

**MINUTES** for a meeting of the Taupiri Community Board held in the Memorial Hall, Greenlane Road, Taupiri on **MONDAY, 1 AUGUST 2022** commencing at **6.00pm**.

**Present:**

Ms D Lovell (Chairperson)  
Mr R Van Dam (Deputy Chairperson)  
Ms J Morley  
Cr J Gibb  
Cr EM Patterson  
Mr H Lovell  
Ms J Henry

**Attending:**

Ms G Shaw (Democracy Advisor)  
Ms L van den Bemd (Community-Led Development Advisor)  
Ms D Tracey (Strategic Planning Team Leader)  
Ms E Snyders (Senior Strategic Planner)

**APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

**Resolved: (Cr Gibb/Ms Morley)**

**THAT** the apology from Ms Ormsby-Cocup for non-attendance be received.

**CARRIED**

**TCB2208/01**

**CONFIRMATION OF STATUS OF AGENDA ITEMS**

**Resolved: (Cr Gibb/Ms Morley)**

**THAT::**

- a. the agenda for the meeting of the Taupiri Community Board held on **Monday, 1 August 2022** be confirmed, with all items therein being considered in open meeting; and
- b. all reports be received.

**CARRIED**

**TCB2208/02**

## **DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST**

There were no disclosures of interest.

## **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

**Resolved: (Mr Lovell/Mr Van Dam)**

**THAT the minutes for a meeting of the Taupiri Community Board held on Monday, 20 June 2022 be confirmed as a true and correct record.**

## **CARRIED**

**TCB2208/03**

## **REPORTS**

Update on Variation 3 to the Proposed Waikato District Plan  
Agenda Item 6.1

The report was received [TCB2208/02 refers] and the following discussion was held:

- The Strategic Planning Team Leader provided an update on the work being undertaken to change the district plan to allow intensive housing.
- Changes to the RMA mean that Council was required to make changes to the district plan – the proposal was that these changes only apply to residential zones in Huntly, Ngāruawāhia, Pōkeno and Tuakau. Council referred to these changes as ‘Enabling Housing Supply Variation 3’.
- Council was still in the process of working on the policy options and approach.
- Variation 3 would be notified to the public by 20 August 2022 and residents were encouraged to have their say. People would have the opportunity to make submissions, and additional information regarding submissions and the submissions and hearing process would be available when the public are notified.
- The draft Variation 3 would apply to the residential zones in Huntly, Ngāruawāhia, Pōkeno and Tuakau; and also proposed that the Medium Density Residential Zone be amended to add most of the government's density standards, without modification.
- It also proposed that some areas currently zoned General Residential Zone be rezoned as Medium Density Residential Zone and that the new controlled activity rules in the RMA be added to the subdivision chapter.
- The Board queried the implications these changes would have on infrastructure. Staff confirmed there was a requirement that developments would need to be able to connect with water and wastewater supply.
- Staff encouraged the Board to consider making a submission.

Ngāruawāhia, Hopuhopu & Taupiri Structure Plan / Ngāruawāhia Town Centre Plan Update  
Agenda Item 6.2

The report was received [TCB2208/02 refers] and the following discussion was held:

- The purpose of the presentation was to inform the Taupiri Community Board of the Ngāruawāhia, Taupiri, & Hopuhopu Structure Plan review and the development of a Ngāruawāhia Town Centre Plan project and progress to date.
- Waikato District Council had completed a gap analysis of the existing 2017 Structure Plan, which identified where additional work was needed to better plan for and address the growth and development of these communities over the next 30 years.
- Council was going to engage with the communities over the coming months to hear what the communities see as the opportunities and issues facing the township/village and what could be done to address or action them as the township/village grows. To date Waikato District Council had engaged with a Marae representative from Taupiri and is expecting to meet with additional Marae representatives from Taupiri, Ngāruawāhia, and Hopuhopu before the end of July.
- The Board raised issue of safety and pedestrian connectivity, as there was no pedestrian option for getting to the Taupiri Cemetery. They also queried how the township could be connected to the service centre as well – e.g. a walkway/cycleway connection.
- The Board nominated the Chair (Dorothy Lovell) as its local representative for the Town Centre Plan Update's Reference Group. The Strategic Planning Team Leader would contact the Chair with further information.

**ACTION:** The Strategic Planning Team Leader would contact Dorothy Lovell with further information regarding her role as Taupiri representative for the Town Centre Plan Update's Reference Group.

**Resolved: (Cr Gibb/Cr Patterson)**

**THAT Ms Dorothy Lovell be appointed the Taupiri Community Board's representative for the Town Centre Plan Update's Reference Group.**

**CARRIED**

**TCB2208/04**

Review of Elected Member Policies

Agenda Item 6.3

The report was received [TCB2208/02 refers] and the following discussion was held:

- The Chair provided feedback to Council on this matter.

## Discretionary Fund Report to 30 June 2022

### Agenda Item 6.4

The report was received [TCB2208/02 refers] and the following discussion was held:

- It was confirmed that the 'Commitments' is a fund within the Discretionary Fund that is tagged for a particular commitment.

### 6.4A – Update from the Community-Led Development Advisor

- A person is living out of their car in Taupiri. Joint efforts to help relocate this person by Council, the Police and City Care had been unsuccessful to date.
- This person's health was in poor condition. Police and Council needed to work together to get medical assistance for this person.
- The Community-Led Development Advisor would work with Police to establish a process moving forward.

## Works and Issues Report – August 2022

### Agenda Item 6.5

- *Community Plan* – this project was ongoing.
- *Wel Green Boxes/Chorus Building/Mural Painting* – the Board has received visuals for the mural artwork. The Chair requested that more people be included in the design – e.g., both Maaori and Pakeha school children to symbolise the town's unity. The designer was working on an updated draft.
- *Proposal for Walkway and Cycle Track in Taupiri* – Cr Patterson would work through this once the Trust was established.
- *Community Planting and Maintenance* – Ms Morley still needed to plant four plum trees.

**ACTION:** Staff to remove the following item from the Works & Issues report: "Ms Lovell to raise fruit tree matters with the Taupiri Community Constable".

- *Emergency Procedures* – there were no updates to this item.
- *Neighbourhood Support* – the Community-Led Development Advisor would meet with the Police in August. It was noted Taupiri is growing and required reassessment – e.g., CCTV cameras.
- *Picnic Tables* – the Chair approached EduCare, who were happy to be take one of the tables. City Care was involved.
- *Liquor Ban Signs* – the Board requested that staff approach and work with the Community Board regarding liquor ban signs.

**ACTION:** Staff to contact Mr Rudy Van Dam (Deputy Chairperson) to work together around the liquor ban signs in Taupiri.

- *Central Garden* – most of the silverbeet that had been planted had disappeared.

#### Fourth Quarter Service Request Report to 30 June 2022

##### Agenda Item 6.6

The report was received [TCB2208/02 refers] and the following discussion was held:

- The Board noted there were fewer service requests overall than in the previous quarter.

#### Chairperson's Report

##### Agenda Item 6.7

The Chair provided a verbal report and answered questions from the Board. The following matters were discussed:

- Daffodil planting went well. Ms Morley provided the Chair with 2,000 bulbs which were planted around various parts of Taupiri. Bulbs were up and looking good. Thanked Kim Wood for supplying the bulbs and Ms Morley for organising and distributing the bulbs.

#### Councillors' Reports

##### Agenda Item 6.8

- Cr Gibb reported that she had been to Horotiu School for Matariki and the opening of their new BMX track. It was a good opportunity to see what other communities were doing.
- Both Councillors attended the Hamilton Expressway opening in July. Had also met with the Associate Minister of Local Government to discuss various issues.

## **PROJECTS**

#### Parks & Reserves

##### Agenda Item 7.1

- No new updates.

#### Taupiri School Updates

##### Agenda Item 7.2

- No discussion was held.

#### Taupiri Mountain (Maunga)

##### Agenda Item 7.3

- No discussion was held.

Emergency Procedures – Civil Defence

Agenda Item 7.4

- No discussion was held.

Road Frontages/Gardens/Mowing

Agenda Item 7.5

- No discussion was held.

Footpaths/Road signs/Lighting/Tunnels

Agenda Item 7.6

- No discussion was held.

Roads – Potholes/Intersections/Bridges

Agenda Item 7.7

- Government funding for roads had been less than initially expected by the Council.

Halls

Agenda Item 7.8

- A new Hall Committee had been established.

There being no further business the meeting was declared closed at 7.34pm.

Minutes approved and confirmed this                      day of                      2022.

D Lovell  
**CHAIRPERSON**