


Minutes –Whakatāne-Ōhope Community Board 12 July 2021

	Details of Meeting:	WHAKATĀNE-OHOPE COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CIVIC CENTRE, COMMERCE STREET, WHAKATĀNE ON MONDAY, 12 JULY 2021 COMMENCING AT 5.30 PM
	Present:	Board Members (Chairperson), J B Manning, L A G Hall C G A Howard, M Inman, C Lee, Councillors L N Immink and J W Pullar and Board Member C L Hamill (via Zoom)
	In Attendance:	Her Worship the Mayor J A Turner, G Fletcher (General Manager Community Services), J Finlay (Manager Capital Projects), C Butt (Manager Governance Services) and H J Storey (Governance Support Advisor)
	Visitors:	C Ford, T Bryant (via Zoom), D Lee, T Boynton, M Karetai
	Apologies:	Board Members M J Hanna and L Bonne

The meeting was opened with a Karakia by Councillor Immink

1 APOLOGIES

RESOLVED:

THAT the apologies of Board Members Hanna and Bonne be received.

Councillor Pullar/Board Member Howard

CARRIED

2 CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

No conflicts of interest were recorded

3 PUBLIC FORUM

3.1 Chris Ford – Employ EBOP Initiatives 2021-22

Ms Ford thanked the Board for the funding she received for the Employment Expo and noted her report and photographs which were included in the agenda. She advised that this application was to extend the programme over a longer period noting that the Expo's were an awesome way to grow employment opportunities in this area. Ms Ford said that she had learnt a lot about the community while putting the Expo together, especially in relation to employment, what each party was looking for and what others organisations were doing in that space. She noted that there were a number of employment and training programmes available and the Expo brought them all together in one place

Ms Ford advised that the Eastern Bay of Plenty was a large area and it was hard to get people from outlying areas to the Expo within the 4 hours it was open, although they did connect with REAP to provide transport for the youth from some of these areas. She said that she would like to provide more opportunities to people and connect them to the programmes at future events, but noted that there was a lot of administration involved and she would need to employ someone to assist with future

events. Ms Ford said that she also wanted to make it a regular event so that people understood that they could participate and drop off CV's if they were looking for work.

In response to a query as to whether she was in business, Ms Ford replied that she had recently commenced a business as an event coordinator but noted that the Expo's did not make a profit and she only took a wage from the funds. In answer to a question relating to the difference between the expo run by the schools and her one, Ms Ford advised that the schools brought a lot of universities in but did not include a number of other organisations in the education field such as REAP, Connected and the Teen Parenting unit. She said that her Expo had a job wall and if participants did not have the confidence to speak to employers, she would drop off their CV for them. Ms Ford advised that participants felt comfortable at the Expo talking to different people and noted that it was for the public as well as students. There were at least 110 people who were provided with employment data as a result of the day.

Ms Ford noted that a representative from the Eastbay Chamber of Commerce was unable to attend, but had indicated that they wished to be involved in the next Expo which would bring new skill sets to the event. She advised that she was investigating what funding was available from other funders to assist with future Expo's and had developed a small pool of people to approach.

Attendance: Ms Ford left the meeting at 5.43 pm

3.2 Talei Bryant – Whakatāne District Youth Council and Future Leaders Group – via Zoom

Ms Bryant noted that the Youth Council had run a successful Sunset Social several years ago with 200 participants taking part and they wished to hold another one in December 2021. She advised that the budget figures provided in the application had been taken from the previous event and that the most costly item would be transporting the youth from out of town to the venue. Ms Bryant said that the rock wall had seen the youth engaging and participating last time so they wished to do that again. The social would be held at Ōhope at the carpark close to the beach in December 2021, and they hoped that they would receive sponsorship to provide the mocktails, food and entertainment.

