

## **STAFF REPORT**

**TO:** Golden Bay Community Board  
**FROM:** Community Services Manager  
**REFERENCE:** E855  
**SUBJECT:** **RGB10-09-02 Meeting of 14 September 2010**

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To update the Board on matters raised at previous meetings:

### **Interpretation Signage**

These signs are progressing well and I will have drafts of the wording at the meeting for the Boards comments.

### **Community Facilities Meeting**

A meeting organised by Peter Blasdale was held on Monday 30 August 2010 at the Golden Bay Recreation Reserve and attracted over 60 people. As most Board members were at the meeting I do not need to provide details of the meeting other than to say that hopefully this will lead to a series of meetings of interested groups to discuss possible ideas for a community facility. This in turn will be very helpful when the next stage of the study on Golden Bay facilities is undertaken.

### **Children's Playground behind old Library**

At the last meeting members of the public expressed concern about the condition of the above playground. Since then a full inspection has been carried out by Reserves staff and also by an independent inspector as part of the audit of all Council playground equipment. Reserves staff have also met with Beatrice Bourhis and Rachael McDowell to discuss the issue.

A proposal is currently being put together to apply for funding in the 2011/2012 Annual Plan for the upgrade/replacement of this playground.

### **Rototai and Pohara subdivisions**

Since the last meeting I have checked out whether reserves were contemplated on the two subdivisions at Rototai. These were approved in 2003 and having checked the files there is a request from Reserves staff for more information relating to possible reserves and walkways however there is nothing on file after this. I assume the general consensus of this at that time was that there was not a compelling enough demand for a reserve in this location as it was a small isolated

residential zone, with quite large sections and close to the school and Takaka township.

With regard to the Kohikiko and Watino Place subdivision in Pohara, there is a considerable amount of Council owned land in this area and staff are aware of a possible further stage of this subdivision which has the potential to provide adequate land for reserve purposes.

### **Final Meeting of this term of the Community Board**

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Board members for their support over the last three years. There have been some interesting times, however I believe that we have worked well as a team and I look forward to continuing this with the new Board. Congratulations on being re-elected for a further term and also congratulations to Mik Symmons in his new role as a Board Member.

Finally I would like to thank Joe for his support and also for the tremendous work he has done for the people of Golden Bay for so many years. He has worked tirelessly for the benefit of the whole community and it never ceased to amaze me at the number of events, meetings etc he has attended every month. I would like to wish both Joe and Margaret all the best in retirement from local politics and hope they find lots of time to enjoy the many wonderful areas of Golden Bay.

Lloyd Kennedy