

**MINUTES** for a meeting of the Raglan Community Board held in the Supper Room, Bow Street, Raglan **WEDNESDAY, 26 JULY 2023** commencing at **1.32pm**.

**Present:**

Mr D Amoore (Chairperson)  
Mr S Bains  
Ms K Binnersley (from 1.50pm)  
Mr C Rayner (Deputy Chairperson)  
Cr L Thomson (from 1.34pm)  
Mr R Wallis

**Attending:**

(15 members of the public)  
Mr R Thorpe (Community Energy Whaingaroa)

Ms A Diaz (Chief Financial Officer)  
Ms R Chisholm (Democracy Advisor)  
Ms G Kanawa (Democracy Manager)

**APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

**Resolved: (Mr Bains/Wallis)**

**THAT** the apologies from **Cr Turner** and **Mr T Oosten** for non-attendance be accepted.

**CARRIED**

**RCB2307/01**

**CONFIRMATION OF STATUS OF AGENDA ITEMS**

**Resolved: (Mr Rayner/Mr Wallis)**

**THAT:**the agenda for a meeting of the Raglan Community Board held on **Wednesday, 26 July 2023** be confirmed;

- a. with all items therein being considered in open meeting; and
- b. all reports be received.

**CARRIED**

**RCB2307/02**

## **DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST**

There were no disclosures of interest.

## **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

**Resolved: (Mr Rayner/Mr Wallis)**

**THAT the minutes for a meeting of the Raglan Community Board held on Wednesday, 14 June 2023 be confirmed as a true and correct record with following amendments:**

**CARRIED**

**RCB2307/03**

## **PUBLIC FORUM**

### John Lawson – Raglan Bus Services

- Mr Lawson queried the progress regarding the local bus service. The Chairperson advised that the Raglan Community Board promoted that the bus trial goes ahead as an on-demand trial for approximately a nine (9) month period.
- The trial area proposed was to be Lorensens Bay to the top of Wainui Road initially and every number 23 bus would also go to Manu Bay during the trial period.
- It was further noted that during the trial a smaller 13 seat bus would be utilised.
- It was recommended that an extension to the bus service to include Manu Bay and the feedback for this service to be made permanent was looking positive.
- There was a query about whether the bus would be going to Whale Bay and the Chairperson noted that at this stage it would not, due to length of time it takes and there would need to be an assessment of how many people would use it.

### On Behalf of the Raglan Congregational Church - Freedom Camping on Stewart Street

- It was queried if there had been a change to the original plan and if there is there any additional information regarding Freedom Camping on Stewart Street. Cr Thomson confirmed that freedom camping was currently prohibited on Stewart Street, however prohibition is being reviewed to now include Stewart St and it was part of the Freedom Camping Bylaw proposal at this time.
- It was noted that there are no designated areas for Freedom Camping in Raglan, there are freedom camping prohibited areas only. In following discussion regarding areas for campervans, it was queried if there are there any restrictions for campervans on Calvert Street?
- It was further noted that there is a restriction on large vehicles parking on Calvert Road.

- The Church expressed concerns regarding their mailbox and rubbish currently being put into the letterbox. Cr Thomson's advice was to make a submission on the proposed bylaw and she could assist them in doing so.

#### Neil Jennings – Freedom camping and Infrastructure expansions

- Mr Jennings sought clarification on the proposed bylaw and was encouraged to submit his thoughts through the bylaw submission process.
- Mr Jennings queried how the infrastructure assets were funded in terms of the expansion required to the wastewater treatment plant. The Chief Financial Officer noted that each development had an agreement to fund a portion of the infrastructure assets as per the Development Contributions Policy which could be found on the Waikato District website.
- Cr Thomson advised that Tourism Infrastructure provided the funding for the pathways and stormwater drains for the Rangatahi Development.
- Mr Jennings queried timing of meetings and the Chairperson advised that evening meetings had been tried before and community participation was poor, therefore the Board had retained the preference for a day-time meeting.

#### Michelle O'Donnell – Fluoridation in water

- Michelle O'Donnell advised a national development regarding New Health NZ who have issued a statement of claim against the Director General of Health that referred to s23 of the Health Act in relation to fluoride. Ms O'Donnell encouraged the Community Board and Waikato District Council to seek an interim injunction based on the proportionary principle as held in the Health Act which meant that whilst this case is in court fluoride does not have to be introduced into our water systems.
- The Community Board advised they would need to consult with the Council to ascertain their position on this matter.

**ACTION:** The Chief Financial Officer agreed to follow up Council's approach in regard to fluoridation of water supplies and would respond to the board under separate cover.

#### Footpath Naming in Raglan West

- A member of the public queried what was happening with the footpath names in Raglan West and Cr Thomson advised that the Board were working with the contractors regarding the old footpath names in Raglan West.
- The preference was to save the originals signs, however the material they were made of was too fragile.
- The footpath names have been recorded in a spreadsheet and the next step is that Council are looking at putting that information into the museum. It was noted that the stories needed to be immortalised which is what The Raglan Community Board were working towards.

## **REPORTS**

### Community Energy Whaingaroa Agenda Item 6.1

The report was received [RCB2307/02 refers], and the following discussion was held:

- Mr R Thorpe advised that the launch of Community Energy Whaingaroa was a concept 15 years old and has been embedded in the Raglan community naturally. It is Community Energy Whaingaroa's mission to eliminate energy hardship and reduce emissions as well as challenge the effects of climate change.
- Community Energy Whainagroa want to generate, store and share energy and notes that it will mean Raglan Local Energy will need to do peer-to-peer trading of energy.
- Community Energy Whaingaroa advised that they wished to establish a relationship with the Community Board to give updates about installations and requested inclusion with the Raglan Community Board in matters such as Resilience and Civil Defence.
- Community Energy Whaingaroa advised that they will be talking to the Te Uku community next and all Community Energy Whainagroa's activities would be made publicly available.
- The Chairperson queried if Raglan Local Energy was still operating and if this initiative has superceded them? – Mr Thorpe confirmed that it has not and they would need to work with Raglan Local Energy.

