

I hereby give notice that an ordinary meeting of the Community Development Committee will be held on:

**Date:** Thursday 3 November 2016  
**Time:** 9.30 am  
**Meeting Room:** Tasman Council Chamber  
**Venue:** 189 Queen Street  
Richmond

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## Community Development Committee

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## 9.1 CHAIR'S REPORT

**Information Only - No Decision Required**

<b>Report To:</b>	Community Development Committee
<b>Meeting Date:</b>	3 November 2016
<b>Report Author:</b>	Peter Canton, Chair, Community Development
<b>Report Number:</b>	RCD16-11-05

### 1 Summary

1.1 This report contains the Community Development Chair's regular meeting report.

### 2 Draft Resolution

**That the Community Development Committee receives the Chair's Report RCD16-11-05**

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**CHAIR'S REPORT****3 Welcome**

- 3.1 Welcome to the first Community Development Committee meeting of the triennium.
- 3.2 I am honoured to have been asked to stand as Chair. The boots I/we need to fill are huge and I would once again like to express my appreciation, gratitude and admiration on what Judene and Martine delivered to Community Development in the last term.
- 3.3 Firstly, I would like to say a big welcome to all the new councillors. It was great to see you all putting your hand up to serve the community. With that enthusiasm I know it's going to be a great three years ahead. A warm welcome back to the oldies as well.
- 3.4 I would also like to reiterate the gratitude that Judene expressed to Susan, Tara and all the Community Development crew. Your commitment is unquestionable.
- 3.5 A great welcome to Dana as Deputy Chair - reading her election profile I know I will have to be on my game.

**4 Takaka Community Recreation Facility and Halls**

- 4.1 Over the last week I attended the installation of both community boards and whilst in Takaka visited the new community recreation facility building. Even though it was surrounded by safety fence and scrim, what a magnificent building. Please whenever you are over there pop in and have a look.
- 4.2 On the way home we decided to take the back road and saw for the first time the East Takaka hall and just down the road the cemetery. What a hidden gem. Over the next few months I am going to endeavour to visit all halls in our district.

**5 Council Appointments**

- 5.1 A particular item of note in Judene's last Chair's report is something that I think we should take serious consideration of and that is our participation of Council appointments. I have attached information from the last report referring to this.
- 5.2 Once again a big welcome to the new triennium of Community Development. Together we can make this great District the envy of New Zealand.
- 5.3 Councillors are invited to provide any updates of interest or raise any other matters.

**6 Attachments**

1. Information about Councillor Appointments from Chair's 25 August 2016 Report

## 1 Councillor Appointments

- 1.1 In the past Council appointed councillors (and the community boards appoint members) to community organisations and Trusts, however it is no longer Council's practice to do so. After each triennial election Council appoints people as non-voting liaison representatives to a range of community organisations and Trusts, but does not appoint them as Board members or Trustees. This provides the organisation with a conduit to Council. This applies to councillors and community board members.
- 1.2 There are a range of reasons for Council taking this approach. A key one is that if a councillor or community board member is a member of a Board or Trust then they have a conflict of interest when matters pertaining to that organisation are considered by Council. Whereas, if a member is appointed in a liaison role, they do not have such a conflict. This can be advantageous to both the organisation and to Council when discussing matters relating to that organisation, as the Councillor can often provide insight and relevant information to assist the discussion.
- 1.3 Another important consideration is one for elected representatives, and that is of liability. Choosing to be a committee member or trustee is your personal choice, but with that comes all of the full liabilities and responsibilities of that organisation. There are no special protections as a councillor/community board member including those pertaining to health and safety or financial misdoings.
- 1.4 If councillors or community board members are, by their own choice, a member of a community organisation, board or Trust, then they need to declare this as part of the register of interests and at any meeting that the organisation is under discussion remove themselves from taking part in the discussion. If it is a confidential item pertaining to the organisation then they must also leave the chambers/meeting room.