



Minutes – 17 May 2022

- Present:** Claire Bleakley (Chair), Jayson Tahinurua, Mike Gray, Cr Garrick Emms and Cr Colin Olds
- In Attendance:** Mayor Alex Beijen, Harry Wilson (Chief Executive), Amanda Bradley (General Manager, Policy & Governance), Rick Mead (Manager, Environmental Services) and Kaitlyn Carmichael (Committee Advisor)
- Public Participation:** Emily Greenberg, Warren Maxwell, Joanne Ridley-McBeth, Collie Burt, Sandy Ngamoki, Teresa Dawson
- Conduct of Business:** The meeting was conducted in public in Kiwi Hall, 62 Bell Street, Featherston, between 7.00pm and 9.14pm.

PUBLIC BUSINESS

Members opened with a karakia.

In the absence of Mr Shepherd, Ms Bleakley noted that she would be Chairing the meeting.

1. EXTRAORDINARY BUSINESS

There was no extraordinary business.

2. APOLOGIES

FCB RESOLVED (FCB 2022/18) to receive apologies from Mr Shepherd.

(Moved Bleakley/Seconded Cr Olds)

Carried

3. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Cr Olds declared a conflict of interest with the Featherston Matariki Events Group grant application, to be considered under agenda item 8.2 The Application for Financial Assistance.

4. ACKNOWLEDGMENTS AND TRIBUTES

Cr Olds acknowledged the passing of Judy Burt, a longstanding member of the Featherston community.

Ms Bleakley acknowledged the work that has been completed at the Featherston cemetery.

5. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Emily Greenberg – Footpaths and Rural Roading

Ms Greenberg queried the responsibility of footpath prioritization and noted that no kerb cut was marked for the footpath repair on Bell Street. Ms

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Greenberg requested that kerb cuts be installed in all existing footpaths and that footpaths be extended to major public locations.

Ms Greenberg provided signage to the board that highlights recommendations for running, walking and cycling safely with traffic and requested consideration on installation.

Mike Gray – Featherston Waste Water

Mr Gray read a submission on behalf of Mr Woodgyer who was unable to attend the meeting. Mr Woodgyer noted concerns with the management of Featherston’s wastewater, including the current disposal and the spraying of effluent onto the soil.

Warren Maxwell – Matariki Funding Grant Application

Mr Maxwell spoke in support of the grant application from Featherston Matariki Events Group and shared details of the lighting exhibition and associated events. Mr Maxwell noted that the lights would be available for use for community events in the future.

Joanne Ridley-McBeth – Accessibility to Fareham Creative Space

Ms Ridley-McBeth spoke about Fareham Creative Space Charitable Trust and the benefit to the community. Ms Ridley-McBeth requested signage be installed on Wakefield Street and Harrison East Street to increase visibility of the space and asked that Council consider footpaths and lighting to increase accessibility to the building.

Collie Burt – Featherston Waste Water

Mr Burt voiced concerns with the proposed plan of spraying to land and noted the impact this would have on surrounding human and aquatic life. Mr Burt noted the community growth and the importance of finding a sustainable solution for future generations.

Sandy Ngamoki and Teresa Dawson – Covid-19 Home Care Kits

Ms Ngamoki and Ms Dawson spoke in support of the creation of a Covid-19 Home Care Kit. Ms Ngamoki noted the importance of this project in reaching and providing support in the South Wairarapa throughout the pandemic. Ms Ngamoki requested written support from the board on the project.

6. ACTIONS FROM PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Mr Wilson noted that officers would respond to Ms Greenberg’s questions and concerns directly.

Mr Wilson noted that queries raised by Mr Woodgyer and Mr Burt would be discussed under item 9.1, the Officers Report.

Members noted that Mr Maxwell’s grant application would be considered under item 8.2, The Application for Financial Assistance Report.

Members requested Ms Ridley-McBeth put her request into writing to officers for follow up.

FCB RESOLVED (2022/19) to write a letter of support for the Covid-19 Home Care Kits on behalf of the Featherston Community Board.

