


Minutes – Whakatāne-Ōhope Community Board 20 May 2024

 <p>WHAKATĀNE District Council <i>Kia Whakatāne au i ahau</i></p>	Details of Meeting:	WHAKATĀNE-OHOPE COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING HELD AT THE ŌHOPE FIRE STATION, 2 HARBOUR ROAD, ŌHOPE, 20 MAY 2024 COMMENCING AT 5.30 PM
	Present:	C Hamill (Chair), M Inman, L Bonne and Councillor T Boynton And Deputy Mayor Immink
	In Attendance:	G Fletcher (General Manager Community Experience), V Fergusson (Manager Strategic Property), and A Dass (Governance Support Advisor)
	Visitors:	V Maru (Whakatane Darts Associate Inc), A Balsom, C Brady (NextStep), C House (Soaked in Adventure), S Burns, D Espinosa, E McGougan, A King, E Jones (Whakatane Intermediate School), S Whale, N Cattell (Whakatāne District Arts Council), J Manning and J Turner (Events Network Trust) <i>Via teams:</i> H Baxter
	Apologies:	Members McLean and Howard

1 KARAKIA

THE MEETING WAS OPENED WITH A KARAKIA BY MEMBER BONNE AT 5:30 PM.

2 APOLOGIES

Moved Chairperson Hamill / Seconded Councillor Boynton

RESOLVED:

THAT the Whakatāne-Ōhope Community Board accept the apologies from members McLean and Howard.

CARRIED

3 ANNOUNCEMENTS/TRIBUTES

Chairperson Hamill acknowledged the work the Chief Executive has done for the district and their decision to resign from Council.

4 CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Chairperson Hamill declared a conflict of interest for H Baxter's funding application. Member Bonne declared a conflict of interest with the Whakatāne District Arts Councils funding application.

5 PUBLIC FORUM

5.1 Whakatane Intermediate School - S Burns, D Espinosa, E McGougan, A King and E Jones

The Lit quiz team, consisting of Year 8 students would like to participate in the tournament. The team have engaged in additional fundraising activities. Their preparation consists of thoroughly studying a large volume of literature relevant to the competition. Funds granted would cover the costs of blazers and travel expenses. Winning the competition secures the team \$8,000 for participation in the international competition.

5.2 Whakatāne District Arts Council – S Whale and N Cattell

The Design Thinking class at Whakatāne High School began contributing to the Whakatāne Light Up festival with a variety of student artworks. Due to the project's scope, students were directed to focus on lanterns, resulting in 29 projects. A whānau night/workshop was held to request funding for materials to craft lanterns with families. This project would be operated independently from the school's curriculum.

Councillor Boynton declared a conflict of interest with this application.

5.3 Soaked in Adventure - C House

The annual sporting event would take place in June 2024, featuring a race where participants navigated to collect checkpoints whilst showcasing Whakatāne. The event aimed for closer to zero waste with litter collection at the venue. With 75% of the 127 registered participants coming from out of town to boost the local economy. The Whakatāne-Ōhope Community Board would receive acknowledgment through the groups advertising. Labour costs included marshalling expenses.

5.4 Whakatane Darts Associate Inc – V Maru

In 2018, the same tournament was held, featuring two prominent youth players. One masters player had even been selected in representing New Zealand in Budapest. The event would cover transport costs and prizes for all age groups. It would be a family-friendly event and increase players skills. Pathways had been established for developing young players and promoting no smoking and recycling values. 4-16 juniors are now developing their skills to play in nationals, with roughly 200 players participating. The event would be open for the public to view.

5.5 NextStep - A Balsom and C Brady

Exercise physiology is not yet recognised in New Zealand which is what they provide. Efforts were made to find advertising opportunities for expansion within their business. Registered and clinical physiologists aimed to shorten wait times for those needing to see a GP or physiologist at NextStep. The business generated revenue and a research project would be conducted with a sample size to secure further funding from the DHB.

5.6 H Baxter

They are currently training at Lake Karapiro in preparation for the world stage environment. Upon their return to school, a sausage sizzle will be held to secure further funds.

5.7 Events Network Trust – J Manning and J Turner

This initiative has attracted a range of charities and aims to align with National Volunteers Week. TENT supports other charities and is seeking funding to run the expo more effectively than before. The goal is to keep the event affordable and to help these charities thrive. While they are confident in securing funding from other sources if necessary, they cannot rely solely on funds from the board. Additionally, a column in the Beacon will feature these charities.

Attendance: S Burns, D Espinosa, E McGougan, A King and E Jones left the meeting at 5:41 pm. S Whale and N Cattell left the meeting at 5:54 pm. C House left the meeting at 6:01 pm. V Maru left the meeting at 6:13 pm and the General Manager of Community Experience entered the meeting at 6:14 pm. A Balsom and C Brady left the meeting at 6:22 pm. H Baxter left the meeting at 6:27 pm. J Manning and J Turner left the meeting at 6:42 pm.

6 Confirmation of Minutes

Refers to page 8–11 of the agenda.

Additional wording to item 7.1 ‘Prior to the new lease being signed, Forest and Bird had requested that the new lease agreement would allow for the future development of a small wetland in the area’.

Moved Chairperson Hamill / Seconded Councillor Boynton

RESOLVED:

THAT the minutes of the Whakatāne-Ōhope Community Board meeting held on Monday, 15 April 2024 be confirmed as a true and correct record subject to the correction noted.

CARRIED

7 REPORTS

7.1 Whakatāne-Ōhope Community Board – Activity Report

Refers to pages 12-67 of the agenda.

The General Manager of Community Experience and Manager of Strategic Property presented the report and highlighted the following.

- Noted interest from Sophie Clyde to join the Whakatāne-Ōhope Community Board as the Youth Council representative. Action: Chairperson to make contact with S Clyde in regard to their interest.
- Action: Staff to provide further updates on the food mapping project.
- Opportunities for improvement by advertising/promotion for the Reorua funding grant. Action: Staff to follow up.
- Action: Staff to provide further updates of the repairs at Tois Track.
- The flying fox will be reinstated in due course.
- The Ōhope Beach Lions Club have been given contact details to the Manager of Properties and Facilities Assets in relation to the club buildings issues.
- Action: Staff to include an item for the ePlan platform at the next Combined Community Board meeting.
- Action: Staff to provide an update on the current work on the Ōhope Hill.

Moved Member Inman/ Seconded Member Bonne

RESOLVED:

THAT the Whakatāne-Ōhope Community Board - Activity Report May 2024 be received.

CARRIED

7.2 WOCB Discretionary Funds – May 2024

Refers to pages 67-135 of the agenda.

The board noted that the Whakatāne Darts Association should consider adding an entry fee for the tournament.

Moved Member Inman / Seconded Member Bonne

RESOLVED:

THAT the WOCB Funding Application – May 2024 report be received; and

THAT \$2,800.00 be allocated from the Whakatāne-Ōhope Community Discretionary Fund to the Whakatane Darts Association Inc to host the NZ Junior and Youth Championships in Whakatāne additionally, the Whakatāne-Ōhope Community Board will delegate a further \$1,000.00 if necessary, to cover venue hire costs; and

CARRIED

Moved Member Bonne / Seconded Member Inman

RESOLVED:

THAT \$2,400.00 be allocated from the Whakatāne-Ōhope Community Discretionary Fund to the NextStep Charitable Foundation to support the continuation of their pilot project and research. Additionally, the NextStep Charitable Foundation is to provide the Whakatāne-Ōhope Community Board with a report on the research completed; and

CARRIED

Moved Member Inman / Seconded Member Bonne

RESOLVED:

THAT \$5,420.00 be allocated from the Whakatāne-Ōhope Community Discretionary Fund to Soaked in Adventure to support in the costs associated with their 3- and 6-hour race; and

CARRIED

Moved Member Bonne / Seconded Member Bonne

RESOLVED:

THAT \$1,572.00 be allocated from the Whakatāne-Ōhope Community Discretionary Fund to Whakatāne Intermediate School so they can compete in the Lit Quiz National Competition; and

CARRIED

Chairperson Hamill noted a conflict of interest with this motion and left the table for the discussion of this item. Member Bonne continued the meeting as the Chair.

Moved Member Inman / Seconded Councillor Boyton

RESOLVED:

THAT \$2,000 be allocated from the Whakatāne-Ōhope Community Discretionary Fund to Hannah Baxter so they can compete in the Junior Canoe Sprint World Championships in July 2024; and

CARRIED

Member Hamill returned to the meeting and continued the meeting as the Chair.

Member Bonne and Councillor Boynton noted a conflict of interest with this motion and left the table for the discussion of this item.

Moved Chairperson Hamill / Seconded Deputy Mayor Immink

RESOLVED:

THAT \$5,500.00 be allocated from the Whakatāne-Ōhope Community Discretionary Fund to the Whakatāne District Arts Council to support in costs associated with the Light Up Whakatāne event; and

CARRIED

Moved Councillor Boynton / Seconded Chairperson Hamill

RESOLVED:

THAT \$3,463.62 be allocated from the Whakatāne-Ōhope Community Discretionary Fund to Events Network Trust to support in costs associated with meet the locals and volunteering expo and notes the Whakatāne Community Board would not guarantee the loss.

CARRIED

8 Chairpersons Report

Refer to pages 136-137 of the agenda.

The board discussed who would be able to attend the SuperLocal Conference.

Moved Member Bonne / Seconded Councillor Boynton

RESOLVED:

1. THAT the Whakatāne-Ōhope Chairperson’s report April 2024 – May 2024 be received.
2. THAT the Whakatāne-Ōhope Community Board nominates Board Members Hamill and Inman to attend the SuperLocal Conference in Wellington in August 2024.

CARRIED

THE MEETING CLOSED WITH A KARAKIA BY CHAIRPERSON BONNE AT 8.01 PM.

Confirmed at the meeting dated:
CHAIRPERSON