

# MINUTES

**TITLE:** Community Services Committee  
**DATE:** Thursday 15 July 2010  
**TIME:** 9.30 am  
**VENUE:** Tasman Council Chambers, 189 Queen Street,  
Richmond

**PRESENT:** Cr S G Bryant (Chair), Crs T B King, R G Currie,  
B F Dowler, J L Edgar, B W Ensor, G A Glover, M J Higgins,  
J L Inglis, T E Norriss, N Riley

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Community Services Manager (L L Kennedy), Manager  
Property Services (J Frater), Reserves Manager (B Wilkes),  
Customer Services Librarian (G Coote), Administration  
Officer (J A Proctor)

## APOLOGIES

Moved Crs Inglis/Higgins  
CS10-07-01

**THAT apologies for absence from Mayor Kempthorne, Cr Borlase and  
Cr Wilkins be received by the Community Services Committee.  
CARRIED**

## 1 PUBLIC FORUM

### 1.1 Ms L O'Donnell – Hope Residents Action Group

Ms O'Donnell spoke on behalf of the Hope Residents Action Group and requested that Council reconsider the location of the historic building known as the "Matai Lodge" after consultation with members of the Hope Community. Ms O'Donnell tabled a copy of her presentation.

Cr King arrived at the meeting at 9.34 am.

### 1.2 Mr M Kerr - Hope Residents Action Group

Mr Kerr tabled a copy of his presentation on the recent relocation of the Matai Lodge and perceived lack of consultation with residents and the community.

### 1.3 Ms E Mytton

Ms Mytton spoke of her concern regarding the lack of play area for children following the relocation of the Matai Lodge.

#### **1.4 Ms J Ellis**

Ms Ellis spoke of her concerns regarding the cutting down of trees and the reduced playground area at the Hope Reserve. Ms Ellis spoke of the lack of consultation with the community and residents in the surrounding area, prior to Council relocating the Matai Lodge.

#### **1.5 Ms H Bjorklund**

Ms Bjorklund requested that a division be called when councillors were requested to vote on item 4.6 of the agenda, Hope Reserve.

#### **1.6 Mr D Wilkes**

Mr Wilkes spoke of the process involved with the relocation of the Matai Lodge. Mr Wilkes stated that he supported the request for further consultation to take place with a view to relocating the Matai Lodge.

#### **1.7 Ms A Little**

Ms Little provided an historical account of the how the Hope Reserve had developed over the past 40 years. Ms Little stated that she felt "let down" by Council and requested that the Matai Lodge be moved.

#### **1.8 Mr S Pascoe**

Mr Pascoe spoke of the need for Council to consult with the community and that it should not delegate the matter to contractors. Mr Pascoe stated that Council should act in a reasonable and fair way and requested that it review its recent decision to relocate the Matai Lodge.

#### **1.9 Mr S Mortimer**

Mr Mortimer stated that he was concerned about the lack of consultation with neighbours of the Hope Reserve, prior to relocating the Matai Lodge. He felt that the present location of the building was acceptable and that to remove it to accommodate additional tennis courts was not fair or reasonable.

#### **1.10 Mr K Maling**

Mr Maling stated that Council had failed in its obligation to consult with residents and asked that all councillors consider whether they would be happy to have a building located in front of their home.

#### **1.11 Mr J Hurley**

Mr Hurley stated that he was concerned at the lack of consultation with the community and that Council should move the Matai Lodge immediately.

**1.12 Mr A Aubrey**

Mr Aubrey congratulated Mr Kerr and his supporters for bringing the matter to a head.

**1.13 Hon. M Street MP**

The Honorable Ms Street MP spoke on behalf of the Hope Residents Action Group and stated that she was keen for Council to relocate the building in consultation with the community. She continued that it was essential that the open space feel of the reserve be maintained.

**1.14 Mr M Nicholls**

Mr Nicholls stated that he was the Secretary of the Hope Recreation Reserve Management Committee (HRRMC) and that he was not a member of the Hope Tennis Club. He requested that Council did not spend further money relocating the Matai Lodge and that the HRRMC had done everything that was asked of it and that they were of the opinion that consultation with the community had taken place.

**2 PRESENTATION OF PETITION**

Ms O'Donnell presented the Chair of the Community Services Committee with a petition on behalf of the Hope Residents Action Group stating: "We request that the Tasman District Council reconsider the location of the historic building known as the Matai Lodge after due and proper consultation with members of the Hope community, including immediately affected residents." The petition contained 2,386 signatures.

The meeting adjourned at 10.33 am.

The meeting resumed at 10.50 am.

