



Kawhia Community Board

MINUTES

FRIDAY 9 AUGUST 2019

1.00pm

Members of the Kawhia Community Board

Mr. CE Jeffries (Chair)
Cr. DM Pilkington (Deputy Mayor)
Mr. AJ Rutherford
Mr. DM Walsh
Mr. G Fletcher

Meeting Secretary: Mr. CA Tutty (Governance Supervisor)

KAWHIA COMMUNITY BOARD

9 August 2019

Minutes of an Ordinary meeting of the Kawhia Community Board held at 182 Lawton Road Aotea on 9 August 2019 commencing at 1.00pm

MINUTES

Minutes are unconfirmed and subject to amendment at the next meeting of the Board.

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PRESENT

Mr. CE Jeffries (Chair), Cr DM Pilkington, Mr. AJ Rutherford, Mr. G Fletcher and Mr. D M Walsh.

IN ATTENDANCE

His Worship the Mayor MM Baxter, Ms. T Winter (Chief Executive) Mr. RH Brady (Engineering Manager), Mr. A Loe (Environmental Services Manager 1.55pm), Mr. M Lewis (Services Manager), Mr. CA Tutty (Governance Supervisor) and Ms. T Ambury (Community and Economic Development Manager)

The Chair declared the meeting open and thanked those present for their attendance, in particular members of the public. He extended sincere thanks to Mr. Fletcher for allowing the Board to meet at his residence. The appropriate introductions were then carried out.

APOLOGIES

No apologies were received

DECLARATION OF INTEREST

The Chair asked members whether they had any pecuniary or nonpecuniary conflicts of interest in the matters to be discussed in the meeting.

The Chair and Mr. Rutherford declared conflicts of interest in Item 121, Alternative Sites for Kawhia Playground due to them being members of the Kawhia Community Projects Trust.

It was agreed that both the Chair and Mr. Rutherford participate in the discussion on this particular item.

PUBLIC FORUM

REPLACEMENT FLAGPOLE

Mrs. Theresa Armstrong introduced herself as Kawhia's ANZAC Day representative on the Te Awamutu RSA. Mrs. Armstrong reported that a stainless steel flagpole has been donated and it is the intention that this replace the existing flagpole at the Cenotaph. On behalf of the RSA Mrs. Armstrong requested Council's permission to erect the new flagpole and to be able to liaise with Council staff regarding Health and Safety requirements.

Mrs. Armstrong highlighted the fact that assistance with the costs may be required with the erection of the new flagpole. Mrs. Armstrong reported that the flagpole will be dedicated at the ANZAC Day ceremony in 2020.

KAWHIA NURSERY

Mr. Boy Davis and Ms. Vanessa Rotohiko attended the meeting representing the Kawhia Moana Native Nursery. Ms. Rotohiko reported that is nearly two years since they requested to operate the Nursery and outlined the work and involvement of youth that has been undertaken during this time. Ms. Rotohiko request consideration be given to the provision of land for a Community Orchard. She raised concern at the quality of the water at the Nursery and reported that this is not being used.

Mr. Davis reported that any funds made by the Nursery are placed back into the Community.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES – 7 JUNE 2019

Cr Pilkington referred to Item 108, Aotea Seawall Steps, in particular to the third paragraph and requested that the wording "public roading" be amended to "public access".

Resolved that minutes of the meeting of the Kawhia Community Board held on 7 June 2019, as amended, be approved as true and correct record of that meeting.

Cr. Pilkington / Mr. Fletcher

ITEM 116 CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT (VERBAL)

CHAIR – COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

The Chair tabled his report informing members that he has attended or has been directly involved in a number of Community events including:

- 22 June 2019 – Planting at the lagoon area
- 23 June 2019 – AGM – Kawhia Kai Festival Committee
- 11 July 2019 – Perspective Candidates meeting
- 16 July 2019 – “Meet and Greet” Roadshow with National Party at the Otorohanga Club
- 20 July 2019 – Mid Winter function at Boating Club and Angling Club
- 30 July 2019 – Quiz Night at the Rusty Snapper
- 2 August 2019 – North King Country Justice of the Peace Association AGM
- 2 August 2019 – Public Meeting – Hectors and Maui Dolphin Threat Management Plan

HECTORS AND MAUI DOLPHIN THREAT MANAGEMENT PLAN

The Chair referred to Mr. Thomas Moke's submission to the Ministry of Primary Industries and DOC regarding the proposed Hectors and Maui Dolphin Management Plan.

