

# REPORT

**TO:** Motueka Community Board Members  
**FROM:** David Ogilvie, Chair  
**DATE:** 3 October 2008

**SUBJECT:** Report to meeting of 14 October 2008

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## **1 Long Term Council Community Plan (LTCCP)**

The Board met with Paul Wylie, Susan Edwards, Sandra Hartley and the Motueka Ward Councillors for a power-point presentation on the objectives of the LTCCP, on 15 September 2008.

The Board presented some ideas and notes and have met on three occasions since to expand and detail the submission for Council's consideration, prior to a draft LTCCP being published.

This submission will be tabled at the 14 October 2008 meeting.

## **2 Our Town Motueka and Tasman Bay Promotions Proposed Merger**

These two community associations have made positive progress in their proposed merger, although further meetings are required to satisfy the constitutional requirements of each. Howie Timms and John Murphy (Chairman and Deputy Chairman respectively) have completed a huge task in presenting a new Constitution, a realistic budget, and establishing some broad objectives for the merged group. The final meetings (subject to quorums) are scheduled for 23 October 2008.

## **3 Public Consultation**

- a) The Board was appreciative of the presentation by Joseph Thomas and Mary-Anne Baker of the Council's Water Allocation Review, at the conclusion of its September 2008 meeting. Further meetings at Riwaka and in Motueka have been noted – after which the Board will prepare a report for consideration by the Environment and Planning Department.
- b) Similarly, the meeting over the LTCCP was very worthwhile, indicating a considerable degree of agreement for Motueka on objectives, issues and projects.
- c) The Guardian (1 October 2008) contained a Ward Councillors article and notice of a public meeting.

These are positive responses to request for consultation and information-sharing for our residents/ratepayers in Motueka. It is always likely that only a few people will go to meetings, or make submissions, but this sometimes disappointing response should act as a spur and not a deterrent.

## **4 Projects**

The unusual weather has delayed the completion of some Engineering projects;

The Queen Victoria Street/Moutere Highway shared pathway/walkway is virtually complete. (I recall Richard Horrell, a previous Community Board Chair, pressing vigorously for this in the early 1990s!! "Good things take time").

The King Edward Street project also is almost finished, then the northern berm widening can be considered.

The water main in Woodlands Avenue – Whakarewa Street is making good progress.

Two months after the completion of the Wastewater Pipeline project in Tudor Street, Goodman Drive, Ledger Avenue, the streets (particularly Tudor Street) remain in poor condition. The Fulton Hogan equipment (digger and loader tracks) impacted and Tudor Street needs a resurface.

### **Suggested Recommendation:**

That the Motueka Community Board write to the Engineering Services Manager requesting that:

- a) Tudor Street be resealed (from High Street to Thorp Street) as part of the 2008/2009 programme;
- b) Goodman Drive and Ledger Avenue be considered for resealing in the 2009/2010 programme.

## **5 Meeting with Mayor Richard Kempthorne**

The Mayor and I had a luncheon meeting on 23 September 2008, resulting from the Community Board's September 2008 monthly meeting. It was a frank (but amicable) discussion with the Mayor seeking some meeting procedure changes and myself asking for a higher priority for Motueka issues at Council level. (The report I gave to the Mayor is attached).

I believe that improved consultation with the Motueka community will occur as a result of the September 2008 meeting. The Mayor's view is that the Board's responsibility is "advocacy" and I assured him we would continue to advocate strongly for Motueka interests.

The meeting ended on a very happy note when we visited Mrs Merle Harvey, Motueka's latest centenarian, at Woodland's Rest Home.

## **6 Annual Plan Submission**

The Community Board's submission to the Annual Plan (2009 – 2010) needs to be received by the Council by the end of November 2008.

Meetings on 20 October 2008 and 3 November 2008 are suggested and issues from various community groups will also need to be added.

## **7 TDC Survey**

At our last meeting we were told that the TDC survey results would be out in September 2008, but since then nothing has been heard.

Mr Staite advises that Council has received the results and is currently reviewing the information contained therein.

## **8 Motueka Library Sign**

Motueka Community Board worked to get a library sign painted on the side of the Motueka Library, but now attempts to have a Te Reo Maori translation painted alongside this sign, by way of service requests, have been unsuccessful.

## **9 TDC Annual Plan**

People have been asking what changes have occurred from the draft annual plan to the final annual plan and it is suggested that in future years Council itemise changes from its draft annual plan to its final annual plan. These changes could be included in the final annual plan itself.

## **10 Domestic Water**

As mentioned, the Board was appreciative of the presentation by the Environment and Planning Committee of the Water Allocation Review for Motueka, after the 9 September 2008 Board meeting. Because of the LTCCP meetings, it hasn't been practical to schedule a discussion on the proposed reviews, Monday 20 October 2008 is suggested. (Joseph Thomas has indicated that he could attend, if that would be helpful).

The financial statement for the Motueka Water Account (2007 – 2008) highlighted an issue where the balance of the account grew to over \$484,000 as a result of the delay in progressing the Woodlands Avenue water main. Firewells maintenance is included in reticulation maintenance.

The Woodlands Avenue water main is progressing well with completion due by the end of October 2008. It has been extended across High Street, along Whakarewa Street to Motueka High School – which I consider is a very good and timely extension.

It would be worthwhile to write to all ratepayers along this water main, suggesting they could connect and informing them of the costs involved. In addition to private property owners/ratepayers, there are Ministry of Housing properties, a Church/School, Woodlands Rest Home, commercial properties and Motueka High School – any of whom could utilise the opportunity to connect.

Jeff Cuthbertson advised that ratepayers will be written to about this work.

David Ogilvie  
Chair  
Motueka Community Board

## Summary of Meetings – September 2008

Date	Meeting
1	<p>Motueka High School “Community Issues” presentation by Latisha Bruning and Simon Dyson (Mr Bruce Reid, teacher) of their class survey on Motueka attitudes to services provided by TDC, compared with Richmond</p> <p>Motueka Library “new look”. Extra floor area, revised layout</p>
2	<p>Our Town Motueka. Further discussion on the structure/constitution/finances of the proposed merger with Tasman Bay Promotions. Brief report on the OTM survey regarding planning issues.</p>
8	<p>Motueka and District Museum Trust Board meeting and AGM.</p>
9	<p>Motueka Community Board, monthly meeting.</p> <p>TDC’s Environment and Planning Committee presentation of the proposed Water Allocation Review for Motueka.</p>
13 and 27	<p>Tree planting (with Tara Forde) at Raumanukas, in association with Royal Forest and Bird (Motueka) and the Department of Conservation. Over 2,500 trees, shrubs and grasses were planted over three Saturdays between 10.00 am and 2.00 pm.</p>
14	<p>Motueka Junior Football Association prize giving at Motueka High School. Wide range of awards for 7 years to 18 years – Stefan van Workum as Club Player of the Year.</p>
15	<p>Meeting on Long Term Council Community Plan. (Paul Wylie, Susan Edwards, Sandra Hartley, Motueka Ward Councillors, Community Board Members). Power point presentation by TDC followed by discussion.</p>
16	<p>Community Board (informal) meeting to discuss various issues, including LTCCP, Annual Plan, Vehicle mileage, Golden Bay Community Board meeting etc.</p>
22 and 29	<p>Community Board (informal) meeting to discuss the submissions to the LTCCP – due on 17 October 2008.</p>
23	<p>Luncheon with Mayor Richard Kempthorne resulting from 9 September 2008 Board meeting. Discussion around meeting procedures and TDC – Motueka projects.</p> <p>Meet (with the Mayor), Merle Harvey at Woodlands Rest Home. Merle had her 100<sup>th</sup> birthday on Sunday 21 September 2008.</p> <p>Our Town Motueka and Tasman Bay Promotions merger meetings and respective AGMs. These proceeded smoothly with further meetings constitutionally required to effect the merger.</p>
25	<p>Riwaka zone meeting of the Water Allocation Review. Presentation by Joseph Thomas, Roger Young and Mary-Anne Baker.</p>
26	<p>Moeke Paaka presentation at Motueka High School. This was an impressive and uplifting ceremony for Moeke being awarded the National Excellence in Teaching trophy.</p>