



UNCONFIRMED Minutes

of the

Whangamata Community Board

Ordinary Meeting

Date	7 November 2017
Venue	Whangamata Service Centre 620 Port Road Whangamata

Present

K Coulam (Chairperson)

HD Bartley
R Thompson
E Adams

K Baker
TM Walker

In attendance

Staff

Angela Jane, Kirstin Richmond, Jennifer Mahon, Eileen Hopping, Amber Baker

Meeting commenced	10:00
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1 Meeting conduct

1.1 Apologies

All members were present.

1.2 Public forum

Linda Dacey spoke in favour of maintaining informal beach accesses through dune grasses in the Whangamata Estuary area and spoke against the construction of hard walkways such as boardwalks. She acknowledged the importance of catering for those with mobility issues and noted the Esplanade was a good option to consider for that purpose.

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WCB **Resolved**
That the Whangamata Community Board receives Linda Dacey as a speaker in the public forum.

Moved/seconded by: Baker/Walker

1.3 Items not on the agenda

No further items were added to the agenda.

1.4 Conflict of interest

Ken Coulam and Ryan Thompson both declared a conflict of interest for item 2.2 - Proposed Whangamata community facility.

1.5 26 September 2017 - Whangamata Community Board minutes for confirmation

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WCB **Resolved**
That the Whangamata Community Board confirms the minutes of the Whangamata Community Board meeting held 26 September as a correct record of proceedings.

Moved/seconded by: Baker/Adams

2 Governance

2.1 Transfer of Commercial Concession

The Community Board considered a commercial concession transfer for Surfs Up NZL Ltd. It was requested that the concession, held by Naomi Madeiros and operated from Beach Access 14 and Beach Road Reserve in Whangamata be transferred to Katrina Millar and Mauro Bender Dal Basw who currently operated as Surf'N'Stay.

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WCB

Resolved

That the Whangamata Community Board:

1. Receives the report 'Transfer of Commercial Concession' dated 13 October 2017.
2. Recommends to Council to transfer the concession located at Beach Access 14 and Beach Road Reserve in Whangamata to Katrina Millar and Mauro Bender Dal Dasw.

Moved/seconded by: Walker/Adams

2.2 Proposed Whangamata community facility

The Community Board was asked to consider formally supporting the proposed Whangamata community facility project at the 101 Lindsay Road site in Whangamata.

Both Chairperson Ken Coulam and Deputy Chairperson Ryan Thompson declared a conflict for this item and left the room for the duration of the discussion.

Board member Kay Baker was nominated as Chairperson for this item. Her nomination was moved by Councillor Terry Walker and seconded by Board member Adams.

The social wellbeing of Whangamata was noted as a key driver for those considering supporting the proposed Whangamata Community facility project. A concern was raised about the potential future sale of the land and it was noted by members that if that was to occur, the property would be gone forever. It was clarified that the current policy used to determine Council properties surplus, required local (Community Board) input. It was confirmed that 101 Lindsay Road was not being considered for sale at this time.

The Whangamata community facility received praise for its concept but questions were raised about the business plan. It was understood that the business plan was being developed and would be presented to Council at an upcoming meeting but no confirmed date was provided.

A concern was raised about formally supporting a project without having reviewed the business case which was expected to provide details into such things as confirmed funding schemes, management structure and maintenance of the facility.

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WCB

Resolved

That the Whangamata Community Board :

1. Receives the report 'Proposed Whangamata Community facility', dated 17 October 2017.
2. Instructs staff to bring back a report to the Community Board on the Marae Committee's community facility business case for consideration.

Moved/seconded by: Bartley/Adams

2.3 Williamson Park resource consent

The Whangamata Community Board was provided an update on the progress of securing a 15-year resource consent for holding events at Williamson Park. The report also provided background on the changes to the District Plan rules. The Board was asked to approve a budget for the notification process.

It was noted that if a new event (not yet allotted for in the consent) became successful, a variation to the consent could be lodged post consent approval.

If the consent was not supported, staff explained that an appeal could ensue but this process would require further Community Board approval.

