



Otorohanga Community Board

# MINUTES

13 March 2008

## OTOROHANGA COMMUNITY BOARD

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Minutes of an ordinary meeting of the Otorohanga Community Board held in the Council Chambers, Maniapoto St, Otorohanga on Thursday 13 March 2008 commencing at 3.43pm.

### MINUTES

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## **PRESENT**

Mrs EM Cowan (Chairperson), Mr TJ Jones, Mr AG Ormsby Mr RJ Prescott and Mr PD Tindle.

## **IN ATTENDANCE**

Deputy-Mayor Mr WH Earwaker, Messrs DC Clibbery (Engineering Manager), GD Bunn (Finance & Administration Manager) and CA Tutty (Customer Services Team Leader).

## **APOLOGY**

**Resolved** that the apology received from MR B McNeil be sustained.

**Mr Ormsby / Mr Prescott**

## **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

### **MATTERS ARISING**

#### **MANIAPOTO STREET PAVERS**

The Engineering Manager advised Council's Community Facilities Officer had contacted Mr Kelvin Hayes who had provided an estimate of approximately \$1600 to carry out a clean of the Maniapoto Street pavers.

#### **PROJECT KIWIANA COMMITTEE**

The Chairperson referred to the resolution regarding the suggestion to name the proposed Maniapoto Street/Wahanui Crescent walkway in honour of the late Sir Edmund Hillary and asked for the resolution to be amended to include the approval of the Hillary family.

**Resolved** that the minutes of the meeting of the Otorohanga Community Board held on 14 February 2008, as previously circulated and as amended, be approved as a true and correct record of that meeting.

**Mr Tindle / Mr Ormsby**

## **REPORTS**

### **Item-30 OCB COMMITTEE MINUTES - 27 FEBRUARY 2008**

#### **Discussion**

#### **GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE**

Mr Jones presented minutes of a meeting of the General Purposes Committee held 27 February 2008. Mr Jones referred to a letter forwarded to the Chairperson of the Otorohanga Business Association by Council's Environmental Services Manager providing some background information on footpath signage and furniture and including a draft of the proposed changes to the Traffic bylaw, for consideration by the Association's members.

#### **PARKS & RESERVES COMMITTEE**

Mr Tindle presented minutes of a meeting of the Parks & Reserve Committee held 27 February 2008.

#### **Maniapoto Street Walkway**

The Chairperson reported, at this point in time, it was envisaged 14 Kiwiana modules will initially be placed in the proposed walkway with 10 remaining in Maniapoto Street.

## **Domain Pavillion**

Mr Prescott reported, this coming Monday, Waikeria Prison Community Project Party will commence painting the Domain Pavillion.

## **WORKS & WATER COMMITTEE**

Mr Jones presented minutes of the meeting of the Works & Water Committee held 27 February 2008.

### **Otorohanga District Traffic Bylaw 2005**

The Engineering Manager advised proposed changes to the Otorohanga District Traffic Bylaw 2005 relating to parking in the Otorohanga Community was approved at Council's meeting held 11 March 2008 and will become effective from 1 May 2008.

### **Resolved**

That the minutes of the meetings of the Parks & Reserves, Works & Water and General Purposes Committees held 27 February 2008 be received and the following recommendations adopted -

1. Environmental Services Manager's draft amendments to the Traffic Bylaw 2005 be received and forwarded to the Otorohanga Business Association for consideration.
2. The Otorohanga Business Association forward a copy of the formal agreement between the Otorohanga Business Association and the Project Kiwiana Committee to the Otorohanga Community Board.
3. The resealing of the Netball Courts carpark be brought forward to the 2008/09 financial year and the Huiputea Reserve sealing be moved back to the 2011/12 year.
4. To arrange for a full concept plan of landscaping options for the area around the Corbett Pavilion to be prepared by Mrs Davison for the consideration of the Board and final consultation with the Soccer Club.

### **Mr Prescott / Mr Jones**

## **Item-31 FLOODLAND AREA ADJACENT TO PROGRESS PARK**

### **Discussion**

The Finance & Administration Manager presented the Customer Services (Property) Officer's report on a request received from Mr Eric Tait of SupaBins to lease an area of Floodland Reserve behind 34, Progress Park.

Mr Ormsby queried the term of the other Floodland Leases and said he was concerned about the condition of the stopbanks, in particular to the stock forming tracking at the toe of the stopbanks. He said the non-leased areas are in better condition than those that are leased.

