

**MINUTES FOR THE MEETING OF THE OXFORD-OHOKA COMMUNITY BOARD HELD AT THE OHOKA COMMUNITY HALL, MILL ROAD, OHOKA ON WEDNESDAY 7 AUGUST 2024 AT 7PM.**

**PRESENT**

T Robson (Deputy Chairperson), M Brown, T Fulton (arrived 7:15pm), R Harpur, N Mealings, P Merrifield and M Wilson.

**IN ATTENDANCE**

G Cleary (General Manager Utilities and Roading), J McBride (Roading and Transport Manager), K Rabe (Governance Advisor) and C Fowler-Jenkins (Governance Support Officer).

There were 13 members of the public present.

**1. APOLOGIES**

Moved: P Merrifield                      Seconded: M Brown

**THAT** an apology for absence be received and sustained from S Barkle, and for late arrival from T Fulton who arrived at 7.15pm.

**CARRIED**

**2. PUBLIC FORUM**

**2.1. AJ Lowe**

A Lowe thanked the Board, especially S Barkle, who had presented at the Proposed District Plan Stream 12D Hearing in opposition to Plan Change 31. Residents were very grateful for the work that the Chair and Deputy Chair had done. She noted that the Ohoka Residents Association did not feel very positive in regards the Stream 12D Hearing. There were 650 people opposed in the Plan Change 31 however only two entities had spoken against the changes proposed in the District Plan in Stream 12D. She commented that there was a lot of stress in the community, who were unsure to the status of this matter and did not know where to access information.

T Robson thanked A Lowe for speaking to the Board. The Board appreciated that there was still a lot of interest from the community, and it was stressful. He noted that the Board were trying to do as much as they could to support the community.

**2.2. Barbara and Brian**

Barbara noted that the Council had submitted on the Government's Fast Track Policy. She understood that the Council had accepted this policy with a few amendments. She asked how this would affect the Rolleston Development subdivision. T Robson did not think it would be affected at this stage.

G Cleary did not believe it would affect the current process, which was already so far advanced, however it was currently in the hands of the Government.

Barbara asked who in the Council would be representing Ohoka when Plan Change 31 was being considered in the Environment Court. N Mealings noted that the Board had joined the proceedings. The Council had declined the resource consent for Plan Change 31 and this now meant that the Council were respondents in the court case. Council staff would be defending the decision to decline the Plan Change, with the Board's support.

### 2.3. **Keith Gilby**

K Gilby spoke to the Board noting he was the president of the Oxford Football Club and had presented at the National Sports Awards where the Oxford Football Club were finalists for community impact. The Club faced some unique challenges in the community as it was a small family club that operated out of a container at Pearson Park. The Club was the only football club in New Zealand to offer free kids' football. The main barrier was affordability. The Club had low membership numbers compared to the bigger clubs as there was a limited pool of children that could call upon. There were limited sponsorship opportunities which made it particularly challenging to fund basic operational maintenance of a sports club. There was a 'one size fits all' participation model which was something the Club had challenged with Mainland Football and New Zealand Football. Another issue the Club had was accessibility. Whilst the youngest children got to play in the amazing environment in Oxford, the older children, once they reached nine, had to commit to travelling to Christchurch. The Club had wanted to take a programme to the local junior schools and had started with three schools which had generally been a play session to encourage ball skills and getting kids used to playing with each other. Less than 5% of students asked were part of any type of sports club, the national average was 87%. The Club was looking for funding to include twelve schools in the programme.

The Chairperson thanked Mr Gilby for his presentation.

### 3. **CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

Item 7.2 – T Robson declared a conflict of interest as he was the Chairperson of the Oxford Community Trust.

### 4. **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

#### 4.1. **Minutes of the Oxford-Ohoka Community Board meeting – 3 July 2024**

Moved: M Brown                      Seconded: M Wilson

**THAT** the Oxford-Ohoka Community Board:

- (a) **Confirms** the circulated Minutes of the Oxford-Ohoka Community Board meeting, held on 3 July 2024, as a true and accurate record.