It was clarified that non-profit events which were not considered in the current consent application would be required to pay for their own consent. This requirement was questioned by some members as it was noted that event organisers of popular events run by schools and kindergartens would not likely have any funds to cover this cost. Some suggested that the four night time events in the current consent application may already be earmarked, leaving no space for new events. The Board was reminded that resource consents would only be required for events on Council reserves catering for more than 500 people so many community events would not meet this threshold and would be able to proceed without a consent. The Community Board requested that they be consulted when it came time to prioritising community events over 500 attendees and selecting which ones should be included under the umbrella of the consent application.

A concern was raised about the security in Whangamata during and after the New Year's Eve events. Temporary CCTV cameras had been discussed during a separate meeting and could be installed for the events. It was noted that the Community Board unanimously agreed they would be willing to contribute to this cost.

Confirmed details of the contracted fees from promoters operating under the Council owned resource consent was requested. It was also specifically requested that the allocation of those funds be confirmed and that it be communicated whether or not those funds were considered local or district.

Council Bartley voted against the motion and noted he did not support the commercialisation of Williamson Park.

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WCB

Resolved

That the Whangamata Community Board:

1. Receives the 'Williamson Park resource consent' report, dated 29 October 2017; and
2. Recommends to the Council that the resource consenting costs associated with local reserves for existing community events and concerts be funded from the district on the basis that the District Plan rule changes brought about the need for the expenditure; and
3. Recommends a budget of \$30,000 for the Williamson Park notified 15 year event resource consent application process to be funded from a district budget but in the event that district funding is declined from the Whangamata Retained Earnings Reserve; and
4. Approves the content of the Williamson Park 15 year event resource consent application to include provision on an annual basis for:
 - 5 night time events
 - 15 day time events
 - 3 of the night time events are permitted to apply for a liquor licence with the exception of New Year's Eve events.
5. Directs staff to return with a proposed process to gain Community Board input in order to determine the likely events for the year.

Moved/seconded by: Baker/Walker
Councillor Bartley voted against the motion.

3 Local activities: Policy/levels of service operational

No items received.

4 District activities: Local input policy/levels of service

No items received.

5 District activities

No items received.

6 Reports

6.1 Whangamata Community Board 2017/2018 Work Programme

The Community Board was provided an update on the 2017/2018 Work Programme.

Provision for shade sails was noted as an approved element in the Williamson Park redevelopment project which had not yet been completed.

The Whangamata Community Board requested that a review of the Whangamata Community Plan be part of the February 2018 workshop.

It was confirmed that the Onemana toilets would receive a cosmetic makeover before Christmas 2017. A complete toilet renewal for the Onemana facility was also budgeted.

The decision to cancel the rubbish compactor trial in Onemana was not well received by residents. There were questions about how the ultimate decision was made and why the Community Board was not informed about the decision earlier. The Group Manager Infrastructure would be contacted for an explanation.

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WCB

Resolved

1. Instructs staff to continue with the Williamson Park shade provisions and report back on any issues.
2. That the Whangamata Community Board receives the 'Whangamata Community Board 2017/2018 Work Programme - update' report, dated 20 October 2017.

Moved/seconded by: Walker/Adams

6.2 Members' reports

Councillor Bartley reconfirmed his position against any commercialisation of the Williamson Park.

Board Member Baker noted her involvement with the Whangamata Community Swimming Pool committee and her attendance at the Library jubilee celebration.

Councillor Walker spoke about the following items:

- Otahu Estuary storm repairs
- Speed limits in Whangamata
- Waikeikei stream mitigation
- Onehunga weed spraying for prickles on grass verges
- Youth Community Board representative

Board Member Adams reminded the Board about the upcoming community wide power cut on 14 November 2017 and noted strong support for the youth stox car initiative.

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WCB

Resolved

That the Whangamata Community Board receives the Members' reports.

Moved/seconded by: Baker/Adams

Meeting closed at 11:47

The foregoing minutes were certified as being a true and correct record of the meeting of the Whangamata Community Board held on 7 November 2017.

Chairperson _____ **Date** _____