MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE OXFORD-OHOKA COMMUNITY BOARD HELD IN THE WEST EYRETON HALL, CORNER NORTH EYRE ROAD AND EARLYS ROAD, WEST EYRETON ON THURSDAY 8 DECEMBER 2016 AT 7PM:

PRESENT

D Nicholl (Chair), M Brown (Deputy Chair), W Doody, J Ensor, S Farrell, K Felstead, J Lynn, and T Robson.

IN ATTENDANCE

S Markham (Manager, Strategy and Engagement), K Graham (Journey Planner/Road Safety Coordinator), D Lewis (Construction Management Engineer), S Morrow (Land Information Officer), M McIlraith (Communications and Engagement Manager), K Ward (Community Board Advocate) and E Stubbs (Minute Secretary).

The meeting adjourned at 7.40 and recommenced at 7.43pm to allow members of the public to depart.

The meeting adjourned at 8.14pm for a workshop, resuming at 8.30pm.

D Nicholl welcomed the large public gallery (approximately 75 members of the public).

1 APOLOGIES

Nil.

2 BOARD MEMBER DECLARATION

The Chair invited member elect, M Brown, to read and sign the declaration form so concluding the oath taken by all elected members.

3 CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Nil.

4 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

4.1 Minutes of the Oxford-Ohoka Community Board – 3 November 2016

Moved S Farrell seconded W Doody

THAT the Oxford-Ohoka Community Board:

(a) Confirms the minutes of the Oxford-Ohoka Community Board meeting held 3 November 2016, having been circulated, as a true and accurate record.

CARRIED

5 DEPUTATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

5.1 Bud Caldwell and Shaun Ryan (local residents), spoke to the Board regarding Christchurch Ready Mix Concrete Limited’s (Ready Mix) proposed Isaac’s Road Quarry on behalf of the deputation organised by Michael
Ducray, Mr Caldwell thanked the members of the public attending and stressed that he was representing a community of residents from Isaacs Road. This community had major concerns related to the proximity of the proposed quarry to their homes. He noted the location had been chosen due to the quality of materials, but questioned if this particular 50 hectares had better material than others.

Mr Caldwell noted that the quarry was being presented as small-medium sized, however he believed it was a large quarry that would be active for some time. It had proposed extensive hours of operation – well beyond that typically expected in a rural zone considering the location of lifestyle blocks. Residents had concerns regarding noise, dust, vehicle movements and light pollution. They were also concerned it would set a precedent for the entire rural area of Waimakariri.

Mr Ryan read a tabled Statement (Trim 161213128533) on behalf of concerned residents of Isaac Road, and noted that many of the objections raised had been upheld in favour of the community in other quarry locations in Canterbury. He was firmly of the opinion that the siting of the quarry would have a direct impact on residents and as such should go through a notified resource consent process.

K Felstead noted that the quarry application was an unprecedented one for the Waimakariri District Council (WDC). Mr Caldwell commented that they believed the application would be lodged the following week with Environment Canterbury (ECan); it was understood that there was limited information at present due to no official application being lodged.

J Lynn asked about the nature of engagement residents had with Ready Mix. Mr Caldwell advised that some residents of Isaac Road had received a letter and there had been some ‘one-on-one’ meetings with the company. J Lynn queried whether there was the intention of having a more open community group meeting. Mr Caldwell advised that they had not been given that opportunity. The community would also like to meet with the landowners who had approached Ready Mix with regard to establishing a quarry.

Mr Caldwell commented that they understood the need for a quarry and did not object from that point of view; rather they were concerned with regard to the proximity of lifestyle blocks considering the landowner had a large holding. There was an opportunity to shift the quarry away from homes, which would probably remove most of the objections.

S Markham outlined the current position of the Council which was that they had not yet received a resource consent application and as such the information that the residents had was more than that of the Council. With respect to a notified resource consent, the Board would have the right to make a submission.

