

MINUTES for a meeting of the Raglan Community Board held in the Supper Room, Bow Street, Raglan **WEDNESDAY, 18 OCTOBER 2023** commencing at **1.36pm**.

Present:

Mr C Rayner (Deputy Chairperson)
Cr L Thomson
Mr R Wallis
Mr T Oosten

Attending:

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

4 members of the public

APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Resolved: (Crs Thomson/Turner)

THAT the apologies from:

- a. **Mr D Amooore for non-attendance and Mr S Bains for lateness be accepted.**

CARRIED

RCB2310/01

CONFIRMATION OF STATUS OF AGENDA ITEMS

Resolved: (Mr T Oosten /Mr R Wallis)

THAT the agenda for a meeting of the Raglan Community Board held on Wednesday, 18 October 2023 be confirmed:

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

CARRIED

RCB2310/02

DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

There were no disclosures of interest.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Resolved: (Cr Turner/Mr R Wallis)

THAT the minutes for a meeting of the Raglan Community Board held on Wednesday, 6 September 2023 be confirmed as a true and correct record with following amendments:

- a. correct spelling of Mr Euston to Mr Oosten and Mr Gold to Mr Gould.
- b. Item ??? – it was noted by the Chief Financial Officer that targeted rates are as per the Long-Term Plan (LTP).

CARRIED

RCB2310/03

PUBLIC FORUM

John Lawson

- Clarification was sought on the Wi Neera Walkway and whether it is a shared pathway with cyclists. In discussion that followed, it was noted that the path measurements are defined as 2.5m wide and there is a sign for “cyclists to dismount”.

ACTION: Parks and Reserves Team to confirm pathway widths for Wi Neera walkway is a shared space for both pedestrians and cyclists.

- It was noted that the Raglan Community Board Facebook page address/URL was not working. It was confirmed at the meeting it is still not working and follow up was required.

ACTION: Mr C Rayner to follow up with the Facebook Page Administrator to resolve the issue of the Facebook page not working.

- It was queried how Te Reo signage, as referenced in the Blueprint, is being funded. It was noted that Te Reo signage is not in the Long-Term Plan (LTP) and the Board agreed the appropriate conduit to support Te Reo signage would be Raglan Naturally to support them in achieving this.

REPORTS

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

Agenda Item 6.1

The report was received [*RCB2310/02 refers*], and the following discussion was held:

- Updates relating to discretionary funding items in works and issues were noted including:
 - the Lions Club have now received the invoice from traffic management and it has been paid. They are now working on raising the invoice for the discretionary fund portion that was approved.
 - It was noted that Discretionary Fund payments to Raglan Surf Lifesaving and Raglan Museum have been paid since the last meeting.

SoundSplash update

- It was confirmed that management plans have been received from applicants and timeframes are being met. There will be a further update and discussion at the November Community Board meeting.
- It was queried whether the Community Board would get an insight of the applications before Land User Consent is granted and there was discussion regarding Land User Consent versus Resource Consent and clarification of what consent had been granted already.

ACTION: The Chief Financial Officer to check on Land User Consent status in relation to management plans for SoundSplash.

Internal Bus Transport

- In response to a query regarding why the buses were being pushed back a year, the response was that the teams were working on the trial and there was funding for it so the reasons for the delay were unclear.

ACTION: The Chief Financial Officer to check in with the Transport Operations Team Leader regarding the roading for bus transport

CCTV Better off Funding update

- It was noted that there have been no further developments and there is no funding currently for the maintenance of cameras. It was further advised that this is a Long-Term Plan (LTP) discussion.

Discretionary Fund Report to 04 October 2023

Agenda Item 6.2

The report was received [*RCB2310/02 refers*], and the following discussion was held:

- As the last meeting for 2023 was in early December and the next meeting would not be held till late February 2024, members should encourage the community to get funding requests in as soon as possible.
- Was a Christmas/New Years parade or fireworks going ahead as there is usually applications for these? This would be the responsibility of the funding representative to follow up with the organisers

ACTION: Mr Wallis to follow up the organisers of the annual fireworks display and parade..

