



Dannevirke Community Board

Minutes of a meeting of the Dannevirke Community Board held in the Council Chamber, 26 Gordon Street, Dannevirke on Monday 18 March 2024 commencing at 9:00am.

1. Present

Board Members: P F Walshe (Chairperson), T J Hynes (Deputy Chairperson), E J Christison, and Crs E L Peeti-Webber and S M Wards

In Attendance

Her Worship the Mayor, Mrs T H Collis

Mrs A Small	-	Group Manager – Strategy and Community Wellbeing
Mrs A Dunn	-	Manager – Democracy Services
Ms S Ellis	-	Democracy Support Officer

2. Apologies

That the apologies from Board Member R T Wallace be approved and leave of absence granted for the meeting.

Hynes/Wards

Carried

3. Public Forum

There were no requests for public forum.

4. Notification of Items Not on the Agenda

Deputy Chairperson Hynes: Te Awa Community Foundation update

Deputy Chairperson Hynes: Building Owners Meeting in Dannevirke March 20 – in regards to earthquake strengthening.

5. Confirmation of Minutes

That the minutes of the Dannevirke Community Board meeting held on 19 February 2024 (as circulated) be confirmed as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

Wards/Hynes

Carried

6. Tararua District Council Report

6.1 Tararua District Council minutes

That the report of the Tararua District Council meeting held 28 February 2024 be received.

Wards/Peeti-Webber

Carried

7. Reports

7.1 Application for Funding - Dannevirke and Districts RSA Inc

The Dannevirke Community Board considered the report of the Manager – Democracy Services dated 12 March 2024 that presented an application for funding from the General Assistance Grants Fund, from the Dannevirke and Districts RSA Inc, for consideration.

That the report from the Manager - Democracy Services dated 27 February 2024 concerning the Application for Funding - Dannevirke and Districts RSA Inc be received.

That the Dannevirke Community Board grant \$500.00 to the Dannevirke and Districts RSA Inc towards the costs of holding the 2024 Anzac Day Community Breakfast.

Hynes/Walshe

Carried

Board Member E J Christison joined the meeting at 9:08am.

7.2 Management Report

The Dannevirke Community Board considered the report of the Democracy Support Officer dated 11 March 2024 that provided an update to the Board on key activities and items of interest as reported to the meeting of the Strategy, Growth and Planning Committee meeting held 13 February 2024, the Infrastructure, Climate Change and Emergency Management Committee meeting held 21 February 2024, and the Community Development and Wellbeing Committee meeting held 6 March 2024. In discussion the Board asked for an update on the policy and bylaw review framework, and enquired as to when bylaw consultations were scheduled. The Board was informed by the Group

Manager - Strategy and Community Wellbeing that a timeline for consultation was set previously, proceeding in April-May, and that the Bylaw Reviews were being proceeded with in tranches. The first tranche had been adopted, and would be consulted on during April-May, and further tranches later in 2024 and early 2025.

That the report from the Democracy Support Officer dated 05 March 2024 concerning the Management Report be received.

Walshe/Hynes

Carried

7.3 Capital Programme Update

The Dannevirke Community Board considered the report of the Manager – Democracy Services dated 5 March 2024 that provided an update on the capital programme and key project statuses as reported to the Infrastructure, Climate Change and Emergency Management Committee on 21 February 2024, and the Community Development and Wellbeing Committee on 6 March 2024. No resolution was made in regard to this report.

