



Otorohanga Community Board

AGENDA

12 December 2013

Members of the Otorohanga Community Board

Mr R Prescott
Mr NS Chetty
Mrs EM Cowan
Mrs AC Laws
Mr PD Tindle
Mr DR Williams

Meeting Secretary: Mr CA Tutty (Governance Supervisor)

OTOROHANGA COMMUNITY BOARD

12 December 2013

Notice is hereby given that an ordinary meeting of the Otorohanga Community Board will be held in the Council Chambers, Maniapoto St, Otorohanga on Thursday 12 December 2013 commencing at 4.00pm.

5 December 2013

DC Clibbery
CHIEF EXECUTIVE

AGENDA

3.30pm Afternoon Tea for Annual Community Garden Competition winners

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Item 11 ANNUAL COMMUNITY GARDEN COMPETITION 2013

**To: Chairperson & Members
Otorohanga Community Board**

From: Governance Supervisor

Date: 12 December 2013

Relevant Community Outcomes

- Foster an involved and engaged Community
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Executive Summary

The Annual Community Garden Competition was judged on Friday 8 November 2013.

Staff Recommendation

It is recommended that:

The report be received.

Report Discussion

The Annual Community Garden Competition was judged on Friday 8 November 2013 by Mrs Deb Pilkington and Mr Dave Williams with assistance from Council's Governance Supervisor.

Results –

BEST INVITED TO VIEW GARDEN

1. J & M Rothery - 49 Phillips Ave

The Committee expressed thanks to Mr & Mrs Rothery for the invitation to look around their garden which is a delight and they wish to congratulate them on an amazing effort.

BEST GARDEN AS VIEWED FROM THE ROAD

1. S & N Phillips - 81 Mt View Rd
2. R & B Byles - 75 Mt View Rd
3. T & S Wilson - 47 Haerehuka St

The Committee commented on how the Wilson garden has developed.

BEST R O W

1. P Harrison - 56A Haerehuka St
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2. E Way - 19B Hinewai St

BEST GARDEN NOT OVER 3 YEARS

1. S & M Sircombe - Cnr Te Kawa & Haerehuka Sts

NON – RESIDENTIAL

1. Rail Embankment at intersection of Main South Rd & Otewa Rd
2. Otorohanga Reserve (Village Green) – Maniapoto St
3. Grounds of Wilshier Centre - Maniapoto St

GOLDEN AGE

1. G Mudford - Unit 13 Beattie Village
2. A Cowan - Unit 12 Beattie Village

GENERAL COMMENTS

This is the last year the Garden Competition will be held in this format and the Otorohanga Community Board is considering new ways to encourage good gardening within the Otorohanga Township.

The judges were particularly impressed with the Rail Embankment gardens as the plants have now matured to fully realise the original design.

CA Tutty

GOVERNANCE SUPERVISOR

Item 12 OTOROHANGA DOMAIN - PROPOSAL TO INSTALL PRACTICE WICKETS

To: **Chair & Members
Otorohanga Community Board**

From: **Engineering Manager**

Date: **12 December 2013**

Relevant Community Outcomes

- Ensure services and facilities meet the needs of the Community
- Foster an involved and engaged Community

Executive Summary

The Otorohanga Junior and Senior Cricket Clubs Combined have requested permission to install two practice wickets in the Otorohanga Domain, and a financial contribution towards this.

Staff Recommendation

It is recommended that:

1. Permissions be given for the installation of two practice wickets in the Otorohanga Domain, including the associated removal of trees
2. The request for a financial contribution be declined.

Report Discussion

A request has been received from the Otorohanga Junior and Senior Cricket Clubs for the Community Board to consider giving approval and (possibly) financial assistance in respect of installing two practice wickets in the Otorohanga Domain.

The proposed location is shown on the attached map and some other details are provided in a separate document.

There are three principal elements of the request:

- a. Permission is sought from the Community Board to allow installation.
- b. Permission is sought to remove one row of trees which will border the new wickets. It is understood that this removal of trees will be carried out by the Cricket Club.
- c. General request for financial assistance.

Council's Community Facilities Officer has met on site with the group for discussion and recommends that permission for activities a) and b) are given.

In respect of the request for funding (for which no particular amount was specified) Council has not in recent times made direct contributions towards the cost of facilities for specific organised sports, unless these facilities are also likely to be well used for recreational purposes by the general public. It seems unlikely that practice wickets would receive such general public use. To provide funding on a different basis would establish a precedent that could be problematic.

Furthermore no specific allocations have been provided in Councils budgets for such a purpose.

For these reasons it is suggested that the request for funding be declined.

Dave Clibbery
ENGINEERING MANAGER

Attachments

- a. Plan of the proposed wicket location

68a Mclvor Road
RD 2
OTOROHANGA 3972

29 November 2013

Attention: Otorohanga Community Board

Re: Otorohanga Junior and Senior Cricket Clubs Combined proposed project to install a practice wicket at the Otorohanga Domain.

We wish to request the following items to be placed on the agenda for discussion at the Otorohanga Community Board meeting on the 4th December:

1. We wish to seek permission from the Otorohanga Community Board to install a double practice wicket at the Otorohanga Domain
2. We wish to seek permission from the Otorohanga Community Board to arrange the removal of some trees at the rear of proposed pitch (by toilets on Alex Telfer Drive)
3. We wish to request financial assistance from the Otorohanga Community Board for our project

Agenda Item 1:

We wish to seek permission from the Otorohanga Community Board to install a double practice wicket at the Otorohanga Domain.

The proposed location of the pitch is shown on the attached map, as site 'A'. Water and sewer lines have been taken into account during early discussions with Di Tautari. The placement will also take into account the safety of campers and football players on the neighbouring field. For safety reasons, the entire length of the pitch on both sides, and the centre, will be meshed, and 10m of the roof at the batter's end will also be enclosed (see pitch design on page 3). We have also taken into account the sunset that will be quite blinding for the batter.

If there are any aspects of placement that you have concerns about we would be more than happy to take your advice on the matter.

College nets have no roof, and the walls are very low, some of the children are being hit with the hard balls during practice sessions at the College. The Premier players who use the pitch experience some frustration while bowling short deliveries, as the ball hits and rebounds off the concrete edge. The batting area is not long enough. Net facilities are essential for the development of specific skills for players of all ages.

Our Project Vision:

Our Junior and Senior Cricket Clubs are uniting to improve the cricket amenities in Otorohanga for all past, present and future players regardless of age and ability. With your support, we hope to install a double practice wicket at the Otorohanga Domain. Our vision is to create a '*One-Stop Cricket Shop*' at the Domain where all tournaments, games, practices and professional development will be held.

Having these purpose built cricket facilities in one location will:

- Ease the pressure on the Otorohanga College cricket amenities
- Create a safe space for Juniors to develop confidence and skill
- Entice more players into the game with improved services
- For the first time, offer Otorohanga Cricket a home base and 'hub'

Agenda Item 2:

We wish to seek permission from the Otorohanga Community Board to arrange the removal of some trees at the rear of proposed pitch (by toilets on Alex Telfer Drive).

We hope to invest in a cricket facility that is future proofed. We anticipate purchasing products and services (locally where possible) that will endure many seasons. There are some trees that will shade the proposed pitch that are located around the toilet area on Alex Telfer Drive, as seen in the previous map. We wish to protect the practice net that will become a community facility for all to use. The trees located at the back of the pitch will prevent the pitch from drying and will cause long term damage to the glue and artificial turf which is a major expense in the project. This will also result in the surface being slippery and unsafe during practices.

We would very much appreciate the Otorohanga Community Board arranging some strategic clearing of trees in the area behind the proposed pitch. An option that has been suggested is to plant some low lying native shrubs and bushes that will not affect the health of the pitch surface. We do not want to compromise the integrity of the beautiful area of the Domain and neighbouring parks. Therefore any proposed tree removal will be approached carefully and with sensitivity.

Agenda Item 3

We wish to request financial assistance from the Otorohanga Community Board for our project.

Please see below for itemised costs associated with the practice facility. All quotations for materials are attached and exclude GST:

-	Site preparation/excavation/compacting etc donated by MJ Bell Builders (labour)
157.76	Boxing materials
-	Labour to box up pitch area donated by MJ Bell Builders plus parents (labour)
7998.40	Installation of pipework
-	Crusher dust donated by Freightlines Otorohanga (value \$280)
-	Labour to compact crusher dust donated by MJ Bell Builders
-	Polythene donated by MJ Bell Builders
644.00	Reinforcing steel
-	Concrete donated by Michael Watson Contracting (value \$1800)
550.00	Concrete finishing
2736.75	Chain link fencing
5620.00	Install Tigerturf
\$17706.91	TOTAL excluding all donated goods and services (ex gst)

As you can see, we have had many offers of support for the project. You may be aware that we have applied for \$5,000 through the ANZ Cricket World Grant Scheme. We will be informed of the outcome on the 5th December. Our application is winning by literally hundreds of votes. Applications close this Saturday 30th November, but may still be available for some time after. Please go to:

<https://www.anzcricketworld.co.nz/grantscheme/application/detail.html?id=17436&filterBy=>

We recently won a grant of \$1,000 from The Lines Company, specifically for our practice pitch project. We are in the process of securing funds through other sources that are yet to be confirmed. We have also been raising funds through cake stalls, sausage sizzles and raffles. We have raised almost \$1,000 via these means.

