

**Please note: These minutes are subject to confirmation at the next Community Board meeting to be held on 17<sup>th</sup> August 2016**  
**HUTT CITY COUNCIL**

**WAINUIOMATA COMMUNITY BOARD**

Minutes of a meeting held in the Wainuiomata Community Library,  
 Queen Street, Wainuiomata on  
**Wednesday 22 June 2016 commencing at 7.00pm**

**PRESENT:**

Cr C Barry	Mr J Briggs (Deputy Chair)
Mr K Dickson	Ms H Robb
Mr R Sinnott (Chair)	Mr T Stallworth
Cr M Willard	Ms R Workman

**APOLOGIES:** There were no apologies.

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Mr B Sherlock, General Manager, City Infrastructure  
 Mr J Ballantyne, City Safe Manager  
 Mr L Earl, Traffic Assets Manager (part meeting)  
 Mr Z Moodie, Traffic Engineer (part meeting)  
 Mrs A Doornebosch, Committee Advisor

**PUBLIC BUSINESS**

**1. APOLOGIES**

There were no apologies.

**2. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Comments are recorded under the item to which they relate.

**RESOLVED:**

**Minute No. WCB 16301**

*"That Standing Order 38.2 be suspended to allow Mr Bill Voisey to speak under public comment on an item not included on the order paper for the meeting."*

Speaking under public comment, **Mr Bill Voisey** noted he spoke at a Board meeting held in 2015. He wanted to highlight issues faced in the Catchpool Stream and Bridge. He noted damage to the Rimutaka Forest Park which had created a lack of surface water reaching Wainuiomata River. He noted many large stones had moved down into the Wainuiomata River, causing two flooding events. He said Catchpool River was one of the main trout breeding rivers, but young trout were getting trapped in pools, so trout spawning in the Wainuiomata River was being lost. He said the Catchpool Stream Bridge was cleared 2 years ago, but debris had built up again.

In response to questions from members, Mr Voisey said he would like support from the Board to highlight to Greater Wellington Regional Council their obligations to protect rivers and streams. He said the Ombudsman had advised she had no jurisdiction over this matter.

Members noted the ongoing lack of presence from representatives of Greater Wellington Regional Council to Board meetings.

**RESOLVED:**

**Minute No. WCB 16302**

*"That the Board extend their condolences on the recent passing of Cr Gary McPhee, and acknowledges Mr McPhee's loss to Greater Wellington Regional Council and Mr McPhee's family and friends."*

**3. PRESENTATIONS**

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

There was no presentation from Greater Wellington Regional Council.

b) **Presentation on TBfree Possum Control Operation - Southern Rimutaka**

Speaking under public comment, **Mr Max Shierlaw representing Woolyarns New Zealand** provided a presentation. He noted Woolyarns used possum fur for the production of garments. He considered there was an opportunity for the trapping of possums for this purpose, rather than poisoning.

In response to questions from members, Mr Shierlaw asked the Board to support a resolution to Greater Wellington Regional Council to recommend trapping of possums rather than poisoning. He noted access to areas was restricted after poisoning, and the possum carcasses were by then unusable. He considered trapping was just as effective as poisoning. He said Woolyarns New Zealand engaged Basically Bush to trap possums, who in turn sold fur to Woolyarns for manufacturing. He highlighted the tourist market was buoyant and supplies of yarn to garments sales reached record highs over the past year.

Speaking under public comment, **Ms Clare Jackson** noted she was a landowner and against the use of 1080 poison on land. She presented a number of documents to the Board.

Speaking under public comment, **Ms Pauline Inness** asked the following questions in relation to the proposed TB Free Possum Control Operation in Southern Rimutaka:

- Would blood be added to pellets – if so, what measures would be taken to provide a dog repellent?
- Would a veterinarian be on call to check on dogs killed?
- Ms Jan Wright Commissioner for the Environment included in her 2013 report that the best method of 1080 poisoning was in remote areas only. Do you consider Rimutaka to be remote?
- Would you consider households should set traps as in other areas?

Speaking under public comment, **Ms Susan Middleton** asked the following questions in relation to the proposed TB Free Possum Control Operation in Southern Rimutaka:

- How accurate was TB testing in cattle? Research showed results as 50 /50. Why wasn't money being spent on better testing?
- Were dead possums being picked up after death as TB remains in them?
- How were native species protected from 1080 by-kill?
- Why was deep bush being poisoned with 1080 for TB when possums in deep bush didn't have TB?
- On windy days – how would 1080 dust be controlled?

Speaking under public comment, **Mr Tony Barrell** asked the following questions in relation to the proposed TB Free Possum Control Operation in Southern Rimutaka:

- Why not use the same system for TB eradication as Australia, who were now deemed TB free?
- Who would manage dead carcasses out of streams and rivers?
- Who would manage carcasses swept down rivers in floods – deer, birds, possums, seagulls killed by 1080.

- Who would be responsible for 1080 dust?
- Why do government departments think they are above laws?
- Why slaughter venison by 1080 poison when hunters could be recovering this for food?
- Why poison possums – bovine TB comes from farmed cows, you will not find it in deep bush.
- Why aren't appropriate trapping programmes in place around farm areas?
- How much do OSPRI get paid?
- Why put all at risk with poison with no antidote?

The Committee Advisor undertook to forward these questions to the representatives of Greater Wellington Regional Council and OSPRI New Zealand Limited.

Speaking under public comment, **Mr Antony Walsh** noted he had conducted 20 years research on possum control. He said he had focussed this research on bovine TB and highlighted an example where 400 carcasses were taken from the bush and 1900 from farms in the Eastbourne area, and that no TB was found in the possums from the bush. He said he had developed a tracking method to rid farms of TB, and a copy of his thesis was available if required.

In response to a question from a member, Mr Walsh said he would recommend foot patrols for the control of TB in the Orongorongo/Rimutaka areas.

Mr Alan Innes, the North Island Programme Manager for OSPRI noted OSPRI owned the NAIT and TB Free Programmes. He highlighted the main objectives of the National Management Plan was to eradicate bovine TB from domestic animal herds by 2026, from wildlife by 2040 and the eradication of the organism by 2055.

Mr Graeme Butcher, Team Leader, BioWorks, Greater Wellington Regional Council noted they had been contracted to assess the Southern Rimutaka area for best methods of TB eradication. He said once this assessment was complete TB Free would make the decision on future options. He noted proposed methods included aerial 1080 drops and ground control methods including bait stations and traps. He said operational boundaries were being considered in consultation with land owners. He highlighted some areas were unsuitable for aerial poison such as high use areas, pastureland and areas of water. He noted resource consent and permission from Regional Public Health would be required for any operation, and an extensive public notification process undertaken. He advised health and safety risk management plans would be put in place and public signs erected. Any poisoned areas would then be monitored until safe to re-enter.

In response to questions from members, Mr Innes noted OSPRI wanted to inform the community about the proposal. He said if the community opposed the use of 1080, OSPRI would need to work through with scientific experts to identify the best way to eradicate TB infection within the Rimutaka area.

In response to questions from members, Mr Butcher considered a bounty scheme would not be sustainable in the long term. He noted an application to Regional Public Health would address any concerns regarding the safety of the community, domestic and native animals. He said a large portion of the Rimutaka area had been recommended for ground control methods. He said the only form of approved aerial toxin in New Zealand was 1080. He noted most landowners supported possum control, but not all poisoning methods. He advised that once TB Free released any proposed documentation to the public, the consultation process would begin and this would provide the final decision on boundaries.

c) **Presentation by the Wainuiomata Development Plan Steering Group**

Ms Esther Venning from the Wainuiomata Development Plan Steering Group highlighted current initiatives the Group was pursuing in Wainuiomata. She noted the new Welcome to Wainuiomata sign would be installed in the near future. She said the Group wanted to highlight that Wainuiomata was a great place to live and to welcome visitors. She encouraged all members of the community to become involved in the Makeover initiative from 25 September to 1 October 2016. She noted a community information evening for the Makeover would be held on 16 August 2016.

Mr Briggs noted he had been appointed to the Steering Group on behalf of the Board. He highlighted the Group had now become an incorporated society, so he had notified them he could no longer represent the Board, but would still provide support to projects.

4. **CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATIONS**

Mr Dickson declared a conflict of interest in relation to item 7 Proposed New Street Names for the Subdivision of 204 Wise Street, Wainuiomata for the naming of Craigie Way and took no part in discussion or voting on this matter.

5. **MINUTES**

**RESOLVED:**

**Minute No. WCB 16303**

*"That the minutes of the meeting of the Wainuiomata Community Board held on Wednesday, 13 April 2016, be confirmed as a true and correct record, subject to an amendment on page 2 under public comment by Mr Dave Braniff ...for school children attending Wise Street Schools and on page 4 under item 7 b) Proposed School Zones 40km/h Variable Speed Limits .....of any complaints from Wainuomata Primary School..."*

6. **PROPOSED NEW STREET NAMES: PARKWAY SUBDIVISION 85-201 PARKWAY WAINUIOMATA** (16/657)

Report No. WCB2016/3/120 by the Traffic Engineer

The Traffic Assets Manager elaborated on the report.

In response to questions from members, the Traffic Assets Manager advised advertisements would be placed in the Wainuiomata News and the Council website for future street name proposals in Wainuiomata. He noted there had been no response from the Wainuiomata Marae or Tenths Trust.

Members agreed that meaningful feedback had been received as a result of the consultation process.

Cr Willard noted Apperley Way was appropriate as a surname only as it represented two Apperley brothers.

**RESOLVED:**

**Minute No. WCB 16304**

*"That the Board approves Brian Morgan Terrace as a new Public Street name for new (Road 1) attached as Appendix 1 to the report."*

**RESOLVED:**

**Minute No. WCB 16305**

*"That the Board approves Barry Groucott Grove as a new Public Street name for new (Road 2) attached as Appendix 1 to the report."*

**RESOLVED:**

**Minute No. WCB 16306**

*"That the Board approves Hillview Rise as a new Private Street name for new (Road 3) attached as Appendix 1 to the report."*

**RESOLVED:**

**Minute No. WCB 16307**

*"That the Board approves Apperley Way as a new Private Street name for new (Road 4) attached as Appendix 1 to the report."*

**RESOLVED:**

**Minute No. WCB 16308**

*"That the Board notes if any of the agreed street names for the Parkway Subdivision 85-201 Parkway, Wainuiomata require amendment due to Land Information New Zealand requirements, the Board will call an additional meeting to decide new names."*

**RESOLVED:**

**Minute No. WCB 16309**

*"That the Board recommends that the second phase development of the Parkway Subdivision, Wainuiomata include Grovedale for the main public road, with the appropriate road type to be determined."*

**RESOLVED:**

**Minute No. WCB 16310**

*"That the Board recommends future new street names for subdivision developments in Wainuiomata be advertised on the Hutt City Council website and the Wainuiomata News."*

7. **PROPOSED NEW STREET NAMES: SUBDIVISION OF 204 WISE STREET, WAINUIOMATA** (16/677)

Report No. WCB2016/3/121 by the Traffic Engineer

**RESOLVED:**

**Minute No. WCB 16311**

*"That the Board approves Jack Vaughan Grove as a new Street name for the new Public Road (1) attached as Appendix 1 to the report."*

**RESOLVED:**

**Minute No. WCB 16312**

*"That the Board approves Craigie Way as a new Street name for the new Private Road ( 2) attached as Appendix 1 to the report."*

Mr Dickson declared a conflict of interest and took no part in discussion or voting on the above matter.

Ms Workman requested that her dissenting vote be recorded on the above matter.

**RESOLVED:**

**Minute No. WCB 16313**

*"That the Board notes if any of the agreed street names for the Subdivision of 204 Wise Street, Wainuiomata require amendment due to Land Information New Zealand requirements, the Board will call an additional meeting to decide new names."*

8. **WAINUOMATA COMMUNITY BOARD'S SUBMISSION TO COUNCIL'S ANNUAL PLAN 2016/2017** (16/541)

Report No. WCB2016/3/97 by the Committee Advisor

Speaking under public comment **Mr Mike Grigg** considered the Board needed a better way to collect information. He noted recent flooding issues and considered the Board should have a strategy in place on how to deal with these issues in future, including planning and consultation with the community.

In response to a question from a member, Mr Grigg said it was difficult to contact officers during the Annual Plan consultation period.

The General Manager City Infrastructure noted Wellington Water Limited had completed some improvements to the Black Creek area, so the level of flood protection was now very high. He noted other areas in Wainuiomata still needed further development.

**RESOLVED:**

**Minute No. WCB 16314**

*"That the Board retrospectively approves the Board's submission to Council's Annual Plan 2016-2017 attached as Appendix 1 to the report."*

9. COMMITTEE ADVISOR'S REPORT (16/538)

Report No. WCB2016/3/40 by the Committee Advisor

The City Safety Manager noted the Pollard Street Walkway in Wainuiomata had a good aspect compared to other walkways in the city. He highlighted that closure of the Walkway may displace unwanted activity to another area, and not solve the issues.

In response to questions from members, the City Safety Manager noted that officers did not consider a review of activity in the Walkway was required past late evening. He said the clear fencing for neighbouring properties was to create a line of sight for security.

Mr Briggs noted the Board's resolutions to support the residents in the production of the Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design Assessment (CPTED) report and also instigate a process for the closure of the alleyway. He questioned if anything had progressed on the closure process.

The General Manager City Infrastructure noted it would be appropriate to consider the findings of the CPTED report and then consider any closure of the Walkway.

Members agreed to support the Walkway closure process and monitor changes in behaviour from the CPTED Assessment Report, acknowledging there was only one Board meeting left in the triennium.

RESOLVED:

**Minute No. WCB 16315**

*"That the Board notes the report."*

RESOLVED:

**Minute No. WCB 16316**

*"That the Board continues to work with officers and residents regarding the Pollard Street Walkway, keeping communication lines open."*

RESOLVED:

**Minute No. WCB 16317**

*"That the Board:*

- (i) affirms the decision to pursue the road closure process for Pollard Street Walkway;*
- (ii) agrees to work with residents and officers during the course of this proposed road closure process;*
- (iii) monitors changes in behaviour in users of the Pollard Street Walkway as a result of improvements from the Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design Assessment Report during the course of this proposed road closure process; and*
- (iv) gathers feedback from residents and the community, including that gained through the road closure process, to enable the Board to make a recommendation to Council in regard to the retention or closure of Pollard Street Walkway."*

10. **CHAIR'S REPORT - JUNE 2016** (16/539)

Report No. WCB2016/3/98 by the Chair

**RESOLVED:**

**Minute No. WCB 16318**

*"That the report be noted and received."*

11. **QUESTIONS**

There being no further business the Chair declared the meeting closed at 10.00 pm.

Mr R Sinnott  
**CHAIR**

**CONFIRMED as a true and correct record**  
**Dated this 17th day of August 2016**