



Minutes

of the

Mercury Bay Community Board

Ordinary Meeting

Date 11 August 2015
Venue Mercury Bay Community Board Room
10 Monk Street
Whitianga

Present

MP Kelly JP (Chairperson)	DJ Connell	LA Fox
	WD McLean	PW Hopkins
	MK McLean JP	

In Attendance

Name	Item(s)
Mayor Glenn Leach	
Sam Marshall (Area Manager Mercury Bay)	All items
Kirstin Richmond (Community Co-ordinator Mercury Bay)	All items
Allan Tiplady (Programme Manager)	All items
David Hammond (Chief Executive)	All items

Meeting Commenced 13:00

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1 Meeting Conduct

1.1 Apologies

All members were present

1.2 Public Forum

Barney Bowen - Mercury Bay South Resident and Ratepayers Association
Mr Bowen presented photographs to the Community Board showing the erosion at Flaxmill Bay. His expressed concern that the erosion is now 3.5 metres from the road.
Chair Paul Kelly advised that Tonkin & Taylor are currently preparing a report.
Mayor Glenn Leach advised he will follow up with the roading team in Thames.

Bill Muir - Resident, Kuaotunu

Mr Muir expressed concerns around Economic Development. He advised his rates had increased by \$700 and does not believe the consultation process was done correctly. Mr Muir also raised concerns regarding the grass at the Multisport Park and advised that the location of the proposed Medical Centre needs to be researched thoroughly.

Resolved

That the Mercury Bay Community Board:

1. Receives the speakers in public forum.

Moved/Seconded By: Kelly/BMcLean

1.3 Items not on the Agenda

Resolved

That:

1. The following matter(s) requiring urgent attention be added to the agenda.

Item	Description
2.5	Community Grants

Reason Not on the Agenda

Timing of the events portion of the grants process.

Reason Cannot be Delayed

Events that had applied for grants would be happening prior to the next Community Board meeting in September.

Moved/Seconded By: Fox/McLean

1.4 Conflict of Interest

No Conflict of Interest were received

1.5 Mercury Bay Community Board Minutes for Confirmation

As per Council's Standing Orders, the Mercury Bay Community Board must confirm the Minutes of its previous meeting.

Resolved

That the Mercury Bay Community Board:

1. Confirms the following Minutes:
Mercury Bay Community Board - 30 June 2015

Moved/Seconded By: Fox/McLean

1.6 Mercury Bay Community Correspondence - August 2015

No correspondence was received

2 Local Activities: Policy/Levels of Service Operational

2.1 Mercury Bay Cemetery - New Cemetery Concept Plan

To present to the Mercury Bay Community Board a concept plan for development of the new cemetery at Kaimarama for consideration and approval.

Discussion

Allan Tiplady provided updated concept plans for the cemetery and advised that funding is in place for the first stage to be completed by March 2015. Allan also advised that there was approximately three years left at the Ferry Landing cemetery, with twenty sites available. There will be a consultation with the RSA going forward and the current proposal will be to start the burial process from the top of the cemetery. Planting will be dependent on the Economic Development funding applications.

Resolved

That the Mercury Bay Community Board:

1. Receives the report.
2. Approve the updated New Cemetery Concept Plan.

3. Approve development of detailed design and cost estimates.
4. Authorise the Area Manager and Board Chair to consult with the Mercury Bay RSA in relation to the new cemetery.
5. Report back to the Community Board when the detailed design is complete or if as a result of the detailed design investigations any significant changes are required from the concept plan.

Moved/Seconded By: Fox/Connell

2.2 Hot Water Beach Taiwawe Reserve Pay and Display Carpark

The purpose of the report was to seek Community Board approval to the Project Initiation Document (PID) and to proceed with the installation of pay and display parking at the Taiwawe (Bull Paddock) car park at Hot Water Beach.

Discussion

The P&D carpark will be in place for 2015-2016 summer period. Councillor McLean would like to see the level of fees reviewed. Deli would like to see options for free parking at Hot Water Beach, currently this is on the berms opposite the shop. Sam Marshall advised that there needs to be a decision made regarding exemptions. The Community Board request staff to apply the same approach to exemptions as previously approved by the Community Board in the past.

Resolved

That the Mercury Bay Community Board:

1. Receives the report.
2. Approves the Project Initiation Document and installation of the Hot Water Beach Taiwawe (Bull Paddock) car park Pay and Display Parking.
3. Area Manager to report to Community Board at the September meeting with previous resolutions.

Moved/Seconded By: McLean/Hopkins

2.3 Community Board Discretionary Fund - Beach Hop

The purpose of the report was to confirm the use of \$3000.00 of the Mercury Bay Community Board Discretionary Fund to assist with event funding for the Beach Hop cruise to Whitianga - Tuesday 29th March 2016.

Resolved

That the Mercury Bay Community Board:

1. Receives the report.
2. Underwrites all costs for road closures and up to 4 hours of Opus (or similar) charges.

Moved/Seconded By: McLean/Fox

2.4 Variation to land leased and approval for a new construction - Whitianga Community Services Trust

For consideration and recommendation to Council to approve a variation to part of the Local Purpose (Community) Reserve (Land) leased and for an approval for an additional facility to be constructed on part of the Land to further develop the services provided to the community by the Whitianga Community Services Trust (Lessee) located at 2 Cook Drive, Whitianga

Discussion

Councillor McLean was initially approached by Peter from the Community Services trust and that all buildings on the site were currently removeable.

Sam Marshall advised that this site is the only vacant substantial piece of land that TCDC has near the school.

Mayor Glenn Leach sees the land as strategically important, he advised there is not enough information currently available to make a decision and suggests that further investigations are to take place.

Resolved

That the Mercury Bay Community Board:

1. Receives the report.
2. Recommends that the report lie on the table until
 - A) Clarification of the leased area to be investigated and advised back to the Community Board.
 - B) Recommends that a meeting is held between the Community Services Trust and the Community Board to further discuss the aims of the Trust.
 - C) The Community Board will consider what alternative options there are for the vacant land.

Moved/Seconded By: Fox/Hopkins

2.5 Late Report - 2015-2016 Community Board Grants

The Community Board to consider and decide the allocation of the \$60,000.00 Community Grant funding, included in the 2015/2016 Annual Plan, to organisations who have applied for funding assistance through the 2015-2016 Community Grant round

Resolved

That the Mercury Bay Community Board:

1. Receives the report.
2. Confirms the allocation of community grant funding from the 2015/2016 Community Grant budget to organisations who have applied for financial assistance as below:

Group	Community Recommended	Board	Project funding Recommended for
Beach Hop Rock n Roll Festival	5000.00		Inaugural Day out for Whitianga in 2016
A taste of Matarangi	2000.00		Matarangi Annual Festival
Mercury Bay Art Escape	2500.00		Open Studio Tour
Matarangi Ratepayers Assoc	2080.00		Annual Summer Carnival
Mercury Bay Events Trust	1200.00		Big Little Circus
Mercury Bay Events Trust	2000.00		Family Fireworks Display in November 2015
Mercury Bay Events Trust	3000.00		To assist in Santa parade 2015
Mercury Bay Events Trust - Rally NZ	1500.00		Port a loo hire for MBAS Fundraising Carnival

Moved/Seconded By: McLean/Fox

3 Reports

3.1 Sport Waikato 2014/15 Annual Report

This report provides the Sport Waikato 2014/15 Annual Report for consideration by the Mercury Bay Community Board.

Resolved

That the Mercury Bay Community Board:

1. Receives the 'Sport Waikato Annual Report' dated 24 July 2015.

Moved/Seconded By: Connell/McLean

3.2 Members' Reports

The Chairperson invites members to provide a brief verbal report on activities undertaken and meetings attended in the period since the last meeting.

Written reports and Minutes of meetings attended are presented below.

Mayor Glenn Leach

Mayor Glenn would like to thank staff and Community Board for the work on the WW1 planting. There is a grant application in place for this community spirited project. Coromandel Harbour project has a strategy in place to get the ferry into town. Possibility of a corporate partner. The Heritage Region document is a high level document. Coromandel would be the first in New Zealand if this is adopted. This will be consulted through the Long Term Plan.

Tony Fox

PA System in the Town Hall is inadequate - Tony would like a report back at the next meeting regarding the status of getting a replacement. Tony would also like to see updates on the Museum Lease and the Bike Park Lease. Tony advised that he thought the link between head office and the communities is not robust enough, RFS strategy should be

amended to include the customer being informed of outcomes. Tony fully supports the Marina and would like updates at the next meeting. Tony would like to see a press release regarding the grass at the sportspark.

Murray McLean

Signage to be provided at Brophys Beach showing the public how the work will look once completed.

Paul Hopkins

A 66% increase on rates is selective. Council should have researched this further before introducing. Paul has attended the Ngatei Hei meeting in Hahei, looking to make a snorkel trail at Mahurangi Island. Paul would like to see an option at Flaxmill Bay that is not hard rocks.

Deli Connell

Deli attended the Art Strategy workshop, Civil Defense training on setting up a welfare centre and also attended the Hahei Ratepayers meetings.

Deli would like to see Council introduce a Youth Council - finding functional and worthwhile ways for youth to have a voice.

Bill McLean

Bill has attended three meetings with WRC - Tonia Clarkson. The first meeting included Clive Graff, this meeting resulted in a walk with staff and WRC around Robinson Road and Brophys Beach. WRC are in support of hard stance. Bill has also attended Hahei Ratepayers meetings, they have concerns that in 18 months nothing has changed. The water demand strategy meeting in Thames was felt to be too difficult to digest information in such a short time, more time is needed to fully understand reports.

Resolved

That the Mercury Bay Community Board:

1. Receives the Members' Reports.

Moved/Seconded By: Connell/McLean

4 Public Excluded

Resolved

That the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting namely:

<i>General Subject of each matter to be considered</i>	<i>Reason for passing this Resolution in Relation to Each Matter</i>	<i>Ground(s) Under Section 48(1) for the Passing of the Resolution</i>
Public Excluded Minutes Sports Park Maintenance report	(7)(2)(i) - Enable any local authority holding the information to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations).	(48)(1)(a)(i) - That the public conduct of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist. Where the local authority is named or specified in the First Schedule to this Act, under section 6 or section 7 (except section 7(2)(f)(i) of this Act)

Moved/Seconded By: Connell/Fox

Resolved

That the public be re-admitted to the meeting and resolutions taken with the public excluded be confirmed in the public session except for the following items which are to remain in the Public Excluded Minute Book.

Item	Description
4.1	Public Excluded Minutes
4.2	Sports Park Maintenance report

Moved/Seconded By: Fox/Connell

Meeting Closed at 16:40

The foregoing Minutes were certified as being a true and correct record of the meeting of the Mercury Bay Community Board held on 11 August 2015

Chairperson _____ **Date** _____