

Western Bay of Plenty District Council

Minutes of Meeting No. OM10 of the Omokoroa Community Board held on 30 January 2018 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

K Perumal (Chief Financial Officer), J Paterson (Transportation Manager), S Harvey (Roading Engineer (East/West) and A Alty (Democracy Advisor)

Others

Eight members of the public and His Worship the Mayor Garry Webber and Councillor Don Thwaites

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 / D Sage

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

Anderley Avenue Footpath Proposal

Harry Pringle, representing residents of the Omokoroa Country Estate spoke to a presented summary signed on behalf of eight residents Omokoroa Estate noting concerns regarding

the proposal to install a footpath on the left hand side of Anderley Avenue. They were also concerned that as long term residents of the Omokoroa Country Lodge they had no prior consultation on the proposal. The following points were highlighted in relation to the proposed position of the footpath:

- The left hand side of Anderley Avenue has multiple essential utility services down this side of the road.
- There is drainage/stormwater flow problems on this side of the road.
- The privacy of some residents with open garden areas could be compromised by the installation of a footpath on the left hand side of the road.

It was the view of residents that if a footpath was to be installed it should be on the right hand side of the road.

The Transportation Manager advised that at this stage while there had been a decision to build a footpath on Anderley Avenue to the first road into the Omokoroa Country Estate, being a distance of approximately 30 metres (Reference - Omokoroa Community Board Meeting OM4.3.1 May 2017) the positioning and design had not been finalised.

It was suggested that the area be inspected (when it was raining) to ascertain the drainage/stormwater build-up. It was also suggested that the residents of the Omokoroa Country Estate be informed of the future footpath proposal.

Access Way to Reserve Area Beside the Omokoroa Bowling Club

Anne Sandel, a resident living directly opposite the Omokoroa Bowling Club, outlined concern relating to anti social behaviours that had caused problems in the immediate vicinity and reserve area. She highlighted the following:

- Youths drinking had caused problems at the bowling club and caused minor damage
- Freedom campers without self contained building had parked on the reserve, but had been moved on by staff
- People fishing in the area used the picnic table to cut bait, gut and fillet fish and did not clean up after. This left a smelly mess for regular picnickers and visitors.
- While the majority of dog owners were diligent in picking up their dog's droppings – others were not and dog poo in the area was a problem.
- The wooden bollards had been removed and cars were driving on and parking on the reserve.

While the Reserves and Facilities Officer (West) had suggested installing some lighting, residents felt that this would not help alleviate the problems. It was suggested that a locked gate be installed so that people could not drive onto the reserve area.

Comment from the Reserves and Facilities staff would be sought for inclusion in the Chairpersons report for the next Community Board next meeting.

Cemetery for Omokoroa

Patricia Price spoke to a letter that she had first submitted to the then Chairperson of the Board in June 2016. As she had not had any response to her letter, she had brought the request to this Board. She stated that "about ten years ago there was talk of a cemetery being established somewhere on the peninsula". The nearest cemetery was approximately

28 kms away. Many older residents of Omokoroa were unable to travel out of town, and having to travel the distance required in congested traffic was challenging.

It was suggested that the establishment of a cemetery be included in the Board's Long Term Plan project list – with such a facility able to serve Omokoroa, Te Puna and the surrounding district.

The Chairperson advised that the need for a cemetery in or near Omokoroa was included in the Omokoroa Community Development Plan (2010) and would be referenced for consideration in future structure plans for Omokoroa.

Resolved: Member Grainger / Councillor Murray-Benge

THAT the meeting be re-convened in formal session at 7.20pm.

OM10.1 **Minutes of Meeting No. OM9 of the Omokoroa Community Board held on 21 November 2017**

The Board considered the minutes of OM9 of the Omokoroa Community Board held on 21 November 2017 as circulated with the agenda.

Resolved: Members Grainger / D Sage

THAT the minutes of meeting No. OM9 of the Omokoroa Community Board held on 21 November 2017 as circulated with the agenda, be confirmed as a true and accurate record with the following amendment noted:

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*Letter from the Omokoroa Public Art Group – Request for Funding
- That reference to the Omokoroa Fisherman's Club in the item and recommendation be amended to read the Omokoroa Boat Club.*

OM10.2 **Chairperson's Report**

The Board considered a report from the Chairperson dated 10 January 2018 as circulated with the agenda.

OM10.2.1 **Western Avenue Sports and Recreation Society**

The Board was provided with a further email update in addition to the reply to questions raised at the last meeting.

OM10.2.2 **Omokoroa Environmental Managers**

The Chairperson advised that the Omokoroa Environmental Managers had received confirmation of their Charitable Status as from 15 January 2018.

OM10.2.3 Omokoroa ANZAC Group

The Chairperson advised that the Omokoroa ANZAC Group would be making an application to the next Board meeting for funding for the 2018 Anzac Day commemoration events at Omokoroa.

The Omokoroa Anzac Group would also be seeking funding and permission to plant a 'peace tree' in Crapp Reserve to commemorate the end of the First World War. The Group would need to liaise with the Reserves and Facilities Manager in regard to the type and positioning of the tree.

OM10.2.4 Omokoroa Settlers Hall Committee

Member T Sage advised that flooring in the Settlers Hall was being worked on and a booking officer for the hall had been secured.

OM10.2.5 Omokoroa Community Plan

It was suggested that the Omokoroa Community Plan include a list of names of the committee and contributors who assisted in developing the plan. This would be a fitting and lasting acknowledgement of those who had worked on compiling the document.

It was also suggested that both the Te Puna Community Plan and the Omokoroa Community Plan be formally presented to the Community Committee and the Omokoroa Future Focus meeting.

Resolved: Members Grainger / D Sage

THAT the Omokoroa Community Board Chairperson's Report dated 10 January 2018 is received.

OM10.3 Councillor's Report

The Board considered a report from the Councillor Palmer dated 16 January 2018 as circulated with the agenda.

OM10.3.1 Long Term Plan

Councillor Palmer referred to the document provided in the Chairperson's Report in reference to the Long Term Plan and key dates from this time on until final adoption of the plan.

OM10.3.2 Next Future Focus Meeting

It was suggested that the current reserved date for the next Future Focus meeting be changed from 7 March to a later date to enable the Draft Long Term Plan to be presented at that meeting.

The Chairperson would check the possibility of accommodating a change depending on venue availability and staff and report back to the Board.

OM10.3.3 Updates on Service Requests

Councillor Murray-Benge asked for updates on service requests that had been lodged for the following concerns:

- Beach Grove Signage
- Overgrown Trees on Beach Grove
- Beach Grove – Omokoroa Road Walkway Steps
- Beach Grove Drainage

An update on the current status of the registered service requests would be advised to Board members.

Resolved: Members Grainger / T Sage

THAT the report from Councillor Palmer dated 16 January 2018 be received.

OM10.4 Anzac Day Commemoration 2018

The Board considered a report from the Democracy Advisor dated 15 January 2018 as circulated with the agenda.

Resolved: Councillor Murray-Benge / T Sage

1. *THAT the Democracy Advisor's report dated 15 January 2018 and titled Anzac Day Commemoration 2018 be received.*
2. *THAT the Omokoroa Community Board provide a wreath for the ANZAC Day Service, to be paid from the Omokoroa Community Board Contingency Account (up to the value of \$200).*
3. *THAT the Chairperson represent the Omokoroa Community Board at the ANZAC Day Service at Omokoroa on 25 April 2018.*

OM10.5 Infrastructure Services Report Omokoroa - January 2018

The Board considered a report from Deputy Chief Executive dated 8 January 2018 as circulated with the agenda.

OM10.5.1 Omokoroa Jetty and Panepane Wharf Repairs

The Board was advised that repairs to the Omokoroa jetty walkway deck required after the storm surge and king tide event of 5 January 2018 had been scheduled to be undertaken with urgency.

This also applied to the required repairs to the Panepane wharf.

The Board was advised that the proposed shelter was a completely separate contracted project.

OM10.5.2 Omokoroa Road Update

The Transportation Operation Manager advised that the bad weather over the summer period and the shortage of specialist contractors had slowed the progress of the Omokoroa Road upgrade. Developers had raised concerns regarding ongoing delays, which had also impacted on the roading project cost risk to Council.

Over the next few weeks specific realignment work will take place that included:

- Widening the Omokoroa Road carriageway
- Developing a new intersection and roundabout (for house development access)
- Preparing the newly developed road area for pavement.

It was expected that the current section of Omokoroa Road upgrade would be completed by mid 2018 with off-road construction continuing after that.

OM10.5.3 Western Bay Wastewater Systems - Wet Wipes Disposal

A question was asked if a press statement would be put out by the Council to publicise and educate people about the damage caused by flushing wet wipes and other products through wastewater systems throughout the district.

OM10.5.4 Flashing Sign on Sign on Corner of Omokoroa Road and Kathleen Place

Enquiries would be made as to the legality of the electronic sign placed on the corner of Omokoroa and Kathleen Place. The sign was advertising real estate for sale and was very distracting to road users.

OM10.5.5 Funding for Kowai Grove and Kaharoa Avenue Footpaths from Omokoroa Community Roading Account

Resolved: Councillors Murray-Benge / Palmer

THAT the Omokoroa Community Board approve the following works to be funded from the Omokoroa Community Roading Account:

- *Kowai Grove footpath..... \$12,000*
- *Kaharoa Avenue footpath..... \$15,000*

Resolved: Councillors Murray-Benge / Palmer

THAT the Deputy Chief Executive Officer’s Report dated 8 January 2018 and titled Infrastructure Services Report Omokoroa January 2018 be received.

OM10.6 Financial Report Omokoroa - November 2017

The Board considered a report from the Management Accountant dated 8 January 2018 as circulated with the agenda.

Resolved: Member Grainger / Councillor Murray-Benge

THAT the Management Accountant’s report dated 8 January 2018 and titled Financial Report Omokoroa - November 2017 be received.

OM10.7 Council, Standing Committee and Community Board Meetings

The Board considered a schedule of meetings for the months of January and February 2018 as circulated with the agenda.

Resolved: Members Grainer / T Sage

THAT the schedule of meetings for January and February 2018 be received.

The meeting concluded at 8.04pm.

Confirmed as a true and correct record.

 M Grainger
 Chairperson
 Omokoroa Community Board

 Date