



## Featherston Community Board

Minutes – 9 October 2018

- Present:** Robyn Ramsden (Chair), Claire Bleakley, Mark Shepherd (Deputy Chair), Brenda West, Cr Colin Olds (from 7:12pm) and Cr Ross Vickery (until 8:36pm).
- In Attendance:** Mark Allingham (Group Manager Infrastructure and Services) from 7:20pm and Suzanne Clark (Committee Secretary).
- Conduct of Business:** The meeting was held in Kiwi Hall, 62 Bell Street, Featherston. The meeting was conducted in public between 7:00pm and 9:10pm.
- Also in Attendance:** Mary Byrne, David Famularo and Garrick Emms. Attendance apologies received from Cr Lee Carter.

### PUBLIC BUSINESS

#### 1. APOLOGIES

*FCB RESOLVED (FCB 2018/82)* to receive apologies from Mayor Viv Napier and lateness apologies from Cr Colin Olds.

*(Moved Ramsden/Seconded Shepherd)*

Carried

#### 2. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

#### 3. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

##### 3.1 Mary Byrne

Ms Byrne presented statistics of rising cancer and gluten intolerance rates alongside rising use of glyphosate sprays. In 2015 The World Health Organization had declared glyphosate a probable carcinogen. Ms Byrne wanted Council to be more environmentally aware and the Community Board to support alternative methods of weed control.

##### 3.2 David Famularo

Mr Famularo spoke about the threat of flooding to properties in Featherston between Fitzherbert Street, Harrison Street East and Boundary Road, worsened by embankments built by a land owner. Mr Famularo had requested that Council enforce removal of the embankments by the landowner (if found to be illegal), and that Council build bigger drains.

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### 3.3 Garrick Emms

Mr Emms stated that there had been unreasonable delays to the Featherston wastewater and submissions hearings process and requested that the Featherston Community Board support the process being moved forward in a timely manner. Mr Emms asked that a mediation process between submitters and Greater Wellington Regional Council be conducted. Mr Emms queried who was making the decision on the way forward on the 19 October 2018.

## 4. ACTIONS FROM PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

### 4.1 Mary Byrne

Deferred to agenda item 9.3.

### 4.2 David Famularo

*FCB NOTED*

1. Action 654: Forward a copy of the responses sent to Mr Famularo regarding outcomes of the investigation into the threat of flooding to properties in Featherston between Fitzherbert Street, Harrison Street East and Boundary Road to Featherston Community Board members; M Allingham

### 4.3 Garrick Emms

*FCB NOTED*

1. Action 655: To take to Council the Featherston Community Boards concerns relating to delay and process with regards to the Featherston wastewater treatment project; Robyn Ramsden

## 5. COMMUNITY BOARD MINUTES

### 5.1 Featherston Community Board Minutes – 24 August 2018

*FCB RESOLVED (FCB 2018/83)* that the minutes of the Featherston Community Board meeting held on 24 August 2018 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

*(Moved Ramsden/Seconded Shepherd)*

Carried

## 6. CHIEF EXECUTIVE AND STAFF REPORTS

### 6.1 Officers Report to Community Boards

Members discussed community housing refurbishments and letting, Featherston Cemetery vegetation trimming, dog education, and repetition of information in reports.

*FCB RESOLVED (FCB 2018/84):*

1. To receive the Officers' Report.

*(Moved Cr Olds/Seconded Ramsden)*

Carried

2. Action 656: Advise the Featherston Community Board where the Featherston Market is being held, who is running it and what time it is being run from (as reported in 7.5.1 of the Infrastructure and Services Report); M Allingham

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3. Action 657: Provide information to Claire Bleakley about the expected occupancy date of the Featherston community housing flat currently being renovated and whether it is a single or double unit; M Allingham

#### 6.2 Action Items Report

Members discussed the action items and updates.

*FCB RESOLVED (FCB 2018/85):*

1. To receive the Action Items Report.  
(*Moved Ramsden/Seconded Cr Vickery*) Carried
2. Action 658: Start adding the date that footpath maintenance requests are forwarded to Infrastructure and Services to be added to the prioritised list; M Allingham

#### 6.3 Income and Expenditure Report

*FCB RESOLVED (FCB 2018/86)* to receive the Income and Expenditure Report for the period 1 July 2018 – 31 August 2018.

(*Moved Ramsden/Seconded West*) Carried

#### 6.4 Referral of Long Term Plan (LTP) Submissions Report

The Community Board noted that there was an established relationship with Fab Feathy that was working well and that alternative parking had been initiated.

*FCB RESOLVED (FCB 2018/87):*

1. To receive the LTP Submissions Referral Report.  
(*Moved Ramsden/Seconded Bleakley*) Carried
2. Action 659: Advise the Featherston Community Board whether the spatial plan will be open for public consultation and whether the Featherston Information Centre will be recognised in the plan; R O’Leary
3. Action 660: Write to Jack Miller and ask him for his ideas with regards to the Featherston skatepark and how he would like to see the park developed; P Crimp
4. Action 661: Write to Barbara Wilson and advise that the FCB is not in a position to take the lead in setting up a friends of the cemetery group and suggest she advertise in the Featherston Phoenix; P Crimp

#### 6.5 Financial Assistance Accountability Report

*FCB RESOLVED (FCB 2018/88)* receive the Financial Assistance Accountability Report.

(*Moved Ramsden/Seconded Bleakley*) Carried

#### 6.6 Applications for financial assistance

Cr Vickery left the meeting at 8:36pm.

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*FCB RESOLVED (FCB 2018/89):*

1. To receive the Applications for Financial Assistance Report.  
(*Moved Bleakley/Seconded Cr Vickery*) Carried
2. To grant the Featherston Information Centre \$500 to help with running expenses for the Centre.  
(*Moved Bleakley/Seconded Cr Olds*) Carried

6.7 Featherston Highway Changes

Mr Allingham tabled a report on the diversion of State Highway 53 traffic. Members noted that a formal concept had to be established before consultation with the community could be meaningfully conducted.

*FCB RESOLVED (FCB 2018/90):*

1. To receive the tabled Featherston Highway Changes Report.
2. To write to David Hancock and Paul Broughton, providing them with a copy of the Council officer's report and inviting them to take the next step in the process.  
(*Moved Bleakley/Seconded West*) Carried

**7. CHAIRPERSONS REPORT**

7.1 Chairperson's Report

Members noted that Mrs Bleakly was not at the workshop held with Fab Feathy as the email invitation had not been received.

*FCB RESOLVED (FCB 2018/91):*

1. To receive the Chairperson's report.
2. To request that the CEO formally update the Featherston Community Board on progress towards resolving the issues with the vacant lot.
3. To consider grant applications at every Featherston Community Board meeting.  
(*Moved Ramsden/Seconded Shepherd*) Carried

*FCB RESOLVED (FCB 2018/92)* to ratify the email approval of \$6,750 being half of the estimated costs of replacing the street banner brackets as submitted to the LTP (\$13,500) out of the Main Street Beautification Fund.

(*Moved Cr Olds/Seconded Ramsden*) Carried

**8. MEMBER REPORTS (INFORMATION)**

8.1 Featherston Christmas Parade

Mrs Bleakley spoke to her report as submitted in meeting papers, noting that the cost of the traffic management plan would be above any amount approved for organising the Christmas parade.

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*FCB RESOLVED (FCB 2018/93) to grant up to \$500 to the Christmas Parade organising committee payable on receipts.*

*(Moved Cr Olds/Seconded Ramsden)*

Carried

8.2 Poppy Places

Mrs Ramsden thanked Mrs Bleakley for successfully conducting the Poppy Places project.

8.3 Glyphosate Use

Mrs Bleakley spoke to her report as submitted in meeting papers, and requested that Council contractors use protective clothing when mixing and spraying glyphosate.

*FCB NOTED:*

1. Action 662: Look into Council workers wearing full protective gear when spraying chemicals and keep looking at alternative to glyphosate sprays; M Allingham

8.4 Waihinga Centre

Mrs Bleakley spoke to her report as submitted in meeting papers, noting that information had been received from Council officers.

*FCB RESOLVED (FCB 2018/94) to receive members' reports.*

*(Moved Ramsden/Seconded Cr Olds)*

Carried

**9. CORRESPONDENCE**

9.1 Inwards

From Emily Greenburg, to Featherston Community Board, dated 7 September 2018

From Victim Support, to Featherston Community Board, dated 13 September 2018

From Brookside Developments, to Featherston Community Board

*FCB RESOLVED (FCB 2018/95) to receive the inwards correspondence.*

*(Moved Ramsden/Seconded West)*

Carried

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.....**Chairperson**

.....**Date**

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