

MINUTES of a meeting for the Te Kauwhata Community Committee held at the St John Ambulance Rooms, 4 Baird Avenue, Te Kauwhata on **WEDNESDAY 2 JUNE 2021** commencing at **7.00pm**.

Present:

Ms T Grace (Chair)
Mr T Hinton
Cr JD Sedgwick
Ms J Allport (Secretary)
Mr J Cunningham
Mr B Weaver

Attending:

Mr V Ramduny (Strategic Projects Manager)
Mr J Marconi, Kainga Ora
Ms R Champion, Lakeside Resident
Ms J Capner, Lakeside Resident

APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Resolved: (Mr Cunningham/Cr Sedgwick)

THAT the apologies from Mr C Howells and Ms A van de Munckhof be received.

CARRIED

TKCC2106/01

CONFIRMATION OF STATUS OF AGENDA ITEMS

Resolved: (Mr Weaver/Mr Hinton)

THAT the agenda for the meeting of the Te Kauwhata Community Committee held on Wednesday 2 June 2021 be confirmed and all items therein be considered in open meeting;

AND THAT all reports be received;

AND THAT the following item be discussed at an appropriate time during the course of the meeting;

- Update from Kainga Ora on the Lakeside subdivision

CARRIED

TKCC2106/02

DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

There were no disclosures of interest.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Resolved: (Mr Cunningham/Mr Weaver)

THAT the minutes for the meeting of the Te Kauwhata Community Committee held on Wednesday 5 May 2021 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

CARRIED

TKCC2106/03

SPEAKER: JASON MARCONI, KAINGA ORA – UPDATE ON LAKESIDE

Mr Marconi provided an update on the Lakeside development as follows:

Updates from New Residents

- A new informal committee has been set up with primary role to provide regular, up to date information via Lakeside's Facebook page. The Facebook page has been designed to provide information in relation to the Lakeside community. For other broader issues, residents are referred to Te Kauwhata Facebook page.
- Lakeside's first baby is due to be born within next two weeks. Suggested that this could be the beginning of a history of Lakeside.

Kainga Ora Update

- A meeting with developers was scheduled for tomorrow, 7 June 2021 to provide an update on progress.
- An additional 200 lots were coming up for release.
- Kainga Ora are reaching out to local builders to see if they would like to become Kainga Ora-associated builders (social procurement) and 21 have been identified to date. Information packs for social procurement opportunity, once compiled, will be sent out to them.
- Mr Marconi had met with the Te Kauwhata College's Youth Development team. Kainga Ora are looking to support the Gateway Programme by trying to get youth into local jobs. The College currently has 600 students but estimated to have 1,600 students by 2035.

Te Kauwhata College had spoken to Kainga Ora about their 'construction plus' programme relating to social procurement.

- Noted there was a need to connect with mana whenua as to whether or not they were able to feed into the project.
- The Strategy Projects Manager advised there was a working group established with Waikato District Council, Waikato Regional Council and Sleepyhead to explore opportunities for local people.
- Gateway Programme: Te Kauwhata College would like to come to August meeting to present their ideas and some of the barriers they have faced thus far. The Youth Engagement Advisor from Waikato District Council also indicated he would attend.
- Mr Cunningham suggested Aparangi as another place for employment opportunities.
- Mr Marconi discussed if there was an active youth group in Te Kauwhata. Mr Hinton advised that previously there had been an active group with up to 60 young adults.
- Mr Marconi will take over the Lakeside newsletter

New School in Lakeside

- A new primary school in Lakeside was planned and will open in 2024.
- The Strategic Projects Manager advised that the new school has a 'designation' zoning over and above the residential zoning.

Kainga Ora and Lakeside

- Kainga Ora was an 'urban authority' and that was its role was in the Lakeside development.
- Mr Marconi also advised that Kainga Ora was setting up its own consenting authority which means that Waikato District Council will no longer issue consents for the development.
- Discussions held regarding Kainga Ora's responsibilities for building meeting spaces. Mr Marconi advised that the developer was responsible for these spaces.

Commercial Areas in Lakeside

- Mr Marconi advised that the development of Commercial areas was in the domain of developer.
- Mr Hinton advised that the plans were available for the first stage commercial shops.
- The developer has advised Kainga Ora that they wish to communicate directly with Lakeside residents.
- Discussions were in progress regarding rezoning land for commercial use. There was a concern that if thought wasn't put into it the commercial areas that the area could be divided into three different locations.

Lakeside Security

- Discussions held regarding whether Kainga Ora had considered the installation of CCTV cameras.
- It was noted that Te Kauwhata has a new police officer who is a community constable.
- Mr Marconi advised that Kainga Ora will be looking at speaking to existing residents to set up a Neighbourhood Watch-type group.

ACTIONS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Cr Sedgwick to speak to Police to identify any further locations of CCTV cameras.

- Cr Sedgwick has spoken to Police and provided the following information:
 - Cameras are located at Mahi Road, Waerenga & Roto Street and an NPR camera at the railway line.
 - The Police advised that several crimes have been solved as a result of the cameras.

ACTION: Cr Sedgwick will get a costing for an additional camera for Waerenga Road. The funds for the purchase would come via the Camera Trust with maintenance costs covered by Waikato District Council.

Cr Sedgwick to speak to Waikato District Council Communications Team in relation to the media release on the Meremere street numbers project be provided to local publications.

- Cr Sedgwick advised that this has been actioned.

Mr Howells to assess maintenance requirements of the Te Kauwhata Community Sign Board

- Mr Howells was not in attendance at the meeting. Still awaiting feedback.

Electronic Sign as Possible Replacement for Current TK Community Sign

- Mrs Allport had spoken to Te Kauwhata College who advised their electronic sign board was provided by EnviroWaste at no cost.

ACTION: Ms Allport to ascertain the cost of electronic sign boards and report back at the next meeting

REPORTS

Te Kauwhata Works & Issues Report - April 2021

Agenda Item 6.1

The report was received [TKCC2106/02 refers] and the following discussion was held:

- Item 1: Dog Exercise Area: Mr Hinton advised that the park bench was now ready for installation as well as two agility items that have been given and will be installed in due course, weather permitting.
- Item 2: Te Kauwhata Walkway Blunt Road: This section of the walkway was included in the council's multi-year contract with the tender going out in July 2021. Mr Cunningham advised that he had spoken to the Funding and Partnerships Manager from Waikato District Council who will come back with potential funders to supplement the council funds.
- Item 3: Travers Road Walkway: Waikato Roding Alliance has commenced construction. Scheduled to be completed at the end of July (weather permitting).
- Item 4: Te Kauwhata Domain: The Strategic Projects Manager and Cr Sedgwick have met with the Community Connections Manager and the Open Spaces Team Leader. Funding from the Long-Term Plan will be pulled from Year 2 to draw up a concept plan that will indicate all amenities related to the walkway. Consultation will not begin until such time as design and other details have been confirmed.
- Village Green Playground was eventually going to be minimised as a larger destination playground will be constructed. There was current \$100,000 allocated for the upgrade of the existing playground plus funds that the committee has received from donations. Cr Sedgwick asked if the Committee was happy with allocating \$11,000 towards the village playground. Discussion was then held regarding what could be purchased and when it could be installed, and if the construction of the new destination playground could be brought forward.

- Fencing will need replacing with post and rail fencing. Scope needed of what is involved and what was required to get the Fruit Garden up and running.
- Item 5: Freedom Camping Sign: To be installed.
- Item 6: Te Kauwhata Shrub Garden Renewal: Remains in progress.
- Item 7: Te Kauwhata ‘Innovating Streets’ Project: Waikato Roding Alliance has provided a cost for this work. Mr Cunningham has recently sent out the latest plan for the design. Cr Sedgwick drawing up an advert for the Te Kauwhata Chatter Newspaper. It will also be rolled out on Facebook.
- Item 8: Rangiriri Cemetery Extension: Work has commenced, and fencing has been erected. Completion of the project expected by late July.
- Cr Sedgwick noted the Meremere Street Numbers project has been very successful.

Discretionary Fund Report to 5 May 2021

Agenda Item 6.2

The report was received [TKCC2106/02 refers] and follow actions were discussed.

- Committee was still waiting to receive the invoice from Jackson Engineering for the remedial work done on the Te Kauwhata Community Signboard. As there will be no July meeting, the Chair will forward the invoice to the committee members for approval for prompt payment, which will then be formally resolved at the August meeting.

ACTION: Ms Grace to contact the Te Kauwhata Lions to see if compost and mulch for the Main Rd planter boxes have been purchased and receive the related invoices.

Councillor’s Report

Agenda Item 6.3

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

- **Long-Term Plan Presentation:** Cr Sedgwick acknowledged Mrs Allport’s presentation to Council on behalf of the Committee.
- **Burnouts in Te Kauwhata:** Boy racers were becoming a concern. Cr Sedgwick advised that she had received many calls regarding hooning behaviour however this was a Police issue rather than a Council issue. Cr Sedgwick will meet with the Western District Police Commander and the Mayor to discuss the issue further. In an attempt to mitigate the boy racer activities, splitter islands have been installed in Hampton Downs. Cr Sedgwick also noted that the Gull petrol station at Hampton Downs was considering closing down on Friday-Sunday however this is unconfirmed.

Chairperson's Report

Agenda Item 6.4

Ms Grace provided the following information.

- Mrs Allport's Long-Term Plan presentation to Council was again acknowledged and she was thanked for her contribution.
- Changing signatories for the community events bank accounts – Ms E Pilbrow was becoming a signatory, and Ms A Casey was being removed as a signatory. We now have internet access to the accounts.
- Heads up from the Community House that they may be putting in an application for funding for a transport service to assist people with their banking.

There being no further business the meeting was declared closed at 8.35 pm.

T Grace
CHAIRPERSON