He outlined the following points of the submission –

- 100% supportive of effective measures to protect the Maui Dolphin.
- Consultation was not offered to the Kawhia Community and the lack of consultation by Government officials was noted.
- Agreement with the unanimous view of a Community meeting that “no changes should be made to the existing regulations”.
- Proposal has the potential of further erosion of Maori traditional customary rights.
- Proposal if implemented, would be in breach of Crown Treaty of Waitangi obligations to preserve Maori traditional customary rights.
- The Crown has previously failed on its Treaty obligations to consult effectively with Iwi.
- Imposing a set net ban on the inner Kawhia Harbour will severely harm the local economy, which these days is barely sustainable.

The Board supported Mr. Moke's submission and the general submission from the local Community meeting. It was requested a letter of support be forwarded to the local MP and the Ministry of Primary Industries.

KAWHIA KAI FESTIVAL

The Chair congratulated the current Kawhia Kai Festival Committee and reported that new members are needed to keep this iconic event going. It was suggested that advertising for volunteers be carried out on Council's website and in the local Kawhia Messenger.

Resolved that the Chairpersons verbal report be received.

Chair / Mr. Walsh

ITEM 117 CHIEF EXECUTIVES REPORT 18 JUNE – 15 JULY 2019

The Chief Executive referred members to her report of the key focus areas for the period 18 June – 15 July 2019. She said she was happy to take any questions on the report.

Resolved that the Chief Executive's report be received.

Mr. Fletcher / Mr. Rutherford

ITEM 118 REVIEW OF KAWHIA CEMETRY FEES

The Governance Supervisor presented a report on the review of Kawhia Cemetery Fees and advised that Council last reviewed the cost to purchase burial / ashes plots in the Kawhia Cemetery effective from 1 July 2014 and interim fees effective from 1 July 2017 following the awarding of the District Wide Road Maintenance contract to Services South East Limited.

Resolved that Kawhia Community Board recommend to the Otorohanga District Council that the fees and charges in respect to the Kawhia Cemetery be increased to (including GST) – effective from 1 September 2019.

COSTS TO PURCHASE A PLOT

Adults	\$1500.00
Children (12 years and under)	\$ 500.00
Ash Wall & Ash Berm	\$ 350.00

INTERMENT FEES

Adult	\$1900.00	
Children (12 years and under)	\$ 500	
Ashes	\$450.00	Own install \$225.00
Extra depth	\$300.00	

Mr. Walsh / Mr. Rutherford

ITEM 119 AOTEA SEAWALL STEPS

The Engineering Manager summarised his report which he has brought back to the Kawhia Community Board as requested, with an additional option included to remove just one set of stairs.

Mr. Fletcher reported following a meeting of the Aotea Ratepayers Association that the majority of those present were in favour of retaining the steps at 177 Lawton Drive and removing those at 249 Lawton Drive.

Resolved that one set of steps situated on the Aotea Seawall, adjacent to 249 Lawton Drive, be permanently removed; that the necessary maintenance work be completed at 177 Lawton Drive; and annual and long term plan budgets be amended to make allowance for these costs.

Mr. Fletcher / Cr. Pilkington

ITEM 120 CONFIRMATION OF COSTS FOR PARKING ENFORCEMENT IN KAWHIA

Council’s Environmental Services Manager referred members to his report the purpose of which is to summarise the expenditure required to enforce parking restrictions in Kawhia. He informed members that the proposal is to put signage in place first to see if this changes people’s behaviours if not, consider introducing enforcement.

Mr. Rutherford and Mr. Walsh expressed the opinion that once the signage is in place then enforcement commence.