### **Resolved**

That

1. The Otorohanga Community Board defer its decision on the request from Mr Tait, of SupaBins, to lease Area 1 behind 34 Progress Park and
2. The matter be referred to the Works & Water Committee to carry out an inspection of the stopbanks with the appropriate Council staff, for report back to the Board.

### **Mr Ormsby / Mr Prescott**

## **Item-32 SECURITY PATROL RESULTS**

### **Discussion**

The Customer Services Team Leader presented a report on the results of a survey on the proposal that all properties within Progress Park be part of the compulsory area for the provision of Security Patrol.

### **Resolved**

That

1. The Security Patrol Results report be received
2. Properties within Progress Park elect to be part of the Security Patrol Service, on a voluntary basis.

### **Mr Jones / Mr Tindle**

## **Item-33 MATTERS REFERRED FROM 14 FEBRUARY 2008**

### **Discussion**

The Customer Services Team Leader took Members through Matters Referred from 14 February 2008.

### **PLANTING ON ROAD RESERVE**

The Engineering Manager advised Members have been circulated with a draft Planting on Road Reserve Policy which will be considered at the next Committee meeting.

### **BASKETBALL COURT/SKATE PARK**

Members were informed that Council's Community Facilities Officer will be applying to Trust Waikato for funding assistance to build a half basketball court adjacent to the present skate park.

### **GENERAL**

## **Item-34 SKATE PARK**

### **Discussion**

Mr Prescott reported he had looked at the former WWII Memorial Park with the idea of moving the existing Skate Park to this area. He said the current site upon which the Skate Park is situated is valuable land as substantial development has taken place at this end of town. Mr Prescott also expressed the opinion it was desirable that all facilities, such as the Skate Park, swimming pool, netball courts, Domain, etc were concentrated in one area. The Engineering Manager advised there is some freehold land contained within the existing Stake Park area. Mr Ormsby reminded Members that the building of the existing Skate Park was a Community effort. Mr Tindle said many of these activities are only 'phases' and that any proposed area must be able to accommodate any changes in activities.

### **Resolved**

That Council staff

1. Prepare a report on the current status of the land on which the Skate Park is situated,

2. Make suggestions as to alternative sites including costings and other issues which may be incurred in relocating this facility to the WWII Memorial Park.

### **Mr Jones / Mr Prescott**

#### **FUTURE ESTIMATES**

Mr Prescott asked for consideration to be placed in the forthcoming Estimates to provide a public walkway from the Waipa Esplanade to the Rangiatea Road Stopbank. The Engineering Manager advised it would be necessary to work in with the current Stopbank Leases. He said there may be a possibility of obtaining funding for the proposal.

#### **PROPERTY OFF RANGITAHU STREET**

Mr Ormsby referred to a property off Rangitahi Street, Otorohanga behind Glendon Place. He said neighbours adjacent to the property were not happy with the current situation. Members were informed that the property owner was erecting all types of building additions and becoming very close to the drain behind the Jehovah Witness building. It was agreed the Environmental Services Manager look into the situation. Members were also informed of two properties in Phillips Avenue being in a derelict state.

#### **SUPA BINS**

The Engineering Manager informed Members Supa Bins has been sold to EnviroWaste and that all existing Contracts have been re-assigned to them. He said Mr Eric Tait will continue to manage the local operation. The Engineering Manager confirmed the assignment of the Contracts was approved by Council at a recent meeting.

#### **TRUCK WASH FACILITY**

Mr Jones queried what progress, if any, had been made with regard to the Truck Wash Facility. The Engineering Manager replied he had visited the site in February 2008 and nothing appeared to be happening. He said he understood Dairy Tech are currently making the concrete tanks and that he will contact the Manager of the operation to ascertain the current situation.

#### **OTOROHANGA COLLEGE REPORT**

Mr Tindle referred to recent communications from the Board of Trustees of the Otorohanga College and reported that it appeared the College was experiencing difficulties. He said these were coming to a 'head' however, expressed concern that the Community had not been involved. Members were informed that some assistance was being derived from outside the College environment. Mr Tindle said he was concerned that the issues needed to get so bad before action was taken. The Chairperson informed Members she had received an invitation to attend the next meeting of the Board.

#### **HOUSING FOR THE ELDERLY**

The Customer Services Team Leader reported, as at this coming weekend there will be three bed-sitter units vacant and ready for allocation. He said currently there were no applicants on the waiting list and that he was obtaining quotations to place an advertisement in the local paper.

#### **LIBRARY MEETING ROOM**

The Chairperson reported there were stains on the ceiling tiles in the Library Meeting room.

**MEETING CLOSURE**

The meeting concluded at 4.45pm.

**CHAIRMAN:****DATE:**