(Moved Bleakley/Seconded Cr Olds)

Carried

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7. FEATHERSTON COMMUNITY BOARD MINUTES – 5 APRIL 2022

FCB RESOLVED (2022/20) that the minutes of the Featherston Community Board meeting held on 5 April 2022 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

(Moved Bleakley/Seconded Gray) Carried

8. DECISION REPORTS FROM CHIEF EXECUTIVE AND STAFF

8.1 Wharekauhau Road Naming Report

FCB RESOLVED (FCB 2022/21) to:

1. Receive the Proposed Naming of an existing right of way, at 4132 Ocean Beach Road, in Featherston Report.

(Moved Bleakley/Seconded Gray) Carried

2. Approve the proposed naming of “Romney Lane” for the private road at 4132 Ocean Beach Road, Featherston.

(Moved Cr Olds/Seconded Cr Emms) Carried

8.2 Financial Assistance Report

FCB RESOLVED (FCB 2022/22) to:

1. Receive the Application for Financial Assistance Report.

(Moved Tahinurua/Seconded Cr Emms) Carried

2. Approve \$410 to the South Wairarapa Pipe Band to purchase bag pipe chords, to be funded through the grants fund.

(Moved Cr Olds/Seconded Tahinurua) Carried

3. Approve \$1,183.07 to the Featherston Matariki Events Group to support a Matariki Lights Event, to be funded through the beautification fund.

(Moved Cr Emms/Seconded Tahinurua) Carried

FCB NOTED:

Action 201: To investigate the purchase of a storage container for use by organizations in the local community.

9. INFORMATION REPORTS FROM CHIEF EXECUTIVE AND STAFF

9.1 Officer’s Report

FCB RESOLVED (FCB 2022/23) to receive the Officer’s Report.

(Moved Tahinurua/Seconded Gray) Carried

Mr Wilson spoke to items included in the Officer’s Report, including the Featherston Master Plan and water report. Mr Wilson spoke to queries raised by Mr Woodgyer and Mr Burt and provided the board with an update on the process and progress of the wastewater plant upgrade. Members voiced concern that elected members and the community have not been provided with options from Wellington Water for consideration.

Cr Olds noted the number of remaining buildings on the earthquake prone list and quired the number in each district. Cr Olds requested clarification on the

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length of time allowed to mitigate a building risk and undertook following up with the Planning and Regulatory Committee.
Mr Mead provided an update on the status of the dog pound and the process for wandering dogs.

FCB NOTED:

Action 203: Request from officers, a report on the maintenance of the Western Lake Road Cycle Trail.

Ms Bleakley stated that members of the community were concerned with the increase in rates. Mr Wilson noted the public is encouraged to attend annual plan drop-in sessions.

10. NOTICES OF MOTION

10.1 **Notice of Motion: Featherston To Waste Water** *(item moved)*

FCB RESOLVED (FCB 2022/24) to receive the Notice of Motion: Featherston Waste Water Treatment Options.

(Moved Bleakley/Seconded Tahinurua)

Carried

Cr Olds voted against

Secretary note: Ms Bleakley withdrew recommendations 2, 3 and 4 of the Notice of Motion following discussion with the board.

Members debated items outlined in the notice of motion and Mr Wilson provided clarification on the current short-term plan for the waste water plant. Mr Wilson noted that the information outlined in the report has been sent to the independent advisor for review.

FCB NOTED:

Action 205: To request a public meeting with Wellington water and Council to discuss the short- and long-term options and costs associated with the Featherston Wastewater Treatment Plant, prior to the next board meeting.

9.2 **Action Items Report**

FCB RESOLVED (FCB 2022/25) to receive the Action Items Report.

(Moved Cr Olds/Seconded Tahinurua)

Carried

Members agreed that the Welcome to Featherston Sign be put up without the installation of the frangible base and noted that planting under the sign could be funded through the board beautification fund.

11. CHAIRPERSON REPORT

11.1 **Chairperson Report**

There was no Chairperson Report.

12. ELECTED MEMBER REPORTS (INFORMATION)

Ms Bleakley spoke to items outlined in the report.

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FCB NOTED:

Action 207: To request from Council a verbal report on the significance of the two Cherry Trees located at the Cenotaph in Featherston.

Action 208: To request from Council an update on the kerb cleaning process.

Secretary note: Item 9.3 the Income and Expenditure Report, was not received or discussed.

13. REPORTS FROM YOUTH REPRESENTATIVES (INFORMATION)

There were no youth representative reports.

Members closed with a karakia.

The meeting closed at 9.14pm.

Confirmed as a true and correct record

.....Chairperson

.....Date

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