

MINUTES

TITLE: Golden Bay Community Board
DATE: 10th April 2007
TIME: 9.00 am
VENUE: GB Service Centre Meeting Room

PRESENT: J Bell (Chairperson), C McLellan (Deputy Chair), Crs N Riley and S Borlase, and Board members L Gamby and M Symmons

IN ATTENDANCE: B Askew (Service Centres Manager), N Heyes (Minute Secretary), and members of the Press and Public

APOLOGIES

Nil

The Chairperson acknowledged all the submitters who had submitted in support of two councillors and the community board for Golden Bay, also the Local Government Commission, and in particular those who had submitted three times through the whole process.

The Chairperson also acknowledged the GB Service Centre staff attaining 100% participation in the 2007 Bike Wise Business Battle and becoming the national winner of the SPARC 'Push Play' Participation Award.

1. PUBLIC FORUM

Alan Vaughan – on behalf of the “public forum stalwarts” congratulated the community board on its ‘continued existence’. He presented a cake in honour of the occasion. Mr Vaughan said he hopes the Board will end up with more delegated authority.

Penny Griffith – also acknowledged the positive support shown for community boards – the Golden Bay board in particular. She also looks forward to greater delegations to the Board which the report by the Local Government Commission suggests will happen.

Ms Griffith asked about Tasman District Council’s position on putting more funding into the Nelson Provincial Museum to allow it to effectively do less. She said the Nelson City Council is to put \$53,000 extra into the museum to fund redundancies, and other housekeeping issues.

Cr Borlase said the matter had not been discussed by Council; he considered the Provincial Museum to be under capitalised and it should have more funding.

Cr Riley said he would follow the matter up on Wednesday.

Sara Chapman – explained that everything to do with the Nelson Provincial Museum goes through the shareholders first, which creates a time lag. She said the extra funding is to cover a short fall in funds created by the redundancies. Ms Chapman said she understood the \$53,000 was the result of a 50/50 split between Nelson and Tasman District councils and that it is going through the annual plan process at this time.

Jo-Anne Vaughan – repeated congratulations to the Board. She expressed concern about the delegation of authority and hopes that it will happen; Mrs Vaughan considered that Council does very well in most instances but is not recognising the value of the Board. With regard to the delegation of authority, Mrs Vaughan hopes the Board will use the “Golden Bay in 2022” as its founding document, as it is very much what people in Golden Bay want.

Mrs Vaughan reported seeing a Bittern take flight in the Ruataniwha Inlet en route to the meeting.

The Chairperson reported that Council has a Delegations Sub-committee which went into recess awaiting the Local Government Commission’s decision. He said the subcommittee now needs to recommence so arrangements are in place for after the election to allow the delegations to happen, and that Motueka’s Chair is thinking along the same lines.

Board member McLellan suggested a joint meeting of the Boards.

Dave Whittaker – said he is trying to resign from being unofficial watchdog of the Takaka transfer station. He applauded the present transfer station operator (Gary Clough), who he said is doing a really good job, although there are still changes to be made.

The Chairperson said it had been a difficult task, and thanked Dave for keeping an eye on it.

Sara Chapman – congratulated the Board, Councillors and the Public Forum ‘stalwarts’, and all the people who turned out three days before Christmas to speak to their submissions on the Representation Review. She was pleased with the sentiments expressed in paragraph 60 of the Local Government Commission Determination regarding delegated authority. Ms Chapman congratulated the Golden Bay community on demonstrating that Golden Bay is an isolated community, which the Commission took on board.

Ms Chapman read and tabled a letter from the Collingwood Volunteer Fire Brigade which was asking the Community Board to be an advocate for funding for the Collingwood and Takaka brigades.

The Chairperson explained that the GB Community Board had played a large part in obtaining the water tanker in the first place for the Takaka Volunteer Brigade, and has also supported the tanker going out to Collingwood. He said the Board would consider the request as a late agenda item.

Nicola Basham – congratulated the Board on the results of the Local Government Commission determination, and also the people of Golden Bay.

Ms Basham spoke about the Totally Local Market which had been held on Easter Saturday and a great success; she thanked the community for its support, also for the suggestion by Board member Gamby of the Takaka Primary School as a venue. Ms Basham said they are considering holding three markets a year - at Collingwood, Pohara, and an Easter one in Takaka. She thought that perhaps about 1000 people had attended.

