Timaru District Council

Minutes of the Meeting of the Geraldine Community Board, held in the Meeting Room, Geraldine Library / Service Centre on Wednesday 3 October 2018 at 7.30pm

Present Jarrod Marsden (Acting Chairperson), Clr Kerry Stevens,

Janene Adams, Jan Finlayson, Jennine Maguire, Gavin

Oliver

Apology Wayne O'Donnell

In Attendance Clr Dave Jack

Land Transport Manager (Andrew Dixon), and Council

Secretary (Joanne Brownie)

1. Public Forum - South End of Geraldine

Dave Hendry and Noeline Hanley, residents along the Geraldine Winchester Road voiced their concerns at the 100km/h speed limit at the eastern end of Geraldine, particularly with the increased development in this part of Geraldine. The Stonebridge function centre and Black on Grey Motels, as well as residential development, cause increased traffic movements, and consequential safety concerns. Neighbouring residents also support this request for a speed limit reduction.

The Board agreed to bring forward the 'Public Forum Issues Requiring Consideration' item on the agenda in order to consider the issue at this point in the meeting.

The Land Transport Manager said that a reduction of the speed limit in this area would be supported but there are complexities with the current administration of the new speed limit rule and this is slowing down the process to change speed restrictions.

Another means of slowing traffic down is to engineer the road, to indicate to drivers that they are entering an urban area. However there are major sewer works planned for the lower end of Talbot Street and any traffic engineering works would be carried in tandem with these sewer works.

It was noted that this is not the first time this issue has been brought to the Board, and the same issue could apply to other entrances to Geraldine. It was also noted that a sign had been erected to warn drivers that there is a 50km\h speed restriction ahead. This has been an effective measure, even in the interim. Also there is the possibility of using a temporary speed measuring, flashing sign within the town boundary.

The Board thanked the residents for bringing forward their concerns to the Board, the concerns are supported by the Board and will be relayed to Council's Land Transport Unit to investigate all possible remedies to address the problem.

2. Chairperson's Report

The Acting Chairperson reported that he had attended a catchment meeting and a meeting of Go Geraldine.

3. Confirmation of Minutes

Proposed Janene Adams Seconded Jan Finlayson

"That the minutes of the Geraldine Community Board meeting held on 22 August 2018, be confirmed as a true and correct record."

Motion Carried

4. Statement of Proposal for the Identification of Priority Thoroughfares and Strategic Routes Relating to Earthquake Prone Buildings

The Community Board considered a report by the Building Control Manager and Corporate Planning Manager presenting the Statement of Proposal (SOP) for the identification of priority thoroughfares and strategic routes relating to earthquake prone buildings. The Board was satisfied that the critical routes were adequately covered in the map presented.

Proposed Jennine Maguire Seconded Gavin Oliver

"That the Statement of Proposal "Identifying Timaru District's Priority Buildings - identification of priority thoroughfares and strategic routes" be received."

Motion carried

5. Geraldine Footpaths Update 2018/19

The Board considered a report by the Road Corridor Technician on the programme for new footpaths in Geraldine and the footpath renewals proposed for 2018/19. The meeting was advised that the costs in the report do not include the NZTA subsidy.

New Footpaths

The Board raised the following queries in regard to the Proposed programme for new footpaths –

 Bridge Street – why is a new footpath planned for sections on different sides of the Street, rather than a new footpath continuously on the same side?



- the new Tripp Street footpath should be done before the Bridge Street footpath, as Tripp Street has more traffic.
- Hislop Street should be further down the priority list.
- Huffey Street what is the rationale behind including the second side of Huffey Street when there is already has an adequate footpath on one side of the street? This proposed footpath may not need to be on the list at all, as there may be other streets in the town that are more in need ie that currently have no footpath at all.
- Are there any streets left in the town where there is no footpath?
- If there are no streets left without a footpath, it may be better to put more money into renovating the footpaths that need upgrading, instead of having footpaths on both sides of a street.

Proposed Jarrod Marsden Seconded Jennine Maguire

- a "That for the 2018/19 year, the priority order for new footpaths in Geraldine be Tripp Street and Bridge Street undertaken together, then Hislop Street, and
- b That the rationale behind the inclusion on the list of installing a footpath on a second side of Huffey Street be investigated."

Motion carried

Renewal Footpaths

The Board made the following comments on the proposed programme for renewal footpaths –

- Request to look at the type of surface proposed for the Hewlings Street footpath that will be safest in winter conditions.
- Suggested additions to renewal list for consideration
 - Cox Street from Talbot Street to Hislop Street on the medical centre side (high use and in poor condition in places)
 - Sections of Talbot Street patches, Huffey St to St Andrews Street, Hislop Street to St John Ambulance premises, both on west side of road, these are high use footpaths. It was noted that this footpath will be upgraded when the road is upgraded.

Proposed Jennine Maguire Seconded Jan Finlayson



"That Cox Street, from Talbot Street to Hislop Street, on the medical centre side be considered as an addition to the footpaths renewals programme."

Motion carried

6. Board Members' Reports

Board members reported on meetings they had attended and duties they had carried out on behalf of the Board since the last meeting, including Go Geraldine, public art group formation, Geraldine Community Sports, Geraldine Signs group, Civil Defence, Geraldine District Promotions Trust Annual General Meeting, Geraldine Environmental Trust, Geraldine Guide and Scout Den, water meeting, Creative Communities, Geraldine Arts Council, Geraldine District Projects Trust, Council Standing Committees, liaison with local groups, residents and Council officers over various issues.

The meeting conclu	ided at 8:40pm.			
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Chairperson				