

Western Bay of Plenty District Council

Minutes of Meeting No. K18 of the Katikati Community Board held on 13 February 2019 in The Centre. Pātuki Manawa commencing at 7.00pm

Present

Members J Hobbs (Chairperson), B Gibbs (Deputy Chairperson), N Mayo and B Warren and Councillors M Williams

In Attendance

R Davie (Group Manager Policy Planning and Regulatory Services), K Elder (Governance Manager), P Watson (Reserves and Facilities Manager), A Hall (Roading Engineer West) and A Alty (Democracy Advisor)

Apologies

An apology for absence was received from Councillor Mackay.

Resolved: Members Hobbs / Mayo

THAT the apology for absence from Councillor Mackay be accepted.

Others

24 members of the public

Public Forum

Resolved: Member Hobbs / Councillor Williams

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

The Chairperson clarified the protocols relating to the Public Forum section of the meeting as set out in Standing Orders for the Katikati Community Board. She invited speakers and any other attending members of the public to take part in the Public Forum.

Yeoman Walkway/Cycleway

Jack Ripley made a verbal presentation to the Board outlining his concern about a proposed concrete Walkway/Cycleway as signalled in the Katikati/Wahi Beach Ward Reserve Management Plan Review. He advised that in his opinion the construction of a 2.5m wide concrete walkway/cycleway along the edge of the Uretara estuary appeared completely unnecessary and a waste of money.

He advised that there was a petition with 400 signatures opposing the proposal to construct a concrete walkway/cycleway. Mr Ripley recommended that the Board support the proposal to decline the concrete walkway/cycleway project.

Barbara Blackburn made a verbal presentation to the Board outlining her concern about the construction of a concrete section of the walkway/cycleway on the Yeoman Walkway. She acknowledge that in the winter some parts of the walkway/cycleway became muddy and could be slippery however money would be better spent providing drainage for these areas rather than putting in a solid structure. The steep gravel incline between Francis Drive Esplanade and Park Road Reserve was very dangerous and extremely slippery. This part of the track should be widened and concreted .

Barbara Blackburn did not want to see a concrete walkway/cycleway as identified on the section of the Yeoman Walkway to Park Road Reserve.

Raewyn Blair spoke to the Board as a resident from Athenree who identified Katikati as her town. She enjoyed the various walkways in Katikati and appreciated the environmental beauty and natural benefits of those walkways. She stated that now was the time that we should be taking care of our natural habitat that can be used by many people from all different ages and stages of health. It would be a shame to destroy a beautiful natural pathway with a concrete structure.

Pollution of Uretara Stream

Jim Davison expressed his concern relating to the reported high avian E.coli levels reported to be in the Uretara Stream. It was unacceptable that people could not readily use the safe swimming spots during the current hot summer season.

He had spoken to the Bay of Plenty Regional Council who advised that they were responsible for monitoring rivers and safe swimming areas within the Western Bay of Plenty district and regularly undertook recordings of E.coli, algae and nutrient levels but they did not suggest any solution to the pollution problem.

Mr Davison felt that the Bay of Plenty Regional Council should be informing the public of the pollution and what may be done about it.

Use of the Public Meeting Facilities

As the Chairperson of the Katikati Memorial Hall Committee Mr Davison emphasised that venues like the Katikati Memorial Hall were totally reliant on community groups using the hall for the general upkeep and maintenance of the facility.

Highfields Pond

Mr Davison advised that he had undertaken a survey seeking supporters of the proposed improvements to the Highfields Pond. He had in excess of 200 signatures in support of the proposed Highfields Pond improvements to-date.

Resolved: Members Hobbs / Gibbs

THAT the meeting be re-convened in formal session at 7.23 pm

K18.1 Presentations

K18.1.1 Proposed New Entrance to the Katikati Memorial Hall

James Davison, Chairperson of the Katikati Memorial Hall, gave a presentation on the proposed new entrance to the Katikati Memorial Hall. He advised that he had been in consultation with the Council Strategic Property Manager in regard to the proposed alterations to the Katikati Memorial Hall entranceway.

