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# Foxton Community Board

## OPEN MINUTES

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Minutes of a meeting of the Foxton Community Board held in the Blue Room, Te Awahou Nieuwe Stroom, 22 Harbour Street, Foxton, on Monday 25 March 2019 at 6.00 pm.

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### PRESENT

<b>Chairperson</b>	Mr D J Roache
<b>Deputy Chairperson</b>	Ms P R Metcalf
<b>Members</b>	Mr D A Allan
	Cr N G Gimblett
	Mr J F Girling
	Ms J M Lundie

### IN ATTENDANCE

Mr M J Lester	(Group Manager – Corporate Services)
Mrs C Ward	(Principal Policy Advisor)
Mrs K J Corkill	(Meeting Secretary)

### ALSO IN ATTENDANCE

Mayor M Feyen	(to 7.05 pm)
Cr R J Brannigan	

### PUBLIC IN ATTENDANCE

There were eight members of the public in attendance at the commencement of the meeting.

#### 1 Apologies

There were no apologies.

#### 2 Public Participation

Christina Paton	7.1 <u>Notice of Motion</u>
	7.2 <u>Monitoring Report – Item 18/423 – Sand Dune Management</u>
	7.4 <u>Election Processes</u>

Mayor Feyen	7.2 <u>Monitoring Report - Item 14/674 – Target Reserve Strategic Plan</u>
	<u>Item 18/209 – MAVTech</u>
	<u>Item 18/423 – Sand Dune Management</u>
	7.3 <u>Chief Executive's Report - 3.2 - Recording of Foxton Community Board Meeting</u>

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### 3 Late Items

There were no late items.

### 4 Declaration of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

### 5 Confirmation of Minutes

MOVED by Mr Allan, seconded Ms Metcalf:

*THAT the minutes of the meeting of the Foxton Community Board held on Monday, 28 January 2019, be confirmed as a true and correct record.*

**CARRIED**

### 6 Announcements

#### Foxton (&) Beach Community Patrol

Presenting on behalf of the Foxton (&) Beach Community Patrol, Mr Anthonie van Ryn gave an overview of what the Community Patrol had been doing initially in Foxton Beach since it commenced on 15 December 2018, with the purpose of today's presentation being to:

- raise awareness and understanding of the local Community Patrol;
- inform the FCB and the public of progress to date in setting up the Patrol;
- explain what it was hoped the Community Patrol would look like in 12-24 months and the plan to achieve that;
- outline how the FCB and the public could support the Community Patrol.

Mr van Ryn outlined the Patrol's main aims which included safety and security, initially at Foxton Beach but expanding coverage to Foxton. At Foxton Beach the Patrol currently had five male and five female volunteers and it was using the Foxton Beach Warden's vehicle. The Community Patrol relied totally on volunteers and its success going forward depended on attracting sufficient volunteers, obtaining a suitable vehicle and gaining sufficient operational funding, and Mr van Ryn said he was hoping the FCB would be a major champion and support would also be available from HDC.

Mr Roache confirmed the Board's whole-hearted support and offered to provide letters of support when the Community Patrol applied for external funding. He also suggested an article on the Community Patrol be included in the "Community Connection" and it seek at site at the Easter Fair.

A copy of Mr van Ryn's presentation was provided.

#### Presentation on the Horowhenua Integrated Transport Strategy

Council's Principal Policy Planner, Cynthia Ward, gave a PowerPoint presentation on the Horowhenua Integrated Transport Strategy (HITS) and responded to queries from Board Members.

#### Horowhenua District Council Update

Cr Gimblett noted that Council had resolved that the Foxton Beach Freeholding Account Strategy and Policy be reviewed. This would provide an opportunity for the Board, the community and the Foxton Beach Progressive Association to be involved in the review and ensure that the Strategy and Policy was fit for purpose going forward.

### Update from the Foxton Community Board Chair

Mr Roache advised that he, Ms Metcalf and Mr Allan had attended the recent Representation Review, with very encouraging comments received from the Commissioner. The Board's submission had been lodged with Horizons Regional Council's Annual Plan on the concerns with regard to the Foxton East Drainage proposal. He had been asked to attend the Palmerston North Wastewater Monitoring Group and he queried if any other Board Members would also like to be included.

### Foxton Beach Progressive Association Update

Association Chair, Katherine Wilkinson, directed Members to the Chairperson's Report in the CE's Report on page 25 and she and Mr Melton responded to queries.

Janine Smart then presented a 10 Year Development and Freeholding Fund Projects Plan explaining the vision the Association had going forward and the exciting opportunities they saw. A copy of the Plan is **attached** to the official minutes and would also be hosted on Council's website.

## 7 Reports

### 7.1 Notice of Motion

#### Purpose

In accordance with Standing Order 26, a Notice of Motion (NoM) has been received from Foxton Community Board (FCB) Deputy Chair, Tricia Metcalf, with the request that it be placed on the agenda for the 25 March 2019 FCB meeting.

The purpose of this report is to provide Ms Metcalf the opportunity to speak to this Notice of Motion.

MOVED by Ms Metcalf, seconded Mr Allan:

*THAT Report 19/78 Notice of Motion be received.*

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

**CARRIED**

#### Public Participation

Mrs Paton queried why tax relief had not also been suggested for business property owners who had already voluntarily spent a lot of money upgrading their buildings, with Ms Metcalf saying that anything that that the Government and IRD decided may or may not be retrospective.

Speaking to the Notice of Motion, which Mr Allan indicated he would second, Ms Metcalf expanded on her rationale for what she proposed noting that this was not just an issue for the Horowhenua and as tax relief was available for extreme weather events and drought, it should also be available in this regard.

Board Members expressed their support for the Motion which they said was an excellent idea.

MOVED by Ms Metcalf, seconded Mr Allan:

*THAT the following Notice of Motion is considered by the Foxton Community Board:*

*"That the Foxton Community Board asks the Councillors of the Horowhenua*

*District Council to request Local Government New Zealand to lobby the Inland Revenue to provide tax relief to building owners for the compulsory earthquake strengthening of their buildings either by way of reinstating depreciation or some other tax relief for earthquake compliance costs.”*

**CARRIED**

## 7.2 Monitoring Report to 25 March 2019

### Purpose

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

MOVED by Mr Allan, seconded Mr Girling:

*THAT Report 19/60 Monitoring Report to 25 March 2019 be received.*

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

**CARRIED**

### Public Participation

Speaking in relation to 14/674 – Target Reserve and the reactivation of the User Group, Mayor Feyen requested that he be included in that Group.

Moving on to 18/209 – Forbes Road Subdivision, Mayor Feyen spoke about resilience development, having heard a presentation on, and listened to the science behind, the Hikurangi Response Plan. He said he wanted to ensure that this Council took resilience into its forward planning, particularly in areas such as the extension of this subdivision. While he did not want to stop development he did advocate for a cautionary approach.

With regard to 18/423 – Sand Dune Management – Mayor Feyen said he supported leaving the dune there as the sea could quite easily be seen from the back of the carpark and it would preclude any further costs.

Also speaking to 18/423 – Sand Dune Management, Mrs Paton said it was part of the Horowhenua coastline and in her view did not qualify for funding from the Foxton Beach Freeholding Account. Commenting that there was a resource consent for the seawall which required monitoring, Mrs Paton referenced two documents – the Foxton Beach Annual Monitoring Report 2018 and Foxton Beach Car Park Sand Management Plan 2018 – which she said Board Members should read and workshop before they went any further and she was disappointed it appeared they had not been provided to the Board. Also referencing a nation-wide statement about climate change, Mrs Paton noted that Foxton was only three metres above sea level, so it was not just about Foxton Beach.

Mr Lester responded to Members' queries, noting in relation to the proposed Strategic Workshop that he had been awaiting the appointment of the Te Awahou Nieuwe Stroom Destination Marketing resource as he was wanting that person to be involved in the workshop.

## 7.3 Chief Executive's Report to 25 March 2019

### Purpose

To present to the Foxton Community Board, for information, issues relating to the Foxton Community Board area.

MOVED by Mr Allan, seconded Mr Girling:

*THAT Report 19/63 Chief Executive's Report to 25 March 2019 be received.*

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

**CARRIED**

Mr Lester requested that the report be taken as read.

### 3.2 Recording of Foxton Community Board Meetings

It was noted that this had been previously discussed by the Board, with Members reiterating their views. Whilst there were three for and three against the recommendation, with the Chair also using his casting vote, that “

*THAT the filming and recording of Foxton Community Board meetings (including In Committee) is not permitted by Elected Members or members of the public unless resolved otherwise by the Board on a case by case basis”*

the recommendation

*“That Standing Orders be amended to reflect the change”*

did not reach the 75% support threshold with three for and three against the recommendation, so recommendations 2.3 and 2.4 were **LOST**.

## 7.4 Elections Processes - 2019 Local Body Elections

### **Purpose**

To advise the Foxton Community Board on processes for the 2019 triennial elections.

MOVED by Mr Girling, seconded Mr Allan:

*THAT Report 19/79 Elections Processes - 2019 Local Body Elections be received.*

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

**CARRIED**

### Public Participation

Mrs Paton spoke to this item pointing out that the guidance provided by the Auditor General was not binding on Councils with each Council being able to adopt its own standards.

## 7.5 Resource Consenting (Planning) Matters Considered Under Delegated Authority

### **Purpose**

To present, **for information**, details of decisions made under delegated authority in respect of Resource Consenting (Planning) Matters.

MOVED by Mr Allan, seconded Mr Girling:

*THAT Report 19/64 Resource Consenting (Planning) Matters Considered Under Delegated Authority be received.*

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

**CARRIED**

7.30 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:**.....