

# Western Bay of Plenty District Council

## Minutes of Meeting No. OM5 of the Omokoroa Community Board held on 6 June 2017 at the Omokoroa Community Church Hall commencing at 7.00pm

### Present

Members M Grainger (Chairperson), T Sage (Deputy Chairperson), P Presland and D Sage and Councillors M Murray-Benge and J Palmer

### In Attendance

G Allis (Deputy Chief Executive Officer), and A Alty (Democracy Advisor)

### Others

His Worship the Mayor G J Webber, Dawn Hutchesson (Project Manager for the sub-regional arts and culture strategy review) and six members of the public.

### Public Forum

**Resolved:** Members Grainger/ Preston

*THAT the meeting adjourn for the purpose of holding a public forum.*

### Fencing off of Slip Areas

A member of the public voiced concern that the slip areas that were to be fenced were still not properly fenced off as was advised at the last Community Board meeting. There were numerous danger spots in the slip areas and people were continuing to walk through these areas.

### Walkway from Beach Road to the Esplanade

The Deputy Chief Executive advised that the walkway had been opened on Saturday 3 June 2017.

**Resolved:** Members Grainger / T Sage

*THAT the meeting reconvene in formal session at 7.05pm.*

OM5.1 **Presentation - Creative Bay of Plenty**

The Board welcomed Dawn Hutchesson, Project Manager for the sub-regional arts and culture strategy, who was in attendance to make a presentation to the Board on the communications and engagement components of the sub-regional strategy currently being undertaken.

Ms Hutchesson thanked the Board for the opportunity to attend and spoke about the Arts and Culture Three Year Draft Strategy initiated as a joint project by the Tauranga City Council and the Western Bay District Council.

She advised that the Arts and Culture Steering Group – Creative Coalition had adopted the phrase “A community with arts and culture at its heart creates a culture of innovation and new thinking that drives economic wealth and wellbeing.” This encompasses Visionary – Vocalising – Vibrancy – Valuing – Viability and Vitality strategies and the public are encouraged to make submissions by filling out the on-line survey form on the Creative Bay of Plenty Website. Submissions close on 30 June 2017.

Ms Hutchesson advised that she would be giving her presentation to as many community groups as she could to spread the word about the review of the arts and cultural strategy with the final strategy presented to both Councils for adoption in October or November of this year.

Board Members advised that they would pass on the information to interested persons throughout Omokoroa.

**Resolved:** Councillor Murray-Benge / Member T Sage

*THAT the presentation from the Project Manager for the sub-regional arts and culture strategy to the Omokoroa Community Board be received.*

OM5.2 **Minutes of Meeting No. OM4 of the Omokoroa Community Board held on 9 May 2017**

The Board considered the minutes of OM4 of the Omokoroa Community Board held on 9 May 2017 as circulated with the agenda.

**Resolved:** Members T Sage / Grainger

*THAT the minutes of meeting no. OM4 of the Omokoroa Community Board held on 9 May 2017 as circulated with the agenda, be confirmed as a true and accurate record.*

**OM5.3 Chairperson's Report**

The Board considered a report from the Chairperson dated 22 May 2017 as circulated with the agenda.

**Community Engagement - Have Your Say - Conversations at Omokoroa**

The Chairperson provided a summary of the Have Your Say – Drop-In Conversation held at the Omokoroa Boat Club on Saturday 27 May 2017. The event had been very successful with a large number of public attendees. Parking at the Omokoroa Domain and Boat Ramp area was clearly an issue of major concern to Omokoroa residents.

The Chairperson reiterated that it was important to work towards plans for future parking at the Omokoroa Domain and Boat Ramp area as soon as possible bearing in mind the future population of Omokoroa and wider area, which would, in turn, increase visitor numbers to the vicinity.

The Deputy Chief Executive had advised that Council would assist the Board to maximise community input in the ongoing compilation of the Omokoroa Community Development Plan.

**Local Government New Zealand Community Board Conference**

The Chairperson provided a summary within his report of the New Zealand Local Government Community Boards Conference held in Methven 11 – 13 May 2017, which was attended by over 200 representatives.

