



Dannevirke Community Board

Minutes of a meeting of the Dannevirke Community Board held in the Council Chamber, 26 Gordon Street, Dannevirke on Monday 4 April 2022 commencing at 1.00pm.

1. Present

Board Members P F Walshe (Chairperson), T J Hynes (Deputy Chairperson), W R Macdonald, K P Spooner-Taylor and Cr E L Peeti-Webber (Council appointed Community Board member).

In Attendance

Mr R Taylor - Manager - Democracy Services

2. Apologies

2.1 Nil

3. Public Forum

3.1 Nil

4. Personal Matters

4.1 Nil

5. Notification of Items Not on the Agenda

5.1 Nil

6. Confirmation of Minutes

6.1 *That the minutes of the Dannevirke Community Board meeting held on 7 March 2022 (as circulated) be confirmed as a true and accurate record of the meeting.*

Spooner-Taylor/Macdonald

Carried

7. Matters Arising from the Minutes

7.1 Water Supply (Item 7.3)

7.1.1 The mandatory boil water notice for the Dannevirke water supply was lifted on 1 April 2022 after three consecutive days of compliant water quality tests were conducted (all of which met New Zealand drinking water standard compliance).

7.1.2 The drinking water tanker located on the corner of Allardice and Denmark Streets (in the carpark) will be moved in due course, and a total outdoor ban on water use continues to apply.

7.2 Cole Street Community Walkway (Item 7.2)

7.2.1 Following a meeting to discuss the Cole Street community walkway it has been determined this project cannot proceed due to the risk of ground disturbance impacting on the water supply pipes (that are in poor condition and only have five to ten years estimated life remaining).

7.2.2 As a result of that situation alternative options for the community walkway were considered, and it has been proposed this project now be undertaken on a section of Victoria Avenue.

7.2.3 To progress planning for this project to enable it to proceed as soon as practicable Tararua Alliance is carrying out an engineering site assessment, and confirming third party services locations and any consenting requirements.

7.2.4 Consultation/communication with landowners in the vicinity and the wider community is also being considered as to how this should be done.

8. Tararua District Council Report

8.1 ***That the minutes of the Council meeting held on 30 March 2022 (as tabled) be received.***

Spooner-Taylor/Macdonald

Carried

8.2 Super Consultation Round 2

8.2.1 A copy of the Super Consultation Round 2 document is circulated to board members, and consideration may be given at next month's meeting regarding any submissions or feedback from the Board in respect of the following matters:

- Annual Plan 2022/2023
- District Strategy
- Housing Strategy
- Library Strategy
- Water Supply Bylaw
- Dog Control Policy and Bylaw
- Gambling and Venues Policy

- 8.2.2 Board members can discuss these topics with representatives of Council at the Super Consultation Expo held on 19 April 2022 in the Dannevirke Christian Fellowship Hub from 1.00 to 4.00pm.
- 8.2.3 Deputy Chairperson Board Member Terry Hynes requested his concern be noted regarding the proposed 11.37% rates increase, and the impact this will have on people with low and fixed incomes and pensioners at a time when the cost of living and inflation is rising. He suggested that consideration should be given to increasing assistance through rates rebates to help alleviate this situation.
- 8.2.4 Manager Democracy Services Richard Taylor explained the considerations taken into account by Council in responding to the challenges resulting from inflation, rising interest costs, supply chains disruption, staff shortages and a growing district.
- 8.2.5 These factors contributed to the level of the rates increase and maintaining service levels without any reduction to the activities being provided to the district's communities.
- 8.2.6 It also recognised priorities in the work plan programmed for the 2022/2023 financial year, continued compliance, reviewing aging and underperforming assets, infrastructure investment and right-sizing of staff numbers.
- 8.2.7 The Board may wish to consider providing feedback on options for Council to reduce the proposed rates increase without having a detrimental impact on the projects, programmes and community services it provides.
- 8.2.8 Support to ratepayers eligible to apply for a rates rebate is determined by central government, and any increase through that scheme would need to be made by them through reviewing the amount of assistance able to be made available for that purpose.

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

9.1 Emergency Management

- 9.1.1 Board Member Kim Spooner-Taylor reported Council's Emergency Operations Centre has been managing the Dannevirke water supply issues and weather event that impacted on parts of the district's roading network.
- 9.1.2 Tararua Health Group and the district's iwi have been managing the Covid-19 response that is impacting on the district's communities, with some businesses experiencing a shortage of staff and an economic downturn.

9.2 Tararua Community Youth Services

- 9.2.1 Deputy Chairperson Board Member Terry Hynes advised he has resigned from Tararua Community Youth Services governance board, and will also vacate the role of the Board's liaison representative with that community organisation.

9.3 **Dannevirke Chamber of Commerce**

9.3.1 Deputy Chairperson Board Member Terry Hynes reported a successful after five's meeting was held at Allied Petroleum Dannevirke Fuel Stop and APB Amalgamated Packaging businesses at their sites on Miller Street.

9.3.2 Future after five's meetings have been arranged with Members of Parliament speaking as follows:

- 2 May - Mark Mitchell (National Party - Spokesperson for Police, Serious Fraud Office and Counter-Terrorism)
- 26 May - Nicola Willis (National Party - Deputy Leader of the Opposition, Spokesperson for Finance and Social Investment) and Erica Stanford (National Party - Spokesperson for Education, Ethnic Communities and Immigration)
- 15 June - Grant Robertson (Labour Party - Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Finance, Infrastructure, Racing, Sport and Recreation)

9.4 **Dannevirke Information Centre**

9.4.1 Board Member Ross Macdonald reported Dannevirke Information Centre is operating well, and is in a satisfactory financial position.

9.5 **Roading**

9.5.1 Chairperson Board Member Pat Walshe reported he attended the community information session held in Wimbledon to update locals on progress being made with undertaking the Huarahi - Tūhono Weber to Wimbledon (Route 52 upgrade) project.

9.5.2 The Chairperson has been looking at defects in roads with Mayor Tracey Collis, and considering issues concerning pedestrian crossings in Dannevirke.

10. **Correspondence**

10.1 *That the correspondence as listed be received.*

*a) Toni Chapman, Digital Spaces Activator and i-SITE Assistant 4 April 2022
Re: Dannevirke town signage project*

And that the Board support the images and colours outlined in the proposal presented for its consideration to be used for the Dannevirke town signage project subject to the following change being requested:

- *Ruahine Range image needs to be made clearer, and should feature the top of the Ruahine Range known as Takapari (the dome) that offers great views on a clear day to the coast on both sides of the North Island.*

Hynes/Walshe

Carried

11. Anzac Day

- 11.1 The Board will lay a wreath at the Anzac Day community ceremony in Dannevirke, and Board Member Kim Spooner-Taylor will arrange to collect this from the florist.

12. Dannevirke 150th Anniversary

- 12.1 Board Member Ross Macdonald will present at next month's meeting a proposal to arrange a weekend community event in September to commemorate Dannevirke's 150th anniversary.

13. General Assistance Grants Scheme 2021/2022

- 13.1 Council appointed Board Member Cr Erana Peeti-Webber declared a conflict of interest regarding the application received from Dannevirke Squash Club, and abstained from discussion and determining the amount of funding granted to that organisation.
- 13.2 The Board encourage wherever possible community organisations and groups to purchase locally the materials and services to undertake their projects.
- 13.3 ***That the following grants be approved for disbursement from the Dannevirke Community Board's General Assistance Grants Scheme for the 2021/2022 annual funding allocation.***

Name	Project	Amount Granted
<i>Akitio Recreation and Sports Club</i>	<i>Washing machine for community hall</i>	<i>\$ 1,260.44</i>
<i>Arohanui Hospice Service Trust</i>	<i>Hospice information brochures</i>	<i>\$ 1,000.00</i>
<i>Central and Southern Hawke's Bay Show Jumping Group</i>	<i>Hire show grounds for show jumping and show hunter event</i>	<i>\$ 500.00</i>
<i>Dannevirke Gallery of History</i>	<i>Operational grant</i>	<i>\$ 2,500.00</i>
<i>Dannevirke Squash Club</i>	<i>Fix roof and ceiling</i>	<i>\$ 2,500.00</i>
<i>Friends of the Settlers Cemetery</i>	<i>Bio-Shield concentrate to clean headstones</i>	<i>\$ 180.00</i>
<i>Norsewood Pottery Club</i>	<i>Replace kiln elements</i>	<i>\$ 500.00</i>
<i>Pongaroa Craft Group</i>	<i>Operational grant</i>	<i>\$ 1,400.00</i>

<i>Pongaroa Early Years</i>	<i>Laptops and hardware for rural community centre children's learning space</i>	<i>\$ 2,200.00</i>
Total amount granted		\$12,040.44

Walshe/Macdonald

Carried

14. Chairperson's Remarks

14.1 Connecting with Community Organisations/Groups

14.1.1 Chairperson Board Member Pat Walshe spoke on the Board connecting with community organisations/groups and liaising with them through Board representatives attending their meetings.

14.1.2 This will assist to raise awareness of the Board's role and how it may be able to help such organisations and groups to achieve their objectives.

14.1.3 Promoting an understanding about the Board and the work it undertakes could facilitate interest in encouraging people to stand for the Board at this year's election.

15. Items Not on the Agenda

15.1 Nil

There being no further business the Chairperson thanked those present for their attendance and contributions, and declared the meeting closed at 2.15pm.

Chairperson