Ms Basham reported that the painting of the Collingwood mural (a GB Bag Ladies initiative), is to start on 14th April at 10am; everyone is invited to take part in painting the mural. The bold outline is to be done by Chris Findlayson, and the rest will be similar to 'painting by numbers'. She said about 90% of the money had been raised for the mural and it is hoped to raise the last \$400 of the total \$4,300 through an auction of eco bag art currently on display at the Wholemeal Cafe. She explained the subject of the mural to the Service Centres Manager.

BJ White – said he had asked the Board at its last meeting about a Resource Consent for the roading work at Pakawau; to date he has not heard anything from the Engineering Manager who had undertaken to respond.

Crs Riley and Borlase said they would follow the matter up with the Manager later in the week.

Mr White asked about signage for the protection of the birds at Pakawau. He said there are no penguin signs there now.

Board member McLellan suggested that signs similar to the Parapara signage would be ideal; she said it lists all the birds that nest on the spit there.

The Chairperson said the matter could also be dealt with later in the meeting.

Mr White also raised the matter of overnight camping; he said it is becoming quite a big issue with talk of motor camps closing due to lack of business and people camping 50 metres away. He said they do not pick up their rubbish etc and suggested that perhaps better facilities are needed, also someone to clean up.

Cr Riley considered that around 95% of Caravan Association members comply with rules; the problem appears to be with hire vehicles. He suggested that perhaps Council needs to revisit the situation.

Jo-Anne Vaughan – said she picks up rubbish from Pakawau to Puponga each year; there is very little to clean up now.

Dave Whittaker – suggested more 'park over properties' (POPs) are needed. He said there are now a lot of vans without any facilities – young people from Central Europe buy vans with just a mattress in the back and look for somewhere they do not have to pay.

Board member McLellan suggested Control Services Nelson be invited to a meeting again to discuss all the issues – dogs, camping etc. She said the Board needs to get

the message out again through the Information Centre that we want our area to stay beautiful.

Peter Foster – spoke of signage in Bay of Islands, asking – “If a thousand people are doing what you are doing, would you want to come back?”

It was suggested that perhaps more monitoring and enforcement hours need to be put into Golden Bay.

Board member McLellan – spoke about the Community Outcomes booklet; she said there is no mention of community boards although ratepayer associations are mentioned. Mrs McLellan said the attention of TDC needs to be drawn to the omission.

Board member Symmons – said that Emergency Management is of concern to people and that the July Community Whanau meeting is to have Jim Burrows and Roger Bell speaking about the Bird Flu; he said it is good for people to know that Emergency Management is working in the background.

**Moved Crs Riley/Borlase
GB07/04/01**

**THAT the matter of GB Community Board support for the Collingwood Water Tanker be discussed as a late agenda item.
CARRIED**

**Moved Board member Gamby/Cr Borlase
GB07/04/02**

**THAT the matters of bird signage at Pakawau, and a seat for Abbeyfield residents be added as late agenda items.
CARRIED**

2. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

2.1 GB Community Board – 13th March 2007

**Moved Cr Borlase/Board member McLellan
GB07/04/03**

**THAT the Minutes of the GB Community Board meeting held on 13th March 2007 (containing resolutions GB07/03/01 – GB07/03/10) be confirmed as a true and correct record.
CARRIED**

**Moved Board members Gamby/Symmons
GB07/04/04**

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

3. REPORTS

3.1 Chairperson's Report

The Chairperson spoke to his report.

Public Meeting in support of the GB Student and Family Support Worker Position, (SFSW) Takaka

The Chairperson suggested the Board could write a letter of support for the retention of that position and invited Board Member Gamby who serves on the Community Workers Advisory Committee to comment.

Board member Gamby thanked everyone who had attended the meeting and hoped everyone read Simon's Dadley-Moore's report. He said Golden Bay does not meet the criteria for a school social worker position as we do not have the decile rating required. Mr Gamby said the GB Student and Family Support Worker has been privately funded for 2 – 3 years by Tom and Ann Sturgess who have put in around \$300,000. He said the position does not fit any available Government funding however Celia Lashlie suggested that another year's private funding would see Government funding for it. Mr Gamby said they need about \$50,000, not counting money for Celia Lashlie; she will continue to keep doing it for nothing, if that is necessary, as she considers it to be imperative.

The Service Centres Manager said he had passed the information on to Peter Coburn of Damien O'Connor's Parliamentary Office and hopes to get some feedback from him.

