

MINUTES for a meeting of the Huntly Community Board held at Waahi Paa, 177C Harris Street, Huntly on **TUESDAY, 19 SEPTEMBER 2023** commencing at **6.00pm**

Present:

Ms S Matenga (Chairperson) Mr GB McCutchan (Deputy Chairperson) Mr F McInally – *until 7.30pm* Mr J Sandhu Ms E Wawatai Cr D Whyte

Attending:

Mrs V Jenkins (People & Capability Manager) Ms P Giles (Waikato District Alliance) Ms D Herewini (Waikato District Alliance) Mr L Nathan (Waikato Rocks Trust) Mr T Maipi (Member of the Public) Ms S McGaughran (Creative Huntly) Ms E Saunders (Democracy Advisor)

APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Resolved: (Cr Whyte/Mr McCutchan)

THAT the Huntly Community Board accept the apologies for:

a. non-attendance from Cr P Matatahi-Poutapu and Ms K Bredenbeck.

CARRIED

HCB2309/01

CONFIRMATION OF STATUS OF AGENDA ITEMS

Resolved: (Ms Wawatai/Ms Matenga)

THAT the agenda for a meeting of the Huntly Community Board held on Tuesday, 19 September be confirmed:

- a. with all items therein being considered in open meeting; and
- b. all reports be received.

CARRIED

HCB2309/02

DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

Cr Whyte noted that he has been invited to be on the Christmas Parade Committee and is a member.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Resolved: (Mr McInally/Mr McCutchan)

THAT the minutes for a meeting of the Huntly Community Board held on Tuesday, 8 August 2023 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

CARRIED

HCB2309/03

PUBLIC FORUM

Agenda Item 5

The following items were discussed under Public Forum:

- Mr McInally presented Lions Foundation Funding Applications to the Board and gave an overview of how the funding application process works and how readily available this is to the Community.
- Cr Whyte had a meeting with Council staff and whilst Traffic Management Plans have changed, they haven't quite made their way into legislation as yet. It is hopeful that events lined up for 2024 will be easier to manage in terms of paperwork.
- Mr T Maipi addressed the Board and advised of a critical discussion that occurred at the Huntly War Memorial Hall in relation to the continuous raids in Huntly. Mr Maipi has decided to put a proposal together to start addressing these issues in the Community.

- Mr Maipi advised that so far he and his partners have some funding to begin this journey but is asking for the support of the Board to ensure cohesion in the Community.
- The Board heard these issues at the July meeting and are fully supportive of the initiative and continue to be so. Mr Maipi would like the Board to read through the proposal and come back to the table and join forces on ideas and how this is going to work
- Mr L Nathan (Waikato Rocks Trust) attended the meeting to discuss the work he does with the Trust, their links to Huntly and the promotion of his work in music and youth involvement.
- Mr Nathan has proposed a music & dance festival to take place in Huntly at Lake Hakanoa and would love to have local support and talent involved in this initiative.
- Mr Nathan noted that it would be good to have support from the Board to find local musical talent and groups that wish to take part and perform along with finding any food stalls or local fundraising opportunities. Mr Nathan is looking at a date of 10 Feburary 2024 to hold this event.
- The Board advised Mr Nathan to touch base with the Kimihia Lakes project as they have lots of ideas of what they want to do and this event could align well with their mission. Mr Nathan will touch base with other Community Groups (like Creative Huntly) to discuss this further and get some details.

REPORTS

NZ Police Update Agenda Item 6.1

There was no member of the NZ Police present at the meeting and no further discussion was held.

Discretionary Fund Report to 11 September 2023 Agenda Item 6.2

The report was received [HCB2309/02 refers] and no further discussion was held.

Discretionary Fund Application Report – Creative Huntly

Agenda Item 6.3

The report was received [HCB2309/02 refers] and Ms S McGaughran (Creative Huntly) spoke to the application and the following discussion was held.

- The date for the parade was confirmed as Saturday 2nd December in the Main Street of Huntly. A breakdown of the event and the different floats and categories on display was provided.
- 11-12 markets have already expressed interest in being involved with food stalls and it was noted that the local dance studio also wants to do a performance. They are also looking to organise the local schools to do a choir performance.
- Ms McGaughran also confirmed that she was asking local businesses to do a Christmas Window Competition to really draw the community in to the Christmas spirit and draw customers into shopping at local stores.
- The costs for security and the Traffic Management Plan (TMP) are high and the Board expressed concern with this the costs of the the TMP seems unfair as this money needs to go back to Council however it was noted by Mr McCutchan that \$3,000 seems a reasonable cost for the TMP compared to other places that provide Traffic Management.
- It was noted that \$7810 worth of funding is extremely high for the Board and Cr Whyte proposed that the Board cover the costs for the TMP and the Harmonic Resonators which total \$5000. The Board are in agreement with this.

Resolved: (Mr McInally/Cr Whyte)

THAT the Huntly Community Board:

- a. approves an allocation of \$5,000.00 (incl. GST) from their Discretionary Funding account to:
 - i. Creative Huntly
 - ii. 2023 Christmas Parade Traffic Management Plan and Harmonic Resonators.

CARRIED

HCB2309/04

Huntly Works & Issues Report: Status of Items July 2023 Agenda Item 6.4

The report was received [HCB2309/02 refers] and the following discussion was held:

Hoarding at Garden Place

• No further discussion held.

ACTION: Item to remain on schedule.

Huntly Railway Station – Historic Station Building Relocation:

• No further discussion held.

ACTION: Item to remain on the schedule.

Tumate Mahuta Drive Park

• No further discussion held.

ACTION: Item to remain on the schedule.

Street Lights Service Requests

• Taupiri update provided by Mr McCutchan and Kiwirail have advised that the Taupiri works are programmed in for repair for late October 2023.

ACTION: Item to remain on the schedule.

Inground garden lights, Main Street, Huntly

- No further discussion held.
- **ACTION:** Item to remain on the schedule.

Planned Projects (Roading/Projects/Waters Teams)

• No further discussion held.

ACTION: Item to remain on schedule.

CCTV Cameras

• No further discussion held.

ACTION: Item to remain on schedule.

Jakeman Place – Huntly Street Name

• No further discussion held.

ACTION: Item to remain on schedule.

Community Safety

• No further discussion held.

ACTION: Item to remain on schedule.

Liquor Licence

• No further discussion held.

ACTION: Item to be removed from the schedule.

Social Procurement

• The Chairperson appreciated the conversation with Council staff at the last meeting.

ACTION: Workshop to be orgnanised before the next meeting with the Board. Item to remain on schedule.

Maaori Wardens Building

• No further discussion held.

ACTION: Item to be removed from the schedule.

Huntly West Stormwater Catchpits

• No further discussion held.

ACTION: Item to be removed from the schedule.

Safety Issue on Tane Mahuta Drive (Opposite Countdown Huntly Service Entrace)

• No further discussion held.

ACTION: Item to be removed from the schedule.

Levels of Service

• No further discussion held.

ACTION: Item to be removed from the schedule.

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Huntly Waste Transfer Station:

• No further discussion held.

ACTION: Item to be removed from the schedule.

<u>Traffic Barriers – Tumate Mahuta Drive:</u>

• Mr McInally advised that the reserve is looking like an absolute eye-sore with overgrown grass that needs to be mowed asap. Can this be done please and it was noted that a Service Request needs to be raised.

ACTION: Service Request to be raised. Item to remain on the schedule.

Street Flags:

• No further discussion held.

ACTION: Item to be removed the schedule.

Other/New Issues:

- The South end of Great South Road have trees that need to be felled as they are causing issues. A Service Request needs to be raised.
- A Blue Truck was seen dumping rocks and rubble at the end of Paki Street. This needs to be noted as Citycare mow the area and if they aren't aware this could cause massive damage to machinery. A Service Request needs to be raised.
- A new member of staff that looks after the Park & Reserves in Huntly was confirmed to the Board.
- Mr McCutchan advised that he was happy to assume responsibility of raising the service requests for the jobs noted.

<u>Chairpersons Report</u> Agenda Item 6.5

A verbal update was provided to the Board and the following discussion was held:

- At the beginning of September there was a new Superintendent appointed to Huntly Police and he has an interim in his place names Brendon. The Chairperson has had a meeting with Brendon to begin a working relationship with the Community and Police.
- A Community Safety Response survey has been put out to the Huntly Community on Social Media pages and a breakdown of the responses to date was provided to the Board.

- 105 responses have been received to date which roughly works out to be 4 people per household. Over half of the respondents to date are saying that are not willing to help with the solution which is a shame.
- The link to the survey is still open and the community will continue to be encouraged to respond and provide their feedback.
- The local Police have talked about the high rate of methamphedamine use along with high unemployment which shows low income rates in Raahui Pookeka. How do the Board integrate the safety conversations into the community and look at funding to also speak to this? A workshop could be organised with the Board to have these discussions.
- It was noted that there has been a fantastic response to date to the online survey and further points of note so far is the amount of public spaces in Huntly where community members feel unsafe and the amount of graffiti in Huntly West in particular.

<u>Councillors & Community Board Reports</u> Agenda Item 6.6

The written report from Cr Whyte was received [HCB2309/02 refers] and taken as read and no further discussion was held.

Ms Wawatai also confirmed that the Kimihia Home Annual General Meeting was held and she has been reinstated as the Huntly Community Board's representative on the Kimihia Home Board with the Boards endorsement.

There being no further business the meeting was declared closed at 7.05pm.

Minutes approved and confirmed this

day of

2023.

S Matenga CHAIRPERSON