
Foxton Community Board

OPEN MINUTES

Minutes of a meeting of the Foxton Community Board held in the Ngārongo Iwikātea Room, Te Awahou Nieuwe Stroom, 92 Main Street, Foxton, on Monday 19 April 2021 at 6.00 pm.

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
	Ms N J Newland

IN ATTENDANCE

Reporting Officer	Mr D M Clapperton
	Ms C H Marheine

1 Apologies

An apology was recorded for Mayor B Wanden.

MOVED by Cr Allan, seconded Cr Girling:

THAT the apology from Mayor B Wanden 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, 22 February 2021, be confirmed as a true and correct record.

CARRIED

MOVED by Ms Metcalf, seconded Mr Girling:

THAT the minutes of the Extraordinary meeting of the Foxton Community Board held on Monday, 22 March 2021, be confirmed as a true and correct record.

CARRIED

6 Announcements

There were no announcements.

7 Reports

7.1 Monitoring Report to 19 April 2021

Purpose

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

Page 8: Victoria park proposal

Mr Hester advised the site meeting with NZMCA and the Foxton Racing Club had been confirmed for this month, a further update to be provided to the Board following the meeting.

Page 10: 19/456 Review of Foxton Beach Freehold Account Policy and Strategy

Mr Clapperton reiterated limited resourcing had resulted in a delay in the engagement of an investment advisor, and it was unlikely this would be completed before 30 June 2021. This would be actioned as soon as possible.

MOVED by Ms Metcalf, seconded Cr Brannigan:

THAT Report 21/131 Monitoring Report to 19 April 2021 be received.

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

CARRIED

7.2 Chairperson's Report to 19 April 2021

Purpose

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

MOVED by Mr Chambers, seconded Cr Allan:

THAT Report 21/132 Chairperson's Report to 19 April 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 PNCC Presentation BPO Nature Calls consultation

Mayor Grant Smith and other staff from Palmerston North City Council (PNCC) provided a presentation to the Community Board on the PNCC Nature Calls Wastewater project and the progress made with community consultation, engagement with Iwi and how PNCC had identified the three best practicable options for further feedback.

Board members expressed their opinions on the three practicable options outlined in the presentation. PNCC confirmed it was seeking further feedback on the three practicable options and would welcome a submission from the Foxton Community Board. PNCC reiterated this was not a formal submission process but feedback would be taken into consideration.

Mr Roache thanked Mayor Smith and PNCC staff for attending the meeting and advised that the Board would submit feedback.

3.2 Horowhenua Crime Prevention Trust presentation

Three members of the Horowhenua Crime Prevention Trust (Ted Melton, Mel Douglas and Brett Gillies) attended the meeting and provided the Board with an overview of the Trust's priorities, an update on the Foxton Beach CCTV project and outlined the steps the Community Board and the Foxton community could take to explore CCTV for Foxton.

The Community Board was supportive of the suggestion for a project group to be formed to explore CCTV for Foxton with the local tourism and development and business sectors and assistance from the Camera Trust.

Mr Roache thanked the attendees from the Horowhenua Crime Prevention Trust for their presentation.

3.3 Foxton Beach Volunteer Fire Brigade presentation

Chris Faithfull, Assistant Area Commander, presented on behalf of the Foxton Beach Volunteer Fire Brigade.

The Foxton Beach Volunteer Fire Brigade attended the Foxton Community Board meeting to seek funding of up to \$60,000 from the Foxton Beach Freeholding Account towards the purchase of a new Foxton Beach Utility Vehicle that could be used to respond to emergencies on the beach and rurally.

The Foxton Beach Rural Fire Brigade had been successful in fundraising \$32,000 towards the new utility vehicle. The total cost of the new utility vehicle would be \$94,850.

The Community Board discussed the request in detail and unanimously supported the request for the provision of up to \$60,000 from the Foxton Beach Freeholding Account towards the total cost of the utility vehicle.

Mr Clapperton suggested a late submission to the 2021- 41 LTP from the Foxton Beach Rural Fire Brigade for this funding request would be acceptable.

MOVED by Cr Brannigan, seconded Mr Chambers:

THAT the Foxton Community Board recommends to the Horowhenua District Council that the sum of up to \$60,000 from the Foxton Beach Freeholding Account be allocated for the purchase of a utility vehicle for the Foxton Beach Volunteer Fire Brigade.

CARRIED

3.4 Board Member Updates

Ms Metcalf took her report as read.

Ms Newland took her reports as read. Ms Newland raised her request to be removed as the Community Board representative for the Foxton Tourism and Development Association (FDTA). The Chair asked the Community Board who would like to replace Ms Newland as the Board representative. Mr Girling volunteered to be the new representative, the Community Board were in support of this and a motion was moved.

MOVED by Cr Allan, seconded Mr Roache:

THAT Mr John Girling be nominated as the new Foxton Community Board representative for the Foxton Tourism and Development Association.

CARRIED

3.6 Foxton Beach Progressive Association Chairperson's Report

Ms Smart provided a verbal report and highlighted the work FBPAI had been focussing on, including the Foxton Beach Community Plan outcomes and their submission to the Horowhenua District Council 2021- 41 LTP. There was further discussion around the need for the Community Board and FBPAI to re-establish their relationship through formal and informal meetings.

3.7 Foxton Beach Freeholding Account

Mr Clapperton advised the Community Board that over the next month or so there would be discussions with Council around the role of Council owned properties in Foxton and across the district to determine the reason for use of the property and holding on to it.

7.3 **Funding Options for Holben Reserve Wetland**

Purpose

This report is to inform the Foxton Community Board of the current position regarding the Holben Reserve Wetland Project.

MOVED by Mr Roache, seconded Ms Metcalf:

THAT Report 21/130 Funding Options for Holben Reserve Wetland be received.

THAT this matter or decision is recognised as not significant in terms of S76 of the Local Government Act.

CARRIED

Speaking to the report, Mr Hester noted:

- The two recent Council submissions to the Freshwater Improvement Fund (FIF) had been unsuccessful. It is noted this round of FIF was highly contested.
- A budget of around \$20 million had been included in the LTP consultation document for improvements at the Holben Reserve over the 20 year period.
- Officers had been advised to explore other funding options.

The Community Board thanked officers for their continued efforts and initiative and encouraged officers to identify the priorities and options for funding the project in stages.

The Community Board support officers exploring alternative funding sources.

MOVED by Mr Roache, seconded Mr Girling:

THAT the Foxton Community Board supports and recommends to Council that Officers pursue alternative funding options for the desired improvements to the Holben Reserve.

CARRIED

8.14 pm

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

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

DATE:.....

CHAIRPERSON:.....