



Dannevirke Community Board

Minutes of a meeting of the Dannevirke Community Board held in the Council Chamber, 26 Gordon Street, Dannevirke on Monday 17 June 2024 commencing at 9:00am.

1. Present

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

In Attendance

Mrs K Tani – Group Manager – Strategy and Community Wellbeing
Mrs A Dunn – Manager – Democracy Services
Ms K Stevens – Economic and Community Development Advisor

2. Apologies

There were no apologies.

3. Public Forum

Nil

4. Notification of Items Not on the Agenda

Board member Hynes – Umutaoroa Domain

Board member Christison – proposed cemetery fees

5. Declarations of Conflicts of Interest in Relation to this Meeting's Items of Business

Nil

6. Confirmation of Minutes

That the minutes of the Dannevirke Community Board meeting held on 20 May 2024 (as circulated) be confirmed as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

Walshe/Wallace

Carried

7. Tararua District Council Report

7.1 Report from Tararua District Council

That the report from the Tararua District Council meeting held 29 May 2024 be received.

Hynes/Christison

Carried

8. Reports

8.1 Attendance at Community Board Conference 2024

The Dannevirke Community Board considered the report of the Manager – Democracy Services dated 7 June 2024 that informed the Board about the 2024 Community Board Conference being held in Wellington in August 2024, and sought consideration of whether a representative be registered to attend on behalf of the Dannevirke Community Board.

That the report from the Manager - Democracy Services dated 07 June 2024 concerning the Attendance at Community Board Conference 2024 be received.

That the Dannevirke Community Board decline to register a representative for the 2024 Community Boards Conference being held in Wellington.

Christison/Wallace

Carried

8.2 Wackrow Memorial Youth Award 2024

The Dannevirke Community Board considered the report of the Manager – Democracy Services dated 7 June 2024 that sought discussion of arrangements for the annual Wackrow Memorial Youth Award for 2024. The Board discussed keeping the membership of the judging panel the same as for the 2023 Awards,, with the addition of Board member Christison to join Board member Wallace as the Board’s representatives on the judging panel.

The Board also discussed considering holding an awards ceremony for volunteers in 2025, to recognise the volunteers in the community.

That the report from the Manager Democracy Services dated 07 June 2024 concerning the Wackrow Memorial Youth Award 2024 be received.

That the Dannevirke Community Board call for nominations for the Wackrow

Memorial Youth Award for 2023 with nominations opening 1 July 2024 and closing 31 July 2024.

That the Dannevirke Community Board consider the membership of the Judging Panel and a Guest Speaker for the Awards ceremony for decision at the next meeting of the Board.

That the Wackrow Memorial Youth Award ceremony be held in late August or early September 2024, with the date and venue to be determined by the Dannevirke Community Board.

Peeti-Webber/Hynes

Carried

Recommended

That Board member Christison be appointed as an additional member to the judging panel for the Wackrow Memorial Youth Awards.

Wallace/Walshe

Carried

Recommended

That the Dannevirke Community Board consider holding a volunteer award in 2025 to recognise the volunteers in the community.

Peeti-Webber/Wallace

Carried

8.3 Consideration of Applications to the General Assistance Grants Fund

The Dannevirke Community Board considered the report of the Manager – Democracy Services dated 7 June 2024 that presented an application for funding from the General Assistance Grants Scheme, for consideration and decision.

That the report from the Manager - Democracy Services dated 07 June 2024 concerning the Consideration of Applications to the General Assistance Grants Fund be received.

That the Dannevirke Community Board make the following grant from its General Assistance Grants Fund:

Dannevirke Toy Library Inc, \$998.49 towards costs for upgrading and replacing some of their toy stock.

Wallace/Christison

Carried

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

- 9.1 **Chamber of Commerce** – Board member Hynes reported that the next After Fives event was scheduled for 18 June 2024, and was being held at Tararua Vets. He noted that planning had begun for the 2024 Christmas Parade, and noted that there may no longer be funding available from Council as there had in the past.
- 9.2 **Community Vehicle Trust** – Board member Hynes reported that the usage of the Community Vehicle had increased, as well as the number of volunteer drivers for the service. The booking system through Tararua REAP was working well. Their Annual General Meeting would be held in August and would be advertising for two new trustees for the Trust.
- 9.3 **Dannevirke Brass Band** – Board member Wallace reported that the band was in good health, their next meeting was scheduled for 18 June 2024, and noted that a representative of the Brass Band had spoke to their submission at the recent Long Term Plan Hearings.
- 9.4 **Dannevirke Information Centre** – Board member Wallace noted that the Mayor and Chief Executive attended their most recent meeting. He noted that the management committee were short of numbers, and that this would affect their status as an incorporated society.
- 9.5 **Dannevirke Multisport Complex Incorporated** – Councillor Peeti-Webber provided an update on the recent fundraising ball for the proposed Dannevirke Skatepark, noting the event had raised approximately \$12,000. The next steps included signing a Memorandum of Understanding with the Council and skatepark builders to start the planning for the skatepark, including the design. The indicative cost for construction would come from the design that is agreed to.
- 9.6 **A & P Association** – Board member Christison reported that he had a discussion with the Chairperson a meeting was scheduled for 18 June 2024 that he would attend. He noted they had raised concerns about overhanging trees, and he had advised them to put in a CRM to notify Council.
- 9.7 **Road Safety Committee** – Chairperson Walshe noted that the next meeting of the Road Safety Committee was scheduled for 20 June 2024, and he would be attending that meeting.

10. Correspondence

Nil

11. Discussion Items

- 11.1 **Market Day and Spring Festival** – Chairperson Walshe advised that pamphlets were ready to be distributed for the 25 October 2024 market day, and Board member Wallace noted his availability to assist with the market day. There were

no indication of costs at this stage.

- 11.2 **Main Street Funding** – it was noted that the proposed Long Term Plan did not include any funding in the main street budgets. Historically the Dannevirke Community Board had used this budget to pay for the costs of traffic management for the annual Christmas Parade, and also for the costs of putting up and taking down of the Christmas lights in High Street each year. It was further noted that the Board’s discretionary fund had been proposed to be reduced by 50%. The proposed reduction of funding would require the Board to review its activities for the coming financial year, and prioritise which activities they would continue to undertake. The Economic and Community Development Advisor suggested the Board book time with her to look at external funding opportunities that could be used to subsidise the events they undertake.

12. Chairperson’s Remarks

Nil

13. Items not on the Agenda

- 13.1 **Umutaoroa Domain** – Board member Hynes noted that he met with the Domain Board six months ago who had made a proposal to Council to remove trees and the old school building at the Domain. He would like to be able to go back to the Domain Board and to inform them about what is happening, and to that end requested that an update be provided to the Dannevirke Community Board on the removal of the trees and the removal of the building to the next meeting of the Dannevirke Community Board.
- 13.2 **Proposed Cemetery Fees** – in response to questions about the submission made by Tararua Funerals on the Long Term Plan, officers advised that the matter was on the agenda for decision at the Finance and Performance Committee meeting on 19 June 2024.

There being no further business the Chairperson thanked those present for their attendance and contributions, and declared the meeting closed at 9:54am.

Chairperson