It was highlighted that the implementation of a community development plan, communicating with the community at large and using on-line tools would ensure engagement and involvement that was effective for all the community.

Member Teresa Sage reported that for her it had been honour to attend the conference, which had been both informative and inspiring. She highlighted Sam Johnson as a speaker who had been inspiring in his development of specific projects that involved all age groups in community engagement, learning, giving and supporting roles.

**Entry of the Omokoroa Skatepath Project in the Best Practice Awards**

The Chairperson advised that while the entry had not won an award it had been the only project that was mentioned other than the overall winners.

**Resolved:** Members Grainger / D Sage

*THAT the Omokoroa Community Board Chairperson's Report dated 22 May 2017 is received.*

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### **Councillor's Report**

The Board considered a report from the Councillor Palmer dated 23 May 2017 as circulated with the agenda.

### **Long Term and Annual Plan Committee**

Councillor Palmer advised the following decisions made at the Long Term and Annual Plan Committee meeting held on 6 June 2017:

- All Community Board Budgets submitted had been approved.
- Omokoroa Industrial Land Zoning – Council funding had been approved to facilitate the design and feasibility of the industrial road on existing Council land to enable expansion of the current industrial zone.
- Replacement of LED Street Lighting Conversion over a two financial year period had been approved. This was a subsidised programme with up to 85% paid for the lighting replacement by the New Zealand Transport Agency. It was noted that the current stock of street lighting was aging and needed replacement.
- Omokoroa Stormwater Renewals costs were re-budgeted to \$75,000 to completed renewal of stormwater infrastructure damaged by recent slip.
- Car parking and playground equipment for the Omokoroa Sports Ground had been approved.

### **Community Matching Fund**

Councillor Murray-Benge advised that Board that applications to the Community Matching Fund were open from the 20 June through to the 20 July 2017.

Community Groups who met the required criteria should be encouraged to consider making application to the Community Matching Fund. The guidelines and application forms were available on the Council website.

**Resolved:** Councillors Palmer / Murray-Benge

*THAT the report from Councillor Palmer dated 23 May 2017 be received.*

**OM5.5 Community Board Grant Application - June 2017**

The Board considered a report from Democracy Advisor dated 22 May 2017 as circulated with the agenda.

The Board considered an application for funding from the RunOmok Events Management for \$500 towards the cost of roadside signage advertising the Omokoroa Coastal Challenge fundraising fun run to be held on Sunday 29 October 2017.

The facilitation of the fund raising event and community involvement was commended.

**Resolved:** Members T Sage / Preston

1. *THAT the report from the Democracy Advisor dated 22 May 2017 titled Community Grant Applications June 2017 be received.*
2. *THAT the Omokoroa Community Board approve the following grant to be funded from the Omokoroa Community Board Grants 2016/2017 Account subject to all accountabilities being met.*

*RunOmok Events Management                      \$700*

**OM5.6 Infrastructure Services Report Omokoroa - June 2017**

The Board considered a report from Deputy Chief Executive dated 15 May 2017 as circulated with the agenda.

**Omokoroa Sports Ground - Tennis Courts Three and Four**

The Deputy Chief Executive advised that two tender prices had been received for the construction of tennis courts three and four at the Omokoroa Sports Ground.

**Resolved:** Member Grainger / Councillor Palmer

*THAT the Deputy Chief Executive report dated 15 May 2017 and titled Infrastructure Services Report Omokoroa - June 2017 be received.*

**OM5.7 Financial Report Omokoroa - April 2017**

The Board considered a report from the Management Accountant dated 15 May 2017 as circulated with the agenda.

**Resolved:** Member Grainger / Councillor Murray-Benge

*THAT the Management Accountant's report dated 15 May 2017 and titled Financial Report Omokoroa - April 2017 be received.*

OM5.8            **Council, Standing Committee and Community Board Meetings**

The Board considered a schedule of meetings for the month of June and July 2017 as circulated with the agenda.

**Resolved:**        Members Grainger / T Sage

*THAT the schedule of meetings for June and July 2017 be received.*

The meeting concluded at 7.59pm.

Confirmed as a true and correct record.

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M Grainger  
Chairperson  
Omokoroa Community Board

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