

**MINUTES OF WESTERN BAY OF PLENTY DISTRICT COUNCIL  
MAKETU COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING NO. MC22-1  
HELD IN THE MAKETU COMMUNITY CENTRE AND VIA ZOOM (AUDIO/VISUAL LINK)  
UNDER COVID-19 PROTECTION FRAMEWORK – RED AND LIVESTREAMED  
ON TUESDAY, 15 FEBRUARY 2022 AT 7.00PM**

## **1 PRESENT**

Chairperson S Beech, Member L Rae, Member S Simpson, and Deputy Mayor J Scrimgeour

## **VIA ZOOM**

Member W Ra Anaru and Cr K Marsh

## **2 IN ATTENDANCE VIA ZOOM**

J Holyoake (Chief Executive Officer), J Osborne (Governance Support Administrator and P Osborne (Senior Governance Advisor)

## **3 APOLOGIES**

Nil

## **4 CONSIDERATION OF LATE ITEMS**

Nil

## **5 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Nil

## **6 PUBLIC EXCLUDED ITEMS**

Nil

## **7 PUBLIC FORUM**

### **Rubeena Tapsell – Bee Nuisance on Spencer Avenue**

Ms Tapsell was in attendance to speak to the Board about the current “bee nuisance” that neighbours around 94 Spencer Avenue were experiencing. The below points were noted:

- Due to 94 Spencer Avenue being classified as rural zone, they were allowed an unlimited number of beehives, in comparison to urban zoned properties that could house a maximum of two hives.
- Two main nuisances from the bees were highlighted:

- Bee excrement on houses, cars, washing, and outdoor furniture amongst other things; and
- Health and safety issues due to allergies (in some cases severe).

Ms Tapsell highlighted the Western Bay of Plenty District Council (WBOPDC) 'Animals (excluding dogs) Bylaw 2019', noting that there were several references of 'nuisance' and 'dangerous to health'. Ms Tapsell believes that, due to the rural zoning of 94 Spencer Avenue, they were excluded from these categories.

### **Max Johnston – Bee Nuisance on Spencer Avenue**

Mr Johnston spoke in support of the issue raised by Ms Tapsell, noting that, as a long time resident, this was the first time something like this had become an issue. Mr Johnston noted that he would like to have an onsite meeting with Maketu Community Board members and Councillors, as well as appropriate Council staff.

Mr Johnston provided, what he believed, were some possible solutions to the bee nuisance:

- The current house to remain in the rural zone, but this particular area to have the same requirements as urban (maximum of 2 beehives per property); or
- Change the entire zone to 'residential rural', in the hopes that this may alleviate the problem. He did not believe that a full change from Rural to Residential would be in the best interest of existing properties.

Mr Johnston advised the Board that there were 11 submissions from effected neighbours that would be emailed to the Senior Governance Advisor following the meeting. These submissions would be passed on to appropriate staff, and could be viewed on request.

A member of the public spoke in support of this, highlighting the amount of stings that her children had been getting due to the number of bees in the area.

The Chairperson thanked those who attended and shared their concerns with the Board.

Ms Tapsell advised the Board that she hoped there were avenues that could be explored to help remedy this issue in the short term.

### **Yvonne Moses – Bee Nuisance on Spencer Avenue**

Ms Moses also spoke in support of the previous two speakers, noting that not only was the bee excrement a nuisance, but that she was allergic to bee stings and was now worried about what the outcome would be if herself, or her grandkids got stung.

Mr Johnston advised the Board that they had tried to speak directly to the neighbours, however were yet to reach an amicable agreement.

## 8 MINUTES FOR CONFIRMATION

### 8.1 MINUTES OF THE MAKETU COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING HELD ON 16 NOVEMBER 2021

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#### RESOLUTION MC22-1.1

Moved: Member S Simpson

Seconded: Member L Rae

That the Minutes of the Maketu Community Board Meeting held on 16 November 2021, as circulated with the agenda, be confirmed as a true and accurate record.

