

# MINUTES

**TITLE:** Golden Bay Community Board  
**DATE:** 13<sup>th</sup> July 2010  
**TIME:** 9.00 am  
**VENUE:** Golden Bay Office

**PRESENT:** J Bell (Chairperson), C McLellan (Deputy Chair), Board members K Brookes and L Gamby  
**IN ATTENDANCE:** Mayor Kempthorne, Cr N Riley (from 9.22am – 11.28), L Kennedy (Community Services Manager), members of the Press and Public

## 1. APOLOGIES

**Moved Board members Gamby/McLellan  
GB10/07/01**

**THAT apologies from Cr Riley (for lateness), and Cr Borlase for absence, be sustained.  
CARRIED**

**Late item of Correspondence**

**Moved Board members Gamby/Brookes  
GB10/07/02**

**THAT the late item of correspondence regarding the Golden Bay Medical Centre Community Trust be added to the Agenda for discussion.  
CARRIED**

**Moved Board members McLellan/Brookes  
GB10/07/03**

**THAT Mayor Kempthorne, and Cr Riley (upon his arrival), have speaking rights.  
CARRIED**

The Chairperson welcomed Kevin Hague, MP for the Green Party, to the meeting.

## 2. PUBLIC FORUM

Lily McKay – was disappointed in the final decision regarding speed restrictions on Rototai Road; she asked for advisory signs warning of the Arapeta subdivision.

Mrs McKay reported that there is loud music from Friday night through to Saturday lunchtime over the last weekend; she asked for something to be done about it.

She asked whether farmers could be asked to notify residents before they used hormone sprays on their land, so people could close their windows.

Mrs McKay was pleased that there is to be a toilet constructed at the Rototai Reserve.

The Chairperson advised that perhaps an advisory sign at Rototai would enable some of the other signs to be disposed of.

He advised that there is a Noise Control Officer in Golden Bay; he is notified by phoning the Council phone number after hours.

With regard to people spraying, the Chairperson advised to talk with the neighbour or contractor, however mostly contractors put out signage.

With regard to the toilet at Rototai Reserve, the Chairperson agreed it should be helpful in cleaning up the area.

Mrs McKay said she does not approve of the targeted rate for community boards; she wants greater powers for the Board which she suggested would be less expensive and things would happen faster.

Harry Holmwood – gave a brief history of his 24 year association with the GB Medical Centre. He said in 1999 when the community bought the X-ray facility a Trust was formed and subsequently Council appointed him as its representative on the Trust. Following meetings this year with the Mayor, the CEO, Graham Hall, and Tim Harley, Mr Holmwood said he understood he was to be re-appointed as the Council's representative, however he had received a phone call from the Mayor to say someone else had been appointed and subsequently had received a letter from the CEO withdrawing his trusteeship from 2010 and thanking him for his "sterling service". Following this Mr Holmwood received a copy of the Confidential Minutes of Council's 12<sup>th</sup> March 2010 meeting regarding the GB Medical Centre Trust and which referred to a report (that he was refused a copy of). He said there were a number of resolutions recorded in the Minutes including Council calling for nominations for the Trust and he could apply for the position, however he has decided that he would not apply to be the Council representative as he considered he would not get a fair hearing. Mr Holmwood said the selection panel to appoint the trustees was made up of the Mayor, Deputy Mayor and Cr Norriss and that this panel was requested to consult with the GB Community Board, however he had been informed that there had been no consultation with the Board.

Cr Riley joined the meeting at this point.

Mr Holmwood said he does not have any problem with who was appointed, but does have a problem with the lack of process. He considered the process must be transparent.

The meeting agreed to make the GB Medical Centre the first item for discussion to enable Mayor Kempthorne to be present.

Elizabeth Warren – considered the parking spaces in the library carpark to be too narrow; she has had her car damaged with other car doors on a number of occasions. Mr Kennedy said he would investigate.

Lily McKay said there is the same problem at the Fresh Choice supermarket.