Ms Bryant spoke to the Future Leaders application, noting that there were 15 Rangatahi across the district who were active with the programme. She said that they were being supported from the community capability and resilience fund through MSD, and noted that the programme was to help whānau with emergency responses and involve youth. Ms Bryant noted that they intended to go to the different communities with civil defence and do fun events so that the whole whānau took part. She indicated that a big event was planned for Whakatāne and would then seek contributions from the other Boards to support events within their rural communities.

In response to a question relating to whether the programme was in conjunction with Council staff, Ms Bryant advised that they were working with Emergency Management staff, and noted that the training they had received had been helpful and aligned with their projects. It was anticipated that there would be 4 events across the district and they would take place by the end of October.

Attendance: Ms Bryant left the meeting at 5.51 pm

4 PRESENTATION

4.1 Representation Review Update

Refer to pages 5a-d of the tabled items

The Manager Governance Services provided a power point presentation updating Members on the representation review, noting the decisions that had been made to date, the requirements that

needed to be taken into consideration as part of the review and the population data base used. Items noted included:

- the Council's preferred option was to retain 10 Councillors - 7 general and 3 Māori
- the ward structure to be made up of three general wards including - Whakatāne-Ōhope with 4 Councillors, Rangitāiki with 2 and a southern ward with 1 and three Māori wards with one Councillor in each
- the names of all of the wards was still to be decided
- retention of the four community boards with 6 Members and 1 Councillor on each
- consultation was being held with the four Community Boards and a number of iwi groups from across the district
- an initial proposal would be adopted at the Council meeting on 17 August 2021
- an overview of the electoral and enrolment processes was provided

RESOLVED:

1. **THAT** the Representation Review Update presentation be received; and
2. **THAT** the Board Chairperson and Deputy Chairperson be given delegated authority make a submission on behalf of the Board on the representation review.

Board Member Inman/Board Member Lee

CARRIED

5 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

5.1 Whakatāne-Ōhope Community Board 24 May 2021

Refer to pages 6-12 of the agenda.

RESOLVED:

THAT the minutes of the Whakatāne-Ōhope Community Board meeting held on Monday, 24 May 2021 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

Councillor Pullar/Board Member Howard

CARRIED

6 REPORTS

6.1 Activity Report – June 2021

Refer to pages 12-35 of the agenda.

The following points were noted:

- it was noted that Access Whakatāne had purchased several bottle filling stations at a reduced rate
- disappointment was expressed that property owners in the Wairaka area were not consulted prior to the recent street calming measures being installed
- the Board supported the recycling waste initiative at the DOC office, and suggested that they look at contributing towards a programme for other businesses to have the bins placed at their premises
- the new open space in King Street was only available until the end of the year and while there was a plan to open up the area to create a different type of space to see how people would

engage and use it, there were no plans to invest in any improvements at this stage. It was suggested that Pride Whakatāne be asked to provide some shrubs or pots of colour to brighten the space up.

- the events list for the hall bookings should include the Employment Expo on 17 June 2021
- a report would be forthcoming on the end of year balance of each Community Board's reserve funds

RESOLVED:

THAT the Whakatāne-Ōhope Community Board - Activity Report to June 2021 be received.

Councillor Pullar/Board Member Lee

CARRIED

6.2 Funding Applications – July 2021

Refer to pages 40-93 of the agenda.

6.2.1 Whakatāne Future Leaders

Members felt the application lacked information and questioned the outcomes expected for the programmes planned by the Whakatāne Future Leaders. Queries were also raised as to whether the project was doubling up on what was already currently available within the community.

RESOLVED:

1. **THAT** the Funding Applications to Whakatāne-Ōhope Community Board – July 2021 report be received; and
2. **THAT** \$500 seed funding be allocated from the Whakatāne-Ōhope Community Board Discretionary Fund to Whakatāne Future Leaders towards the cost of the Civil Defence Community Collab programme; and
3. **THAT** the applicant provide further information to the next meeting including a more comprehensive budget and an outline of the expected outcomes for both the participants and the community.

