


Minutes –Whakatāne-Ōhope Community Board 24 May 2021

	Details of Meeting:	WHAKATĀNE-OHOPE COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING HELD IN THE ŌHOPE FIRE STATION, HARBOUR ROAD, OHOPE ON MONDAY, 24 MAY 2021 COMMENCING AT 5.30 PM
	Present:	Board Members M J Hanna (Chairperson), L Bonne, J B Manning, C L Hamill, C G A Howard, M Inman, C Lee and Councillor J W Pullar
	In Attendance:	Her Worship the Mayor J A Turner, G Fletcher (General Manager Community Services), J Finlay (Manager Capital Projects), H J Storey (Governance Support Advisor) T Turner and B Buchler (Whakatāne Youth Council representatives)
	Visitors:	C Rigg, S Webster, S Burren (via Phone link)
	Apologies:	Board Member L A G Hall and Councillor L N Immink

The meeting was opened with a Karakia by the Chairperson

1 APOLOGIES

RESOLVED:

THAT the apologies of Board Member Hall and Councillor L N Immink be received.

Board Member Inman/Board Member Howard

CARRIED

2 CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Board Member Hamill declared an interest in the funding application from Bike Trust Whakatāne and The Glow Show.

Councillor Pullar declared an interest in the application from the Whakatāne Rotary Club.

3 PUBLIC FORUM

3.1 S Webster– Whakatāne Rotary Club

Ms Webster noted that she had not approached the Disabilities Resource Centre or the Autistic Foundation for funding for the fence as there was a need to provide more equipment for the playground once it was fenced and she was intending to seek assistance for that from those two groups. She said that it was a duty of care for the Council to provide at least one playground that enables children to be able to play in an area where parents and carers could relax knowing that they were in a safe environment. Ms Webster advised that the maintenance and mowing of reserve would still come under the control of the council with a mowing strip along the perimeter and double gates to provide access. The pedestrian access gate would be locked by the carer when the facility was in use and would be opened when they left or if others wanted access to the reserve while they were there.

In response to a query as to why the Appenzell playground was deemed the most suitable, Ms Webster advised that the area was wheelchair accessible, it did not get much use, traffic was less than other areas, there were trees for shade and room to kick around a ball and play on the grassed area. She noted that the Disabilities Resource Centre were also keen to install a wheelchair swing at the playground.

In answer to a question as to why only one quote had been obtained, Ms Webster noted that it was her intention to get further quotes, but she wanted to get an indication of the cost and start to raise funds first. She said that she hoped that the work would be completed by Christmas.

Attendance: Ms Webster left the meeting at 5.42 pm

3.2 C Rigg – Rainbow Eastern BOP

Ms Rigg advised that the group were active in the community and that they ran a drop in centre on a Monday night and while it was for anyone in the rainbow space, it was mostly youth that attended. Rainbow EBOP had a contract through Voyagers to assist people through their social transition journey and the group want to do a fun event that celebrated the community and helped to decrease the stigma and reduce harm to their members. Ms Rigg said that the Pride Ball was to celebrate diversity and to have some fun. Performers from Auckland had indicated their willingness to attend and they hoped that this would create a good night out for the whole community.

Ms Rigg advised that they had applied to the Rainbow Trust for \$3,000 but had only be granted \$1,000 so there was a further \$2,000 shortfall in the budget provided with the application. She indicated that the cost of a ticket to the ball would be \$10.00 noting that they did not wish to provide any barriers for youth to be able to attend.

In response to a query regarding avenues for fundraising, Ms Rigg advised that many of the group worked full time and there were only so many things that they could achieve in Pride Week. She noted that the Members already donated so much of their time that they did not have additional time to spend at sausage sizzles and the like. Ms Rigg said that the group made good use of social media, held group sessions and workshops to get the messages out into the community and said that many of their members had families and full time jobs. Holding this bigger event was a better option for them and as it was being held in the school holidays, university students could attend.

