

MINUTES

TITLE: Golden Bay Community Board
DATE: 10 April 2012
TIME: 9.02 am
VENUE: Takaka Office, Commercial Street, Takaka
PRESENT: C McLellan (Chair), Board members K Brookes and M Symmons and Councillors M Bouillir and P Sangster

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

1. APOLOGIES

Moved Crs Sangster/Bouillir
GB12/04/01

**THAT the apology received from Board member Gamby be sustained.
CARRIED**

2. PUBLIC FORUM

Paddy Brennan – spoke about the ongoing issue regarding motocross noise. She said while the legal opinion is that motocross is not an agricultural activity and is to be treated as any other noise, they are not allowed to phone Compliance. Ms Brennan said the track is now to be used as a public track so the noise will continue. She said Council's Graham Caradus did a noise reading on 28 March 2012 and it was over the allowed 55dB and peaked at 71dB. She said the letter of 5 April 2012 from Warwick Heal advised that motocross is not a rural activity and motocross has never been lawful on that site. She tabled copies of documents: Mayor Kempthorne's report, a response to the Mayor's Report, a letter from Warwick Heal (Barrister), and asked for them to be forwarded to Mayor Kempthorne. A letter from Karen and Russell Pringle was also tabled with the request to be forwarded to the Mayor.

The Chair commented that there is to be a meeting of all parties to be held in the near future.

Reg Turner – spoke about his request for tourism destination signage for his Song of Tui Lodge. He said his application was turned down and he tabled a document giving reasons for his signage application not being granted. He said his is the only accommodation in the Aorere Valley at this time and he needs tourists to be able to find him at night; Transit signs are reflective and are visible at night.

He is asking for tourism signage just prior to White Bridge.

The Chair said the Board will look into the matter of signage.

Grant Knowles – spoke to tabled information regarding an Art Centre Proposal for Golden Bay. He considered an art centre could be a place for wide-ranging activities - where historic art pieces are bequeathed; workshop space for repairs; performance space for arts on tour and performances etc. and beneficial to have a building with acoustic integrity. Mr Knowles considered the Recreation Park proposal should go ahead but some money should be kept for the arts in town; he did not think his proposal would work in with the multi-purpose facility at the Recreation Park.

Lyn Udell - spoke in support of Mr Knowles; his proposal for an Art Centre in town was also supported by Jo-Anne Vaughan.

Peter Blasdale – spoke to the Art Centre Proposal (page 5); he said the multi-purpose facility group did not reply to the Arts Council, however all the points raised by them were discussed and minuted at the multi-purpose facility's meeting. They identified four spaces in the multi-purpose facility for music. He said they tried to include as much as possible of the Arts Council's requirements into the design plans but they had actually completed the public consultation.

Cr Sangster did not consider that arts and recreation should be together. He considered that the old library site could provide a building for the arts.

The Chair asked for confirmation that the insurance money from the old library is still available.

Alan Vaughan – spoke about aquaculture; he said new legislation now permits fin fish to be farmed in Golden Bay; NIWA has completed a study and reports are available. Mr Vaughan said there are three sites in the existing mussel farm sites that can be used for initial trials of fin fish farming; one is at Collingwood and the other two sites are in the outer ring road – 3 nautical miles off-shore. He said large spaces are not required.

The Chair asked if Mr Vaughan would make a presentation to the Board when all the information is to hand.

Mr Vaughan spoke about the Board's submission to the Long Term Plan and asked why the Board needed cordless phones and teleconferencing; the Chair explained that teleconferencing would cut down on the need to travel to Richmond and the convenience of being able to use a cordless phone.

Mr Vaughan expressed his concern about what he considered to be the Tasman District Council's anti-amalgamation flyer; he did not consider it gave both sides of the argument with regard to income from asset sharing and debt, and pointed out that a further six community boards *could* (*not* would) be established if the communities desired.

Penny Griffith – said she had received a favourable response from Ross Connochie (letter tabled) regarding her letter about insufficient 'Park 60' signage in Commercial Street, Takaka.

Ms Griffith considered the amalgamation flyer to be very biased; she said there was nothing in it about regional benefits or regional assets. She has written to the Local Government Commission, and others, asking for it to be investigated as the flyer may be undermining the amalgamation process. Ms Griffith said the flyer is not on Council's website.

