



Kawhia Community Board

MINUTES

19 OCTOBER 2018

1pm

Members of the Kawhia Community Board

Mr. CE Jeffries (Chair)
Mrs. DM Pilkington (Deputy Mayor)
Mr. AJ Rutherford
Mr. DM Walsh
Mr. G Fletcher

Meeting Secretary: Mr. CA Tutty (Governance Supervisor)

KAWHIA COMMUNITY BOARD

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Minutes of an Ordinary meeting of the Kawhia Community Board held in the Kawhia Sports Club, Kawhia on 19 October 2018 commencing at 1pm

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Minutes are unconfirmed and subject to amendment at the next meeting of the Board.

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PRESENT

Mr. CE Jeffries (Chair), Mrs. DM Pilkington, Mr. AJ Rutherford, Mr. DM Walsh and Mr. G Fletcher

IN ATTENDANCE

Mr. DC Clibbery (Chief Executive), His Worship MM Baxter (Mayor) (attended 1.45pm), Mr. RH Brady (Engineering Manager) and Mr. CA Tutty (Governance Supervisor)

The Chair declared the meeting open and welcomed those present.

PUBLIC FORUM

KAWHIA CEMETRY

Mr. J Dodgson updated members on the cemetery reserve and reported that there has been good growth of the trees recently. He said time has been spent releasing trees by cutting.

Mr. Dodgson reported that an alkathene pipe was accidentally cut near the cemetery fence. He said it has been repaired and secured against the fence well above ground level. Mr. Dodgson advised that the pipe does need to be buried in the ground.

Mr. Dodgson reported that the Kahikatea planted amongst the poplars that line State Highway 31 have been released. He said there has been 13 survivors of 21 planted

Mr. Dodgson advised that garden waste has been thrown over the reserve fence and also dumped on the road edge of State Highway 31 near where a house was recently removed.

GREEN WASTE DISPOSAL

Mr. Dodgson reported on the unloading of a van and trailer at the transfer station and expressed the opinion that the way the bins are located, the gap between the bin and wall and the height of the wooden fence join together to make an ergonomically unsatisfactory facility.

Mr. Dodgson then outlined points to consider if alterations are made to the facility to make it more user friendly.

PLASTIC FROM KAWHIA CEMETRY

Mr. Dodgson reported that plastic flowers, plastic containers, fans, steel rods with solar cells make up a long lasting collection of rubbish that is encountered in the Cemetery Reserve. He said much of this material comes from a localised area within the Kawhia Cemetery and asked if it is possible to discretely discourage the placing of this type of material on graves.

The Chair said he would circulate to Mr. Dodgson guidelines for the public forum section of the meeting. He said to Mr. Dodgson that many of the items being raised by him are more operational matters.

AOTEA PARK

Mr. Dodgson reported that originally this area was planted for a purpose and expressed the opinion that surely this purpose has not changed. He said he enjoys along with many others the amenities and the ambience created by the plantings. Mr. Dodgson advised that with the loss of the ground level windbreak this has changed the ambience of the area to a place less likely to be appreciated.

Mr. Dodgson reported that an opportunity to manage this site given consideration to users and residents was lost with the removal of the ground cover shrubs and limbing the Pohutukawa to life the branch line. He said this could be rectified by replanting the shrub windbreak, maintaining it to about two metres high then topping the Pohutukawa to hold growth to the lower level of approximately four to six metres high.

Mr. Dodgson highlighted the importance of the removal of Brush Wattle collapsing on to Hotoroa Street causing a traffic hazard and collapsing the bank.

MESSRS B PEAKE AND B MCONIE

Mr. Peake referred to the recent article in the Waitomo News regarding the removal of trees at the Aotea playground. He expressed concern that this article appeared in the paper prior to it being considered by the Board.

Mr. Peake said he was not impressed to see the article which gave the wrong impression in proposing to cut all the trees down. Mr. Peake reported that there are seventeen trees within the mown area in blocks of three, some of which have not grown very well. Mr. Peake outlined the plan to develop the area in conjunction with the completion of the sea wall. Mr. Peake reported that the trees were "just planted" however, they will grow large and therefore suggested the removal of some of these.

Mr. Mc Onie advised that seventeen Pohutukawa trees planted within a quarter acre area is ridiculous. He expressed concern that in the future, problems could be encountered with the carpark which is on occasion used as a landing site for the Westpac Rescue Helicopter. Mr. Mc Onie said this area is a beautiful playground however, it should not be obscured from public view.

The Chief Executive confirmed that he will take the matter of the item being published up with the Waitomo News. He acknowledged the resident's concerns.

ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED IN GENERAL BUSINESS

Resolved that the following items be considered in general business which may require a resolution –

- 1) B. Green, Tainui Kawhia Minerals – Request for support from the Kawhia Community Board for the Minerals Project.
- 2) Kawhia Playground Proposal.

Chair / Mr. Rutherford

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES – 10 AUGUST 2018

Mrs. Pilkington referred to Page 2. the resolution regarding the memorial in respect of Sister Reidy and advised that this should be amended to read that the memorial is to be located on road reserve (at the top of the walking track) in Hoturoa Street, not at the former Kawhia Hospital site as recorded in the minutes.

