

MINUTES

TITLE: Golden Bay Community Board
DATE: 9 August 2011
TIME: 9.00 am
VENUE: Takaka Service Centre
PRESENT: C McLellan (Chair), L Gamby (Deputy Chair), Board members K Brookes and M Symmons and Cr M Bouillir

IN ATTENDANCE: Mayor Kempthorne, L Kennedy (Community Services Manager), N Heyes (Minute Secretary), and members of the Public

APOLOGIES

Nil

1 PUBLIC FORUM

Lily McKay – said she is pleased the community signs are up at Rototai, but said the yellow ‘No Parking’ lines have not yet been extended.

Board member Brookes suggested the extension to the lines has been programmed but would follow the matter up.

Alan Vaughan – spoke on behalf of Joe Bell; he read the cover page of Mr Bell’s rebuttal of Tasman District Council’s complaints regarding the Strateg.Ease report used by the Local Government Commission.

Mr Vaughan spoke in support of Liz Smyth’s letter regarding an art gallery for Golden Bay. He does not support the multi-purpose facility at the Recreation Reserve but considered a dedicated art gallery is needed to showcase Golden Bay arts and crafts. He also considered that any art gallery needs to have a good management plan that would ensure it is dedicated to both arts and crafts.

Jo-Anne Vaughan – sought clarification on how the community facilities are funded via the rate take. She wants a facility that will benefit the whole Golden Bay community.

The Chair explained that the group proposing the multi-purpose facility are in the process of putting a concept plan together and from there they will have to convince the community that this facility is needed by the community.

There was some discussion on whether the museum extension may be combined with an art gallery as both have similar needs for storage of display and archived items and curation.

Victoria Davis – spoke about the health system in Golden Bay. She expressed concern that there was no investigation to ascertain the health needs of Golden Bay people. Ms Davis reported that valuable health professionals have left and there is now no radiographer in Golden Bay and there will not be an x-ray room in the new facility; x-rays will be carried out in a portable unit.

Shane Harwood – spoke to tabled information about motocross at Motupipi; he sought help from the Golden Bay Community Board to find a way forward. He said there are still continual complaints about the track and he asked for mediation, negotiation or conversation to find a way forward. Mr Harwood asked whether it is a noise issue or a motocross issue.

The Board explained the issue is with noise and motocross being called an agricultural activity.

Cr Bouillir tabled two letters regarding motocross noise; the meeting agreed to the letters being read out, one from Paddy Brennan and the other from Karen and Russell Pringle.

It was reported that there is a meeting scheduled on 17th August comprising Mayor Kempthorne, Cr Bouillir, Environment and Planning Manager Dennis Bush-King, Graham Caradus (Co-ordinator Environmental Health) and Paul Wylie (CEO).

Alan Wallis – said he lives next door to the motocross track and does not have a problem with the motocross noise.

The Board reported that the noise is not as bad on the lower level as it is higher up the hill.

Joy James – spoke in support of motocross at Harwoods; she said the group has done everything that was required of them.

Liza Eastman – said there is 'angst' about the integrated health facility with the problem being the enormous cost of the facility and the disturbance within the hospital while it is being built. Mrs Eastman said the size of everything has been reduced and there is to be a petition against the facility. Mrs Eastman said they have been told elder care in Golden Bay will be lost if we do not go ahead with the facility but the amenity for rest home people is going to be much less than the Australasian standards.

Wally Kalis – asked if amalgamation takes place whether the Golden Bay Community Board will have delegations and a budget. He asked why Richmond is not rated on its representation, as Golden Bay people pay a targeted rate for their community board. He asked if the Board would get a more generous budget if amalgamation does not occur.

The Chair considered that under amalgamation there is a high degree of autonomy; she said the Board is currently negotiating with Council for more delegations.

Peter Foster – commented that while Christchurch was not considered as a model regarding delegations it had positive policies and a community board may not make a

decision that will impact on another ward or on Council. He thought it was worth looking at the website.

Mr Foster also suggested there are savings in the community board having delegated authority to do things instead of them being done from Richmond; these cost savings are not reflected in the targeted rate.

It was reported that the Local Government Commission has put out an addendum report; the Chair said she would ask the LGC to supply some hard copies.

With regard to the Integrated Health item in the Chair's Report the Chair confirmed that the plans have been refined and should be on the website; she would follow that up.

Penny Griffith – spoke about the community facility and the museum and the need for more specialised storage; Ms Griffith said there is a need for discussion on a regional strategy to see what is needed in the way of storage.

Mr Kennedy suggested a meeting of Peter Millward and representatives from the small museums to discuss the matter.

Ms Griffith said she was very concerned to see the Takaka Rugby Club rooms are on the earthquake prone list.

Ms Griffith commented that it has now been three years of waiting for the Gibbs Road Swiftsure Street stormwater problem to be resolved.

Ms Griffith spoke about the 370th commemoration of Abel Tasman coming to Golden Bay; she said there are exciting ideas coming forward and there is a need to engage the community to take up opportunities to make it a very eventful occasion.

BJ White – raised the matter of stormwater and legal access at Swiftsure Street; he said nothing has happened.

Mayor Kempthorne said he would arrange an update from Engineering Services in time for the September community board meeting agenda.

Board member Symmons – reported that Arthur Clarence (former Sergeant, Takaka Police) has now taken over the Anatoki motels. Mr Symmons said Mr Clarence in his police role had been a vital part of the community and worked with the Board towards extra police support for the Bay. It was agreed that the Board write a letter of thanks and best wishes to Mr Clarence.

Mr Symmons reported that the Cycle and Walkway group would like to do a presentation at the Board's September meeting in Collingwood regarding an off-road cycleway from Pohara to Rototai Road.

The Chair closed Public Forum and thanked everyone for their contribution.

2. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

2.1 Confirmation of the Minutes of the Golden Bay Community Board

meeting held on Tuesday 12 July 2011

The following corrections were noted:

Pg 1 – Public Forum Paragraph 2 – ‘LGA’ – should read LGC
Paragraph 3 – ‘LGA’ – should read ‘LGC’

Pg 2 – Late Agenda Item – ‘LGA’ should read ‘Local Electoral Act’.

Pg 3 – Jenny Easton’s presentation. Ms Easton had made some corrections to the Minutes.

It was agreed that adoption of the minutes take place at the September meeting following the corrections being made and the minutes re-circulated.

**Moved Board members Gamby/Symmons
GB11/08/01**

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

3. REPORTS

3.1 Chair’s Report

Amalgamation Nelson Tasman Meeting

Cr Bouillir reported that while the amalgamation meeting at Motueka had been more vocal than the Takaka meeting it was agreed that good discussion had been held on a number of issues.

The Chair asked whether the Board should be taking an active role in the community regarding people putting in submissions.

It was agreed that people just be encouraged to put in a submission.

The meeting adjourned for morning tea between 10.32 and 10.45am and consideration of the Chair’s report was held in abeyance until after the presentations.

4. PRESENTATIONS

4.1 Glenn Thorn (Reserves Officer) – Presenting a concept plan for Takaka Playground; also a report on Small Wharves, Golden Bay

The Chair welcomed Mr Thorn to the meeting. Mr Thorn said he would report on the small wharves in Golden Bay, Takaka playground, and the Bainham and Parapara playgrounds.

With regard to the small wharves, Mr Thorn said it would be 2 – 3 weeks before Nick Barber’s (structural engineer) report is out. He said the report (for the Board’s

September meeting agenda) would be a structural report with his view of options that may be able to happen.

Mr Thorn said he is still working on the Takaka playground plans. He is going to ask school students for their input into what they would like to do at a playground – being high, playing with water etc. He said he still does not have a price for a ‘wooden’ playground, with water and some interactive art pieces.

Cr Bouillir reported that Em Hoffstede had been to the Board with some examples of her mosaics. Ms Bouillir said she would need to be paid for her work so there is a need for a budget.

There was some discussion on what could be rebuilt (if anything) on the old library site. It was acknowledged that it is separate from the playground but that some of the insurance money could be used to do the landscaping on the front of the site. There was concern about using any insurance money until the decision has been made whether or not to do any new building.

Mr Thorn showed the Board a sketch of one of his ideas. He said the toilets are to stay where they are and his sketch showed a water feature, art pieces, adult chess area, seating, plantings etc.

It was agreed that the site not be used for a performance area.

He showed two drawings of proposals for the old library site by Peter Finlayson and Pene Ralph.

It was agreed that the concept plans take priority. Mr Thorn said he would talk to Pene Ralph and Peter Finlayson.

Mr Thorn showed illustrations of the playground for Parapara; he had carried out a survey on a couple of items and had a mostly positive response for a static net, a double swing and a slide.

For Bainham, Mr Thorn said the items for this playground were chosen by the public; swings, a seesaw, slide, climbing frame etc.

The Board agreed with both playground ideas and thanked him for his work and presentation; the Board is happy for Mr Thorn to proceed with Parapara and Bainham playgrounds.

4.2 Bill Findlater - Nelson Regional Economic Development Agency – Sustainable Economic Growth in Golden Bay

The Chair welcomed Mr Findlater to the meeting.

Mr Findlater considered the ‘engine-room’ for the economy is in Tasman – not specifically Golden Bay. He said the most essential commodity in the future will be food and there are areas in Golden Bay highly suitable for this. He said at present mussels return \$30,000 per hectare; Finfish could return \$1.5M per hectare, however it will take significant investment in the next 10 or 20 years to make it happen.

Mr Findlater gave an example of natural products that presently make \$35M – \$50M – he said that figure could be \$300M a year. He suggested the Board talk to Richard Daniell of Appleby who develops ‘Nutrizeal’ extracts.

He also suggested the Board meets with ‘Peak Oil’ person Alan Hart, who thinks there is less than a 1% chance of finding oil in Golden Bay. Instead of looking for oil, it would be better to provide a sheltered harbour space for them to do some work when oil is found elsewhere.

Mr Findlater said mining minerals could be a good proposition, however, we need to do ‘due diligence’ on the people doing the mining. He said most of them enhance the land where they have mined.

With regard to a question asked by the Board about ‘fracking’ and oil, Mr Findlater said Alan Hart (who is an oil geologist) was not too concerned about it. There *are* issues around coal and fracking because of the coal gas; he would be happy to come and talk to the Board.

There was some discussion around farming fin fish – a very high value product – on the land if the temperature of the water can be kept cold; out in the Bay would be too warm for them. Getting funding for this may be difficult in New Zealand, but could get it from the Asian countries.

Mr Findlater reminded the meeting that while Services and Facilities should be ‘buy local’, we are an exporting country and we expect other countries to buy our products so we cannot have it both ways.

He commented that we need a product that has a market and need to aim at the top end with ‘niche’ products. In our favour we have a region that has the sun that produces wonderful fruit – our black currents have the highest percentage of anti-oxidants in the world. In Golden Bay we can do small things well – we do not need huge acreages.

Current figures for money that stays in the region:

Horticulture – \$330M

Forestry – \$340M

Seafood – \$235M

Farming – pastoral - \$128M (“a fair portion of that is Golden Bay”)

Tourism – \$128M – (“cannot add value to this”)

Mr Findlater considered that broadband is core infrastructure – as important as roading. He said financiers work out of our region and people who design BMWs work from home with superfast broadband – on the other side of the Takaka hill.

It was agreed that Mr Findlater organise an evening public meeting, to be held late September/early October. The Chair thanked Mr Findlater for his attendance.

3.1 Chair's Report Cont.

Integrated Health Value Management Workshop

The Chair reported that the plans have been signed off.

It was pointed out that the facility must be affordable for Golden Bay; Joan Whiting Rest Home is unsustainable. While the rest home rooms have been made smaller, 15m² is still a big room. The Chair said she understood they are within the Australasian Standards; and it was acknowledged that there will be sharing of some facilities.

It was reported that the work is to go out to tender and it is hoped the project will start in March 2012.

It was pointed out that trying to get community consensus has added to the time and cost.

Extraordinary meeting of council – Council Response to the Local Government Commission Strateg.Ease Report

The Chair spoke to this; she said the Board had informally met and agreed to support Option (b) in the report, however this was not the option that Council supported.

Golden Bay by-election – it was reported that only one nomination had been received so far. Nominations close mid-day 16 August.

The Board adjourned for luncheon at 12.38pm and resumed the meeting at 1.15pm

Outstanding natural landscapes

It was reported that this is going well.

3.1.1 Grants from Rates Applications

Chair commented that the World Cup flags are going up shortly.

It was reported that there are 8 flags for Takaka and 4 for Collingwood that need to be put up. However, it was thought it is too windy in Collingwood and the flags may be damaged. As the Board is responsible for looking after them it is believed it is safer to put them all up in Takaka towards the end of the month.

Board member Gamby said that last year about half the fixtures on the posts were damaged by the wind.

There was discussion on the 'Flagmakers' system; it is very expensive to start, (\$18,000 to do them all at once) but makes erecting the flags easy and would pay in the long run.

It was agreed that Board member Gamby talks to Waitapu Engineering regarding the problem with the brackets.

Cr Bouillir left the meeting at this point, being 1.30pm.

**Moved Board members Brookes/Gamby
GB11/08/02**

THAT the Golden Bay Community Board makes application to Grants from Rates for the erection, removal, and maintenance of the festive banners for the CBD at holiday time and that this be divided in to two components:

- 1. The annual cost of putting up and taking down; and**
- 2. New fittings to improve the system over time.**

CARRIED

3.1.2 Motocross

**Moved Board members Gamby/Symmons
GB11/08/03**

THAT the tabled letters from Paddy Brennan and Karen and Russell Pringle, along with the tabled presentation from Shane Harwood be forwarded to Dennis Bush-King, with a copy to Adrian Humphries, (Regulatory Services Manager).

Further, that a letter be sent to Adrian Humphries to seek clarity on noise issues in relation to the enforcement policy and motocross and to ascertain why motocross is classed as an agriculture noise.

CARRIED

3.1.3 Old Library Site

It was agreed that the Golden Bay Community Board puts out a press release informing the community that the Board has met with Glenn Thorn and there was an over-whelming desire from the community to keep this as an space open and that the investigations regarding wooden playground equipment are continuing.

3.1.4 Congratulations to: Golden Bay Builders

**Moved Board members Symmons/Gamby
GB11/08/04**

THAT the Golden Bay Community Board writes to Steve Chamberlain and his team of builders congratulating them on their success in the Registered Master Builders' House of the Year and the Lifestyle Award Winner awards.

Further, the Board writes to Wayne Rothwell for his success in the Renovation Award category of the Registered Master Builders' House of the Year awards.

CARRIED

Golden Bay High School

The Chair pointed out that the celebrations are next year not this year as written in her report.

Cattle crossings

Following an enquiry regarding two cattle crossings, one on Hamama Road and one on West Road, Takaka Valley Highway, it was reported that the landowner on Hamama Road would like to work in with Fulton Hogan when the road is scheduled to be re-sealed to achieve a good surface. The matter was forwarded to the Transportation Manager, Gary Clark, and a response is awaited.

3.1.5 Fire Alarms

The Chair spoke to her report; she said most of the halls pay \$90 for fire alarm testing however the Bainham hall pays \$150. Collingwood Hall manages its own testing and Pakawau and Bainham would prefer to do this too to save money.

Moved Board members Gamby/Symmons GB11/08/05

THAT the Golden Bay Community Board works with Francie Wafer (Community Services Administrator) to find a more cost-effective way of managing the fire alarm testing of the halls.

CARRIED

3.1.6 Community Board Delegations

Moved Board members Symmons/Brookes GB11/08/06

THAT the attached delegations and governance document prepared by the Golden Bay Community Board, for Full Council meeting on 11 August 2011, be formally accepted by the Board and sent as a recommendation to Council.

CARRIED

The Chair raised points in the CEO's Report to Council on community board delegations:

It was agreed –

1. Delegations be reviewed each year, not every 6 months as one year allows a full cycle of Council planning;
2. Community Grants Funding – that this be taken out as it may disadvantage Golden Bay.

Mrs McLellan said she would speak to these and other items on the full Council meeting day – 11 August 2011.

3.2 Board member Symmon's Report - Local Government NZ Conference

This report was received earlier; he was thanked by the Chair for an excellent report.

Cr Bouillir returned at this point, being 2.15pm.

3.3 Transportation Manager's Report – Road Name Change : Pupu Valley Road and Pupu Springs Road

**Moved Board members Symmons/Brookes
GB11/08/07**

THAT the Golden Bay Community Board supports the name change *Pupu Valley Road and Pupu Springs Road* to *Te Waikoropupu Valley Road and Te Waikoropupu Springs Road* subject to consultation, and is happy to assist with consultation if required.

CARRIED

5 CORRESPONDENCE

5.1 Link to view Permit Applications : Ministry of Economic Development – Crown Minerals

**Moved Cr Bouillir/Board member Brookes
GB11/08/08**

THAT the Golden Bay Community Board receives the letter from the Ministry of Economic Development and responds with thanks for the link to the website to enable the viewing of applications.

CARRIED

5.2 Access to the Brown Hut end of Heaphy Track – Kevin Hague MP

**Moved Cr Bouillir/Board member Brookes
GB11/08/09**

THAT the Golden Bay Community Board receives the letter from Kevin Hague MP and thanks him for his interest in the matter of safe access to the Brown Hut end of the Heaphy Track.

CARRIED

5.3 Access to the Brown Hut end of Heaphy Track – Tourism Strategy Group

**Moved Cr Bouillir/Board member Brookes
GB11/08/10**

THAT the Golden Bay Community Board receives the letter from the Tourism

**Strategy Group and forwards a copy of the letter to the Department of Conservation and Tasman District Council for comment.
CARRIED**

5.4 Public Art Gallery for Golden Bay – Liz Smyth

**Moved Cr Bouillir/Board member Brookes
GB11/08/11**

**THAT the Golden Bay Community Board receives the letter from Liz Smyth regarding an art gallery for Golden Bay and advises her of current projects.
CARRIED**

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 2.30pm.

Date Confirmed:

Chair: