



Kawhia Community Board

# MINUTES

18 August 2017

1.00pm

## KAWHIA COMMUNITY BOARD

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Minutes of an Ordinary meeting of the Kawhia Community Board held in the Kawhia Community Hall, Jervois Street, Kawhia on 18 August 2017 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), Mrs DM Pilkington and Mr AJ Rutherford.

## **IN ATTENDANCE**

Messrs DC Clibbery (Chief Executive), RH Brady (Engineering Manager) and Ms RM Kehoe (Engineering Support Officer).

The Chair declared the meeting open and welcomed those present.

## **APOLOGIES**

Ms A Gane, Mr DM Walsh and Mr CA Tutty (Governance Supervisor).

## **Resolved**

That the apologies received from Ms A Gane, Mr DM Walsh and Mr CA Tutty be sustained.

## **Chair / Councillor Pilkington**

## **PUBLIC FORUM**

### **FIRE AND EMERGENCY NZ**

The Chair welcomed Mr Callum Stewart from the recently established Fire and Emergency NZ (FENZ). Mr Stewart has retained his position serving the Kawhia area. There is a transition period of three years from the NZ Fire Service to the new entity. The new service will be undertaking a range of emergency services and are now authorised to take action under the new Act, and are receiving government funding through insurance levies. The territorial authority is no longer responsible for rural fire. DOC and the NZ Defence Force will continue to operate their own Fire services. There is a Memorandum of Understanding with St John Ambulance to assist and respond to medical emergencies. FENZ will also assist with urban search and rescue, and will be trained in making hazardous substances safe until specialist services arrive.

1.20pm Barbara Kuriger, MP for Taranaki/King Country attended the meeting with Claire Davis.

### **ANZAC DAY 2018**

Teresa Armstrong spoke to the Board, putting forward some conceptual ideas for the forthcoming Anzac Day commemorations. She advised that Kawhia no longer has an RSA and, now falls under the Te Awamutu RSA. She sought assistance with the following:

- Street banners
- Field of remembrance
- Wooden poppies

### **SISTER MARY REIDY**

Teresa Armstrong also mentioned that some local people would like to erect a memorial to Sister Mary Anne Reidy, who gallantly served as a military nurse and then took charge of the cottage hospital in Kawhia. They would like to erect a plaque on the right hand side of the pathway leading to the Old Kawhia Hospital.

### **KAWHIA RANGITAHU**

Vanessa Rotohiko, Amanda Pu and Boy Davis attended as representatives of the Kawhia Rangitahi. Vanessa presented a proposal to lease the Kawhia Nursery for propagation of native trees, beekeeping, to establish fruit trees, vegetable gardening and natural medicines. It was also intended to provide education for protecting waterways and maintaining a user friendly environment.

It was believed that these activities would encourage the future development of Rangitahi (young people) in Kawhia. They were also keen to work with Whetu Simon in managing the nursery area. They identified that there is slumpage next to the building on site and that a digger is required to clean up the area. They will carry out fundraising and have community support.

### **KAWHIA COMMUNITY BOARD MINUTES AND AGENDA**

John Dodgson advised that he has not been able to access the minutes and agenda for these meetings. They are not available at the Kawhia Library. He would appreciate if a hard copy could be posted to him.

**The Chair welcomed Barbara Kuriger, Claire Davis and Andrew Loe to the meeting.**

### **MEETING ENTERS WORKSHOP SITUATION – REGULATORY PROCESSES**

2.20pm The Ordinary meeting of the Kawhia Community Board re-commenced.

### **ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED IN GENERAL BUSINESS**

Resolved that the following items be considered in General Business which may require resolutions:

1. Lease of Kawhia Nursery site
2. Anzac Day commemorations
3. Otorohanga College Hostel

### **Mrs Pilkington / Mr Rutherford**

#### **DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

The Chair asked members whether they were aware of any situations where they could stand to make personal and/or monetary gains in any particular matter to be discussed at this meeting.

No declarations of interest were received.

### **GENERAL BUSINESS**

#### **ITEM 1 OTOROHANGA COLLEGE HOSTEL**

Barbara Kuriger, MP for Taranaki/King Country advised the Board that she supports the rebuilding of this complex and the important role it plays in educating coastal students. Currently it provides 65 beds, which is not enough, and the building is in poor condition. Members advised that the hostel was established in 1975, with buildings from the former Ardmore Teachers College.