**CARRIED**

#### 4.2. **Matters Arising (From Minutes)**

There were no matters arising.

### 5. **DEPUTATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS**

#### 5.1. **Seasonal Temporary Paper Road Closures for Nesting Bird Protection – L Ellis (Operations Manager, North Canterbury District, DOC), S Young (Senior Ranger Biodiversity, DOC), and G Davies (Ashley Rakahuri Rivercare Group)**

S Young noted that braided rivers were a special ecosystem and were globally rare. Canterbury had 64% of New Zealand's braided river ecosystems. Due to extensive land development, braided rivers were now almost the last stronghold of native biodiversity on the Canterbury Plains. Braided rivers were a very dynamic habitat and were home to a wide range of species. A lot of which were specially evolved to cope with the harsh habitat of the braided river system. There were around 85 species of birds that lived on the braided rivers, many of which were endemic, of which many were threatened. Their natural

predators had been primarily airborne, so they had evolved to camouflage to their surroundings and laid their nests in the open shingle.

G Davies noted that the Ashley was the least damaged of the Canterbury Plains rivers which made it quite important. The bigger rivers received flooding from Norwest rains however the Ashley did not. The Waimakariri River had entire nesting seasons where all the birds had been washed out due to repeated flooding. Due to this the birds had migrated to the Ashley River as their principal nesting area. The Ashley Rakahuri Rivercare Group conducted bird studies in the upper part of the Ashley River which had become an important habitat. The nesting season was from 1 September through to 31 January.

L Ellis noted since 2021 they had seen a massive increase in the number of vehicles on the Ashley River. In part that stemmed from a radio station promotion of 'crate day' which occurred in December. An unofficial organised group had introduced a river run which occurred on the Ashley River from the Okuku confluence up to the Ashley Gorge. This had a real impact on the biodiversity of the threatened birds that lived on the riverbed. Not just from vehicles running over the nests but from the stones getting flicked up from vehicles driving by. Once the nests were disturbed then often the parents would abandon the nest. From a vehicle it was impossible to see the native birds because of their camouflage. In 2023 DOC had worked with the Ashley Rakahuri Rivercare Group, New Zealand Police and the Council to close some access points to the river. It was difficult to prosecute those that flouted the bylaws and therefore the decision had been made to request that the Council to close the legal road from the Okuku confluence to the Ashley Gorge from September till the end of January each year. If violated this would then be dealt with by the Police as any roading/traffic violation would.

T Fulton asked what their experience when blocking off other access points in the past. Over the years there had been a lot less vehicles out in the river, they used to see the concrete blocks being pulled away, but there was very little of that in 2023. It was a combination of physically blocking the river, education, publicity, and signs that was a major success in that part of the river.

P Merrifield asked if the radio station was still involved. S Young noted that the radio station had been approached to downplay their involvement with crate day, however this was a well ingrained event now.

N Mealings asked if the road was closed, what enforcement options did the Council have for those that flouted the closure. G Cleary explained that the Council would use a temporary traffic management plan for the closure, which would be legally enforceable by the Police.

T Robson asked if there was sufficient funding to install the concrete blocks at all the access points to the river. S Young noted that they had identified 20 main sites and would progressively close more each year. DOC had funding to block off the key access points.

T Robson noted that there were a number of people that were 4wd enthusiasts who did respect the rules. He believed that if it got to a point where everything was closed down it would have a reverse effect of encouraging bad behaviour. He commented that DOC needed to be mindful that every area they closed had the ability of causing those who would normally behave in a responsible and respectful manner to change their views.

N Mealings asked if there were other rivers, for instance the Eyre River, which were safer and less disruptive to the bird life for 4wd enthusiasts. S Young noted that it was a tricky question to answer given that there a few nesting sites on the Eyre River as well.

## 5.2. **Councillor Claire McKay – Environment Canterbury**

Councillor McKay noted that Environment Canterbury (ECan) went out with the preferred option in their Long Term Plan with an average rate rise of 24.2%. They had received 1,300 submissions with 153 people wishing to speak to their submissions. Following deliberations, ECan had finished with an average rate rise of 17.9%. The options that went out in the consultation document were all accepted. Including the two special consultation ECan had gone out with. The one million dollars for biodiversity concentrated in the

Christchurch City boundaries, which would be available for local community work. ECan was looking for support from the Selwyn and Waimakariri District Councils to collect a set fee from ratepayers across the area for increased flood resilience. The community were concerned around the impact of a 24.2% rate rise. ECan staff managed to find some significant reductions of rates in year one, however there were some additions. One was a motion to put another \$200,000 into maintenance of its regional parks. The other was an extra \$65,000 into the Rural Trust Advocacy Group which was associated with Civil Defence Emergency Management concentrating on rural areas. The biggest changes were in public transport which ECan had delayed due to uncertainties with funding from the New Zealand Transport Agency.

Councillor McKay noted, the Board had commented that the format of the consultation document was lacking in detail., ECan had changed its core service function and the document had focused on these core functions. To do that staff had consolidated everything into three sections within the document and agreed that it had been hard to read. The Board had also indicated that they believed that the freshwater, groundwater, and surface water had taken a back seat. She assured the Board that this was not the case. Expenditure in that area totalled 134 million. Looking at authorisations, consents, compliance, the regulatory framework, and data information ECan was looking at spending 100 million dollars. There was huge investment going into that area. Currently the gravel strategy was in development which was taking a while to get agreement. The Board had also indicated it would like assurance regarding river maintenance. Councillor McKay commented that the ECan river engineers did exemplary work and were well sought after for advice and assistance by other local authorities.

T Fulton asked if Councillor McKay had any comments of the Draft Regional Policy Statement which was open for submissions. Councillor McKay noted that entities that had been involved previously such as Councillors would have had an opportunity to provide feedback, however this had not gone out to the general public at this stage.

N Mealings asked if there was still talk about putting together an Ahsley rating district. Councillor McKay understood from feedback that the Waimakariri District Council requested that this be put on hold until it had further discussions, therefore this matter was still on the table.

N Mealings noted that ECan were doing some minor stopbank renewals. She asked if they were planning to do any more. Councillor McKay noted that option two, the preferred option, was still planned.

N Mealings asked about the one million dollar biodiversity fund and if it would be contestable. Councillor McKay noted that she was unsure how people would apply for the fund yet.

## 6. **ADJOURNED BUSINESS**

A memo (Trim ref: 240805128710) had been separately circulated in relation to the funding request from Ohoka School Aims Games Basketball Team which was left to lie on the table at the Board's July meeting until further information had been provided in regards to whom the grant would be paid.

This information had been provided by the Coach and was included in the memo for the Board's consideration.

Moved: P Merrifield

Seconded: M Wilson

**THAT** the Oxford-Ohoka Community Board:

- (a) **Approves** a grant of \$300 to the Ohoka School Aims Games Basketball team towards travel and accommodation costs while attending the Aims Games in Tauranga in September 2024.

P Merrifield commented that the Board needed clarity on what the money would be spent on and that the funds were not absorbed by the School's everyday expenses. K Rabe replied that the Team would be required to fill in an Accountability Form stating what the funds had been used for with supporting documentation.

N Mealings commented that the Team had asked for more money, however believed that \$300 was in keeping i the number of students benefitting and with other applications received by the Board.

## 7. REPORTS

### 7.1. Proposed Roothing Capital Works Programme for 2024/25 and Indicative Three-Year Programme – J McBride (Roothing and Transport Manager) and K Straw (Civil Projects Team Leader)

J McBride spoke to the report which sought the endorsement of the Roothing Capital Works Programme for 2024/25 and indicative three years 2025-28. The minor safety programme was developed largely from known deficiencies, roadside hazards, safety issues and gaps in the network. The bus shelter programme was largely agreed through the Public Transport Futures business case; however, the Roothing Capital Works Programme did not include large projects which had separate budget allocations through the Long Term Plan.

T Fulton noted that planned work in rural areas, attracted quite a lot of industrial traffic. He asked if Council staff considered this especially turning areas. J McBride noted that a balance was required. Staff had tracking kerbs and minimum radius sizes which were always applied to the design process especially for rural intersections. Unfortunately, sometimes mistakes did occur and there was occasionally damage caused by large vehicles.

N Mealings noted in the wider improvement projects, it stated that there were other lighting projects to be confirmed for Oxford. She asked if Council staff knew what those would be yet. J McBride explained that it was for work that had not yet been identified and could be ward wide. Some projects may look to address the identified gaps after the swap to LED bulbs in Oxford.

N Mealings noted under, high risk intersection treatments, Mill and Ashworths Roads and asked what was proposed for that intersection. J McBride replied that when Council staff were prioritising intersections, they looked at a number of factors including the crash history at the intersections which were flagged as the highest risk. Staff then considered lines and signs and upsizing the signs to improve the lead in lines.

P Merrifield sought clarification on the Oxford speed thresholds. J McBride noted it was a future project to try and reinforce the speed at the entry into towns. In the likes of Woodend and Waikuku they had the bigger threshold signs installed and there was the opportunity upgrade those thresholds in other towns.

Moved: T Fulton                      Seconded: P Merrifield

**THAT** the Oxford-Ohoka Community Board:

- (a) **Receives** Report No. 240419062980.
- (b) **Endorses** the attached 2024/25 DRAFT Proposed Roothing Capital Works Programme (Trim No. 240624102120)
- (c) **Endorses** the indicative Roothing Capital Works Programme for the 2025/26, 2026/27 and 2027/28 years.
- (d) **Notes** that the outcome of the National Land Transport Programme (NLTP) will not be known until September 2024, and as such it will not be known as to whether co-funding is available until that time.
- (e) **Notes** that feedback from this report, and reports to the other Community Boards,

will be taken by staff and will be incorporated into the final report which is proposed to be taken to the Utilities and Roading Committee in August 2024 for approval.

**CARRIED**

7.2. **Application to the Oxford-Ohoka Community Boards 2024/25 Discretionary Grant Fund - K Rabe (Governance Advisor)**

K Rabe spoke to the report noting that the Club was requesting funding for paint for marking out their pitches which included Pearson Park and Cust Domain. However, the decision on Cust Domain weather Cust Domain would hold permanent football pitches was yet to be made. She had spoken with K Howat, Parks and Facilities Team Leader in connection with the Cust Domain report and was informed that this would be presented to the Board at its October meeting.

P Merrifield noted that the Club had requested \$1,000 however if the application was unsuccessful the event would not go ahead. He believed that they would be able to find some extra money.

M Brown was confused as the report said the marking would be essential for rural football in the Schools' Development Programme and the ethnic tournament to be held in October 2024. He queried whether the tournament would be held just at Pearson Park. K Rabe noted that K Howat had said that the Club were well aware that the decision on Cust Domain would not be made until October.

Moved: M Wilson                      Seconded: P Merrifield

**THAT** the Oxford-Ohoka Community Board:

- (a) **Receives** report No. 240702106994.
- (b) **Resolves** that the application from the Oxford Football Club to purchase field marking paint to maintain the Junior and Senior pitches at Pearson Park and Cust Domain lie on the table until either after the decision on Cust domain has been made or a new application is presented for the marking for Pearson Park.

**CARRIED**

T Fulton commented that the Club had chosen to go zero fees and that had implications on maintenance as well as the Oxford sporting community.

*T Robson left the table while the application for the Oxford Community Trust was considered.*

*N Mealings assumed the Chair.*

K Rabe noted that the Oxford Community Trust were hosting a Big Day Out. The Trust had hosted a similar event in 2022 which had been very well received. The Trust had applied for funding from all Community Boards which would go towards catering costs.

T Fulton noted that the Trust had applied to other Community Boards, who tended to take consider the benefit to their areas when allocating funding. He asked the Board to attempt to compensate for the fact the other Boards were likely to either reduce the figure or to decline the application. K Rabe noted that the event was for all social providers within the Waimakariri and Hurunui District Council areas and could be considered a benefit district wide.

N Mealings noted that the Oxford Community Networking Forum was run by the Oxford Community Trust was comprised of agencies that may hail from outside of the Oxford-Ohoka Ward, however they also delivered services in Oxford. She believed that there was a lot of value in the event.

Moved: P Merrifield                      Seconded: R Harpur

**THAT** the Oxford-Ohoka Community Board

- (c) **Approves** a grant of \$500 to the Oxford Community Trust towards the catering costs for the Trust's Day Out event.

**CARRIED**

P Merrifield commented that it was the start of the financial year therefore the Board needed to be prudent with its funds therefore he had suggested a slight decrease to the requested amount and believed that if the other Community Boards did contribute, they would have a reasonable amount to go towards catering costs.

R Harpur noted that this allocation would leave the Board with around \$2,000 for the rest of the financial year. He believed that \$500 was a good amount when considering the Trust had applied to the other Community Boards as well as receiving \$1,200 from Creative Communities fund .

T Robson resumed the Chair.

7.3. **Oxford-Ohoka Community Boards 2024/25 Discretionary Grant Fund and 2024/25 General Landscaping Budget – K Rabe (Governance Advisor)**

K Rabe spoke to the report noting that as the Board had not allocated its general landscaping budget for the 2023/24 financial year, they had a budget of \$28,010 for the 2024/25 financial year. The discretionary grant fund had a slight increase to \$6,330. Council staff had updated the discretionary fund application and accountability forms to take into account all the points that the Boards made during the review of the criteria for the fund.

P Merrifield believed that the 2023/24 general landscaping budget had been allocated. K Rabe noted that due to a lack of resourcing the 2022/23 general landscaping budget was only allocated in June 2023 which was the last month of that financial year, and the Board never allocated the 2023/24 general landscaping budget.

T Fulton noted a carbon farming venture had fallen over, and the Water Zone Committee was considering options for the use of thousands of young mountain beech which would have been used to plant up to twenty-six hectares of hill country. One of the areas that Council staff were looking at was hill country in the Oxford Lees Valley area. He noted that there would be associated costs with planting and maintenance which the Board could support with its Landscape budget.

T Robson commented that the Board had never had the opportunity to promote project in Lees Valley, and he would like to do something there.

M Brown noted that funding for the West Eyreton Oak Reserve had been approved for signage and the railway signage which still had not been achieved. He believed that it was important when looking at these projects that delivery of the projects in a timely manner could be achieved.

Moved: P Merrifield

Seconded: M Brown

**THAT** the Oxford-Ohoka Community Board:

- (a) **Receives** Report No. 240515077971.
- (b) **Notes** that the Board's General Landscaping Budget allocated by the Council for 2024/25 is \$14,330, with a carry forward from the 2023/24 financial year of \$13,680, being a total of \$28,010.
- (c) **Notes** that the Board's Discretionary Grant Funding allocated by the Council for 2024/25 is \$6,330.
- (d) **Approves** the Board's 2024/25 Discretionary Grant Fund Application Criteria and Application Form (Trim No. 210603089866).
- (e) **Approves** the Board's 2024/25 Discretionary Grant Accountability Form (Trim No.

210603089980).

- (f) **Approves** that Discretionary Grant Fund applications be considered at each meeting during the 2024/25 financial year (July 2024 to June 2025).

**CARRIED**

**8. CORRESPONDENCE**

**8.1. Council Long Term Plan Submission Response Letter**

Trim ref: 240216022707

Moved: M Wilson                      Seconded: P Merrifield

**THAT** the Oxford-Ohoka Community Board:

- (a) **Receives** the Council Long Term Plan Submission Response Letter (Trim: 240216022707).

**CARRIED**

**9. CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT**

**9.1. Chairperson's Report for July 2024**

Moved: N Mealings                      Seconded: M Brown

**THAT** the Oxford-Ohoka Community Board:

- (a) **Receives** the report from the Oxford-Ohoka Community Board Chairperson (Trim 240725122295).

**CARRIED**

**10. MATTERS FOR INFORMATION**

- 10.1. Woodend-Sefton Community Board Meeting Minutes 8 July 2024.
- 10.2. Rangiora-Ashley Community Board Meeting Minutes 10 July 2024.
- 10.3. Kaiapoi-Tuahiwi Community Board Meeting Minutes 15 July 2024.
- 10.4. Submission Environment Canterbury Long Term Plan – Report to Council meeting 4 June 2024 – Circulates to all Boards.
- 10.5. Submission Fast Track Approvals Bill – Report to Council Meeting 2 July 2024 – Circulates all Boards.
- 10.6. Submission Local Government Water Services Preliminary Arrangements Bill – Report to Council Meeting 2 July 2024 – Circulates to all Boards.
- 10.7. Programme for District Wide Parking Management Plans – Report to Council Meeting 2 July 2024 – Circulates to all Boards.
- 10.8. Elected Member Remuneration 2024/25 – Report to Council Meeting 2 July 2024 – Circulates to all Boards.
- 10.9. Representation Review Proposal – Report to Council Meeting 2 July 2024 – Circulates to all Boards.
- 10.10. Health, Safety and Wellbeing Report June 2024 – Report to Council Meeting 2 July 2024 – Circulates to all Boards.
- 10.11. July 2023 Flood Recovery Progress Update – Report to Utilities and Roading Committee 16 July 2024 – Circulates to all Boards.
- 10.12. Adoption of Final 3 Waters, Solid Waste and Transport Activity Management Plans 2024 – Report to Utilities and Roading Committee 16 July 2024 – Circulates to all Boards.



10.13. Approval of Capital Work Renewals Programmes and Sports Ground Growth Programme for Greenspace – Report to Community and Recreation Committee 23 July 2024 – Circulates to all Boards.

10.14. Aquatics July Report – Report to Community and Recreation Committee 23 July 2024 – Circulates to all Boards.

Moved: M Brown                      Seconded: P Merrifield

**THAT** the Oxford-Ohoka Community Board:

(a) **Receives** the information in Items.10.1 to 10.14.

**CARRIED**

## **11. MEMBERS' INFORMATION EXCHANGE**

### **T Robson**

- Met with J Millward and K LaValley to discuss the Woodstock Landfill process.
- Ashley Gorge Advisory Group Meeting.
  - Inspected the vegetation clearance on the roadside. They were very pleased with the work that had been done. The Group had requested that this was now regularly maintained.
  - The Group had discussed possible new members.
  - The Ashley Gorge Gala Day had trialed in 2024 and would be held on Waitangi Day in 2025.
- Attended Oxford Community Trust meeting –had discussed the bike pump track. The Trust was keen to see it happen soon and had been working with Council staff to put a proposal to install a semi-permanent track that could be up and running by Christmas. The Trust were organising the funding themselves.
- Public meeting on the Woodstock quarry appeal.
- Attended Council meeting.
- Oxford Garage Sale Trail. Had good engagement with the community And there Wahad been lots of positive feedback about the landfill.

