

Western Bay of Plenty District Council

Minutes of Meeting No. OM8 of the Omokoroa Community Board held on 10 October 2017 at the Omokoroa Community Church Hall commencing at 7.00pm

Present

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

In Attendance

R Davie (Group Manager Policy Planning and Regulatory Services) J Paterson (Transportation Manager), C Ertel (Project and Design Engineer Team Leader) and A Alty (Democracy Advisor)

Others

Four members of the public.

Apologies

An apology for absence was received from Member Presland.

Resolved: Councillor Murray-Benge / Member D Sage

THAT the apology for absence from Member Presland be accepted.

Public Forum

Resolved: Members Grainger / T Sage

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

Silica in Omokoroa Water

A new resident to Omokoroa voiced his concern in relation to the high silica content in the Omokoroa water supply. He advised that he had received information from Council and

ascertained that there was no easy or cost effective way to remove the silica from the supply. He would like to see more Omokoroa residents speak out to try to remedy the problem as the silica content in the local water supply, although not harmful to human health, affected household hardware.

Another member of the public also endorsed the concerns noting that her glass and other home surfaces that had been exposed to the water were permanently damaged by silica residue.

Resolved: Members Grainger / T Sage

THAT the meeting be re-convened in formal session at 7.07pm.

OM8.1 **Presentations:**

OM8.1.1 **Discover the Western Bay Museum**

The Board considered a presentation from Paula Gaelic, the Manager and Curator of the Western Bay Museum at Katikati, who was in attendance to give an update presentation about the Western Bay Museum.

Ms Gaelic thanked the Board for the opportunity to speak to them about the past 12 months of operation of the Western Bay Museum at Katikati. While the home base for the museum was at Katikati, the museum represented the whole of the Western Bay.

Ms Gaelic advised that she had recently met with Tourism Bay of Plenty representatives and booking agents were looking at bring cruise ship tours to the north (western side) of the Western Bay of Plenty district. Interest had been shown in setting up visits for the 2018/2019 tourist season and this would bring an influx of visitors to the area. Along with the Katikati Museum, the Athenree Historic Homestead would also be included in future tourist visit schedules.

The educational factor of the Katikati Museum continued to play a big part in visitor and school group numbers. An alliance with Te Papa national services provided the ability to engage the services of specialized experts and teachers to come to the Western Bay Museum for specific events and interactive displays.

The educational experience at the Museum brought in school pupils from the Waikato and immediate surrounding areas at this stage. Schools in Bethlehem, Tauriko and Tauranga had expressed interest in attending future programmes. International students at local schools were also encouraged to visit and participate in events at the museum.

A visit to the Katikati Museum was now also being included into activities undertaken by schools and organisations when school groups were staying at the Aongatete Lodge and Waihi Beach.

The Chairperson thanked Ms Gaelic for her presentation.

Resolved: Member Grainger / Councillor J Palmer

THAT the presentation from the Manager and Curator of the Western Bay of Plenty Museum be received.

OM8.1.2 **Managing Omokoroa's Stormwater**

The Board considered a presentation from the Project and Design Engineer Team Leader who was in attendance to give a presentation about Managing Stormwater at Omokoroa.

The presentation covered the following:

- An overview of Omokoroa Stormwater Modelling showed:
 - Piped reticulations normally designed to cope with a five year storm event
 - Piped reticulation protecting critical infrastructure (roads and Reserves) was designed to cope with a 10 year storm event
 - Overland flow paths were in place for a 50 year flood event
 - Stormwater ponds were designed to retain a 100 year storm to pre-development standards
 - There were no ground soakage devices at Omokoroa
 - Stormwater reticulation at Omokoroa had been installed in 2007 to cater for predicted growth.
 - Council had a total of \$27m in stormwater assets (excluding land values) at Omokoroa

- Future Strategy for Managing stormwater included:
 - Less Pipes
 - Protection of overland flow paths
 - Utilisation of natural gullies and watercourses
 - Development of stormwater ponds.

- Stormwater Modelling was based on:
 - Modelling for two to five and ten year rainfall events
 - Current rainfall and future rainfall (to 2090) for all events
 - Current and future development for all events.
 - Modelling assists in assessing infrastructure capacity for new development
 - Assessing known issues based on model inputs
 - Assists in setting the Long Term Plan.

The Board was advised that Comprehensive Stormwater Consents obtained in 2003 were due for renewal in 2023. There would be a complete review of the Omokoroa Catchment Management Plan at the end of 2017 and input from this would be fed into the structure plan review.

Flood hazard maps for Omokoroa would be developed in 2018 and a review of undersized pipes and prioritisation of upgrades would be included in the Long Term Plan based on the risk for flooding to homes, risk of further slips and risks of flooding to private property.

The Chairperson thanked the Project and Design Engineer Team Leader for her attendance.

Resolved: Members Grainger / T Sage

THAT the presentation from the Project and Design Engineer Team Leader be received.

OM8.2 **Minutes of Meeting No. OM7 of the Omokoroa Community Board Held On 29 August 2017**

The Board considered the minutes of OM7 of the Omokoroa Community Board held on 29 August 2017 as circulated with the agenda.

Resolved: Members Grainger / D Sage

THAT the minutes of meeting no. OM7 of the Omokoroa Community Board held on 29 August 2017 as circulated with the agenda, be confirmed as a true and accurate record.