Ms Warren raised the matter of Launch Wardens; she noted the Harbourmaster's report where he is looking to appoint a warden for Golden Bay. Ms Warren said when she resigned from the position she had written a report with recommendations for the position that she considered to still be relevant. The Chairperson suggested she writes to the Harbourmaster, Steve Hainstock. Ms Warren considered there is a need for a ski lane in the western Bay and asked for it to be revisited.

The Chairperson said it was widely canvassed in the past and people do not want a designated ski lane in the western bay. He said people can ski in various locations – mainly Tukurua and Parapara, provided they comply with the 5 knot 200 metre rule which keeps the activity 'dispersed'. One of the difficulties is the wide tidal range in the Western Bay.

Penny Griffith – updated the Board regarding Swiftsure Street drainage; she said the pipes are blocked off and residents await David Stephenson's meeting on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> July. Progress is being made.

Ms Griffith raised the matter again of radio contact in an emergency; she said during the planned six-hour power outage for maintenance by Network Tasman there was no radio from Mt Burnett.

Cr Riley said he had not known that the back-up generator had not cut in and did not know why it had failed. He said the local radio transmitter trust had just been asked for a further \$400 license fee by the Ministry of Development for an unspecified purpose and were getting to the stage of letting the Government run the transmitter.

Kevin Hague – Green Party MP – said his main interest is in the health sector but he puts in time trying to maintain connection across Nelson, Tasman, West Coast, with his portfolios being health, ACC, Conservation, cycling and active transport, rural affairs, biosecurity, sport and recreation, among others. He is grateful that the Board keeps him in the loop and expressed his admiration for the work that the Chairperson does; a huge amount that is greatly appreciated.

Mr Hague commented on Sams Creek mining that is on the Board's agenda; he said the Board is right to be concerned.

He commended the Government for its implementation of the nationwide cycle/walkway network that he said was mostly a Green Party initiative. He spoke about the launch of the cycleway/walkway at Ohakune and the economic benefit that it brought - \$700,000 to the town over the Queen's Birthday weekend. Mr Hague said he will be vigorously encouraging the expansion of the network. However, the downside of the cycleway is the attraction of tourists to what they expect to be safe cycling roads, and many are not.

Mr Hague spoke about future planning which seems to be out of vogue, with councils now thinking in 3-year cycles. He said we need to be taking into account things like

climate change, peak oil, shortage of fresh water and food and the way to do that is to re-localise our economies, producing food, goods and services, energy in our local communities. Golden Bay has some elements of that with 'Feed the Bay', HANDS, the Puppu Hydro Scheme; he considered places such as Golden Bay and Waiheke Island are well placed to be 'the leading lights' into future planning.

The Chairperson raised the matter of funding for the frail elderly, also raising funding for Golden Bay that he considered should be the same as for the West Coast.

Board member McLellan - spoke about the Trustpower Community Awards; she asked for letters of congratulations to go to Golden Bay Tennis, Friends of Labyrinth Rocks, Collingwood Volunteer Fire Brigade, GB Swimming Club, Impact Youth Trust Takaka, and Timo Stoffregen.

Board member Gamby – noted that Golden Bay had not made it onto the pram crossings on the Engineering Services list.

The Chairperson expressed some concern about the matrix and that lower populations may not meet the threshold.

Mayor Kempthorne commented that the matrix had only been presented to the Council once and there needs to be discussions between the two community boards, Council and the Transportation Manager to check that the matrix will work.

Ms Warren spoke about the community awards; she did not agree with the criteria that meant people give 20 plus years of service before being eligible. She said people give great service over a lesser time and they should be acknowledged. Ms Warren suggested that Shirley Ford and Victoria Davis should be recognised for their services to the community. Mr Bell said the Board will consider her request.

### **3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

#### **3.1 Minutes of the meeting of the Golden Bay Community Board held on 8<sup>th</sup> June 2010**

An addition to the June Minutes was sought:

Page 2: Paragraph 5 regarding Swiftsure Street drainage; it was requested that Jeff Cuthbertson's name be added to the list of attendees.

**Moved Board members Gamby/McLellan  
GB10/07/04**

**THAT the Minutes of the meeting of the GB Community Board held on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> June 2010, as amended, (containing resolutions GB10/06/01 – GB10/06/15) be confirmed as a true and correct record.  
CARRIED**

### **4. LATE AGENDA ITEM**

#### 4.1 GB Medical Centre Trust

Board member Gamby declared an interest and left the meeting.

A copy of the letter from the Chief Executive Officer, Paul Wylie, to the GB Community Board was tabled for members' information; the Chairperson read the letter. He explained that the Confidential Minutes of 12<sup>th</sup> March 2010, record resolutions that nominations will be called for and that it was pointed out that Harry Holmwood was welcome to apply; that the selection panel would comprise the Mayor Deputy Mayor and Cr Norriss, and that this panel would consult with the GB Community Board.

Mayor Kempthorne responded and gave the background to the decision and why it was made; he said that there should have been a reappointment process in 2007 however that did not happen so the appointments were not valid apart from Dr Iain Russell. He said Council needed to appoint the Council trustee, then the rest of the trustees. The process of appointing the Council trustee by the panel is one issue. Mayor Kempthorne recapped on the history of an integrated health facility for Golden Bay; he said there appears to be widespread support for the proposal and if progress is not made in the short term the Government funding may be lost.

Mayor Kempthorne explained that one of the issues of contention between Council and the GB Medical Centre Trust is the capital value of the current medical centre site and how much should belong to each party in the event of the building being sold. Council's decision was to give the amount realised in the sale to health in Golden Bay. Following calls received about the length of time taken to make the appointments, it was decided to appoint Mik Symmons, however the GB Community Board consultation was overlooked.

The Chairperson suggested a recommendation that would answer all aspects required by the resolutions in the Confidential Minutes of 12<sup>th</sup> March 2010.

Mayor Kempthorne asked whether Board members were in agreement with the appointment of Mik Symmons as Council's representative on the Trust; all members agreed with the appointment.

Mr Holmwood pointed out that nominations were not called for and were not discussed with the GB Community Board and that the process should be transparent.

Cr Riley said he was aware that process had not been followed and had raised it with Mayor Kempthorne who had addressed the matter. He acknowledged that while the process was not followed, there is a need to move on.

**Moved Board members McLellan/Brookes**  
**GB10/07/05**

**THAT the letter be received and the GB Community Board requests that the provisions of resolution CN10/03/14 be given effect to by Tasman District Council.**  
**CARRIED**

The meeting adjourned between 10.36am and 11.13am for a special morning tea put on by the GB Community Board for the Minute Secretary, Nancy Heyes, acknowledging her 21 years of service to the Board.

## **5. REPORTS**

### **Moved Board members McLellan/Brookes GB10/07/06**

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

#### **5.1 Chairperson's Report**

##### **Swiftsure Street**

Cr Riley said he has been liaising with BJ White, who has received a letter answering a number of his concerns.

Board member McLellan asked that correspondence pertaining to the Swiftsure Street drainage be kept on file, including a copy of the letter to BJ White. The Chairperson said he would talk to Mr White about it.

#### **5.2 Harbourmaster's Report**

The Chairperson summarized the various discussions held in the past which concluded it is better to not have a dedicated ski lane.

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

**THAT the GB Community Board does not support the establishment of a powered water craft and water ski lane in the western Bay because users are able to undertake these activities anywhere in the Bay provided they comply with the 200m 5-knot rule.  
CARRIED**

#### **5.3 Motocross Motupipi**

The Chairperson said there was a meeting with residents on 28<sup>th</sup> June 2010.

Cr Riley said he was not in attendance but understood (from Cr Borlase) that the meeting was reasonably successful. He said the landowner has put up a locked gate to prevent unauthorised people from accessing the motocross track.

The Chairperson read his suggested recommendation:

*"That the Golden Bay Community Board considers the report of the 28 June 2010 (verbal report given by Cr Riley) meeting regarding Motupipi motocross and supports the resident's requests to Tasman District Council to remove Motupipi*

*motocross from being exempt from the noise control rules and requiring the monitoring and enforcement of the Tasman District Council 55dB Rule.”*

There was some discussion as to how this would affect the landowner and it was AGREED that the matter lay on the table awaiting the Minutes / written report of the meeting that was held, also information of what the decibel rating of the bikes is and whether it can be lowered.

