

**MINUTES OF WESTERN BAY OF PLENTY DISTRICT COUNCIL
WAIHĪ BEACH COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING NO. WB22-3
HELD IN THE WAIHĪ BEACH COMMUNITY CENTRE
ON MONDAY, 13 JUNE 2022 AT 6.30PM**

1 PRESENT

Chairperson R Goudie, Member M Roberts, Member B Hulme, Member D Ryan, Cr J Denyer and Cr A Henry

2 IN ATTENDANCE

R Davie (General Manager Strategy and Community), S Parker (Reserves and Facilities Projects and Assets Manager), A Hall (Roading Engineer West), J Osborne (Governance Support Administrator) and P Osborne (Senior Governance Advisor)

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE

Waka Kotahi (NZTA) Project Representatives
Alister McCaw – Project Manager (Beca)
Kevin McGrath – Stakeholder Engagement Manager (HEB)

20 Members of the public, including Councillor Allan Sole

3 APOLOGIES

Nil

4 CONSIDERATION OF LATE ITEMS

Nil

5 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Nil

6 PUBLIC EXCLUDED ITEMS

Nil

7 PUBLIC FORUM

7.1 VICKI LAMBERT – EVENTS COORDINATOR FOR WAIHĪ BEACH EVENTS AND PROMOTIONS AND RACHAEL COLE – WAIHĪ BEACH PRIMARY SCHOOL PRINCIPLE AND MATARIKI EVENT ORGANISER

Ms Lambert and Ms Cole were in attendance to provide the Board with an overview of the request for funding for the Matariki Community Breakfast, highlighting the below points:

- This was an opportunity for the community to come together, learn and discuss Matariki;
 - The venue for the breakfast was at the Waihi Beach RSA, which was a different location to previous years; and
 - Everyone was welcome to attend the 'Dawn Learning', followed by the community breakfast.
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7.2 GRAEME MCGREGOR – FRIENDS OF ATHENREE

Mr McGregor was in attendance to speak to the Board on behalf of Friends of Athenree regarding report 10.4 of the agenda, Athenree Cycleway Engagement Feedback. The below points were noted:

- He was worried that the Friends of Athenree submission was not included in the feedback;
- He was of the understanding that a majority of people had agreed to the proposed pathway, and changing this due to the minority was 'flawed thinking'.
- Friends of Athenree requested that re-consultation take place, prior to the Resource Consent application, if an alternative option was considered.

The Reserves and Facilities Projects and Assets Manager advised the Board that Council did not receive the Friends of Athenree submission through the "Have Your Say" website, and was looking into why. However, it was noted that Council now had the submission, and it would be considered.

7.3 MIKE HICKEY – VARIOUS ITEMS

Mr Hickey was in attendance to speak to the Board on the below issues:

- He wanted to see what could be done about the several unmarked intersections in Waihi Beach;
 - At the North end of Waihi Beach the 50km/h speed limit was ignored and the 30km/h sign had been removed;
 - He asked when a decision would be made on the new Waihi Beach Library site;
 - He was of the belief that Council was inconsistent with building consent requirements; and
 - He noted that he would like to see the Mayor and/or CEO out at Waihi Beach.
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7.4 PETER MORTEN – ATHENREE HOMESTEAD

Mr Morten was in attendance to provide the Board with an update on the Athenree Homestead, noting the below points:

- The re-build consent sign off had been delayed due to highlighted requirements. The Certificate for Public Use (CPU) had been extended, to allow these requirements to be addressed.
 - Mr Morten had been working with Council staff to discuss a strategic plan for the homestead and grounds, in accordance with the Reserves Act.
 - Due to break-ins during COVID, the Homestead had been looking at cameras however, noted that funding would need to be prioritised.
 - He requested an update on the tennis net at the Adela Stewart Reserve Court.
 - He sought written confirmation for the Athenree Homestead Trust, regarding the change to the emergency meeting point.
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7.5 KEITH HAY – KATIKATI-WAIHĪ BEACH RESIDENTS AND RATEPAYERS ASSOCIATION

Mr Hay was in attendance to speak to the Board, noting the below:

- He was of the belief that the developers of the apartments at 8-10 Wilson Road did not have to pay financial contributions for transportation, because there was no residential housing on the ground floor. Mr Hay would like to see this rule changed during the District Plan Review.
- He also believed that 26 of the apartments being built next to the pub received a reduction to the financial contributions towards transportation, and he did not agree with the rationale for these reductions.

