

MAKARA/OHARIU COMMUNITY BOARD

MINUTES

THURSDAY 19 FEBRUARY 2009

7.03PM

MAKARA HALL 376 MAKARA ROAD MAKARA

PRESENT:

Gavin Bruce Christine Grace John Hume Ralph Jorgensen Ruth Paul (Chair)

APOLOGIES:

Mayor Prendergast Councillor Best Craig Shepherd

001/09MB APOLOGIES

(1215/13/IM)

RESOLVED:

THAT the Makara/Ohariu Community Board:

1. Accept apologies for absence from Mayor Prendergast, Councillor Best and Craig Shepherd.

002/09MB CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATIONS

(1215/13/IM)

NOTED:

Gavin Bruce declared a conflict of interest in relation to Report 4 – Project Mill Creek. He advised that he would not take part in discussion or voting on the item.

003/09MB PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

(1215/13/IM)

NOTED:

There was no public participation.

004/09MB LTCCP/DAP COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT PROCESS

(1215/13/IM)

(ORAL REPORT)

NOTED:

Jaime Dyhrberg – Senior Strategic Adviser was in attendance for this item. He went through a PowerPoint presentation with the Board outlining the current engagement process being undertaken as part of the development of the LTCCP.

005/09MB ELECTED MEMBERS REMUNERATION 2009/2010 FINANCIAL YEAR

Report of Ross Bly – Special Projects and Electoral Officer. (1215/13/IM) (ORAL REPORT)

NOTED:

Ross Bly – Special Projects and Electoral Officer was in attendance for this item.

RESOLVED:

THAT the Makara/Ohariu Community Board:

- 1. Receive the information.
- 2. Note that the rules set by the Remuneration Authority require all community board members to be paid an annual salary (i.e. there is no provision for the payment of meeting fees to community board members).

- 3. Note that although its preference is for councils to fully allocate their 2009/2010 governance pools the Remuneration Authority will, where there is unanimity among elected members and on the provision of valid reasons, consider submissions from any council for other than a full allocation of the pool (i.e. a zero or a smaller increase than that proposed by the Remuneration Authority will be considered).
- 4. Considering the difficult financial times for ratepayers and the proposed service cuts noted in the LTCCP/DAP, combined with the part-time nature of board's workload, the Makara/Ohariu community board agrees that the current level of remuneration received by its members is satisfactory and therefore supports a nil increase in remuneration for its members. In making this decision the Board acknowledges that Councillors have significantly different considerations than community board members on this matter.
- 5. Note that the Council is required to notify the Remuneration Authority of any dissent expressed by members of the Makara/Ohariu Community Board in relation to the Council's final remuneration proposal.
- 6. Note that the Council will be asked to ratify the "informal decision" it made on 17 December 2008 to discontinue the payment of a mileage allowance to elected members for the use of their private vehicles on Council business, and that this decision will take effect from 18 December 2008.

Note:

This decision, if agreed to, will require the approval of the Remuneration Authority as it involves a change to the Council's current rules and policies in relation to the payment of allowances and the reimbursement of expenses to its elected members.

- 7. Note that the Remuneration Authority has released a discussion paper on the payment of mileage allowances to elected members, submissions on which are due on 1 July 2009 and will be the subject of a further report to Council.
- 8. Agree that the amended rules and policies for the reimbursement of expenses and the payment of allowances to community board members for the 2009/2010 financial year, as contained in Appendix 6 of this report, be confirmed.

Note:

These recommended amendments incorporate changes to mileage allowances and the payment of the monthly home-based technology allowance to the chairs of the Tawa and Makara/Ohariu community boards.

NOTED:

The resolution differs from the recommendations in the officer's report as follows:

The Community Board added the text in **bold**.

006/09MB ROADING REPORT

(1215/13/IM)

(ORAL REPORT)

NOTED:

Steve Wright – Team Leader, Resurfacing and Projects was in attendance for this item.

He updated the Board on roading works to be conducted over the next few months.

007/09MB **PROJECT WESTWIND AND COMMUNITY LIAISON GROUP** (1215/13/IM) (ORAL REPORT)

NOTED:

Mark France - Strategic Relations Adviser with Meridian Energy was in attendance for this item. He advised that the K series turbines are due to be erected in the next few weeks. The Board were also advised that a goat cull had been undertaken over the last few weeks and the tally was 980.

An annual report is being prepared by the Community Liaison Group for the Strategy and Policy Committee as required by the Environment Court decision on Project Westwind.

(Gavin Bruce withdrew from the table.)

008/09MB **PROJECT MILL CREEK RESOURCE CONSENT DECISION** (1215/13/IM) (ORAL REPORT)

NOTED:

It was noted by the Board that the Project Mill Creek Resource Consent decision had been released on 18 February 2009.

(Gavin Bruce returned to the table.

009/09MB LONG GULLY WINDFARM

(1215/13/IM)

(ORAL REPORT)

NOTED:

There was nothing further to report.

010/09MB DRAFT EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTRES POLICY

(1215/13/IM)

(ORAL REPORT)

NOTED:

The Board agreed that they would submit to the draft policy and that the submission would be ratified at its meeting on Wednesday 18 March 2009.

012/09MB RESOURCE CONSENT APPROVALS AND APPLICATIONS - 12 NOVEMBER 2008 TO 6 FEBRUARY 2009

Report of Bill Stevens - Planning Manager: North and West. (1215/13/IM) (REPORT 7)

RESOLVED:

THAT the Makara/Ohariu Community Board:

1. Receive the information.

013/09MB OHARIU STREAMS PROJECT

(1215/13/IM)

(ORAL REPORT)

NOTED:

Terry Parminter a Social Researcher for Agresearch along with Amber Bill – Manager Community Engagement and Reserves talked with the Board on the Ohariu Streams Project and continuing the project after he finalises his research project. The Board recommended to him that Makaracarpas Inc Soc be the best Community organisation to continue the work with.

014/09MB **FORWARD PROGRAMME**

Report prepared by Democratic Services (1215/13/IM)

(REPORT 10)

RESOLVED:

THAT the Makara/Ohariu Community Board:

- 1. Receive the information.
- 2. Approve and amend as needed, the draft work programme for the upcoming meeting.

Meeting Date	Items
Wednesday 18 March 2009	Standing Items
	Project Westwind and
	Community Liaison Group
	Project Mill Creek
	Roading Report
	Resource Consent Approvals
	and Applications
	Forward Programme
	• Ratification of submission to Draft
	Early Childhood Centres Policy
Thursday 16 April 2009	Standing Items
Thursday 21 May 2009	Standing Items
Thursday 18 June 2009	Standing Items
Thursday 16 July 2009	Standing Items
Thursday 20 August 2009	Standing Items
Thursday 17 September 2009	Standing Items
Thursday 15 October 2009	Standing Items
Thursday 19 November 2009	Standing Items
Thursday 17 December 2009	Standing Items

The meeting concluded at 9.00pm.

Confirmed:

Chair
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