



Greytown Community Board

Minutes 18 February 2015

- Present:** Christine Stevenson (chair), Shane Atkinson, Cr Margaret Craig, Ian Farley, Leigh Hay, Cr Napier and Connor Taumoepeau.
- In Attendance:** Paul Crimp (Chief Executive) and Suzanne Clark (Committee Secretary).
- Conduct of Business:** The meeting was conducted in public in the WBS Room, Greytown Town Centre on 18 February 2015 between 7:00pm and 8:55pm.
- Public Participation:** Frank Minehan (Greytown Community Heritage Trust), Mike Dennes, Catherine Whyte, Steve Davis (South Wairarapa Rotary Club).
- Also in Attendance:** Katie Abbott (Tree Advisory Group and Friends of O'Connor's Bush).

PUBLIC BUSINESS

The Community Board agreed to add the application for financial assistance from ArrowFM to the agenda to be considered under agenda item '10 Financial Assistance'.

1. APOLOGIES

GCB RESOLVED (GCB 2015/01) to receive apologies from Mayor Adrienne Staples.

(Moved Cr Craig/Seconded Hay)

Carried

2. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Mr Atkinson declared a conflict of interest with the application for financial assistance from the Menz Shed as he was a member.

Mr Farley declared a conflict of interest with the presentation from the Greytown Community Heritage Trust as he was a member.

Mrs Stevenson declared a conflict of interest with the application for financial assistance from Life Education Trust as she was a board member.

3. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

3.1 Frank Minehan, representing Greytown Community Heritage Trust

Mr Minehan raised concerns about the unknown future of the former Greytown station building currently in property negotiations. Ideas for its protection were presented.

3.2 Mike Dennes

Mr Dennes did not support the introduction of speed bumps on East Street and queried the reason for their placement as they weren't ideally

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placed to slow traffic before the Greytown School crossing. Mr Dennes had noted illegal driving practices since the bumps had been installed.

3.3 Catherine Whyte

Ms Whyte asked what needed to be done to ensure Greytown notable trees received protected status under the Wairarapa District Plan.

3.4 Steve Davis, South Wairarapa Rotary Club

Mr Davis presented a proposal to place an historical information sign about the lime trees in Soldiers Memorial Park in commemoration of WWI and to mark contribution of a long serving Club member.

4. TREE ADVISORY GROUP/FRIENDS OF O'CONNORS BUSH

Ms Abbott reported that Friends of O'Connor's Bush were planning an Arbor Day display in the Greytown Town Centre, plantings, and a tour of medicinal plants in the Bush. The main celebrations would be held on the 4 July 2015. Ms Abbot asked that the historic Greytown Trees Brochure be refreshed and reprinted and said that the Friends of O'Connor's Bush would commit half the funds required in return for acknowledgement in the brochure.

On behalf of the Tree Advisory Group Ms Abbot discussed the unendorsed pruning of a protected tree with members, the process when a breach to the Wairarapa District Plan occurs, and a request that the notable walnut tree in Greytown be monitored closely. Ms Abbot asked the Community Board to endorse the Tree Advisory Group's position that the copper beech tree sited at 123 Main Street is not removed.

5. ACTIONS FROM PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AND PRESENTATIONS

5.1 Frank Minehan, Greytown Community Heritage Trust

The Community Board supported preservation of the former Greytown station building.

5.2 Mike Dennes

Mr Crimp undertook to circulate Mr Dennes presentation to Council officers for comment.

5.3 Steve Davis, South Wairarapa Rotary Club

GCB NOTED

1. Action 111: Write a letter of support for the proposed lime tree signage in Soldiers Memorial Park noting a request that some consideration is given to coordinating the style of the sign with other signs and plaques in Greytown and that some consultation with the RSA and Council's amenities manager occur; P Crimp

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5.4 Catherine Whyte

The Community Board noted that before any tree could be considered for protection in the Wairarapa District Plan a significant amount of data about that tree and an arborist's assessment was required.

GCB NOTED:

1. Action 112: When a change to the Wairarapa District Plan has been confirmed, liaise with the Tree Advisory Group to ascertain whether the Greytown list of proposed trees for protection is ready for inclusion as part of the process; M Buchanan

5.5 Tree Advisory Group/Friends of O'Connor's Bush

The Community Board encouraged the Tree Advisory Group to write to land owners regarding the potential removal of the copper beach on 123 Main Street but could not endorse the letter as the tree did not have protected tree status under the Wairarapa District Plan.

GCB NOTED:

1. Action 113: As per the Management Plan, ensure that a replacement totara is planted in Soldiers Memorial Park once the damaged totara is removed; M Allingham

6. COMMUNITY BOARD MINUTES/EXPENDITURE

6.1 Greytown Community Board Minutes – 10 December 2015

GCB RESOLVED (GCB 2015/02) that the minutes of the Greytown Community Board meeting held on 10 December 2015 be received and confirmed as true and correct.

(Moved Cr Craig/Seconded Hay)

Carried

6.2 Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

6.3 Action Items From Previous Meeting

The Community Board reviewed the action items and updates were provided.

6.4 Income and Expenditure Statement to 31 January 2015

GCB RESOLVED (GCB 2015/03):

1. To receive the Income and Expenditure Statement to 31 January 2015.

(Moved Stevenson/Seconded Atkinson)

Carried

2. Action 114: Remove GCB digital notice board commitment of \$800 from the I&E report; P Crimp

GCB RESOLVED (GCB 2015/04) to approve new GCB expenditure of \$33.33 (split three ways) relating to a combined Community Board Christmas function at the Greytown Hotel.

