

Timaru District Council

Minutes of the Meeting of the Geraldine Community Board, held in the Meeting Room, Geraldine Library / Service Centre, Talbot Street, Geraldine on Wednesday 23 January 2019 at 7.30pm

Present Wayne O'Donnell (Chairperson), Clr Kerry Stevens, Janene Adams, Jan Finlayson, Jennine Maguire

Apologies Proposed Janene Adams
Seconded Jennine Maguire

"That the apologies from Clr Burt, Gavin Oliver and Jarrod Marsden be accepted."

Motion carried

In Attendance Property Manager (Matt Ambler) and Secretary (Kate Walkinshaw)

1. Identification of Matters of a Minor Nature

The Board agreed to discuss the Geraldine Pavilion adjustments and the Toy Library update as matters of a minor nature.

2. Chairperson's Report

The Chairperson reported on meetings he had attended and duties he had carried out on behalf of the Board since the last meeting, including Kowhai Stream meeting with TDC, ECan and members of the Blandwood Residents Association, Geraldine Combined Sports regarding facility review and potential new management for Pavilion, Geraldine Vehicle Trust meeting, Go Geraldine meeting, Geraldine Vintage Car and Machinery Club meeting, discussions with TDC staff re Cox Street and numerous property discussions. A reminder was given about the upcoming 3 waters tour and workshop.

3. Confirmation of Minutes

Proposed Clr Kerry Stevens
Seconded Jan Finlayson

"That the minutes of the Geraldine Community Board meeting held on 14 November 2018, excluding the public excluded item, be confirmed as a true and correct record."

Motion Carried

4. Peel Forest Proposed Reserve Land Exchange

The Board considered a report by the Property Manager seeking the Community Board's approval in principle to the proposal put forward by Fire and Emergency New Zealand (FENZ) to relocate their activities to the reserve land adjoining their existing site on Peel Forest Road. This is seen as a requisite step to the public notification process as set out in the Reserves Act 1977.

Proposed Wayne O'Donnell
Seconded Jan Finlayson

"That the Geraldine Community Board supports the process in principle, and recommends to the Policy and Development Committee that the statutory process be commenced, as set out in section 24A of the Reserves Act 1977 in order to change the designation of the parcel of land on Peel Forest Road to enable the site to be leased to FENZ."

Motion Carried

5. Consideration of Items of a Minor Nature

Geraldine Domain Pavilion

The Property Manager provided an update from the meeting held late December 2018 on the management of the pavilion. The current management would like the bookings to be honoured when the new management takes over. The Board commented that the preferred outcome of the expressions of interests would be people with experience in managing a recreational centre and creating a community hub. There is to be a committee meeting on 7 February and the Board decided that the expression of interest period should run from approximately 14 February to 28 February. The Property Manager is to report back to the Board at the next meeting.

Geraldine Toy Library

The Property Manager also reported back on the Toy Library. Amanda Cox is happy with the proposal. There is to be a safety fence installed around the community garden to the door to keep visitors in check. The new system will be to book toys online and only pick up at the library. There will be an opportunity to lease carpark spaces which will result in income that can be used for maintenance.

Waihi Walkway

The Board asked for an update on the Waihi walkway. ECan will be making an inspection in February/March. The Memorandum of Understanding has expired which has resulted in some overgrown areas. The Property Manager provided an update on progress.

6. Board Members' Reports

The Board members reported on meetings they had attended and activities they had completed on behalf of the Board including attending the Christmas parade, End of Alliance Christmas event, Pavilion meeting, invited to go on recruitment board for a new policeman, meeting with Motif re Christmas lights, public art meeting and discussions, High Country Group Meeting, Cox Street meeting, met with TDC Parks and Reserves Manager re drainage of Geraldine Domain, Geraldine Combined Sports Open Day and meetings re multi-use turf and other proposed Geraldine Domain upgrades, site meeting with Blandswood residents, met with Geraldine Signs group, liaised with several local residents and TDC and Board members over various matters.

7. Exclusion of the Public

Proposed Janene Adams
Seconded Jennine Maguire

"That the Board resolves to exclude the public on the grounds contained in Section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act:

Thomas Hobson Trust
Fund Applications

Section 7(2)(f)(i)

Plain English

Section 7(2)(f)(i)

The withholding of the information is necessary to maintain the effective conduct of public affairs through the free and frank expression of opinions by or between or to members or officers or employees of any local authority, or any persons to whom section 2(5) of this Act applies, in the course of their duty."

To allow free and frank expression of opinions

Motion Carried

8. Readmittance of the public

Proposed Clr Kerry Stevens
Seconded Janine Adams

"That the public be readmitted to the meeting."

Motion carried

The meeting concluded at

Chairperson

Unconfirmed