

MACKENZIE DISTRICT COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE FAIRLIE COMMUNITY BOARD HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, FAIRLIE, ON WEDNESDAY 28 AUGUST 2013 AT 7.00PM

PRESENT:

Owen Hunter (Chairman)
Cr Graeme Page
Les Blacklock
Trish Willis

IN ATTENDANCE:

Wayne Barnett (Chief Executive Officer)
Garth Nixon (Manager Community Facilities)
Paul Morris (Manager Finance and Administration)
Julie Hadfield (Executive Support) left at 8:42pm
Keri-Ann Little (Committee Clerk)

I APOLOGY:

Resolved that an apology be received from Ron Joll

Les Blacklock/Graeme Page

II DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

There were no declarations of interest.

III MINUTES:

Resolved that the minutes of the meetings of the Fairlie Community Board held on 17 July 2013 be confirmed and adopted as the correct record of the meeting. Slight changes alerted to Committee Clerk by Miss Willis previously to complete (page 4,5,6 – objection to be noted of Miss Willis in 5th paragraph:

Miss Willis does not agree with the opinion of Mr Nixon's stating the pool is covered and therefore less people visit due to that.

Graeme Page/Les Blacklock

MATTERS ARISING:

CHAIRMAN

Fairlie Western Catchments Project

Asset Manager – Bernie Haar will liaise with Chairman Owen Hunter to confirm a date for a Public Consultation Meeting. It was noted that Cr Page will be unavailable from the 4th of May and is requested that the meeting date reflect this. The Asset Manager will also organise a refresher session for existing Community Board members and Council Staff as well as an informative session for new Community Board Members. The Asset Manager said this will be achieved with the aid of a PowerPoint presentation. No date been set yet for a public meeting.

Cr Page said 4th of May has been and gone, if we want a meeting before elections we need to set a meeting. The Chairman said they will set a date for a public meeting at the end of this meeting.

Allandale Bridge – Walkway

Bernie Haar – Asset Manager with Suzy Ratahi, Roading Manager met with NZTA in February regarding the Allandale Bridge Walkway and the response given was that there would need to be more incidents of close accidents and more use of the side of the bridge by residents. *Miss Willis asked could there be a system so that the Board knows about any incidences so that Council can report to NZTA or whoever. Miss Willis suggested a reporting system is made available for the community to use so that Council can accumulate a record of any incidents.*

Resolved:

1. that an article be published in the Accessible asking the community to supply incidences regarding the Allandale Bridge Walkway.
2. that a database is compiled by the Enhancement Board of incidences and reported back to the Community Board.

Owen Hunter/ Graeme Page

COMMUNITY FACILITIES MANAGER

SH 79 Approach to Fairlie – Signage

Mr Nixon has had discussions with RTL – it needs to be a bit more permanent as when you print the sign it is going to cost each time to print it. Fairlie Promotions has the money to have it printed. Still need to come up with a picture thinks it should be Fairlie Promotions to come up with that. Miss Willis would like to see a recommendation from the Community Board as to what will be on it. The Chairman said that had been done already. Miss Willis pointed out that signage is very important as it came through those discussions last year for promoting the area. Mr Nixon says there have been some options of photos. He has been dealing with A Grey (Fairlie Promotions) along with Mr Joll and Maria Prince who were tasked to come up with an idea but as yet, not has put anything forward. Miss Willis said it needs to be resourced properly as it is very important to get it right. Mr Nixon said they have a theme idea but haven't come up with a final idea. Miss Willis would like to see a range of ideas and use a body that is experienced in promotion – CCT, ADBT etc The Chairman stated that NZTA has to approve the sign – they have approved the concept of a sign but have rules about size of words etc. Fairlie Promotions needs to come up with ideas for the Community Board to approve and then to approach NZTA. Cr Page suggested using the Fairlie Photographic Society to come up with ideas. The sign will be changed periodically and will not be used as a branding. Miss Willis asked if the CEO could run it past CCT to get an opinion of what they think it's appropriate for what is wanting to be achieved. CEO said yes he could do that.

Moreh Home Trust Board – Excess Water Rates

This is an agenda item at tonight's meeting.

Planter Boxes:

Mr Nixon raised planter boxes – enquiry from the museum wondering if they could use some of them to pretty up their entrance way. Mr Nixon felt that if the Community Board agreed, giving them to the museum rather than sell them – 8 or so. To be discussed later this meeting.

IV GENERAL BUSINESS:

1. APPLICATION FOR GRANT FROM MACKENZIE SCHOOL'S SCIENCE FAIR:

The report from the Chairman is a request for sponsorship by the Mackenzie School's Science Fair, which was held in the Fairlie Community Centre on 20 and 21 August 2013, and are hoping as with last time, the Community Board are able to offer sponsorship as a monetary donation for the Science Fair (to cover costs of hiring the Stadium.

Kitchen use (zip and cup of tea facilities only) @ \$7.50 a day for 2 days	\$15.00
Stadium hire for Tuesday 20 August @ \$19.00 an hour for 6 hours	\$114.00
Stadium hire for Wednesday 21 August @ \$19.00 an hour for 4 hours	\$76.00
Heating the Stadium @ \$15.30 a unit with 6.09 units used	\$93.20
Total cost	\$298.20

The Board agreed that this is a Council issue as it relates to the District as a whole not just Fairlie; the Community Board receives it and always passes it to Council to decide.

Resolved:

1. That the report be received; and
2. That the Community Board passes the request to the Council, supported by the Community Board.