(Moved Cr Napier/Seconded Stevenson)

Carried

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7. OPERATIONAL REPORTS – COUNCIL OFFICERS

7.1 Officers' Report to Community Boards

GCB RESOLVED (GCB 2015/05) to receive the Officers' Report to Community Boards.

(Moved Cr Craig/Seconded Hay)

Carried

8. COMMUNITY BOARD/COUNCILLORS REPORTS

8.1 Development Plan for Soldiers Memorial Park

Mrs Stevenson reported that the Soldiers Memorial Park Users Group had made a presentation to Council requesting the formation of a development plan for the Park.

8.2 Skate Park

Members discussed possible locations and alternative decision concepts.

8.3 Wairarapa Road Safety Council

Cr Craig reported that the Wairarapa Road Safety Council were not aware that speed bumps were to be installed on East Street.

8.4 Greytown Entrance Signs

The metal work for the signs had been completed, drawings of the foundation had been signed off by an engineer and a quote for installation was being prepared.

8.5 WWI 100th Year Commemoration

Mr Farley discussed the WWI memorial crosses, display possibilities and possible celebrations on the day with members.

GCB RESOLVED (GCB2015/06):

1. That Ian Farley becomes the official GCB WWI 100th Year Commemoration liaison person and that a letter is written to the Greytown RSA indicating that the Community Board will drive the Greytown Cross Project.

(Moved Cr Craig/Seconded Stevenson)

Carried

2. Action 115: By the end of March 2015 prune and clear trees from behind the WWI memorial gates at Soldiers Memorial Park in Greytown; M Allingham

8.6 Information Centre

Mrs Hay outlined plans for displaying artwork on the blank wall in the Greytown Information Centre.

8.7 Memorial on Fabian's Road

Mr Farley reported that the memorial was estimated to cost \$23k - \$30k. The Lions wanted to progress the project and plans were being prepared for Council to review.

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8.8 Featherston to Woodside Cycle Trail

Mr Atkinson reported that the Greytown Trails Trust had made a presentation to the Featherston Community Board on the 27 February 2015 for funds to investigate the best way for cycles to cross the Tauherenikau River. Pricing for a clip-on to the rail bridge and a standalone suspension bridge were being sought.

8.9 Menz Shed

Mr Atkinson reported that the official Menz Shed opening was scheduled for April 2015.

8.10 Community Safety Working Party

Cr Napier reported that the Graffiti Working Party was now known as the Community Safety Working Party and that the chair would like some representation from Greytown as well as youth representation.

8.11 Student Report

An LTP Focus Group for Youth was scheduled for 10am, 3 March 2015, at Kuranui College, and Cr Napier asked Mr Taumoepeau to encourage the student leaders to attend.

GCB NOTED:

1. Action 116: Write and congratulate the Greytown Arts Festival Committee for running a successful 2015 festival; Christine Stevenson

9. CORRESPONDENCE

9.1 Inwards

To Greytown Community Board from Life Education Trust received 5 December 2014

To Greytown Community Board from Alisoun Werry received 5 February 2015 (included Mayor's response)

From Friends of Stella and Sarah to Greytown Community Board received 12 February 2015 (tabled)

To Leigh Hay, Greytown Community Board from Russell Hooper, South Wairarapa District Council received 22 January 2015 (tabled)

9.2 Outwards

To Craig Thorburn, from Shane Atkinson, Greytown Community Board dated 12 December 2014

GCB RESOLVED (GCB 2015/07):

1. To receive the inwards and outwards correspondence; including tabled items.

(Moved Stevenson/Seconded Hay)

Carried

2. Action 117: Liaise with Graeme Edridge advising that there is land already approved for development into a retirement centre in Greytown (Greytown Villas Character Area) and that applications

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for alternative sites to be zoned developed as a retirement village could be made by potential developers; Christine Stevenson

10. FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

10.1 Life Education Trust

GCB RESOLVED (GCB 2015/08) to grant Life Education Trust \$500 to assist with the costs of providing a mobile classroom in the Greytown area.

(Moved Cr Napier/Seconded Cr Craig)

Carried

10.2 The Wairarapa Balloon Society

GCB RESOLVED (GCB 2015/09) to grant the Wairarapa Balloon Society \$500 to bring 2015 events to the Greytown area.

(Moved Stevenson/Seconded Hay)

Carried

10.3 Greytown Menz Shed

GCB RESOLVED (GCB 2015/10) to grant the Greytown Menz Shed \$500 to assist with connecting electricity and to buy consumables.

(Moved Cr Napier/Seconded Hay)

Carried

10.4 Kuranui College

GCB RESOLVED (GCB 2015/11) to grant Kuranui College \$200 to assist with costs associated with running a Bike and Hike event.

(Moved Cr Craig/Seconded Stevenson)

Carried

10.5 ArrowFM

GCB RESOLVED (GCB 2015/12) to grant ArrowFM \$500 to provide a portable, remote broadcasting service to community groups, organisations and individuals in Greytown.

(Moved Stevenson/Seconded Cr Napier)

Carried

Confirmed as a true and correct record

.....Chairperson

.....Date

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