



# AGENDA

## Geraldine Community Board Meeting Wednesday, 6 July 2022

**Date** Wednesday, 6 July 2022

**Time** 6.30pm

**Location** The Green Man Cafe  
1202 Peel Forest Road  
Peel Forest

**File Reference** 1510798

## Timaru District Council

**Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Geraldine Community Board will be held in the The Green Man Cafe, 1202 Peel Forest Road, Peel Forest, on Wednesday 6 July 2022, at 6.30pm.**

### **Geraldine Community Board Members**

Wayne O'Donnell (Chairperson), Janene Adams (Deputy Chairperson), Jan Finlayson, Jennine Maguire, Cr Gavin Oliver, Natasha Rankin and McGregor Simpson

### **Local Authorities (Members' Interests) Act 1968**

Community Board members are reminded that if you have a pecuniary interest in any item on the agenda, then you must declare this interest and refrain from discussing or voting on this item, and are advised to withdraw from the meeting table

Bede Carran  
**Chief Executive**

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- 1 Apologies**
- 2 Public Forum**
- 3 Identification of Items of Urgent Business**
- 4 Identification of Matters of a Minor Nature**
- 5 Declaration of Conflicts of Interest**
- 6 Chairperson's Report**

## **7 Confirmation of Minutes**

### **7.1 Minutes of the Geraldine Community Board Meeting held on 25 May 2022**

**Author: Andrew Feary, Governance Advisor**

#### **Recommendation**

That the Minutes of the Geraldine Community Board Meeting held on 25 May 2022 be confirmed as a true and correct record of that meeting and that the Chairperson's electronic signature be attached.

#### **Attachments**

- 1. Minutes of the Geraldine Community Board Meeting held on 25 May 2022**



# MINUTES

## Geraldine Community Board Meeting Wednesday, 25 May 2022

Ref: 1510798

**Minutes of Timaru District Council  
Geraldine Community Board Meeting  
Held in the Conference Room, Waihi Lodge Care Centre, 16 Shaw Street, Geraldine  
on Wednesday, 25 May 2022 at 6.30pm**

**Present:** Wayne O'Donnell (Chairperson), Janene Adams (Deputy Chairperson), Jan Finlayson, Jennine Maguire, Cr Gavin Oliver, Natasha Rankin (via Teams), McGregor Simpson

**In Attendance:** Cr Barbara Gilchrist, Mark Low (Strategy & Corporate Planning Manager), Paul Cooper (Group Manager Environmental Services), Nicole Timney (Manager Property Services & Client Representative), Nicky Donkers (Chairperson, Peel Forest Outdoor Pursuits Charitable Trust), Will Polson (Treasurer, Peel Forest Outdoor Pursuits Charitable Trust), Simon Turner (Safety and Programme Manager, Peel Forest Outdoor Centre – via Teams)

**1 Apologies**

**Apology**

**Resolution 2022/75**

Moved: Gavin Oliver

Seconded: Janene Adams

That the apology received from Mayor Nigel Bowen be accepted.

**Carried**



## **2 Public Forum**

### **2.1 Peel Forest Outdoor Centre**

Board Members of the Peel Forest Outdoor Pursuits Charitable Trust spoke to the Community Board of their application for a grant of two hundred and fifty thousand dollars from either the Geraldine Land Endowment Fund or the District Wide Fund, to enhance and develop their centre and programme to deliver cost effective experiences for their users including many school groups throughout and beyond the District.

The aim of the development of the centre is to:

- Increase accommodation to house larger groups, many schools would utilise more of the centre if it could accommodate more children (see feedback from users)
- Build new activities that utilise the site, reducing student time & cost for transport between activity sites,
- Increase Environmental Education, utilising the bush close at hand,
- Ensure long-term financial sustainability paying down some land debt.

The last two summer seasons the Centre has been able to gain an income with no shortage of users from a variety of community groups. However feedback received identified the risk that the programme could become stagnant. With several users identifying an increasing diversity of activities sought, the Trust seeks to develop and increase the number and types of activities that the Centre can cater for to appeal to wider and more diverse user groups.

Approximately 6000 students used the centre over the past two years. With the proposed development, the centre could expect to increase the number of students up to 100% to twelve thousand students over a similar period.

#### **Attachments**

- 1 Peel Forest Outdoor Centre application for funding

## **3 Identification of Items of Urgent Business**

### **3.1 Gravel for the Toy Library**

Mr Wayne O'Donnell identified the matter of payment for the gravel at the entranceway of the Toy Library (117 Talbot Street Geraldine) to be considered as an item of urgent business.

#### **Resolution 2022/76**

Moved: Jan Finlayson

Seconded: Janene Adams

That the matter of payment for the gravel at the entranceway of the Toy Library (117 Talbot Street Geraldine) is to be considered as an item of urgent business.

**Carried**

#### **4 Identification of Matters of a Minor Nature**

##### **4.1 Geraldine Mayoral Chains**

Wayne O'Donnell identified the matter of the display of the Geraldine Mayoral Chains.

#### **5 Declaration of Conflicts of Interest**

No conflicts of interest were declared.

#### **6 Chairperson's Report**

##### **6.1 Chairperson's report**

##### **Resolution 2022/77**

Moved: Wayne O'Donnell

Seconded: Janene Adams

Since the last meeting the Chairperson has attended the following meetings:

- Geraldine District Foundation regarding the Health Hub
- Geraldine Vintage Car & Machinery Club general meeting
- Peel Forest Outdoor Centre regarding their application for funds
- Timaru District Council meeting
- Meetings & correspondence with Timaru District Council staff regarding speed reduction legislation, future sealing, gravel roading, footpaths and waterways.
- Geraldine Domain Redevelopment Turf Project meeting.

**Carried**

#### **7 Confirmation of Minutes**

##### **7.1 Minutes of the Geraldine Community Board Meeting held on 9 March 2022**

##### **Resolution 2022/78**

Moved: Jan Finlayson

Seconded: Jennine Maguire

That the Minutes of the Geraldine Community Board Meeting held on 9 March 2022 be confirmed as a true and correct record of that meeting and that the Chairperson's electronic signature be attached.

**Carried**

##### **7.2 Minutes of the Geraldine Community Board Meeting held on 13 April 2022**

##### **Resolution 2022/79**

Moved: Janene Adams

Seconded: Jennine Maguire

That the Minutes of the Geraldine Community Board Meeting held on 13 April 2022 be confirmed as a true and correct record of that meeting and that the Chairperson's electronic signature be attached.

**Carried**

## **8 Reports**

### **8.1 Draft Annual Plan and Budget 2022/23**

The Strategy & Corporate Planning Manager spoke to this report to provide an opportunity for the Community Board to provide feedback to Council on the draft Annual Plan 2022/23.

#### **Resolution 2022/80**

Moved: Jennine Maguire

Seconded: Jan Finlayson

That the Community Board provides input on matters in the draft Annual Plan 2022/23 work programme affecting the Community Board area, including priority for projects.

**Carried**

### **8.2 Update from Talbot Forest Working Group**

This report is to update the Geraldine Community Board of the recent activities of the Talbot Forest Working Group.

#### **Resolution 2022/81**

Moved: Gavin Oliver

Seconded: Janene Adams

That the Geraldine Community Board receive and note the reports of the Talbot Forest Working Group

**Carried**

## **9 Consideration of Urgent Business Items**

### **9.1 Gravel for Toy Library**

#### **Resolution 2022/82**

Moved: Jennine Maguire

Seconded: Janene Adams

That the Geraldine Community Board approve the payment of up to three \$300 for the gravel at the entranceway of the Geraldine Toy Library (117 Talbot Street Geraldine) from the Geraldine Rating Fund.

**Carried**

## **10 Consideration of Minor Nature Matters**

### **10.1 Geraldine Mayoral Chains**

Since the amalgamation of the Geraldine Borough Council into the Timaru District, the mayoral chains have remained at the Timaru District Council.

The Community Board wish for the chains to be located, framed and returned to Geraldine for display at either the Geraldine Library & Service Centre or the Geraldine Museum.

## **11 Public Forum Issues Requiring Consideration**

### **11.1 Public Forum issues requiring consideration**

#### **Resolution 2022/83**

Moved: Jennine Maguire

Seconded: Janene Adams

That the Geraldine Community Board strongly supports the Peel Forest Outdoor Centre (Peel Forest Outdoor Pursuits Charitable Trust) application for funding from both the District Wide Fund and / or the Geraldine Endowment Fund and support that this is a district wide initiative.

**Carried**

## **12 Board Member's Reports**

### **12.1 Board member's report**

Janene Adams reported her attendance:

- Meeting with Timaru District Council Land Transport Unit.
- Geraldine Sculpture Trail
- Flume project; awaiting on a sign.
- Co-ordinated the community social media during the Geraldine Strategic Plan.
- WiFi project – the hardware has arrived, awaiting on installation.

### **12.2 Board member's report**

Jan Finlayson reported her attendance:

- Arts Council
- Geraldine Sculpture Trail
- Meeting regarding Totara Street.

### **12.3 Board member's report**

Jennine Maguire reported her attendance:

- Discussions on a collaboration to install a horse trekking trail in conjunction but physically separated from Bike Geraldine's plan for a cycle trail.

- Dog park project; a suitable location is yet to be determined.

#### **12.4 Board member's report**

McGregor Simpson reported his attendance:

- Numerous issues with roading in the rural areas
- Timaru District Council meeting
- Barrier required on North Boundary Road.
- Issues with road obstructions i.e. farm equipment on verges, electric fences on “paper roads”.
- Issue with river erosion at Arundel Bridge
- Issue with safety concerns at the Geraldine River Trail – A fellow Community Board member gave an explanation of the delay in rectification.

#### **12.5 Board member's report**

Cr Gavin Oliver reported his attendance:

- Timaru District Council
- Standing Committees
- Peel Forest Outdoor Centre
- Geraldine Sculpture Trail
- Geraldine Combined Sports
- Meetings & correspondence with Timaru District Council officers on roading and the Geraldine Domain.

**The Meeting closed at 7.55pm.**

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**Wayne O'Donnell**  
**Chairperson**

## 8 Reports

### 8.1 Speed Management Plan Update - Setting speed limits

**Author:** Susannah Ratahi, Land Transport Manager

**Authoriser:** Andrew Dixon, Group Manager Infrastructure

#### Recommendation

That the report be received and noted.

#### Purpose of Report

- 1 To update the Geraldine Community Board to changes to the Speed Limit setting rule and progress so far made in revising Timaru District Local Road Speed Limits

#### Assessment of Significance

- 2 This matter is assessed as of medium significance in terms of our Significance and Engagement Policy as there will be proposed changes to Level of Service and there will be a significant community interest.
- 3 The outcomes from further actions outlined in this report will require community engagement particularly changes to speed management that involves all of the district's road users. Furthermore the road safety improvements are of significance to road users being heavy vehicles, cars, bicycles, pedestrians and other vulnerable road users.

#### Discussion

- 4 Timaru District Council Consolidated By-law, which includes current speed limits was adopted by Council in 2018, using the Government process set out in the "*Land Transport Rule: Setting of Speed Limits 2003*"
- 5 The legislative rule was amended in 2017. However, the process for setting speed limits under the 2017 Rule was generally considered more costly and inefficient. This was due to uncertainty around when and how to amend, replace or revoke current speed limits, and when to consult on speed limit changes. In reality the rule was intended to make roads safer, but was strict in that it required adherence to the rule. The result if speed limits had been changed under this rule would have meant that many high use and higher accident roads would have had significant reduction, while adjacent low use windy roads would have been deemed safe to stay at 100km per hour. Given this many Road Controlling Authorities (RCAs) including Timaru delayed making speed management changes.
- 6 Not long after signing off, rule changes were mooted by Waka Kotahi and Ministry of Transport to recognise the flaw in the 2017 rule and allow (RCAs) to consider the network safer speeds using a more holistic and principles based approach. Consultation for changes closed June 2021 in which Timaru District Council provided a submission.

- 7 Signing of the rule at this stage was scheduled to be signed by the Minister of Transport in December 2021. This was delayed a number of times, with the rule coming into effect on 19 May 2022.
- 8 The stated objective of the *Land Transport Rule: Setting of Speed Limits 2022* is to contribute to road safety by;
  - providing for a whole of network approach where speed management is considered alongside investment in safety infrastructure; and
  - empowering or requiring road controlling authorities to set speed limits for roads under their control; and
  - setting out requirements road controlling authorities must comply with when setting speed limits.
- 9 Speed management plans are the primary means by which proposed speed limits changes are developed, shared and certified.
- 10 The rule sets out the process for preparing speed management plans, the roles and responsibilities for the process, and the required content of the plans. The speed management plans and speed limits recommendations in these plans are required to be supported by the Regional Transport Committee.
- 11 Since the signing of the rule, Council officers have ensured all current speed data is accurately recorded in the new National Speed Limit Register, as is required before any interim plans are developed.
- 12 The speed limit bylaw will be phased out and replaced by the National Speed Limit Register. On this basis future speed limit changes will not require a bylaw review, or use of the Local Government Act Special Consultative procedure
- 13 As at the time of writing this report, Waka Kotahi have had their first workshop, 22 June 2022, on introducing the new speed management rule, how to make changes on the newly developed National Speed Limit Register and what consultation will look like in setting of speed limits.
- 14 The Technical Officers Group, a working group of the Canterbury Regional Transport Committee are actively assessing options to undertake a regional approach to the interim speed management plan, that will be in place until 2024. There is a call from Waka Kotahi and the New Zealand Government to ensure consistency to assist us all in reaching our Road to Zero Targets.
- 15 The Aoraki Roding Collaboration group are also working together to ensure sub-regional consistency between Ashburton, Mackenzie, Waimate and Timaru District Council areas. Waka Kotahi are strongly encouraging this approach.
- 16 It is expected that community engagement will occur in the 2022/23 financial year, following further consideration of the new roles and engagement requirements, whilst working alongside our Canterbury RCA peers.

## Attachments

Nil

## 8.2 Geraldine Land Transport Activity Update

**Author:** Susannah Ratahi, Land Transport Manager

**Authoriser:** Andrew Dixon, Group Manager Infrastructure

### Recommendation

That the report be received and noted.

### Purpose of Report

- 1 To update the Geraldine Community Board members on projects completed and underway in the Geraldine Ward are over the last two years.

### Assessment of Significance

- 2 Assessment of significance is low, as while roads and projects completed reach many members of the public, works completed have been approved in line with Consulted Long Term Plan (LTP) projects and fit within approved budgets

### Discussion

- 3 A number of both significant and small scale projects have been undertaken in the Geraldine Ward Area in recent years and more are planned throughout the rest of the current LTP period.
- 4 The completion of Orari Back Road seal extension and Route 72/Coach Road roundabout has improved both road user safety and accessibility to Geraldine township, by creating a feasible and safe heavy motor vehicle alternative to using State highway 79 through both Talbot Street and Cox Street. This will also support safer visitor driver and pedestrian behaviours through the Geraldine Ward.
- 5 The community engagement and adoption of the Geraldine Transport Strategy has helped define the needs of the Geraldine Community and create a priority base for projects moving forward for the area.
- 6 A number of improvements to walking access have been completed;
  - Bridge Street new footpath.
  - McKenzie Street new footpath alongside the River – recently completed and soon to be linked to the River Trail, at the Kennedy Park end.
  - Tripp Street new footpath and kerbing.
  - Wilson Street/Wright Street, recent completion of the new roundabout intersection, in conjunction with stormwater management improvement works.
  - Peel Forest Road, Peel Forest Settlement – Stage 1 of a new pathway is nearing completion, from The Green Man at Peel Forest to the Rangitata Gorge Road/Blandswood Road intersection.



- The Pye Road footpath on The Downs has been extended – from Ribbonwood Rise to Ribbonwood Road.
  - Wilson Street along the Geraldine Primary School frontage was traffic calmed with angled parking introduced and a roundabout installed at the Wright Street intersection (In conjunction with a K&C renewal project).
  - The Cox Street carpark was upgraded and developed – Including a crossing point on/over Cox Street (SH 79).
  - Hislop Street new footpath, to the North West from Jollie Street.
  - The vehicle accessway to and from the Service Centre, on Talbot Street has been improved.
- 7 Kerb & channel renewals included;
- Wilson Street
  - Hislop Street
- 8 Unsealed Road intersection seal backs have also been undertaken on;
- Burke Road
  - Geraldine Flat Road (Route 72)
  - Geraldine Flat Road (Hang Rock)
- 9 Street light cables and lighting have been renewed and upgraded in the Central Business District and new LED lanterns have been installed throughout the Geraldine township
- 10 Upgrades to street furniture and bins have been completed.
- 11 New entrance signage on Route 72 has been installed.
- 12 Temporary reduced speed limits have been installed in both Peel Forest and Woodbury.
- 13 Horsfall Road Bridge has been renewed.
- 14 Significant planned upgrades include;
- Kowhai Ford upgrade – Concrete ford installation
  - Speed management planning and speed limit changes including Peel Forest and Woodbury
  - Further shared paths in Peel Forest
  - Seal Widening Rangiatata Gorge Road, from Camping Ground to Lynn Creek.

## Attachments

Nil

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