

MINUTES

TITLE: Golden Bay Community Board
DATE: Tuesday 14 November 2006
TIME: 9.00 am
VENUE: Collingwood Fire Station, Collingwood
PRESENT: J Bell (Chairperson), C McLellan, L Gamby, M Symmons, Crs S J Borlase, N Riley

IN ATTENDANCE: Service Centres Manager (R Askew), Minute Secretary (V M Gribble)

APOLOGIES

Moved Crs Riley/Borlase
GB06/11/01

THAT apologies for absence from Community Services Manager, L L Kennedy, be sustained.
CARRIED

1 PUBLIC FORUM

1.1 D Gillooly

Mr Gillooly spoke about consultation, especially on foreshore management and numerous reports that have been prepared by Council on the matter. He was concerned about plantings that have been undertaken which will obstruct views from the road and adjoining properties along Beach Road, Collingwood. The public access to the beach has been impeded by the placing of half rounds through the walkway.

1.2 A Vaughan

Mr Vaughan spoke about the foreshore management work undertaken by the Coast Care Group at Collingwood. He considered the half rounds used are totally unacceptable but appreciates the need to provide protection from erosion.

1.3 J Southern and J Fersterer-Gawith, Tasman Youth Council Golden Bay Cluster

Ms Southern presented a submission for a recreation/youth centre from Tasman Youth Council and Golden Bay Community. The submission urged Council to provide a suitable and safe building for youth/recreation centre.

Mr Gamby said youth in the bay also need a dedicated youth worker.

Cr Riley offered to attend a meeting where needs could be discussed and then take it back to the Community Services Committee.

1.4 P King

Mrs King appreciated the grass being kept tidy by her place on William Street and noted that a lot of people visit the area. She asked about having the trees on the camping ground boundary being topped.

1.5 H Kingston

Dr. Kingston spoke about the tennis court/basketball court at Pohara. She asked that the vision for a basketball court not be lost. Her concern was that there was no consultation with the parties affected.

1.6 S Chapman

Ms Chapman spoke about the Coast Care Collingwood group formation and the management of the area. The beach users want the beach to remain natural and the buffer zone to be extended and mowed to create a greater recreation area and creation of a fire break. She asked that the sand ladder and ropes be removed.

Ms Chapman advised of the volunteer group called Silver Lining which supports the residents of Joan Whiting Memorial Trust and advised of fundraising initiatives being undertaken to enable renovations to the Hospital to be made.

1.7 J-A Vaughan

Mrs Vaughan spoke about the Collingwood beach works. She said the sand ladder is successful and would not like to see it removed. She supported the notices that have been erected.

1.8 A Kilgour

Mr Kilgour spoke about the recent reports of the state of Port Tarakohe. He said the wharf is completely workable and in a safe, sound condition. Five floating pontoons have been replaced by the manufacturer and one other had water in it and was repaired. He acknowledged there is a major water problem at the port but a working party is working on a solution to that.

1.9 J Gilardi

Mr Gilardi said the birds and animals need to be considered in the coast care of Collingwood Beach.

1.10 R Nelson, Joan Whiting Resthome

Mr Nelson updated the Board on considerations for future residential rooms for the Joan Whiting Resthome. He said that the two cottages will be sold for removal and two new rooms built which will improve the viability of the Resthome.

2. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

2.1 Golden Bay Community Board – 10 October 2006

**Moved Cr Borlase/Board Member Symmons
GB06/11/02**

**THAT the minutes of the Golden Bay Community Board meeting held on 10 October 2006, containing resolutions numbered GB06/10/01 to GB06/10/17 be confirmed as a true and complete record of the proceedings of that meeting.
CARRIED**

2.2 Golden Bay Community Board Annual Plan/LTCCP Meetings held between 20 and 31 October 2006

The following names were mis-spelt in the minutes of the meetings noted.

Bainham Meeting

Mirka Langford, Lyn Etheredge, Ross and Jenny Haldane (recorded twice), Kevin Brunning, Tyler Langford

Upper Takaka

Country Club (venue)
Kevin Brunning

East Takaka Hall meeting

Kevin Brunning

Pakawau Hall meeting

Edna Campbell-Heath

**Moved Board Member Gamby/Cr Borlase
GB06/11/03**

**THAT the minutes of the Golden Bay Community Board Annual Plan/LTCCP meetings held between 20th and 31st October 2006, as amended, be received.
CARRIED**

2.3 Anatoki Bridge Meeting

**Moved Cr Borlase/Board Member Gamby
GB06/11/04**

THAT the minutes of the Anatoki Bridge meetings held on 16 and 24 October

**2006 be received
CARRIED**

3. RECEIPT OF REPORTS

**Moved Cr Riley/McLellan
GB06/11/05**

**THAT the reports and correspondence contained in the agenda be received.
CARRIED**

3.1 Chairperson's Report

3.1.1 Obituaries

Mr Bell paid tribute to Jim Hayter and Merrin Westerink who had both passed away recently and noted their contributions to and support for the community.