### Proposed Road Name for private road under Land use consent number LUC0423/20 Agenda Item 6.2

The report was received [RCB2306/02 refers], and the following discussion was held:

- Recommendation from the Raglan Community Board on the Proposed Road Name for Private Road under LUC 0423/20 at 117 Wainui Road, Raglan.
- Preferred name by both local hapuu and the developer is Te ara o Rihitoto.
- It was noted that the names have been checked by Council staff against the Road Naming Policy.

**Resolved: (Cr Thomson/Mr Bains)**

**THAT the Raglan Community Board recommends to the Infrastructure Committee:**

- a. **the following proposed road name submitted by the developer for LUC 0423/20 at 117 Wainui Road, Raglan:**
  - **Option 1: Road 1 (Proposed Road A) – Te ara o Rihitoto**

**CARRIED**

**RCB2307/04**

Proposed Road Name for Subdivision SUB0173/18.06 at Rangitahi Peninsula  
Agenda Item 6.3

The report was received [RCB2307/02 refers], and the following discussion was held:

- The developer has submitted a proposed road name for SUB0173/18.06 being Toka tuu Street
- The developer wants to change the name from Rerekahu Lane to Rerekahu Street.

**Resolved: (Cr Thomson/Mr Wallis)**

**THAT the Raglan Community Board recommend to the Infrastructure Committee:**

- a. **the following proposed road name submitted by the developer for SUB 0173/18.06, at Rangitahi Peninsula, Raglan.**
  - **Road 1 (Proposed Road E1) – Toka tuu street**
  - **Road 2 (Proposed Road H1)- Rerekahu street (Noted changed from Rerekahu Lane to Rerekahu Street)**

**CARRIED**

**RCB2307/05**

Mayor's Community Awards

Agenda Item 6.4

- Ms A Diaz noted that the Mayor's Community Awards are a continuation of recognising volunteers in our community and 11 August was the closing date for nominations.
- Some candidate names were discussed and would be forwarded to Ms Binnersley by the Democracy Advisor.

**Resolved: (Cr Thomson/Mr Amooore)**

**THAT the Raglan Community Board agree to consider this matter out of cycle to meet the deadline and the agreed name(s) be submitted by Ms Binnersley on the Board's behalf.**

**CARRIED**

**RCB2307/06**

**ACTION:** Chairperson requested feedback to Board Member Binnersley by the end of the week.

## Works, Actions & Issues Report: Status of Items July 2023

### Agenda Item 6.5

The report was received [RCB2306/02 refers], and the following discussion was held:

- Ms A Diaz promoted new functionality now live on the Waikato District Council website, to view projects across the district. There would be more information to come to the Board regarding this by email.
- Civil Defence – a date is being set for a meeting of interested parties to start discussions on what groups are to be involved. It is hoped to have the plan in place before Christmas.
- Raglan internal bus review. No updates
- Roading Workshop – it was noted that a workshop has not been scheduled in the foreseeable future as the Council roading team was currently under resourced.
- Raglan Wharf – there were no updates.
- Wi Neera Walkway – is on track and there were no further updates. Ms Binnersley queried if there was any way the sea wall can be made any wider and Ms Diaz noted the scope was already done, to standard. (refer previous meeting notes for further detail on scope).
- Greenslade Rd Reserve – there were no updates.
- Manu Bay Breakwater – update given by Ms Diaz to advise that Council is trying to get a Stakeholder meeting organised. Items for discussion from staff were being received and no date for a meeting has been set yet. It was noted that whatever the agreed way forward is, it would need to go into the LTP.
- Watercare Project – update taken as read. The Board requested the staircase change to a ramp as it was a hazard. Pedestrian access was also required at the Long Street/Norrie Ave/Main Road. Currently there was a safety hazard with an open hole where the pipes had been installed.

**ACTION:** Pedestrian access requested to be looked at for Long Street/Norrie Ave/Main Road intersection.

### Discretionary Fund Report to 30 June 2023

#### Agenda Item 6.6

The report was received [RCB2306/02 refers], and the following discussion was held:

- It was noted that the Raglan Lions are not GST registered and an amendment needed to be made to the invoice due to the excluding GST status. The Board needs to receive an invoice from the Lions for \$1200 incl. GST.
- Democracy still had not received the invoice from the Museum, which Mr Wallis would follow up.

#### **THAT the Raglan Community Board:**

- a. receives the Discretionary Fund Report to 30 June 2023;**
- b. notes that the costs of the Crime Prevention Day Sausage sizzle (resolution RCB2212/09) came in under budget and approves the return of \$8.89 to the discretionary fund pool (balance of the commitment provided); and**
- c. notes that the costs of the Anzac Day wreath (resolution RCB2303/04) came in under budget and approves the return of \$6.96 to the discretionary fund pool (balance of the commitment provided).**
- d. amends RCB221208 – payment to Raglan Lions Club towards the costs of traffic management for the New Years parade to exclude GST, i.e. \$1,200 (excl GST).**

#### **CARRIED**

**RCB2307/07**

### Raglan Naturally

#### Agenda Item 6.7

- No report was provided due to the absence of Mr Oosten. Staff would work with Raglan Naturally to share the report that goes to their Board to ensure regular reports were provided to the Community Board.