The Services Manager suggested that an approach be made to New Zealand Police, in particular the local Constable regarding patrolling and enforcement of the restrictions.

Resolved that Kawhia Community Board approves funding for the introduction of additional parking signage in Kawhia on the basis outlined in the Environmental Services Managers report and requests Council to fund from District accounts the residual share of the \$2500 costs indicated and for discussions to be held with the New Zealand Police, in particular the local constable regarding enforcement of the restrictions.

Chair / Cr. Pilkington

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES MANAGER

The Environmental Services Manager left the meeting at 2.20pm

ITEM 121 ALTERNATIVE SITES FOR KAWHIA PLAYGROUND

The Community and Economic Development Manager summarised her report to provide the Board with information to show what alternative sites in Kawhia could be considered for the location of the proposed new playground to be funded by the Kawhia Community Projects Trust.

During discussion the following issues were raised:

- Suggestion of having the playground on the wharf side of the Kawhia Community Hall will create more problems as this area is used for the Kawhia Kai Festival and many other events.
- Underground and over ground infrastructure.
- Most of the existing plastic playground is on Council Land.
- What staff are proposing, would satisfy the renewal of the existing equipment.
- Proposal could be carried out in staged production
- The Kawhia Community Projects Trust Inc. is already committed to the project.
- The 2018 / 2019 budget of \$10,000 can be carried over to the 2019 / 2020 year.

Resolved that

- I. The Board approves the current playground location that is in Council ownership be investigated as the site of the new playground.
- II. That staff consult with the Kawhia Community Projects Trust on which key components of the current playground are to be incorporated into the new playground.
- III. The Board recommends to Council that any remaining funds in the Kawhia Parks and Reserves 2018 / 2019 budget be carried forward for the playground project.

Cr. Pilkington / Mr. Fletcher

ITEM 122 PROPOSED NEW PLAN FOR TREE REMOVAL AT RESERVE IN AOTEA

The Services Manager summarised his report seeking approval from the Kawhia Community Board to remove trees from the Reserve on Morrison Road, Aotea, as proposed in the plan attached to the report, which has been developed in collaboration with the Aotea Ratepayers Association.

Resolved that

- the former resolution about the removal of trees on the Reserve at Aotea passed by the Kawhia Community Board on 19 October 2018, as stated below, be revoked:

“Resolved that coastal trees in the Aotea playground be removed to allow five suitably placed Pohutukawa trees to remain. Mr. Fletcher / Mr. Rutherford”

- the removal of trees at the Reserve on Morrison Road, Aotea be approved as per the plan attached as Appendix 1.
- the tree removal be funded from the Kawhia Parks and Reserves operational account.

Appendix 1.



Mr. Rutherford / Mr. Walsh

TEM 123 ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH OFFICER/LIQUOR LICENSING INSPECTOR’S REPORT FOR JANUARY - JUNE 2019

Members were referred to Environmental Health Officer/Liquor Licensing Inspector’s report for the period January to June 2019, for their information.

Resolved that the Environmental Health Officer and Licensing Inspector’s report for January- June 2019 be received.

Chair / Cr. Pilkington

ITEM 124 KAWHIA COMMUNITY BOARD ACTION LIST

The Engineering Manager took members through the list of items and updated them accordingly.

BOARD MEMBER UPDATE

COUNCILLOR PILKINGTON

Cr Pilkington reported that she attended a recent meeting of the Maniapoto Maori Trust Board held in Te Kuiti.

CHAIRMAN

The Chair reported that Mr. Rutherford is not standing in the forthcoming Local Government Elections and will be overseas at the next and final meeting of the Kawhia Community Board.

The Chair thanked Mr. Rutherford for his contribution to affairs of the Kawhia Community Board over the past six years.

The Chair also highlighted the tremendous amount of work Mr. Rutherford had contributed to Kawhia over the past forty-seven years. The Board wished both Mr. Rutherford and his wife Jane all the very best for their future.

MEETING CLOSURE

The meeting closed at 3.19pm

