

# **MINUTES**

of the

# **GOLDEN BAY COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING**

held

9.00 am, Tuesday, 10 July 2018

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# Takaka Office, 78 Commercial Street, Takaka

Present:

A Langford (Chair), D Gowland, G Knowles, A Grant, Crs S R Brown and P F

Sangster

In Attendance:

Environment & Planning Manager (D Bush-King), Customer Services Officer

(E Gee)

**Part Attendance:** 

1 KARAKIA, OPENING, WELCOME

#### 2 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Golden Bay Youth Council representatives were absent from the meeting.

## Recommendation

That apologies be accepted.

#### 3 PUBLIC FORUM

#### 3.1 Suzy Hall

Mrs Hall a resident of 1094 Abel Tasman Drive, Ligar Bay is very concerned about a proposed subdivision at 20 Matenga Road. The development is proposed to be 54 houses and Mrs Hall is particularly concerned about stormwater. Mrs Hall tabled her comments to a recent Tonkin & Taylor report and photos. Mrs Hall would like to know how much stormwater existing properties in Ligar Bay have to accept from proposed upstream developments and what is the legal responsibility of Council to grant consents for building and controlling the stormwater that is created.



#### 3.2 John Hall

Mrs Hall spoke on behalf of her husband Mr Hall. Mr Hall has owned their property in Ligar Bay for ninteen years and maintained it for over thirty years, he knows the area and the environment. Mr and Mrs Hall are disappointed that they only received all documents from Council last week as the developer, Des Payne, only provided them with some of the documents as an affected party.

#### 3.3 Nigel Birse

Mr Birse has lived in Collingwood for the last five years and regularly walks in and around Collingwood. Mr Birse provided photos of muddy puddles, plantings and rubbish blocking accessways in various locations, and there are also obstructions by the Collingwood Camping Ground. Mr Birse also mentioned that the Collingwood tennis court is poorly signed. Mr Birse would like to know why public land can not be better accessed.

#### 3.4 BJ White

Mr White would like the Board to find out what is happening at the Collingwood Camping Ground as he has heard that the current manager is leaving. Mr White told the Board that it is an ideal time for the area to be a reserve and also to look at possibly shifting the playground away from a busy intersection.

Mr White would like to know why the commercial mussel farms do not pay rates and are not subject to noise restrictions.

Mr White brought to the Boards attention the issue of freedom camping in Collingwood and the impact on backpacker accommodation and rivers.

Mr White would like to know what progress Council has made on improving drainage in Collingwood, Mr White is unhappy with the disrespect Council has shown to residents and voiced his concern about Council hierarchy.

Mr White would like the translation for the Karakia which is read at the start of the meeting to also be shared with the community.

## 3.5 Roland Toder

Mr Toder told the Board that he is concerned and disturbed with the seroius cost blow for the proposed Waimea Community Dam even though the real numbers are not known yet. Mr Toder feels that Councillors do not want to know the numbers. Mr Toder tabled a copy of his written submission detailing his comments concerning P95 and also a copy of an Oxford study on large dams in 2014. Mr Toder told the Board that there must be a call for a binding referendum and the silent majority will be unveiled to be against the dam.

#### 3.9 Louise Coleman

Ms Coleman told the Board that she has expertise in local government after having worked in local government finance for the last twenty three years. Ms Coleman is also a qualified chartered accountant and her experience has been working with an operating budget of over \$4.4 billion and personally responsible for \$250 million a year. Ms Coleman is appalled that both Golden Bay Councillors have approved a proposal that included outdated costs and an outdated design for the proposed Waimea Community Dam. Ms Coleman told Councillors that the first thing they should have done was to request a client update, and the Councillors have not acted in the best interest of the public. Ms Coleman questioned why Councillors are waiting for information and that they should be kept updated by Council regularly. Ms Coleman said thousands of dollars of public money every day has been wasted and now we hear about a cost blowout. Ms Coleman told the Board that groundworks are risky and that the Mayor is massaging figures so that Councillors keep agreeing. Ms Coleman believes

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Councillors should be ashamed and should request more information. Ms Coleman tabled a letter which she had sent to all Councillors yesterday. Ms Coleman told the Board that there is no justification for continuing with the dam and that if there is a cost blowout local Council services will get hit, Golden Bay residents local services will be under threat.

## 3.10 Penny Griffith

Ms Griffith thanked the previous speaker and went on to thank the Councillors for changing their minds on the grandstand which had taken courage.

Ms Griffith is shocked that the Board were not involved in the initial proposal for Councils Representation Review 2018 although Ms Griffith understands that the Board will be lodging a submission after the deadline and that it will be accepted. Ms Griffith believes that Community Boards are part of the elected structure of Council and should be involved in the bigger, wider Council issues.

Ms Griffith is dissapointed that the public notice and local bill documents relating to the Local Bill for Dam Land is not available at all Council offices and that this shows a lack of respect for ratepayers.