8. Reports from Board Representatives Appointed to Organisations and Assigned Responsibilities

- 8.1 **Chamber of Commerce:** Board Member Hynes reported on the After Fives event held at Tararua REAP, and noted that the next After Fives event would be held at the Regent Theatre in Dannevirke. The combined After Fives event to be held at Tui HQ had been rescheduled to May 2024.
- 8.2 **Community Vehicle Trust:** Board member Hynes noted the increased passenger demand for the community vehicles, and acknowledged the insufficient number of presently rostered drivers. He noted that a recruitment drive was in place, and 4-5 new drivers had recently been inducted.
- 8.3 **Glengarry Soldiers Settlement Memorial Project:** Board Member Hynes, alongside Board Member Christison, attended a meeting in regards to the Glengarry Soldiers Memorial to be constructed on Armstrong Road. They noted that the project was in the process of obtaining consents, and was ultimately on track.
- 8.4 **Walkway:** Board Member Christison noted the poor condition of the Smith – Adelaide road walking track, and recommended maintenance.
- 8.5 **Dannevirke Skatepark Project:** Councillor E L Peeti-Webber, speaking as a member of Dannevirke Multisport Complex Inc. advised of the progression in plans for the Ball to fundraise for the Dannevirke Skatepark, that would be held on 25 May 2024.

- 8.6 **Road Safety Committee:** Chairperson Walshe advised of the roundabout works completion in Queen Street. In further discussion with the board, it was noted that while satisfaction was expressed with the completed works, visibility issues were a concern. This was emphasised by Councillor S M Wards regarding the Victoria Ave/Queen St roundabout, wherein cars approaching the roundabout from Queen St were not immediately visible to drivers approaching from Victoria Ave, due to the height of the fence recently erected on the corner property. However it was noted that the fence was compliant with height requirements.

9. Correspondence

9.1 Correspondence

That the correspondence listed be received:

Letter of thanks from Tararua Riding for the Disabled

Hynes/Walshe

Carried

10. Discussion Items

- 10.1 **Upcoming consultation on draft Long-Term Plan:** The Board was asked to consider how they could assist with community engagement on the draft long term plan, and how they could help promote and encourage community involvement via submissions. It was noted that the Board's role included making a Board submission on the draft Long-term plan. In response to a question from a Councillor-member of the Board, it was noted that Councillors who were members of the Dannevirke Community Board would not participate in developing a Community Board submission, as this could be perceived as a conflict of interest due to Councillors being in the decision-making role when submissions were being determined.
- 10.2 **ANZAC Day preparations:** The Board considered the wreath for the ceremony, and discussed splitting their attendance at ANZAC Day ceremonies, accounting for both Dannevirke as well as other smaller communities in the Northern Ward if feasible.

11. Chairperson's Remarks

Nil

12. Items not on the Agenda

- 12.1 **Te Awa Community Foundation** – Board Member Hynes requested an update on the Te Awa Community Foundation. In response, the Group Manager Strategy

and Community Wellbeing advised that the Council was currently working through the Memorandum of Understanding, and understands work has been progressing with Tararua REAP. She noted they were looking to strengthen the relationship through the Memorandum of Understanding.

- 12.2 **Building Owners Meeting** – Board Member Hynes informed the Board of a building owners meeting to take place on March 20, at 5:30pm. There would be an especial focus on earthquake strengthening requirements, notably for shop buildings on High St. The Board queried the involvement of council, and it was advised that the event was planned without council notice, with no intent for council inclusion. It was recommended to respect the wishes of the event organisers if they were uninterested in a council presence.

Board Member Hynes noted his intent to attend, with Board Member Christison also expressing interest, due to their respective involvement in or ownership of businesses within the community.

- 12.3 **ANZAC Day Concert** – Member of the media in attendance sought confirmation of whether the Community Board would be arranging an Anzac Day Concert this year. In discussion, it was noted that an informal request from a member of the community for \$5,000 to cover costs of holding the show was received by members of the Board, however no formal application for funding has been made under the General Assistance Grants Fund criteria for the Board's consideration. It was also advised that a similar request had been received by the Dannevirke Host Lions.

Board Member Christison offered to personally make a funding contribution from his business. He asked that a report be provided to the next meeting of the Dannevirke Community Board to allow the Board to consider making a contribution towards the costs of Town Hall hire for the event.

It was acknowledged that the current Town Hall lighting and sound arrangement was insufficient, and would require substantial cost upwards of \$70,000-\$100,000 to improve.

Chairperson Walshe advised that he could assist with set-up of the Town Hall on the day.

There being no further business the Chairperson thanked those present for their attendance and contributions, and declared the meeting closed at 9:46am.

Chairperson