Board member McLellan said Graham Caradus (Co-ordinator – Regulatory) is going to report to the Environment and Planning Committee and asked for a copy for the Board's information. She pointed out that motocross has been happening on that site for 25 – 30 years and it was only when the use increased that it became a problem.

Mr Kennedy said he would follow the matter up with Graham Caradus; it was agreed that motocross at Motupipi be on the Board's August agenda.

#### **5.4 Office Extension, Richmond**

The Chairperson explained that Council's resolution said that part of the extension was to be leased out to cover the cost of loan funding. It was acknowledged that the extension was a proposal in principle. The Chairperson read his suggested recommendation.

Cr Riley said there were a number of councillors who were concerned at the extent of the proposal. He said there is an awareness of the number of staff but councillors wanted to know all the facts before making a decision.

Mr Kennedy said the extensions have been flagged over two years in the Annual Plan, so it is not a surprise; he said building inspectors have been housed in off site locations but it is for a finite time; also additional staff have been employed. Mr Kennedy explained that only 'approval in principle' was given for the extra floor going on. He said the \$2.7M is for the areas required for staff.

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

**That the Golden Bay Community Board seeks an explanation and justification for the proposed \$2,725,000 extension to the Tasman District Council Richmond Office.  
CARRIED**

Mr Kennedy said he would provide a copy of the Property Manager's reports for the Board's information.

Cr Riley left the meeting at this point – 11.28am.

#### **5.5 Council and Community Boards**

The Chairperson explained that the matter arose because comments in the Newline regarding the forthcoming elections did not include community boards.

#### **Moved Board members McLellan/Brookes**

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**GB10/07/09**

**That the Golden Bay Community Board requests that TDC includes Community Board members in any reference to triennial elections along with the office of mayor and councillors.**

**CARRIED**

**5.6 Council Submission to Local Government Act Amendment Bill**

**Moved Board members McLellan/Brookes**

**GB10/07/10**

**THAT the GB Community Board raises its concerns regarding the Tasman District Council submission to the Local Government Act 2002 Amendment Bill with the Mayor and the Local Government and Environment Select Committee.**

**CARRIED**

It was noted that this resolution is simply formally noting the process.

**5.7 State Highway 60 Safety**

**Moved Board members Gamby/Brookes**

**GB10/07/11**

**That the Golden Bay Community Board raises the findings in the 'Kiwi RAP' report with the next TDC/New Zealand Transport Agency liaison meeting.**

**CARRIED**

**5.8 Sams Creek Mining Proposal**

**Moved Board members Gamby/McLellan**

**GB10/07/12**

**THAT That the Golden Bay Community Board writes to Oceanagold requesting to be kept informed of the Sams Creek review and raising concerns about rock being crushed in the Bay or carted out of the Bay, enquiring how the company proposes to avoid, remedy or mitigate effects.**

**CARRIED**

There was some discussion on the heavy metals that are released when hard rock is crushed.

**5.9 Aorere River Works**

The Chairperson spoke to his report; he explained that a farmer reported that he was denied river protection because his farm was in the coastal marine area.

**Moved Board members McLellan/Brookes**

**GB10/07/13**

**THAT the Golden Bay Community Board requests that TDC Engineering and Environment and Planning departments work together in resolving**



responsibility for river works deemed to be in the Coastal Marine Area in the Aorere River.  
**CARRIED**

**Moved Board members McLellan/Gamby  
GB10/07/14**

**That the Golden Bay Community Board makes a submission to the review of the TDC river works consent and advises Montgomery Watson Harza that the Board would like to have the opportunity to have input to the review as an interested party.  
CARRIED**

#### **5.10 Pohara Walkway/Cycleway**

**Moved Board members McLellan/Gamby  
GB10/07/15**

**That the Golden Bay Community Board supports the suggestion of an official opening for the Pohara walkway/cycleway on a date to be decided and that invited guests should include Iwi, submitters to the resource consent, Pohara residents and interested members of the wider Golden Bay community with the suggestion that there be a ribbon cutting at the Western end of the walkway with attendees then walking/cycling to Pohara Hall for a cup of tea.  
CARRIED**

The Chairperson advised that Engineering Services is trying to find a suitable date. They also advised they would like to have the Takaka Citizens Band playing in the rotunda during the opening.