In answer to a question as to the amount of people expected to attend the Ball, Ms Rigg said that they wanted to get between 100 and 150 people attend and would be creating some hype to encourage rainbow whānau from the surrounding areas to come and support the function. She noted that they had also received strong support from the Tauranga branch of Gender Dynamix NZ. Ms Rigg advised that the cost of having security on site was included in the budget and said that they wanted everyone to feel they could attend. She noted that some of the satellite groups had made their own transport arrangements for the night.

Attendance: Ms Rigg left the meeting at 5.52 pm

3.3 Sarah Burren – The Glow Show – via phone link

Ms Burren advised that she had brought the Glow Show to Whakatāne last year and to a number of other venues around the country noting that it had been possible due to the support received by a number of local authorities thanks to Creative New Zealand funding. She noted that they wished to keep the price of the tickets low and affordable, and to give children from Apanui School the opportunity to see the show. This year the show was Dallas Alice in Wonderland which was about literacy and dreaming big, and included an 8m caterpillar with other creatures and was brought together by puppeteers. The show was aimed at Early Childhood Centres, primary school students and home schooled groups.

Ms Burren said that she wanted to be able to keep some spaces open for Apanui School students to attend and noted that there would be also be some available for others to purchase. She felt that this would be an awesome gift to the school in the winter and if the board only funded part of the cost, she would need to release more tickets to go on sale.

A discussion was held regarding a suggestion that the tickets be divided amongst the local schools rather than just providing them to Apanui students and whether there could be a third show included to increase the opportunities for children to attend. Ms Burren advised that it would be possible to hold a third show on the afternoon of 12 August 2021 as the Little Theatre was booked and they would be staying in the town for the show the next day so there should not be any additional cost incurred. Ms Burren said there was no problem with allocating tickets to each of the schools and advised that she would talk to the cast and crew about holding an additional show.

4 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

4.1 Whakatāne-Ōhope Community Board 6 April 2021

Refer to pages 5-10 of the agenda.

RESOLVED:

THAT the minutes of the Whakatāne-Ōhope Community Board meeting held on Tuesday, 6 April 2021 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

Councillor Pullar/Board Member Hamill

CARRIED

5 REPORTS

5.1 Activity Report – May 2021

Refer to pages 12-35 of the agenda.

The following points were noted:

- updated information needed to be provided to the public on the washout on the Birdwalk trail and when it would be repaired
- it was requested that information be provided in each report on the public events at the reserves and halls within Whakatāne and Ōhope
- progress was being made with the formation of the management team to progress the proposed Boat Harbour and a team of consultants were working towards information required to apply for the required consents
- It was agreed that with the likely changes to the spaces around Wharaurangi that any decision on the provision of shade be deferred for at least six months

Discussion ensued on the suggestion to provide a water bottle filling station at White Horse Drive and it was agreed that options and costings for alternatives such as water fountains be provided to the next meeting. It was also suggested that consideration be given to committing to providing one fountain each year in a different location throughout the ward.

Members agreed that while they would have liked to support a contribution to the cost of the artwork for the skatepark, they were not prepared to set a precedent by retrospectively granting funding for the project.

RESOLVED:

1. **THAT** the Whakatāne-Ōhope Community Board - Activity Report to May 2021 be received; and
2. **THAT** the Whakatāne-Ōhope Community Board defer the decision on the installation of a Water Bottle filling station at the Bird Walk/Mokorua Walk entrance at White Horse Drive, pending information and costings on alternative options; and
3. **THAT** the Board defer any decision to provide shade at Wharaurangi for at least six months; and
4. **THAT** the Board decline to retrospectively fund a contribution of \$5,000 towards the Skatepark Extension Artwork.

Chairperson Hanna/Board Member Howard

CARRIED

5.2 Funding Applications – May 2021

Refer to pages 36-112 of the agenda.

RESOLVED:

1. **THAT** the Funding Applications to Whakatāne-Ōhope Community Board – April 2021 report be received; and
2. **THAT** the \$5,000 grant provided to the Whakatāne Surf Life Saving Club in September 2020 be redirected to enable the junior club members to attend regional competitions.

Board Member Inman/ Board Member Howard

CARRIED

RESOLVED:

THAT the request from the Whakatāne Roller Derby Club to redirect the \$1,000 grant made in February 2020 to cover NZ wide travel costs for players and coaches in 2021 be approved.

Board Member Hamill/ Board Member Lee

CARRIED

Attendance: Board Member Hamill left table at 6.48 pm

RESOLVED:

THAT \$3,000 be allocated from the Whakatāne-Ōhope Community Board Discretionary Fund to Bike Trust Whakatāne towards the cost of recycling bicycles.

Board Member Bonne/ Board Member Manning

CARRIED

Attendance: Board Member Hamill returned to the table at 6.49 pm

RESOLVED:

THAT \$3,000 be allocated from the Whakatāne-Ōhope Community Board Discretionary Fund to Rainbow EBOP towards the cost of hosting a Pride Event.

Board Member Manning/ Board Member Lee

CARRIED

RESOLVED:

THAT \$2,500 be allocated from the Whakatāne-Ōhope Community Board Discretionary Fund to Whakatāne Blue Light Ventures to send 10 youth to life skills and leadership programmes.

Board Member Bonne/ Board Member Howard

CARRIED

RESOLVED:

THAT \$10,000 be allocated from the Whakatāne-Ōhope Community Board Discretionary Fund to Whakatāne Volunteer Coastguard towards the purchase of a Jetski.

Board Member Inman/ Board Member Hamill

CARRIED

RESOLVED:

THAT \$2,908.69 be allocated from the Whakatāne-Ōhope Community Board Discretionary Fund to S Burren to allow her to offer tickets to as many early childhood and primary school children within Whakatāne as possible to attend one of the three The Glow Show sessions.

Board Member Inman/Councillor Pullar

CARRIED

Attendance: Councillor Pullar left the meeting at 7.09 pm

RESOLVED:

THAT \$5,000 be granted from the Whakatāne-Ōhope Community Board Discretionary Fund to the Whakatāne Rotary Club towards the cost of erecting a security fence around the Appenzell Playground upon evidence of neighbourhood consultation being undertaken.

Board Member Inman/Board Member Bonne

CARRIED

6 MEMBER'S REPORTS

6.1 Chairperson's Report - May 2021

Refer to pages 113-114 of the agenda.

The Chairperson noted her gratitude to Members for their commitment to the engagement process on the LTP and MWWP and said that while it put the Council up for criticism, there were also a lot of complimentary comments and she was thankful to be part of it. The Board's submission would be presented to the Council on 25 May 2021 at 11.30 am and Members were invited to attend and provide support if they were able to.

Board Member Lee advised of the upcoming careers expo noting that some businesses would provide static displays. She noted that a media campaign was in hand to get information out to as many people as possible. Several Members offered to provide assistance with the setting up and running of the expo.

RESOLVED:

THAT the Chairperson's Report – May 2021 be received.

Chairperson Hanna/ Board Member Hamill

CARRIED

6.2 NZ Community Board Conference Delegates Reports – Board Member Bonne and Councillor Immink

Refer to pages 115-138 of the agenda.

Board Member Boone thanked the Board for the opportunity to attend and provided an overview of the highlights she gained from the conference.

RESOLVED:

THAT the NZ Community Board Conference Delegates Reports be received.

Chairperson Hanna/ Board Member Inman

CARRIED

6.3 Minutes - Combined Community Board 28 April 2021

Refer to pages 139-142 of the agenda.

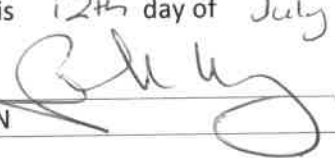
RESOLVED:

THAT the minutes of the Combined Community Board meeting held on Wednesday, 28 April 2021 be received.

Board Member Inman/ Board Member Hamill

CARRIED

THE MEETING CLOSED WITH A KARAKIA FROM THE CHAIRPERSON AT 7.37 PM

Confirmed this 12 th day of July 2021

CHAIRPERSON