
REPORT 9
(1215/12/IM)

REPORTS BACK FROM COMMITTEES/PORTFOLIO RESPONSIBILITIES

1. Purpose of Report

To provide the Community Board members with a reporting back facility regarding their portfolio responsibilities and other activities they have been involved with as a member of the Tawa Community Board. A copy of activities covered by the Chair of the Board is attached as appendix 1.

2. Recommendation

It is recommended that the Tawa Community Board:

- 1. Receive the information.*

APPENDIX 1

CHAIR'S REPORT - 29 February 2012

The greater portion of my time in February has been taken up with planning for Neighbours' Weekend on 24-25 March 2012.

NEIGHBOURS' WEEKEND IN TAWA

See my separate report on this.

INFORMAL GET-TOGETHER

All of the team (bar one) took part in an informal get-together early in February to discuss a variety of issues including:

- Neighbours' Weekend
- the upcoming representation review
- community board newsletters
- Interacting at school galas and/or holding occasional community forums
- the board's involvement in the Tawa Christmas Parade
- hanging baskets on the Main Road
- traffic issues

TAWA VOLUNTEER FIRE BRIGADE CEREMONY

Ngaire and I attended a ceremony at the local fire station in late February when medals and/or bars were presented by the Fire Service to the volunteer firefighters in appreciation for the service they provide to this community. Mike Farrand MC'd the occasion and Ngaire spoke briefly. The "official" speaker and presenter was Peter Dunne, MP for Ohariu.

PROGRESS WITH SUPERMARKETS

I liaise with the management of the Tawa Temporary Supermarket from time to time and have invited them to take part in the community speaker slot at our upcoming board meeting. Chris has separately liaised with Foodstuffs management in regard to parking issues in the old Woolworths' carpark. Both Graeme and I have been in touch with Progressive Enterprises to ascertain whether there was any truth in the rumour that there was to be a delay with commencement of the proposed Countdown supermarket at Takapu Island. The rumour appears to be ill-founded because construction will be starting in March 2012, with completion due in December.

COMMUNITY CONCERNS

Offensive graffiti appeared on the side of the old supermarket and in one or two other places in addition to the community centre walls. The call centre promised this would be treated with urgency that evening, a Friday. When that did not happen, it was painted over (in a temporary fashion) on the Saturday morning by a concerned member of the community. It wasn't until the Monday that it was "officially" painted over.

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Overgrown brambles on the side of the stream between Take Note Tawa and On the Spot drycleaners was pointed out to me by Peter, the local man committed to removing litter from our streets. This too was reported to the call centre.

An issue arose in regard to skateboarders ignoring the signs barring them from skateboarding in the Main Road shopping centre. Photographs of certain offenders were forwarded to the Police (at their request) but we have heard nothing further.