
MINUTES
of the
GOLDEN BAY COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING
held
4.30 pm, Tuesday, 14 May 2019
at
Takaka Office, 78 Commercial Street, Takaka

Present: A Langford (Chair), G Knowles, A Grant, Cr P F Sangster

In Attendance: Environment & Planning Manager (D Bush-King), Executive Assistant (J Jar)

Part Attendance: D Gowland, Strategic Policy Manager (S Flood)

1 OPENING, WELCOME

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting. The Whakatoki was read aloud by Mr Bush-King.

2 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

The Board accepted apologies from Cr Brown. Board member Gowland had advised the Board he would be arriving late. Chair Langford provided apologies on behalf of the Youth Council representative.

Moved Chair Langford/Grant
GBCB19-05-1

That apologies be accepted.
CARRIED

3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Nil

4 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Moved Cr Sangster/Deputy Chair Knowles
GBCB19-05-2

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That the minutes of the Golden Bay Community Board meeting held on Tuesday, 9 April 2019, be confirmed as a true and correct record of the meeting.

CARRIED

Moved Cr Sangster/Deputy Chair Knowles

GBCB19-05-3

That the confidential minutes of the Golden Bay Community Board meeting held on Tuesday, 9 April 2019, be confirmed as a true and correct record of the meeting.

CARRIED

Cr Sangster advised on progress of the drama club roof beside the Playhouse but noted the roof pitch was unable to be altered.

5 PRESENTATIONS

Nil

6 REPORTS

6.3 Chairs Report

4 Freedom Camping

Sharon Flood, Strategic Policy Manager, presented to the Board on the Freedom Camping Strategy. Ms Flood provided an apology from Paul MacArthur, consultant, who was unable to be present.

Ms Flood told the Board that the Strategy would develop criteria for, and assess, current and new sites. Ms Flood said a determination would be made on whether the sites should or should not be used for freedom camping or just self-contained campers. Ms Flood told the Board that there was a timeline to get a draft developed soon which will be put out to consultation, Ms Flood said that there was still some debate on timing given the elections taking place this year. There was a question to ask whether the project team had met with Iwi and Ms Flood responded that one meeting had taken place and another organised.

The Board discussed funds being used for infrastructure and what were seen as excessive costs. Ms Flood said she will seek advice but that the funding came from the Government's Tourism Infrastructure Fund.

Ms Flood requested any comments to be provided to her.

6 Manawhenua Ki Mohua

Chair Langford agreed to write to Manawhenua Ki Mohua to encourage them to have a voice around the table and to welcome their input on community issues.

7 Board Member Update

The Board had a discussion regarding AMI closing its branch office in Motueka and the impact this will have on a number of customers in Golden Bay.

Deputy Chair Knowles noted Mayor Reece of Nelson City Council was to ask her Council to declare a climate change emergency and asked if the Board press for a similar declaration. The Board noted that Tasman District Council is currently involved in working through a Climate Change Strategy. The Board agreed to let the matter lie and Chair Langford would include in the Chairs report to the next meeting.

The Board had a discussion around a proliferation of unofficial notices appearing in parts of the

District. The Board said there had been concerns raised that individual communities were setting up their own set of rules and how much power these signs were having on people. The Board noted that any unauthorised signage can be removed by staff. The Board urged the community to report to staff any unauthorised signage for investigation.

The Board had a discussion on an additional pedestrian crossing on Commercial Street, near the Village Green. Chair Langford agreed to write a letter to NZTA to request an additional pedestrian crossing, taking the number up to a total of three crossings in the area.

The Board had a discussion around the location of the bus bay at the top of Takaka town. Chair Langford agreed to speak with staff, Robert Deck, and Cr Sangster to raise the matter with Golden Bay Promotions Association.

6.2 Action Sheet

The Board reviewed and updated the Action Sheet. The Board expressed frustration at the time taken to advance the Pohara stormwater project.

**Moved Cr Sangster/Chair Langford
GBCB19-05-4**

That the Golden Bay Community Board expresses a view that the Pohara Flood Mitigation Project has been taking a long time to resolve and the Board believes it is time to see action.

CARRIED

**Moved Cr Sangster/Chair Langford
GBCB19-05-5**

That the Golden Bay Community Board receives the Action Sheet RGBCB19-05-2

CARRIED

Board member Gowland arrived at 5:15 pm.

8 CORRESPONDENCE

8.1 Correspondence

The Board discussed the letter recently received from the Local Government Commission on the Local Board Application of 7th May 2019. The invitation deadline is 10th June to identify alternative reorganisation proposals. The Board discussed whether it should respond. The Board decided to take no action and await the next consultation opportunity.

Board member Gowland asked what the Board could do about the Pakawau seawall decision and expressed disappointment at the result and thought the decision appeared inconsistent with other decisions made in the area.

Cr Sangster asked why the Council could rock land at Puponga, Mariri and Rototai dump. Mr Bush-King agreed to seek an explanation.

**Moved Board Member Gowland/Grant
GBCB19-05-6**

That the Golden Bay Community Board expresses its disappointment and frustration at the decision on the Pakawau rock wall application. The Council is encouraged to look at ways in which private landowners can protect their land from coastal erosion using hard

protection measures.

CARRIED

**Moved Chair Langford/Deputy Chair Knowles
GBCB19-05-7**

That the Golden Bay Community Board receives the Chairs Report RGBCB19-05-3

CARRIED

6.1 Financial report

The Financial Report was taken as read.

**Moved Cr Sangster/Chair Langford
GBCB19-05-8**

That the Golden Bay Community Board receives the Financial Report RGBCB19-05-1

CARRIED

7 PUBLIC FORUM

Penny Griffith

Ms Griffith spoke about the Local Board Application and the opportunity for submissions for applicants.

Ms Griffith updated the Board on the petition that Liz Thomas and herself had presented to the Council requesting a change to the voting system. Ms Griffith told the Board that she wanted to see the Council proactively encouraging potential candidates to stand for election and to ensure voters were engaged to vote.

Felicity Fitz-William

A letter was read out from Ms Fitz-William raising an issue about the Resource Consent for roadside spraying of the State Highway. The letter stated that the consent was due for renewal on the 4th March 2019 and that Ms Fitz-William was concerned the consent had not been renewed but spraying was ongoing. Ms Fitz-William asked the Board for an explanation.

Beth McCarthy

Ms McCarthy asked the Board about changes to infrastructure funding reported on recently in the media and wanted to know whether there were any planned deferrals in Golden Bay. Ms McCarthy asked the Board if these changes were as a result of the Waimea Dam.

Barbel Hack

Ms Hack, a low-cost campground owner in Golden Bay raised concerns about freedom camping at Waitapu Bridge. Ms Hack was concerned that while she had to comply with the camping regulations and had paid \$80K to install required systems, freedom camping sites were unfairly competing and did not have to meet similar standards. Ms Hack told the Board that Council actions to allow such freedom camping were undermining small businesses.

Jill Pearson

Ms Pearson thanked the Board for the recent donation from the discretionary fund. Ms Pearson drew the Boards attention to provisions in the Agricultural and Pastoral Societies Act 1908 and the Reserves and Other Lands Disposal Act 1959 as they related to the Golden Bay Grandstand.

Cynthia McConville

Ms McConville thanked the Board for the opportunity to raise concerns about shorebirds protection and read out a letter pointing out threats to shorebird habitat and opportunities to provide better protection. Ms McConville told the Board there was a need to control quad bikes and other vehicles on beaches. Ms McConville expressed her disappointment that the public forum did not commence on time and Chair Langford apologised.

Heather Wallace

Ms Wallace thanked Council and its advisors for upholding the rules regarding the decision made on the rock wall application in Pakawau. Ms Wallace suggested the Board hold a workshop for the community to understand the rules, the TRMP and the National Coastal Policy statement.

Sarah Chapman

Ms Chapman told the Board that the current Certificate of Public Use that the Golden Bay Shared Recreational Facility (GBSRF) was currently operating under was due to expire and requested Council seek a permanent solution to the issue. Ms Chapman told the Board that there had been ongoing issues with parking and a Certificate of Code Compliance had not been issued. Ms Chapman tabled the letter that she read out.

3 Items from Public Forum

Mr Bush-King agreed to follow up with Sandra Hartley on a promotion programme for raising awareness of the elections

Chair Langford agreed to raise a service request regarding the roadside spraying consent.

The Board agreed to confirm a workshop date to discuss bylaws for dogs, freedom camping and vehicles on beaches

Mr Bush-King agreed to report back to the Board at the next meeting regarding the certificate issues at the GBSRF.

8 CORRESPONDENCE

8.1 Correspondence

The Board discussed a proposed "Gravel Grab" at local swimming holes. Mr Bush-King noted that it had been practice to allow the public to take a trailer to rivers and remove small quantities of gravel, Mr Bush-King agreed to pass on the suggestion to staff.

Moved Chair Langford/Deputy Chair Knowles

GBCB19-05-10

That the Golden Bay Community Board receives the Correspondence Report

RGBCB19-05-4.

CARRIED

9 CONFIDENTIAL SESSION

Nil

The meeting concluded at 7:05 pm.

Date Confirmed: 17 June 2019

Chair: Langford