Barbara advised that the Ministry of Education does not fund boarding schools or hostels, but that the Ministry of Social Development could work with various other Government agencies and Council to assist this proposal to fruition.

**Resolved** that the Kawhia Community Board endorses the proposal to build a new College Hostel and offers their support in principle.

### **Mrs Pilkington / Chair**

2.50pm Barbara Kuriger and Claire Davis departed from the meeting.

### **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES – 9 JUNE 2017**

#### **Resolved**

That the minutes of the meeting of the Kawhia Community Board held on 9 June 2017, be approved as a true and correct record of that meeting.

### **Mr Rutherford / Mrs Pilkington**

## **MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES**

### **KAWHIA CEMETERY RESERVE**

The Chair reported that further trees had not been planted yet.

### **CCTV CAMERAS**

It was reported that a specification for this has not yet been received from a Kawhia Contractor.

### **KAWHIA WHARF PARKING**

Roger reported on the meeting held that morning with the wharf users. The outcome is that 15 minute parking signs will be provided at the Kawhia Fish Shop. It was mooted that a second pontoon be erected. A \$200.00 annual fee for electricity for the wharf sheds has been charged and additional power usage for each shed will be charged at the end of the year. Thanks were expressed to the Engineering Manager Roger Brady and Engineering Support Officer Robyn Kohe for organising the meeting.

## **GENERAL BUSINESS Continued**

### **ITEM 2 LEASE OF KAWHIA NURSERY**

Further to the presentation by the Kawhia Rangatahi Group, Council is to check and rectify the subsidence next to the building. The lessee is to be advised that the spring is set up to feed into Kawhia's water supply during peak summer periods, and the rangitahi are to be under supervision.

**Resolved** that the Kawhia Rangitahi Group be granted a lease of the Kawhia Nursery site for the rental charge of \$1,000 plus GST per annum and that this be reviewed after 1 year. The term of the lease to be for 1 year plus a right of renewal for a further 1 year. The conditions of lease to be the same as the previous lease.

**Chair / Mrs Pilkington**

### **ITEM 3 ANZAC DAY PROPOSALS**

The Board requires a more detailed proposal to make an informed decision on this matter. The Chair and Mr Rutherford to continue discussions with Ms Armstrong. This item to be added to matters referred on the agenda for the next meeting.

**Resolved** that the Board requests further discussion and clarification of the needs and associated costs, but supports the concept in principle.

**Chair / Mrs Pilkington**

### **ITEM 4 KAWHIA BUS SERVICE**

The Chair suggested that a bus service be provided to Kawhia residents for the Otorohanga Steamfest.

It was noted that Komatua run a weekly bus service to Te Awamutu, but that further bus services were investigated last year and are not indicated to be economically viable.

### **ITEM 5 PENSIONER FLATS - INSULATION**

The Engineering Manager advised that the Parks and Facilities Officer has the job in hand and that the project will be undertaken within the time frame and in accordance with legislation.

### **ITEM 6 KAWHIA WHARF – SAFETY ISSUES**

Mr Rutherford enquired about safety issues with young people “bombing” off the wharf while boats are berthing. Ms Kehoe advised that this matter is not covered under the Health & Safety at Work Act, but is a public liability issue. It occurs all over New Zealand, and sadly deaths have occurred.

The Chief Executive believed that warning signs were already in place.

**ITEM 7 RADIO FREQUENCY CHANNELS**

Mr John Dodgson advised that the notices displaying the radio frequency channels requires updating. Mrs Pilkington will raise this issue at the Waikato Regional Council meeting being held next week.

**ITEM 8 SURVEY OF SEAWALLS**

The annual survey of the Aotea Seawall and Kawhia Foreshore will be undertaken over the next few months.

**ITEM 8 FOOTPATH CONSTRUCTION**

The Board was advised that the design and tendering of the footpath construction programme is underway.

**ITEM 8 NGATI MANIAPOTO TREATY SETTLEMENT**

Mrs Pilkington advised that the Ngati Maniapoto treaty settlement has been agreed in principle but does not include Kawhia and Aotea Harbours.

The meeting closed at 3.33pm