Elizabeth Warren – commented that she had received pro-amalgamation material.

The Chair pointed out that both Councils are supposed to be neutral on the issue of amalgamation.

Ms Warren asked about the 'community' coffin; it was explained that the Golden Bay Community Workers administer the community coffin – it is not owned by Council.

Ms Warren said she is still worried about the effects of the flooding on her property at Rototai; the Minute Secretary was asked to see whether her service request had been put through to Recovery.

With regard to Port of Golden Bay, Ms Warren asked whether there will be a wet fish shop on site.

BJ White – commented that there are still no 'dogs on beaches' signs. He also asked about progress on Swiftsure Street access.

Mr Frater responded that he now has all the information required to complete the agreement to enable the land swap to go ahead for access on Swiftsure Street.

Mayor Kempthorne - responded to the public comments regarding the amalgamation flyer. He said it was designed to clarify key issues and to give further information to assist people in their voting and is to be read in conjunction with other available information. In response to questions, Mayor Kempthorne considered the flyer to be neutral; he said it was discussed informally with some councillors following an Environment & Planning Committee meeting on 29th March and discussions were not minuted. He said he had 'signed the flyer off'. Cr Bouillir said she was not present for the discussions.

3. PRESENTATIONS

3.1 Alan Kilgour (Manager Port of Golden Bay)

Alan Kilgour – updated the Board on the Port of Golden Bay; he said Easter weekend had been very busy – some visiting boats had to be turned away due to the lack of marina berths. He said while they can drop anchor in the port, they become a shipping problem; there is an anchorage at Tata Islands. The Port had also been busy with dolomite and rock shipments. Mr Kilgour reported that the sea shuttle service has now finished for the year; he does not believe it will restart as it cannot compete with buses once the Totaranui Road is repaired and open. Mr Kilgour said the Port is still experiencing water problems – the salt water pump broke down over the weekend and with no rain it is very dusty.

There was some discussion regarding having a wet fish shop at the Port and whether it would be viable; Mr Kilgour explained that a management plan is needed for the Port. With regard to a fresh water system, he explained that this is an ongoing matter between Port Tarakohe Limited and Council.

Mr Frater clarified that Council is trying to reduce the amount of ratepayer money being spent at the Port and that a wet fish shop may be only open for a few hours each day and a few days a week.

3.2 Giles Griffith (Transportation Assets Engineer) – Golden Bay Rivers

In response to a question from the Board, Mr Griffith said he would in time be taking over the position of Asset Engineer, Rivers.

Mr Griffith reported on the two Rivercare meetings that had been held in Golden Bay – one in Takaka and one in Collingwood. He said the Council's focus is now on the Aorere River with work going on now in the Upper Aorere. Mr Griffith spoke about the option of doing gravel relocation; resource consent is being applied for. This is a specific consent to move gravel within the river; hydraulic modelling is also being done. He explained that LIDAR was carried out just before the December 2010 flood event so they can have a 'before and after' picture; this work is being overseen by Phillip Drummond.

Mr Griffith said he is mainly doing river maintenance district-wide; this includes clearing of vegetation along the rivers, bitter willow layering for protection and preparing sites for planting of willow poles where erosion protection is required. Some native species are also used. He is also overseeing the crack willow management programme to eradicate this.

Mr Griffith spoke about aerial spraying of selected portions of the major rivers; this work requires resource consent, with Roundup being the herbicide used as it is less eco-toxic than a lot of other sprays.

In response to a comment from the Board that gravel management is an ongoing issue as people observe gravel building up and moving in the rivers, and there is a need for a global consent to respond modify some of the beaches to prevent flood damage, Mr Griffith said that this work is presently a Controlled Activity requiring resource consent, getting a global consent 'is a big ask'.

Mr Griffith responded to a question from the public regarding repairing and maintaining the groynes in the Aorere River; he explained that the groynes were put there to stop erosion.

With regard to spraying along rivers, Mr Griffith said water quality testing is carried out prior to the spraying, and again on the day the spraying is done. He said the technology for aerial spraying has improved making it much more accurate; there are a large number of conditions, but it is a non-notified activity. The intention always is to keep chemicals out of the waterways.

