

MINUTES FOR THE MEETING OF THE KAIAPOI-TUAHIWI COMMUNITY BOARD HELD IN METING ROOM 1 (UPSTAIRS), RUATANIWHA KAIAPOI CIVIC CENTRE, 176 WILLIAMS STREET, KAIAPOI ON MONDAY 16 MAY 2022 AT 5PM.

PRESENT

J Watson (Chairperson), J Meyer (Deputy Chairperson), N Atkinson, A Blackie, B Cairns and M Pinkham.

IN ATTENDANCE

Mayor D Gordon, Councillor P Redmond (Kaiapoi-Woodend Ward Councillor) Departed 5:45pm, S Stewart (Kaiapoi-Woodend Ward Councillor).

C Brown (Manager Community and Recreation), J McBride (Roading and Transport Manager), G Stephens (Design and Planning Team Leader), V Thompson (Business and Centers Advisor), K Rabe (Governance Advisor) and C Fowler-Jenkins (Governance Support Officer).

There were four members of the public present.

1 APOLOGIES

Moved: J Watson

Seconded: A Blackie

An apology for early departure was received and sustained from P Redmond who departed at 5.45pm.

CARRIED

2 CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

3 ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The Board observed a minutes silence to honor Chris Greengrass, pervious Chairperson of the Board. Members related fond memories of C Greengrass and the work she had accomplished in the Kaiapoi community.

4 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

4.1 Minutes of the Kaiapoi-Tuahiwi Community Board – 11 April 2022

Moved: J Watson

Seconded: J Meyer

THAT the Kaiapoi-Tuahiwi Community Board:

- (a) **Confirms** the circulated Minutes of the Kaiapoi-Tuahiwi Community Board meeting, held 11 April 2022, as a true and accurate record.

CARRIED

4.2 Matters Arising

Nil.

5 DEPUTATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

5.1 Mahinga Kai – Greg Byrnes

G Byrnes updated the Board on the development of the Mahinga Kai area stating that he was pleased with the progress that had been made by the Working Group. He thanked D Roxborough and C Brown for their ongoing support. He noted that the Huria Reserve site had been blessed prior to work commencing which included the spraying, ripping and mulching of the first areas the Trust intended to plant. Approximately 4,000 native plants would be planted prior to the opening. The pathway network tender had received four quotes and had been awarded to CityCare. G Byrnes and H White would meet with Aqualand regarding the proposed plan and how they could assist.

G Byrnes explained that there would be an opening ceremony which would be attended by the Mayor, the Kahui Kaumatua, a representative from the Te Kohaka Trust and Community Board members. There would be 800 native plants available for the community to plant and five tortura to be planted at the main entrance. Some of the upcoming works would include the design of some of the proposed features including the entrance and the outdoor education centre.

He acknowledged H White and K Dwyer for their work and ensuring everything they wanted to get done was progressed.

6 ADJOURNED BUSINESS

Nil.

7 REPORTS

7.1 Kaiapoi Town Centre Budget Reallocation May 2022 – J McBride (Roading and Transport Manager) and V Thompson (Business and Centres Advisor)

J McBride spoke to the report which sought a recommendation from the Board to the Council to reallocate budget for the Kaiapoi Town Centre Budget for two areas of work. The first being the footpath work outside of the BNZ building which was currently being restored and also to progress the replacement handrail on the Williams Street bridge.

The footpath work outside the old BNZ building could not be completed when the rest of the town centre work was done due to concerns about the strength of the building. Now that the restoration of the building would soon be completed, and the building scheduled to be opened in August/September 2022, the footpath needed to be completed to match the other three corners of the intersection.

Council staff were also looking to progress a design for the replacement of the Williams Street Bridge balustrade.

P Redmond asked if the \$45,000 was included in the replacement cost of the balustrade. V Thompson noted that the cost was additional to the original cost, which was previously presented to the Board.

Moved: J Watson

Seconded: B Cairns

THAT the Kaiapoi-Tuahiwi Community Board:

(a) **Receives** Report No. 220504069966.

AND

THAT the Kaiapoi-Tuahiwi Community Board recommends:

THAT the Council:

(b) **Approves** the reallocation of budget as follows:

- i. \$55,000 for the footpath upgrade at the old BNZ Bank and;
- ii. \$45,000 for the Williams Street Bridge Balustrade Replacement Design.

(c) **Notes** that a further report would be presented as part of the 2023/2024 Annual Plan process requesting budget for the physical works associated with the Williams Street Bridge Balustrade Replacement, once the full costs were confirmed.

CARRIED

7.2 **Williams Street Bridge Balustrade Upgrades – V Thompson (Business and Centres Advisor)**

V Thompson spoke to the report which sought the Board's endorsement of preferred design Option H, which retained the concrete pillars and the removal of the degraded concrete balustrades, and replaced with stainless steel infill panels which could be cut out with artistic designs or patterns.