Board member Gamby said that twenty cents a day from everyone in Golden Bay would fund the position.

It was suggested that perhaps funding could be raised from local service clubs such as Probus, Lions, or Rotary.

Board member McLellan said the idea originally came from a committee 8 – 10 years ago who wanted to have an Alcohol and Drug counsellor here to identify at risk children before there is a problem. The role now covers a wider perspective. She considered the Board should support this as part of the education, justice, health and social development of the Bay, and that the Board should be writing to all the relevant departments seeking funding.

Board member Gamby clarified that the present position covers all schools in Golden Bay.

Moved Board member McLellan/Cr Riley GB07/04/05

THAT the GB Community Board writes to the Ministers of Justice, Education, Health and Welfare, Social Development and service groups: Probus, Lions, Rotary, community groups, and that the GB Community Workers be approached to see what material they would like attached to the Board's urgent

appeal for funding, and that the same letter goes into the GB Weekly, together with a copy of Simon Dadley-Moore's Report and Celia Lashlie's endorsement.
CARRIED

Board member McLellan reiterated that none of the schools in Golden Bay qualify for a social worker; she asked for this matter to be added to the Board's Annual Plan submission.

The meeting adjourned at 10.23am to have the Board's official photograph taken and morning tea, and resumed at 10.58am.

The Chairperson advised that the luncheon break would now be taken at 12 noon as Councillor Borlase and Board Member Symmons have another meeting at that time.

4. PRESENTATION BY NELSON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

Bill Findlater and Pip Jamieson joined the meeting.

Mr Findlater thanked the Board for inviting them; he said he is not an economist and saw the issues regarding economic development as being about all aspects of community covering economics, environmental, cultural and social matters. Mr Findlater said he came from an apple industry background; he does not subscribe to the theory that people in suits should make decisions for the community; he would like to make a difference so our children do not have to leave our region. Mr Findlater Introduced Pip Jamieson.

Mr Findlater said the 26 Economic Development Agency regions have been cut to 14. If an area wants funding for economic development it needs to go through an Economic Development Agency. He pointed out that Nelson and Marlborough are separate economic development agencies, although they work quite closely with Marlborough. Nelson's agency came about in 2002 – 2003 when an economic statement was released by government with two recommendations: the formation of an Economic Development Agency and the development of a strategy. Nelson EDA was originally going to be supported by the two Councils, but is in reality only supported by Nelson City Council; it works across the region, is a charitable trust, whose project funding comes from Trade and Enterprise, Ministry of Economic Development, Social Development as well as private sources. Tasman District Council has also supported various projects; Nelson EDA has a good relationship with TDC. Mr Findlater read the EDA's Mission Statement – "To facilitate smart sustainable economic growth of the region that enhances economic vitality and diversity taking into account the region's cultural and environmental values." They started in 2004 with 3 trustees and now have 4 and took Pip on June 2006. He said they have no intention of becoming large – perhaps 4 permanent staff eventually, however, they do employ project managers as required. They are involved in a significant number of projects including working with young people; education is most important.

Ms Jamieson said that the Lion Foundation Young Enterprise Scheme has done very well in Golden Bay; it takes education out into every day life.

Mr Findlater said they are also involved in developing an engineering cluster – businesses in the region often struggle to attract large contracts on their own; Nelson EDA works with groups of companies to enable this to happen. Nelson EDA delivers finance, is involved in managing event strategies. There was concern when WOW left Nelson and they are now putting together a strategy to make sure there is a place for events. They are involved in films, Smart Start etc, and working with natural products, which is a very important part of this region. Ms Jamieson is working with a group of people, including councils, regarding health in determining ‘well being’ indicators. They are Identifying skill gaps in the region and are now being asked to advise other regions in this. Nelson EDA is involved in building a ‘wellness cluster’; ‘wellness’ is hard to define however, we need to have a healthy community to have a healthy economy; this initiative covers sport, recreation etc and this region’s lifestyle.

Ms Jamieson said there is a small steering group for this – they hope to launch the cluster around June this year.

A member of the public asked about the Waimea waters being contaminated by horticultural activities; Ms Jamieson said Nelson EDA would be interested in investigating that because environmental sustainability is a key issue.

Mr Findlater said it was realised in 2004 that there was an issue with the economy of the region. He said there are 4 main economic drivers - seafood, pipfruit, forestry, and tourism; (pastoral farming is included with horticulture). He said the current exchange rate is too high for these and they need to find other economic drivers to balance that, which is not an easy task. Tourism is an important part of the region going forward.

He said that when we talk about ‘growing the region’ we need to attract the businesses that are good for our region.

Cr Borlase asked whether Mr Findlater knew of a community that is the same size as us, which could be an example to us.

Mr Findlater said most economic development would be regional – but Golden Bay is like another time zone – it is unique and needs to be retained; you do not want to lose what you have. He said we do get a lot of immigrants coming here because of what we have to offer, but they also want some of what they left behind, so there is a need to guard our intrinsic beauty. He considered that while the Hill is a barrier that is not necessarily a bad thing.

Mr Findlater said they had recently been given funding of \$1.7M to expand the fibre optic network across the top of the South – anyone could tap into it – it will give a broadband speed 250 time greater than at present; however the network runs from Picton to Motueka and is a significant project which is unlikely to extend to Golden Bay. Only 5 areas in New Zealand were successful and the Top of the South was the only rural area to get funding.

The Chairperson said a number of people have approached the Board about self-sufficiency or trying to ‘future proof’ Golden Bay; we are relatively remote from the rest of Tasman District and New Zealand which can be both positive and negative. With regard to Kinsale, the Board has seen its programme, and Penwith’s. He asked

for Mr Findlater's comments and how he suggests that the community can address some of the issues.

Mr Findlater considered 'peak oil' to be interesting; he said he knows an oil geologist who lives in 88 Valley who has done a presentation on that topic and he would arrange for him to come over if that is what the Board wants. He reminded the Board that Kinsale had a college with 30 students who put the work into putting their concept together. (NMIT would be equivalent to that college.) He said a governance committee would need to be set up and could perhaps engage NMIT, which would likely be quite receptive to such a project. Tony Gray (the new CEO) is open to community involvement; the Board should discuss it with him. Mr Findlater considered the Community needs to take ownership of the project.

Mr Findlater said the Regional Economic Strategy is a blue print for the region. If we want to attract government funding we need to work within the guidelines. If John Cook from the Nelson EDA comes over he must see things from your point of view. The sectors need to identify where they are going; it is not for the Nelson EDA to say what is best for the region.

Ms Jamieson reported that they are also updating the tourism strategy. The Nelson EDA uses GPI's – Genuine Progress Indicators - which measure economic, environmental, social and cultural indicators; they need to hear them from the communities.

Mr Findlater said they are having input into the Economic Strategy; it needs to be meaningful and come from the communities. He said they have been approaching individuals – 'movers and shakers' – and the focus is now on global warming, not just peak oil – we need to keep an eye on both. He considered the Kinsale project to be exciting and applauded the Board's thinking on it. He offered to be of assistance in this and bring other key people over but it is important that there is a representative group to drive it and work out what is wanted. He stressed that the group needs to be representative of this area.

In reply to a comment that the rest of the region may not be too interested in what Golden Bay thinks about peak oil and global warming, Mr Findlater saw no reason why something cannot be operating here that is not in the rest of the region. He said we cannot get away from sustainability, and wondered how long we will have international travel in its present form.

In response to the Chairperson's comment that the Board has received ideas on self reliance – transport, food, alternative fuels – which would fit in with a community model, however, Golden Bay may not be able to be entirely self-sufficient even for basics, Mr Findlater cautioned against putting 'a big gate up' on the top of the Takaka Hill.

Cr Borlase agreed that while it is important not to make Golden Bay an island; he said this community could be an example to the rest of NZ.

Mr Findlater suggested it could be done as a pilot project as the area lends itself to that.

Board member McLellan considered the proposal being put to NMIT to be urgent to enable accessing the tertiary funding for education.

Mr Findlater reiterated that a governing body needs to be set up before that as people will not listen until then; also the need to do a feasibility study to see what the project is, as Golden Bay may not be able to do exactly what Kinsale is doing. He said everyone needs to participate, but it needs a driving group; he said it will not succeed unless the whole community is behind it.

Joanna Piekarski – tabled an outline for a self-reliance project that GB Futures developed.

Mr Findlater suggested an 8-person steering group, and a bigger advisory group with no secrets and everyone involved.

Cr Borlase suggested the GB Weekly as a means to inform the whole community.

Jo-Anne Vaughan commented that there are lots of micro climates in Golden Bay, also lots of small holdings; she asked whether there are options available for these.

Mr Findlater said there had been two projects which tried to determine options for microclimates and small holdings and money was set aside, but it didn't 'run'.

Jo-Anne Vaughan – said Southland had an 'economic revolution' and that Katharina Richards, who now lives in Golden Bay, had done the climate side.

Mr Findlater said he would make contact with Venture Southland.

In response to an enquiry regarding what will happen here with the economic development regions being reduced from 26 down to 14, Mr Findlater said that with the exception of Nelson and Marlborough, boundaries will be set around council boundaries. He reminded the Board that economic development of a region should come from the bottom up and that the Top of the South will still have two economic development agencies through which to access funding.

The Chairperson thanked Mr Findlater and Ms Jamieson for their attendance.

The meeting adjourned for lunch between 12.07pm and 1.12pm.

3.1 Chairperson's Report Continued

Council Land Sales and Purchases

Following discussion about the cost of land purchased by Council at Best Island, Cr Riley explained that the land had been wrongly zoned in the past by Waimea County Council some 40 plus years ago and that now Council had bought land from the Barnett family to provide legal access to the properties.

While the Chairperson considered it should have been funded by the developer, not Council, Cr Borlase said that the Capital Loans Fund was used to buy the land and it would be paid back by a targeted rate and development contributions. He said it fixes an anomaly that has been there a long time and that now there will be a subdivision

there. In response to a further question, he said the fact that it may be within the scope of a sea level rise would be discussed at the subdivision application stage.

Rates Enquiry

It was agreed that the Board hold a workshop to prepare submissions on the Rates Enquiry, Annual Plan, Port Nelson monies and to discuss the valuation on the Village Green Hall property.

Community Forum Energy Descent Planning

The Chairperson reminded the Board of the Public meeting on 30th April, 7.30pm at the Mussel Inn where David Holmgren is to talk about Permaculture.

Also on 10th July Dr. Lowe an eminent climatologist, who has been invited by the Golden Bay University of the 3rd Age, is coming to speak on climate change. The time and venue is to be confirmed.

It was agreed that the Community Forum on Energy Descent Planning would take place on 21st May at 7.00pm – venue to be confirmed, with the Draft proposal to be circulated prior to the forum.

Moved Board members McLellan/Symmons GB07/04/06

**THAT the Golden Bay and Motueka community boards jointly request the Delegations Sub-committee of Tasman District Council be reconvened and that the Boards meet with Paul Wylie, CEO, to discuss the implications of paragraph 60 of the Local Government Commission's Determination.
CARRIED**

Moved Board member McLellan/Cr Borlase GB07/04/07

**THAT the GB Community Board formally invites both the Chief Executive Officer and the Motueka Community Board to attend a Board workshop.
CARRIED**

Complaints Policy

The Chairperson said the Service Centres Manager had floated the Draft Complaints Policy at a Managers' meeting.

Mr Askew clarified that there are certain things in place, but nothing in place for an overall complaints policy. He felt there are two separate issues – complaints about things that are wrong, and complaints about people.

He said Mr Wylie wants an analysis done on where complaints are coming from and how they are reacted to.

The Chairperson commented that some complaints get dealt with and others do not; and this inconsistency is often a source of further complaint and dissatisfaction. It was agreed that respect for the ratepayers is paramount.

**Moved Board member Symmons/Cr Riley
GB07/04/08**

THAT the GB Community Board supports in principle the Draft Complaints Policy and Guidelines, working in concert with the Customer Service Charter.

There was some discussion as to whether complaints put in writing have more weight than verbal complaints. It was acknowledged that eventually all complaints are written down and passed on. It was also pointed out that compliments should also be noted.

The motion was Put and **CARRIED**.

It was AGREED that the Service Centres Manager take the issue to the Motueka Community Board for its endorsement.

Compassionate Communication

The Chairperson said this workshop needs to be put on the Council calendar so other councillors and staff may enrol for next year when Jean Morrison comes back.

3.2 Service Centres Manager's Report

Mr Askew reminded the Board the deadline is 20th April 2007 to receive entries for the Community Board Best Practice Awards. He said Board member Symmons has put together some bullet points. There was some discussion on the detail that should be entered – it was agreed that it should be fairly brief – perhaps 4 pages.

The Chairperson considered that the manner in which the community board became part of 'Team Golden Bay', and the soil mapping undertaken in the Bay, should be part of the entry.

