

**MACKENZIE DISTRICT COUNCIL
MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE FAIRLIE COMMUNITY BOARD
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, FAIRLIE, ON MONDAY
FEBRUARY 1, 2016, AT 5PM**

PRESENT:

Owen Hunter (Chairman)
Trish Willis
Warren Barker
Les Blackstock

IN ATTENDANCE:

Wayne Barnett, Chief Executive
Paul Morris, Finance Manager
Garth Nixon, Community Facilities Manager
Bernie Haar, Asset Manager
Geoff Horler, Utilities Manager
Arlene Goss, Committee Clerk

APOLOGIES:

An apology was received from Cr Noel Jackson.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

There were no declarations of interest.

MINUTES:

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting of the Fairlie Community Board held on Monday, November 23, 2015, be confirmed and adopted as the correct record.

Warren Barker/Les Blacklock

FAIRLIE COMMUNITY BOARD MATTERS UNDER ACTION AND PROJECTS REPORT:

The chairman reminded Garth Nixon to get “no motorbike” signs and “no dog” signs for the domain and the walking track.

The wild flowers are doing well.

Dates were discussed for the projects workshop. Members to be emailed with a confirmed date for this.

At the former paintball site some tyres are still to go. Garth Nixon will give former lease holder a last chance to clean up.

Allandale Bridge update – Bernie Haar will ask the roading manager to email the chairman about this.

Green sign – Meeting held with NZTA last week.

Trish Willis asked regarding the Allandale Road entranceway to town. Garth Nixon said the current plan is to do planting in front of Dobson’s. She asked for this item to be reinstated on the matters under action list.

Fairlie campground lease completed, to be removed from list.
Projects Report – Not a lot has been spent since the last meeting. The community board has about \$35,000 available to spend.

REPORTS:

FAIRLIE COMMUNITY BOARD FINANCIAL ACTIVITY REPORT TO DECEMBER 2015:

The community facilities manager spoke on the financial report. Trish Willis asked for a balance of funds for the purpose of improving the town. This is Enid Hut and Beautifying Society grants. Garth Nixon to report on this.

Resolved that the report be received.

Les Blacklock/Trish Willis

GENERAL BUSINESS:

RATING OF SPORTS CLUBS:

Paul Morris spoke regarding the rates being charged to the rugby club at Strathconan Park. In the past the community board paid these rates. Council is now charging the rugby club rates for the part of the land used as a commercial premises because they have a liquor licence and are selling alcohol. All sports clubs with liquor licences will be charged rates from now on. When the community board paid these rates it meant the sports clubs were being subsidised by the wider community. The law says everyone must be treated the same.

FUTURE OF FORMER PAINTBALL SITE:

Paul Morris said he has been approached on a couple of occasions to sell the land where the paintball site was. This land is not deemed to be surplus to requirements so this would require a public consultation process. He does not want to start the public consultation process without the views of the community board. Do they want to sell the land or keep it? The land is flood prone, zoned rural, and has a toxic site next door. It would not be worth much. Would need to have a good frontage due to being at the entrance to town. Leasing the land would be easier than selling it.

The community board discussed this and were of the view that it was better to keep control of this land, as it was at the entrance to town and future community boards may want to develop it as a green area. They also discussed keeping the front section of land and leasing the back part.

The chairman suggested adding this topic to the upcoming projects workshop for discussion, including a visit to the site to have a look. He believes the costs of selling this land might outweigh the price received for it.

The community board agreed that Paul Morris would tell any interested parties that this land is not for sale.

Paul Morris left the meeting.

REPORTS CONTINUED:

RIDDLE STREET TRAFFIC FLOWS:

The purpose of this report was to review the traffic flows on Riddle Street, Fairlie, with a view to running a one way trial past the bakery. Asset Manager Bernie Haar also tabled a map showing the proposed pedestrian crossing in the Main Street for the members to look at. This is available as an attachment to the minutes.

The one-way trial would be at little cost and would be a trial to see if it works. The chairman said there have been five minor accidents at the south end of the road and this will help deal with this problem area.

Regarding the new pedestrian crossing, Mr Haar suggested the community board members share this proposal with the community for feedback.

Resolved:

1. That the report be received.

Warren Barker/Trish Willis

2. That the Fairlie Community board confirms its desire to run a trial on the east end of Riddle Street with the traffic flow controlled to way way, west to east.

Warren Barker/Trish Willis

WARD MEMBERS REPORT:

Cr Jackson was not present to give a report.

REPORTS FROM MEMBERS WHO REPRESENT THE BOARD ON OTHER COMMITTEES:

There were no reports from members.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

SUBMISSION FROM MACKENZIE THEATRE TRUST:

This submission and a response from Trish Willis was attached to the agenda at page 25. A summary of the community feedback on the community centre has been prepared by Amy Lamb. Garth Nixon will request a copy of this. No further action required.

LETTER FROM ANNE THOMSON REQUESTING POWER ON THE VILLAGE GREEN:

This letter was attached to the agenda at page 27. Garth Nixon said a basic power supply has been installed on the Village Green subsequent to receiving this letter.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION REQUESTED BY THE CHAIRMAN:

Painting of public toilets – Garth Nixon is waiting for a price to paint these. Painting contractors are busy at the moment.

Parks work – Edging around the trees on Main Street. Garth Nixon would like to install edging to contain mulch and protect the roots. He asked members to consider this in their projects workshop.

Bench seats for Main St – The chairman has been asked why there are no bench streets on the left side of the Main Street (facing north). This is to be considered in the projects workshop.

Rating of Sports Clubs – Discussed earlier in the meeting.

Water Restrictions in Fairlie – Utilities manager Geoff Horler said water restrictions have been lifted today. Will be reviewed in a fortnight. Lake Opuha has risen by a metre and a half since the recent rain. The chairman has met with Ecan to discuss consent issues. A variation of the consent needs to be applied for. Geoff Horler has been working on this but a bottom line is still required in the consent. The chairman believes it would be interesting to collect data on flows during restrictions and now that restrictions have been lifted.

Trish Willis asked for an update on the Abley Report on Regent Street. Bernie Haar said the roading manager is awaiting the costings from Whitestone, then the report and costings will go back on the agenda.

The chairman asked for a letter to be written to Heartlands Fairlie to confirm the resolution made at the last meeting regarding a rope climbing frame on the village green. The committee secretary will do this.

**THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE CHAIRPERSON
DECLARED THE MEETING CLOSED AT 7.00PM**

CHAIRMAN: _____

DATE: _____