#### 3.11 Victoria Davis

Ms Davis is grateful that Council has looked at Tasman's ageing population and is concerned that rating increases due to the proposed Waimea Community Dam will effect residents for decades to come. Ms Davis is concerned that Council has already spent from the emergency fund and what will happen in the next extreme weather event. Ms Davis asked Councillors Brown and Sangster to change their minds on the dam. Ms Davis urged Council to sell the intellectual property for the dam and look at other things we can do in our community. Ms Davis supported the other speakers regarding the dam at the meeting.

## 3.12 Graham Rogers

Mr Rogers of 10 Watino Place, Pohara would like an update from Council on what progress has been made towards fixing flooding problems in Pohara.

### 3.13 Karen Brookes

Ms Brookes tabled a letter to Councillors Brown and Sangster urging them not to vote for the Waimea Community Dam.

#### 3.14 Noel Baigent

Mr Baigent told the Board that the recent decision on the grandstand was wonderful and thanked the Board for coming along side the community and helping them. Mr Baigent believes the Golden Bay community is standing up for itself and hopes Council can see there is an opportuinty to see how the community is treated.

# 4 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST Nil

#### 5 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Moved Cr Sangster/Chair Langford GBCB18-07-1



That the minutes of the Golden Bay Community Board meeting held on Tuesday, 12 June 2018, be confirmed as a true and correct record of the meeting.

#### **CARRIED**

#### 6 PRESENTATIONS

Nil

The meeting adjourned for morning tea at 9.47a.m – 10.00a.m.

#### 7 REPORTS

### 7.1 Chair's Report

Moved Chair Langford/Deputy Chair Knowles GBCB18-07-2

That the Golden Bay Community Board

1. receives the Chair's Report report RGB18-07-01

#### **CARRIED**

#### 3 Items from Public Forum

Ligar Bay Development – Mr Bush-King informed the Board that Council had Limited Notification the application and affected parties have until the 20th July to make submissions, issues identified by submitters will then be assessed by Council. Mr Bush-King confirmed that in granting any consent Council must be satisfied that the development will not have adverse effects on the surrounding area. The Board questioned the amount of time provided to affected persons for submissions. Mrs Hall confirmed that she has asked Mark Morris, Land Use Consultant, for an extension as the papers were only received last week.

The Board discussed zoning and thanked Mrs Hall for bringing the matter to the Boards attention.

Collingwood Walking Track – The Board confirmed that the idea of a footpath had been discussed previously but that residents had not supported the idea. The Board discussed land ownership and Councillor Sangster confirmed that Collingwood Camping Ground cabins will be shifted off Maori land soon which will improve access. The Board discussed accreted land being developed to a walkway from William Street around to Beach Road. Mr Bush-King is to enquire on the status of accreted land. Councillor Sangster agreed that a path could be put in around the Collingwood Camping Ground and will take the idea to the next commercial sub-committee meeting.

Tennis Court – Board member Grant confirmed that she is a member of the tennis club and that the court is for private use. Board member Grant agreed to speak with the club regarding signage.

Freedom Camping – The Board agreed that freedom camping was not an issue at the moment.

Collingwood Camping Ground – The Board agreed that the Collingwood Camping Ground is very much part of the community. The Board agreed that Council leases do change from time to time but are not aware of any changes at this time.

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Collingwood Marine Farms – Mr Bush-King confirmed that Council are not able to demand rates for marine farming and noise restrictions do not apply due to the distance of the Collingwood marine farm out to sea. Mr Bush-King said Council had zoned sea space for the activity.

Collingwood Drainage - Mr Bush-King to obtain an update from Council.

Karakia – The Board agreed that the Karakia be printed in the agenda and the translation.

Waimea Community Dam - The Board discussed the proposed the Waimea Community Dam. Mr Bush-King stated that Council does not yet know the final costs and negotiations are ongoing between the contractor and independent estimator. Councillor Brown acknowledged the passionate speakers at the meeting but disagreed that Councillors had not read information or asked questions. Councillor Brown urged the Board to get better informed before coming to a position. Councillor Brown disagreed that Councillors had been denied information and lied to. Councillor Brown reiterated to the Board that it had been the previous Council that had forged ahead with the dam proposal. Councillor Sangster would like to wait for the final cost to be confirmed before he makes his final decision and believes that there can still be an option to generate an income from the dam. Councillor Sangster is against a referendum due to the cost of \$80,000. Board member Grant questioned why Council was not imposing a rule on all new housing to collect and provide their own water. Mr Bush-King advised this matter had been considered but such a rule could not apply retrospectively. Councillor Brown confirmed that Council must supply water in the urban area including for firefighting requirements. The Board noted that Council has received a clear message from the Golden Bay public through the Long Term Plan submissions on governance and funding that there was little support for the dam. The Board agreed that they need to be a voice of the community. The Board agreed to compile a list of questions individually to bring to the next meeting and the matter to be added to the next Chairs Report.

Local Bill for Dam Land – Mr Bush-King to ensure copies are made available at all service centres and libraries. Mr Bush-King apologised for overlooking this and said he had complied with the Parliamentary requirements through lodgement in Richmond but that he should have asked for a wider distribution other than just the website.

Ageing Positively in Tasman – Councillor Brown informed the Board that at the next meeting there will be a presentation on ageing positively in our community and a hosted afternoon session open to the public, some focus members will be invited.

Pohara Drainage – Mr Bush-King confirmed that a resource consent application was in preparation and that he would ask Kim Arnold, Project Manager, to provide an update to residents when he returns to the office on 23 July.

Local Decisions – The Board agreed the need for Council to focus locally on local decisions and could review its delegations.

#### 4 Golden Bay Shared Recreational Facility

Chair Langford confirmed that she has stepped down as Chair of the User Committee and therefore from the Golden Bay Shared Recreational Facility (GBSRF) Governance Board. The Board had a discussion regarding reports of there being difficulties in working with the GBSRF Management Board. Councillor Sangster told the Board that many local clubs had been treated in

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an unfair manner. Councillor Sangster commended the current Board for the great job they had done in getting the facility built and that it is a beautiful building but suggested that a new committee should be elected with better representation of the clubs. Councillor Sangster would like a new Board to work with the Reserves department on the running of facility and grounds. There was some discussion about whether the Board should offer to step in temporarily if the Council accepts a new Board is needed.

# Moved Deputy Chair Knowles/Grant GBCB18-07-3

That the Golden Bay Community Board expresses its concern that there has been a loss of confidence in the GBSRF Management Board and asks Council to review the contract and recommends that a new structure be put in place for the management of the Rec Park and facility.

Brown Abstained Sangster Abstained

#### **CARRIED**

The Board confirmed that there is a workshop scheduled for later in the day to discuss the way forward with the grandstand.

## 5 Anonymous Correspondence

The Board agreed that the role of the Board is to be a contact for anyone in the community and that anonymous contact is only appropriate in very limited circumstances.

## 6 Tasman District Council Representation Review

The Board agreed to support strongly the initial proposal, Chair Langford and Mrs Gee to complete a late submission.

### 7 Full Council Meeting 28 June 2018

Deputy Chair Knowles told the Board that Board member Gowland spoke very well at the meeting and was concise and considered. Councillor Sangster thanked Deputy Chair Knowles for the excellent speech that his son had delivered at the meeting and that it was great to hear a younger persons view which was valued by Councillors.

### 8 Correspondence Report

The Board accepted Chair Langford's clarification.

## 9 Youth Hub Opening

The Board agreed that that the Youth Hub is a positive way forward for youth.

## 10 Golden Bay Community and Tasman District Council

Chair Langford would like the Board to find a way forward but understood that the issue could not be solved today. Board member Gowland told the board that the further away the decision making is does not help. The Board acknowledged that there is currently unhappiness in the community about a few issues. The Board agreed that issues that are brought to the Board's attention need to be carried through to Council.

The Board would like to be better informed. Mr Bush-King agreed to follow up on whether Board members could be invited to Council workshops when issues are discussed.

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## 7.2 Financial Report

Mr Bush-King told the Board that he is still to get amendments to the Financial Report identifying reserved funds committed to agreed projects.

# Moved Board Member Gowland/Cr Sangster GBCB18-07-4

That the Golden Bay Community Board receives the Financial Report RGB18-07-03.

#### **CARRIED**

#### 7.3 Action Sheet

Waitapu Bridge – The Board observed that there had been some river protection rock work carried out underneath the Waitapu Bridge.

Selwyn Street – The Board discussed Selwyn Street and agreed that the chicken coops present were not creating a traffic hazard but could also understand that neighbours may have different standards for what is acceptable. Mr Bush-King informed the Board that Jeremy Katterns, Road Engineer, will continue to monitor.

Manawhenua Ki Mohua – Deputy Chair Knowles agreed to be the Board representative and Board member Gowland in his absence.

Takaka Playground Opening - The Board agreed to support an opening.

Tasman Bay Wharves Trust – Councillor Sangster updated the Board that the trust is currently writing to Land Information New Zealand asking them to recommit to leasing land to Council and the will also be checking with the Department Of Conservation that they are still happy to hand the wharves over to the Trust.

# Moved Cr Brown/Board Member Gowland GBCB18-07-5

That the Golden Bay Community Board

1. receives the Action Sheet report RGB18-07-02

#### **CARRIED**

## 7.4 Correspondence

That the Golden Bay Community Board

- 1. receives the Correspondence report RGB18-07-04;
- 2. receives the late correspondence.

Councillor Brown – Councillor Brown will not be providing a response to Ms Rocourt and acknowledged that Ms Rocourt had expressed her opinion to the Board.

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Security Camera Report – The Board will look forward to receiving the staff report on reserved funds as they would be keen to see if any reserved funds could be used for security cameras.

Significance and Engagement Policy – The Board had a brief discussion regarding the Significance and Engagement Policy and agreed no further action.

Golden Bay Local Board – The Board are happy to meet with Mr Lawton, Chair Langford to email Mr Lawton to arrange a date for meeting. It was noted that this proposal would be a reorganisation scheme that has to go through the Local Government Commission, not Council.

Hon Damien O'Connor joined the meeting and it was confirmed that the distribution of compensation for hardship grants had been resolved. Councillor Brown informed the Board that Council had received some lovely thank you letters.

The meeting concluded at 12.58.

Date Confirmed: Manghod
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Chair:

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