Takaka Aerodrome

A meeting is to be held in the evening on Thursday 12th April. While there had been comments made in the media questioning whether the work needed to be undertaken and how it was to be paid for, the Board agreed it was essential and that the committee has an excellent record of paying its accounts from its income.

Rototai Closed Landfill Site

Mr Askew spoke to his report; following a site inspection he considered the black gooey mud is all naturally occurring. He said while there is an abundance of whelks which points to the health of the estuary, the site needs to be inspected again after prolonged rain.

Valuation of Property Known as the Village Green Hall

Mr Askew reported that he is still waiting for Guthrie Beatson to come over.

5. CORRESPONDENCE

5.1 GB Promotion Association – Hanging Baskets : Thanks for DILs Funding

This item of correspondence was received earlier in the meeting.

5.2 International Honours Programme – Thanks to Community Board

This item was received earlier in the meeting; the Board agreed it was a pleasure to have the young people here again.

5.3 Transit NZ – Event Signage Golden Bay

The Chairperson considered that Transit NZ had misconstrued the Board's letter as they are talking about road closures whereas the Board was requesting temporary reduced speed limits. He gave an example of the recent Mapua Easter Fair with its 'Event' signage and a 50kmph temporary speed limit on SH60.

Moved Cr Borlase/Board member Gamby GB07/04/09

THAT the GB Community Board writes to Transit NZ clarifying that the Board is seeking a temporary reduced speed limit as with Mapua's Easter Fair, (not road closure), for areas such as Onekaka Hall, the Mussel Inn and the Show Grounds when events are being held.

CARRIED

5.4 Department of Conservation – Notification of Aerial Possum Control – Parapara/Castles Area

This item of correspondence was received earlier in the meeting.

5.5 Acting CEO, Lloyd Kennedy – Complaints Policy

This item was also dealt with earlier.

5.6 Reserves Manager – Coast Care Ladders

This item was received earlier.

5.7 Environment & Planning Manager – Speed Limit on Beaches, Golden Bay

The Chairperson considered that the Board needs to go back to Environment & Planning with the Board's speed limit proposal. He said while Mr Bush-King's

memorandum of 9th November says “the Environment & Planning Committee resolved not to proceed with a bylaw on the basis that there were difficulties in establishing a reasonable basis for such a bylaw and that it would be very difficult to enforce” he pointed out that we already have a 200m 5-knot rule that restricts speed on the water right next to the beach. The bylaw would provide a measurable basis on which to take action against those behaving inappropriately.

**Moved Board member McLellan/Cr Riley
GB07/04/10**

**THAT the GB Community Board writes to the Environmental & Planning Manager stating that as the signage suggestion is not feasible the speed limit request needs to be seriously considered and that the GB Community Board asks to be present for the discussion at the Environment & Planning meeting.
CARRIED**

5.8 TrustPower Nelson Tasman – Community Awards

The meeting put forward suggestions: Abbeyfield Committee, Mangarakau Swamp Society, Keep GB Beautiful, Totally Local Market.

**Moved Board member Gamby/Cr Borlase
GB07/04/11**

**THAT the GB Community Board nominates Abbeyfield for a TrustPower Community Award in the category of Health & Wellbeing.
CARRIED**

5.9 Horticultural Officer – Signage at Clifton

This item was received earlier in the meeting.

Board member Gamby commented that it appears that the sign on the outside beach is not to be relocated, but the wording will be altered; the one at Clifton will be put where it can be read.

Cr Riley reported that the Reserves Manager, Beryl Wilkes, is to check the signage and shift it if necessary.

5.10 J & D Gardiner – Tata Beach Toilets

**Moved Crs Riley/Borlase
GB07/04/12**

THAT the GB Community Board supports the request for improvements to the Ligar Bay and Tata Beach toilets as requested by the Gardiners, and including the addition of hooks to hang up clothes, and that the request is passed to Community Services for action where possible and appropriate.

**Further, that the correspondents be advised of the Board’s recommendation.
CARRIED**

5.11 Strengthening Families – GB Community Workshop

It was agreed that Board members Bell, McLellan, Gamby and Symmons will attend, with Crs Riley and Borlase tendering their apologies.

6. OTHER

6.1 Board Representatives for Anzac Day

It was agreed that Cr Riley represent the Board at the Takaka Service, and Board member McLellan, supported by Board member Bell, represents the Board at the Collingwood Service.

Cr Riley agreed to collect and raise the flag, and attend to the presentation of the wreath following delivery to his home with the Collingwood wreath to be delivered by Ms Sara Chapman.

