



Otorohanga Community Board

MINUTES

2 October 2019

4PM

OTOROHANGA COMMUNITY BOARD

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Minutes of an Ordinary meeting of the Otorohanga Community Board held in the Council Chambers, Maniapoto Street, Otorohanga on 2 October 2019 commencing at 4.00pm.

Tanya Winter
CHIEF EXECUTIVE

MINUTES

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PRESENT

Cr. P McConnell (Chair), Cr. K Christison, Mrs. E Cowan, Mr. P Coventry, Mr. N Gadd Mr. A Buckman

IN ATTENDANCE

Ms. Tanya Winter (Chief Executive), Messrs. R Brady (Engineering Manager) M Lewis (Services Manager), J le Fleming (Community Facilities Manager), CA Tutty (Governance Supervisor) and Ms. T Ambury (Community and Economic Development Manager)

The Chair declared the meeting open and welcomed those present to the last meeting of the Board for this triennial term.

DECLARATION OF INTEREST

The Chair asked members if they were aware of any Conflicts of Interest that may exist regarding items to be discussed at today's meeting.

No declarations of interest were received.

PUBLIC FORUM

No members of the public were present in the public forum.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES – 4 SEPTEMBER 2019

Resolved that the Minutes of the meeting of the Otorohanga Community Board held on 4 September 2019, as circulated, be approved as a true and correct record of that meeting and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

Mr. Gadd/ Mr. Coventry

ITEM 112 CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

The Chair reported that Board business has been fairly quiet since the last meeting. He highlighted the recent candidates evening and reported that residents are asking some questions on items relating to the Stopbanks.

He said any problem issues are being forwarded directly to Council's Managers for action.

Resolved that the Chairperson verbal report be received.

Chair / Mr. Gadd

ITEM 113 CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPORT

The Chair asked members to take the Chief Executives report for the period 20 August – 16 September 2019 as read however, welcomed any questions on the report.

Mr. Gadd said it was pleasing to see a continuation of the Chief Executive being very visible within the Community.

The Chief Executive expressed the opinion on how appreciative local businesses and residents are to see Council staff shopping locally. She said it is great to be out and about within the Community.

Resolved that the Chief Executives report for the period 20 August – 16 September 2019 be received.

Mr. Buckman / Mrs. Cowan.

ITEM 114 UPDATE ON THE OTOROHANGA COMMUNITY BOARD WALK AROUND OTOROHANGA

The Community Facilities Officer referred members to the update on the Otorohanga Community Board Walk around report and asked them to take this as read.

The Officer asked members if they had any questions or updates in respect to the report.

The following items were raised –

- 1) Skylights require cleaning in the former Railway Station building.
- 2) Planting boxes around the pedestrian crossings, in Maniapoto Street, particularly on the western side, require attention. This item to be included in future reports.
- 3) Thanks expressed to the Community Services staff for the work undertaken.

Resolved that the update on the Otorohanga Community Board Walk around be received.

Mr. Coventry / Mrs. Cowan

BOARD MEMBER UPDATE

Board Members raised the following matters:

MR. COVENTRY

Expressed his thanks to Board members and staff for their help and support. He said it has been a great three years.

MR. BUCKMAN

Expressed the opinion that the Board has achieved progress however, felt that the process is slow and frustrating.

His vision to create a Stopbank walkway has been achieved and for plans to be put in place for vegetation control.

The Chair felt that progress is dependent on what the process is and often consultation is required.

The Chief Executive reported that she believed the delegations to both Boards could be made clearer and for the Boards to be given power to act rather than issues going to Council for approval.

MRS. COWAN

Advised that it was great to be part of a team during the past three years.

Feedback from rural people as to why they cannot vote for their local Community Board.

COUNCILLOR CHRISTISON

-Reported a letter has been received from Mr. D Bailey regarding the Stopbanks, mowing and grazing. She said he has been advised that a Committee (SPARC) has been established for this purpose.

-Attended along with the Chair, the blessing of the Stopbank pathway.

-Thanked members and staff for assistance during the past three years.

-Said it was a privilege to sit around the Council table.

CHAIR

-Forwarding 'Thank You' letters to various organisations, businesses and individuals.

-Been an interesting three years and expressed thanks to everyone including the former Chief Executive D. Clibbery.

He highlighted some of the key projects achieved by the Board being:

- Jim Barker Memorial Playground
- Stopbank Walkway
- Introduction of water meters.

The Chair reported he has really enjoyed his term on the Board in particular being able to act as Chairperson.

MEETING CLOSURE

The meeting closed at 4.40pm