**CARRIED**

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## 9 REPORTS

### 9.1 MAKETU COMMUNITY BOARD CHAIRPERSONS REPORT – FEBRUARY 2022

The Board considered a report from the Chairperson. The report was taken as read with a brief overview on each item, and further discussion on the below items.

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#### RESOLUTION MC22-1.2

Moved: Chairperson S Beech

Seconded: Member L Rae

That the Chairperson's report dated 15 February 2022, titled 'Maketu Community Board Chairpersons Report – February 2022', be received.

**CARRIED**

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#### 9.1.1 CEMETERY DEVELOPMENT / PEST CONTROL

The Board requested an update on where this project was at, noting that several members of the community had noted a high number of pests in this area. The Board would like to see what Council may be able to do, to help remedy this issue for locals.

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#### 9.1.2 MAKETU BOAT RAMP

The Board noted that the bottom end of the Maketu Boat Ramp was undermined, and would like to see remedial work undertaken as soon as possible.

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#### 9.1.3 ZONING AND ACTIVITY USE AROUND RURAL AND URBAN LAND

The Board reiterated points that were raised during public forum, regarding the zoning of the rural and urban land. It was noted that, when the land was initially zoned, there were fewer houses surrounding the rural properties, compared to what had now been developed.

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**9.1.4 TENDERS FOR TREE PRUNING AND VEGETATION CLEAN UP**

The Board noted that the Pohutakawa trees at the entrance into Maketu still required a trim, and the vegetation at the Arawa Avenue lookout also needed to be cleaned up.

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**9.1.5 MAKETU COMMUNITY CENTRE REFURBISHMENT**

The Board was advised that there had been a shortfall in relation to the Maketu Community Centre refurbishment, and the Rotary Club was seeking further funding from the Board. The Board was given a brief outline of the shortfall, noting that this would come to around \$8,000.

Councillor Marsh spoke in support of the additional funding, as he believed the Maketu Community Centre was an important asset to the whole community.

The Chief Executive Officer asked if the Board had received confirmation that the Rotary Club had contributed their full amount of funding towards the project. The Board was confident that the Rotary Club had used their full contribution.

The Board would fund the additional cost from the Maketu Community Board Reserve Account.

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**RESOLUTION MC22-1.3**

Moved: Deputy Mayor J Scrimgeour

Seconded: Cr K Marsh

That the Maketu Community Board authorise Chairperson Shane Beech to liaise with Rotary Club Maketu to negotiate the completion of the building project, and authorise the spending of up to \$8,000, subject to other fundraising opportunities.

**CARRIED**

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**9.1.6 GRAFFITI AROUND MAKETU**

Member Rae asked if Council kept a record of the style of graffiti in the Maketu area, to help identify the culprit. The Senior Governance Advisor would follow this up and see if any information could be fed back to Member Rae.

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**9.2 MAKETU COMMUNITY BOARD COUNCILLOR'S REPORT – FEBRUARY 2022**

The Board considered a report from Deputy Mayor Scrimgeour, who provided the Board with updates on the below:

**COVID-19**

COVID-19 was all consuming, and particularly close to home with the temporary closure of Pongakawa School for onsite learning.

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**Three Waters Reform Update**

This continued to be a “hot topic”, due to a lot of dissatisfaction with the Governments initial proposal. The national working group was looking at adjustments to the proposal, to address the concerns raised.

**Review of Local Government**

This had been progressing in the background, and Council was scheduled to have a meeting with the panel. This discussion would allow Council the opportunity to provide feedback.

**District Plan Review**

This had been discussed for a couple of years, however was looking to “ramp up” this year, in regards to collating a draft plan. The Board was reminded of the importance of providing feedback, once the consultation period began.

**Annual Plan**

This was expected to run close to what was predicted in the Long Term Plan, noting that inflation was greater than expected, therefore would add pressure to certain aspects of the plan.

