

West Otago Community Board

Minutes of the meeting of the West Otago Community Board held in the West Otago RSA, 51 Northumberland Street, Tapanui on Wednesday 28 September 2022, commencing at 10.32 am.

Present Barbara Hanna (Chairperson), Cecil Crawford, Councillor John Herbert, Councillor Lloyd McCall, Antony Robertson, and Linda Roulston.

In Attendance His Worship the Mayor Bryan Cadogan, Steve Hill (Chief Executive), Mike Goldsmith (GHC), Julie Gardner (Service Delivery Administrator).

Apologies Bruce Robertson

Moved L Roulston/Councillor McCall and Resolved:

“That the apology be sustained.”

The Chairperson welcomed everyone to the final meeting of the 2019-2022 triennium.

LATE ITEMS

- Water Schemes/Water Issues

PUBLIC FORUM

1 WEST OTAGO COMMUNITY BOARD MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of the West Otago Community Board held on 17 August 2022 were presented for the Board’s confirmation.

Moved C Crawford/A Robertson and Resolved:

“That the West Otago Community Board confirms the minutes of the meeting held on 17 August 2022, as a true and correct record.”

2 WORK IN PROGRESS UPDATE

The Service Delivery Administrator submitted a report that updated the Community Board on progress in relation to issues that had been raised at previous meetings.

2.1 Projects

2.1.1 Triangle Area Plantings

The Chairperson had met with the Hughes family who are celebrating 90 years in business. They would like to plant 9 trees to represent this time.

Planting in the triangle area by the sign has not progressed as there is an old road underneath this area and the bitumen is not an ideal medium for planting on top of so may need to be removed.

2.2 Items to stay on WIP

2.2.1 Hancox Park

Discussed under 'Our Place West Otago'.

2.2.2 Land around Sewerage Pond

Land has been advertised with tenders closing on Friday 30 September 2022.

2.3 Aitchison Runs Road Grade Adjustment

Road issues are still a concern especially with heavier trucks when farmers are spreading lime. Meeting to be held including landowners and CDC staff to try and sort out a solution.

2.4 Our Place West Otago

Mike Goldsmith advised that the plan was signed off at the Council meeting on 15 September and will be on the website in due course.

Mike advised he was changing roles within CDC and will now be working with the community to implement the plans.

An 'Our Place' agenda item is to be included in each agenda for information.

2.5 Station Road Trees/Tapanui Trees

Councillor McCall believes the beech tree should have been consulted on and there should have been more transparency around the process for its removal. He requested that the tree be aged once it is felled, and the timber used to make something for the community.

An advertisement is to be placed in The Blue Mountain Express advising of the trees being removed and explaining why it is necessary.

Moved Councillor Herbert/L Roulston and Resolved:

"That Project Funds be used to cover any difference between budget and cost up to \$1,200."

2.6 Old Courier Building – Main Street, Tapanui

Work was to commence in the spring, another email will be sent to the owner to try and progress this.

Moved Councillor Herbert/Councillor McCall and Resolved:

“That the West Otago Community Board receives the Work in Progress Update report.”

3 SERVICE DELIVERY UPDATE

The Group Manager Service Delivery submitted a report of activities in respect to the Service Delivery Department.

The following items were discussed –

- Tapanui Cemetery – request from 2 families to put seats at the cemetery. The WOCB are in support of this request.
- CHU upgrades – is wool carpet used when replacing carpet? The Chief Executive advised that the most economical option is usually used.
- Glenkenich WTP – looking forward to having access to decent drinking water.

LATE ITEM: WATER SCHEMES/WATER ISSUES

West Otago no longer has a water sub-contractor based in this area and it is important that there is one especially over the summer months. The WOCB agreed to express these sentiments by way of a resolution.

Moved Councillor Herbert/A Robertson and Resolved:

“That the West Otago Community Board expresses concern about the ability of the contractor to provide the contracted service particularly over the coming summer months and requests confirmation from Council of the ability of the contractor to service the contract and also that contract staff are domiciled in West Otago.”

Moved Councillor McCall/C Crawford and Resolved:

“That the West Otago Community Board receives the Service Delivery Update Report.”

4 REVENUE & EXPENDITURE REPORT

The Management Accountant submitted a copy of the Revenue and Expenditure Statement for the activities within the West Otago Community Board’s area for the period 1 July 2022 to 31 August 2022.

Moved Councillor Herbert/L Roulston and Resolved:

“That the West Otago Community Board receives the Revenue and Expenditure report.”

5 CORRESPONDENCE

The Service Delivery Administrator presented correspondence received and sent since the last Community Board meeting.

Outwards Correspondence

- West Otago Lions – Kiosk Request - REPLY

Moved L Roulston/Councillor McCall and Resolved:

“That the West Otago Community Board receives the Correspondence report.”

6 CORPORATE SERVICES REPORT

The Corporate Services Administrator submitted a report that covered activities of the Corporate Services Department in the past period including funding schemes.

Moved A Robertson/Councillor Herbert and Resolved:

“That the West Otago Community Board receives the Corporate Services Report.”

7 BUILDING REPORT

The Regulatory Administrator submitted a report on building consents for August 2022.

Moved L Roulston/C Crawford and Resolved:

“That the West Otago Community Board receives the Building Consent Statistics for August 2022 report.”

8 MAYORAL UPDATE

His Worship the Mayor Bryan Cadogan gave a verbal update on –

- Queen Elizabeth II’s Memorial Service.
- 1st RWS combined meeting being held 29/9.
- Roading maintenance – subsidised by Waka Kotahi so has limits to what can be spent. Limited contractor availability currently and not getting any better. There is a need for realistic expectations.
- Thanked the Board for all their help over the past 3 years and wished those standing all the best for the upcoming election. They have fulfilled their commitments to the community so should be proud of their achievements.
- Presented a farewell present to Antony Robertson.

Antony Robertson said his farewells to the Board and thanked everyone for all their help and wished the new Board all the best.

Councillor McCall then said his farewells as he is standing for election to the ORC, thanked the Board for all their help and wished them well in the elections.

The Chairperson finished by thanking the Board for their 3 years of contributions and ongoing support. The outgoing members were thanked for their commitment to the Board and their district, with Council staff and the media also acknowledged for their support.

The meeting closed at 11.46am.

Confirmed

**Barbara Hanna
CHAIRPERSON**

**Steve Hill
CHIEF EXECUTIVE**