6.2 ‘Work of Art’ for proposed new Library

**Moved Crs Riley/Borlase
GB07/04/13**

THAT the GB Community Board asks the GB Community Arts Council to seek expressions of interest for a work of art for the proposed new library, and to decide whether it will be open to all Tasman District residents.

CARRIED

6.3 Abel Tasman Quilt – Acknowledging the Donors/ Logos

The Chairperson commented that the names of donors and any logos could be displayed on a framed plaque adjacent to the quilt. The Service Centres Manager suggested that a few words of the history of the quilt be included.

**Moved Board members McLellan/Gamby
GB07/04/14**

THAT the GB Community Board invites the GB Quilters to its May meeting for a presentation and acknowledgment of the Abel Tasman Memorial quilt with photographs to be taken at a morning tea.

CARRIED

6.4 Community Outcomes Booklet

The Board considered that the omission of the Board from the Community Outcomes Booklet required to be rectified, and that the matter of a forestry proposal should also be included in the Board’s submission to the Annual Plan.

6.5 Forestry Proposal for Golden Bay – Working towards Carbon Credits

The Chairperson commented that the wards that have forestry blocks receive direct employment and economic benefits; Golden Bay misses out on those benefits. It was considered that there is a need to look at higher value forestry blocks and that perhaps carbon credits would be an incentive to establishing a TDC forestry block in Golden Bay.

7. LATE AGENDA ITEMS

7.1 Collingwood Water Tanker – Funding

The Chairperson explained that Collingwood Fire Brigade is asking the Board to support fund raising applications for keeping the tanker operational.

Ms Chapman of the Collingwood Fire Brigade explained that the brigade could house the tanker and they have plenty of drivers with appropriate licences to drive it, but cannot raise the approximate \$3,000 that is required annually to keep it on the road.

She asked if the Board can write to Department of Conservation's John Mason, Tom Broderick of Rural Fire Richmond, and NZ Fire Service Bill Butts, seeking a 'funding pool' that comes from all those people. Ms Chapman said it would cost more for a rural fire party to attend than to fund the tanker. She asked that DOC and Rural Fire be lobbied to keep the tanker on the road, and the NZ Fire Service to keep it maintained.

Moved Board members Bell/Symmons GB07/04/15

**THAT the GB Community Board writes letters of supports to the Department of Conservation, Rural Fire Richmond and the NZ Fire Service seeking funding for retaining and maintaining the water tanker at Collingwood.
CARRIED**

7.2 Signage for Protection of Birds at Pakawau

The Chairperson said we did have some signs from the Department of Conservation for the protection of penguins, and they were in place for a while but now need replacing.

Moved Cr Borlase/Board member McLellan GB07/04/16

**THAT the GB Community Board approaches Parks and Reserves and the Department of Conservation about signage for the protection of the bird life at Pakawau, along the lines of the signage at Parapara.
CARRIED**

7.3 Seat for Abbeyfield Residents

Cr Borlase said he had been speaking with a couple of the Abbeyfield residents who were saying that a number of them who need to catch the 'Wrinklies' bus also need a seat at the Commercial Street entranceway to Abbeyfield.

The Chairperson pointed out that the DILs budget has money set aside for such 'furniture'.

**Moved Cr Borlase/Board member McLellan
GB07/04/17**

THAT the GB Community Board supports the request for a seat by the Abbeyfield residents, and forwards the request to Community Services with the recommendation that funding comes out of the DILs furniture budget.

**Further, that the seat be installed on Commercial Street in conjunction with the planting of a suitable shade tree.
CARRIED**

8. Additional Items

The Chairperson said Transit NZ's SH60 Review hearing is on 16th April and he would be happy to speak at this; he has sent a submission regarding it on behalf of the Board.

**Moved Board members Gamby/McLellan
GB07/04/18**

**THAT the GB Community Board informs Transit NZ that the Board will be formally represented at the Review hearing.
CARRIED**

Board member Symmons reported that the advertising cart that the Board would have liked to have at the Information Centre cannot now be found.

There was some discussion on the district having more community boards, and delegation of authority.

Cr Riley left the meeting at 3.32pm.

With regard to Abbeyfield, it was agreed that the Service Centres Manager arrange for a 'finger sign' to be installed on the opposite side of Commercial Street as previously requested.

There being no further business the meeting concluded at 3.33pm.

Date Confirmed:

Chair: