



Minutes

of the

Whangamata Community Board

Special Meeting

Date 5 February 2018
Venue Whangamata Service Centre
620 Port Road
Whangamata

Present

K Baker (Acting Chairperson)

HD Bartley
TM Walker

R Thompson
E Adams

In attendance

Staff

Garry Towler, Angela Jane by phone, Jennifer Mahon, Eileen Hopping, Amber Baker

Apologies

Ken Coulam

Meeting commenced 07:00

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1 Meeting conduct

1.1 Apologies

With both the Chair and Deputy excused, the Board members agreed for Kay Baker to be Chairperson for the meeting.

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Resolved

That the Whangamata Community Board receives the apology from Ken Coulam.

Moved/seconded by: Baker/Adams

1.2 Public forum

There were no speakers at the public forum.

1.3 Items not on the agenda

There were no new items on the agenda

1.4 Conflict of interest

Board member Thompson declared a conflict of interest in item 2.1 Whangamata Community facility business case.

2 Governance

2.1 Whangamata Community facility business case

The Whangamata Community Marae Committee formally presented the Whangamata community facility business case to the Board. The Board was asked to consider its support for the concept in its entirety including the use of 101 Lindsay Road in Whangamata for the facility.

Board member Thompson declared a conflict of interest in this item and after tabling and presenting an updated version of the business case, he left the room and took no part in further discussions.

In his role as Chairperson of the Whangamata Community Marae Committee, Mr Thompson highlighted the following points:

- A relationship had indeed been formed between the Department of Internal Affairs (DIA) and the Whangamata Community Marae Committee. Evidence of this relationship had been requested and was currently being developed but was not yet ready to be included in the business case package.
- The DIA's Maori and Heritage fund, which the Committee was intending to apply for funding from, had a maximum of \$5 million which could be awarded to eligible groups.

- The maximum amount awarded in the past to one group was not known but the District Area Manager reported that Council had received \$500,000 for the Coromandel Walks project in the past.
- The yearly lease paid by the Whangamata Community Services Trust was noted to be significant and this cost would therefore be eliminated should the Trust be included in the Marae hub project. This financial saving would have a flow-on effect resulting in the Trust being able to offer more services to the Whangamata community.
- It was noted that the Whangamata Community Services Trust had agreed to staff their proposed area Monday to Friday from 9:00am to 4:00pm and manage bookings.
- Confirmation was received that all funding applications would include the entire proposed complex including not only the Marae (Wharenui and Wharekai buildings) but the art studio, workshop, storage facility, toilets, and office buildings.
- Rates were discussed and the Community Manager suggested a per toilet pan charge could possibly elevate the rate amount.
- It was queried why the previous Community Board deemed 101 Lindsay Road surplus to requirements in 2016.
 - It was suggested that the previous Board may have felt that Whangamata had more suitable land for a Marae and therefore could afford to sell 101 Lindsay Road and utilise the funds.
 - Previous investigations by the previous Board concluded that 101 Lindsay Road was potentially the most suitable land for this project according to the Board.
 - It was noted that 101 Lindsay Road Road was also deemed a strong site based on its proximity to town in order to allow access to all people including those of lower socio economic standing.
- Civil Defence accommodation was also noted as an additional benefit from the project.

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Resolved

That the Whangamata Community Board :

1. Receives the report 'Whangamata Community facility business case' and its accompanying attachments, dated 30 January 2018.
2. Recommends to Council that 101 Lindsay Road, Whangamata be made available to the Whangamata Community Marae Committee for the purpose of establishing a multi-facility marae community facility that will make provision for the Lions, the Menz Shed, Community Services Trust, Community Patrol Whangamata and Arts Collective subject to Council's acceptance of the business case to be submitted by the Whangamata Community Marae Committee.

Moved/seconded by: Bartley/Adams

Meeting closed at 7:39am

The foregoing minutes were certified as being a true and correct record of the meeting of the Whangamata Community Board held on 5 February 2018.

Chairperson _____ **Date** _____