

FCB and Fab Feathy
21 August 2018 6:30 pm

Present: Mark, Brenda, Colin, Alexa, Robyn, Anne, Jack,
Apologies: Ross,
Absent: Claire

Introductions

Description of the Fab Feathy ethos and work so far.

Colin shared some of his learning from the LGNZ conference. Localism. Full time facilitator in a northland town. Linkage. Non-political role feed back to Council.

Railway station group

We will come back to the Community to co-design items to resolve issues. Fab Feathy is mindful of talking to all the users. The parking problem can be weather dependent and worse on particular days. Working with FCB, SWDC, GWRC and Transrail.

Fab Feathy set up has all come from the Community. The Community needs to help resource it. There are a few areas with overlap; Cycle trail and five towns, main street. Communication is going to be the hardest. Using Facebook, posters and The Featherston Phoenix.

Art on the vacant lot

Discussed the large rock and the rouge art group. Discussed in particular the gravel pit situation. People have started thinking about use of the gravel pit. Council, consulting with the community, will decide on its future. We are aware that we may never get consensus. We will find out about the Chorus duct through Community Board. Decision making process will come back to Community Board. Then a joint effort to feed that info back out to the community. What are the options. How does the Community get to have a say?

Action for Robyn: Check on the charge of the Square. Do we need to fill in the form? Is it exclusive rights?

Action for Robyn: set up a meeting with Colin, Ross, Helen, Jack and myself to discuss using the town square and vacant lot.

Christmas Parade

Apparently Claire offered to run this. Running the Christmas Parade is very hard with the new H&S legislation. We need a Traffic management plan, which is very expensive. Leigh Hay from Greytown CB has offered to do a combined application for all three towns to try and get a better price. Brenda suggested a Christmas lights festival in winter.

Talk to Helen again about fencing the whole playground not just one side.

Main Street.

Discussion around the main street; derelict buildings, vacant lot, car parking,

Modern gym facilities. One at the stadium is privately run. Galaxy gym.

There may be a group setting up around having a community gym in Featherston.

Dog pound.

When will the pound be built? Ask for duration statistics on dog pound.

Skate park. This has come up via the LTP and discussions with Fab Feathy. Close the little bit of Birdwood Street. That space can then be used. Upgrade of the skate park. A group may form around this.

Vic Uni study. Keeps coming up.

Inland port in Featherston. Spatial planning. Identify land to be set aside for various activities. Conversations to have about this.

Action: Find out the Spatial planning timeframe.