Board Member Inman/Board Member Howard

CARRIED

6.2.2 Whakatāne District Youth Council

Members considered that there was insufficient information in the Whakatāne Youth Council application to make a decision on funding at this meeting and requested an updated budget and projected income for the next meeting.

RESOLVED:

THAT the application from the Whakatāne District Youth Council for the Sunset Social be deferred until the next meeting pending the provision of a more comprehensive timeline, budget, quotes and a list of anticipated income for the event.

Board Member Howard/Board Member Lee

CARRIED

6.2.3 Whakatāne Darts Association

The Whakatāne Darts Association had advised that they were seeking an amended amount of \$988 for van hire and fuel costs as they had received funding from other sources for the balance of the costs.

RESOLVED:

THAT \$900 be allocated from the Whakatāne-Ōhope Community Board Discretionary Fund to the Whakatāne Darts Association to assist with the costs of the junior team attending the nationals.

Councillor Pullar/Board Member Hamill

CARRIED

6.2.4 EBOP Life Education Trust

RESOLVED:

THAT \$1,300 be allocated from the Whakatāne-Ōhope Community Board Discretionary Fund to EBOP Life Education Trust for the purchase of a replacement computer.

Board Member Inman/Board Member Howard

CARRIED

6.2.5 C Ford – Employment Initiatives

Discussion ensued on the application from Ms Ford and it was noted that seed funding of \$6,500 had been provided for the initial Employment Expo. While Members were generally pleased with the content and quality of the event, they questioned whether the Board were willing to support the event going forward. It was noted that there were other agencies with employment responsibilities that should be funding it and it was suggested that a contribution could be sought from the businesses involved. It was requested that the information on the Expo be passed on to staff to forward to relevant organisations such as the Chamber of Commerce and Toi EDA suggesting that they may wish to follow up with the applicant.

RESOLVED:

THAT no funding be allocated from the Whakatāne-Ōhope Community Board Discretionary Fund to Chris Ford for the continuation of the Employ EBOP E Initiatives.

Reasons for the decision:

- the Board provided seed funding of \$6,500 for the initial Employ EBOP Expo
- the Board would pass on the report attached to the agenda to staff and request that it be provided to relevant employment related organisations that had an association with the Council
- the event should be supported by other government departments, organisations and groups within the employment sector rather than the Board
- a letter of support would be provided from the Board to the applicant to assist with gaining funding from other sources
- there were opportunities for the applicant to seek contributions from participants towards the cost of any future Expo

Councillor Immink/Board Member Howard

CARRIED

7 CHAIR PERSON'S AND BOARD INITIATIVES REPORTS

7.1 Chairperson's Report - July 2021

Refer to pages 94-95 of the agenda.

It was noted that Councillor Immink was also at the Employment Expo and Board Member Hamill advised that she would not be able to attend the next Market day.

RESOLVED:

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

Board Member Howard/Board Member Lee

CARRIED

7.2 Member's Report – Sustainable Markets Update

Refer to pages 96-97 of the agenda.

It was noted that the group would liaise with the Manager Solid Waste regarding support for extending the recycle bins in business scheme as noted in the Activity report.

RESOLVED:

THAT the Member's Report – Sustainable Markets Update be received.

Board Member Hamill/Councillor Pullar

CARRIED

7.3 Member's Report – Employ EBOP Initiatives Update

Refer to pages 98-99 of the agenda.

RESOLVED:

THAT the Member's Report – Employ EBOP Initiatives Update be received.

Board Member Lee/Councillor Immink

CARRIED

7.4 Employ EBOP Initiatives Report

Refer to pages 100-107 of the agenda.

RESOLVED:

THAT the Employ EBOP Initiatives– July 2021 report be received.

Board Member Lee/Councillor Immink

CARRIED

THE MEETING CLOSED WITH A KARAKIA BY COUNCILLOR IMMINK AT 7.15 PM

Confirmed this	day of
CHAIRPERSON	