

**MINUTES OF WESTERN BAY OF PLENTY DISTRICT COUNCIL
ŌMOKOROA COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING NO. OMC24-2
HELD IN THE ŌMOKOROA LIBRARY & SERVICE CENTRE, WESTERN AVENUE, ŌMOKOROA
ON TUESDAY, 9 APRIL 2024 AT 7.00PM**

The Chairperson opened the hui and asked for a minute silence to acknowledge the passing of Councillor Richard Crawford (Te Puke Maketu Ward Councillor).

1 PRESENT

Deputy A Hughes (Acting Chairperson), Member B Bell, Cr M Grainger and Cr D Thwaites

2 IN ATTENDANCE

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

6 members of the public

3 APOLOGIES

APOLOGY

RESOLUTION OMC24-2.1

Moved: Cr D Thwaites

Seconded: Member B Bell

That the apology for absence from Member Presland be accepted.

CARRIED

4 CONSIDERATION OF LATE ITEMS

Nil

5 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Nil

6 PUBLIC EXCLUDED ITEMS

Nil

7 PUBLIC FORUM

Alison Henderson and Ashley Grant – Grant Application

Ms Henderson and Mr Grant were in attendance to speak to their grant application that was included in the agenda for the Boards consideration. The below points were noted:

- The Public Art Incorporated Society commissioned the projects, however Council took over the asset following completion.
- It was clarified that the work needed was in relation to the creative aspect of the art piece, which the Society looked after, noting that this was in line with the arrangement the Society had with Council.
- The structure needed further work to ensure that it could withstand stronger winds.
- The funds required for the repair work did not qualify for Council to make an insurance claim.

Trish Clokie and Corinne Payne – Grant Application

Ms Clokie and Ms Payne were in attendance to speak to their grant application that was included in the agenda for the Boards consideration. The below points were noted:

- There was a large amount of work being undertaken at the Ōmokoroa Settlers Hall.
- It had been identified that there was an opportunity for an outside space to be created, by expanding on the current deck.
- The amount requested was minus \$10k due to additional grants and budget already provided for.
- The hall rate take was \$76k, noting that majority of those funds went into the maintenance of the hall. There was a query around whether the hall rate could be increased to help with the renovation work.

Ms Payne was asked a question in relation to the lighting currently at the Ōmokoroa Boat Club, noting that this was a luxe light that turned on and off at specified times.

Chris Dever – Various Items

Mr Dever was in attendance to speak to the recommendations in relation to the Boat Club lighting, which the Board would consider through the Projects and Operations Report on the agenda. He noted the below points:

- Mr Dever requested the Board look at the wider needs of the community in the area of discussion, rather than just considering one request. He felt there was a real opportunity to look at the bigger picture for the re-design work with consideration of future needs.

8 MINUTES FOR CONFIRMATION

8.1 MINUTES OF THE ŌMOKOROA COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING HELD ON 13 FEBRUARY 2024

RESOLUTION OMC24-2.2

Moved: Member B Bell

Seconded: Cr D Thwaites

1. That the Minutes of the Ōmokoroa Community Board Meeting held on 13 February 2024 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 – JANUARY AND MARCH 2024

The workshop notes were received and no further discussion was held.

9.2 ŌMOKOROA COMMUNITY BOARD – CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT – APRIL 2024

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

RESOLUTION OMC24-2.3

Moved: Deputy A Hughes

Seconded: Member B Bell

That the Chairperson's report dated 9 April 2024 titled 'Ōmokoroa Community Board – Chairperson's Report – April 2024' be received.

CARRIED

9.2.1 ADDITIONAL TENNIS/MULTI USE COURTS AT WESTERN AVENUE

Further clarification was sought regarding the additional tennis court impacting the availability for off-street carparking, as it was understood that the concept plan included, provided alternative carparking, which was now in place.

The Board requested an update on the timing for the proposed active reserve on the corner of Ōmokoroa and Prole Road, as staff had noted a hardcourt may be considered for this reserve.

9.3 ŌMOKOROA COMMUNITY BOARD – COUNCILLOR'S REPORT – APRIL 2024

The Board considered a report from Councillor Grainger. The report was taken as read, with further discussion on the below items.

- The passing of Councillor Richard Crawford was acknowledged, noting that it was a tribute to Cr Crawford that there were a number of ex-staff who attended the funeral. Thoughts were with Richard's family at this time.
- The Representation Review was underway, however following the latest letter from the Minister of Local Government this process would require further work and consideration.

RESOLUTION OMC24-2.4

Moved: Cr M Grainger

Seconded: Cr D Thwaites

That Councillor Grainger's report dated 9 April 2024 titled 'Ōmokoroa Community Board – Councillor's Report – April 2024' be received.

CARRIED

9.4 ŌMOKOROA COMMUNITY BOARD GRANT APPLICATIONS – APRIL 2024

The Board considered a report from the Senior Governance Advisor. There were two grant applications presented, and the following discussion took place.

Due to the funding requested from the Ōmokoroa Settlers Hall, it was suggested that this funding came from the Ōmokoroa Community Board Reserve Account rather than the Grant Account.

The Board was advised that decisions of this nature and sum, should be dealt with through a full decision report. This would allow the Board to turn their minds to all aspects of the decision, including the life expectancy of the asset they were investing in.

The Board was also advised that making a decision on a grant application that was not being considered as a grant did not demonstrate good decision-making process.

The Board had a discussion regarding the risk of the decision, as they felt the information provided with the grant application was thorough enough to make a decision to grant the funds. They also expressed concern that renovation work at the Ōmokoroa Settlers Hall was already taking place and therefore they did not want to hold up the process by not being able to make a decision until the next scheduled Ōmokoroa Community Board on 4 June 2024.

RESOLUTION OMC24-2.5

Moved: Cr D Thwaites

Seconded: Member B Bell

1. That the Senior Governance Advisor's report dated 9 April 2024 titled 'Ōmokoroa Community Board Grant Applications – April 2024' be received.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION OMC24-2.6

Moved: Member B Bell

Seconded: Cr D Thwaites

2. That the Ōmokoroa Community Board approve the grant application from Public Art Ōmokoroa Incorporated for \$3,630 to contribute towards the re-design and repair work to the Kinetic Godwits Sculpture and Whakawhanungatanga and Community awareness initiatives. This grant will be funded from the Ōmokoroa Community Board Grants Account, subject to all accountabilities being met.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION OMC24-2.7

Moved: Cr M Grainger

Seconded: Member B Bell

3. That the Ōmokoroa Community Board approve the grant application from the Ōmokoroa Settlers Hall Incorporated for \$40,650 to contribute to the building of a large deck area at the back of the hall. This grant will be funded from the Ōmokoroa Community Board Reserves Account, subject to all accountabilities being met.

CARRIED

9.5 ŌMOKOROA COMMUNITY BOARD – PROJECTS AND OPERATIONS REPORT – APRIL 2024

The Board considered a report from the Senior Governance Advisor. The report was taken as read, and the following discussion took place.

RESOLUTION OMC24-2.8

Moved: Cr M Grainger

Seconded: Member B Bell

1. That the Senior Governance Advisor's report dated 9 April 2024 titled 'Ōmokoroa Projects and Operations Report – April 2024' be received.

CARRIED

9.5.1 BOAT CLUB ADDITIONAL STREET LIGHTING

The Board sought further information in relation to the recommendations for additional streetlighting outside the Boat Club. There was an expectation that there would be a plan from the lighting engineer regarding the lighting required in this area. It was felt that the information provided was not enough for the Board to make a decision on. It was therefore agreed that the decision would remain on the table until further information was sought.

RESOLUTION OMC24-2.9

Moved: Cr M Grainger

Seconded: Member B Bell

2. That recommendations 2 and 3 remain on the table until further information could be provided through a full decision report.

CARRIED

9.6 ŌMOKOROA COMMUNITY BOARD FINANCIAL REPORT – FEBRUARY 2024

The Board considered a report from the Financial Business Advisor. The report was taken as read.

RESOLUTION OMC24-2.10

Moved: Cr M Grainger

Seconded: Member B Bell

That the Financial Business Advisor's report dated 9 April 2024 titled 'Financial Report Ōmokoroa – February 2024' be received.

CARRIED

The Meeting closed at 7.58pm.

Confirmed as a true and correct record at the Ōmokoroa Community Board meeting held on 4 June 2024.

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Chairperson P Presland
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