was overseas last year he noticed the hanging baskets in small villages; they make the streets look cared for. He said Nelson City Council will be helpful with plants and baskets; they are ready now to do a budget and have

arranged with the Rose Society people to do the plantings, and Barry Cashman to water them.

Mayor Hurley joined the meeting at this point.

Board member McLellan congratulated Ms Dixon on the Mussel Inn's environmental award.

Peter Foster – commented on the need to clarify what a 'workshop' is and what a 'meeting' is. He read and tabled a letter regarding the matter. Mr Foster acknowledged the need for the Board to meet for full and private discussion; he was unsure as to whether the Board's meetings on 4th and 6th July 2006 were workshops or special meetings. Mr Foster said that if they were workshops they should not have minutes; he said the media wants to know whether they can be there or not.

The Chairperson explained that at the Board's June meeting during 'in committee' business the Board had decided to have a Special Meeting on 4th July 2006 which duly happened and minutes were taken. He explained the Board's difficulty in relaying that information when the decision to hold it had been made during 'in committee' business. The resolution had been confirmed in open meeting, and in reply to media enquiries, the Board had said what its intentions were. Subsequently on 6th July the Board had a 'workshop' – it was not notified, and there was a clear distinction between the two meetings.

Alan Kilgour – updated the Board on sea squirt at Tarakohe Harbour. He said the sea squirt is being tackled by the mussel industry, which had spent 3 days wrapping it with silage-type wrap, also polythene wrap coated with vinegar and garlic, and also lifting parts of the marina; the work was done in conjunction with the Cawthron Institute. Mr Kilgour said this is the first time in New Zealand that attempts have been made to control the pest. He said that according to the scientists it has been 99.9% contained, however, it is an ongoing process. Mr Kilgour said that speculation on how it had got there has not been substantiated. He said when the harbour had been checked in March there was nothing there. He said the mussel industry has got onto it and he would like to give them a vote of thanks for their work and for standing the costs.

The Chairperson asked Mr Kilgour to pass on the Board's grateful thanks for the work that had been done.

Mayor Hurley said the Mussel Industry had been proactive and that Council had made a contribution to the costs.

Nicola Basham – raised the matter of the subdivision of the old Pakawau Dog Pound land; she said the decision at the consent hearing was to agree to have a house on one of the allotments, but no dwelling on the allotment next to the beach. She registered her concern that Tasman District Council is appealing this decision; Ms Basham said it is ratepayer money that is being used. She said the area is of national significance and has been designated Rural 2 and should not be built on.

The Chairperson said he had written to the Environment and Planning Manager, Dennis Bush-King, asking about the matter and is presently awaiting a response.

Mr Askew commented that part of the reason for the appeal of the decision is because the decision in part was 'ultra vires' and that aspect must be addressed or the whole decision may be overturned.

Board member McLellan asked that the Board and Councillors have a copy of written material relevant to the subdivision, so they can be informed and to enable them to answer questions from the public.

Alan Vaughan – raised his concern about a letter in the GB Weekly by one of the nominated contenders in the GB Community Board by-election which appeared to raise issues of integrity regarding Golden Bay's two councillors. Mr Vaughan said this Board works well as a team and he wants it to continue to move forward.

NgAng – reminded the Board about the GB Futures "Meet the Candidates" forum at 7pm that evening at the Community Centre. He also drew the Board's attention to the 'growth focus' at Pohara and Tata Beach, and a magazine article about sustainable community.

Dave Whittaker – spoke about the LTCCP process; he said a number of people did not attend the meeting at Collingwood this year as so much time is taken up by the staff presentation and there is not enough time for people to have their say. Now that the time has come for Council to deliberate on the submissions, Mr Whittaker said he wonders whether everyone has wasted their time as things that were not submitted against are now being altered. He said he would like to know more about the deliberative meetings where the final decisions are made. Mr Whittaker asked whether the councillors could take the public through the process – what they argued for and what they saw as Golden Bay people's needs.

The Chairperson commented that he is aware Councillors Riley and Borlase had spoken for a balanced budget and did not hold out for projects that would inflate the budget.

Cr Borlase thought that perhaps Golden Bay had made more sacrifices than other Wards – mainly in water reticulation schemes for Pohara and Takaka, and also \$5M worth of other work that they considered could wait a year or two. He commented that they had made a real effort to balance the budget but that there is still a lot of work to be done. Cr Borlase considered that expenditure should not go up too much over the next three years, however there would be some increases due to inflation and fuel costs.

Cr Riley reported that Council had sent staff back four times to reconsider their budgets. He pointed out that the 10 year plan is reviewed every 3 years and there is an annual plan. Mr Riley said everything is put in the first LTCCP then reviewed and costs 'pulled back'.

The Chairperson considered a 'Community Forum' as a preamble to the eight Annual Plan community meetings would be a good place to discuss the topic.

Sara Chapman – congratulated the Board on the 18 months of effective representation; she said there had been a number of positive changes since 2004.

Regarding the representation review, Ms Chapman said she had revisited the previous informal round of submissions, which mostly wanted two councillors and a community board in Golden Bay. Ms Chapman considered the Board is the forum through which the Bay voices its opinions and there is now plenty of opportunity for people to voice those opinions and table information, due to a longer public forum. She considered the Board to be a much better vehicle now and does not want to return to the old days.

Jan Morganti – expressed concern that a pipe for stormwater disposal from a subdivision has been put on her land with no consultation. She said stormwater from 30 sections is going across her land and into the kaarst system. Ms Morganti asked whether anyone in Golden Bay can just have their property ‘taken away’.

The Chairperson invited Ms Morganti to attend the meeting when her correspondence would be discussed.

Ms Morganti spoke about the Tarakohe ‘arch’; she said she is happy that the issue has been dealt with by the board and that such a thing should not happen again.

Ms Morganti asked why residents were not notified of the military operations that were to take place.

Farewell to ex GB Civil Defence Controller, Colin Russell

The Chairperson welcomed Mr Russell, Jim Burrows (Nelson/Tasman Emergency Management), Jim Frater (TDC First Alternate Controller) and Hugh Webb (GB Controller), to the meeting and thanked Mr Russell for his years of service on behalf of the community.

Mr Burrows considered the GB Controller’s position to be ‘difficult’; he said it is a volunteer position which Colin had filled for over 20 years, not knowing from one day to the next when he would be required. He explained the necessity of keeping up with procedures and said that people expect an enormous amount from Civil Defence volunteers, who are held accountable by their communities. Mr Burrows said that to date Golden Bay has not had a major catastrophe, but that the position holds huge responsibilities. He thanked Mr Russell, on behalf of the CD organisation, for his service.

Mr Frater agreed with the comments made by Mr Burrows; he commented that the job could be a ‘bit of a thankless task’ but very satisfying, and he knew Mr Russell had enjoyed the job. Mr Frater wished him well in his retirement and thanked him for his work in the organisation.

Mr Burrows asked Mayor Hurley to present a certificate to Mr Russell; Mr Hurley said he was very happy to do so and that the certificate acknowledges Mr Russell’s input. Mr Hurley said it is good to know that there is someone out there who has experience, will not panic, and who gets on with the job. He congratulated Mr Russell, thanked him for the effort he had put in, and presented him with the certificate.

Mr Russell said he had enjoyed the association with the community and that the organisation had had a low profile until the 1983 flood, which had been closely followed by another flood; this had brought it home to the Golden Bay community that it is not immune to disasters. Mr Russell impressed on the meeting that we live in an isolated area and need to work together as a community. He considered the Emergency Management system to be a great step forward and applauded the smooth operation on the occasion of the Fonterra fire when the town had had to be evacuated.

There were various reminiscences of past experiences.

The Chairperson welcomed Hugh Webb in his new role and asked about changes that were happening. Referring to a question from Public Forum, Mr Bell asked which radio station people should listen to.

Mr Webb directed people to listen to them all as no one station reaches all areas of Golden Bay. He said they need to think about the most effect warning system to use throughout all the Golden Bay communities; he considered Golden Bay to be a very resilient community. Mr Webb said disaster could come to Golden Bay through flood, earthquake, pestilence, eruption from Mt Taranaki. In the event of the Fonterra factory fire, the evacuation was dealt with through co-operation of the community – people look out for each other here. He considered that in an emergency it would be highly likely that there are no services available – no communications, no road over the hill. People need to look to their own welfare before they can help someone else. Mr Webb said they are currently identifying people now who could man the control centre; they need volunteers who have the skills Civil Defence needs and people who can deal with the stresses involved; they need to be well-trained (high costs and a lot of organisation). He said some courses are run in Nelson – Jim Burrows is planning various scenarios. With communications being a big issue, 2-way radios are now in some of the outlying areas. Mr Webb stressed the need for being prepared for an emergency and for developing caring communities.

The Chairperson thanked him for taking on the role of GB Controller.

The morning tea adjournment was taken between 10.35am and 11.03am.

2. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

2.1 GB Community Board meeting held on 13th June 2006

**Moved Board members McLellan/L Gamby
GB06/07/01**

THAT the Minutes of the GB Community Board meeting held on 13th June 2006, (containing resolutions GB06/06/01 – GB06/06/21) be confirmed as a true and correct record.

CARRIED

2.2 GB Community Board In Committee meeting held on 13th June 2006

**Moved Crs Riley/Borlase
GB06/07/02**

**THAT the Minutes of the GB Community Board In Committee meeting held on 13th June 2006, (containing resolutions GB06/06/22 – GB06/06/25) be confirmed as a true and correct record.
CARRIED**

2.3 GB Community Board Special Meeting held on 4th July 2006

The Chairperson explained the reasons for the Special Meeting and the Minutes thereof.

**Moved Board members Gamby/McLellan
GB06/07/03**

**THAT the Minutes of the GB Community Board Special Meeting held on 4th July 2006 (containing resolutions GB06/07/01 – GB06/07/02) be confirmed as a true and correct record.
CARRIED**

2.4 GB Community Board Workshop held on 6th July 2006

**Moved Crs Borlase/Riley
GB06/07/04**

**THAT the notes from the GB Community Board Workshop held on 6th July 2006 be accepted as a true and correct record.
CARRIED**

Staff Briefing – Debrief on last summer’s Overnight Camping

The Chairperson welcomed Council’s Jean Hodson (Manager Resource Consents) and Phil Bergman (Control Services Nelson).

Ms Hodson thanked the Board for the opportunity to speak; she handed out Council’s pamphlet about overnight camping. Ms Hodson explained it is not called ‘freedom camping’ and overnight camping refers to self-contained motor homes – she said tents belong in camping grounds, however, in the ‘high’ season people go where they like. Ms Hodson said in the last 5 years Council has tried to educate people and Control Services is employed to enforce the rules over the really busy time. She asked Mr Bergman to report on how last summer went from his point of view.

Mr Bergman considered it was sometimes difficult to police the policy, however, last summer has gone better than previous years, perhaps because there was no “Gathering” on the Takaka Hill. He said there were lots of people camping at Waitapu Bridge between Christmas and New Year – the camping grounds were full, so people camp for a couple of nights here and there. He said they can camp at Waitapu Bridge if they are ‘self-contained’; the area is visited every day and people moved on. He did not consider there to generally be a problem moving people on.

Mr Bergman considered Golden Bay to be the most popular place for overnight camping, followed by Kaiteriteri and Little Kaiteriteri.

The Chairperson said the Board considered the biggest problem to be perceived unfair competition for the camping ground operators. He asked Mr Bergman if there are any ways the policy could be amended to aid compliance.

Mr Bergman considered the policy could be improved with more officers approaching people from an educational standpoint, however, more officers cost more.

Board member Gamby asked Mr Bergman if he was aware that sometimes large numbers of people camp at the Blue Hole (on the way to the Cobb).

Mr Bergman said they were aware of that, and they sometimes go there if there are 'dog' problems however the area is partly owned by DOC and partly by Council.

Cr Borlase considered the time between Christmas and New Year to be the peak time; he said they have some people on the East Takaka reserve and that people think it is alright to 'freedom camp' in Golden Bay. He suggested Council could identify some areas (with toilets) for people to go when there is no room elsewhere.

Ms Hodson commented that if Council wants to pursue the use of Council land for overflow camping, the matter needs to be addressed through Community Services, however she considered a lot of pressure would be brought to bear from the camping ground operators.

Cr Borlase reiterated that it would only be for 'overflow' camping – it would not be in competition with the camping grounds. He suggested the reserve management committees could manage it 'unofficially' and it would be very effective. Mr Borlase said they do not have more than 5 campers at East Takaka at any one time.

Ms Hodson said it is difficult to ask Council to do something informally.

The meeting discussed having campers on reserves and the necessity for management committees to find out whether all the camping grounds are full.

Ms Hodson repeated that it would be difficult to change from Council's present stance on the matter and that Control Services does a great job.

The matter of signage at Waitapu Bridge was discussed – it was reported that the present sign is very small and very high up; new signage needs to be robust to be protected from vandalism and larger.

Ms Hodson said that people often just ignore signage.

The Chairperson thanked Ms Hodson and Mr Bergman for attending; he said there had been a great improvement in the last 5 years.

It was pointed out from the public gallery that it was unsure how Pakawau Camp would operate this season, so the problem of overnight camping may actually be worse.

Board member McLellan asked if Control Services could address the Board again about dogs on beaches and in general.

Barry Cashman – Presentation regarding Historic Plaques

Mr Cashman said he had an approximate cost of \$275 for replacing lettering on the Pioneer Memorial.

With regard to putting historic plaques on suitable sites in Takaka, Mr Cashman said he had been very taken with the Motueka Hotel plaque; he considered the Anglican Church in Takaka to be a suitable site for such a plaque. Mr Cashman said he had approached business people in town and presently has 13 plaques that would be sponsored, at a cost of around \$200 each. He said he had received support for the initiative from the Takaka Museum, the owner of the Wholemeal Café building, Council's Rose Biss and Cr Borlase. Mr Cashman said he had talked to Takaka Land Planner Laurie Davidson and that resource consent would be required (to a total amount of \$300), and that the Transportation Manager, Roger Ashworth, had agreed to meet with him regarding siting of the plaques on the footpath. Glenn Thorne (Reserves and Assets Project Manager) had said he would like them to be worked in with Motueka so they could all be done at once. A local firm had offered to donate the granite and Mr Cashman said he was hoping that the total cost would be met by sponsors. He said there is still about \$600 in the Band Rotunda account and asked whether the Board would consider a plaque for that particular site.

The Board discussed how vandal-proof the granite would be, the clarity of the photographs to be etched and the number of plaques.

Clarity of the photographs was considered paramount and it was suggested that Mr Cashman look at the interpretative panels at Collingwood.

Mr Cashman said he was looking for an expression of support from the Board and that additional funding would be desirable.

Board member McLellan said she would like the Board to sponsor a historic plaque outside the Golden Bay council office.

Moved Crs Riley/Borlase GB06/07/05

THAT the GB Community Board supports the proposal for historic plaques in Takaka township with the proviso of accuracy, photo clarity and durability, and it congratulates Mr Cashman for following up the initiative and asks him to come back to the Board with further details.

CARRIED

It was suggested that there be a criteria for the historic plaques.

Moved Cr Borlase/Board member Gamby GB06/07/06

**THAT the reports and correspondence contained in the agenda be received.
CARRIED**

3. REPORTS

3.1 Chairperson's Report

Place Names Update

The Chairperson said a reply has been received from the NZ Geographic Board regarding Mt Crusader, and that Iwi has been contacted about Maori Road and a response is awaited.

Tarakohe Update

The Chairperson said the Special Meeting of the Board had been held after the setting of the agenda, however, members had been sent the Minutes and the decisions from the meeting now needed to be ratified.

Mr Bell explained that the Board's resolution from the 13th June 2006 meeting was discussed at the Special Meeting and the next step now is to write to the Auditor General. He read the resolution and asked whether members wanted that resolution to stand.

**Moved Cr Borlase/Board member Gamby
GB06/07/07**

THAT the GB Community Board ratifies the resolution from the 4th July Special Meeting to refer the matter of Port Tarakohe finances to the Auditor General.

Cr Riley said he was opposed to ratifying the resolution because it could compromise the intended proposal for the matter to lay on the table pending further information; the meeting then talked about the matters that had been discussed at the 6th July 2006 Workshop. It was asked whether the motion needed to be ratified to be able to lay on the table.

Following discussions, Mayor Hurley said that the Minutes of the 4th July special meeting had been confirmed and this served as the necessary ratification and suggested that the Board makes a resolution and pending further information, for the matter to lay on the table.

**Moved Board member Gamby/Cr Borlase
GB06/07/08**

THAT at the 6th July Community Board Workshop information was provided by the CEO which lead to the Board deciding to ask for more information and it is agreed that the matter lay on the table until 31st July for this to be provided, and that a subsequent workshop to consider that information be held on 1st August 2006.

CARRIED

Mr Askew explained that information supplied at the workshop is being used by Alan Kilgour to verify what product had been landed.

The Chairperson said he had contact the Ministry of Fisheries and they are hoping to provide the information of how many tonnes of fish and shellfish have gone across the wharf.

Mr Bell said he would draft an appropriate letter to be sent to the CEO, Mr Dickinson, to be circulated to Board members for comment, outlining the specific information that the board requires from him – either today or tomorrow.

In reply to a question from Board member McLellan asked whether the meeting on 1st August would be a public meeting, the Chairperson replied that the parts that could be public would be.

Cr Borlase suggested he would rather deal with the matter in a Board workshop, and then take the outcome to the public.

There was some discussion on getting the relevant information out to the public; the Chairperson pointed out that as we do not know what the information is it would be best to hold a Board workshop on the 1st August 2006 and address the outcome at the Board's 8th August Community Board meeting.

Board member McLellan commented that there is a lot of public support for the actions of the community board regarding this matter.

The Chairperson stated that the Board is not backing off this issue, but that when there is additional information available it needs to be taken into account.

The motion was put and **CARRIED**.

Lunch adjournment was taken between 12.47pm and 1.22pm.

Army Exercise

Mrs Joan Butts tabled a letter regarding the conflicting zones of the quarry and residential properties. She said she did not like the 'sensational' reporting and considered all parties could have got around the table and sorted out the problems. Mrs Butts said it was acknowledged that the two loud blasts were unacceptable and they would not happen again.

Affordable Housing

**Moved Board members McLellan/Gamby
GB06/07/09**

THAT the Board provides a letter of support to the funding applications of the Golden Bay Affordable Housing Trust.

CARRIED

Leave of Absence

The Chairperson reminded the Board he would be on leave of absence from 16th July through to 27th July 2006.

3.2 Service Centres Manager's Report

Public Liability Insurance

Mr Askew said he had been advised by the Community Services Manager that it is not common practise to provide insurance cover however Council did provide insurance for the Battle of Trafalgar commemorations and he would see if a repeat can be done for the fireworks events at Collingwood and Pohara. The matter of insurance cover was to be referred to the Community Services Committee for a policy decision.

Dogs and shags at Pakawau Beach

The Service Centres Manager said he had passed the matter on to Council's Beryl Wilkes.

The Chairperson reported that Greg Napp from DOC is going to provide some signs for Pakawau.

Board member McLellan asked for Control Services Nelson to come back and talk to the Board about dog issues before Christmas time.

Port Tarakohe Finances

Board member Gamby said that both the Service Centres Manager and the Tarakohe Harbour Manager have the Board's support.

The Chairperson commented that the Port users seem to have come to terms with the \$9.75 charge; in reply to his question as to whether that amount was inclusive of GST, the Service Centres Manager replied that GST inclusive is the general practice. He said the Harbour Manager said there are no problems in collecting the charges.

4. CORRESPONDENCE

4.1 Stephen Richards (Reserves Officer) – Tata Beach Wetland

**Moved Board members Bell/Gamby
GB06/07/10**

**THAT the GB Community Board supports efforts to improve the Tata Beach wetland and encourages consultation with and involvement of the community in the planning and ongoing work programme.
CARRIED**

4.2 Felicity Fitz-William – Proposed Library Plan

**Moved Board member McLellan/Cr Borlase
GB06/07/11**

**THAT the GB Community Board forwards the suggestions made by Ms Fitz-William to Community Services for consideration in the plan for the proposed Takaka Library.
CARRIED**

4.3 John Lee – Strategic Planning for Golden Bay

The Chairperson said he has drafted a reply bringing Mr Lee up to date with what the Board is doing.

**Moved Cr Borlase/Board member McLellan
GB06/07/12**

THAT the GB Community Board thank Mr Lee for his letter and a reply be provided.

It was asked to be noted that a Development Committee for Golden Bay has been suggested as part of the consultation process once the second draft of the Eastern Golden Bay Strategy plan is proposed to be released for further community consultation.

The motion was put and **CARRIED**.

4.4 Roger Ashworth (Transportation Manager) – Takaka Carparking Study

This item was received earlier in the meeting; the Board agreed to keep a watching brief.

4.5 RG Dickinson (Chief Executive) – Port Tarakohe Debt

This item was received, and discussed earlier in the meeting.

4.6 Challenger Scallop Enhancement Co Ltd – Consultation on Proposed Commercial Harvest Arrangements

This item was received earlier.

The Chairperson explained that the present low scallop numbers is cyclical – it is the ‘nature of the beast’ that numbers increase and decrease.

Board member McLellan asked how it was that Queen Charlotte Sounds is a ‘no go’ area; the Chairperson explained that there are not sufficient scallops to harvest.

In reply to a comment that people in Golden Bay would like scallops to be 'recreational' only, Mr Vaughan from the public gallery replied that trying to protect Golden Bay from commercial fishing would be for the Regional Authority under the RMA, however, the Ministry of Fisheries controls the fishing. He said that while we may not be happy, it is a lawful activity; it is the Ministry of Fisheries role is to manage fishing at a sustainable level.

Mrs Joan Butts pointed out that the fish does not care who catches it but we have got to look after the habitat.

