

MINUTES for a meeting of the Huntly Community Board held at The Huntly Library, 146 Main Street, Huntly on **TUESDAY, 2 JULY 2024** commencing at **6.00pm**

Present:

Mr GB McCutchan (Deputy Chairperson)
Mr F McNally
Mr J Sandhu
Ms E Wawatai
Cr D Whyte

Attending:

Mrs V Jenkins (People & Capability Executive Manager)
Ms E Saunders (Senior Democracy Advisor)
Ms J Timmins (School Start First Impressions)
Mrs R Fletcher (Huntly Squash & Racquets Club)

APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Resolved: (Mr McNally/Ms Wawatai)

THAT the Huntly Community Board accepts the apologies from:

- a. Ms S Matenga (Chairperson) & Cr Matatahi-Poutapu for non-attendance.

CARRIED

HCB2407/01

CONFIRMATION OF STATUS OF AGENDA ITEMS

Resolved: (Mr McCutchan/Cr Whyte)

THAT the agenda for a meeting of the Huntly Community Board held on Tuesday, 2 July 2024 be confirmed:

- a. with all items therein being considered in open meeting; and**
- b. all reports be received; and**
- c. the Councillors written report (Item 6.8) be tabled as a late item and be added to agenda.**

CARRIED

HCB2407/02

DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

There were no disclosures of interest.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Resolved: (Ms Wawatai/Mr Sandhu)

THAT the minutes for a meeting of the Huntly Community Board held on Tuesday, 21 May 2024 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

CARRIED

HCB2407/03

PUBLIC FORUM

Agenda Item 5

There were no members of the public present.

REPORTS

NZ Police Update Agenda Item 6.1

There was no member of the NZ Police present for the meeting.

Discretionary Fund Report – 03 May 2024 Agenda Item 6.2

The report was received [*HCB2407/02 refers*] and the following discussion was held.

- There are still a number of outstanding accountability forms that are yet to be received. It was noted by the Board that the Chairperson be tasked with following these items up for the Discretionary Fund.

ACTION: Chairperson (Ms S Matenga) to follow up outstanding Accountability Forms for the Discretionary Fund applications completed.

Resolved: (Cr Whyte/Mr McInally)

THAT the Huntly Community Board:

- a. receives the Discretionary Fund to 29 May 2024 report; and**
- b. receives the Project Accountability Form for the Huntly-Rotongaro Pony Club.**

CARRIED

HCB2407/04

Discretionary Fund Application Report Agenda Item 6.3

The report was received [*HCB2406/02 refers*] and the following discussion was held.

School Start First Impressions:

- Ms J Timmins spoke to the application and gave the Board an overview of the history of School Start First Impressions and the beginnings of the organisation.
- It was noted by Ms Timmins that School Start partner with the Kids Can organisation.

- A sample of the school bags and the items packed by volunteers was shown to the Board and included books, a jacket, lunchbox and drink bottle, school shoes and many more fun items to make each child feel special on their first day of school.
- Ms Timmins also advised that a School uniform for the school the child is enrolled with is also provided including 2x polo shirts, and school shorts or skort plus in the summertime a swimming bag with hooded towel and togs are also provided.
- It was queried by the Board if funds provided by the Huntly Community Board will stay in the Huntly area? As per the guidelines in the discretionary funding Huntly Community Board discretionary funds are drawn from ratepayers and residents in the Huntly area and can only be used in this area. Ms Timmins also confirmed that the funds are for the Huntly area specifically and noted that they have already had requests from the Huntly Community.
- It was noted by Cr Whyte that Rotary Huntly used to donate school uniforms in the Huntly area and whilst he was not sure if this is still the case it could be an idea to connect with them and work together. Ms Timmins acknowledged this information and advised that the organisation would look into this further.
- It was noted that School Start First Impressions had indeed applied for funding from the Huntly Community Board a decade previously.
- It was advised by Ms Timmins in response to a query from the Board that other donations of items in the school start bag come from Griffins Biscuits and other organisations.
- It was queried by the Board if there were any plans for future funding outside of the Board? It was advised by Ms Timmins that at the moment School Start are just making their way into the Waikato area and if the need for funding grows then it will be easier to not only request funding from larger organisations but also partner with other groups to provide this service.