**Te Puke Wastewater Alternative Options**

As part of the new consent, Council was required to look at alternative ways to dispose of wastewater, other than it going into the Waiāri Stream. Investigations into where this could be done had been discussed, and it was noted that a huge amount of work had already been undertaken.

Council gave approval for staff to ‘sound out’ landowners who may have sections that would be suitable for any of the alternative options. Council was at the beginning stages of a very big, and long, process.

**Te Puke Maketu Reserve Management Draft Plan**

This was adopted by Council last week, and would go out for consultation shortly.

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**RESOLUTION MC22-1.4**

Moved: Deputy Mayor J Scrimgeour

Seconded: Chairperson S Beech

That the Councillor’s report dated 15 February 2022, titled ‘Maketu Community Board Councillor’s Report – February 2022’, be received.

**CARRIED**

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**9.3 MAKETU COMMUNITY BOARD – ANZAC DAY COMMEMORATION 2022**

The Board considered a report from the Senior Governance Advisor. The report was taken as read, with further discussion on representation at the Maketu ANZAC Day service 2022. The Board also noted that they would remind the ANZAC Committee to apply for their annual grant, prior to the next Maketu Community Board meeting.

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**RESOLUTION MC22-1.5**

Moved: Cr K Marsh

Seconded: Member L Rae

1. That the Senior Governance Advisor's report dated 15 February 2022, titled 'Maketu community Board – ANZAC Day Commemoration 2022', be received.
2. That the report relates to an issue that is considered to be of low significance in terms of Council's Significance and Engagement Policy.
3. That the Maketu Community Board provide a wreath for the ANZAC Day Service, to be paid from the Maketu Community Board Contingency Account (up to the value of \$200).
4. That Chairperson Shane Beech and Member Laura Rae represents the Maketu Community Board at the ANZAC Day Service in Maketu on 25 April 2022.

**CARRIED**

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**9.4 INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES REPORT MAKETU COMMUNITY BOARD FEBRUARY 2022**

The Board considered a report from the Deputy Chief Executive. The report was taken as read with further discussion on the below items.

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**RESOLUTION MC22-1.6**

Moved: Member S Simpson

Seconded: Deputy Mayor J Scrimgeour

That the Deputy Chief Executive's Report, dated 15 February 2022 and titled 'Infrastructure Services Report Maketu Community Board February 2022', be received.

**CARRIED**

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**9.4.1 KERBSIDE RUBBISH AND RECYCLING SERVICE**

The Board was advised that the new Kerbside Rubbish and Recycling Service was going well, and there would be a review of the service to determine any areas of improvement.

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**9.4.2 ON-SITE MEETING WITH SENIOR TRANSPORTATION ENGINEER**

The Board was yet to have onsite meetings with the Senior Transportation Engineer, and asked to have this as soon as possible, in order to discuss roading projects within Maketu.

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**9.4.3 LED LIGHTING – MAKETU SURF CLUB**

The Chairperson updated the Board in regard to the query around the light outside the Maketu Surf Club being upgraded to an LED. The Board was advised that the current light gave more of a flood light effect, compared to a directional light, which the LED would provide. It was agreed that a flood light was the best option for this area.

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**9.4.4 SURF CLUB CAR PARK RESERVE ROCK REVETMENT**

The Chairperson advised the Board that the onsite meeting with himself, the Reserves and Facilities Asset Systems Manager, and a local contractor, was to discuss remedial actions that fit within the maintenance contract, and therefore did not require a further resource consent.

The Board expressed frustration over the lack of progression of this project and other projects throughout Maketu.

It was highlighted that, at the Operations and Monitoring Committee meeting held 12 February 2019, the Committee approved up to \$50,000 to proceed to a Regional Council hearing, however the Board have not heard anything further.

The Board requested to have a second meeting with the Reserves and Facilities Asset Systems Manager, and the Reserves and Facilities Manager onsite, to understand the timeline of this project and the steps required to proceed to a Regional Council hearing.

