

MINUTES of a meeting of the Te Kauwhata Community Committee held at the St John Ambulance Rooms, 4 Baird Avenue, Te Kauwhata on WEDNESDAY 3 FEBRUARY 2021 commencing at 7.00pm.

### **Present**:

Ms T Grace (Chairperson)

Cr JD Sedgwick

Ms J Allport (Secretary)

Mr J Cunningham

Ms A Van de Munckhof

Mr T Hinton

Mr C Howells

Mr B Weaver

## **Attending:**

Mr V Ramduny (Strategic Projects Manager)
Mr J Marconi, Placemaking Advisor (Lakeside), Kainga Ora

#### **APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

All members were present.

#### WELCOME

Ms Grace welcomed the Committee members and all others present.

#### **CONFIRMATION OF STATUS OF AGENDA ITEMS**

Resolved: (Mr Cunningham/Cr Sedgwick)

THAT the agenda for a meeting of the Te Kauwhata Community Committee held on Wednesday, 3 February 2021 be confirmed and all items therein be considered in open meeting;

AND THAT all reports be received.

CARRIED TKCC2102/01

### **DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST**

Mr Hinton advised members of the Committee that he would declare a financial conflict of interest in item 6.3 [Discretionary Funding Report to 15 January 2021].

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#### **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

Resolved: (Mr Weaver/Mr Hinton)

THAT the minutes of a meeting of the Te Kauwhata Community Committee held on Wednesday, 2 December 2020 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

CARRIED TKCC2102/02

#### SPEAKER: JASON MARCONI, KAINGA ORA

Mr Marconi introduced himself and provided information in relation to his role with Kainga Ora.

The Committee is looking forward to Mr Marconi attending future meetings to provide the Committee with updates.

Cr Sedgwick advised she was arranging a Q&A session with the community and extended an invitation to Mr Marconi to attend.

#### **REPORTS**

<u>Te Kauwhata Works & Issues Report: January 2021</u> Agenda Item 6.1

The report was received [TKCC2102/02 refers] and discussion was held.

<u>Dog Exercise Area</u>: It was noted that there were concerns with dog owners not removing
dog faeces from the exercise area and surrounds. This was making the area less attractive
for some dog owners – some of which had indicated that they no longer use the park.

**ACTION**: The Strategic Project Manager to speak to Community Connection Manager in relation to increasing awareness

- <u>Dog Agility Area</u>: Mr Hinton advised the committee that members of the rugby club would be assisting in completing this project and would also assist in installing the seating. It is anticipated that this project would be completed by the end of summer.
- <u>Te Kauwhata Community Garden</u>: Cr Sedgwick enquired as to progress with the community garden and was advised that there had been delays with the initiator of the garden being absent. This had resulted in delays with construction/completion.

**ACTION:** Mr Hinton and Ms Van de Munckhof to make contact with the person who initiated the garden to see if she is still available.

- <u>Travers Rd Walkway Loop</u>: The construction of the retaining wall would occur in the next financial year.
- <u>Te Kauwhata Blunt Road Walkway</u>: Mr Cunningham advised the easement had now been signed by the landowner and two quotes for construction of the walkway were being

Waikato District Council Te Kauwhata Community Committee sought. The Strategic Project Manager advised of the North Waikato Development Fund, which had been initiated when Spring Hill Corrections Facility was established. The Committee has input into how funds are used. Cr Sedgwick suggested that \$150,000 could possibly be used as seed funding for the walkway, to enhance community aspirations for development within the domain. This would require sign-off from the appropriate delegated authority at Council.

- TK Domain Lighting Plan: It was suggested that a further \$150,000 be made available from the North Waikato Development Fund to progress the Te Kauwhata Domain Lighting project and the construction of footpaths within the Domain. This would require signoff from the appropriate delegated authority at Council.
- Te Kauwhata Freedom Camping Sign: The sign had been printed and was awaiting installation, which the Rugby Club is assisting with.
- Te Kauwhata Main Street Shrub/Garden Renewal: This project is on track.
- Innovating Streets Workshop: A brief had been provided to Boffa Miskell to develop concept drawings. As an aside, it was noted that there had been occasions where work vehicles and trucks had been parking in no parking zones and the ambulance bay in front of the doctor's surgery on Main Street. Attempts had been made to dissuade this behaviour but with little success.

ACTION: Cr Sedgwick to make enquiries at Waikato District Council as to any resources that could be provided to dissuade vehicles from parking in no parking areas.

• Rangiriri Cemetery: Project team were working on design options. This project would be completed this financial year.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

Resolved: (Mr Weaver/Mr Howells)

THAT the Te Kauwhata Committee supports the use of \$150,000 from the North Waikato Development Fund to assist in funding the construction of the Te Kauwhata Blunt Road Walkway;

AND THAT the Te Kauwhata Committee supports the use of a further \$150,000 from the North Waikato Development Fund to assist in funding Te Kauwhata Domain lighting project and footpaths within the Domain;

AND FURTHER THAT the Chief Financial Officer approve the use of the funds as above.

TKCC2102/03 CARRIED

Councillor's Report Agenda Item 6.2

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Cr Sedgwick gave a verbal report and answered questions of the Committee.

# Discretionary Fund Report to 15 January 2021

Agenda Item 6.3

The report was received [TKCC200\*/02 refers] and discussion was held.

Resolved: (Ms Grace/Mr Howells)

THAT the Te Kauwhata Community Committee retrospectively approves payment:

- to Cornerstone Security Limited
- for the amount of \$500.25 (including GST)
- for CCTV maintenance at the Te Kauwhata Police Station.

<u>Tabled Item:</u> Two invoices Meredith Connell (Invoice #336748 dated 25/09/2020 for \$1,725.00 and Invoice #338886 dated 30/11/2020 for \$1,126.79) were tabled at the meeting.

Resolved: (Mr Weaver/Cr Sedgwick)

AND THAT the Te Kauwhata Community Committee approves payment:

- to the law firm Meredith Connell
- for the amount of \$2,851.79 (including GST)
- for legal advice for owners of land associated with WDC easement for Blunt Rd Walkway.

CARRIED TKCC2102/04

Meremere Street Number Project

Agenda Item 6.4

The report was received [TKCC190\*/02 refers] and discussion was held.

Resolved: (Mr Hinton/Mr Cunningham)

THAT the Te Kauwhata Community Committee supports the Toi Ako Te Kauwhata Meremere Street Number Project to be delivered in partnership with Creative Meremere;

AND THAT the Te Kauwhata Community Committee approves payment from the North Waikato Development Fund:

- to Te Kauwhata Community House
- for the amount of \$8,570 (plus GST)
- for the Meremere Street Number project.

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Chairperson's Report

Agenda Item 6.5

The chair gave a verbal report and answered questions from the committee. She advised that the Committee-owned noticeboard by the railway tracks had deteriorated and various componentry needed replacing.

**ACTION:** Chair to approach some maintenance companies to obtain quotes for the work that is required.

The Chair also tabled a Christmas Card that had been received from Andrew Bayly.

Questions from the floor

Was it still the intention for a railway station to be constructed at Te Kauwhata?

The Strategic Project Manager advised that funding had been ear-marked for a business case. The current proposed site was still only a potential location. The Council's Long Term Plan provides an indication that the timeframe for the business case was 2024/25.

There being no further business the meeting was declared closed at 8.40 pm.

Minutes approved and confirmed this

day of

2021.

T Grace

**CHAIRPERSON** 

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