The Board asked whether Mr Griffith could be involved in the Takaka Inundation Study; they would like to take him on a tour around Golden Bay rivers.

The Board thanked him for his presentation.

The morning tea adjournment was taken between 10.36 and 10.56am.

3.3 Tasman Youth Council – Paul McConnachie (Community Recreation Officer)

Mr McConnachie explained that the aim of the Youth Council is to work in with other community groups; it was established in 1998 and there are four regional clusters with 28 members ranging in age from 14 – 17 years. Each cluster has a co-ordinator and the group decides which initiatives they want to be involved in; the groups provide a link between the young people in the community and the Council. Each February nominations are called for and they have an annual training hui. Jam Magazine is a great success – written by the youth for the youth – and is now on-line. Events include the Jam Show – a forum to promote topics for young people – also Youth Week (held in May) when youth is acknowledged and people are made aware of young people in the community. An events listing guide shows what there is to do and see over that week and also nominations of youth for their contributions to the community with an award evening and presentations.

Mr McConnachie reported that the Tasman Band tour is coming again this year; it comprises school bands that play three shows – the Golden Bay show is on 16th June 2012.

In response to a question from the Board, he said Shane Johnson is the cluster leader in Golden Bay with 6 – 8 youth in his cluster.

Mr McConnachie said they have about 80 nominations each year; while the number has started to drop, it is hoped that the awards will pick up the number again.

The Chair said the Board is happy to help in any way it can; Mr McConnachie said he would liaise with Cr Bouillir when events are planned.

3.4 Jim Frater (Manager Property Services)

3.4.1 Rainbow Valley Community – Public Walkway Proposal

Mr Frater gave a brief history of the process over the last few years, starting with a request to Council's Road Stopping Committee in 2008, and spoke to his tabled report.

Following lengthy discussions and questions from the Board, it was agreed that Mr Frater talks to a surveyor about the relevant matters, including reviewing where the riverbank is and the costs involved in carrying out the work.

Mr Frater said he would report back to the Board after reporting to Council in May.

3.4.2 CD Emergency Response

It was agreed that Mr Frater meets with the Board the following morning to discuss the matter of the civil defence emergency response in December 2011.

Mr Frater added that the public needs to understand that once a civil defence emergency is declared that the CD Controller takes complete charge; he likened this to a military style command operation.

3.4.3 Port of Golden Bay

Mr Frater reported that it is Council's intention to prepare a strategic plan for Tarakohe with the aim to reduce or eliminate the subsidy currently going in to the Port from the general rate. There has been one meeting with both Golden Bay councillors and the Board Chair present and Mr Frater will be reporting back to Council at the May meeting. Activities in the Bay that will make the Port profitable are being looked at, including marine farming, which is expected to expand; servicing of that industry will occur from Tarakohe. Recreational activities around the Port are also profitable with 65 marina berths and up to 20 moorings. Mr Frater explained there are also zoning issues – the current zoning is Light Industrial and Open Space and commercial ventures do not fit either. Council also needs to work in with Port Tarakohe Limited. Roading access is crucial; if marine interests increase, there will also be an increase in truck movements. He said the Board is now involved and Council has the will to work towards a solution that will be acceptable to everyone.

It was agreed that fresh water for the Port is a crucial issue.

In response to a question about when the strategic plan is to be done, Mayor Kempthorne said the matter is presently with Council's Environment & Planning Manager, Dennis Bush-King. He agreed that the matter is urgent and the plan is to be done in-house.

The Board thanked Mr Frater.

4. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

4.1 Minutes of the Golden Bay Community Board held on 13 March 2012

**Moved Crs Sangster/Bouillir
GB12/04/02**

THAT the minutes of the meeting of the Golden Bay Community Board held on 13 March 2012 (containing resolutions GB12/03/01 – GB12/03/18) be confirmed as a true and correct record.

CARRIED

5. REPORTS

5.1 Chair's Report

The Chair spoke to her report.

5.1.1 Amalgamation Meeting

The Chair asked Mr Kennedy for a breakdown in costs for the amalgamation publications.

5.1.2 Takaka Aerodrome Report

**Moved Crs Bouillir/Sangster
GB12/04/03**

**THAT any Golden Bay Community Board member be able to attend the Takaka Aerodrome Committee meetings in addition to Councillor Sangster, however, if Cr Sangster is unable to attend he will notify the Board to ensure that the Tasman District Council/Community Board is represented.
CARRIED**

5.1.3 Rates Remission for Land Affected by Flood

Mayor Kempthorne said this matter has gone back to staff for the report to be reworded.

5.1.4 Port Tarakohe Limited and the Big Burn

The Board was grateful to Port Tarakohe for the information provided and agreed that Port Tarakohe Limited had provided a very valuable service to the community.

5.1.5 Golden Bay Community Centre Driveway

**Moved Cr Bouillir/Board member Brookes
GB12/04/04**

THAT the Golden Bay Community Board writes to Steve Elkington (Transportation Projects Engineer) thanking him for his speedy action in making changes to the parking on Commercial Street to allow visibility when exiting the Community Centre driveway.

Further,

**The Board requests that in the meantime, until road marking is carried out, whether there some way that parking can be prohibited in the two spaces to be removed.
CARRIED**

5.1.6 Pupu Springs Road – Proposal to Change the Name

The Chair commented that consultation with Manawhenua Ki Mohua has now been completed.

Moved Cr Sangster/Board member Symmons
GB12/04/05

THAT the Golden Bay Community Board after consultation with Manawhenua ki Mohua and with the residents of Pupu Springs Road recommends to Engineering Services that the name "Pupu Springs Road" remains unchanged.
CARRIED

Moved Board member Brookes/Cr Bouillir
GB12/04/06

THAT the Golden Bay Community Board writes to Tasman District Council requesting that all the relevant destination blades be changed to "Te Waikoropupu Springs."
CARRIED

5.1.7 Mayoral Disaster Fund

Mayor Kempthorne reported that approval by Nelson City Mayor and the trustees had been given for \$1000 to be allocated to the Golden Bay Community Workers and the balance to be given to the Salvation Army and the Food Bank group.

The Chair said the Board was very appreciative of that excellent result.

5.1.8 Dogs in Takaka CBD

The Chair explained that the survey had been presented to the Golden Bay Community Board in December then the weather had intervened resulting in a Civil Defence Emergency being declared. It was reported that due to the survey response Council's Regulatory Services Manager (Adrian Humphries) and Administration Officer - Animal Control (Ross Connachie) consider the Bylaw be reviewed with an addition to allow dogs on leashes in the Takaka CBD.

Moved Cr Bouillir/Board member Brookes
GB12/04/07

THAT the Golden Bay Community Board writes to the petition organisers to advise them of the Bylaw Review/amendment process.
CARRIED

5.1.9 ANZAC Day – 25 April 2012

Moved Cr Bouillir/Board member Brookes
GB12/04/08

THAT the Golden Bay Community Board appoints Cr Sangster to represent the Tasman District Council at the Takaka ANZAC Day service, and Board Chair McLellan to represent Council at the Collingwood Service.
CARRIED

5.1.10 Golden Bay Returned Services Association

Cr Sangster reported that Council owns half the accessway from Commercial Street into the Library carpark, and Brent and Kathy Page own the other half. He said they are happy to have the accessway named and it will give them an actual address.

There was further discussion around the suggestion that 'war' be inserted in the Library name, however it was reported that the original sign that was used on the old library did not have 'war' in the title. It was also agreed it would be expensive to have new signage made.

**Moved Cr Sangster/Board member Symmons
GB12/04/09**

THAT the Golden Bay Community Board writes to the Golden Bay RSA to say the Board is happy with the suggested "Gallipoli Lane", or other appropriate suggestion, to come back to the Board for approval. The carpark is already named as the Library Carpark and cannot be changed and that the Board does not agree to the suggestion of adding the word 'war' into the library name due to the expense.

CARRIED

5.1.11 Rockland Road Weedbusters

**Moved Cr Bouillir/Board member Symmons
GB12/04/10**

THAT the Golden Bay Community Board writes to Jeff Cuthbertson (Engineering Services Utilities Asset Manager) thanking him for agreeing to work with Weedbusters in the Pohara Water Supply reserve.

CARRIED

5.1.12 Takaka Service Centre IT Upgrade

**Moved Crs Sangster/Bouillir
GB12/04/11**

THAT the Golden Bay Community Board asks Council to consider addressing the following points for upgrades at the Takaka Service Centre:

- **Electronic upgrade to accommodate powerpoint and data projector presentations;**
- **Wireless internet available throughout the service centre;**
- **Handheld phones; and**
- **Video conferencing facilities.**

CARRIED

5.2 Cr Sangster's Report

Cr Sangster spoke to his report.

5.2.1 Riverworks Bainham

Cr Sangster reported that Council's Giles Griffith is not going to remove all the rockwork structures; he will only repair the ones that were undermined; out of the nine structures, two have collapsed.

5.2.2 Tourism Signage

It was agreed that Crs Bouillir and Sangster and the Board Chair meet with the relevant staff member to discuss the signage issue raised by Mr Reg Turner.

The Chair reported that she had spoken with Council's Steve Elkington and Mr Turner is able to have a sign at the junction of MacKays Pass Road and the Collingwood-Bainham Road if he wishes.

5.2.3 Takaka Flooding

The presentation to Council which was in committee will be brought to Golden Bay for the Community Board. There may be some alterations following the presentation to Council.

5.2.4 Flooding In Selwyn Street

Mr Kennedy suggested that Cr Sangster speaks to Glenn Stevens (Recovery Team) regarding his suggestions about the Ellis Creek drain.

5.3 Executive Officer – Strategic Development, Sandra Hartley : Elected Members' Remuneration

**Moved Cr Sangster/Board member Brookes
GB12/04/12**

**THAT the Golden Bay Community Board recommends that Model "G" formula
be used to calculate the salaries from the 2012/2013 Remuneration Pool.
CARRIED**

**Moved Crs Bouillir/Sangster
GB12/04/13**

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

6. CORRESPONDENCE

6.1 Takaka ANZAC Day Civic Service – 25th April 2012 – Golden Bay

RSA : Service and attendance and laying of Wreath

This item was dealt with during the Chair's Report.

6.2 Request for Naming of a Laneway in Takaka township and other Matters – Golden Bay Returned and Services Association

**Moved Crs Bouillir/Sangster
GB12/04/14**

**THAT members of the Golden Bay Community Board meet with the Golden Bay RSA regarding the siting of the plaques.
CARRIED**

6.3 Application to Quarry for Soapstone in Conservation Parkland in the Cobb Valley – Media Statement by Department of Conservation

6.4 Project 3 – Pohara : Rockland Road Weedbusters

These items were received earlier in the meeting.

6.5 Old Golden Bay County Council Table – Collingwood Museum Society Inc

It was agreed that the old County Council table be brought to the Takaka meeting room for the Board to make a decision on which table will remain at the service centre.

6.6 Puppu Valley Road Name – Gwen Ball

**Moved Board member Brookes/Cr Sangster
GB12/04/15**

**THAT the Golden Bay Community Board advises Mrs Ball of its recommendation to Engineering Services that the Puppu Valley Road name remains unchanged.
CARRIED**

6.7 Puppu Springs Road Name – J Balck, T Balck, G Balck, M Balck, B Page, K Page, J Pearson, D Thomason, G Wilson and Dr E Bierdumpe : Requesting that the Puppu Springs Road name remains unchanged

**Moved Cr Sangster/Board member Brookes
GB12/04/16**

**THAT the Golden Bay Community Board advises the correspondents of the Board's recommendation to Engineering Services that the Puppu Springs Road name remains unchanged.
CARRIED**

- 6.8 **Tasman District Council Community Development Fund –
Community and Recreation Advisor**
- 6.9 **List-serve for Community Boards – Jan Lang (LGOL) and Mariska
Wouters (LGNZ)**

These two items were received earlier.

7. OTHER

7.1 Draft Proposal Takaka BMX Track

Board member Symmons reported that Helping Hands have drawn up a plan to apply for funding to Fonterra's Grass Roots Fund to progress this project.

**Moved Board member McLellan/Cr Bouillir
GB12/04/17**

**THAT the Golden Bay Community Board writes to Helping Hands in support of
their application to the Fonterra Grass Roots Fund, to progress the Takaka
BMX Track project.**

CARRIED

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 1.29pm.

Date Confirmed:

Chair: