



Te Awamutu Community Board Minutes

Time: 6.00pm
Date: Tuesday, 5 April 2011
Venue: Council Chambers
Waipa District Council
101 Bank Street, Te Awamutu

1 PRESENT

Members

Chairperson

D Taylor

H Barnes, L Hoverd, R Hurrell, C Pinkerton, BH Westerbaan

In Attendance

Mayor Alan Livingston
Deputy Mayor Grahame Webber
Barry Bergin, Group Manager Service Delivery
Gary Knighton, Manager Strategy
Deborah Frederick, Financial Planner
Noelene Barr, Committee Secretary

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2 APOLOGIES

Nil

3 DRAFT ANNUAL PLAN 2011/2012

The draft Annual Plan and Summary was distributed separately to Board Members.

The process of preparation, consultation and adoption of the Waipa District Annual Plan 2011/12 is being undertaken in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 2002 (LGA). The proposed draft Annual Plan is based on year three of Council's Long Term Council Community Plan 2009-19 ("the 10 Year Plan").

The projects presented in the draft Annual Plan are required to maintain infrastructural assets, maintain levels of service, ensure community safety and well-being, support future planning, and meet Council's statutory responsibilities.



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In year three (2011/12) of the 10 Year Plan a proposed rate revenue increase of 8.3%, with 2.1% was signalled, being generated by growth in the number of new rateable properties. As the preparation of the draft Annual Plan has occurred in a more recessionary environment than envisaged when the 10 Year Plan was developed Council has substantially reviewed its activities in light of continued economic circumstances and community feedback.

Growth is now tracking at around 0.5% per annum, revenue from development contributions has slowed substantially and NZTA funding has been significantly reduced. In addition, increased depreciation and debt repayment requirements were placing significant upward pressure on operating costs.

RESOLVED

6/11/40

That the information be received.

Hurrell/Westerbaan

Mayor Livingston presented the draft Annual Plan and members compiled their submission as follows -

3.1 District Hockey Turf Proposal – Te Awamutu Intermediate School

A copy of the letter (undated) addressed to Waipa District Council from Te Awamutu Intermediate School, was distributed at the meeting.

RESOLVED

6/11/41

That the letter (undated) from Te Awamutu Intermediate School be received.

Pinkerton/Hoverd

Dale McCabe, Principal of Te Awamutu Intermediate School, on behalf of the school's Board of Trustees, spoke of a proposal to construct a district hockey astro-turf on an existing playing field at the school for an approximate cost of \$250,000. Costs have also been compiled to construct a sand turf, instead of the astro-turf, which would be suitable for senior hockey players at an estimated total cost of \$530,000; the Board of Trustees would contribute \$250,000 towards it. The nearest venue for senior players in the district is either Hamilton or at St Peter's School in Cambridge. Grants are to be sought from funding sources and initially written support is sought for this proposal.

RESOLVED

6/11/42

That the Te Awamutu Community Board, support in principal, the proposal of a shared community facility of a full size sand turf hockey pitch as proposed by the Te Awamutu Intermediate School.

Taylor/Hurrell



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3.2 Completion of Main Street Paving

That the completion of the footpath paving in the main street be done with some urgency as per previous resolutions made by the Board.

3.3 Museum

That the museum project remains in the Long Term Plan and is not removed or overshadowed by other projects.

3.4 Development Contributions

Due to the lack of growth Council should revisit its formula of Development Contributions and fee structures and investigate the way that they are applied and whether there should be variations depending on the project; due consideration should be given to encourage development.

3.5 Bus Service – “Busit!”

The bus service initiative between Te Awamutu and Hamilton has been well received, however the occasional service between Cambridge and Te Awamutu as part of this service, perhaps two days per week, should be considered to encourage residents to shop within the district.

3.6 Te Awamutu Playground

Support the Te Awamutu Playground Committee’s request for Council’s funding support to enable the equipment to be ordered and the playground completed.

3.7 Waste Minimisation

Support the Waste Minimisation project and an improved management of the recycling service including monitoring of contractors; the quality of the blue bins to be improved to increase longevity.

3.8 Rural Refuse Collection

An improved rural refuse service is required for people who chose to use bags for their refuse collection.

3.9 Water Supply Systems

Support any steps for conservation of water.



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3.10 Regional Tourism Organisation

Support the formation of the Regional Tourism Organisation.

3.11 National Cycling Centre

Do not support the construction of a velodrome as the current economic climate does not support a major project such as this; Te Awamutu projects already included in the Annual Plan should have greater priority.

3.12 Cycle Strategies

Support the three initiatives as presented in the cycle petition –

- The development of a painted cycle route from Kihikihi to Te Awamutu via Park and Flat Roads;
- Select pedestrian facilities, such as Pioneer Walk linking Albert Park Drive facilities to Memorial Park, are signed and regulated as shared bike/pedestrian use;
- Installation of signs to enhance motorist awareness of cyclists at the recently modified Cambridge Road / Ohaupo Road roundabout.

3.13 Kihikihi Residents and Ratepayers

Support the work of the Kihikihi Residents and Ratepayers group regarding their work to improve the entranceways and Lyon Street.

3.14 Kihikihi Domain

Support the upgrade of public toilets at the Kihikihi Domain (near the equestrian centre).

3.15 Power Supply

Support any initiatives by the Council to install a second power supply into Te Awamutu.

3.16 Heart of Te Awamutu Project

Support the initiatives of the Heart of Te Awamutu project and the completion of these projects, ie the main street, playground, Walk of Fame.



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4 NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Te Awamutu Community Board will be held at 6.00pm on Tuesday, 12 April 2011 in the Council Chambers, Waipa District Council, 101 Bank Street, Te Awamutu.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.39pm.

CHAIRPERSON

DATE

CONFIRMED AS A TRUE AND CORRECT RECORD OF THESE PROCEEDINGS