

MINUTES for a meeting of the Te Kauwhata Community Committee held via Audio Visual Conference on **WEDNESDAY, 1 DECEMBER 2021** commencing at **7.00pm**.

Present:

Ms T Grace (Chairperson)
Cr JD Sedgwick
Ms J Allport (Secretary)
Mr J Cunningham
Mr T Hinton
Mr B Weaver

Attending:

Mr V Ramduny (Strategic Projects Manager)
L Hughes (Te Kauwhata Community House)
S Howard (Watercare)
C Nutt (Waters Contract Relationship Manager)
K Wood (Open Spaces Project Coordinator)

APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Resolved: (Mr Weaver/Cr Sedgwick)

THAT an apology be received from Ms A Van de Munckhof.

CARRIED

TKCC2112/01

CONFIRMATION OF STATUS OF AGENDA ITEMS

Resolved: (Mr Weaver/Ms Grace)

THAT the agenda for the meeting of the Te Kauwhata Community Committee held on Wednesday, 1 December 2021 be confirmed and all items therein be considered in open meeting;

AND THAT all reports be received;

AND THAT the following items, additional to that within the agenda, be discussed at an appropriate time during the course of the meeting;

- **Wastewater Upgrade Project Review**
- **Update on the Te Kauwhata Draft Domain Plan**

CARRIED

TKCC2112/02

DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

Mr Hinton advised members of the Committee that he would declare a financial conflict of interest in item 6.1 [*Works and Issues Report*].

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Resolved: (Mr Cunningham/Mr Weaver)

THAT the minutes of the meeting for the Te Kauwhata Community Committee, held on Wednesday, 3 November 2021, once amended be confirmed as a true and correct record.

CARRIED

TKCC2112/03

ACTIONS

The report was received [*TKCC2112/02 refers*] and following discussion was held.

Item	Who To Action	Status
Draft Te Kauwhata Domain Plan Committee members to provide feedback to the Chair for collation and submission to Ms Wood and the Domain Committee by 8 November 2021	Committee	Actioned

SPEAKERS

Te Kauwhata Community House – Rangitahi Mural Project Agenda Item 5.1

Ms Hughes provided the following presentation and discussion was held:

Ms Hughes presented the proposal, developed by Toi Ako, for the installation of a mural on the side of Te Kauwhata's Community House. Ms Hughes advised that the aim of Toi Ako is to bring the community together via creative means. This is the third year of their operation and have been operating with the creative community with the support of WDC and the Ministry for Arts, Culture & Heritage.

Ms Hughes advised that the mural project has been in the pipeline for some months. The mural itself would be situated on the side of the Community House. A builder has recommended that the mural be created on a structure away from the wall of the building which could be moved at a later date. The mural had been designed by Peter Boskie (sketch of mural passed around to committee members) but youth would be painting the mural. Ms Hughes advised that the cost of those involved in creating the mural had been covered and she was seeking the cost of paint and installation of the mural from the Committee's fund.

Cr Sedgwick asked if the local iwi had been consulted. Ms Hughes advised that they hadn't been consulted specifically in relation to this project but she had spoken to Glen Te Puhi more generally. Ms Hughes noted that no customs were being referenced in the mural but she would send a copy of the sketch to iwi to ensure they were happy with what was being proposed.

There was discussion in relation to the material that would be used on which the mural would be created. There was discussion as to the process by which funding would proceed if the Committee agreed to funding the project. Mr Ramduny confirmed that, if the Committee agreed to fund this project, it would be funded via the Committee's discretionary fund.

It was noted that funding for the mural project would be via the Council's old process (as opposed to the new process that had been introduced to the Committee in a previous meeting). It was further noted that there would be funding workshops in the New Year to assist the Committee in transitioning to the new process.

The Committee would make a decision as to whether or not it wished to support this project at a later stage in the meeting.

Wastewater Upgrade Project Review Process Agenda Item 5.2

The Waters Contract Relationship Manager and Mr Howard provided the following presentation and discussion was held:

The Waters Contract Relationship Manager introduced herself as Waikato District Council's Waters Contract Relationship Manager who works closely with Watercare. Mr Howard then introduced himself as a consents planner at Watercare's Te Rapa office. The Committee was advised that the current consent to discharge wastewater expires in 2028 but there is a clear commitment from WDC for a new discharge consent to be in place by 2024.

Part of the new consent application is to consult with tangata whenua and to investigate any impacts the new location may have in terms of environmental impact and climate change.

Mr Howard advised that a website will be launched to introduce the wastewater project. There are some preferred options in terms of the location of the new wastewater treatment plant however these were still being investigated.

Because the briefing paper for this presentation hadn't been received and read by Committee members, the Waters Contract Relationship Manager and Mr Howard advised that they would make themselves available for the February 2022 meeting at which time the Committee would have had the opportunity to review the briefing paper.

Update on the Draft Domain Plan Agenda Item 5.3

Open Spaces Project Coordinator provided the following presentation and discussion was held:

Open Spaces Project Coordinator advised that the Committee's comments had been incorporated to the draft domain plan and that the plan had been presented to the Te Kauwhata Domain Committee. The next steps are to itemise and prioritise the new components of the plan and assess and how these will be funded. Open Spaces Project Coordinator noted that the proposed plan would go out to the community for comment. Cr Sedgwick commented that she thought this unnecessary however we should advise the community what is planned.

Open Spaces Project Coordinator shared the up-to-date version of the draft and provided information as to the changes within this draft. There was discussion in relation to various components of the draft. Various points are noted below.

- Mr Weaver commented that the area to be surfaced with Astro-turf did not appear large enough for adult sport. Ms Wood advised that this area was intended for school/junior practice space.
- There was considerable discussion in relation to the proposed location of the destination playground and whether or not its proposed location was appropriate. It was suggested to the Committee members that they read WDC's Playground Strategy on its website and suggested that Committee members visit other, similar playgrounds within the district such as the playgruonds at Lake Whakanoa, Papahua in Raglan and Ngaruawahia. Mr Howells suggested that the destination playground could be relocated to #24 and that this would also be an ideal area for additional toilet facilities (WDC's policy is that playgrounds must be close to toilet facilities).
- Mr Howells commented that the plan may be cramming in too many different types of facilities in the area opposite the existing car park which may cause vehicle congestion and suggested that at least part of the space could be used for additional parking. Mr Hinton advised that the proposal included filling in an open drain which would create an additional, 40 more parking spaces. Mr Weaver supported Mr Howells' comments in relation to 'de-cluttering'.

- Ms Grace supported the development of all-weather surfaces for sports and noted that currently Te Kauwhata is lacking facilities for youth sports.

Open Spaces Project Coordinator noted that the plan will remain in draft format until the Reserve Management Plan is completed at which point it will go out for consultation with the Community. Open Spaces Project Coordinator further advised that Council were looking at putting a policy in place to have draft plans accepted outside of the reserve management plan process. The Strategic Project Manager noted that the consultation process does not need to be formal.

REPORTS

Te Kauwhata Works & Issues Report – August 2021

Agenda Item 6.1

The report was received [TKCC21/12/02] and discussion was held.

- Dog Exercise Area: The Strategic Project Manager enquired as to whether or not Mr Hinton had had conversations with the Men's Shed and the College. Mr Hinton advised that this has not been possible due to COVID lock-downs and restrictions.
- Walkway at end of Blunt Road: Mr Cunningham advised has been working with Transpower in relation tendering for this work.
- Walkway Loop: There was nothing further to add to the presented report.
- Te Kauwhata Domain Plan: There was nothing further to add to the presented report.
- Innovating Streets Project: To be removed from the Works & Issues report
- Rangiriri Cemetery: To be removed from the Works & Issues report.
- New Emergency Services Hub: This item is to be added to the Committee's February 2022 agenda.

Discretionary Fund Report to 19 August 2021

Agenda Item 6.2

The report was received [TKCC21/12/02 refers] and discussion was held.

Rangitahi Mural Project: The Committee was happy to support this project and provide funding for the full amount applied for of \$2377.84.

2021 Christmas Parade: Mr Weaver enquired as to what would happen in relation to the funding allocated for the Christmas Parade that has had to be cancelled this year due to COVID restrictions. Ms Grace suggested that the cost of the parade be identified and earmarked for next year's parade to ensure there is sufficient funds available to support the event.

Resolved: (Ms Grace/Mr Howells)

THAT the discretionary fund report be received;

AND THAT the Te Kauwhata Community Committee approves payment from its discretionary fund:

- to Te Kauwhata Community House
- for the amount of \$2,377.84
- for the Rangitahi Mural Project;

AND THAT the Te Kauwhata Community Committee approves funding be held:

- by the Events Committee for the cancelled 2021 Christmas Parade
- for the amount of \$3,684.10 held be used for the 2022 Christmas Parade.

AND THAT the Te Kauwhata Community Committee agreed that the money held by the Events Committee be returned to the Te Kauwhata Community Council's discretionary fund if it is not utilised for the 2022 Christmas Parade.

CARRIED

TKCC2112/04

Councillor's Report
Agenda Item 6.4

Cr Sedgwick provided a verbal report and answered question from the Committee.

Three new bylaws were being proposed:

- Dog Control;
- Easter Trading; and
- Speed Limits.

Cr Sedgwick encouraged the Committee to read the bylaw and to reach out to community contacts to make submissions on the proposed changes.