3.1.2 Horticulture Covers Riwaka and East Takaka Landscape/erosion concerns

Board Member McLellan sympathised with people who built houses which looked out over the red horticulture covers which compromised their views. She said it would be good if somehow the effects could be mitigated. She acknowledged that it is an export crop and growers have to meet the market.

Cr Borlase said there will be red, blue and white horticulture covers used in the future. He said the benefits of using horticulture covers are amazing for the fruit growers.

**Moved Crs Borlase/Riley
GB06/11/06**

**THAT the Golden Bay Community Board writes to Tasman District Council's Resource Management Policy Committee pointing out the seeming inadequacy of current rules and policies in the PTRMP for dealing with environmental effects through visual and land disturbance impacts using the Riwaka flats and East Takaka hill proposals as examples.
CARRIED**

3.1.3 Anatoki Track Bridge

Mr Bell said an inspection of the bridge was undertaken by Bill Page, of Page and Associates.

Cr Borlase said that Montgomery Watson Harza NZ Ltd had also undertaken an inspection of the bridge and a meeting will be held between them and Page and Associates. He said the residents funded Mr Page's initial account and we will need to get their approval for costs for another meeting.

Board Member McLellan was concerned that the residents have to pay the bill. She said if Page and Associates recommendations were implemented there would not be a lot of money involved. She suggested another meeting of the residents be held.

Mr Bell said a copy of the Page and Associates report should be sent to Engineering Services Committee requesting them to find a cost-effective practical solution to the problem.

**Moved Board Member Bell/McLellan
GB06/11/07**

THAT the Golden Bay Community Board accepts the report regarding the Anatoki Road Bridge from Page and Associates in principle, and sends a copy of it to Engineering Services Committee and that negotiations continue between Tasman District Council and residents to find a cost-effective practical solution to the bridge problem.

CARRIED

3.1.4 Quilt Purchase

Board Member McLellan asked for a resolution to enable an application for funds from the Pub Charity for purchase of the quilt.

**Moved Board Members McLellan/Gamby
GB06/11/08**

THAT Golden Bay Community Board apply to Pub Charity for \$2,500 to purchase the Abel Tasman Quilt for the meeting room at the Takaka Service Centre.

CARRIED

4. COAST CARE

Reserves Manager, B Wilkes and Rob Lewis, Coast Care Contractor, were in attendance for discussion on coast care and climate change and gave a power point presentation.

Mr Vaughan said the sand ladder at Collingwood is dangerous and is a liability and it has divided the community. He asked that the ladder be taken away.

Mr Gillooly said very little notice was taken of what the community has been saying about coast care.

Mr Lewis said the reason for the sand ladder and fencing is to protect the planting. When people continually walk through an area it will lower the sand. When the plantings were done the area was virtually flat and the sand has raised up.

Mrs Vaughan was happy with the sand ladder and noted there was alternative access onto the beach and she didn't want to see the integrity of the coast care work lost by a vociferous minority.

Mr Gilardi suggested modifying the sand ladder to make it more accessible.

Cr Borlase said at the moment the sand ladder is dangerous and suggested the marram grass be removed from under it and the ladder be allowed to settle into the sand.

Ms Chapman said this is a divided community and she asked for a resolution. Nobody is against the introduction of pingao and spinifex on the foreshore. The decision was taken to plant at the point of access and a decision was made to have one access which resulted in sand erosion because everyone was using that access. She asked for two or three points of entry and then planting of pingao away from the walkways. People are ignoring the sand ladder and walking where the plantings have occurred.

Nicola Basham said one of the reasons the ladder was put in was to repair the gorge that had occurred. She asked for a resolution to be found.

Chairperson Bell said there are details to be sorted out to do with coast care. There seems to be universal support for establishment of pingao and spinifex and we need to find a way to protect and enhance the plantings. Another meeting should be held on site to find a way forward on these issues. It has been suggested that if the half rounds were turned over with the flat side uppermost and they were closer together it might be a solution.

Ms Wilkes advised that there was funding available through biodiversity for people with private property and riparian rights who wanted to undertake coast care work.

Cr Riley thanked Ms Wilkes and Mr Lewis and the people who put their views forward. He said this is a community that is divided but by talking together and finding solutions including some compromise there is a way forward.