Owen Hunter/ Les Blacklock

2. RECOMMENDATION FOR PEDESTRIAN SAFETY ON ALLANDALE BRIDGE:

This report from Community Board member Trish Willis was accompanied by a memo outlining Ms Willis recommendations regarding pedestrian safety on the Allandale Bridge.

Resolved:

1. That the report be received

Les Blacklock/ Owen Hunter

The CEO suggested that after the election with the new Community Board, discuss the ins and outs to what can and cannot be done.

Miss Willis said it would be good to try and do something like 'slow down on the bridge'.

The Chairman stated that we do not have control of the bridge as it is NZTA's ground.

Cr Page agreed that the 50km/h sign be taken back over the other side of the bridge might be a possibility.

Resolved: that a letter to G Patterson to suggest that the 50km/h sign be moved back from the bridge to enhance the safety of the bridge, maybe back to Foxview Road

Trish Willis/Graeme Page

Enhancement Board are happy to be the central collection point for issues.

Miss Willis asked that a note for the Accessible be drafted up to let everyone know this and the Chairman agreed.

3. ENHANCEMENT PLAN FOR CHRISTMAS 2013:

This verbal report from Community Board member Trish Willis.

Miss Willis spoke about the meeting that was held and Anne Thomson was going to put together a list of things that would like to have happened for Christmas. Miss Willis suggested it come later to another meeting.

4. COMMUNITY ORGANISATION/TRUSTS/SOCIETIES DELEGATION
DECISION MAKING THAT AFFECTS COUNCIL:

This report a verbal report from Community Board member Trish Willis.

Districts Promotion Trust – signage, marketing and promotion from the forums showed it was important and request for a professional body to overlook it as mentioned earlier.

5. PRINCES STREET TREES:

Resolved: that the report be received.

Les Blacklock/ Trish Willis

The Chairman asked what is happening in respect to the Princes Street Trees that were removed along with the planter boxes on Princes Street.

Mr Nixon said he has found homes for 10 trees up Princes Street and Whitestone will be instructed to plant them. The trees survived the winter okay and the best ones will be chosen for planting.

Mr Nixon said the Museum would like 8 planter boxes to use on either side of the pathway on Alloway Street.

Resolved: that 8 planter boxes are gifted to the museum as part of the Fairlie Community Board beautification programme.

Les Blacklock/ Trish Willis

Mr Nixon will follow up with others to see if he can sell the rest.

Miss Willis suggested using 4 of them in the carpark opposite the Old Library Café and uses something vibrant in them.

The CEO pointed out that there is a water main in that area so need to appreciate issues of roots etc.

The Chairman said the Board will go with the museum now and look at the carpark suggestion after that.

V REPORTS:

1. FINANCIAL REPORT – JUNE 2013:

This report from the Manager – Finance and Administration is the financial report for the Board for the period to June 2013, the purpose of which is to update Board members on the financial performance of the Fairlie Community as a whole for that period.

Mr Morris spoke to any significant variances.

Resolved that the report be received.

Graeme Page/Les Blacklock

2. VILLAGE GREEN TREES:

This report from the Community Facilities Manager is with the purpose of the Community Board to consider a request from residents to remove trees from the Fairlie Village Green.

The board requested that Mr Nixon assess trees to see what can be removed and thinned to reduce the leaf problem, it was noted at least four trees could go to help the remaining trees grow properly.

Resolved:

1. That the report be received; and
2. That the Fairlie Community Board declines the request to remove these trees; and
3. That the Fairlie Community Board agrees to remove selected trees to mitigate some of the nuisance and for the health of the trees; and
4. The Community Facilities Manager undertakes the work and responds to the writer; and
5. In this case the Community Board do not seek cost recovery for this work.

Les Blacklock/ Owen Hunter

3. STRATHCONAN SWIMMING POOL SURVEY:

This report from the Community Facilities Manager was to present the results of the Strathconan Swimming Pool Survey.

Resolved that the report be received.

Les Blacklock /Trish Willis

Mr Nixon asked for a reaction to the survey results and to where the Board wants to go with the results, given that there are aspects there that cannot be changed.

Mr Nixon is in talks with a possible pool supervisor for the new season.

Mr Nixon asked if the Lions Club could contribute to any of the funding.

The CEO said the survey was a good idea and served as a useful tool.

4. MOREH HOME WATER:

The purpose of this report from the Chief Executive Officer was to update the Board in relation to excess water usage and charging at Moreh Home.

Resolved:

1. That the report be received.
2. That the resolution (from 12 June 2013) to grant \$2,000 to Moreh Home be rescinded.

Graeme Page/Les Blacklock

5. OLD LIBRARY CAFÉ UPDATE:

This report from the Chief Executive Officer was to update the Community Board on the Old Library developments.

Cr Page said Council wanted to know if the building could be salvaged before funding a new design for the building.

Cr Page suggested an open day for the public to see the damage inside.

Resolved:

1. That the report be received.

Graeme Page/ Trish Willis

6. WARD MEMBER'S REPORT:

Cr Page reported Whitestone utilities contract has been signed and that Alpine Energy is going into smart metering.

7. REPORTS FROM MEMBERS WHO REPRESENT THE BOARD ON OTHER COMMITTEES:

There were no further reports from members.

**THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS
THE CHAIRMAN DECLARED THE MEETING CLOSED AT 9:05PM**

CHAIRMAN: _____

DATE: _____