Mr Ryan acknowledged the advice of S Markham and commented the community was not trying to stop the process of democracy; rather they wanted to ensure Council was fully aware of the level of community interest. He referred to the recent plastic factory development and residents’ concerns the upcoming quarry application would not be ‘swept under the carpet’. He requested that the terms and conditions of recent similar consents granted elsewhere be compared to what was proposed.

S Markham advised that he would indicate to those colleagues meeting with Ready Mix of the public turnout this evening and extent of concern.

There was some discussion from the public around the granting of the building consent for the Wrights Road Storage Dam prior to granting of land use consent and there was a request for that not to happen in this case. S Markham advised that there was a procedure to follow when a building consent application was lodged, and an obligation to process that application within a specified time frame.
There was a suggestion from the floor that Waimakariri Irrigation Ltd (WIL) and Ready Mix should work together to create a water storage facility from quarrying, thereby eliminating the need for a dam. D Nicholl advised on some of the difficulties of that process.

Mr Edge was invited by the Chair to comment from the public gallery. Mr Edge believed there was a bigger issue: a greater level of protection for lifestyle blocks is required and a District Plan change is needed to reflect that.

The meeting adjourned at 7.40 and recommenced at 7.43pm to allow members of the public to depart.

5.2 Kathy Graham (Journey Planner/Road Safety Coordinator) and Dan Lewis (Construction Management Engineer) spoke to the Board regarding the Urban Cycleways project. K Graham advised there were two main routes in the project - Rangiora to Kaipori and Rangiora to Woodend; both routes had been approved funding. The purpose of the presentation was to provide an overview for the Board and an opportunity to provide feedback. Public feedback had emphasised residents were keen to see connections between towns. Strategy priorities were to get communities active, connected, and provide a choice of transport modes.

S Markham observed that in the past there had been reasonably active walking and cycling investment, however reduced government subsidy through the New Zealand Transport Agency had resulted in, until recently, less funding for cycleways and more had gone into roading. The Urban Cycleways project was a response to community concern about this by the Government.

Although the project was focused on two routes outside the boundaries of the Oxford-Ohoka Community Board area, K Graham explained there was a district-wide vision being designed in relation to walking and cycling. It was about creating a network and a safe recreation facility to encourage more people to cycle. The cycleways had to be built to a high standard with strict criteria to receive government funding.

There was some discussion relating to the specific location of the routes.

D Nicholl commented that it was a huge cost and cyclists were not contributing to the cost through fuel levies. D Lewis commented that this was a common comment that staff involved had encountered, yet most cyclists also owned a car. Evidence analysed had also shown in an urban environment, cyclists frequented shops more often than car drivers.

D Lewis advised that $1.4 million of funding had been approved through the Urban Cycleways Project. Construction estimates were currently being looked at. Part of the process was to inform the Community Board of funding and level of cost; a report would be considered by the Council in early March.

J Lynn queried whether the shortfall of around $1 million would be contributed to by ratepayers. It was advised the shortfall would become part of the general rates and loan funded, so funded over a longer period of time.

S Farrell queried whether the route through Loburn and Oxford would be part of the National Cycleways Project and S Markham advised that it was unlikely to receive funding as the number of ‘great rides’ had been capped.

W Doody commented that the loop from Christchurch to Oxford needed to be looked at as a large proportion connected into the Oxford-Ohoka Ward. K Graham advised that there was continual monitoring.
6 ADJOURNED BUSINESS

There was no adjourned business.

7 REPORTS

7.1 Road Naming – Private Right of Way Oxford – S Morrow (Land Information Officer)

S Morrow advised he would take the report as read.

W Doody commented that it was timely that the Board seriously look at names they would like to use, as road naming invariably came up and there was no set criteria. K Felstead commented the previous Advisory Board had attempted the task but found to be too difficult.

Moved M Brown    seconded S Farrell

THAT the Oxford-Ohoka Community Board:

(a) Receives report No 161122120128.
(b) Approves a new road name for a Private Right of Way created off Cheapside Street, Oxford as Phillips Lane, DP393069.

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 8.14pm for a workshop, resuming at 8.30pm.

8 CORRESPONDENCE

8.1 Letter from Hazel Walker, Oxford Resident, regarding the well discovered under the Oxford Service Centre and Library. (Trim No. 161129122831)

Moved W Doody    seconded J Lynn

THAT the Oxford-Ohoka Community Board:

(a) Receives letter No.161129122733.

CARRIED

S Farrell advised that Hazel Walker had given her the letter and wished to see something made of the well so that it could be a tourist attraction.

K Felstead advised that he had spoken to C Sargison in relation to preserving to the well. C Sargison had advised that the well was in a difficult location and would require re-planning of the whole site. He had been keen to keep it if possible but believed it was not feasible. The well had been filled with sand and a concrete lid placed on top which would preserve the well for the future.

J Lynn suggested that due to the public interest in the well there should be a good explanation provided to the public of the reason for its sealing through the Observer. W Doody will speak to C Sargison in relation to replying to Hazel Walker, and drafting an item for the Observer.
8.2 A letter from Mr and Mrs C and H Taylor, Oxford Residents, regarding the intersection of Burnt Hill Road and Harewood Road was tabled, as was a Memo from the Roading Manager in response to this letter.

Moved W Doody seconded J Lynn

THAT the Oxford-Ohoka Community Board:
(a) Receives letter No. 161201124193.
(b) Notes memo No. 161201124333.

CARRIED

9 CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

9.1 Chairperson's Report for November 2016

Moved M Brown seconded T Robson

THAT the Oxford-Ohoka Community Board:
(a) Receives report No.161129122733.

CARRIED

10 MATTERS FOR INFORMATION

10.1 Rangiora-Ashley Community Board meeting minutes – 7 November 2016 (Trim No. 161104114041)

10.2 Woodend-Sefton Community Board meeting minutes – 15 November 2016 (Trim No. 161109115482)

10.3 Kaiapoi-Tuahiwi Community Board meeting minutes – 21 November 2016 (Trim No. 161118118922)

10.4 Visit to Belgium for Passchendaele Commemorations – J Palmer (Chief Executive) - Council, 1 November 2016 (Trim No. 161026109825)

10.5 Oxford Library/Service Centre Development – C Sargison (Manager Community and Recreation) – Council, 1 November 2016 (Trim No. 161020108313)

10.6 Contract Acceptance Report – 14/27 – Southbrook Road / South Belt Intersection Upgrade – K Stevenson (Roading Manager) and K Straw (Project Manager) – Public Excluded Council, 1 November 2016

10.7 Request for Increases to Water Source Upgrade Budgets for Waikuku Beach, Garrymere and Poyntzs Road Water Supply Schemes – C Roxburgh (Water Asset Manager) – Utilities and Roading Committee, 22 November 2016 (Trim No. 16108115095)

10.8 Report on expenditure due to reactive maintenance work carried out on Rangiora, Kaiapoi and Pegasus Water Supply Wells – S de Roo (Utilities Engineering Officer) – Utilities and Roading Committee, 22 November 2016 (Trim No. 161109115696)

10.9 West Kaiapoi New Arterial Road Update – K Stevenson (Roading Manager) and J McBride (Civil Projects Team Leader) – Public Excluded Utilities and Roading Committee, 22 November 2016
10.10 Contract 15/66: Northbrook Road Urbanisation Tender Evaluation and Tender Acceptance Report – K Straw (PDU Project Manager) and K Stevenson (Roading Manager) – Management Team, 28 November 2016

Moved J Ensor seconded T Robson

THAT the Oxford-Ohoka Community Board receives the information in items 10.1-10.10.

CARRIED

11 MEMBERS’ INFORMATION EXCHANGE

11.1 S Farrell

- Attended Pearson Park Advisory Group meeting. $100,000 would be spent on the Oval. There would be nominations for members in the New Year.
- Asked for information regarding the Jaycees Rooms; W Doody as Council portfolio holder for Community Spaces, to request information from C Sargison.

11.2 J Lynn

- Attended Neighbourhood Watch meeting.
- Ohoka Residents Association meeting: concerns around the health and low flows of the Ohoka Stream were raised. Advised that the Residents Association had been offered the Ohoka Lodge Gatehouse Building (at no cost) which has a Historic Building Grade 2 listing. The Historic Places Trust had advised that is was a candidate for Earthquake restoration funding. S Markham advised that the Residents Association should write directly to J Palmer with regard to this project.

11.3 K Felstead

- Advised that the earthquake infrastructure recovery programme has 44 of 50 projects completed. The remaining six are on hold until the decision from the Minister regarding the regeneration zone is announced in the near future.
- Fernside/ Flaxton Road area has had a reduction in speed limit to 80km/hr.
- Implementation of a working party to progress the Northern Pegasus Bay Bylaw.
- Recommencement of Kaiapoi River Rehabilitation Working Party.
- Extra funding for water main at Rangiora end of Oxford Road.
- New District Licensing Committee established.
- Councillor P Williams has been appointed to the Ashley River Water Supply Scheme.

11.4 W Doody

- Advised the old part of Oxford Town Hall has hairline cracks following the Kaikoura earthquake. Opus Consulting are monitoring.
- There has been a burglary at the Mandeville Sports Club for the fourth time.
- Commented on the new hockey turf at Coldstream Road
- Neighbourhood Support is planning a family picnic at Waikuku Beach for March.
11.5 **T Robson**

- Attended a recent Youth Council meeting. Raised the idea of creating a liaison role between the Youth Council and the Board. The Youth Council are keen to strengthen the relationship.
- Will be meeting with member of the public with regard to road surface issues.

11.6 **J Ensor**

- Attended WHAG meeting - concerns around underfunding of mental health and isolation of elderly.
- Advised a Fernside Federated Farmers group was winding up.
- Believes there had been an unsatisfactory response to local flooding issues. D Nicholl suggested it should be on the agenda for the Drainage Committee meeting.

11.7 **D Nicholl**

- Has met with Gavin Bennett with regard to his concerns around the Mandeville business zone application. Advised that an independent planning consultant had recommended the application proceed as non-notified. The process still had to go before a Hearings Commissioner.

12 **CONSULTATION PROJECTS**

Nil.

13 **REGENERATION PROJECTS**

Regular updates on the Oxford Town Centre projects are emailed regularly to Board members. These updates can be located at the link below:


14 **BOARD FUNDING UPDATE**

14.1 **Board Discretionary Grant**

Balance as at 1 December 2016: $2,360.

14.2 **General Landscaping Budget**

Balance as at 1 December 2016: $11,650.

The Board noted the balances.

15 **MEDIA ITEMS**

Large public turnout at the Board’s meeting with the Isaac Road residents’ delegation.

Information regarding the decision-making process around the historic well found on the Oxford Service Centre site.
16 QUESTIONS UNDER STANDING ORDERS

There were no questions under Standing Orders.

17 URGENT GENERAL BUSINESS UNDER STANDING ORDERS

There was no urgent general business under Standing Orders.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Oxford-Ohoka Community Board is scheduled for 7pm, Thursday 9 February 2016 in a location in Ohoka yet to be advised.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, THE MEETING WAS CLOSED AT 9.07PM.

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Chairperson

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Date

Workshop (9.11-10.05pm)

1. Members’ Forum

Members had a general discussion around a number of items of interest.

2. Media and Communication. M McIlraith (Communications & Engagement Manager)

Spoke to modern media communications and options for the Board to consider utilising.

3. Our District, Our Future Waimakariri 2048: Waimakariri District Development Strategy. S Markham (Manager Strategy and Engagement)

Interactive discussion regarding this Strategy and the aspects that particularly relate to the Board’s community area.


Deferred until 2017.