Mr Bell said that it is wonderful that the community is passionate about the foreshore and interested in achieving the best outcome.

5. STAFF BRIEFING – J CUTHBERTSON, UTILITIES MANAGER

Mr Cuthbertson advised that Council is applying for resource consent for upgrade of the Takaka wastewater plant. A Memorandum of Agreement with iwi has been received for ratification by the Engineering Services Committee, agreeing to consult with iwi on all wastewater issues in Golden Bay. He commented on infiltration problems at Upper Takaka. Mr Cuthbertson said in conjunction with iwi they are establishing a nursery for supply of plantings for wetlands.

Mr Cuthbertson said there is adequate wastewater capacity for the next 50 years for Takaka, but not for a new “township” outside Takaka.

Board Member Gamby asked if Upper Takaka could be on the recycling route, also Craigieburn and Uruwhenua.

Board Member McLellan asked if Fulton Hogan could have a key to enable them to have access to the transfer station to empty rubbish over the Christmas/New Year period.

Mr Cuthbertson said Fulton Hogan put in a price knowing the hours of opening of the transfer station.

In reply to a question, Mr Cuthbertson said a public tendering process was undertaken for green waste and Council accepted a contract that got rid of the materials and was affordable. He undertook to find out transport costs for Board Member Symmons.

Cr Riley left the meeting at 1.44 pm.

3 Chairperson's Report Continued

3.1.5 Port Nelson Share Buy-back

Chairperson Bell considered it appropriate for a good proportion of the \$12.5 million payment to be used to retire other debt. He suggested that \$2.9 million be allocated to repay the Port Tarakohe debt enabling Tarakohe to be able to service funding for further projects such as repairs to the main wharf, a replacement for the wooden wharf and securing a viable water supply.

Cr Borlase agreed that Council should be retiring debt. He considered the buy back was timely and is fully legal. He noted that the Tarakohe debt has been restructured and for that reason he did not support paying \$2.9 million to the Port Tarakohe debt.

Board Member McLellan said stage three of the Port Tarakohe development was to extend the marina and there are more people using the coastal route and she wanted to have an attractive port that tried to get the leisure boats tying up and staying. She supported enough debt being retired so the port is viable and fully utilised.

Board Member Gamby said the \$12.5 million should be put aside for retiring debt so that next year there would be no rate increase. He wanted to see the marina at Port Tarakohe extended by use of the port dividend.

Board Member Symmons preferred to see debt reduction as the finances of Port Tarakohe are structured on a manageable basis and to use port dividends to expand the port facilities.

Mr. Bell said Council has not made a decision yet but will be calling for submissions on how the money will be used.

Moved Board Member McLellan/Cr Borlase GB06/11/09

THAT the Golden Bay Community Board add to its LTCCP items Port Tarakohe and what it would like to see happen there, bearing in mind the \$12.5 million Port Nelson buy back funds.

CARRIED

3.1.6 Suter Art Gallery

Chairperson Bell said for the size of the region and the location the present Suter building is adequate and is ideal for most exhibitions. It does need to have deferred maintenance attended to. He suggested the funds already raised would be better used towards a much needed Regional Performance Centre.

Board Member McLellan agreed and said at the moment it would be better to leave everything as it is and let the new governance structure time to settle in.

Board Member Symmons supports the Suter becoming a Council-controlled organisation but did not agree it is ideal as it is.

Cr Borlase said Tasman District Council still helps with running expenses but has not been included in governance discussions for some time.

Moved Cr Borlase/Board Member Gamby GB06/11/10

THAT the Golden Bay Community Board writes to Nelson City Council and Tasman District Council supporting the Suter Art Gallery as a Nelson City Council-controlled organisation and requesting that the development proposals for the Suter Art Gallery be reviewed and scaled back to result in deferred maintenance being undertaken with the Gallery otherwise remaining much as it is now, with any further development plans being open for wider community consultation.

CARRIED

3.1.7 Regional Performance Centre

Chairperson Bell noted the Theatre Royal needs extensive work and suggested it was time to look at a new complex and also investigate incorporating the adjacent army barracks site next door.

Cr Borlase said the Trustees tried to raise \$2 million but were unsuccessful. It is too big to put in front of the ratepayers. If it is deemed to be too expensive to upgrade and maintain then a decision must be made to demolish it and build something that will benefit the region. He had reservations about a centre being built in Nelson and preferred Saxton Field or Richmond.

Board Member McLellan said the matter should be discussed during the LTCCP discussions.

Moved Board Members McLellan/Gamby GB06/11/11

THAT the Golden Bay Community Board consider the priorities for the Regional Facilities Rate-funded projects at its upcoming LTCCP meeting.

CARRIED

3.2 Service Centres Manager Report

3.2.1 Community Board Best Practice Awards

Cr Borlase suggested the Eastern Golden Bay Urban Growth Strategy be entered into the consultation section of the Community Board Best Practice awards.

Mr Askew undertook to find out the format of the project to be submitted.

Moved Board Member Gamby/Cr Borlase GB06/11/12

**THAT the Golden Bay Community Board enters the Eastern Golden Bay Urban Growth Strategy into the consultation category for the 2007 Community Board Best Practice Awards.
CARRIED**

3.2.2 Port Tarakohe

The development that has been undertaken thus far has transformed the port from its fairly utilitarian use as a wharf facility for the Golden Bay Cement Company to something that has much wider appeal. The Service Centres Manager sought the Board's endorsement to proceed with informal discussions with existing and future port users, and in particular Port Tarakohe Ltd, which initially would be to gather together all previous development options considered for the port and prepare a concept proposal for the community to consider.

Cr Borlase said a comprehensive strategic plan for the port is vital and it should be undertaken from within the community.

Mr Askew said any development of the port area needs community buy-in and the integrated approach will be a community approach, acknowledging terms of the current users, making sure they are not compromised. There will always be a huge aquaculture industry in the Bay and a lot of the area is zoned for recreational use.

Moved Board Members Bell/Symmons GB06/11/13

**THAT the Golden Bay Community Board supports the development of a comprehensive strategic development plan for the Port Tarakohe area.
CARRIED**

3.2.3 Kinsale 2021 – An Energy Descent Action Plan

Mr Askew spoke to the report which was included with the Board's Information Pack. He asked that the Board consider whether something similar to the Plan could be picked up and supported by the Golden Bay community. He undertook to write to Kinsale for an update on progress with the plan.

Board Member McLellan suggesting holding a Board workshop to discuss the Plan fully.

**Moved Board Member Gamby/Cr Borlase
GB06/11/14**

THAT the Service Centre Manager makes enquiries with Kinsale about their Energy Descent Action Plan and that the Community Board holds a workshop early in 2007 to discuss the Action Plan.

CARRIED

3.2.4 Joint Board Forum

Motueka Board Chair, Cliff Satherley, has organised a meeting at the Motueka Memorial Hall on Saturday 10 February 2007 to debate the Nelson City Council/Tasman District Council amalgamation issue, which will involve Mayor Hurley and Mayor Matheson. A person from the Local Government Commission will be in attendance to advise on process and technical issues.

Board Member McLellan said she would like to see a study undertaken to examine the advantages and disadvantages of amalgamation.

**Moved Cr Borlase/Board Member Symmons
GB06/11/15**

THAT the Golden Bay Community Board write to the Local Government Commission asking if they would be prepared to fund a definitive amalgamation study, clearly setting out the pros and cons and options, as a basis for informed debate.

CARRIED

3.3 Pohara Hall

Chairperson Bell said that staff have advised that the income has improved since Council has administered the hall and the system is working well at the moment.

**Moved Board Member McLellan/Cr Borlase
GB06/11/16**

THAT the Golden Bay Community Board thanks the Community Services Manager for his response and explanation regarding the Pohara Hall mezzanine floor and comments about the current hall administration method and accepts his assurances on these matters.

CARRIED

4. CORRESPONDENCE

4.1 Creative Communities

The letter advised that a grant of \$500 was approved towards purchasing the Abel Tasman quilt.

**Moved Board Member Gamby/Cr Borlase
GB06/11/17**

THAT Golden Bay Community Board writes to the Creative Communities Subcommittee expressing appreciation for the grant of \$500 towards the purchase of the Abel Tasman quilt and enclosing an invoice for \$500 plus GST as requested.

CARRIED

4.2 Heavy Vehicle Detour

A memorandum from the Transportation Manager was included in the agenda.

**Moved Board Member McLellan/Cr Borlase
GB06/11/18**

THAT funding for the community consultation for Takaka heavy vehicle detour be added to Golden Bay Community Board's LTCCP priority list for 2007/2008 financial year.

CARRIED

4.3 F Hargreaves

Felicity Hargreaves had written to Council offering herself and Nikki Winter as prospective members of a Pohara Hall Management Committee.

**Moved Board Member Gamby/McLellan
GB06/11/19**

THAT the Golden Bay Community Board replies to F Hargreaves thanking her and N Winter for their offer to be part of a management committee for the Pohara Hall but advising that in the meantime it is intended to remain with Tasman District Council administration of the hall, but that the formation of a users group for community consultation purposes would be welcome.

CARRIED

Mr Kennedy to be advised that F Hargreaves, N Winter and R Short would be interested in being part of a user group for consultation.

4.4 Mt Stevens Carpark and Salisbury Swing Bridge

Memorandums were included in the agenda from the Transportation Manager concerning both these issues.

**Moved Cr Borlase/Board Member McLellan
GB06/11/20**

THAT the Golden Bay Community Board adds Mt Stevens Carpark and Salisbury Swing Bridge access to the priority list for the 2007/2008 year.

CARRIED

4.5 Network Tasman Trust

A letter included in the agenda from Network Tasman Trust advised that a funding application to them for the Abel Tasman quilt had been unsuccessful.

The Board thanked Board Member McLellan for putting in the application.

4.6 Ligar Bay Toilets

A letter had been received from residents of Ligar Bay asking if the beachside toilet block at Ligar Bay could be painted.

**Moved Board Member Gamby/Cr Borlase
GB06/11/21**

THAT the Golden Bay Community Board replies to Liz Batten advising that it supports her concerns and that the matter is in hand with Community Services intending to upgrade the interior and waterblast the exterior as a first stage of improvements.

CARRIED

4.7 Abbeyfield

A letter had been received from Abbeyfield Golden Bay Inc requesting a finger sign placed on the west side of Commercial Street to alleviate the need to have a sign on the reserve facing in both directions. They asked that the access road be named either Abbeyfield Lane or Abbeyfield Place but were open to other options.

Chairperson Bell suggested Abbeyfield Way be considered along with Place or Lane.

**Moved Board Members Bell/McLellan
GB06/11/22**

THAT Golden Bay Community Board supports the naming of the access road to Abbeyfield House as Abbeyfield Way.

CARRIED

4.8 Rameka Creek Road

A letter had been received from residents making the Board aware of concerns they have with S & M Zelko's proposed activities.

Chairperson Bell said if Zelkos are determined to remove the trees then it would be good if they could come out from below rather than above.

Board Member McLellan suggested writing to Mr Zelko saying that the forestry block was planted because of previous slips and ask that he consider not taking any trees out, as a good neighbourly action.

**Moved Board Members McLellan/Symmons
GB06/11/23**

**THAT the Golden Bay Community Board write to Mr & Mrs Zelko asking that they not remove the trees as the forestry block was planted because of previous slips, with a copy to go to the signatories of the letter and the Environment and Planning Manager.
CARRIED**

4.9 P Sangster

Mr Sangster had written to the Board relinquishing his responsibility for the Christmas decorations and banners.

**Moved Borlase/Gamby
GB06/11/24**

**THAT the Golden Bay Community Board writes to Mr Sangster thanking him for his efforts over the years and the Christmas decorations and banners be uplifted from his property and be assessed for condition and replacement/ refurbishing with enquiries being made about installing them for the coming season.
CARRIED**

Board member Gamby undertook to uplift the decorations from Mr Sangster for storage in the Tasman District Council garage.

4.10 Takaka Transfer Station Opening Hours

The agenda contained a memorandum from Utilities Asset Engineer, David Stephenson, concerning the Takaka Transfer Station opening hours.

**Moved Gamby/Symmons
GB06/11/25**

**THAT the Golden Bay Community Board writes to Mr Stephenson thanking him for reviewing opening hours at the Takaka transfer station and requesting these be set so as to be as user friendly as possible.
CARRIED**

4.11 Exercise Wiseowl

The agenda contained information on Exercise Wiseowl which the NZ Airforce will be undertaking between 5 and 15 March 2007 at Motueka Aerodrome.

4.12 Golden Bay A & P Shows

Golden Bay Community Board attendance at the A & P Show will be as follows:

10.00 am – 12 noon - Cr Riley, Board Members Bell and McLellan
12 noon – 2.00 pm – Board Members Gamby and Symmons

2.00 pm – 4.00 pm – Cr Borlase

4.13 Judges for Garden Competition

Judges for the garden competition on 5 and 6 December 2006 will be Christine King, L Gamby and C McLellan. Mrs McLellan to contact Mrs King.

4.14 Reimbursement for Wall Repairs at Community Centre

**Moved Cr Borlase/Board Member Symmons
GB06/11/26**

**THAT the Golden Bay Community Board writes to Community Services Manager supporting reimbursement of the Golden Bay Community Centre management committee for the wall repairs at the Community Centre.
CARRIED**

The meeting concluded at 3.30 pm.

Date Confirmed:

Chair: