



22 February 2023

- Present:** Tui Rutherford (Chair), John Dennison (Deputy Chair), Warren Maxwell, Annelise Schroeder and Councillor Rebecca Gray
- In Attendance:** Mayor Martin Connelly, Russell O’Leary (Group Manager, Planning & Environment), Stefan Corbett (Group Manager, Partnerships & Operations), Sheil Priest (General Manager, Communications & Engagement), James Witham (Planning Manager), Catherine Clouston (Communications Advisor) and Kaity Carmichael (Committee Advisor).
- Adam Mattsen, Uku Dele, Nadia Nitsche (Wellington Water) and Kirsty Duff (Greater Wellington Regional Council)
- Public Participation:** Peter and Mary Biggs, Mary Gow, Cr Colin Olds, Mary Byrne, William Boone and Claire Bleakley
- Conduct of Business:** The meeting was conducted in public in the Featherston Community Centre, 14 Wakefield Street, Featherston, between 7.00pm and 9:28pm.
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Members opened with a karakia.

1. EXTRAORDINARY BUSINESS

There was no extraordinary business.

2. APOLOGIES

FCB RESOLVED (FCB 2023/01) to accept apologies from Cr Melissa Saddler-Futter.

(Moved Rutherford/Seconded Maxwell)

Carried

3. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

4. ACKNOWLEDGMENTS AND TRIBUTES

Mr Rutherford thanks Cr Olds for his service and noted his resignation to the Featherston Community Board.

Mr Maxwell acknowledged participation of the Rangiora o Wairarapa Kapahaka group in the 2023 Te Matatini Herenga Waka Herenga Tangata Festival.

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5. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Peter and Mary Biggs – Featherston Book Town

Mr and Mrs Biggs provided an update on the 2023 Booktown event and highlighted the Young Readers Programme. Mr Biggs requested the boards support for the annual event.

Mary Gow – Mulled Wine Concert Grant Application

Ms Gow spoke on behalf of the Mulled Wine Concert Grant Application and requested financial support for a upcoming concert at Anzac Hall.

Colin Olds – 28th Māori Battalion Plaque

Cr Olds spoke on behalf of Dick Smith regarding the 28th Māori Battalion. Cr Olds provided the draft design for the plaque and requested the boards endorsement.

Mary Bryne – Water Fluoridation

Ms Bryne spoke against central government water fluoridation mandates and requested support from the board to advocate against water fluoridation in the district.

William Boone – Three Waters and Water Safety

Mr Boone spoke against Three Waters and noted that the transfer of water services to central government would limit the local ability to manage water safety.

Claire Bleakley – Water Fluoridation

Ms Bleakley spoke against water fluoridation mandates. Ms Bleakley asked the board to request a Council report on water fluoridation and arrange community meetings with experts present to discuss the topic.

6. ACTIONS FROM PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Members thanked the public presenters and discussed possible actions. Members noted their support for the draft design of the 28th Māori Battalion Plaque.

7. FEATHERSTON COMMUNITY BOARD MINUTES – 30 NOVEMBER 2022

FCB RESOLVED (FCB 2023/02) that the minutes of the Featherston Community Board meeting held on 30 November 2022 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

(Moved Schroeder/Seconded Cr Gray)

Carried

8. REPORTS FROM CHIEF EXECUTIVE AND STAFF

8.1 Featherston Stormwater Report

FCB RESOLVED (FCB 2023/03) to receive the Stormwater Report.

(Moved Cr Gray/Seconded Maxwell)

Carried

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Mr Matteson, Ms Dele and Ms Nitsche presented on behalf of Wellington Water and Greater Wellington Regional Council and provided information on stormwater networks and flooding events in Featherston. Ms Nitsche requested support on engagement activities guiding the development of flood maps in the ward. Members queried environmental options for storm water management and Ms Dele undertook providing the board with a recent Wellington Water publication on the topic.

Mr Witham spoke about the impact of flooding models on the development of the Combined District Plan and Mr Corbett provided an update on the work being done by alongside stakeholders to address specific flooding areas in the ward.

8.2 Featherston Masterplan Report

*FCB RESOLVED (FCB 2023/04) to receive the Featherston Masterplan Report.
(Moved Cr Gray/Seconded Maxwell) Carried*

Mr O’Leary spoke to items outlined in the report and provided an update on the Featherston Masterplan.

Members queried the extension the speed limit reduction through the centre of town and the location of proposed pedestrian crossing in the central business area. Mr O’Leary undertook following up to Waka Kotahi on the potential of the speed limit extension.

Members noted the using planting as part of the Masterplan and noted the potential for the partnership with Pou Tu Moki’s Native Tree Nursery.

8.3 Action Items Report

*FCB RESOLVED (FCB 2023/05) to receive the Action Items Report.
(Moved Schroeder/Seconded Dennison) Carried*

Members discussed open actions and noted further updates.

Action 550: Request for the presentation to be coordinated for the next meeting.

Action 554: Mr Maxwell and Cr Grey undertook meeting with Ms Fjaerestad to discuss the appointment of a youth representative.

561: Mr Rutherford undertook having a conversation with Mayor Connelly – action closed.

521: Request for follow up.

FCB NOTED:

Action 076: Request that officers respond to Ms Greenberg’s request to consider the installation of signage that highlights recommendations for running, walking and cycling safely with traffic.

8.4 Income & Expenditure Report

*FCB RESOLVED (FCB 2023/06) to receive the Income and Expenditure Report.
(Moved Cr Gray/Seconded Maxwell) Carried*

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Members queried the naming of the beautification fund and the possibility of renaming the fund 'Community Development Fund'. Ms Carmichael undertook providing clarification.

8.5 Financial Assistance Report

FCB RESOLVED (FCB 2023/07) to:

1. Receive the Financial Assistance Report.
(Moved Maxwell /Seconded Cr Gray) Carried
2. Approve \$500 to the Mulled Wine Concerts in Featherston on the condition that it goes towards subsidizing 15 seats for community members who would not otherwise be able to afford the event, to be funded through the grants fund.
(Moved Rutherford/Seconded Maxwell) Carried

Members debated the benefit of the Mulled Wine Concert to the community.

8.6 Chairperson Report

Mr Rutherford spoke to items outlined in the report and the potential for berm planting in the ward. Members discussed the importance of the seed funding to develop the guidelines for the project. Members discussed ways to prioritize buildings to be included in the painting project.

FCB NOTED:

Action 088: To work on prioritization of Mainstreet buildings for painting, T Rutherford.

FCB RESOLVED (FCB 2023/08) to:

1. Receive the Chairperson Report.
(Moved Schroeder/Seconded Maxwell)
2. Allocate \$500 "proof of concept fund" to support the development of a design and guidelines for berm planting, to be funded through the beautification fund.
(Moved Maxwell/Seconded Cr Gray) Carried
3. Allocate \$500 to initiate building painting on Main Street, to be funded through the beautification fund.
(Moved Cr Gray/Seconded Maxwell) Carried

8.7 Member Report

FCB RESOLVED (FCB 2023/09) to:

1. Receive the Member Report.
2. Approve up to \$200 to purchase a Featherston Community Board sign, to be funded through the board's operational funds.

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3. Approve up to \$150 to be used to purchase refreshments, when meeting with members of the community, to be funded through the boards operational funds,

(Moved Maxwell/Seconded Schroeder)

Carried

Mr Dennison spoke to items outlined in the report.

FCB NOTED:

Action 089: To work with officers on the development of a community board sign, J Dennison.

Members closed with a karakia

The meeting closed at 9:28pm.

Confirmed as a true and correct record

.....Chairperson

.....Date

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