The Chairperson commented that it has been suggested that the area of the voluntary no trawling within a line from Collingwood to Rangihaeata Head could also be closed to dredging but this has not been supported by industry.

4.7 Jan Morganti – Tarakohe Arch, Stormwater Drainage Etc

The Chairperson drew the members' attention to the copies of correspondence on the agenda. He said he had followed up on the matter with Mark Morris, (Council's Consent Planner Subdivisions) and read the memorandum from him on agenda. He then referred the matter to Ms Morganti, who had tabled a letter regarding the stormwater issue.

Ms Morganti reported she had been told by the consulting firm that she should have been notified. She asked why Council granted a non-notified consent without consulting her.

The Service Centres Manager suggested Ms Morganti contact Council's (Co-ordinator Resource Consents) Rob Leiffering. Mr Askew explained that Council can take stormwater across someone's land for reasons prescribed in the RMA. He suggested Ms Morganti take the matter further if she felt there was an error, and further suggested she obtain a Section 92 report on the subdivision application.

Ms Morganti asked how Council makes the decision and justifies it, and whether it will happen to other Golden Bay residents. She asked whether what has happened to her is a precedent.

Moved Board member McLellan/Cr Borlase GB06/07/13

**THAT the GB Community Board refers Ms Morganti's letter to Council's Environment and Planning Manager for action and reply to Ms Morganti and the Community Board.
CARRIED**

Ms Morganti said she disagreed with Council staff comments regarding the amount of silt; she said there is a lot of silt coming down. Ms Morganti said she has not heard anything back from Council and that is unsatisfactory. She said the volume and intensity of water from the 300mm pipe has severely damaged the boundary fence and that is only going to get worse. She considered the release of 224 Certificate should not happen without her being happy about it and the compliance issues need to be dealt with prior to plantings being carried out on the swale and reserve.

In reply to a question from Cr Borlase as to whether that part of her property is a natural waterway, Ms Morganti replied that it was but has been dry for the last 5 or 6 years. She said the topography has been changed by earth works by the developer next door and it is now too late to re-engineer it. Ms Morganti said a lot of work went in to try and protect the kaarst values but they have engineered something completely different.

With regard to the Tarakohe Arch, Board member Gamby asked whether there were any comments made when it was visited by Damien O'Connor.

The Chairperson replied there were no comments other than that consultation should have happened.

Mr Morganti asked why the public was not advised that the army was going to come.

The Chairperson said there was pre-publicity that the Army was going to be in Golden Bay, and that part of the exercise would be in Golden Bay.

Mrs Butts clarified that the Army took over the notification requirements; she said the visit was notified on TV and radio but they had insufficient funds for publicity purposes and some local media chose not to print submitted information.

The Chairperson asked Mrs Butts whether the Board could write to Port Tarakohe Ltd as the landowner and ask that the Army publicise these exercises when they occur in Golden Bay.

Mrs Butts said she would email the Colonel's email address to the Chairperson.

**Moved Board members McLellan/Gamby
GB06/07/14**

**THAT the GB Community Board writes to the Army and Port Tarakohe Limited congratulating them on the great job they do, and commiserating with them on the regretful circumstances of their last visit but saying that the public needs to be advised, and asking them to do an advertisement in the Golden Bay Weekly.
CARRIED**

4.8 Nelson City Council – Recycling and Refuse

**Moved Board member McLellan/Cr Borlase
GB06/07/15**

**THAT the GB Community Board forwards the letter from Nelson City Council to Tasman District Council for consideration and asking for the Board to be advised of the outcome.
CARRIED**

4.9 Minister of Local Government – Rural Rating Concerns

This item of correspondence was received earlier in the meeting.

The Service Centres Manager reported that the staff are to be informed on the process of dealing with rate rebate applications.

There was some discussion on putting an advertisement in the GB Weekly telling people they may be eligible for a rate rebate and to contact the Service Centre, however, Mr Askew pointed out that staff need to know the process before that happens.

**Moved Board member McLellan/Cr Borlase
GB06/07/16**

**That the GB Community Board asks that a training day be held for the agencies, (such as Greypower, GB Community Workers, Heartlands, Senior Citizens and WINZ), involved in giving advise on rate rebates, to facilitate those on fixed and lower incomes in applying for their rebate.
CARRIED**

It was agreed that two items of correspondence that had been tabled, (the signage for Copenhagen Street, and the heavy traffic suggested bypass signage), be put on the August Community Board agenda.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 2.32pm.

Date Confirmed:

Chair: