

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE RANGIORA-ASHLEY COMMUNITY BOARD HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, 215 HIGH STREET, RANGIORA, ON WEDNESDAY, 8 MAY 2024, AT 7 PM.

PRESENT

J Gerard (Chairperson), K Barnett (Deputy Chairperson), R Brine, I Campbell, M Clarke, M Fleming, J Goldsworthy, L McClure, J Ward, S Wilkinson, and P Williams.

IN ATTENDANCE

S Hart (General Manager Strategy, Engagement and Economic Development), S Nichols (Governance Manager) and E Stubbs (Governance Support Officer).

There were four members of the public present.

1. APOLOGIES

Moved: K Barnett

Seconded: M Fleming

An apology was received and sustained from B McLaren for absence.

CARRIED

2. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

3.1. Minutes of the Rangiora-Ashley Community Board – 10 April 2024

Moved: P Williams

Seconded: J Goldsworthy

THAT the Rangiora-Ashley Community Board:

- (a) **Confirms**, as a true and accurate record, the circulated Minutes of the Rangiora-Ashley Community Board meeting held on 10 April 2024.

CARRIED

3.2. Matters Arising (From Minutes)

- **Quarry and landfill in Loburn** - J Gerard advised that the consent application submitted by Protranz International Limited to undertake quarrying activities and construct and operate a landfill on Quarry Road, Loburn, was currently on hold, awaiting further information from the applicant. However, staff would keep the Board updated. He noted that the previous advice that the proposed Fast-track Approvals Bill only applied to matters of 'national significance' may be incorrect. It also seemed to apply to matters of 'major significance', which could cover a broader range of applications, such as the proposed quarry and landfill in Loburn.

S Hart advised that the Council believed the proposed Fast-track Approvals Bill in its current form had an element of risk, and it had, therefore, made a submission on the proposed Bill. S Hart undertook the task of circulating a copy of the Council's submission to the Board.

- **ANZAC Day** - J Gerard commented that there had been a good turnout for the various ANZAC Day services within the district. He thanked the Board members for attending.

4. **ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

The Board acknowledged the passing of Rodger Gillespie, a Life Member of the Cust Volunteer Fire Brigade, and Keith Galloway, a long-time member of the Rangiora-Ashley Community Board. Both made significant contributions as volunteers in their communities. The Board stood to observe a moment's silence.

5. **DEPUTATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS**

Nil.

6. **ADJOURNED BUSINESS**

Nil.

7. **REPORTS**

7.1. **Rangiora-Ashley Community Board Members' Attendance of the New 2024 Zealand Community Boards' Conference – T Kunkel (Governance Team Leader)**

S Nichols advised that she would take the report as read and highlighted that the conference was usually held every two years. However, due to Covid, it had been three years since the last conference. This year, the conference would be hosted alongside Local Government New Zealand's (LGNZ) Local Government Conference. The Board had sufficient budget to send two members. However, the Board may have an appetite to be prudent with funding given the current economic climate. The Council's Elected Member Conference and Training Policy did not stipulate how many Board members were allowed to attend, and the Board, therefore, needed to decide.

The meeting was adjourned for a workshop at 7.07pm to allow discussion to resolve attendees at the different Board representations at the LGNZ conference. The meeting resumed at 7.10pm.

Moved: K Barnett

Seconded: P Williams

THAT the Rangiora-Ashley Community Board:

- (a) **Receives** report No. 240404052317.
- (b) **Approves** that Board member(s) J Gerard and S Wilkinson represent the Board at the 2024 New Zealand Community Boards' Conference to be held at the Takina Convention and Exhibition Centre in Wellington from 21 to 23 August 2024.
- (c) **Notes** that the attendee(s) will be required to submit a report sharing ideas/knowledge gained at the Conference with the other members of the Board at the October 2024 meeting.
- (d) **Notes** that the total cost for each attendee will be approximately \$1,965 (excluding GST), funded from the Board's Training Budget.

Amendment

Moved: J Ward

Seconded: M Fleming

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CARRIED

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A division was called:

For 6: Members Barnett, Brine, Fleming, Goldsworthy, McClure, and Ward.

Against 5: Members Gerard, Campbell, Clarke, Wilkinson, and Williams.

In supporting the amendment, J Ward noted that it would be preferable to have a balance of genders for different views on the conference discussions. Therefore, she believed it would benefit L McClure to attend the conference.

M Fleming commented that she had previously attended the conference, and it was a fantastic networking and learning opportunity. She supported the attendance of a first-term Board member.

The amendment became the substantive motion and was then put.

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Seconded: M Fleming

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CARRIED

7.2. **Application to the Rangiora-Ashley Community Board's 2023/24 Discretionary Grant Fund – T Kunkel (Governance Team Leader)**

S Nichols took the report as read.

There were no questions from the Board.

Moved: J Gerard

Seconded: M Fleming

THAT the Rangiora-Ashley Community Board:

- (a) **Receives** report No. 240405053282.
- (b) **Approves** a grant of \$1,000 to Rangiora Cricket Club to purchase new cricket balls and equipment.

CARRIED

Moved: R Brine

Seconded: L McClure

- (c) **Approves** a grant of \$420 to Rangiora Toastmasters Club towards the cost of web hosting.

CARRIED

7.3. **Ratification of the Rangiora-Ashley Community Board's submission to the Waimakariri District Council and Environmental Canterbury's draft 2024-2034 Long Term Plans – T Kunkel (Governance Team Leader)**

S Nichols took the report as read. It was noted that Councillors were not participating due to a conflict of interest.

Moved: K Barnett

Seconded: M Fleming

THAT the Rangiora-Ashley Community Board:

- (a) **Receives** report No. 240409054925.
- (b) **Retrospectively ratifies** its submission to the Waimakariri District Council Draft 2024-2034 Draft Long Term Plan (Trim Ref: 240328049146).
- (c) **Retrospectively ratifies** its submission to Environmental Canterbury's 2024-2034 Draft Long Term Plan (Trim Ref: 240328049896).
- (d) **Notes** the Board Chair will speak to the Waimakariri District Council Submission Hearing to convey the Board's view in person.

CARRIED

8. **CORRESPONDENCE**

Nil.

9. CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

9.1. Chair's Diary for April 2024

The Chairperson advised that he had met with Greenspace Staff and an arborist regarding the Queen Street trees. The trees had received heavy pruning, and contractors were attending to the leaf pickup. The arborist had provided conflicting opinions regarding the information the Board had previously received and believed the trees could be pruned back to remove approximately 30% of the tree canopy.

Moved: J Gerard

Seconded: K Barnett

THAT the Rangiora-Ashley Community Board:

- (a) **Receives** report No. 240501068480.

CARRIED

10. MATTERS FOR INFORMATION

- 10.1. **Kaiapoi-Tuahiwi Community Board Meeting Minutes 18 March 2024.**
- 10.2. **Oxford-Ohoka Community Board Meeting Minutes 3 April 2024.**
- 10.3. **Woodend-Sefton Community Board Meeting Minutes 9 April 2024.**
- 10.4. **Kaiapoi-Tuahiwi Community Board Meeting Minutes 15 April 2024.**
- 10.5. **Adoption of Waste Assessment 2023 – Report to Council Meeting 2 April 2024 – Circulates to all Boards.**
- 10.6. **ANZAC Day Services 2024 – Report to Council Meeting 2 April 2024 – Circulates to all Boards.**
- 10.7. **Health, Safety and Wellbeing Report March 2024 – Report to Council Meeting 2 April 2024 – Circulates to all Boards.**
- 10.8. **E-Scooter Permit Renewal Due 1 May 2024 – Report to Council Meeting 2 April 2024 – Circulates to the Woodend-Sefton, Rangiora-Ashley and Kaiapoi-Tuahiwi Community Boards.**
- 10.9. **July 2023 Flood Recovery Update – Report to Utilities and Roading Committee 16 April 2024 – Circulates to all Boards.**
- 10.10. **3 Waters Climate Change Risk Assessment – Report to Utilities and Roading Committee Meeting 16 April 2024 – Circulates to all Boards.**

Public Excluded

- 10.11. **Proposed Sale 21 and 61 Ohoka Road, Kaiapoi – Report to Council Meeting 2 April 2024 – Circulates to all Boards.**

Moved: J Gerard

Seconded: L McClure

THAT the Rangiora-Ashley Community Board:

- (a) Receives the information in Items.9.1 to 9.10.
- (b) Receives the separately circulated public excluded information in item 9.11.

CARRIED

11. MEMBERS' INFORMATION EXCHANGE

I Campbell

- Had observed the tree trimming on Queen Street and commented on the difference it had made.
- Attended the Riversong Kaiapoi event, which was well-organised and had a large community attendance.
- Had performed three flights over ANZAC day services.
- Attended the Council presentation on the proposed Solar Farm at Sefton. This proposed farm extended over two sides of Upper Sefton Road and was, therefore, in both the Rangiora-Ashley and Woodend-Sefton Community Board areas.

L McLure

- Attended the 'Back to Basics' event, which was very busy and had great connections.
- The community garden was a slow work in progress.
- Attended and enjoyed the ANZAC day services.

J Goldsworthy

- The District Planning and Regulation Committee approved 16 new car parks with 120 parking limits in Rangiora.
- The Northern Pegasus Bay Bylaw was going for public consultation.

J Ward

- Attended the Utilities and Roading Committee meeting where the Council's urgent submission to the Central Government's Fast-track Approvals Bill has been ratified.
- Attended Long Term Plan Programming meetings.
- Attended North Canterbury Sport and Recreation Trust meeting.
- Attended several Council briefings.
- Commended the Communications and the Creative Admin Teams for the work done in creating the Infrastructure Strategy, Long Term and Annual Plans, as well as the Consultation Documents in-house to save costs.

K Barnett

- Attended ANZAC Day Services.
- Attended Riversong Kaiapoi.
- Attended the Citizens Advice Bureau fundraising event.

M Clarke

- Attended a Greypower meeting, where they acknowledged the pedestrian refugees as providing elderly safe places to cross the road.
- Commented that the Anglican Church was investigating options for St Johns Church on High Street. However, they needed to work within the bounds of it being a listed Historic Place.
- Commented on complaints regarding works being carried out on the South Belt, including noise.

M Fleming

- Spoke at the Long Term Plan Hearing on behalf of the Waimakariri Access Group.
- Attended the 'Back to Basics' event for which Satisfy Food Rescue had provided the food.
- Commented positively on the Rangiora High School ANZAC Day service, particularly the student speakers.

P Williams

- Attended ANZAC Day Service at the Fernside Hall and the Sefton Cenotaph.
- Commented on the solar farm presentation at the recent Council meeting, he noted that residents were concerned about the proposed location, which was close to their homes.
- Noted that the community was happy that the drainage issues on Cones Road, Rangiora, were being addressed. However, there was some concern regarding the effect the proposed new development on Barkers Road, Rangiora, would have on stormwater.
- Expressed concern that the construction on River Road, Rangiora, appeared to differ from the plan approved at the Rangiora-Ashley Community Board meeting. It appeared narrower than previously, which was a concern as many trucks and buses used that route.
- Noted that the Council was currently hearing submissions to the draft 2024-24 Long Term Plan.

S Wilkinson

- Listened to residents' presentation to the Council regarding the proposed solar farm and believed they made a compelling argument.
- Attended the ANZAC Day service at the Fernside Hall.
- The Representation Review Working Group was to meet next week; however, the meeting was postponed to 5 June 2024. He would update the Board after the meeting.
- Would be attending the Not for Profit Networking Forum the following day.
- Judged the Ohoka/Clarkville School Debate.

R Brine

- Commented that the Council was waiting for direction from the Central Government about Waste Management.
- The Chairperson of Transwaste, Gill Cox, and Kate Valley's Landfill and Transport Manager, Hayden Leach, would be updating the Council on the activities at Kate Valley and Transwaste's operations.
- Noted that a larger capacity line was needed at Kate Valley to reduce flaring. MainPower would require an extra line to be installed for the wind farm.

12. CONSULTATION PROJECTS

Nil.

13. BOARD FUNDING UPDATE

13.1. Board Discretionary Grant

Balance as at 30 April 2024: \$4,607.

It was noted that after the grants were approved at this meeting, \$3,187 would remain in the fund. If funding was still available on 30 June 2024, the Council could roll over the funding to the following financial year.

13.2. General Landscaping Fund

Balance as at 30 April 2024: \$17,191.

The Board noted the Board funding update.

14. MEDIA ITEMS

Nil.

15. QUESTIONS UNDER STANDING ORDERS

Nil.

16. URGENT GENERAL BUSINESS UNDER STANDING ORDERS

Nil.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Rangiora-Ashley Community Board was scheduled for 7pm, Wednesday 12 June 2024.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, THE MEETING CLOSED AT 7.39PM.

CONFIRMED



J Gerard

12 June 2024

Date