The General Manager Strategy and Community noted that an Official Information Request (LGOIMA) was provided to Mr Hay from Council, and suggested that this response could be posted on Council's website for the benefit of those who had an interest in this topic. Mr Hay confirmed that he was happy for this to happen.

7.6 JIM COWERN – CONNECTOR MEETINGS – COMMUNITY PLAN

Mr Cowern was in attendance to seek some information from the Board regarding the 'Connector Meetings' held in relation to the Community Plan. Mr Cowern was advised that the outcomes of those meetings were supposed to be addressed by the creation of focus groups. These groups had not been formed yet, however the Board noted they would be undertaking a Community Plan review, prior to their next meeting.

CHANGE TO THE ORDER OF BUSINESS

The Chairperson requested that the next items of business be 10.1 Chairpersons Report, followed by 10.2 Councillors Report, in order to discuss matters that are of high interest to the public.

RESOLUTION WB22-3.1

Moved: Cr A Henry
Seconded: Member M Roberts

That in accordance with Standing Orders, the order of business be changed and that items 10.1 Chairpersons Report and 10.2 Councillor's Report, be dealt with as the next items of business.

CARRIED**8 REPORTS****8.1 WAIHI BEACH COMMUNITY BOARD CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT – JUNE 2022**

The Board considered a report from the Chairperson, noting the below items.

RESOLUTION WB22-3.2

Moved: Chairperson R Goudie
Seconded: Cr A Henry

That the Chairperson's report dated 13 June 2022 titled 'Waihi Beach Community Board Chairperson's Report – June 2022' be received.

CARRIED**8.1.1 FUTURE OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT NEW ZEALAND**

The Board was advised that submissions and feedback for consideration on the draft report could be done through an online survey or 'Get Vocal in Your Local', which was the online engagement tool. Both of these could be found on the futureforlocalgovernment.govt.nz website.

8.1.2 GENERATION CHANGE

The Board was advised that the focus at the moment was the electoral campaign, and encouraging participation. The format of the candidate debates would be released closer to the time, however it was noted these would be similar to the community debates that had taken place previously.

There was a discussion regarding the name 'Generation Change'. The General Manager Strategy and Community noted under Section 42 of the Local Government Act, the Chief

Executive Officer (CEO) had a positive statutory obligation to ensure substantial and representative elector participation. Councils CEO had adopted 'Generation Change' as the name for the campaign, noting that its fundamental premise was to ensure that elected representatives reflected the communities they served. This was also consistent with the national campaign 'Vote 2022', which reflected the need for better diversity.

The Chairperson requested the following information:

- Section 42 of the Local Government Act 2002; and
- Further information regarding the format of the candidate debates;

The Board noted that they would like to have a discussion regarding how they could help encourage diversity in Waihi Beach.

The General Manager Strategy and Community advised the Board the candidate debates ran under the banner of 'Generation Change', and did not preclude any other community organisation from facilitating their own debates. The Board was advised it would be entirely at the discretion of the candidates, whether they wished to participate, and these would take place in the community, with the exception of the mayoralty debate which would take place within Council Chambers.

8.1.3 WILSON PARK

The Board encouraged members of the public to view the draft plan for Wilson Park, which Council had recently released.

8.1.4 BEACH FURNITURE AND ACCESS PLAN FOR 2022 AND 2023

Member Roberts noted that Number 6 of the attachment needed to be amended to remove the reference of Marlin Avenue. Number 1 also needed to be amended to reflect this change, as it referenced Broadway.

The Board was advised that Number 8 would be adopted by the Policy Committee on Tuesday 14 June 2022 as a policy in the Resource Management Plan (RMP).

8.1.5 THE ATHENREE WILDLIFE REFUGE RESERVE

The Board noted the improvements listed in the agenda were indicative, and a discussion with the Department of Conservation (DOC), as to how the Board could assist with the improvements, needed to take place.

The Board agreed they would like to discuss this matter further at a workshop, and if they would like to have particular representatives attend the workshop, the Board could request this.

8.2 WAIHĪ BEACH COMMUNITY BOARD COUNCILLOR'S REPORT – JUNE 2022

The Board considered a report from Councillor Henry. The report was taken as read, with further discussion on the below points:

The Annual Plan and Long Term Plan Committee recommended Council adopt:

- The amendment to remove library fines for late items; and
- A change in Financial Contributions (FINCO's) for new development and Community Housing and Papakāinga Housing.

It was also noted that the overall rate increase would be 3.92%.

