



Featherston Community Board

Minutes 26 April 2011

- Present:** Garry Thomas (Chair), Helen Barrow, Lee Carter, and Crs Solitaire Robertson and Keith Sexton.
- In attendance:** Mayor Adrienne Staples, Paul Crimp (Group Manager Corporate Support), Rachel Hornsby (Group Manager Planning and Environment) and Suzanne Clark (Committee Secretary).
- Public Participation:** Adair Davis, Southern Wairarapa Safer Community Council (until 6:20pm), Colin Olds, Featherston Information Centre (until 6:35pm).
- Conduct of Business:** The meeting was held in the Featherston RSA, 57 Fox Street, Featherston.
The meeting was conducted in public between 6.05pm and 7.53pm.

PUBLIC BUSINESS

Due to unforeseen circumstances the meeting was held at the Featherston RSA, 57 Fox Street, Featherston and not the Family Works Centre as advertised.

1. APOLOGIES

*FCB RESOLVED (FCB 2011/16) to receive apologies from Dr Jack Dowds.
(Moved Barrow/ Seconded Carter)*

Carried

2. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

No conflicts of interest were declared.

3. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Adair Davis, the Graffiti/Vandalism Prevention Coordinator for the Wairarapa spoke to the Community Board on graffiti/vandalism prevention and removal strategies, including the goal of establishing a graffiti task force in Featherston.

Colin Olds, representing the Featherston Information Centre, spoke on problems staffing the Centre and opportunities for improving the service.

4. FEATHERSTON INFORMATION CENTRE

The Community Board agreed that providing a place for visitors to obtain information and speak first hand to someone about Featherston and the wider Wairarapa was important for the regions tourism.

FCB NOTED:

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1. Action 612: Determine the cost of providing staff for the Featherston Information Centre on a part time basis. Determine the cost of providing this service during the Rugby World Cup only; P Crimp
2. Action 613: Undertake basic maintenance on Featherston Information Centre in preparation for the Rugby World Cup; M Allingham
3. Action 614: Determine the feasibility of using the Service Centre manager to coordinate Information Centre volunteers; M Allingham

5. **GRAFETTI/VANDALISM IN FEATHERSTON**

The Community Board supported the concept of establishing a graffiti task force as presented by Mrs Adair.

FCB NOTED:

1. Action 615: Ensure graffiti kits are readily available in Service Centres and purchase some graffiti removal wipes for the service centres as well as community patrols; P Crimp

6. **COMMUNITY BOARD MINUTES/EXPENDITURE**

6.1 Featherston Community Board Minutes – 15 March 2011

FCB RESOLVED (FCB 2011/17) that the minutes of the Featherston Community Board meeting held on 15 March 2011 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

(Moved Cr Sexton/ Seconded S. Robertson)

Carried

6.2 Matters arising

The Community Board agreed to meet on 29 May 2011 to update the Strategic Plan.

6.3 Action items from previous meeting

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

6.4 Income and Expenditure Statement to 28 February 2011

FCB RESOLVED (FCB 2011/18)

1. That the Income and Expenditure Statement to 28 February 2011 be received.

(Moved Carter/ Seconded Sexton)

Carried

2. Action 616: Obtain an update from Peter Norden on the Featherston broadband project; G Thomas

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7. OPERATIONAL REPORTS – Council Officers

7.1 Officers' Report to Community Boards

The Community Board reviewed the report and questions were answered by the Group Managers.

FCB RESOLVED (FCB 2011/19):

1. To receive the Officers' Report to Community Boards.

(Moved Cr S. Robertson/ Seconded Cr Thomas)

Carried

8. COMMUNITY BOARD/COUNCILLORS REPORTS

Helen Barrow

Mrs Barrow had queries relating to the new recycling scheme. The Group Manager Corporate Support answered these queries and undertook to provide via email the brochure that was delivered to urban residents.

Lee Carter

Mrs Carter noted repeated failure of the Main Street lights.

Cr Robertson

Cr Robertson reported that the ANZAC day services went well and were well attended at both Featherston and Martinborough.

Cr Sexton

Cr Sexton reported that he has been involved in the Waste Water Strategy public meetings and attendance and expressed disappointment in the low attendance at these meetings.

Garry Thomas

Mr Thomas had nothing to report.

FCB NOTED:

1. Action 617: Obtain an explanation from Dave Patten as to why the Street lights in Featherston, including the Main Street, go out so often and see if the problem can be rectified; M Allingham
2. Action 618: Provide rates newsletters to rate payers who have paid their rates in full; P Crimp
3. Action 619: Items for inclusion in the Featherston Community Board submission should be submitted to Garry prior to the strategic plan meeting; All

9. COLONEL PLACE, FEATHERSTON:

Mrs Carter tabled environmental zones and original resource application papers and led a discussion on whether the subdivision as it was being developed was in keeping with the Wairarapa District Plan. The Group

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Manager Planning and Environment explained the District Plan was about providing for residential use in residential areas, and the controls in place are around density of development and supply of infrastructure. The controls are not about architectural merit or cost of dwellings. Council is unable to refuse resource consent for a relocated building as it is a controlled activity, but reasonable conditions must be met to ensure the building is brought up to a required standard. A change to the subdivision rules in the District Plan is unlikely be supported by Officers and the other Wairarapa Councils and would not likely be upheld by the Environment Court.

FCB RESOLVED (FCB 2011/20):

1. To receive the information.
2. Discuss the concerns and possible impacts; and
3. Consider the options available to address the noted concerns.

(Moved Carter/ Seconded Thomas)

Carried

10. DRAFT ANNUAL PLAN

The Community Board agreed that items for inclusion in the Board’s submission to the Draft 2011/12 Annual Plan would be decided at the strategy meeting scheduled for the 29 May 2011. Members undertook to provide Mr Thomas items for discussion and consideration prior to the meeting.

11. CORRESPONDENCE

No correspondence was received.

12. APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE.

The Community Board discussed the application for financial assistance received from Brody Mudgway and noted that the Community Board Strategic Plan provides for grants to projects that benefit the community and not individual applicants

FCB RESOLVED (FCB 2011/21) to decline the application for financial assistance from Brody Mudgway.

Moved Barrow/ Seconded Thomas)

Carried

Confirmed as a true and correct record

.....Chairperson

.....Date

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