#### **5.11 2010 Ravensdown Award**

**Moved Board members Brookes/Gamby  
GB10/07/16**

**THAT a letter of congratulations be sent to Brian Reilly on being awarded the 2010 Ravensdown Award for exceptional voluntary service of 31 years to the Golden Bay A & P Association, and also letters of congratulations to the Trustpower Award recipients.  
CARRIED**

### **6. CORRESPONDENCE**

**6.1 Freedom Camping in New Zealand – Tourism New Zealand**

**6.2 80kmph Signage, Paynes Ford**

**6.3 Local Government Act Amendment Bill Submission – Local Government and Environment Committee**

Items 6.1, 6.2 and 6.4 were received earlier in the meeting.

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**6.4 Golden Bay Youth Programmes – Minister of Youth Affairs**

**Moved Board members McLellan/Brookes  
GB10/07/17**

**THAT the letter be received and a copy forwarded to Golden Bay Community Workers.  
CARRIED**

It was pointed out that the Community Workers have already had funding from the Community Response Fund, so no more will be available to them from that source.

**6.5 Freedom Camping – Nelson Tasman Tourism**

**Moved Board members Gamby/McLellan  
GB10/07/18**

**THAT the GB Community Board contacts Astrid Fisher, (International Marketing Manager for Nelson Tasman Tourism), and asks to be put on the mailing list, and further, that the Board writes to Paul Davis thanking him for his contribution to regional tourism.  
CARRIED**

**6.6 Review of the Gambling Venues Policy – Tasman District Council**

**6.7 Freedom Camping – Associate Minister of Tourism**

Items 6.6 and 6.7 were received earlier in the meeting.

**6.8 Community Conference – Tasman District Council**

**Moved Board members McLellan/Brookes  
GB10/07/19**

**THAT the letter and enclosures be received and the pamphlets distributed.  
CARRIED**

**6.9 Proposed Extensions to the Richmond Office – Chief Executive Officer**

**Moved Board members Gamby/McLellan  
GB10/07/20**

**THAT the letter be received and the content noted with the comment that the statement in paragraph 2 “The reason why there has been no publicity about the provision of rental office space is that there has never been any intention to provide rental office space” is contrary to the Agenda and confirmed Minutes of the 9 June 2010 full Council meeting\* and the GB Community Board seeks an explanation for this contradiction.  
CARRIED**

## **7. OTHER**

### **7.1 Robin Slow Painting – Ratify Koha for Painting**

The Chairperson explained that although Mr Slow had done the painting as a gift for the community, the Board had fundraised for the painting and had made allowance for part of the funding to come from the GB Community Board's Discretionary Fund account.

**Moved Board members McLellan/Gamby  
GB10/07/21**

**THAT a \$600 Koha be made to Robin Slow with the GB Community Board's thanks for the painting which was a gift for the community. The Board acknowledges funding from the GB Arts Council and Tasman District Council's Grants from Rates.**

**CARRIED**

### **7.2 Video Conferencing**

Board member McLellan explained that the matter of video conferencing had arisen because the Board was asked whether it wanted to make an oral submission to the Government Select Committee regarding the Local Government Amendment Bill. She said such a facility would save a lot of time and money in travel.

Mr Kennedy said that funds have been put aside this year for video conferencing and Council's Peter Darlington is looking at how it may be achieved.

**Moved Board members McLellan/Gamby  
GB10/07/22**

**THAT the GB Community Board enquires about video conferencing facilities and writes to Council supporting the introduction of these.**

**CARRIED**

### **7.3 Community Board Budget**

The Board expressed concern about being charged for Council checking its monthly financial statements.

The Chairperson asked Mr Kennedy to tell the Corporate Services Manager, Mr Staite that the Board is happy to accept the statements without checking as long as they are clear.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 12.43pm.

Date Confirmed:

Chair: