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Committee meeting to be held on 28th June 2016**
HUTT CITY COUNCIL

EASTERN COMMUNITY COMMITTEE

Report of a meeting held in the Naenae Library, 27 Hillary Court, Naenae on
Thursday 14 April 2016 commencing at 6.40pm

PRESENT: Mr E Heslin (Chair) Cr B Branch (from 6.40pm)
Mr M Ellis (Deputy Chair) Mrs R Carpenter
Ms B Willing

APOLOGIES: Cr Bridson.

IN ATTENDANCE: Ms M Laban, Community Projects and Relationship Manager
Mr L Earl, Traffic Assets Manager (part meeting)
Ms C Harris, Community Library Manager - Naenae
Mrs A Doornebosch, Committee Advisor

PUBLIC BUSINESS

1. APOLOGIES

RESOLVED: **Minute No. ECC 16201**
"That the apology received from Cr Bridson be accepted and leave of absence be granted."

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

RESOLVED: **Minute No. ECC 16202**
"That Standing Order 38.2 be suspended to allow Ms Evelyn Richter and Mr Owen Roughton to speak under public comment on items not included on the order paper for the meeting."

Speaking under public comment, **Ms Evelyn Richter** noted she lived near the Treadwell Street Liquor Store which was now a large liquor outlet. She considered customers were causing traffic congestion, blocking driveways, leaving rubbish and stealing. She further considered that liquor outlets should not be near schools, churches or residential areas. She noted that she had no objection to the existence of the liquor shop, but said it should be located in a commercial area.

Members noted there was no lighting in this area and the liquor licence for this outlet was due for renewal where residents could lodge submissions.

Speaking under public comment, **Mr Owen Roughton** advised he was a Bush Street resident, and expressed concern at vehicles travelling at high speed in the street. He noted recent accidents and tabled a petition supported by 95% Bush Street residents. The Chair accepted the petition and asked officers to complete an assessment of the area.

3. PRESENTATIONS

a) Presentation by Representative from New Zealand Police

Constable Craig Cloutman noted the current focus for the Police within Naenae being the initiation of a second business support group. He said these groups provided support to the Police, highlighted current issues and kept a watch on business premises. He noted the Police focus on youth and youth offending, and the development of a Criminal Prevention through Environmental Design for Hillary Court and surrounding areas.

In response to questions from members, Constable Cloutman advised he would follow up vandalism issues at Epuni Primary School. He noted residents with concerns regarding crime or gang activity could also contact Crimestoppers, an independent charity assisting with crime prevention.

b) Presentation by Local Councillor from Greater Wellington Regional Council (GWRC)

Cr Lamason elaborated on the report.

In response to questions from members, Cr Lamason advised the toilets at Waterloo Station were no longer open in the mornings as they had been vandalised. She advised she would follow up with officers if they would be re-opened.

c) **Presentation by Greater Wellington Regional Council - Fish Access in Waiwhetu Stream**

Mr Alistair Allan, Senior Projects Engineer from Greater Wellington Regional Council (GWRC) advised he was part of the Investigations and Flood Protection Division who managed large construction projects within Hutt City. He noted Saint Ronan's Weir within Waiwhetu Stream had been damaged and was currently a barrier to fish passage. He said that Friends of Waiwhetu Stream had produced a report with options to remedy this, but the recommendations were too expensive to implement. GWRC had subsequently completed a Regional Fish Passage Review and discussed this with Council officers. He noted costing options were being worked through before making a submission to GWRC's Flood Management Subcommittee.

4. **CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATIONS**

Cr Branch declared a conflict of interest in relation to item 7 relating to the Community Engagement Fund application from the Menz Shed and took no part in discussions or voting on this matter.

5. **MINUTES**

RESOLVED:

Minute No. ECC 16203

"That the minutes of the meeting of the Eastern Community Committee held on Tuesday, 9 February 2016, be confirmed as a true and correct record."

6. **REPORTS REFERRED FOR COMMITTEE INPUT BEFORE BEING CONSIDERED BY STANDING COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL**

a) **Proposed School Zones 40km/h Variable Speed Limits** (16/357)

Report No. ECC2016/2/53 by the Traffic Engineer

The Traffic Assets Manager elaborated on the report.

In response to questions from members, the Traffic Assets Manager noted it was important to include the roundabout situated on the Naenae Road/Rata Street intersection within the variable speed zone for Rata Street School, to slow vehicles entering the roundabout. He noted variable speed zones for other schools in the area were part of an overall city programme.

Members noted schools could submit a report to the Police on speeding drivers within these school zones along with vehicle registration details.

RESOLVED:

Minute No. ECC 16204

"That the recommendations contained in the report, that relate to Rata Street Primary School, be endorsed."

b) **Vincent Street - Proposed No Stopping At All Times Restrictions** (16/358)

Report No. ECC2016/2/55 by the Traffic Engineer

Speaking under public comment, **Mr Bryan Howat** said he was a resident of Vincent Street and had received the letter from Council with the options to improve safety and accessibility in Vincent Street. He considered commuters were using the area for parking and asked that officers consider other options such as two hour parking, which would allow residents to use the parking spaces outside of the business week.

The Traffic Assets Manager elaborated on the report. He noted the narrowness of the street and advised if the parking was not removed, safety and accessibility issues would remain.

RESOLVED:

Minute No. ECC 16205

"That the recommendations contained in the report be endorsed."

7. **COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT FUND 2015-2016** (16/333)

Memorandum dated 31 March 2016 by the Community Advisor Funding and Community Contracts

Cr Branch declared a conflict of interest in relation to item 7 relating to the Community Engagement Fund application from the Menz Shed and took no part in discussions or voting on this matter.

The Community Advisor Funding and Community Contracts elaborated on the report.

Members discussed declining the application from Naenae Youth Charitable Trust. Members highlighted that they would be open to receiving a second application from the Trust this financial year if the Trust wished to make an application for an initiative which would benefit the wider community.

RESOLVED:

Minute No. ECC 16206

"That the Committee:

- (i) notes that the Community Engagement Fund Round Two closed on 15 March 2016;*
- (ii) notes that the Committee has \$6,273.00 available to be allocated;*
- (iii) notes that three funding applications were received requesting \$5,130.00; and*
- (iv) agrees that the applications will be considered according to the merits of the application criteria and priorities of the fund."*

RESOLVED:

Minute No. ECC 16207

"That the Committee declines the application from Naenae Youth Charitable Trust for funding from the Community Engagement Fund, for the sum of \$3,450 for hireage of equipment and the purchase of food for a Mother's and Father's Day Event."

RESOLVED:

Minute No. ECC 16208

"That the Committee approves the application from the Naenae Menz Shed for funding from the Community Engagement Fund for the sum of \$680 to purchase a robust saw and construction blades."

RESOLVED:

Minute No. ECC 16209

"That the Committee approves the application from the Hutt Safe City Charitable Trust for funding from the Community Engagement Fund for the sum of \$1,000 to contribute to venue costs associated with X-Roads being held at the Walter Nash Stadium on 2-5 May 2016."

8. EASTERN COMMUNITY COMMITTEE'S SUBMISSION ON COUNCIL'S ANNUAL PLAN 2016/17 (16/370)

Report No. ECC2016/2/56 by the Deputy Chair

Mr Ellis elaborated on the report.

Members agreed to lodge a submission to the District Licencing application renewal for Treadwell Liquor, on Treadwell Street, Naenae.

RESOLVED:

Minute No. ECC 16210

"That the Committee:

- (i) asks officers to consider completing more development on the infants playground in Hillary Court, Naenae;*
- (ii) asks that a barrier be placed along the roadside adjacent to the infants playground in Hillary Court, Naenae; and*
- (iii) agrees to add these requests to the Committee's submission to Council's Annual Plan for 2016/17."*

RESOLVED:

Minute No. ECC 16211

"That the Committee:

- (i) approves the Committee's submission to Council's Annual Plan for 2016-2017, subject to the agreed amendments in Minute No. ECC 16210; and*
- (ii) endorses the Committee's submission to Greater Wellington Regional Council's Annual Plan for 2016-2017."*

RESOLVED:

Minute No. ECC 16212

"That the Committee agrees to complete a submission to the liquor licencing renewal of the Treadwell Street liquor store."

9. **COMMITTEE ADVISOR'S REPORT** (16/269)

Report No. ECC2016/2/28 by the Committee Advisor

The Committee Advisor elaborated on the report.

RESOLVED:

Minute No. ECC 16213

"That the Committee:

- (i) *notes the report; and*
- (ii) *retrospectively approves the purchase of catering for the Community Committee's meeting held on 9 February 2016, at a cost of \$19.31."*

10. **CHAIR'S REPORT - APRIL 2016** (16/270)

Report No. ECC2016/2/57 by the Chair

The Chair elaborated on the report.

RESOLVED:

Minute No. ECC 16214

"That the report be noted and received."

11. **INFORMATION ITEMS**

a) **Transport** (16/271)

To be reported at a later date.

b) **Recreation** (16/272)

Mr Ellis advised Te Whiti riser track was now completed and open to the public for use.

c) **Environment** (16/273)

To be provided at a later date.

d) **Infrastructure and Services** (16/274)

The Chair noted the ongoing support from Council officers.

e) **Youth** (16/275)

Mrs Carpenter advised the Petone Rotary Club fund youth projects annually and had suggested providing support to clubhouse attendees. Representatives were to meet with the new Coordinator to discuss further.

f) **Older People** (16/276)

Cr Branch noted the ongoing initiatives by the Hutt Valley Senior Citizens including a recent bus trip and housie. She advised the Mayor and Deputy Mayor were to provide a presentation to Grey Power on major projects within Hutt City. She said politicians would be providing further presentations later in 2016 leading up to the local body elections.

g) **Keep Hutt City Beautiful** (16/277)

Ms Willing noted the Keep Hutt City Beautiful 25th Year Anniversary Competition was discussed at the last Committee Meeting. She advised the suggestion to install art boards at Naenae Park was not ideal as it would require ongoing maintenance and did not demonstrate sustainability.

Members agreed to pursue the development of a mural project within Naenae, to be completed by students from Naenae Intermediate and Naenae College.

12. **REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES ON LOCAL ORGANISATIONS**

a) **Naenae Menz Shed** (16/278)

Cr Branch highlighted the Menz Shed continued to provide support to both youth and people with disabilities within the community.

b) **Team Naenae** (16/279)

To be reported at a later date.

c) **Epuni Care and Protection Unit** (16/280)

Ms Willing advised there was no report available from the Epuni Care and Protection Unit. The Committee Advisor undertook to follow this up with officers.

d) **Community Patrols Governance** (16/281)

The Chair advised the Patrol was going well, and they were always looking for new members.

e) **Friends of Waiwhetu Stream** (16/282)

Mr Ellis advised the Friends of Waiwhetu Stream was conducting its usual programme of planting and removal of litter from near the stream. He noted that members would shortly deliver flyers to residents offering flexi nets for their recycling bins.

f) **Neighbourhood Policing Team** (16/283)

To be reported at a later date.

13. **QUESTIONS**

There were no questions.

There being no further business the Chair declared the meeting closed at 8.37 pm.

Mr E Heslin
CHAIR

CONFIRMED as a true and correct record
Dated this 28th day of June 2016