There had been many changes since the last review of the Local Government Act in 2022, therefore it was noted that this was an important opportunity for residents to provide a submission, or feedback, by 30 June 2022.

The District Plan Review was also taking place, with an engagement session in Waihi Beach outside the Information Centre on Saturday 9 July 2022 from 10am till 1pm. The Board was encouraged to provide their feedback during this engagement session. The Board requested for this to be posted on the 'Waihi Beach Noticeboard'.

The Board was advised that this engagement was part of the first phase of the four year District Plan Review process. This phase was broad, as it was an opportunity to collect information and feedback on a number of key topics. It was noted that the next phase of engagement would contain more specific detail.

RESOLUTION WB22-3.3

Moved: Cr A Henry

Seconded: Cr J Denyer

That the Councillor's report dated 13 June 2022 titled 'Waihi Beach Community Board Councillor's Report – June 2022' be received.

CARRIED

9 PRESENTATIONS

9.1 WAKA KOTAHI (NZTA) – SH2 WAIHĪ TO ŌMOKOROA UPDATE

The Project Manager (Beca) and Stakeholder Engagement Manager (HEB) were in attendance to provide the Board with an update on the SH2 Waihi to Ōmokoroa project.

SH2 Waihi to Ōmokoroa update

- Why were they doing the work?

- Historic Crash Data (Deaths and/or Serious Injuries)
- What were they currently delivering?
 - Road Widening & Median Barrier (Katikati South)
- Status of the current project
- May 2022 Dashboard
- What they had heard – conversations they had during engagement and consultation with stakeholders, and the community

The presenter responded to questions as follows:

- There was funding set aside for Katikati North, which included six roundabouts, however it was noted that this would not take place until the work near Ōmokoroa was complete.
- The work being undertaken as part of this project was ‘clipping’ onto the existing highway. The ‘clip on pavement’ was designed for future and would uphold the traffic growth.
- There was currently no funding for cycleways along the bridges, noting that new bridges would most likely be needed if provisions for cyclists were made.

RESOLUTION WB22-3.4

Moved: Cr J Denyer

Seconded: Member D Ryan

That the presentation from Waka Kotahi on 13 June 2022, titled ‘Waka Kotahi (NZTA) – SH2 Waihi to Ōmokoroa update’, be received.

CARRIED

10 MINUTES FOR CONFIRMATION

10.1 MINUTES OF THE WAIHI BEACH COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING HELD ON 19 APRIL 2022

RESOLUTION WB22-3.5

Moved: Cr J Denyer

Seconded: Cr A Henry

That the Minutes of the Waihi Beach Community Board Meeting held on 19 April 2022 as circulated with the agenda be confirmed as a true and correct record.

CARRIED

11 REPORTS

11.1 WAIHI BEACH COMMUNITY BOARD GRANT APPLICATION – JUNE 2022

The Board considered a report from the Senior Governance Advisor. The report was taken as read, with further discussion on the below points:

- The Board was advised that the Whaitere Gold Waka Ama Crew had received \$8,000 worth of funding/sponsorship to date.
- The criteria specified that grants should only be considered from community groups or individuals that can demonstrate the activities/projects will result in public benefit, which the Board did not believe this did.
- The Board was advised there were several members of the Waka Ama group from Waihi Beach.
- There was concern that approving funding for this application would set a precedent for future grant funding requests.

RESOLUTION WB22-3.6

Moved: Cr J Denyer

Seconded: Member D Ryan

1. That the Senior Governance Advisor's report dated 13 June 2022 titled 'Waihi Beach Community Board Grant Application – June 2022' be received.
2. That the Waihi Beach Community Board **do not approve** the Grant Application from the Whaitere Gold Waka Ama Crew.

CARRIED

11.2 ATHENREE CYCLEWAY ENGAGEMENT FEEDBACK

The Board considered a report from the Reserves and Facilities Projects and Assets Manager, who responded to questions from the Board as below:

- This project would go out for a fully notified resource consent hearing process. Council was considering further engagement on the concept plan, noting that this would also benefit their resource consent application.
- Further consultation could be confined to key questions, with the cultural story and rationale behind the route.
- The consultant had been instructed to consider a three metre wide path, which was the recommended width for shared paths.

RESOLUTION WB22-3.7

Moved: Chairperson R Goudie

Seconded: Member B Hulme

That the Reserves and Facilities Projects Assets Manager's report dated 13 June 2022 titled 'Athenree Cycleway Engagement Feedback' be received.

CARRIED

11.3 INFRASTRUCTURE GROUP REPORT WAIHI BEACH COMMUNITY BOARD JUNE 2022

The Board considered a report from the Deputy Chief Executive. The report was taken as read.

RESOLUTION WB22-3.8

Moved: Member B Hulme

Seconded: Cr A Henry

That the Deputy Chief Executive's Report, dated 13 June 2022, and titled 'Infrastructure Group Report Waihi Beach Community Board June 2022', be received.

CARRIED

11.3.1 ATHENREE HISTORICAL FIG TREE

Member Roberts thanked Esther Atkins, WestLink Vegetation Manager for her work, going above and beyond to help save and restore the historical fig tree in Athenree.

11.3.2 TRANSPORTATION – ROAD IMPROVEMENTS LED LIGHTING

The Board was advised that the new decorative lighting columns in Pio Shores were expected to be installed, mid September 2022. This would complete the LED rollout project.

11.3.3 VILLAGE GARDEN ENHANCEMENT PROJECT

The Roading Engineer would touch base with Member Hulme regarding the supply of shell mulching. The Board was advised that there needed to be some weeding, noting that due unavailability of the contractor, Member Hulme was seeking volunteers.

11.3.4 WAIHI – WAIHI BEACH CYCLEWAY

The Board noted they did not want the 'Forest Loop to Boundary with Hauraki Council' route to become a priority over the proposed urban cycleways.

The Reserves and Facilities Projects and Assets Manager advised the Board that this work was being funded by Forestry Harvesting, separate to the funding stream used for the 'Urban Cycleways Improvements' project.

11.3.5 ATHENREE ROAD FOOT PATH CONNECTION – FROM MONTESSORI PRESCHOOL TO THE NEW RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT

The Board was advised that the additional footpath would run between Montessori Preschool, to the footpath being completed by the developers. The Board would be presented with a recommendation for funding at the August 2022 meeting.

11.3.6 WELCOME TO WAIHI BEACH ENTRANCEWAY PROJECT

The Board requested a cost estimate for the entranceway signs be presented at the upcoming meeting. The Senior Governance Advisor would follow up with whether this funding could come out of the Reserve Account, as opposed to the Roading Account, as the signs would be on road reserve.

11.4 WAIHI BEACH COMMUNITY BOARD – FINANCIAL REPORT APRIL 2022

The Board considered a report from the Financial Business Advisor. The report was taken as read with further discussion on the items below.

RESOLUTION WB22-3.9

Moved: Chairperson R Goudie

Seconded: Member D Ryan

That the Financial Business Advisor's reports dated 13 June 2022 and titled 'Waihi Beach Community Board – Financial Report April 2022', be received.

CARRIED

11.4.1 WB21-4.6 'THANK YOU' AFTERNOON TEA

The Waihi Beach Community Board approve the release of all remaining funds (\$750) from the Waihi Beach Community Board Committed Operational expenditure fund back into the Contingency Account, due to the event no longer taking place.

11.4.2 WB21-5.5 LIVE WELL WAIHI BEACH COORDINATOR – OFFICE SPACE HIREAGE

The Waihi Beach Community Board approve the release of all remaining funds (\$1,750) from the Waihi Beach Community Board Committed Operational expenditure, back into the Miscellaneous Account, due to the commitment no longer being required.

11.4.3 TE MATA / BROADLANDS BLOCK

The Board noted that Te Mata (Broadlands Block) Rejuvenation Group still required a new Chairperson. The Board requested the rationale for the two references to the Broadlands Block Resolution within the Financial Report.

The Board was advised that, following an onsite meeting between Councils Reserves and Facilities Team Leader Operations and the, then Broadlands Block Rejuvenation Group Chairperson, a few improvements were highlighted. The Roading Engineer (West) advised the Board that he had received a quote for the requested work, which the Board was asked to commit further funding towards.

RESOLUTION WB22-3.10

Moved: Cr J Denyer
Seconded: Member D Ryan

The Waihi Beach Community Board approves up to \$12,000 for additions to the Broadlands Block Shared path project, from the Waihi Beach Community Board Reserve Account.

CARRIED

11.5 COUNCIL, STANDING COMMITTEES AND COMMUNITY BOARD MEETINGS

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

RESOLUTION WB22-3.11

Moved: Cr J Denyer
Seconded: Chairperson R Goudie

That the schedule of meetings for June, July and August 2022, be received.

CARRIED

The Meeting closed at 9.20pm.

Confirmed as a true and correct record at the Waihi Beach Community Board meeting held on 8 August 2022.

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Chairperson R Goudie
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