



Greytown Community Board

Minutes – 1 February 2017

- Present:** Leigh Hay (Chair), Cr Paora Ammunson, Cr Margaret Craig, Mike Gray, Ann Rainford, and Christine Stevenson.
- In Attendance:** Paul Crimp (Chief Executive) and Suzanne Clark (Committee Secretary).
- Conduct of Business:** The meeting was conducted in public in the WBS Room, Greytown Town Centre on 1 February 2017 between 7:00pm and 8:15pm.
- Also in Attendance:** Geoff Clark, Jane Mills (Wellington Region Emergency Management Office -WREMO), Mary Byrne (Fluoride Free NZ) and Warren Preiss, Warren Woodgyer and Katie Abbott (Tree Advisory Group).

PUBLIC BUSINESS

1. APOLOGIES

GCB RESOLVED (GCB 2017/01) to receive apologies from Mayor Viv Napier and AJ Southey.

(Moved Hay/Seconded Stevenson)

Carried

2. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Leigh Hay declared a conflict with correspondence received from Cobblestones Museum.

3. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

3.1 Geoff Clark

Geoff Clark requested the Community Board advocate for repairing the gravel under the oak trees in front of the Greytown Town Centre, that property owners on McMasters Street be asked to remove tree branches overhanging footpaths, and that a drip that echoes throughout the Greytown Library while it is raining be fixed.

3.2 Jane Mills, WREMO

Jane Mills requested the Community Board support planning for civil defence emergency management noting that civil defence centres were now called 'emergency hubs' and that preparedness information was available on the WREMO website.

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3.3 Mary Byrne (Fluoride Free NZ) and Warren Preiss

Mary Byrne stated that central government was seeking feedback on an amendment to the Health Act that shifted decision making for fluoridation of local water supplies to district health boards, with responsibility for paying for the directive left to local councils. The benefits of fluoridation were contentious and the biggest indicator for dental decay was social economics. Ms Byrne requested that Council make a submission on the proposed amendment.

Warren Preiss had moved to Featherston as there was no fluoride in the water and he did not want to expose his family to neurotoxins. Mr Preiss stated there was evidence that fluoridation lowered IQ and was concerned that costs would be passed on to ratepayers.

3.4 Warren Woodgyer

Warren Woodgyer requested that the Community Board differentiate between rumour and fact regarding whether a skate park and subdivision were planned for the end of Cotter Street, and whether the Greytown Transfer Station was being removed, due to concerns about the narrowness of Cotter Street and the potential for increased use of the street.

4. PRESENTATIONS:

4.1 Katie Abbott, Tree Advisory Group (TAG)

The Tree Advisory Group had not met in 2017 but work was continuing with the historic tree register.

5. ACTIONS FROM PUBLIC PARTICIPATION/PRESENTATIONS

5.1 Geoff Clark

Mr Crimp undertook to log job requests for the issues raised.

5.2 Fluoride Free NZ

Mr Crimp reported that Council had made a submission on the proposed Health Bill amendment requesting that the decision to fluoridate is made by the Director General of Health and paid for by central government. This view was supported unanimously by Councils at a Local Government NZ conference two years ago.

5.3 Warren Woodgyer

The Community Board confirmed that a skate park was planned for Greytown with the preferred location being the corner of Pierce and Cotter Streets. Mr Crimp confirmed that initial discussions regarding a subdivision had been held, but that when consent applications were lodged developers had to address traffic, water and wastewater flows.

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5.4 Katie Abbott, Tree Advisory Group (TAG)

GCB NOTED:

1. Action 55: Meet with Mr Crimp and Mayor Napier to discuss the proposed Terms of Reference for the Tree Advisory Group; L Hay

6. COMMUNITY BOARD MINUTES

6.1 Greytown Community Board Minutes – 23 November 2016

GCB RESOLVED (GCB 2017/02) that the minutes of the Greytown Community Board meeting held on 23 November 2016 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

(Moved Stevenson/Seconded Rainford)

Carried

7. CHIEF EXECUTIVE AND STAFF REPORTS

7.1 Action Items Report

GCB RESOLVED (GCB 2017/03) to receive the information.