Resolved: (Cr Whyte/Mr Sandhu)

THAT the Huntly Community Board:

- a. approves an allocation of \$1,100.00 (plus GST if any) from their Discretionary Funding account to:**
 - i. School Start First Impressions**
 - ii. for school bags & uniform support for the Huntly area.**

CARRIED

HC2407/05

Huntly Squash & Racquets Club:

- Mrs R Fletcher spoke to the application and gave an overview of the history of the Squash club and the repairs to the clubhouse that need to be undertaken.
- It was noted by Mrs Fletcher that the club currently has 20 Junior Members along with Senior players however the club is working on growing their membership.
- Mrs Fletcher advised that the club is very much like a feeder club - once juniors get to senior level they tend to move away and join other clubs rather than stay in Huntly.
- The Board advised that whilst they are happy to support the Club with repairs the full amount requested (\$8,000) could not be granted, however the Board agreed to partially approve the funding request and would cover the cost to upgrade the Entrance/Foyer area only which totals \$3,898.50.

Resolved: (Cr Whyte/Mr McInally)

THAT the Huntly Community Board:

- b. approves an allocation of \$3,898.50 (plus GST if any) from their Discretionary Funding account to:**
 - iii. Huntly Squash & Racquets Club,**
 - iv. for the upgrade to the Entrance/Foyer area.**

CARRIED

HC2407/06

Huntly Works & Issues Report: Status of Items June 2024
Agenda Item 6.4

The report was received [*HCB2406/02 refers*] and the following discussion was held:

Huntly Railway Station – Historic Station Building Relocation:

- No further discussion held.

ACTION: Item to remain on the schedule.

Planned Projects (Roading/Projects/Waters Teams)

- No further discussion held.

ACTION: Item to remain on the schedule.

Jakeman Place – Huntly Road Naming Policy:

- The updated policy was shared via email by Cr Whyte at the conclusion of the May Board meeting.
- The Board will start engaging with the community for Road names for the Huntly Road Naming list – facebook post will be shared by the end of the week.

ACTION: Community Board to share Facebook post with the community to gather ideas for road names along with a history of significant names in the Huntly area.

Community Safety

- Ram raid incident occurred at a shop in Auckland over the last week and local Auckland community members staged a protest today.
- It was noted by Cr Whyte that the Police do not have enough police units in Huntly to cover the community.
- Mr McNally advised the Board that he took part in a Radio interview a couple of weeks ago in relation to the crime happening in the Community and noted that Huntly has these issues just like other communities in the district.

ACTION: Item to remain on the schedule

Social Procurement

- No further discussion held.

ACTION: Item to remain on the schedule.

Traffic Barriers – Tumate Mahuta Drive:

- Cr Whyte sent an email to the Roding team to gather more information in regards to this project however there has not been a response to date.

ACTION: Roding Team to respond to email from Cr Whyte with further information. Item to remain on the schedule.

New Works & Issues Items – To Add:

- No further discussion held.

ACTION: Item to remain on the schedule.

Planned Projects:

- Lake Puketirini Carpark project has now been completed.
- Works are underway for the Tumate Mahuta Carpark renewal and will be completed by August 2024.

ACTION: Item to remain on the schedule.

Spatial Planning:

- The Strategic Planning Manager sent the Board members further information in relation to Community Spatial plans as requested at the May meeting but no further discussion was held.

ACTION: Item to remain on the schedule.

Community Board Plan:

- The Community Led Development Advisor has sent the draft Huntly Community Board plan to the members however it was noted that there is information on the plan that needs to be updated and further work needs to be done before completion.

ACTION: Ms Wawatai to review the Community Board plan and work with the Community Led Development Advisor to refine the details further. Item to be added to the schedule

2024 Enhanced Annual Plan Update

Agenda Item 6.5

There was no verbal update provided to the Board as no further discussion was held.

Chairpersons Report

Agenda Item 6.7

The Chairperson was an apology and no update was provided.

Councillors Report

Agenda Item 6.8

The written report from Cr Whyte was received [*HCB2407/02 refers*] and taken as read and the following discussion was held:

- It was noted by Cr Whyte that the report provided on Trees for Removal in Huntly has been compiled with the opinions of the community and not his own opinion. Cr Whyte will leave this with Council for action.

Community Board Members Report

Agenda Item 6.9

No verbal updates from the Board members were provided.

There being no further business the meeting was declared closed at 6.57pm.

Minutes approved and confirmed this day of 2024.

Mr G McCutchan
CHAIRPERSON