The construction cost was currently estimated at \$375,000 with an additional 10% contingency included to assist with the rising costs of steel. V Thompson noted that the construction cost did not include painting or lighting changes to the bridge.

The current budget also did not include artistic design, therefore if the Board opted for cut out stainless steel panels' with a possible Maori design, staff would need to engage with Ngai Tūāhuriri which would incur an approximate fee of \$25,000 there which included the engagement of an artist. The project shortfall would be between \$280,000 and \$310,000 of the proposed budget currently. Further detailed investigations regarding quotes would be done prior to progress with the design phase.

B Cairns enquired if consideration had been given to hold a competition open to all North Canterbury artists, for the design of the steel panels based on the brief as opposed to just giving one entity the opportunity. V Thompson noted that the Council had suggested that staff engage with Ngai Tūāhuriri, however, there was scope to open the process to include all of the community.

J Watson believed that it was important for any design to reflect both Maori and Pakeha elements as Kaiapoi had such an amazing history. So many aspects of the town including the industrial age, the woollen mills and freezing works could be incorporated into the design. J Watson believed the idea of an open competition was a way of integrating both cultures equally.

V Thompson noted that the design scope would include whatever was decided by the Board and Council.

N Atkinson believed that the design should allow people to see through, to the river. V Thompson agreed however cautioned that there were safety standards that would need to be adhered to when choosing a design.

M Pinkham raised concerns regarding preferred Option H, noting the lack of compliance of the current pillars, which were probably not high enough. He further noted that some of the pillars may be as degraded as the balustrade and may therefore need to be replaced as well. V Thompson noted that WSP New Zealand were contracted to conduct the initial investigation on the bridge, their recommendations had been presented to the Council, however, further discussions would need to be carried out.

P Redmond sought clarification on the total estimated cost. V Thompson advised that the report included very high level estimates. The balustrade upgrade budget referred to the construction component of \$375,000 and only including a small portion towards lighting. The design would be an additional cost which included engaging an artist, the whole process of artist fees and working with an organisation such as Ngai Tūāhuriri as well as engaging with the Te Kohaka Trust. The estimated cost for repainting the bridge was from a new quote, as the original quote was for \$88,000 which included the balustrades and did not factor in the scaffolding and edge protections that would need to be in place during the construction. The total proposed cost was approximately \$485,000 with the additional cost for lighting. The project had a budget shortfall of around \$310,000 to \$500,000 plus which was a very high level estimate at this stage.

Moved: N Atkinson

Seconded: A Blackie

THAT the Kaiapoi-Tuahiwi Community Board:

- (a) **Receives** Report No. 220412055487.
- (b) **Notes** the balustrades had degraded with time and where WSP had noted the condition of the concrete was average with several areas of impact spalling and some evidence of steel reinforcement corrosion, also the paint condition of the Bridge was poor.
- (c) **Notes** the estimated construction cost for Option H (in early 2021) was \$375,000 GST exclusive however an additional 10% had been added in light of rising goods and construction prices reflecting a new estimate of \$412,500 GST exclusive. More accurate and detailed costing of the preferred option would be investigated and submitted as part of the 2023/24 Annual Plan and/or 2024-34 Long Term Plan process (if that was the desire of the Kaiapoi-Tuahiwi Community Board and the Council) once some crucial design components were completed.
- (d) **Notes** that any report to future Annual and Long Term Plan Deliberations would incorporate budget for Kevin Cawley's (Total Lighting Ltd) feature lighting components for the Williams Street Bridge, and where these design elements had already been endorsed by the Kaiapoi-Tuahiwi Community Board at a meeting on 11 April 2022.
- (e) **Notes** that any additional budget request would also include provision for painting all concrete elements of the Williams Street Bridge in light of the current condition of the paintwork.

- (f) **Notes** that the project would incorporate feature lighting upgrades and Bridge painting at the same time any balustrade upgrades were completed.
- (g) **Endorses** Option H as the preferred design approach for the potential future replacement of the Williams Street Bridge balustrades.

AND

THAT the Kaiapoi-Tuahiwi Community Board recommends:

THAT the Council:

- (h) **Approves** Option H as the preferred design option for the potential future replacement of the Williams Street Bridge balustrades that enables a new architectural laser cut stainless steel handrail and infill panels incorporating cut out design motifs to go out for public consultation and be endorsed by Ngāi Tūāhuriri, while retaining the existing concrete pillars and lamp posts.

CARRIED

N Atkinson commented that this project would show the modernisation of Kaiapoi and would finish off the regeneration work that had been ongoing since the earthquakes. A few people had commented that the bridge was historic and should be retained as is, however, he did not believe the handrail was historic or significant as you could find the same style of bridge or handrail throughout the country. He believe that the proposed design added another design element to the town and the features along the riverbank. He thought this was something that could make a feature of the town and become something that would look magnificent once the lighting group had completed the lighting features.