OM8.3 **Chairperson's Report**

The Board considered a report from the Chairperson dated 26 September 2017 as circulated with the agenda.

OM8.3.1 **Omokoroa Community Plan**

The Chairperson advised that the Omokoroa Community Plan was developing well and currently undergoing a final edit prior to release of the draft.

It was requested that the Board have the opportunity to receive the plan before the final draft was circulated to a wider audience.

It was also suggested that the group that worked on the community plan meet with the Board to present and go through the plan together.

OM8.3.2 **Fences**

Concern was raised that the sense of openness and village feel of Omokoroa was being threatened by fence structures that are now being built, particularly in the newer subdivisions.

The Board received the information from the Resource Management Manager noting that staff do not have the capacity to monitor or enforce fencing related issues and there would be significant resourcing issues required to achieve a higher level of service in this regard.

It had been signalled that there was a need for a discussion about whether or not the District Plan was the correct tool for ensuring fences were compliant or whether a suite of restrictive covenant/development guidelines prepared by developers at the time of subdivision would achieve the desired result.

The Group Manager (Policy Planning and Regulatory Services) reiterated that the most practical measures going forward was to be more proactive to ensure information and rules regarding fences was conveyed to the public in an educative manner.

OM8.3.3 **Community Group Reports**

- **Omokoroa Community Policing Groups**
The Chairperson reported that there was concern within the Omokoroa Community Policing Group about succession planning as a number of volunteers were now stepping aside from their volunteer duties. The new Health and Safety legislation had also added unfair burdens and responsibilities on volunteer committee members and there seemed a disconnect between headquarters staff decisions and those affected within local community patrols and neighbourhood supports groups who were at the coalface of their community.

The Omokoroa Community Policing Group recently won the Trustpower award for the Western Bay Health and Wellbeing category in the community awards.

- **Omokoroa District Sports and Recreation Society**
The Board understood that the Sports and Recreation Society were continuing to fund raise for their original plan for the new pavilion.
- **Omokoroa Settlers Hall Committee**
Member T Sage advised that the refurbishment work at the Settlers Hall was nearing completion.
- **Omokoroa Environmental Managers**
The Chairperson advised that an application for charitable status for the group had been submitted and was expected to be granted in the near future.

OM8.3.4 **Lynley Park and Precious Family Reserve**

The Board was advised that an open day relating to the Lynley Park and Precious Family Reserve would be held at the Omokoroa Settlers Hall from 10.00am to 2.00pm on Saturday 21 October. The Western Bay of Plenty District Council was seeking feedback to help determine the best location for amenities for Lynley Park and Precious Family Reserve.

Notice of the public meeting was on the Council's website and the local Cyberlink site and brochures would be put up at key local visitor venues advising the opportunity to view the concept plans and give feedback.

Resolved: Members Grainger / D Sage

THAT the Omokoroa Community Board Chairperson's Report dated 26 September 2017 is received.

OM8.4 **Councillor's Report**

The Board considered a report from the Councillor Murray-Benge dated 28 September 2017 as circulated with the agenda.

OM8.4.1 **CCTV Cameras on the Omokoroa Domain**

The initiative to install CCTV cameras on the Omokoroa Domain would provide Council with data on the overall use of the domain during the peak summer period and give an indication on how to best manage this recreation area. Feedback on options to enhance the area for the future would be sought in the New Year.

OM8.4.2 **Long Term Plan**

Councillor Murray-Benge advised that Council continued to work through the many and varied aspects of the Long Term Plan. Phase Two of the pre-engagement process on issues and themes identified during Phase One of the 'Have Your Say' process had been specifically designed for invited stakeholders and community groups from Omokoroa to further discuss on 17 October 2017.

The next open public consultation meeting would be held in March 2018.

Resolved: Councillors Murray- Benge / Palmer

THAT the report from Councillor Murray-Benge dated 28 September 2017 be received.

OM8.5 **Council Community Matching Fund 2017 / 2018 Successful Applications**

The Board considered a report from the Community Relationship Advisor dated 27 September 2017 as circulated with the agenda.

Resolved: Members Grainger / T Sage

THAT the report titled Council Community Matching Fund - 2017/2018 Successful Applications from the Community Relationship Advisor dated 27 September 2017 be received.

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028
Operating Costs										
Salaries	<i>Determined by Remuneration Authority</i>									
Inter Departmental Charges	<i>Determined by Overhead Cost Allocation</i>									
TOTAL OPERATING COSTS										

3. *THAT this report relates to issues which are not considered significant in terms of Council's Policy on Significance.*

OM8.8 Financial Report Omokoroa - August 2017

The Board considered a report from the Management Accountant dated 21 September 2017 as circulated with the agenda.

Resolved: Members Grainger / T Sage

THAT the Management Accountant's report dated 21 September 2017 and titled Financial Report Omokoroa - August 2017 be received.

OM8.9 Council, Standing Committee and Community Board Meetings

The Board considered a schedule of meetings for the months of November and December 2017 as circulated with the agenda.

Resolved: Member Grainger / Councillor Murray-Benge

THAT the schedule of meetings for November and December 2017 be received.

The meeting concluded at 8.16pm.

Confirmed as a true and correct record.

 M Grainger
 Chairperson
 Omokoroa Community Board

 Date

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