

**REPORT 13** (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.

#### **CHAIR'S REPORT covering February 2013**

A substantial proportion of my time in February has been taken up with planning for Neighbours' Weekend in Tawa in March.

#### **COMMUNITY ENEWSLETTERS**

The first edition was sent out in January 2013, and two further editions in February. The main Tawa Community Board issues covered were Neighbours' Weekend in Tawa and the Tawa Railway Station re-build.

#### **NEIGHBOURS' WEEKEND IN TAWA**

See my separate report on this.

#### **TAWA RAILWAY STATION**

Ngaire and I have continued to liaise with three other community members (including two from the Tawa Historical Society), as well as Richard Noakes from GWRC regarding artwork for the 16 panels that will be part of the new Tawa Station building. Final designs have now been approved.

I have also responded to concerns expressed about the re-build of the station by two different locals. GWRC has been very helpful in dealing with the issues in question.

#### **INFORMAL GET-TOGETHER**

Four of us took part in an informal get-together early in February to discuss a variety of issues including:

- what we hope to achieve in the first six months of 2013
- the part that board members can play in Neighbours' Weekend in Tawa in March
- the community board conference in Wanaka in May
- whether we initiate a specific (yearly?) community event, e.g. Tawa Duathlon, photo competition, organised Tawa walk or whatever

#### **MEETINGS AND EVENTS IN FEBRUARY**

07.02.13 Met with Graeme and Robert at exit from Redwood Station carpark (north) in Duncan St to look at parking situation at side of road at that point. Graeme, Robert and I met with Storage Solutions management to diagues floading issues following daluge of rain in their part of the

discuss flooding issues following deluge of rain in their part of the Main Road near Redwood Ave (north) two days ago.

- 11.02.13 At the monthly meeting of the Tawa Progressive & Ratepayers' Association.
- 12.02.13 With various community board members at official opening of the new Countdown supermarket at Takapu Island.
  At request of Donna Wilson (Community Facilities Advisor, Northern ward), I led the Newlands walking group along the Tawa Valley Pathway Ara Tawa from Linden Social Centre and back again, providing guided commentary en route.
  Attended the Tawa Community Grants meeting organised by the WCC Grants team at the Linden Social Centre. Robert also there.

# **APPENDIX 1**

- 14.02.13 Tawa Community Board monthly meeting.
- 17.02.13 Led (with Ngaire) the "Tips for a barbecue in your street" meeting at the Tawa Community Centre.
- 20.02.13 Met with Kapi-Mana journalist for story on Neighbours' Weekend in Tawa.
- 21.02.13 Met with young local resident who would like the community board to support his proposal for the development of an indoor skate park at Tawa Junction.
- 25.02.13 At the invitation of Kiwi Community Assistance, I visited their depot in Linden to see how their operation works.
- 28.02.13 Attended the Alcohol Consultation Community Workshop at the Johnsonville Community Centre. Robert, Margaret, Ngaire and Justin also there.

Malcolm Sparrow Chair, Tawa Community Board 6 March 2013