The Board also requested to see the original consent, to understand if there was any further work that could be undertaken within that consent, to improve the area as it was.

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**9.4.5 BBQ BY THE MAKETU SURF CLUB**

The Board noted that the letter was yet to be delivered to Te Arawa Lakes. A signed hard copy of the letter would be provided to Member Ra Anaru.

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**9.4.6 TE AWHE ROAD AND BEACH ROAD INTERSECTION**

The Board thanked the Senior Transportation Engineer for completing this project, noting that members of the community were happy with the upgrade, and removal of obstructing vegetation.

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**9.4.7 MAKETU CYCLEWAY**

The Board requested a comment from the Deputy Chief Executive in regard to the funding for Stage 2 of the Maketu Cycleway, as they would like to see public consultation take place.

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**9.4.8 SPENCER AVENUE RESERVE LEVELLING**

The Board noted that any good 'clean fill' from projects around Maketu would be earmarked to be dumped in the Spencer Avenue Reserve area. The Board agreed that clean fill should include black dirt.

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**9.4.9 MAKETU SPORTS FIELD**

Member Simpson tabled a draft proposal for the Maketu Sports Field, that they would like to see progressed. The Board requested an on-site meeting with the Reserves and Facilities Officer East to discuss the draft proposal, and understand the next steps. The Senior Governance Advisor would forward the plan onto the Reserves and Facilities Officer, prior to the onsite meeting.

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**9.4.10 IMPROVEMENT TO CULVERT CAPACITY - SPENCER AVENUE - MINUTE ACTION REFERENCE MC12 18 5.2**

The Board noted that this MAS was closed off, but had not been completed. The Board sought an update to ensure that this project had not been left unfinished. The Senior Governance Advisor would re-open the MAS, and ensure an update was provided for the next meeting.

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**9.4.11 RELOCATION OF TWO CCTV CAMERAS**

The Board noted that, at the Maketu Community Board meeting held 16 June 2020, the Board approved up to the value of \$6,331.97 from the Maketu Community Board Reserve Account, for the relocation of two CCTV camera's. The Board acknowledged they had missed out on the Annual CCTV Fund, however would like to fund this from the Maketu Community Board Reserve Account.

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**9.5 MAKETU COMMUNITY BOARD FINANCIAL REPORT - DECEMBER 2021**

The Board considered a report from the Financial Business Advisor. The report was taken as read, with some clarification on the below projects.

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**RESOLUTION MC22-1.7**

Moved: Member S Simpson

Seconded: Chairperson S Beech

That the Financial Business Advisor's report dated 15 February 2022 and titled 'Maketu Community Board Financial Report – December 2021', be received.

**CARRIED**

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**9.5.1 ENTRANCE SIGNS – WTF PRINT PAYMENTS**

The Board questioned the payments made to date, to WTF Print. The Senior Governance Advisor would follow up with the Financial Controller to understand if the remaining funds for the project were correct.

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**9.5.2 WATER FOUNTAIN ON THE MAKETU SPORTS FIELD**

The Board sought clarification on the remaining funds for the installation of the water fountain that was placed on the Maketu Sports Field.

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**9.5.3 GYM/EXERCISE EQUIPMENT AT PARK ROAD RESERVE**

The Board sought clarification on the remaining funds for the purchase and installation of two additional pieces of outdoor gym/exercise equipment, to be located at Park Road Reserve.

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**9.6 COUNCIL, STANDING COMMITTEES AND COMMUNITY BOARD MEETINGS**

The Board considered a report from the Senior Governance Advisor. The report was taken as read.

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**RECOMMENDATION**

Moved: Member L Rae

Seconded: Member W Ra Anaru

That the schedule of meetings for February, March and April 2022, be received.

**CARRIED**

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**The Meeting closed at 8.43pm.**

**Confirmed as a true and correct record at the Maketu Community Board meeting held on 12 April 2022.**

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Chairperson S Beech  
**CHAIRPERSON**