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting of the Kawhia Community Board held on 10 August 2018, as amended, be approved as a true and correct record of that meeting.

Mr. Rutherford / Mr. Walsh

MATTERS ARISING

Kawhia Cemetery – Screen Hedging

In reply to Mrs. Pilkington members were advised that a clear direction has been given by Councils Landscape Consultant as to how the screen fencing at the Kawhia Cemetery should be carried out.

HIS WORSHIP

His Worship attended the meeting at 1.45pm

DECLARATION OF INTEREST

The Chair asked members whether they had any pecuniary or non-pecuniary interests in matters to be discussed at this meeting.

The Chair and Mr. Rutherford declared expressions of interest in matters to be discussed relating to the proposed Kawhia Playground.

ITEM 102 REMOVAL OF SELECT TREES – AOTEA

Members referred to the Community Facilities Officers report seeking consideration from the Board to remove several coastal trees at Aotea beside the Aotea playground as they are starting to block sea views of the nearby residents.

Mrs. Pilkington asked if there is a Reserve Management Plan in place for this area. It was suggested that this area be considered as a whole and a plan developed.

Mr. Fletcher said he was not aware of any formal plan.

The Chief Executive replied that he suspected that the trees were planted without a detailed plan.

Mr. Fletcher reported that Messrs. Peake and Mc Oine had just wanted to thin and trim the existing trees. He said the problem is with the number of trees in the area.

He informed members that discussion needs to be held with Council's Community Facilities Officer and a plan of action arrived at.

The Engineering Manager said that the Community Facilities Officer report focuses on the assumption that property owner's views will be lost in the future.

Resolved that coastal trees in the Aotea playground be removed to allow five suitably placed Pohutukawa trees to remain.

Mr. Fletcher / Mr. Rutherford

PROPOSED 2019 KAWHIA COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING DATES

Reference was made to the Governance Supervisor's report on proposed 2019 meeting dates for the Kawhia Community Board.

Resolved proposed 2019 meeting dates as amended, be adopted.

- 1 February 2019
- 5 April 2019
- 7 June 2019
- 9 August 2019
- 20 September 2019
- 1 November 2019
- 13 December 2019

Chair / Mr. Walsh

ITEM 104 KCB MATTERS REFERRED FROM 10 AUGUST 2018

The Governance Supervisor took members through matters referred.

WAIPA NETWORKS

The Chair referred to the item that he approach Waipa Networks regarding obtaining a timeframe for the proposal to install an electrical charging station in Kawhia and reported that he has not heard from the company, therefore he will follow this matter up.

SECURITY CAMERAS (CCTV)

The Chief Executive reported that a specification and costings has been received for the supply and installation of cameras within the CBD therefore, it is now appropriate to extend an invitation to other companies to provide a quotation.

LEASED AREA AT THE KAWHIA DOMAIN

The Chief Executive advised that Council's Land Management Officer has met with Mrs. Patsy Scott regarding the leased area at the Kawhia Domain and discussed with her what is required to bring the fence up to standard.

GENERAL

B. Green – Tainui Kawhia Minerals

The Chair referred to the request from Tainui Kawhia Minerals for the Board to provide written support for the minerals project. He said this is required to support an application for funding under the Provincial Growth Fund.

Resolved that the Kawhia Community Board provide written support for the Tainui Kawhia Minerals application under the Provincial Growth Fund.

Mr. Fletcher / Chair

Mrs. Pilkington expressed the opinion that this venture will provide potential benefits for the Community and that their application for a Resource Consent will sort out the practicalities.

It was agreed that the Governance Supervisor in conjunction with the Chair prepare the letter of support.

Kawhia Playground Proposal

The Chief Executive reported on legal issues regarding the land on which the playground is proposed to be erected. He said Council is maintaining the land which already has existing structures on it and a retaining wall. The Chief Executive suggested that the Board engage with the Community, presenting a detailed plan and to invite feedback on the project.

P Scott – Driveway

The Chair asked the Engineering Manager to provide a timeframe in respect to the driveway outside Mrs. Patsy Scotts property.

The Engineering Manager noted the request.

Walking Track

The Chair raised the matter of upgrading the walking track to the reservoir.

The Chief Executive replied that the Board had agreed to do so and that this would be undertaken by holding a staff team building day.

The Chief Executive undertook to move the matter forward.

Jervois Street

The Chair reported that seas require repairing or replacing around the perimeter of the Reserve area and that sections of chain have been removed.

Museum Sign

The Chair queried what was happening in regard to the sign by the Kawhia Museum as this has been graffitied and the transfer is peeling off.

Members were advised that Museum staff were obtaining the assistance of the Kawhia Art group in respect to its design.

The Chair undertook to have discussions with the Museum staff.

Classic Cars Event

The Chair reported on a Classic Cars event being held on the Ommitti Reserve on 11 November 2018. He said the funds raised from this event will be in support of Multiple Sclerosis.

Doctors Surgery

The Chair referred members to written information received following a visit to a home show by Kawhia Medical Centre staff.

Mr. Walsh reported that another room could not be placed on the existing site.

The Chair replied that there is a need to obtain clarification of Mr. Walsh's advice.

Mrs. Pilkington said it would be desirable to consider ways that additional space could be provided.

It was agreed that feedback be obtained from Council's Building Department.

Morrison Road – Bollard

Mr. Fletcher reported that a bollard has been pulled out at the end of Morrison Road thus allowing cars to drive up onto the grass / seawall.

Kawhia Refuse Facility

Mr. Fletcher queried whether any thought had been given to installing an EFTPOS terminal at the Kawhia Refuse Facility.

The Engineering Manager undertook to investigate this matter.

Street Lights

Mr. Fletcher reported that the street light at the intersection of Cooper and Lawton Drives has been faulty over the past two months. He said these are regularly inspected and if they are found not to be working they should automatically be replaced.

Kawhia Kai Festival

The Chair reported he has received a request from the current Kawhia Kai Festival Committee seeking a letter of support for their application to the Ministry for Culture and Heritage and circulated copies of this letter to members.

The Chair said he had prepared a letter of support on behalf of the Kawhia Community Board.

West Coast Zone – Catchment Committee

Mrs. Pilkington reported on her attendance at a recent West Coast Zone – Catchment Committee meeting wherein a number of new members were present including local person Cathy Holland.

NZ Arts Trail

Mrs. Pilkington reported that strong promotion has been carried out and photographs placed around the harbour.

Beattie Home

Mrs. Pilkington reported that she recently attended the Volunteers celebration held at Beattie Home, Otorohanga.

Hauturu School Centennial

Mrs. Pilkington highlighted the Centennial celebrations of the Hauturu School that are to be held over the Labour Day weekend.

Community Engagement Seminar

Mrs. Pilkington reminded members of a Community Engagement Seminar to be held on 1 November 2018, presented by Local Government New Zealand at the Council Chamber.

SWEAP

Mrs. Pilkington reported that Landscape Designer Mrs. R Davison is on the Board of SWEAP.

Community Invitation

Mrs. Pilkington requested a letter of appreciation be forwarded to Mr. Ross Dockery, who represented the South Waikato Economic Action Group, Governance Group on the issue of aquaculture in the Aotea Harbour on TV's Seven Sharp program.

Traffic Management Plan

The Engineering Manager reported that Council's Roading Officer has approved Traffic Management Plans for a number of forthcoming Kawhia events such as the Kawhia Kai Festival.

Metal Roads

The Engineering Manager reported that Kaimango and Hauturu roads are currently considered to be the best metal roads within the District.

His Worship

His Worship referred to the television appearance by Mr. Ross Dockery on Kawhia and said this is a really beneficial piece on Kawhia. He said Mr. Dockery answered a considerable number of questions throughout the interview.

Area Behind Kawhia Museum

Mr. Walsh referred to the area at the rear of the Kawhia Museum and requested that this could be opened up and utilised more in particular to allow vehicles to park when using the Barbeque facilities.

D & L Pinny – Dove Charters Limited

Members were referred to a letter received from D & L Pinny – owner/operators of Dove Charters Limited regarding the berthage fees and Kawhia shed rentals at the Kawhia Wharf. Their letter also addressed the issue regarding parking in the area.

Mr. Rutherford referred to the proposed introduction of 120 minute parking in Jervois Street and the area around the Kawhia Wharf and said he would endorse the view to encourage vehicles away from the area from where they are currently parking. Mr. Rutherford said that once a Bylaw is in place restricting parking in these areas, offenders will be fined and the desired results obtained.

Mrs. Pilkington agreed that enforcement is the only way to obtain the desired results.

The Chair referred to Mr. and Mrs. Pinny's letter, in particular to the matter of the Wharf charges and advised that this matter was consulted on.

The Chief Executive advised that notice was publically given in the local paper.

It was agreed that the Governance Supervisor respond to Mr. and Mrs. Pinny's letter.

Pohutukawa Trees

The Engineering Manager undertook to look into the matter of the Pohutukawa trees as you approach into Kawhia Township.

The Chief Executive referred members to the Traffic Bylaw and confirmed that the Board was not considering making a submission. He said it would be the intention to proceed with the proposed 120 minute parking restrictions.

ITEM 105 - PUBLIC EXCLUDED

Resolved that the Public Be excluded from the meeting.

Reason for Confidentiality

	Grounds	Reason
	Section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987, which permits the meeting to be closed to the public for business relating to the following grounds: -	Subject to sections 6, 8 and 17 of the Local Government Official Information Act 1987, the withholding of the information is necessary to:
AOTEA SEAWALL CONFIDENTIAL	48(1d) That the exclusion of the public from the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting is necessary to enable the local authority to deliberate in private on its decision or recommendation in any proceedings to which this paragraph applies.	7(2i) Enable any local authority holding the information to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations).

Chair / Mr. Fletcher

MEETING CLOSURE

The meeting closed at 3.26pm.

CHAIRMAN: _____

DATE: _____

