

MEETING — AGENDA —

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Western Bay of Plenty
District Council

COMMUNITY COMMITTEE

Komiti Hapori



CC10
Thursday, 26 April 2018
Oropi Hall
1295 Oropi Road, Oropi
10.00am

Notice of Meeting No CC10 Te Karere

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His Worship the Mayor

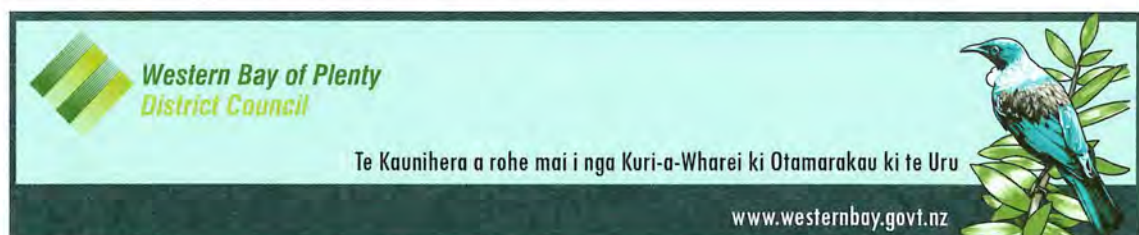
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Councillors:

P Mackay (Chairperson)
M Murray-Benge (Deputy Chairperson)
G Dally
M Dean
M Lally
K Marsh
D Marshall
J Palmer
J Scrimgeour
D Thwaites
M Williams

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Staff

Miriam Taris
Chief Executive Officer
Western Bay of Plenty District Council



Community Committee Delegations

Mangai o Te Kaunihera

Quorum:

The quorum for this meeting is six members.

Role

Subject to compliance with Council strategies, policies, plans and legislation:

- To develop relationships in community sectors to enable Council to achieve local solutions to local problems and promote positive change and sustainability for strong, healthy and safe communities.
- To develop for recommendation to the Policy Committee the plans, programmes and policies for co-ordination with other agencies including but not restricted to government, regional and community agencies to further community development outcomes.
- To work with others to share information and to connect community groups to each other where appropriate.
- To establish a strategic focus to align Council economic, cultural, social and environmental development programmes with community outcomes as set out in the Long Term Plan.
- To develop and maintain a strong relationship with Tangata Whenua by ensuring Maori values are considered.
- To maintain liaison with the relevant community boards regarding issues raised in their board areas.

Delegations:

- To monitor the work of the Community Development Team through receipt of regular reports.
- To receive community development plans and where appropriate make recommendations to Council or its Committees to assist in the implementation of the plans.
- To receive and resolve on or recommend to Council or its Committees as appropriate the reports, recommendations and minutes of any Joint Committee, working group or forum as directed by Council.
- To facilitate the involvement of external parties in achieving Council outcomes in the Long Term Plan.
- To promote and advocate on behalf of Council the co-ordination of community services and agencies for the well-being of the community.
- To advise Council and its Committees on community plans, policies and projects that impact on the achievement of Council outcomes.
- To develop and promote strategies and programmes to facilitate community participation in issues which contribute to Council strategies and outcomes.
- To monitor performance and outcomes of community halls, including development and maintenance of relationships with Community Hall Committees.

- To monitor Community Service Contracts, set service delivery requirements and receive reports from but not limited to the following:
 - Katikati Open Air Art
 - Tauranga Safer Cities
 - Tauranga Citizens Advice Bureau
 - Sport BOP
 - BOP Surf Lifesaving – Waihi Beach and Maketu
 - Katikati Resource Centre
 - Tauranga Art Gallery
 - Creative Tauranga
 - Wild about NZ
 - Te Puke Economic Development Group
 - Katch Katikati
 - Waihi Beach Events and Promotions

- To receive resolve on or refer to Council and its Committees as appropriate the recommendations from the Rural Forum.

Community Grants

Subject to compliance with Council strategies, policies, plans and legislation to allocate or recommend allocation of discretionary funds in accordance with the following delegations:

- To allocate funds from the Discretionary Community Grants fund in accordance with Council's criteria and policies for the fund.
- To consider applications to the Facilities in the Community Grant Fund and make recommendations to Council through the annual plan process on such applications in accordance with Council's criteria and policies for the fund.
- To monitor the allocation of all discretionary grants made by Council and its Community Boards.

Financial Delegations

Allocation of annual budgeted funds from the Discretionary Community Grants fund.

Allocation of Ecological Financial Contributions Accumulated in accordance with Council policy.

Other

The Committee will meet at least five times a year, in once in each of the following communities:

- Kaimai Ward
- Te Puke/Maketu Ward
- Katikati/Waihi Beach Ward
- Māori Community
- Rural Community

The Committee may without confirmation by Council exercise or perform any function, power or duty relating to those matters delegated by Council in like manner, and with the same effect, as the Council could itself have exercised or performed them.

