



Otorohanga Community Board

AGENDA

4 December 2014

4.00pm

Members of the Otorohanga Community Board

Mr R Prescott (Chair)
Mr NS Chetty
Mrs EM Cowan
Mrs AC Laws
Mr PD Tindle
Mr DR Williams

Meeting Secretary: Mr CA Tutty (Governance Supervisor)

OTOROHANGA COMMUNITY BOARD

4 December 2014

Notice is hereby given that an ordinary meeting of the Otorohanga Community Board will be held in the Council Chambers, Maniapoto St, Otorohanga on Thursday 4 December 2014 commencing at 4.00pm.

28 November 2014

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AGENDA

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Item 51 MANAGEMENT ACCOUNTS FOR THE PERIOD ENDING 30 SEPTEMBER 2014

**To: Chair & Members
 Otorohanga Community Board**

From: District Accountant

Date: 4 December 2014

Relevant Community Outcomes

- Ensure services and facilities meet the needs of the Community
 - Promote the local economy and opportunities for sustainable economic development
 - Foster an involved and engaged Community
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Executive Summary

The Draft Management Accounts for the period ended 30 September 2014 are attached under separate cover.

Staff Recommendation

It is recommended:

That the Draft Management Accounts for the period ended 30 September 2014 be received.

Brendan O'Callaghan
DISTRICT ACCOUNTANT

Item 52 WW1 MEMORIAL PARK REDWOOD TREES REMOVAL

To: **Chairperson & Members
Otorohanga Community Board**

From: **Community Facilities Officer**

Date: **4 December 2014**

Relevant Community Outcomes

- The Otorohanga District is a safe place to live
 - Ensure services and facilities meet the needs of the Community
 - Provide for the unique history and culture of the District
 - Promote the local economy and opportunities for sustainable economic development
 - Manage the natural and physical environment in a sustainable manner
 - Foster an involved and engaged Community
 - Protect the special character of our harbours and their catchments
 - Recognise the importance of the Districts rural character
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Executive Summary

The large redwood trees and uneven pavers in WW1 Memorial Park have become dangerous and the time has arrived to address a change in the landscaping of this park.

Staff Recommendation

It is recommended:

That permission to remove the two redwood trees be granted and pavers reinstalled for safety sake.

Report Discussion

The two redwood trees (*Sequoia sempervirens* – California Redwood) in WW1 Memorial Park were planted in 1922. They are extremely tall and very prone to dropping branches on a regular basis which could cause serious injuries or even death should a falling branch hit a person (see attached photos). Furthermore any branches that break off and get caught higher up the tree require the work of an arborist to remove them at great cost.

Ideally, redwoods grow in a conical shape with one single trunk. One of the trees has two leaders growing from the main trunk and the other has four leaders growing from its main trunk, which is not ideal.

The paved area was installed around 2003 when an upgrade to join WW1 and WW11 memorials into one area was carried out. The pavers have slumped in areas over time and need re-installing to eliminate trip hazards.

The lighting of the park has been an ongoing saga of maintenance especially before ANZAC day, with lights not working. The lighting of our parks has now been included in the Street Light Contract with The Lines Company (TLC) and TLC are looking at upgrading the lights with LED types.

It is therefore an opportune time to look at the redwood tree removal with possible new planting any further soft landscaping which will address the significant safety issues and reduce long term costs.

Complete long term landscaping design plan – Rosemary Davison has looked at the park to a view of what could be carried out if the trees are removed. She has indicated that stump grinding will need to be carried out then some contouring. After that it would be a decision of the Community Board as to what is installed in the park; what does the town need eg more picnic tables or further displays or planting, or leave open etc.

The cost of the work could be spread over several years, an indicative budget for the short term to address the safety issues follows: -

Relay 85m ² of paving	\$4,000
Dismantle, remove (using crane) and clean-up two redwood trees	\$16,710
Stumpgrinding/contouring with top soil (estimate only)	<u>\$2,000</u>
Estimate total:	\$22,710

Dianne Hooker
COMMUNITY FACILITIES OFFICER

Attachments

- a. Photos of branch fall – WW1 Memorial Park

WW1 Memorial Park – Redwood tree branches down in severe winds 22/9/14







Item 53 OCB MATTERS REFERRED 23 OCTOBER 2014

**To: Chairperson and Members
 Otorohanga District Council**

From: Governance Supervisor

Date: 4 December 2014

Executive Summary

1. BOARD

11 September 2014

- i. To have a discussion with representatives of the Waipa Rural Water Supply Committee regarding the supply of water to properties outside of the Otorohanga Community and Waipa Rural Water Supply Water Supply areas.

23 October 2014

- ii. To review the Otorohanga Domain Reserve Management Plan.

2. CHAIR

23 October 2014

- i. To discuss with Messrs Chetty and Tindle the request from HydroWaste Ltd for a License to discharge effluent into the Otorohanga Sewerage Ponds.

3. MR CHETTY

31 July 2014

- i. To present a Draft Discussion Document on a Sister City Concept to various Community Groups.

CA Tutty
GOVERNANCE SUPERVISOR

GENERAL