### **N Mealings**

- Property Portfolio Working Group Meeting.
- Ohoka Domain Monthly Working Bee – Attended the monthly working bee to look after plantings at the Ohoka Bush. Council staff also attended to discuss maintenance and drainage issues with the Ohoka Drainage Advisory Group.
- Eyreton Hall Meeting – Met with Eyreton Hall committee officers at the hall to discuss issues affecting the hall.
- Council Workshop/Briefing – Draft setting of Speed Limits 2024 Rule, Central Government was essentially proposing to unwind changes made by previous Government and was proposing to require Councils to use variable speed limit signs around schools.
- Utilities and Roading Committee Meeting – A third grader was now operating on the road network and unsealed road maintenance was underway. Washington Place culvert upgrade was to begin in August.
- Mandeville Sports Club (MSC) meeting followed by Mandeville Sports Club Board meeting – Current Clubhouse caterer has given three month notice (to 24 September if not sooner). MSC looking for a new hospitality provider to take up the contract. MSC Board also looking for another board member. Bike Track stage one was now underway around MSC perimeter. New security system installed.
- Towards Pest Free Waitaha Meeting.
- Community Wellbeing North Canterbury Board Meeting.
- Community and Recreation Committee Meeting – Deputation from Age Friendly Advisory Group, reported overwhelmingly positive findings from its recent consultation that the district was age friendly.

- Abbeyfield Waimakariri Annual General Meeting.
- Mandeville Sports Club Catch up.
- Helped with Ohoka School Fundraiser.
- Council Workshop/Briefing.
- Solid and Hazardous Waste Working Party – Council would begin updating its Waste Management Minimization Plan of which a draft would go out for consultation in a few months.
- Waimakariri Youth Council Meeting – Two Youth Councillors recently attended the Festival for the Future in Wellington.
- Residents Meeting – Met with Council staff and residents re: Threlkelds Road flooding issues.
- Property Portfolio Working Group Meeting.
- Property Site Visit – Visited a rural Oxford property undertaking a revolutionary native planting approach. Brilliant!
- Ohoka Domain Working Bee – Monthly working bee to maintain plantings in the Ohoka Bush. Great community effort on this fantastic long-term project!
- Council Meeting.
- Greater Christchurch Partnership Committee Briefing.
- Meeting with Ohoka School Principal – Met with Ohoka Schools new principal to catch up on latest happenings at the school and discuss ways we can work together for community benefit.

#### **P Merrifield**

- Attended the Nitrate water testing at the Mandeville Sports Club.
- Interested with the 60/40 split towards the negative on the Cust Domain consultation. He had put the consultation on the Board's Facebook page which was popular.
- Contacted a Selwyn Community Board member around the Waimakariri Gorge Bridge.
- Grey Power Meeting – questions about why the Oxford Hospital was under utilised.

#### **M Wilson**

- Attended the Kaiapoi Arts Expo – a fantastic evening which showcased Waimakariri's artists.
- Attended the Women's Institute Meeting. Trying to help raise the profile.
- Public Meeting on the Woodstock Quarry.
- Waimakariri Health Advisory Group Meeting. There would be an advert going out for an independent Chair. Cathy from Health New Zealand, Te Whatu Ora provided an update on the changes. It was unclear yet the implication of those changes being made but we would be moving from centralized back to regions having more say. There was talk on rural after hours care and what it might look like. GP fee increases were having an impact. There was a handout for youth from the Council's Community Team around services that were available for youth. There had been successful parenting lectures. There was a project mapping what was going on for older persons in Waimakariri and that there had been no social worker services in Waimakariri for older people.
- Swannanoa School were building a bike track.

#### **M Brown**

- Eyre Environmental Safety Society – they had four members and needed ten to stay incorporated so would be doing a membership drive.
- Eyrewell Forest Residents' Group – their biggest issue was drones.
- He was now the Director of the Oxford Health Charitable Trust and Oxford Health Ltd.
- West Eyreton Oak Reserve and Railway Signage – He and T Fulton had met with K Howat in relation to design work.

#### **R Harpur**

- Attended a Junior Primary School North Canterbury Netball tournament. Amazed at the huge number of participants and the organisation that went into it. It was a shame that

the likes of the Ohoka Netball Club held all their practices at the Mandeville Sports Centre but played all their games at Dudley Park in Rangiora.

- Mandeville Sports Club work had started with the walking track.
- Attended the Waimakariri Access Group Annual General Meeting.
- Would be attending the Community Board Conference in Wellington.

### **T Fulton**

- The Gym Trust had been declined for its Rata application. They believed that they would still have enough funds excluding that to go ahead.
- Had an interaction with a resident on Two Chain Road/North Eyre Road who had been flooded repeatedly on the south side of the intersection. Several years ago, the resurgence channel flooding issues through her property were resolved by a pipe under North Eyre Road which took the flooding from the south side to the north side.
- Attended the Take Back the Night Function at View Hill School – the Dark Sky Group with Canterbury University put on presentations in each classroom to learn about astronomy.

## **12. CONSULTATION PROJECTS**

### **12.1. A Lease for the Historical Scow Success**

<https://letstalk.waimakariri.govt.nz/a-lease-for-the-historical-scow-success>

Consultation closes Friday 30 August 2024.

The Board noted the consultation project.

## **13. BOARD FUNDING UPDATE**

### **13.1. Board Discretionary Grant**

Balance as at 31 July 2024: \$4,932.

### **13.2. General Landscaping Fund**

Balance as at 31 July 2024: \$28,010.

The Board noted the funding update.

## **14. MEDIA ITEMS**

Nil.

## **15. MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED WITH THE PUBLIC EXCLUDED**

*Section 48, Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987.*

In accordance with section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 and the particular interest or interests protected by section 6 or section 7 of that Act (or sections 6, 7 or 9 of the Official Information Act 1982, as the case may be), it is moved:

Moved: M Brown                      Seconded: P Merrifield

1. That the public is excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting.

**CARRIED**

The general subject of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter, and the specific grounds under section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution are as follows:

Item No.	Subject	Reason for excluding the public	Grounds for excluding the public-
15.1	Section 274 Party to the Woodstock Quarries Limited Appeal to the Environment Court	Good reason to withhold exists under section 7	To maintain the effective conduct of public affairs through the protection of such members, officers, employees and persons from improper pressure or harassment, and to maintain legal professional privilege as per LGOIMA Section 7(2)(f)(ii) and (g).
15.2	Ashley Gorge Reserve Advisory Group (AGRAG) appointment of additional members	Good reason to withhold exists under section 7	The report and recommendations in this report be made publicly available, but that the discussions and minutes remain public excluded under LGOIMA Section 7(2)(a) to protect the privacy of natural persons.

**CLOSED MEETING**

*See Public Excluded Agenda (separate document)*

*The meeting adjourned at 9:45pm and reconvened in public excluded 9:56pm.*

**CLOSED MEETING**

**Resolution to Resume in open meeting**

Moved: T Robson          Seconded: R Harpur

**THAT** open meeting resumes and the business discussed with the public excluded remains public excluded.

**CARRIED**

**OPEN MEETING**

**16. QUESTIONS UNDER STANDING ORDERS**

Nil.

**17. URGENT GENERAL BUSINESS UNDER STANDING ORDERS**

Nil.

**NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting of the Oxford-Ohoka Community Board is scheduled for 7pm, Wednesday 4 September 2024 at the Ohoka Community Hall.

<p><b>Workshop (9:57pm to 10:03pm)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Members Forum</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <i>Wolffs Road Bridge Charity Entity</i></li> <li>○ <i>Community Hubs</i></li> <li>○ <i>List of Oxford Events</i></li> </ul> </li> </ul>
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THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE MEETING CLOSED AT 10:03PM.

**CONFIRMED**



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Chairperson

4 September 2024

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Date