
Foxton Community Board

OPEN MINUTES

Minutes of a meeting of the Foxton Community Board held in the Manawatu College Library, Ladys Mile, Foxton, on Monday 18 April 2016 at 6.30 pm.

PRESENT

Chairperson Ms J Smart
Deputy Chairperson Mr D J Roache
Members Cr R J Brannigan
Ms P R Metcalf
Mrs A Street
Mr B P Vertongen

IN ATTENDANCE

Mr D M Clapperton (Chief Executive)
Mrs K J Corkill (Meeting Secretary)

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE

His Worship the Mayor, B J Duffy

PUBLIC IN ATTENDANCE

There were three members of the public in attendance.

1 Apologies

There were no apologies.

2 Public Speaking Rights

None requested.

3 Late Items

Mr Roache tabled a letter and photographs he had received in March 2016 from the Manawatu Caravan Club Inc requesting that Council urgently look at clearing the creek which ran along the front of the Camp as it was believed this posed a danger to young children because it was very overgrown.

Mr Roache requested that the Chief Executive pass this on to the appropriate Council officers for a response.

NOTED

4 Declaration of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

5 Confirmation of Minutes – 21 March 2016

MOVED by Mr Roache, seconded Ms Metcalf:

THAT the minutes of the meeting of the Foxton Community Board held on Monday, 21 March 2016, be confirmed as a true and correct record.

CARRIED

6 Matters Arising

Mr Roache again raised the issue of the lighting of the Water Tower, with Mr Clapperton reiterating that the Community Board, or possibly Rotary, needed to write to him setting out the current situation, what they would like to see, and estimated cost.

Ms Smart commented on the delay that had been experienced with the current stage, with there being connection issues which Council staff were endeavouring to address.

7 Leave of Absence

None requested.

8 Announcements

Ms Smart tabled a letter from the residents of Oxnam Place which expressed the residents' delight at the building progress being made in the subdivision and requesting consideration be given to a beautification programme to assist with developing and enhancing the area.

Board members discussed the possibility, which included:

- this proposal would not come under the Reserves Project in its purest form;
- as the verge was only one metre wide that would not be suitable, but there was 3½ metres between the footpath and the property boundary which may be suitable;

- the size and species of plant would need to be carefully considered as well as a cohesive planting plan;
- using Freeholding Funds may not be appropriate for such a project as it may raise expectations for other streets/areas at the Beach;
- the residents could possibly be prepared to fund the plants themselves.

MOVED by Mr Roache, seconded Ms Metcalf:

THAT a site meeting be arranged, to include Council's Property & Parks Manager, interested residents from Oxnam Place and Foxton Community Board members, to discuss progressing a beautification programme in the Forbes Road Subdivision.

CARRIED

Whilst appreciating the motivation behind the suggestion from the Oxnam Place residents, Mr Clapperton suggested any site meeting should not be rushed. The group needed to be provided with the right information. One thing Council was trying to do with Reserve development was to make it consistent so there was an entire long term theme created for places such as the Beach. He suggested Council's Urban Designer, Anna Wood, would also be a good person to be included in any discussion. Whilst it would be great for the neighbourhood to get together, what was proposed needed to be in keeping with the long term vision for the area.

9 Reports

9.1 Monitoring Report to 18 April 2016

Purpose

To present to Foxton Community Board the updated monitoring report covering requested actions from previous meetings of the Community Board.

MOVED by Mr Roache, seconded Cr Brannigan:

THAT Report 16/137 Monitoring Report to 18 April 2016 be received.

THAT this matter or decision be recognised as not significant in terms of s76 of the Local Government Act 2002.

CARRIED

Page 9 14/32 – Sand Dune Management – Surf Club Car Park

Cr Brannigan said he had had a meeting at the Surf Club. Concerns had been raised that the space at the front of the building was becoming narrower and narrower and it was requested that that be cleared.

Mr Clapperton NOTED that for a response to the next Community Board meeting.

Ms Metcalf raised a concern in relation to a big drop where the sand went down to the beach, with Cr Brannigan saying that was a regular occurrence due to high tides and rain, with contractors regularly making repairs.