We are mindful of the limitations that your Board faces in allocating money accumulated from ratepayers so we understand if you are unable to offer any financial assistance at this time. Our cricket community would be very grateful for *any* level of financial assistance that the Otorohanga Community Board would be able to pledge to our project.

If there is any further information that you need that may support our proposed project please do not hesitate to contact the Project Co-ordinators Lorraine Fox or Leighton Parsons. Thank you for your time and consideration of our request. We wish you all the very best with your decision making. See you on the 4th of December!

Yours sincerely

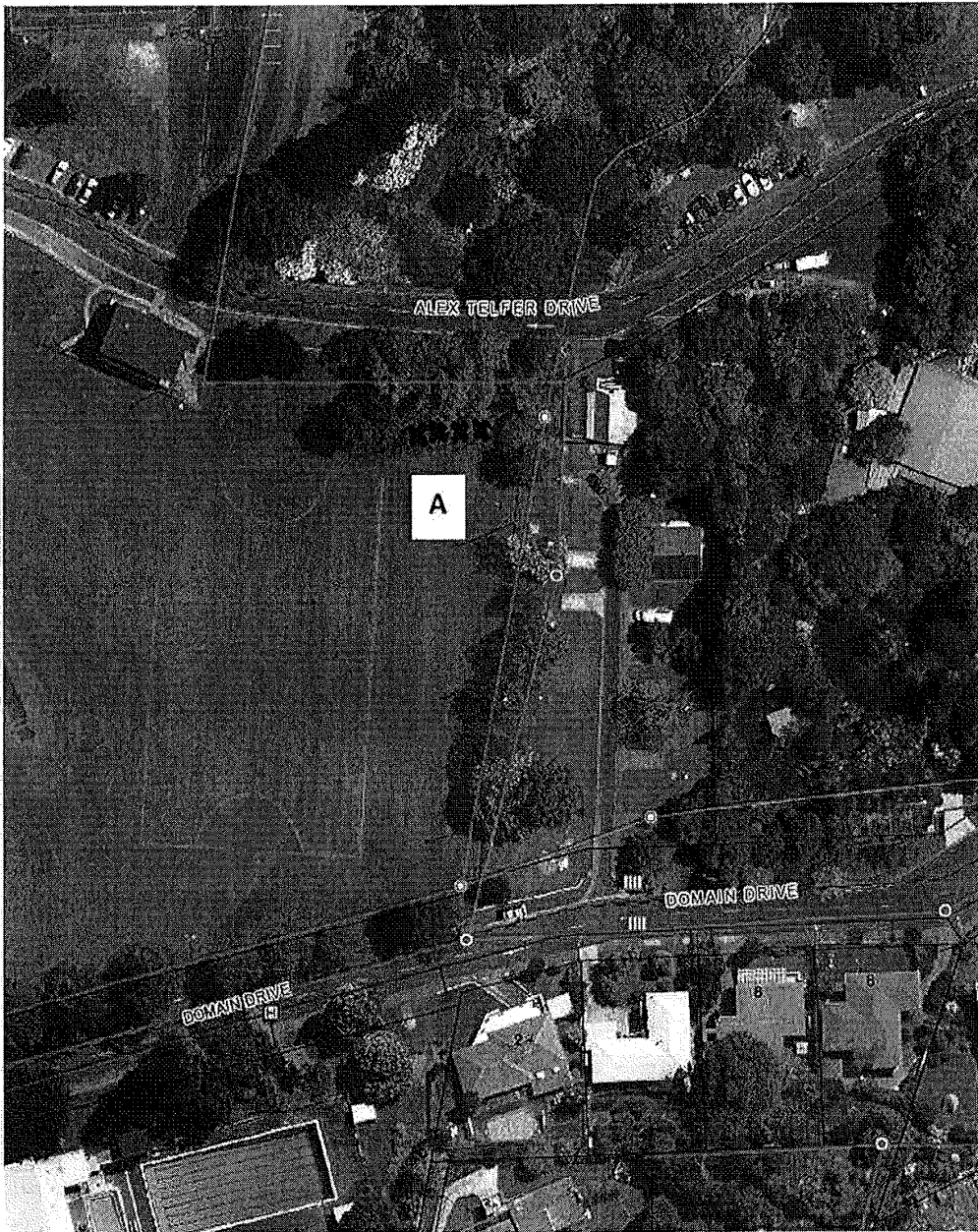


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Proposed placement of pitch at 'A'



X = trees for removal

Item 13 **OTOROHANGA CRAFT FAIR**

To: **Chair & Members**
Otorohanga Community Board

From: **Governance Supervisor**

Date: **12 December 2013**

Relevant Community Outcomes

- Foster an involved and engaged Community
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Executive Summary

Advice has been received that new Organisers will be taking over the running of the Otorohanga Craft Fairs.