(Moved Cr Craig/Seconded Stevenson)

Carried

7.2 Income and Expenditure Report

GCB RESOLVED (GCB 2017/04):

1. To receive the Income and Expenditure Statement to 30 November 2016.

(Moved Stevenson/Seconded Cr Craig)

Carried

2. Action 56: Reconcile the closing balance of the YTD GCB I&E with the 2017 statements; J Mitchell

7.3 Officers Report

Mr Crimp discussed the proposed North Street lime footpath, that no amenities complaints had been recorded and overhanging trees with members.

GCB RESOLVED (GCB 2016/05):

1. To receive the Officers' Report.

(Moved Gray/Seconded Cr Craig)

Carried

2. Action 57: Review Kuratawhiti Street trees overhanging footpaths with a view to handing out infringement notices for any that require trimming; M Buchanan

3. Action 58: Request LGNZ provide a replacement certificate and any other items of recognition to Christine Stevenson for long service to the Greytown Community Board; P Crimp

7.4 Community Boards Conference 2017

GCB RESOLVED (GCB 2016/06):

1. To receive the information.

(Moved Cr Craig/Seconded Cr Ammunson)

Carried

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2. To send Ann Rainford to the Community Boards conference 2017 at Council's expense.
(Moved Hay/Seconded Gray) Carried
3. That having considered sending a second member to the Community Boards Conference 2017 with an associated cost of up to \$2,000, have decided not to proceed.
(Moved Cr Craig/Seconded Cr Ammunson) Carried

8. NOTICES OF MOTION

There were no notices of motion.

9. CHAIRPERSONS REPORT

9.1 Chairperson's Report

GCB RESOLVED (GCB 2016/07):

1. To receive the information.
(Moved Hay/Seconded Stevenson) Carried
2. That the Greytown Community Board fund half the cost, including any promotion costs for a free swim month at the Greytown Memorial Pool in January 2017, for 200 children of the Greytown ward at a cost of no more than \$1,250.
(Moved Cr Craig/Seconded Stevenson) Carried
3. Action 59: Write and thank the Greytown Lions for providing a free BBQ to swimmers during the free swim day; P Crimp

10. MEMBERS REPORTS (INFORMATION)

10.1 Civil Defence Emergency Management (CDEM)

Mr Gray had included a written report for agenda papers and members discussed progressing the Greytown CDEM Community Response Team's Terms of Reference (TOR) and the inclusion of rural residents in the team makeup. Mr Gray reported that the radio was not working on all channels and that an explanation of how to use this equipment would be included in the Community Emergency Hub Guide.

GCB RESOLVED (GCB 2017/08):

1. To receive the information.
(Moved Cr Craig/Seconded Rainford) Carried
2. Action 60: Review the proposed Greytown CDEM Community Response Team's TOR for uniformity (as compared to the Featherston and Martinborough documents), against WREMO's contracted responsibilities and Councils standard templates; J Mitchell

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11. CORRESPONDENCE

11.1 Inwards

From Linda Kirkland, Cobblestones Museum, to Leigh Hay, Greytown Community Board dated 23 December 2016

From Kevin Tso, Victim Support, to Leigh Hay, Greytown Community Board dated 25 November 2016

From Jan Eagle to Greytown Community Board dated 14 November 2016

GCB RESOLVED (GCB 2017/09) to receive the inwards correspondence.

(Moved Hay/Seconded Stevenson)

Carried

GCB RESOLVED (GCB 2017/10) that no requests for funding would be considered unless they were submitted for consideration on the correct form.

(Moved Hay/Seconded Cr Craig)

Carried

Confirmed as a true and correct record

.....**Chairperson**

.....**Date**

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