
MINUTES of a meeting of the Te Kauwhata Community Committee held at St John's Ambulance Rooms, 4 Baird Avenue, Te Kauwhata on **WEDNESDAY, 7 SEPTEMBER 2022** commencing at **7.00pm**.

Present:

Ms T Grace (Chairperson)
Cr JD Sedgwick
Mr J Cunningham
Mr T Hinton
Mr B Weaver
Mrs A van de Munckhof
Mr C Howells
Ms J Allport (Secretary)

Attending:

Tofeeq Ahmed (Kainga Ora Programme Manager – Placemaking)
Marlene Raumati (WDC candidate)
Jason Marconi (WDC)
Pamela Storey (WRC)
Tremayne Thompson (WDC candidate)
His Worship, Mayor Allan Sanson

CONFIRMATION OF STATUS OF AGENDA ITEMS

Resolved: (Mr Cunningham/Mr Hinton)

THAT the agenda for the meeting of the Te Kauwhata Community Committee held on **Wednesday 7 September 2022** be confirmed and all items therein be considered in open meeting, with the inclusion of two additional speakers (**Mr Ahmed and Ms Storey**).

AND THAT all reports be received.

CARRIED

TKCC2209/01

DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

Mr Hinton advised members of the Committee that he would declare a financial conflict of interest in item 5.2 [*Works and Issues Report*]. All standard disclosures as per the Disclosure of Conflict Register stands.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Agenda Item 6.3 Village Playground Car Park email: Committee members were unable to open the email. Mr Ramduny advised that this would be resent to Committee members.

ACTION: Mr Ramduny to resend the email.

Resolved: (Mr Weaver/Mrs de Munckof)

THAT the minutes of the meeting for the Te Kauwhata Community Committee, held on Wednesday, 3 August 2022, be confirmed as a true and correct record.

CARRIED

TKCC2209/02

List of Actions from previous Meeting

Item	Who To Action	Status
Council has been asked by the Committee to provide more information regarding the carpark works in the Te Kauwhata Playground.	Vishal Ramduny	Action in progress
Domain Walkway <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Assess the walkway loop location.▪ Final map to Ed McVicar (copied to Megan May) showing the precise location of the walkway▪ Cr Sedgwick to meet with Ed McVicar to finalise the location of the walkway.	Mr Hinton and Mr Cunningham Mr Hinton Cr Sedgwick	Outstanding
A&P Show Funding - Jason Marconi to follow up on the A&P Show funding (\$5,000-\$6,000)	Jason Marconi	Outstanding?
Clarity has been sought on the use and expenditure of the funds that were allocated to the Te Kauwhata Community Events Committee in 2021 for the Christmas parade but could not be used since the parade did not take place due to COVID-	Toni Grace	Outstanding

19. Toni Grace to follow up with the Te Kauwhata Events Committee.		
Community Gardens: Letters of thanks from TKCC to be written to TK Lions (installation), Barakats (donation of materials), Prashant Patel (donation of materials).	Toni Grace/Jeanie Allport	Outstanding

REPORTS

Lakeside Development Engagement Plan (Tofeeq Ahmed, Verbal)

Agenda Item 6.1.

- Kainga Ora are preparing a community engagement plan which, when finalised, will be presented to TKCC. A map was provided for the Committee's information.
- Engagement with the community will be undertaken to ascertain the type of playground that is wanted by residents.
- Cr Sedgwick suggested WDC playground staff be contacted to ensure the neighbourhood playground and the planned destination playground will complement each other.
- Mr Ahmed identified a list of the stakeholders. The Committee suggested that Toi Ako and Sport Waikato be included.
- Community workshops and an on-line questionnaire had been suggested as ways to communicate with stakeholders.
- Mrs Allport suggested an on-site event could be considered.
- Ms Grace requested that communication with the Committee be done via email.
- Draft plan will be issued in November with the final plan will be February. Hard copies could be made available at the TK library.
- Mr Ramduny suggested that even though mana whenua engagement is separate to include them in invitations to events around the playgrounds.
- Please refer to presentation attached.

Pamela Storey, WRC Councillor

- Cr Storey advised she sent an email to committee members in July advising them of the public transport survey. The survey is now closed and the outcome to be reported to council at the final councillor's meeting.
- Community workshops were held around freshwater policy review which included an on-line workshop. Plan Change 1 occurred in 2013 which is still being appealed in the Environment Court. The freshwater policy review has been triggered by the national freshwater policy statement.
- Now seeking EoI's for citizens' Reference Groups which will be arranged by the freshwater management units (Te Kauwhata is within Waipa/Waikato Group). Will be c12 people per reference group. There will be c5 meetings over next 12 months to provide individuals with the opportunity to 'dive deeper'.

Discretionary Fund Report to 24 August 2022

Agenda Item 6.2

The report was received. Cr Sedgwick requested that the donation for playground equipment is signalled to WDC's Parks Department so the funding can be incorporated into the costs for new playground equipment.

ACTION: Ms Grace to send an email to Mark Janssen at Parks Department and to cc Mr Ramduny confirming the funding which would include the cost of a plaque that acknowledged the donor.

Te Kauwhata Works & Issues Report – August/September 2022

Agenda Item 6.3.

The report was received [TKCC2209/02] and the following discussion was held:

- Dog Exercise Area: Mr Hinton advised the equipment would be installed shortly.
- Walkway at end of Blunt Road: WDC working with Frame Group and DOC in relation to the boardwalk to ensure that all requirements are met.
- Te Kauwhata Village Green Playground: Mr Ramduny advised HEB Construction had been appointed to undertake the works which will commence in September.

Te Kauwhata Domain Plan:

- Walkway and fitness trail: It was requested that the main street section be completed this year. Will then assess what funding is left and decide what is required. There is a further \$100,000 available in the 2022/23 year from the North Waikato fund. The design will account for 40-50% of the first tranche of funding. Altogether \$316,000 available plus the remnants of the \$62,000.
- Cricket Club Nets: Mr Marconi advised he has been working with Ed from WDC. Construction will commence next week with the contractor to be in touch with the community in relation to H&S, site visits etc. Mr Marconi advised that Jeff Lyons is the sole person involved in this project and could probably do with some support. Nets will be completed within a five-week timeframe weather permitting. Jeff has a plan to use the club as a feeder club for the Ngaruawahia Cricket Club.
- Outdoor Stage: On hold.
- Cameras: No update.
- Community Garden: Mr Hinton advised that the sign for the garden was installed today. The irrigation for the gardens will be installed once sourced from Auckland. The garden should be opening later on this month.
- Funding for Future Community Initiatives: After elections there will be opportunities to upskill to enable greater support to community initiatives. There is a total of \$100,000 available as seed funding which should be distributed as discrete bundles of \$10,000 as seed funding. Blue Print funding also available to a level of \$800,000 each year – first come first served. When gone it's gone for the year.

Councillor's Report

Agenda Item 6.4

Cr Sedgwick provided an update/reported on the following items:

- Local Alcohol Policy: had 63 responses from TK. The responses went into the draft of the policy which is out for consultation. Has agreed as a committee that the responses will be included in the hearings document. Cr Sedgwick urges the committee to make a submission to support the submission.

ACTION: Ms Allport will draft a submission on behalf of the Committee in support of the new Local Alcohol Policy.

- Construction of building next to the library: This is intended to be a bottlestore and a café however a liquor licence cannot be applied for until such time as the building has received its compliance certificate. Even under the existing (local alcohol) policy, it states that licences cannot be granted within the vicinity of schools, and further, the new policy will include libraries. Mayor Allan added that we are one of the few communities that have an operative LAP which means that we have set the number of off-licences.
- Review of freedom camping by-laws: due for review however waiting for MBIE to advise the Council as to their position on sustainable freedom camping. When it comes up for submission the existing area needs to be reduced in size.
- Matahura Marae hui. Excellent discussion as to how to deal with the disposal of wastewater from the new wastewater treatment plant. Two serious options that are being investigated are: to return the waste back to the river; and to move the waste by pipe south of Rangiriri and discharge to land however looked at direct injection into pumice reserve where WDC has land. Iwi were happy with either option. Looking at cost comparison.
- Raglan Airfield: three iwi owners. Land was secure for a runway in 1939. Turns out that land was 'fee simple' and WDC owned. The land has a reserve status and to remove the status need to consult with the community.
- Three Waters Update: WDC has been on a journey in relation to water reforms. There was an opportunity for Waikato Regional Council, Waipa and Waikato District Councils combining which showed up to \$500 million in savings over 28 year. WDC has joined up with Watercare.
- Candidate's meeting next Wednesday night. Flyers are to be put up in shops etc.

ACTION: Mr Hinton will post on social media advising of the 'meet the candidates' evening and will organise tea, coffee and biscuits.

Chairperson's Report

Agenda Item 6.5.

- Ms Grace advised she is having computer/internet issues and that she should be contacted via text in the first instance.
- Distributed gifts to departing committee members Mr Weaver and Ms Allport and also to Cr Sedgwick who is not standing again for council.
- Ms Grace expressed her gratitude to the members and Cr Sedgwick for her hard work over the past 12 years.

Outgoing Mayor's Comments

- The Mayor expressed his gratitude to the Committee and advised he had always enjoyed working with the Committee members.
- He also expressed his gratitude to Cr Sedgwick and acknowledged her commitment to the Te Kauwhata community.
- The Mayor advised his stand-out highlights were the Huntly by-pass and getting the Sleepyhead development over the line.

Meeting closed at 8.40 pm

Minutes approved and confirmed this 30th day of November 2022.

CHAIRPERSON