
Foxton Community Board

OPEN MINUTES

Minutes of a meeting of the Foxton Community Board held via audio visual link on Monday 30 August 2021 at 6.00pm.

PRESENT

Chairperson Mr D J Roache
Deputy Chairperson Ms P R Metcalf
Members Cr D A Allan
Cr R J Brannigan
Mr T J Chambers
Mr J F Girling

IN ATTENDANCE

Reporting Officer Mr D M Clapperton (Chief Executive)
Ms C H Marheine (Meeting Secretary)

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE

Mayor B Wanden

1 Apologies

An apology was recorded for Ms Ngaire Newland.

MOVED by Cr Chambers, seconded Cr Brannigan:

THAT the apology from Ms N J Newland be accepted.

CARRIED

2 Public Participation

There were no requests for public participation.

3 Late Items

There were no late items.

4 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

5 Confirmation of Minutes

MOVED by Ms Metcalf, seconded Mr Girling:

THAT the minutes of the meeting of the Foxton Community Board held on Monday, 28 June 2021, be confirmed as a true and correct record.

CARRIED

6 Announcements

There were no announcements.

7 Reports

7.1 Monitoring Report to 30 August 2021

Purpose

To present to Foxton Community Board the updated monitoring report covering requested actions from previous meetings of the Community Board.

MOVED by Ms Metcalf, seconded Cr Allan:

THAT Report 21/340 Monitoring Report to 30 August 2021 be received.

THAT this matter or decision be recognised as not significant in terms of s76 of the Local Government Act 2002.

CARRIED

Page 8 FB Reserves Investment Plan

Ms Metcalf reiterated that the Board had agreed to utilise the Foxton Beach Freeholding Account for the refurbishing of the promenade, and asked if this should be formalised. Mr Roache noted he thought this had been formalised, but recognised the Board have not yet received the proposed cost, and asked Mr Clapperton for his advice.

Mr Clapperton advised the Board to wait for the scope and cost for the project to be provided before a recommendation is made to Council for approval to use funding from the Freeholding account for this project.

Page 10 Foxton East Drainage Scheme

Mr Roache noted at the last meeting there was discussion around the Cook Street flooding and Mr Clapperton agreed an on-site discussion with Council officers could be beneficial to identifying solutions.

Mr Roache requested this be added to the monitoring report.

7.2 Chairperson's Report to 30 August 2021

Purpose

To present to the Foxton Community Board matters relating to the Foxton Community Board area.

MOVED by Mr Roache, seconded Ms Metcalf:

THAT Report 21/341 Chairperson's Report to 30 August 2021 be received.

THAT these matters or decisions be recognised as not significant in terms of s76 of the Local Government Act 2002.

CARRIED

3.1 Resignation of Foxton Community Board Member

Mr Roache moved that the letter of resignation from Ms Newland be accepted and that a letter of response be sent to Ms Newland thanking her for her contribution to the Board.

The Board discussed the vacancy and whether to fill the position. Mr Clapperton requested the item be left on the table to the end of this report while he sought clarity on the process so the Board could make an informed decision.

3.2 Foxton Tourism and Development Association

Mr Roache spoke to the report and noted it was mainly for information. Mr Roache highlighted the successful business breakfast held to discuss the installation of security cameras within Foxton and noted in response to the survey following the breakfast an evening event was to be organised to continue the discussion with those who could not attend the breakfast.

3.3 Foxton War Memorial Hall Update

Mr Russell took the report as read and asked the Board if there were any questions. Ms Metcalf queried if the issue noted in the report relating to the proposed constitution and the wind up clause with the Council had been followed up.

Mr Russell confirmed the Interim Committee was liaising with the Charities Commission to seek clarification of their wording and they would then come back to Council with the advice received.

3.5 Board Member Update

Ms Metcalf took the report as read and highlighted the increase in group attendance at the MAVtech museum. Ms Metcalf asked if the Board had any questions.

Cr Allan thanked Ms Metcalf for her report and asked if the MAVtech Business Plan and Strategic Plan could be shared with the Community Board. Ms Metcalf agreed and advised she would arrange for this to be sorted.

Manawatu Estuary Trust - public consultation was underway for the viewing platforms. There had been a public meeting scheduled for 4 September, but this had been postponed to a later date.

3.6 Foxton Beach Freeholding Account

There were two queries raised by the Board around the Freeholding Account forecast, the first question was whether the minus (39) thousand underneath the bottom line for June Actuals was a typo.

The second question related to the Forbes Road subdivision extension and the allocated funding being reduced from \$2.27M to \$800K. Council officers advised this was decided by Council through the LTP discussions. Mr Roache asked for further clarification on why the decision was made to reduce the funding. Mr Clapperton advised further clarification would be sought and provided to the Board on the decision. Mr Roache asked for this to be included at the next FCB meeting.

Before the meeting closed Mr Clapperton asked that the Board return to the

discussion around the extraordinary vacancy on the Board. Mr Clapperton summarised the relevant Section of the Local Electoral Act 2001 under Section 117 (3). The Board is required to determine by resolution—

- (a) that the vacancy will be filled by the appointment by the local authority or local board or community board of a person named in the resolution who is qualified to be elected as a member; or
- (b) that the vacancy is not to be filled.

There was further discussion around the two options outlined in the Local Electoral Act and Mr Clapperton offered some guidance to the Chair, and suggested it would be good for the Board members to share their preferred option.

The Board members all outlined their preferred option and it was decided to keep the resolution as it is and to leave the vacancy and carry on with one less.

Mr Girling offered to pick up FCB representation on the Wildlife Foxton Trust for the remainder of the term.

MOVED by Mr Roache, seconded Mr Chambers:

THAT the Foxton Community Board accepts the letter of resignation from Ms Newland.

CARRIED

MOVED by Mr Chambers, seconded Mr Girling:

THAT the Foxton Community Board recommends to Council that the vacancy on the Board not be filled, due to there being 12 months or less before the next triennial general election.

CARRIED

6.40 pm

There being no further business, the Chairperson declared the meeting closed.

CONFIRMED AS A TRUE AND CORRECT RECORD
AT A MEETING OF THE FOXTON COMMUNITY
BOARD HELD ON

DATE:.....

CHAIRPERSON:.....