Minutes – Whakatāne-Ōhope Community Board 29 July 2024

WHAKATĀNE District Council Kia Whakatāne au i ahau	Details of Meeting:	WHAKATĀNE-OHOPE COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING HELD AT ROOM KIWI, 14 COMMERCE STREET, WHAKATĀNE ON MONDAY, 29 JULY 2024 COMMENCING AT 5.30 PM
	Present:	C Hamill (Chair), L Bonne, C Howard, M Inman, D Mclean, J Ozgur, Councillor T Boynton
	In Attendance:	Deputy Mayor L Immink, V Fergusson (Manager Strategic Property), J Farrel (Strategic Projects Manager) and A Dass (Governance Support Advisor)
		<i>Via Teams:</i> G Fletcher (General Manager Community Experience)
	Visitors:	S Clyde (Youth Council), W Anderson, K Allison, O Christie, X Christie, D Moore, R Moore, V Xaviour
	Apologies:	

1 KARAKIA

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

2 APOLOGIES

Nil.

3 ANNOUNCEMENTS/TRIBUTES

Chairperson Hamill acknowledged Mr Jesse Morgan-Ranui as the newest member of the Murupara Community Board.

4 CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

The following conflict of interests were declared by members:

- Chairperson Hamill disclosed a conflict related to the Christie's funding application.
- Member Bonne acknowledged a conflict related to S Halls' funding application.
- Councillor Boynton declared a conflict related to the East Bay Art Quilters' funding application.

5 PUBLIC FORUM

5.1 Have a Heart Charitable Trust - W Anderson

W Anderson represented the Have a Heart Charitable Trust, a local community trust that runs several programs and events, including the Light Party, which provides a safe alternative to Halloween. The event is expected to draw over 4,000 people, with participation from numerous community groups. They are currently seeking funding for the War Memorial Hall. The event is free, with an option for donations.

5.2 East Bay Art Quilters - K Allison

K Allison spoke on behalf of the East Bay Art Quilters, presenting an exhibition for art quilters. She brought quilt artworks to provide an idea of what can be expected. The group consists of eight experienced members who offer free skill-sharing workshops. Quilts are available for sale, and donations are welcomed, with a focus on using local materials.

5.3 Oliver and Xavier Christie

Oliver and Xavier Christie discussed their involvement in a triathlon, endorsed by Tri NZ as a stepping stone to larger events. They highlighted the challenge of finding time to raise funds while balancing school and part-time work. They train for over 14 hours per week, participating in summer races up to twice a month, and are coached by the same coach as Hayden Wilde the Olympian.

5.4 The Mahi Kai Trust - D Moore

D Moore and Mr Rangiaho, representing The Mahi Kai Trust, introduced the Mahi Kai Programme, which is open to youth aged 10 and older. The program, based locally, has been running for three years following an accident that led to ACC denying work opportunities. It teaches children about food sovereignty and is self-funded when external funds are not secured. Additionally, they utilise the Te Kura online platform for earning NCEA credits.

5.5 Whakatāne Malayalee Association - V Xaviour

V Xaviour spoke on behalf of the Whakatāne Malayalee Association, which represents a migrant community of over 100 families. Their main event is the Onam celebration, which is open to the entire community and encourages broad participation. The Trust Horizon supported their Bollywood presentation, held primarily at the War Memorial Hall. Additional funding is sourced from individuals and these events also offer opportunities to promote tourism.

Attendance: W Anderson and K Allison left the meeting at 5:45 pm. O Christie and X Christie left the meeting at 5:50 pm. D Moore and R Moore left the meeting at 6:18 pm. V Xaviour left the meeting at 6:18 pm. General Manager Community Experience joined the meeting online at 6:30 pm.

6 Confirmation of Minutes

Refers to page 9–14 of the agenda.

Moved Member Inman / Seconded Councillor Boynton

RESOLVED:

THAT the minutes of the Whakatāne-Ōhope Community Board meeting held on Monday, 20 May 2024 be **confirmed** as a true and correct.

CARRIED

6.1 Whakatāne District Climate Change Risk Assessment

Refer to page 18 of the agenda.

Refer to page 18 of the agenda and pages 18 a-x of the tabled items.

A presentation was provided to the board by the Strategic Projects Manager, highlighting key points on mitigation and adaptation related to the Climate Change Risk Assessment. The project was noted as being locally driven. The Board planned to reach out to the Strategic Projects Manager regarding open days and community meetings for further consultation and feedback.

Attendance: Strategic Projects Manager left the meeting at 6:42 pm.

7 REPORTS

7.1 Declaration of Result for the Murupara Community Board By-Election March 2024

Refer to pages 15-17 of the agenda.

Moved Member Hamill / Seconded Member Howard

RESOLVED:

THAT the 'Declaration of Result for the Murupara Community Board By-Election' be **received**.

CARRIED

7.2 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.

- Financial reimbursement for the Peace Street Dairy.
- Progress is being made on the Flying Fox at the Maraetotara Reserve.
- Installing showers at the heads requires evidence that demonstrates demand for this project.
- Kiwi Boy Statue: To be installed where staff recommend.
- Member Bonne acknowledged the event and tourism team for their assistance in the Light Up Whakatāne Event.
- Bob Byrne Park: Proposal for a permanent structure over the BBQ area at Maraetōtara. This project requires community engagement and follow-up. The Board are open to partnering with Council on costs.

Action:

- The board instructed the Transport team to advise on timing for projects that involve road closures.
- The board requested staff to obtain information related to the financial reimbursement of the Peace Street Dairy.

Moved Member Hamill / Seconded Councillor Boynton

RESOLVED:

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

CARRIED

7.3 WOCB Discretionary Funds – July 2024

Refer to pages 45-114 of the agenda.

Recommendations are on page 45 of the agenda.

This motion formally notes the funds allocated to the group. It was suggested that a meeting via Teams be held in future to facilitate the discussion of applications. Member Bonne noted their agreement with the outcome of funds allocated.

Moved Chairperson Hamill / Seconded Member Howard

RESOLVED:

- 1. THAT the WOCB Funding Application July 2024 report be **received**; and
- THAT the Whakatāne Ōhope Community Board notes a decision was made to allocate \$2,500.00 from their discretionary fund to support Ngāti Awa and their costs associated with Matariki Whakapiripiri.

CARRIED

Moved Member Bonne / Seconded Member Inman

RESOLVED:

THAT \$1,477.00 be allocated from the Whakatāne-Ōhope Community Board Discretionary Fund to Have a Heart Charitable Trust and their Light Party 2024 venue hire cost.

CARRIED

Moved Member McLean / Seconded Member Jahn

RESOLVED:

THAT \$1,600.00 be allocated from the Whakatāne-Ōhope Community Board Discretionary Fund to East Bay Art Quilters to assist in costs for project materials used in the 'Views in Time' Exhibition September-November 2024.

CARRIED

Member Hamill vacated the seat as Chair and did not take part in the discussion of the next motion due to a conflict of interest.

Member Bonne was elected as the Chair.

Moved Member Jahn / Seconded Member McLean

RESOLVED:

THAT \$1,500.00 be allocated from the Whakatāne-Ōhope Community Board Discretionary Fund to Oliver and Xavier Christie so they can compete in the Triathlon World Championship in August 2024.

In debate, all members relevant to the discussion, agreed to amend the amount to \$2,000.00.

Moved Member Inman / Seconded Councillor Boynton

RESOLVED:

THAT \$2,000.00 be allocated from the Whakatāne-Ōhope Community Board Discretionary Fund to Oliver and Xavier Christie so they can compete in the Triathlon World Championship in August 2024.

CARRIED

Member Bonne vacated the seat as Chair.

Member Hamill was elected as the Chair.

Member Howard declared conflict of interest and did not take part in the discussion of the next motion.

Board Members indicated that the Mahi Kai Action Group application would have been stronger with more information and data. For that reason, the board declined the application however, the Board extended an invitation to re-apply in six to twelve months when more information would have been gathered. Specifically, the Board would like to see data collected on the number of participants on a daily and weekly basis, the number of students who have obtained NCEA credits and written feedback from whanau and schools on the programme's success

Member Howard returned to the table for discussion.

Member Bonne declared a conflict of interest and did not take part in the discussion of the next motion.

Moved Member Inman / Seconded Chairperson Hamill

RESOLVED:

THAT \$500.00 be allocated from the Whakatāne-Ōhope Community Board Discretionary Fund to Samual Hall to assist in costs associated with attending Outward Bound in September 2024.

CARRIED

Member Bonne returned to the table for discussion.

Moved Councillor Boynton / Seconded Member McLean

RESOLVED:

THAT \$1,500.00 be allocated from the Whakatāne-Ōhope Community Board Discretionary Fund to The Whakatāne Malayalee Association to assist in costs associated with venue hire; additionally, a Board Member would attend their event.

CARRIED

8 Chairpersons Report

Refer to pages 136-137 of the agenda.

Moved Chairperson Hamill / Seconded Member Bonne

RESOLVED:

THAT the Whakatāne-Ōhope Chairperson's report July 2024 be received.

CARRIED

THE MEETING CLOSED WITH A KARAKIA BY CHAIRPERSON HAMILL AT 7:58 PM.

Confirmed at the meeting dated:

CHAIRPERSON