**3 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

**3.1 Grants and Community Facilities Rate Subcommittee  
31 March 2010**

**Moved Crs King/Dowler  
CS10-07-02**

**THAT the minutes of the Grants and Community Facilities Rate Subcommittee meeting held on 31 March 2010 containing resolutions CS10-03-11 to CS10-03-14 be received by the Community Services Committee.**

**CARRIED**

### **3.2 Community Services Committee – 3 June 2010**

**Moved Crs Norriss/Edgar  
CS10-07-03**

**THAT the minutes of the Community Services Committee meeting held on 3 June 2010 containing resolutions CS10-06-01 to CS10-06-20 be confirmed by the Community Services Committee.**

**CARRIED**

### **3.3 Grants and Community Facilities Rate Subcommittee – 3 June 2010**

**Moved Crs Dowler/Glover  
CS10-07-04**

**THAT the minutes of the Grants and Community Facilities Rate Subcommittee meeting held on 3 June 2010 containing resolutions CS10-06-21 to CS10-06-25 be received by the Community Services Committee.**

**CARRIED**

## **4 RICHMOND COMMUNITY FACILITY NEEDS ANALYSIS PRESENTATION**

Dave Allan from Strategic Leisure NZ spoke to the Committee in respect of the Richmond Community Facility Needs Analysis. Mr Allan gave a PowerPoint presentation in support of the report.

**Moved Cr King/Glover  
CS10-07-05**

**THAT the report prepared by Strategic Leisure NZ Limited titled “A needs analysis for a major community facility in Richmond” be received by the Community Services Committee.**

**CARRIED**

## **5 REPORTS**

### **5.1 Hope Reserve – RCS10-07-01**

Community Services Manager, Mr Kennedy read out the following statement on behalf of Mayor Kempthorne:

“I am sorry that I am not able to attend today’s Community Services Committee. I am attending a two day workshop of the Land and Water Forum, a Government appointed committee exploring ways to improve water management in New Zealand. I am one of four Local Government representatives. This is of national significance and therefore it is imperative that I attend. This workshop was organised prior to this issue coming to this meeting.

I am committed to resolving the issues regarding the siting of the historic building, currently being used by the Maitai Druids and am committed to working with local residents, Reserve Committee and Councillors to ensure a good outcome. I am always available to be approached if people want assistance.

While I am not at the meeting, I will support any decision of Council.”

Community Services Manager, Mr Kennedy spoke to the report contained in the agenda.

The purpose of the report was to provide a full background on the shifting of the Druids Lodge building at the Hope Recreation Reserve and suggested possible options for the Committee to consider.

It was stated that Cr Currie had signed the petition but that this did not exclude him from discussions or voting.

A discussion ensued and it was stated that Council should have consulted with the community regarding the relocation of the Matai Lodge. It was acknowledged that the wording of the petition was positive and that public forum speakers should be congratulated.

In response to questioning, staff advised that the final costs for relocating the building had yet to be determined, but that they were in the region of \$30,000.00.

Further discussion ensued regarding the proposed motion and it was agreed that replacement planting of trees should occur and that individual councillors should not be named in the resolution in view of the impending local government election.

It was agreed that if an offsite location was the preferred option following consultation, then this would require approval by the Community Services Committee.

**Moved Crs Norriss/Higgins  
CS10-07-06**

**THAT in relation to the former Scout building at the Hope Reserve, the Community Services Committee agree that possible alternative sites, including the current site, need to be identified either on or off the Hope Reserve and;**

**THAT**

- 1. The Chair of the Community Services Committee, Richmond Ward councillors and the Mayor along with the Hope Recreation Reserve Management Committee be asked to identify such sites; and**
- 2. A list of pros and cons for each site be prepared; and**
- 3. A further meeting be held at the Hope Hall to explain the various options; and**
- 4. The public be given the opportunity to make written submissions on the various options identified; and**

5. **The Chair of the Community Services Committee, Richmond Ward councillors and the Mayor be authorised to make the final decision on the future siting of the building if it is to remain on the Hope Reserve, however, if an offsite location is the preferred option this would need to be approved by the Community Services Committee; and**
6. **Staff negotiate the use of the building with the Matai Druids as it cannot be leased/licensed to them for their sole use under the reserves current “Recreation” classification and that the option of reclassifying the final site of the building as “Local Purpose Reserve” also be considered; and further**
7. **Agree to the replacement planting of trees somewhere on the Hope Reserve to commemorate the use of the former Ranzau School building on the Reserve by the Scouts, and that an appropriate plaque be provided on a seat or table near the tree planting; and**
8. **Provide funds from the Richmond Reserve Financial Contributions Account to fund any possible shift or additional costs associated with making the building suitable for public use.**

**CARRIED**

## **5.2 Libraries Manager’s Report - RCS10-07-07**

Cr King left the meeting at 12.04 pm.

Customer Services Librarian, Ms Coote, spoke to the Libraries Manager’s report which was included in the agenda.

Cr King returned to the meeting at 12.11 pm.

It was suggested that an on-line booking system be introduced for the Imaginarium at the Richmond Library.

**Moved Crs Currie/Riley  
CS10-07-07**

**THAT the Libraries Manager’s report (RCS10-07-07) be received by the Community Services Committee.**

**CARRIED**

## **5.3 Chair’s Report – RCS10-06-09**

Cr Bryant spoke to his report contained in the agenda.

**Moved Crs Norriss/Edgar  
CS10-07-08**

**THAT the Chairperson’s Report (RCS10-07-09) be received by the Community Services Committee.**

**CARRIED**

#### **5.4 Richmond Bowling Club – RCS10-07-05**

Community Services Manager, Mr Kennedy spoke to the report contained in the agenda.

The purpose of the report was to advise the Committee that the Richmond Bowling Club were proposing to shift from their current site in Lower Queen Street, Richmond and had asked whether Council would be interested in purchasing their land for community use.

#### **Moved Crs Glover/Ensor CS10-07-09**

**THAT the Community Services Committee decline the offer from the Richmond Bowling Club for Tasman District Council to negotiate purchasing of their land in Lower Queen Street as the Tasman District Council does not believe it has the need for such an area of land in this location.  
CARRIED**

#### **5.5 Request to Have Garage Access Through a Council Reserve – RCS10-07-04**

Community Services Manager, Mr Kennedy spoke to the report contained in the agenda.

The purpose of the report was to advise the Committee that D K and T H Wilkes of 213 Ranzau Road, Hope had requested a resource consent application for permission to build a new garage/workshop behind their house which would require access over part of the Hope Reserve. As the property owner affected, Council had been asked whether or not they would give their approval to this request.

#### **Moved Crs Norriss/Riley CS10-07-10**

**THAT the request from Mr and Mrs D Wilkes to use part of the Hope Reserve for access to the proposed new garage be declined by the Community Services Committee.  
CARRIED**

The meeting adjourned at 12.29 pm.

The meeting resumed at 1.18 pm.

**6 RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC**

**Moved Crs Edgar/Riley  
CS10-07-11**

**THAT the public be excluded from the following part(s) of the proceedings of this meeting, namely:**

Land at 62 Ellis Street, Brightwater

**The general subject of the matter while the public is excluded, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter and the specific grounds under Section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for passing this resolution are as follows:**

<b>General subject of each matter to be considered</b>	<b>Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter</b>	<b>Ground(s) under Section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution</b>
Land at 62 Ellis Street, Brightwater	Good reason to withhold exists under section 7	Section 48(1)(a)

**This resolution is made in reliance on Section 48(1)(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987, and the particular interests protected by Section 6 or 7 of the Act which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public are as follows:**

<b>Reason to withhold information under Section 7</b>	<b>Section</b>
Enable Council to carry on without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial negotiations.	Section 7(2)(i)

**CARRIED**

(Refer to Confidential Minute Book resolution number CS10-07-12).

**7 RESOLUTION TO RESUME PUBLIC MEETING**

**Moved Crs Norriss/Dowler  
CS10-07-13**

**THAT public meeting be resumed.  
CARRIED**



## **5 REPORTS CONTINUED**

### **5.6 Manager Property Services Report - RCS10-07-02**

Manager Property Services, Mr Frater spoke to the report contained in the agenda.

The purpose of the report was to provide the Committee with an update on various issues.

Staff advised that they would provide the Committee with a financial analysis of the Richmond Library project at the next Community Services Committee meeting.

A discussion ensued regarding Council's offer to the Wakatu Incorporation for the possible purchase of a parcel of Wakatu Incorporation land adjacent to Sports Park Motueka, formally known as Rugby Park.

#### **Moved Crs Currie/Norriss CS10-07-14**

**THAT the Community Services Manager and Manager Property Services be given approval to negotiate the conditions relating to the possible purchase of land adjacent to Sports Park Motueka and report back to the Community Services Committee.**

**CARRIED**

Cr Dowler left the meeting at 2.08 pm.

#### **Moved Crs Edgar/Ensor CS10-07-15**

**THAT the Manager Property Services Report dated 6 July 2010 (RCS10-07-02) be received by the Community Services Committee.**

**CARRIED**

### **5.7 Reserve Manager's Report - RCS10-07-06**

Reserves Manager, Mrs Wilkes spoke to the report contained in the agenda.

The purpose of the report was to update the Committee on various matters.

Cr King left the meeting at 2.10 pm.

Cr Inglis left the meeting at 2.14 pm.

Cr Norriss left the meeting at 2.17 pm.

Cr Ensor left the meeting at 2.31 pm.

**Moved Crs Riley/Currie  
CS10-07-16**

**THAT the Reserve Manager's report (RCS10-07-06) be received by the  
Community Services Committee.**

**CARRIED**

**5.8 Community and Recreation Advisor's Report - RCS10-07-03**

Community Services Manager, Mr Kennedy spoke to the Community and Recreation Advisor's report contained in the agenda.

The purpose of the report was to provide an update to the Committee on various issues.

Staff advised that the Tasman Youth Council apologised for being unable to attend today's meeting.

**Moved Crs Edgar/Riley  
CS10-07-17**

**THAT the Community and Recreation Advisor's report (RCS10-07-03) be  
received by the Community Services Committee.**

**CARRIED**

The meeting concluded at 2.38 pm.

Chair:

Date: