

MACKENZIE DISTRICT COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE FAIRLIE COMMUNITY BOARD HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, FAIRLIE, ON WEDNESDAY 30 JANUARY 2013 AT 7.05 PM

PRESENT:

Owen Hunter (Chairman)
Ron Joll (from 7.15 pm)
Cr Graeme Page
Les Blacklock
Trish Willis

IN ATTENDANCE:

Claire Barlow (Mayor)
Wayne Barnett (Chief Executive Officer)
Paul Morris (Manager – Finance and Administration)
Bernie Haar (Asset Manager)
Rosemary Moran (Committee Clerk)

I COMMUNITY FORUM:

The Chairman welcomed Blue Kerr who commented on the following issues:

- Princes Street Streetscape – consultation, long term maintenance cost comparisons between edge to edge sealing and grass verges, choice of tree species
- Enid Hutt memorial trees along Hamilton Street and the associated sign.
- The Old Library Café.
- Cycleways – promotion and publishing of information about local cycleways
- Regent Street - bleeding tar
- Public Toilets – donation box - signage and visibility
- Appreciation of landscaping around Fairlie, especially on Allandale Road.

The Chairman, Community Facilities Manager and Asset Manager provided responses to the issues raised by Mrs Kerr who left the meeting at 7.20 pm.

II APOLOGY:

An apology was noted from the Manager - Roading.

III DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

Trish Willis declared her interest in the agenda item *Haybarn Proposal*

IV MINUTES:

Resolved that the minutes of the meetings of the Fairlie Community Board held on 21 November and 5 December 2012, including such parts as were taken with the Public Excluded, be confirmed and adopted as the correct records of the meetings.

Graeme Page/Ron Joll

MATTERS ARISING:

Fairlie Western Catchments Project

It was noted that the public consultation meeting would be convened towards the end of February 2013.

V REPORTS:

1. DISTRICT PLAN REVIEW:

This report from the Senior Policy Planner introduced the upcoming District Plan Review process and programme and updated the Community Board on next steps and further consultation.

Resolved that the report be received.

Graeme Page/Ron Joll

2. PRINCES STREET UPGRADE:

This report from Asset Manager was accompanied by copies of a letter to residents dated 15 November 2012, a letter signed by residents of Princes Street dated 25 November 2012 and a further letter to residents dated 6 December 2012.

Resolved that the report be received.

Ron Joll/Les Blacklock

Comments on the Princes Street project included the following:

- Cr Page said he had received a lot of negative feedback
- Les Blacklock said that the streetscape design was fundamentally a good idea but he considered the plantings were “overkill”
- Trish Willis said she had met with some of the residents and the planter boxes, or perhaps the number of them, seemed to be the biggest issue and had made the street ugly.
- Ron Joll said he had not received much feedback: he considered a compromise solution would be required to keep people happy.

The Asset Manager noted that Whitestone Contracting was continuing to mow the new grass verges; it would not be long before that finished.

The Chief Executive Officer suggested it would be prudent to engage with the community before determining a solution. He also undertook to clarify how much of a limiting factor underground pipes might be in relation to the planting of trees.

Resolved that the Community Board review the Princes Street streetscaping project in consultation with the residents and Council staff.

Trish Willis/Graeme Page

The Chairman undertook to report on the issue in the *Accessible*.

VII VISITORS:

The Chairman welcomed Anne Thomson of the Heartlands Fairlie Resource Centre and Kevin O'Neill of the Mackenzie Community Enhancement Board.

Ms Thomson presented a comprehensive report outlining the services provided to the community by the Fairlie Resource Centre since its establishment in 1992. A copy of her report is attached to this record as Appendix A.

The Mayor expressed appreciation on behalf of the community for the comprehensive overview of the activities of the Resource Centre and congratulated Ms Thomson on her personal contribution to the welfare of the District over the years.

The Chairman thanked the Ms Thomson and Mr O'Neill for attending.

V REPORTS (continued)

3. RIDDLE STREET:

This report from the Asset Manager was accompanied by submissions received from L & L Construction Ltd and Roland Johnson following the consultation process regarding the proposed change traffic flows in Riddle Street, Fairlie.

Resolved:

1. That the report be received.
2. That no further action be taken on the proposed changes to traffic flows in Riddle Street, Fairlie.

Les Blacklock /Ron Joll

The Chairman undertook to include the issue in his report for the *Accessible*.

The Asset Manager undertook to response to the submitters.

4. HAYBARN PROPOSAL:

This report from the Community Facilities Manager referred to a request from Jenny Malcolm to erect a haybarn on grazing land below the Fairlie Domain leased from the Council. It was accompanied by a plan of the proposed barn.

Trish Willis, having declared her interest in the issue, took no part in the debate.

Resolved:

1. That the report be received.
2. That the request from Jenny Malcolm to erect a haybarn on land leased from the Council be declined.

Graeme Page/Les Blacklock

5 FINANCIAL REPORT TO SEPTEMBER 2012:

This report from the Manager – Finance and Administration was accompanied by the financial report for the Fairlie Community Board for the period to December 2012.

The Manager – Finance and Administration explained the report in detail for the benefit of the new members.

Resolved that the report be received.

Ron Joll/Graeme Page

6. WARD MEMBER'S REPORT:

Cr Page referred to:

- The imminent retirement of the Committee Clerk.
- The request from the *Fairlie Under Fives Group* which the Council had referred back to the Group with the invitation to further develop the proposal and present it to the Fairlie Community Board.
- Lease of horse paddock – Nixons Road.
- Broom on the leased land below Fairlie Domain.

Anne Thomson requested that consideration be given to planting red, white and blue flowers in the Township in 2014 to mark the centenary of the beginning of World War I.

7 REPORTS FROM MEMBERS WHO REPRESENT THE BOARD ON OTHER COMMITTEES:

The Chairman reported that he had cleared the Allandale Road approach to Fairlie on both sides of the bridge. He suggested that the provision for the maintenance of the area, including additional mowing and weed spraying, be made in the budgets for 2013-2014.

He reported that LED uplights were being trialled to replace the fairy lights in the trees on the Main Street.

Trish Willis left the meeting at 9.45 pm.

VI PUBLIC EXCLUDED:

Resolved that the public be excluded from the following part of the proceedings of this meeting namely:

1. The Old Library Café – Insurance Update

<u>General subject of each matter to be considered</u>	<u>Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter</u>	<u>Ground(s) under Section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution</u>
The Old Library Café Insurance Update	Commercial Sensitivity	48(1)(a)(i)

This resolution is made in reliance on Section 48(1)(a)(i) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 and the particular interest or interests protected by Section 6 or Section 7 of that Act, which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public are as follows: *The Old Library Café – Insurance Update* Section 7(2)(b)(ii)

Ron Joll/Graeme Page

The Community Board continued in Open Meeting.

**THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS
THE CHAIRMAN DECLARED THE MEETING CLOSED AT 10.00 PM**

CHAIRMAN: _____

DATE: _____