- It was agreed that further discussion regarding potential applications and how the Board would like to receive funding applications and communicate with the community as a topic for a future meeting.

ACTION: Mr Wallis to add an item to the next agenda to brainstorm potential opportunities for funding applications.

- It was noted that the Raglan Arts Council had applied for funding from the Creative Communities Scheme but only partial allocation of funding was granted, therefore it was anticipated that the Board would receive applications for the balance of funding requested.

Raglan Naturally Report 2023

Agenda Item 6.3

The report was received [*RCB2310/02 refers*], and the following discussion was held:

- It was reported that Raglan Naturally was unable to continue funding the COVID Community Connection through the Ministry Social Development (MSD). Members acknowledged the work done by Raglan Naturally in this area, which was appreciated by both the Board and community.
- It was noted that the remainder of the Discretionary fund grant had been spent on large Civil Defence kits and some smaller individual family kits which helped with community resilience and preparedness.
- It was reported that Raglan Naturally coordinators had a great session with the community groups and preparation of the next annual plan of projects is in progress now.
- It was queried how long the Raglan Naturally funding model lasts and it was advised, that it was a five (5) year contract with the Department of Internal Affairs and there is another 3 years left on the contract.

Chairperson's Report

Agenda Item 6.4

The report was received [RCB2309/02 refers], and no further discussion was held.

Councillors' Report

Agenda Item 6.5

A verbal report was received, and the following discussion was held:

- It was noted that the next Board meeting out in the community has been deferred to early 2024.
- It was noted that Freedom Camping deliberations have gone well and Long-Term Plan (LTP) workshops have been ongoing with tough decisions being made and still a lot of work to be done.
- Civil Defence - as noted in the Chairpersons written report, a community hui has been booked for 6pm on 17 November at the Town Hall. It was noted that the hui was scheduled to be held in the evening due to it being a better time for people to attend. It was further noted that the Emergency Management Advisor will also attend.
- The Emergency Management Advisor would be doing the Raglan Community Board policies around the information for the community when the emergency kits were distributed and training provided.
- Noted that the hui on 17 November was for community members interested and included people already identified by the Board.
- It was noted that through Raglan Naturally, funded by MSD, commitments made to the community included:
 - the Suicide Prevention event that is going ahead at the Raglan Area school
 - the Community 3 Bridges Walk
 - continuing Rainbow youth support
 - work with the Marae collective with Mr M Edmonds
 - support to the Marae clinics
 - Hauora Raglan Medical Centre staff – wellness day
 - Civil Defence roll out of emergency resources received through the Emergency Management Advisor. Including 20 x wheelie bins being distributed to the local marae and schools and to key organisations in town.
- It was celebrated that Raglan Naturally have been awarded MSD Level 3 accreditation.
- Community Board members were encouraged to attend upcoming LTP workshops, where possible. The upcoming workshops were noted to include Activity Management Plans (for operational activities), with the next one scheduled for 8 November.

- It was queried when the Community Board would see what was being put forward for Whaangaroa from Council workshops. It was advised that the process to date has been that Community Boards and Community Committees Chairs are receiving the invites to these meetings and the information is publicly available on Council's website.
- It was noted that information could be found on the public website on what projects are in progress.
- The budgeting perspective of LTP workshops starts next week and a new budgeting tool at Council is being rolled out to assist with this process.
- There were lengthy discussion regarding what stage the Community Board would learn the outcomes of LTP workshops and decisions and it was advised that a draft budget is expected at the end of November 2023 and a more detailed budget early next year which could be shared with Councillors and Community Boards at that time, noting that these workshops were open to the public and Community Board/Committee Chairs.
- It was noted that the infrastructure strategy would have some locality based planning and the level of detail for the strategy comes from the LTP.
- The Chief Financial Officer (CFO) advised that she would be happy to spend time with the Community Board to give more of an overview on the LTP process and the Board agreed this would be very helpful.

ACTION: The CFO to liaise with Activity Management Planners to understand how granular the locality-based information would be.

- The key issues for Raglan were wastewater and unsealed roads, for which the Board requested a workshop in early 2024.

ACTION: The CFO to work with members to schedule a workshop for early 2024.

- There was discussion regarding a Structure Plan for Raglan and it was noted that a structure plan for Raglan has been done before, however because of how Raglan has grown and the type of infrastructure, it did not progress.
- In following discussion it was noted that a Town centre would not come through in a structure plan and the type of planning instrument that would serve Raglan the best needed to be explored.

ACTION: The CFO to send a copy of the Public Realm Plan for Pookeno to Raglan Community Board Members so they have an example of zoning and town planning.

- It was noted that central government or developer support would be required for some infrastructure in Raglan due to costs.
- It was advised that the Papahua Reserve report was deferred and would come back to Council on 25 October 2023.

- In terms of relationships relating to Papahua, it was noted that when the toku whenua took place for Papahua it was between two (2) parties, being the Raglan Town Board and the tribe. In terms of that relationship, that is where those discussions stay, i.e. with Council and the Tribe.
- Cr L Thompson advised that she had previously declared a conflict of interest as Chair of the Board and as a direct descendant of the landowners, additionally, her sister and cousin were the hapu representatives. When it comes to Council she does not speak on this matter.
- The members noted disappointment if the Council part of the relationship was staff or people not from Whaingaroa – something to ask the hapu reps?
- There was extensive discussion regarding relationships and lines of communication and it was noted that the Community Board communicates with Council and Council talk to Ngaati Maahanga. It was noted that the current Joint Management Agreement (JMA) does not have staff appointed, however staff would provide support.
- It was noted that the Papahua Reserve was not a reserve in the traditional sense as it was not our land and therefore the way it is managed going forward needed to be what mana whenua and hapu are comfortable with.
- In further discussion regarding relationships, Cr Turner noted that she sits in the Maaori seat on the Board and these relationships were a large part of her role. The Board were encouraged to consider what does the relationship mean after 100 years.
- Council wanted the relationships to be long lasting. Over the years, since the toku whenua was done, a hundred (100) years ago, there has not been a Maaori voice in that space and that is what Council wants to create, bringing the parties together to talk.
- Cr Turner was given recognition for the intricacies of her role and size of the area she has to cover along with the issues she had to navigate through. In response Cr Turner noted that the Raglan Community Board is easy to deal with.
- Another significant area was the airfield which was discussed and it was noted that in the last triennium, Council made a commitment to return this area to the rightful owner. It was noted that work is progressing and moving forward in this area, however it was a long drawn out process.
- Cr L Thompson extended an invitation to the Board to attend the opening and naming of the new wharenuui at the Motakutaku Marae on Saturday 18 November, likely at dawn. All welcome and she would send a panui once details were finalised.

Resolved: (Mr Oosten/Mr Rayner)

THAT the Raglan Community Board advises Council of their expectation that rates increase be no more than the Government's rate of inflation.

Councillor L Thomson and Councillor Turner abstained from the above motion.

CARRIED

RCB2310/04

Board Member Reports

Agenda Item 6.6

The report was received [*RCB2309/02 refers*], and the following discussion was held:

- It was noted that the Raglan Arts events start tomorrow, opening at ROAR and Community Board members invitations would go out via their Facebook page/chat.
- Mr Oosten advised that a representative from Rangatahi reached out to the Community Board to share and discuss the private pool that they were looking at building at Rangatahi. They requested a letter of support from the Community Board.
- Members agreed a letter of support should be provided, but it needed to be clear that there was no commitment towards funding as this would have an impact on ratepayers for which consultation would be required.
- Clarified as a privately run community pool.

ACTION: Mr Oosten to draft a letter regarding Rangatahi Pool support and forward for inclusion on the next agenda for consideration.

There being no further business the meeting was declared closed at 3.04pm.

Minutes approved and confirmed this day of 2023.

D Amoore
CHAIRPERSON