The Committee may delegate any of its functions, duties or powers to a subcommittee subject to the restrictions on its delegations and provided that any sub-delegation to subcommittees includes a statement of purpose and specification of task.

The Committee may make recommendations to Council or its Committees on any matters to achieve the outcomes required in the role of the Committee but outside its delegated authorities.

Agenda for Meeting No. CC10

Pages

**Present
In Attendance
Apologies**

Public Excluded Items

The Council may by resolution require any item of business contained in the public excluded section of the agenda to be dealt with while the public are present.

Public Forum

A period of up to 30 minutes is set aside for a public forum. Members of the public may attend to address the Committee for up to three minutes on items that fall within the delegations of the Committee provided the matters are not subject to legal proceedings, or to a process providing for the hearing of submissions. Speakers may be questioned through the Chairperson by members, but questions must be confined to obtaining information or clarification on matters raised by the speaker. The Chairperson has discretion in regard to time extensions.

Such presentations do not form part of the formal business of the meeting, a brief record will be kept of matters raised during any public forum section of the meeting with matters for action to be referred through the customer contact centre request system, while those requiring further investigation will be referred to the Chief Executive.

CC10.1

Community Team Update

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Attached is a report from the Community Team Leader dated (insert date).

CC10.2

Bay Conservation Alliance

Michelle Elborn, Chief Executive, will be in attendance to speak to the Committee regarding Bay Conservation Alliance and its work programme.

CC10.3

Envirohub

Laura Wragg, Manager, will be in attendance to update the Committee about Envirohub and its work programme.

CC10.4

Maketu Ongatoro Wetland Education Programme

Tania Bramley, Maketu Ongatoro Wetlands Secretary and Education Coordinator will be in attendance to update the Committee on their education programme.

CC10.5

Vital Signs 2018 Survey

Margot McCool, the Operations Manager for Acorn Foundation will be in attendance to speak to the Committee regarding the Vital Signs 2018 Survey.

CC10.6

Katikati Taiao

Jenny Hobbs, member of Katikati Taiao and Chairperson of the Katikati Community Board, will be in attendance to update the Committee on the group and its work programme.

CC10.7

LTP Natural Environment Strategy

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Attached is a report from the Senior Policy Analyst dated 26 April 2018.

CC10.8

Kokako Garden and Native Plantings Projects

Andrew King, Principal of Oropi Primary School, will be in attendance to speak to the Committee.

CC10.9

Oropi Primary School Visit

Andrew King, Principal of Oropi School will host the Councillors on a site visit of Oropi Primary School.

COMMUNITY TEAM UPDATE

26 April 2018

1. Purpose

The purpose of this report is to update Elected Members on recent and future community activities taking place in and around the District that may be relevant to them.

2. Activities and updates

2.1 Community Matching Fund

- A reminder that the Community Matching Fund (CMF) goes live from Tuesday, 12 June to Thursday, 12 July.
- The promotion of the CMF commences from 12 May onwards.
- The month-long promotion period will be mainly through the Communications Team and utilising the Community Team's networks and contacts.
- Following 12 July, the CMF Working Party will take place on Thursday, 9 August to go over the received applications.
- At the Community Committee meeting on Thursday, 30 August, decisions will be made on the received applications.

2.2 Community Safety

- Local Te Puke iwi health provider, Nga Kakano Foundation, has agreed to 'champion' a Methamphetamine Community Education Seminar, in association with the Break Through Forum (a group of 17 stakeholders including the police, Bay of Plenty District Health Board, and iwi) to be held at the Orchard in Te Puke on Tuesday, 1 May (5.30pm).
- The purpose of the seminar is to reduce drug-related harm by raising awareness of methamphetamine use, and its impacts – and to identify and promote support for those adversely affected by methamphetamine use.
- The seminar will comprise of presenters sharing their experience and knowledge of methamphetamine use and its impacts on individuals, families and communities, and an expert panel to respond to any questions attendees may have about methamphetamine use.

2.3 Ethnic/Migrant/Welcoming Communities

Welcoming Communities – what's been completed?

- The community stock take which involved engaging with a range of stakeholders: from representatives of migrant communities, to employers, education providers, support service providers, central government, local government and community organisations. Also, stakeholders were engaged across Te Puke and Katikati, communities where high levels of cultural diversity exist.
- The community stock take report which identifies key themes, strengths and opportunities in the sub-region to develop initiatives under 'Welcoming Communities', and lead direction of the Welcoming Plan.
- Participated in the Multicultural Festival on Saturday 24 March, where the Welcoming Communities Programme was promoted and ideas were received from the public on 'welcoming' initiatives.
- A few surveys distributed to staff, elected members and newcomers, where feedback will inform the Welcoming Plan.

Welcoming Communities – what's coming up?

- Drafting the Welcoming Plan (first draft to be completed by end of this month).
- Get feedback from stakeholders on the draft Plan.
- Present the final Plan at Joint Governance on Wednesday, 13 June.



Caroline Lim
Community Team Leader



Frank Begley
Community Relationships Manager

Western Bay of Plenty District Council

Community Committee

Environment Strategic Work in 2018

Purpose

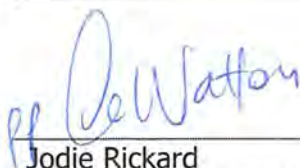
The purpose of this report is to introduce the strategic work Council will be doing in relation to the environment in 2018, and how the presentations received at this Community Committee meeting will be considered through that work.

The Policy Committee has endorsed the work programme of the Policy and Planning team for 2018. This includes a review of the Natural Environment Strategy which is included in the Long Term Plan, and development of a Climate Change Action Plan.

The presentations received at Community Committee are from environmental organisations with strong local networks, and sound knowledge of the District's environmental challenges and opportunities. These organisations can provide valuable input, advice, and action as part of the work to be undertaken this year.

Recommendation

- 1. THAT the Senior Policy Analyst's report dated 26 April 2018 and titled Environment Strategic Work in 2018 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.***
- 3. THAT the Community Committee recommends to the Policy Committee that the presentations received at the Community Committee Meeting on 26 April from environmental organisations, be considered through the review of the Natural Environment Strategy and the development of the Climate Change Action Plan in 2018.***



Jodie Rickard
Senior Policy Analyst

1. Background

Natural Environment Strategy

Council currently has a Natural Environment Strategy, which sits within the Long Term Plan. The Strategy was last reviewed as part of the 2012-2022 Long Term Plan, however this review was not substantive.

The current Strategy sets out what is most valued about Western Bay's natural environment, Council's role in relation to the natural environment, and the specific activities Council undertakes as part of that role.

Council uses general rates funding, the environmental protection rate, and financial contributions to deliver its specific activities. The ecological financial contribution is currently set at \$501 per additional lot.

The current key activities are:

- Environmental education programmes (delivered through service delivery contracts and grants to specific organisations);
- Support for community based environmental projects (including a small grants fund);
- Fencing subsidies to encourage the protection of important ecological areas; and
- Monitoring of environmental protection lots.

Given the significant time since the strategy was last reviewed and the potential changes to the funding sources available to Council to deliver its natural environment activities, Council has approved a review of the strategy commencing in 2018.

Climate Change Action Plan

Council has also committed to developing a Climate Change Action Plan in 2018. This is largely in response to work being done through Local Government New Zealand and a regional drive to form plans to address both climate change adaptation and mitigation. The Mayor has signed the Local Government Leaders Declaration on Climate Change, which includes development of local action plans as a way to make progress. The scope of the Action Plan will be scoped further with the Policy Committee.

Presentations received by the Community Committee on 26 April 2018

The organisations that have presented to Council through the Community Committee all have valuable expertise and knowledge that can help shape both the review of the Natural Environment Strategy and the Climate Change Action Plan. It is recommended the presentations be considered as part of the review of the Natural Environment Strategy and the development of the Climate Change Action Plan.

2. Significance and Engagement

The Local Government Act 2002 requires a formal assessment of the significance of matters and decisions in this report against Council's Significance and Engagement Policy. In making this formal assessment there is no intention to assess the importance of this item to individuals, groups, or agencies within the community and it is acknowledged that all reports have a high degree of importance to those affected by Council decisions.

The Policy requires Council and its communities to identify the degree of significance attached to particular issues, proposals, assets, decisions, and activities.

In terms of the Significance and Engagement Policy this decision is considered to be of low significance.

3. Engagement, Consultation and Communication

The table below sets out the organisations are expected to present at the Community Committee meeting on 26 April 2018. Staff will consider the presentations from these groups through the review of the Natural Environment Strategy and development of a Climate Change Action Plan.

Detailed engagement plans will be prepared as part of the project management for the review of the Natural Environment Strategy and Climate Change Action Plan.

Interested/Affected Parties	Planned Engagement
Envirohub	Presentation to be considered through review of Natural Environment Strategy. Organisation listed as key stakeholder for Environment Strategy Review
Bay Conservation Alliance	Presentation to be considered through review of Natural Environment Strategy. Organisation listed as key stakeholder for Environment Strategy Review
Maketu Ongatoro Wetland Society	Presentation to be considered through review of Natural Environment Strategy. Organisation listed as key stakeholder for Environment Strategy Review
Katikati Taiao	Presentation to be considered through review of Natural Environment Strategy. Organisation listed as key stakeholder for Environment Strategy Review

5. Statutory Compliance

The key recommendation of this report is that the presentations from environmental organisations received by the Community Committee be considered as part of the review of the Natural Environment Strategy and development of a Climate Change Action Plan.

The recommendation is appropriate, as it is the Policy Committee's role to resolve all matters of strategic policy.

6. Funding/Budget Implications

There are no funding or budgeting implications from the recommendations of this report.