Board members extended congratulations to Mr Davison on the work he had undertaken to expedite the renovations required that would enhance the back of the hall and ultimately form part of the future market square, with a flow-on effect to the new Katikati Library.

Resolved: Members Mayo / Gibbs

THAT the presentation from James Davison on the proposed new entrance to the Katikati Memorial Hall be received.

K18.2 Minutes of Meeting No. K17 of the Katikati Community Board held on 21 November 2018.

The Board considered the minutes of meeting K17 of the Katikati Community Board held on 21 November 2019 as circulated with the agenda.

Resolved: Members Hobbs / Warren

THAT the minutes of meeting no. K17 of the Katikati Community Board held on 21 November 2018 as circulated with the agenda, be confirmed as a true and accurate record.

K18.3 Chairperson's Report

The Board considered a report from the Chairperson dated 21 January 2019 as circulated with the agenda.

K18.3.1 Yeoman Walkway to Park Road Reserve - Walkway/Cycleway Status Update

The Board received a status report on the proposed walkway/cycleway from Yeoman Walkway to Park Road Reserve dated 22 January 2019. The Board had earlier heard specific concerns in the public forum section of the meeting about the section of the walkway/cycleway between the Yeoman Walkway and Park Road Reserve to concrete a specific wet section, of the walkway/cycleway.

The Chairperson clarified that at this point Council had commissioned a scoping/feasibility report to identify work required to form the walkway/cycleway. This would include environmental considerations, consent requirements, assessment of construction material and methodology and an estimate of costs for the project, including the options of concrete or gravel surfacing.

The Council had a process to work through to determine whether specific walkway/cycleway areas for development were feasible and, if so further consultation should be undertaken with adjoining residents and other interested parties.

K18.3.2 Rugby Ball Structure and Story Board at Moore Park

The Chairperson advised that Council records stated that the rugby ball structure and story boards at Moore Park were the responsibility of the Katikati Rugby Club. There were originally erected in Diggleman Park as part of a promotion for the Rugby World Cup held in New Zealand in 2011. The rugby ball and story boards were later moved to Moore Park under the management of the Katikati Rugby Club, with Council undertaking the mowing of the surrounds of the structures. It had been brought to the Board's attention that both the ball and the story boards needed to be refurbished.

Katikati resident Andy Earle had located the original story board images and he was willing to work with both the Katikati Rugby Club and Open Air Art in the restoration of the story boards.

The Katikati Community Board felt that this was a project that should be jointly undertaken by the Katikati Rugby Club and Open Air Art.

K18.3.3 Acknowledgment of Volunteers

The Chairperson advised that Katch Katikati had agreed to organize an afternoon event acknowledging and celebrating Katikati community volunteers on Tuesday 5 March 2019 between 3.30 and 5.00pm at Pātuki Manawa.

K18.3.4 Katikati Community Response Team - Request for Storage Cupboards

The Board was advised that Council's Strategic Property Management Team would organize the purchase and installation of storage cupboards for the Katikati Community Response Team (in conjunction with the installation of the base radio and associated equipment). The Board asked that Eris Boyak from the Community Response Team contact the Strategic Property Manager with the measurement of the storage cupboards.

Resolved: Members Hobbs / Gibbs

THAT the Katikati Community Board allocate up to \$1,000.00 for the purchase of furniture required by the Community Response Team for storage of equipment in Patuki Manawa, funded from the Katikati Community Board Contingency Account.

K18.3.5 Improvements to the Footpath in Katikati Town Centre

The Board was advised that the refurbishment and/or upgrading of the main street footpaths would be best included in a comprehensive Town Centre urban design package as part of the NZTA State Highway 2 interim works programme. At this stage the timing of the NZTA decision on the interim works package and value was unknown.

An urban design package would have to allow for any implications of the interim works and would need to be developed in conjunction with NZTA. A main street upgrade was not currently included in the Council budget. At this point the urban design package would need to be funded from the Town Centre Development fund or the community roading budget.

The Deputy Chief Executive Officer had requested an assessment of the standard of maintenance of the footpath and compliance with agreed levels of service.

Resolved: Councillor Williams / Member Mayo

THAT the Katikati Community Board invite representatives of NZTA to the next Katikati Community Board meeting to be held on Wednesday 27 March 2019, to report on the proposed improvements to State Highway 2 and subsequent improvements to the State Highway through the Katikati main street 50km zone.

K18.3.6 Uretara Stream Restoration - The Weed War

The Chairperson provided a summary report outlining concerns relating to the poor state of water quality and weed infestation of the Uretara Stream in close proximity to the Town Centre and along the Haiku Walkway.

The Chairperson introduced Kate Loman-Smith and Andrew Jenks who gave a presentation to the Board titled Goals of the Uretara Stream Bank Restoration. The presentation covered:

- Planting of native plants to replace weed species
- Development of a range of ecosystem services
- Ongoing stream bank erosion minimization
- Improvement to the aquatic and terrestrial biodiversity of the area
- Overall beautification of the area.

The presenters spoke of the value of a partnership management process involving local environmental management groups, community volunteers and local Council staff. A stream restoration plan developed with the Uretara Estuary Managers and Haiku Focus groups outlined:

- The current state of the stream
- Objective of a staged improvement project
- Budget (including cost share with funding partners)
- Project timelines outlining work to be undertaken by contractors and community volunteers over the next five years (2019 – 2024) including ongoing weed management.

The Board was advised that the Reserves and Facilities staff had met on site with community groups to assess the current state of the stream bank vegetation and discussed management options going forward. Once the scope of work had been determined staff would seek prices for the preparation of a management plan with input from the Katikati Haiku Pathway Focus Committee and the Uretara Estuary Managers group.

It was important to note that once the erosion protection works were completed upstream of the new swing bridge foundation on the true right bank, the area of erosion on the true right bank downstream of the new swing bridge was scheduled to be planted in native vegetation during autumn/winter 2019.

Board members thanked Kate Loman-Smith and Andrew Jenks for their presentation.

Resolved: Member Gibbs / Councillor Williams

THAT the Katikati Community Board recommend to the Operations and Monitoring Committee that \$1,500.00 be committed for a Vegetation Management Strategy for the Uretara Stream for the stream route from Henry Road ford to the State Highway 2 Katikati Road bridge.

Resolved: Members Hobbs / Gibbs

THAT the Katikati Community Board Chairperson's Report dated 21 January 2019 be received.

K18.4 Councillor's Report

The Board considered a report from Councillor Mackay dated 29 January 2019 as circulated with the agenda. Councillor Williams spoke to the report in the absence of Councillor Mackay.

Resolved: Councillor Williams / Member Warren

THAT the report from Councillor Mackay and presented by Councillor Williams dated 29 January 2019 be received.

K18.5 Anzac Day Commemoration 2019

The Board considered a report from the Democracy Advisor dated 16 January 2019 as circulated with the agenda.

Resolved: Member Mayo / Councillor Williams

1. *THAT the Democracy Support Officer's report dated 16 January 2019 and titled Anzac Day Commemoration 2019 be received.*
2. *THAT the Katikati Community Board provide a wreath for the ANZAC Day Service, to be paid from the Katikati Community Board Contingency Account (up to the value of \$200).*
3. *THAT Katikati Community Board Members represent the Katikati Community Board at the ANZAC Day Service at Katikati on 25 April 2019.*

K18.6 Infrastructure Services Report Katikati - February 2019

The Board considered a report from the Deputy Chief Executive dated 25 January 2019 as circulated with the agenda.

K18.6.1 Earle Drive Rehabilitation Options

The Roding Engineer (West) spoke to various options that had been considered by the Board in conjunction with commercial property owners of Earle Drive. The Board had discussed the options at their workshop held on 18 January 2019 and considered the plans shown and Option 1 were the best plan to progress. The Board felt that the rehabilitation work should be funded through the district wide roading budget due to the fact that there had been no maintenance undertaken on Earle Drive for many years.

Board members thanked the Roding Engineer (West) for the work he had undertaken on this item.

K18.6.2 **Roading Projects Priority List**

The Board asked that the proposed footpath along Beach Road (1.5km length and 2.5m width and kerb and channel) to enhance pedestrian, cyclist and motorist safety – at a rough order of cost of \$367,000 be taken out of the Katikati Roothing Projects Priority list at this time. It was noted that this may be an item that a new community board may wish to pick up in the future.

The confirmed Roothing Projects Priority List would be:

- 1 Henry Road Footpath
- 2 Middlebrook Drive Bus Shelter
- 3 Earls Drive Loading and Parking review

Resolved: Councillor Williams / Member Mayo

1. *THAT the Deputy Chief Executive Officer's Report dated 25 January 2019 and titled Infrastructure Services Report Katikati February 2019 be received.*
2. *THAT the Board endorse the removal of 17 Cherry Trees in Kohati Lane to improve car parking as shown in Attachment B of the report.*
3. *THAT the Roothing Projects Priority List as listed be approved:*

Priority	Project	Comments	Costings
1	Henry Road Footpath	2.5m wide footpath with kerb and channel from SH2 Main Road to cycle link	Estimated Cost: \$135,000
2	Middlebrook Drive Bus Shelter	Park and Ride Bus shelter, to be located in the boundary of Moore Park	Estimated Cost: \$25,000
3	Earls Drive Loading and Parking review	Review of Vehicle parking, truck standing, Footpath and kerb & channel along Earl Drive – funded from the district wide roading account	Rough Order Cost: \$325,000

K18.6.3 **Operating Hours of Katikati Recycle Centre Opening Hours Trial**

The Board was advised that the Katikati Recycling Centre was operating under the proposed opening hours on Thursday afternoons. Ratification of the extended operating hours was undertaken at Council on 7 February 2019.

K18.6.4 **Future Waste Management**

The Board was advised that Council had been considering its approach to Waste Management in some detail over the past two years. At the Policy

Committee meeting on 13 December 2018, the preferred option was selected to progress towards public consultation. The preferred option sees Council take a leading role in the delivery of kerbside services for glass, recyclables, food waste (in urban areas) and general rubbish, through contracting out services. Council's identified preferred option includes:

- Pay-per-pick-up service for rubbish (weekly wheeled bin)
- Kerbside glass collection (fortnightly crate)
- Kerbside recyclables collection (cardboard/paper, cans and plastics 1 and 2) (fortnightly wheeled bin)
- Food waste collection in urban areas only (weekly- smaller bin).

The preferred option would also see Council look to establish recycling drop-off points in rural areas where a kerbside service would otherwise be unavailable. Council would also look to work with community groups and Tauranga City Council to establish a community-led construction and demolition waste recovery centre.

It was important that members of the community take the opportunity to give their views and input on any of the proposals and it was advised that the Have Your Say dates would be widely advertised through various media avenues.

K18.6.5 **Bird Walk Erosion**

The Reserves and Facilities Manager advised that he had spoken to Bay of Plenty Regional Council staff and a draft design of the proposed structure was under and would be provided to adjoining owners for comment as part of the required consent process.

The Board would like to see a timeframe for the works to be done as soon as possible before more of the track was lost to erosion.

K18.6.6 **Kotahi Lane - Removal of Cherry Trees**

The Board accepted the plan put forward to remove 17 Cherry Trees in Kotahi Lane to improve over car parking in the area.

The Board asked that commercial premises owners be advised of the pending removal of the trees and that an item be prepared by the Roading Engineer (West) for inclusion in the Katikati Advertiser about the removal of the cherry trees to expedite improvements to the Kotahi Lane car park.

Resolved: Members Hobbs / Mayo

THAT the Deputy Chief Executive report dated 25 January 2019 and titled Infrastructure Services Report Katikati – February 2019 be received.

K18.7 Financial Report Katikati - December 2018

The Board considered a report from the Management Accountant dated 18 January 2019 as circulated with the agenda.

Resolved: Members Gibbs / Mayo

THAT the Management Accountant's report dated 18 January 2019 and titled Financial Report Katikati – December 2018 be received.

K18.8 Council, Standing Committee and Community Board Meetings

The Board considered a schedule of meetings for the months of February and March 2019

Resolved: Member Hobbs / Councillor Williams

THAT the schedule of meetings for February and March 2019 be received.

The meeting concluded at 9.02 am

Confirmed as a true and correct record.

J Hobbs
Chairperson
Katikati Community Board

Date

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