Staff Recommendation

It is recommended that:

1. The report be received
2. Approval be granted to Jan & Jill McGillivray to co-ordinate the monthly Otorohanga Craft Fairs.

Report Discussion

Advice has been received from the current Organiser of the monthly Craft Fairs Denise Styles, that a replacement team will be taking over the running of the monthly Craft Fairs after the Christmas Market on 24th November 2013. The new team will comprise Jan McGillivray assisted by her Mother, Jill McGillivray.

Requesting a transfer of the authority to co-ordinate the Fairs.

Colin Tutty
GOVERNANCE SUPERVISOR

Item 14 HUIPUTEA / WAIPA RIVER IMPROVEMENT WORKS

**To: Chairman and Members
 Otorohanga Community Board**

From: Engineering Manager

Date: 12 December 2013

Relevant Community Outcomes

- The Otorohanga District is a safe place to live
 - Ensure services and facilities meet the needs of the Community
 - Manage the natural and physical environment in a sustainable manner
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Executive Summary

The Waikato River Authority has granted Council funding to conduct works related to the Waipa River and its catchment. Details of this work will be presented.

Staff Recommendation

It is recommended that:

1. The report be received.
2. Funding, up to a maximum of \$58,000, to be taken from existing budget 2013/14 allocations in the Parks and Reserves account, or from the Community's Special Fund, is authorised to support the projects described in this report.

Report Discussion

Earlier this year, and following a workshop discussion with the Board, an application was made to the Waikato River Authority's 'Waikato River Clean-Up Trust' ('WRCUT') for funding to assist in some projects in and around Otorohanga that were considered to align with the objectives of the Authority.

These projects were improvements to Lake Huipitea and its surrounds, improving public access to the Waipa River near the State Highway 3 bridge, and riparian planting along the Mangaorongo Stream.

WRCUT has responded to the application by advising that some of the proposed project elements (in particular the riparian planting and some works at Huipitea associated with the historic Huipitea tree) do not meet their funding criteria, but the other elements (the majority of the proposed works) do, and they have generously offered funding of \$100,000 towards these works.

The key elements of the works for which WRCUT funding has been approved include:

- Clean up of shallow margins around Lake Huipitea
 - Partial filling of the old river channel adjacent to Lake Huipitea in which there is currently stagnant and discoloured water that is discharged to the river during periods of rain.
 - Creation of a small wetland area at the outflow from Lake Huipitea with a walkway through it, that will have potential aesthetic, educational and environmental value
 - Modification of the outfall from Lake Huipitea into the Waipa River that will permit easier upstream passage of eels.
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- Creation of a small recreation area alongside the Waipa River below the SH3 bridge that will provide easier access to the river.

The WRCUT funding will cover the majority of the cost of these works, with the remainder being funding from the Otorohanga Community's Special Reserve Fund or (to a lesser extent) from the Parks and Reserves account. Initial council estimates were based on an approximate 2:1 ratio of funding from WRCUT and ODC respectively.

A start has already been made to work at Huiputea, and will continue in a number of stages during the remainder of the financial year.

The funding of these works by the Waikato River Authority is considered to be very beneficial, because it will enable works to be completed (in particular the filling of the old river channel) that had previously been identified as being highly desirable, but for which there were community affordability issues.

One of the proposed project elements that did not satisfy the WRCUT funding criteria – the riparian planting along the Mangaorongo Stream – is however still considered to be necessary, and the full funding of this work by Council will be proposed for inclusion in the forthcoming budget estimates for the 2014/15 year.

Dave Clibbery
ENGINEERING MANAGER



Item 15 OCB MATTERS REFERRED 31 OCTOBER 2013

**To: Chairperson and Members
 Otorohanga District Council**

From: Governance Supervisor

Date: 12 December 2013

Executive Summary

1. BOARD

31 October 2013

- i. To have discussions with representatives of the Beattie Home Rose Show Committee to ascertain if they would be interested in carrying out the Annual Community Garden Competition.
- ii. To consider further the matter of establishing Committees/Portfolios.

2. CHAIR

31 October 2013

- i. To take the matter of organising an event celebrating the 150th Anniversary of Rail in NZ back to the local resident who is keen for this event to take place in Otorohanga.

3. CHIEF EXECUTIVE

12 September 2013

- i. To re-present, at a public meeting, the Flood Management Presentation in conjunction with Mr Bill Vant's presentation on water quality and the health of rivers.

4. SERVICES MANAGER

8 August 2013

- i. To facilitate a structured workshop with interested parties to consider establishing a Strategic Design for Rotary Park.

CA Tutty
GOVERNANCE SUPERVISOR

GENERAL
