

**MINUTES OF WESTERN BAY OF PLENTY DISTRICT COUNCIL  
ŌMOKOROA COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING NO. OMC25-2  
HELD IN THE ŌMOKOROA LIBRARY AND SERVICE CENTRE, 28 WESTERN AVENUE,  
ŌMOKOROA (WHAKAMARAMA ROOM) ON TUESDAY, 8 APRIL 2025 AT 7.00PM**

**1 PRESENT**

Chairperson C Dever, Deputy A Hughes, Member P Presland, Member B Bell, Cr M Grainger and Cr D Thwaites.

**2 IN ATTENDANCE**

P Osborne (Senior Governance Advisor).

**OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE**

Mayor James Denyer.

**3 APOLOGIES**

Nil

**4 CONSIDERATION OF LATE ITEMS**

Nil

**5 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Nil

**6 PUBLIC EXCLUDED ITEMS**

Nil

**7 PUBLIC FORUM**

**7.1 TIM DUNN - PRESIDENT ŌMOKOROA COMMUNITY TENNIS CLUB**

Mr Dunn was in attendance to seek support on behalf of the Ōmokoroa Community Tennis Club with their proposal for new tennis courts. He provided some history for the club and highlighted the below points:

- They were wanting to create a hub for tennis within Ōmokoroa.
- They were seeking to install two courts with flexipave surfaces (an approved Tennis New Zealand surface).

- They were proposing two new tennis courts and one multi-use court, acknowledging that the Kaimai Reserve Management Plan specified that the Community Board would work with the community to install a hard court.
- Tennis New Zealand guidelines suggested the number of courts based on population, however it was noted that many areas had a greater amount due to the strong tennis activity within the Western Bay of Plenty.

He responded to pātai as follows:

- Tennis New Zealand introduced an online booking system which provided those booking with a pin code. This allowed the public to use the courts. There was a sign regarding this, however, it could be relocated to help with visibility.
- It cost \$10 per person for members of the public to use the courts for 30 minutes, noting that there could be an opportunity to review this. Due to member costs being so low it was used as an incentive for people to become members.
- They were trying to provide facilities for the community and members during peak times/seasons.
- The Ōmokoroa Community Tennis Club were planning on submitting to the Kaimai Reserve Management Plan, as it was noted that this was still out for consultation.
- The membership fee for a senior was \$170 which worked out to be \$3 a week. It was noted that \$35 was given to Tennis New Zealand for their affiliation fees.

## 8 MINUTES FOR CONFIRMATION

### 8.1 MINUTES OF THE ŌMOKOROA COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING HELD ON 11 FEBRUARY 2025

#### RESOLUTION OMC25-2.1

Moved: Cr M Grainger

Seconded: Deputy A Hughes

1. That the Minutes of the Ōmokoroa Community Board Meeting held on 11 February 2025 as circulated with the agenda be confirmed as a true and correct record.
2. That the Chairperson's electronic signature be inserted into the confirmed minutes.

**CARRIED**

## 9 REPORTS

### 9.1 ŌMOKOROA COMMUNITY BOARD - WORKSHOP NOTES - 11 MARCH 2025

The Board noted the notes from the workshop held 11 March 2025.

**9.2 ŌMOKOROA COMMUNITY BOARD – CHAIRPERSON’S REPORT – APRIL 2025**

The Board considered a report dated 8 April 2025 from the Chairperson. The report was taken as read.

**RESOLUTION OMC25-2.2**

Moved: Chairperson C Dever

Seconded: Member B Bell

That the Chairperson’s report dated 8 April 2025 titled ‘Omokoroa Community Board – Chairperson’s Report – April 2025’ be received.

**CARRIED**

**9.3 ŌMOKOROA COMMUNITY BOARD – COUNCILLOR’S REPORT – APRIL 2025**

The Board considered a report dated 8 April 2025 from Councillor Grainger.

**Representation Review**

Councillor Grainger provided an overview of the Representation Review outcome following the determination from the Local Government Commission, which was released earlier in the day.

The Commission determined a hybrid structure that combined key aspects of Council’s proposed model, but retained and slightly reshaped the current community board setup to ensure more balanced and inclusive representation.

Under the new structure three community boards were retained with limited change:

- Maketu Community Board would continue to represent the township and surrounding area, with a slightly expanded area compared to the current community board boundary to better reflect the community of interest.
- Katikati Community Board was retained with its existing boundary.
- Waihi Beach Community Board was retained with its existing boundary.

Two Community Boards were extended to cover their respective wider wards, with electoral subdivisions to ensure representation from across the wards:

- A new Ōmokoroa-Kaimai Community Board would be established, covering the full Kaimai Ward.
- Ōmokoroa-Kaimai Community Board
  - 2 elected community board members from the Ōmokoroa Subdivision
  - 2 elected community board members from the Kaimai West Subdivision
  - 2 elected community board members from the Kaimai East Subdivision

- 2 appointed councillors from the Kaimai General Ward
- A new Te Puke–East Community Board would represent Te Puke and the neighbouring eastern communities of Paengaroa, Pongakawa, and Pukehina.
- Te Puke–Eastern Community Board
  - 3 elected community board members from the Te Puke Subdivision
  - 2 elected community board members from the Eastern Subdivision
  - 2 appointed councillors from the Maketu–Te Puke General Ward

Councillors responded to pātai as follows:

- An overview of the determination could be found [here](#).
- A copy of the determination on the Commission’s website could be found [here](#).

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### RESOLUTION OMC25-2.3

Moved: Cr M Grainger

Seconded: Cr D Thwaites

That Councillor Grainger’s report dated 8 April 2025 titled ‘Ōmokoroa Community Board – Councillor’s Report – April 2025’ be received.

**CARRIED**

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### 9.4 STREETLIGHT UPGRADES – TRALEE STREET/HAMURANA ROAD

The Board considered a report dated 8 April 2025 from the Transportation Director. The Chairperson provided an overview of the report and the rationale for the recommendations therein.

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### RESOLUTION OMC25-2.4

Moved: Member B Bell

Seconded: Chairperson C Dever

1. That the Transportation Director’s report dated 8 April 2023 titled ‘Streetlight Upgrades – Tralee Street/Hamurana Road’ 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.

**CARRIED**

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### RESOLUTION OMC25-2.5

Moved: Chairperson C Dever

Seconded: Cr D Thwaites

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3. That the Ōmokoroa Community Board approve the proposal to install three new streetlights at the following locations at an estimated cost of \$30,000, to be funded from the Ōmokoroa Community Board Roading Account.
- Adjacent to 14 Tralee Street (opposite the entrance to the 'Village').
  - Adjacent to the side entrance to CHT Acacia Park, 134 Hamurana Road (opposite the entrance to the 'Village').
  - Adjacent to 112 Hamurana Road (opposite 67 Hamurana Road)

**CARRIED**

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## **9.5 REQUEST FOR CCTV AT THE TRALEE STREET AND MARGARET DRIVE INTERSECTION, ŌMOKOROA**

The Board considered a report dated 8 April 2025 from the Operations Manager. The Chairperson provided the rationale for the report, which came from a request from the Ōmokoroa Community Policing Group. A representative from the group was in attendance and provided the below rationale for a CCTV camera at this particular location:

- The Police were finding that Margaret Drive was being used as a 'cut-through' where they had previously lost vehicles;
- The camera would allow coverage for this end of the peninsula;
- Feedback from local street coordinators and the community patrol was that a camera would be beneficial for this intersection;
- A CCTV camera at this particular location was recommended and supported by the Police.

The Chairperson noted that the recommendation was that the CCTV camera be funded by the Town Centre Development Fund, which was now reported through the Financial Report within the agenda. It was clarified that in order to use this fund the Board required approval from Council.

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### **RESOLUTION OMC25-2.6**

Moved: Member B Bell

Seconded: Deputy A Hughes

1. That the Operations Manager's report dated 8 April 2025 titled 'Request for CCTV at the Tralee Street and Margaret Drive intersection, Ōmokoroa' 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.

**CARRIED**

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**RESOLUTION OMC25-2.7**

Moved: Chairperson C Dever

Seconded: Deputy A Hughes

3. That the Ōmokoroa Community Board recommends that Council approves up to \$25,000 from the Ōmokoroa Town Centre Development Fund for costs relating to the installation of a CCTV camera at the Tralee Street and Margaret Drive intersection.

**AND**

That Council agrees to cover the ongoing monitoring and maintenance costs for the camera.

**CARRIED**

**9.6 ŌMOKOROA COMMUNITY BOARD – PROJECTS AND OPERATIONS REPORT – APRIL 2025**

The Board considered a report dated 8 April 2025 from the General Manager Infrastructure Services. The report was taken as read.

Cooney Reserve Bird Hide

The Board acknowledged the photos that were on display at the Cooney Reserve Bird Hide, noting they were local birds, taken by local people.

Leasing the Ōmokoroa-Pahoia Scout Den

It was noted that this particular project could now be completed, as the lease had been awarded to Pirirākau Authority Inc.

**RESOLUTION OMC25-2.8**

Moved: Member P Presland

Seconded: Cr D Thwaites

That the General Manager Infrastructure Services' report dated 8 April 2025 titled 'Ōmokoroa Projects and Operations Report – April 2025' be received.

**CARRIED**

**9.7 ŌMOKOROA COMMUNITY BOARD – FINANCIAL REPORT – FEBRUARY 2025**

The Board considered a report dated 8 April 2025 from the Finance Business Partner Lead. The report was taken as read, noting that the Town Centre Development Fund was now shown on the Income and Expenditure Statement.

Staff would get a progress update on the committed projects, noting that if any of these projects were completed, the remaining funds could get released.

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**RESOLUTION OMC25-2.9**

Moved: Chairperson C Dever

Seconded: Member B Bell

That the Finance Business Partner Lead’s report dated 8 April 2025 titled ‘Ōmokoroa Community Board Financial Report – February 2025’, be received.

**CARRIED**

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**10 INFORMATION FOR RECEIPT**

Nil

**The Meeting closed at 7.44pm.**

**Confirmed as a true and correct record at the Ōmokoroa Community Board meeting held on 3 June 2025.**



**Chris Dever  
CHAIRPERSON**