14/674 - Target Reserve Strategic Plan

With regard to the Pistol Club, Mr Clapperton noted that, with the current lease expiring in 2020, long term issues were currently being looked at. The Pistol Club was very conscious of feedback from within the community and wanted to have something in place that was sustainable for the community and for the Club.

With regard to concerns that had been raised at the last Board meeting in relation to the Pistol Club, Cr Brannigan reported he had met with the couple who had been appointed as spokespeople for the Reserve's

neighbours. They had received no contact from any of the neighbours with regard to noise and all they had heard was 'popping'. Whilst it would be great if the Pistol Club could be moved further away within the Reserve, the Club and the 'horse people' should be able to co-exist. The Pistol Club members were very approachable and if they were advised of any scheduled equestrian events, they would be happy to suspend Club activities. Any lapse in communication was not on the part of the Pistol Club.

Mr Vertongen again raised the Target Reserve entrance (or lack thereof), with Mr Clapperton saying that while it had been put on hold awaiting development of the Reserve's Strategic Plan, he would raise it with Mr Nelson.

Page 10 16/13 – Forbes Road\

This matter was still to be progressed with Officers' focus having been on the Review of Community Housing which had gone to Council last week. Council's decision had been for RFPs to be sought from parties interested in purchasing Council's community housing stock.

Page 11 16/16 – Kings Canal and Purcell Street Stormwater Catchment

Mr Clapperton advised that Council and the Community Board submitted to the HRC 2016/17 Annual Plan supporting the review of the Kings Canal and Purcell Street stormwater catchment. There was the opportunity for Council and Community Board Members to speak in support of the submission with the hearing scheduled for 28 April.

Mr Vertongen requested an update on what was happening at Whirikino, with Mr Clapperton saying he would give an update in his next CE's report. NZTA was talking about installing signage to advise what was happening.

With regard to the Whirikino Trestle, Mr Roache said he had been approached by a group who wanted to keep it as an historic bridge, perhaps being part of the walkways network, and they would appreciate Council facilitating a discussion with NZTA.

9.2 Chief Executive's Report to 18 April 2016

Purpose

To present to the Foxton Community Board, for information, issues relating to the Foxton Community Board area.

MOVED by Cr Brannigan, seconded Mrs Street:

THAT Report 16/138 Chief Executive's Report to 18 April 2016 be received.

THAT this matter or decision be recognised as not significant in terms of s76 of the Local Government Act 2002.

CARRIED

3.1 Creative Communities Project

After some discussion in relation to the possible bird types (with Kingfisher, Fantail and Tui being suggested as these were birds that were being seen in more quantities) and location of the finished artworks, it was AGREED that Ms Smart and Ms Metcalf would discuss the proposal with the Manawatu Estuary Trust before progressing further. It may also be useful for them to have discussions with Mr Gardiner

3.2 Foxton Beach Freeholding Account

Mr Clapperton noted that projections had been updated as there were a number of unconditional sales to occur by the end of June. Responding to a query with regard to the payment of Development Contributions, Mr Clapperton advised they were paid on the sale of the land rather than on subdivision. He would also advise Members of the number of sections still for sale in the subdivision.

9.3 Planning Services Matters Considered Under Delegated Authority

Purpose

To present details of decisions made under delegated authority in respect of Planning Services Matters.

MOVED by Cr Brannigan, seconded Mrs Street:

THAT Report 16/139 Planning Services Matters Considered Under Delegated Authority be received.

THAT this matter or decision be recognised as not significant in terms of s76 of the Local Government Act 2002.

THAT the matters decided under delegated authority (s104 of the Resource Management Act) as listed, be received:

Foxton Land Use Resource Consents Granted Under Delegated Authority

09/03/16 to 04/04/16

Date	File Ref	Applicant	Address
15 Mar16	501/2016/3730	Josien Reinalda	36 Edinburgh Terrace, Foxton Beach
16 Mar16	501/2016/3735	Jennian Homes Manawatu	21 Forbes Road, Foxton Beach

CARRIED

7.07 pm

There being no further business, the Chairperson declared the meeting closed.

CONFIRMED AS A TRUE AND CORRECT RECORD
AT A MEETING OF THE FOXTON COMMUNITY
BOARD HELD ON

DATE:.....

CHAIRPERSON:.....