P Redmond noted that he was not convinced at this stage that it was a wise use of over half a million dollars. He agreed that the bridge and balustrades would provide a wow factor, however, he believed lighting could create as much of a wow factor without the heavy cost. The Kaiapoi Districts Historical Society did not support the removal of the existing balustrades so community consultation would be very worthwhile. He noted that this was not the time for the Council to be spending such a large sum of money on a project that was not essential.

S Stewart believed that every utility should be an artwork, and this project was in a prime position right in the middle of Kaiapoi and needed to make a fantastic statement. As Kaiapoi had been rebuilt post-earthquake there had been some great artwork and lighting features included, and she felt that the balustrade and the lighting on the bridge would take the town to another level. However, she had concerns regarding the cost of the project, yet believed that to do less would detract from the town's reinvention. The bridge needed to reflect the whole artistic merit of the new Kaiapoi.

In his right of reply, N Atkinson noted that the current balustrade was the third balustrade on the bridge and the first two designs were delightful, however the third, and current one was pretty dreary. He did not believe that a budget of \$88,000 to repaint the bridge was realistic and maintained that a minimum of \$100,000 should be budgeted. He noted that some thought that this work was not essential, however the report had stated that the concrete was starting to breakdown and some of the reinforcing was already showing. The Council was pre-empting any dangerous delay by dealing with this matter at a time which would benefit the district.

7.3 **Application to the Kaiapoi-Tuahiwi Community Board's Discretionary Grant Fund 2021/22 – K Rabe (Governance Advisor)**

Moved: A Blackie

Seconded: J Watson

THAT the Kaiapoi-Tuahiwi Community Board:

- (a) **Receives** report No. 220422061919.
- (b) **Approves** a grant of \$500 to the Kaiapoi Pony Club towards paying for St Johns Ambulance at the June Eventing.

CARRIED

A Blackie commented that this was a good event, it was the sort of event that brought people in to the district, and the financial return for businesses would be many times the amount the Board was granting.

8 **CORRESPONDENCE**

Nil.

9 **CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT**

9.1 **Chairperson's Report for April 2022**

- The Raymond Herber Sculpture – still working on the exact placement and were investigating a site near the Rivertown Villas.
- The Waimakariri Public Arts Trust work was slowing down with staff investigating a new procurement and installation process however the Trust already had a process in place.
- Working with Visit Waimakariri in itemising all the sculptures around the district for an arts trail that they were putting together.
- Presented at the Council's 2022/23 Annual Plan Submission Hearings.
- Attended the opening of the St Patricks playground. They had received some funding from the Board.
- Enjoyed the trip down the river on the River Queen to watch the bridge to bridge tournament.
- Gave a talk to students from the University of Canterbury regarding community wellbeing and development.

Moved: J Watson

Seconded: N Atkinson

THAT the Kaiapoi-Tuahiwi Community Board:

- (a) **Receives** the verbal report from the Kaiapoi-Tuahiwi Community Board Chairperson.

CARRIED

10 **MATTERS REFERRED FOR INFORMATION**

10.1 **Oxford-Ohoka Community Board Meeting Minutes 4 April 2022 (Trim 220411054488)**

- 10.2 Rangiora-Ashley Community Board Meeting Minutes 13 April 2022 (Trim 220414157902)
- 10.3 Woodend-Sefton Community Board Meeting Minutes 11 April 2022 (Trim 220412055620)
- 10.4 Cam River Enhancement Fund – works update – Report to Land and Water Committee Meeting 22 March 2022 – Circulates to the Rangiora-Ashley and Kaiapoi-Tuahiwi Community Boards.
- 10.5 Private well study – results from 2021 – Land and Water Committee Meeting 22 March 2022 – Circulates to all Boards.
- 10.6 Health Safety and Wellbeing Report April 2022 – Report to Council Meeting 5 April 2022 – Circulates to all Boards.
- 10.7 May 2021, December 2021 & February 2022 Flood Events – Service Requests Update – Report to Utilities and Roading Committee Meeting 26 April 2022 – Circulates to all Boards.

PUBLIC EXCLUDED REPORTS

- 10.8 Rangiora Site Divestment – Commercial Real Estate Agency Recommendation – Report to Council Meeting 5 April 2022 – Circulates to all Boards.

Moved: J Watson

Seconded: A Blackie

THAT the Kaiapoi-Tuahiwi Community Board

- (a) **Receives** the information in Items 9.1 to 9.8.
- (b) **Receives** the public excluded information in Item 10.7, which would remain in public excluded and which was circulated separately.

CARRIED

11 MEMBERS' INFORMATION EXCHANGE

S Stewart

- Arohata Te Awa was moving up the Cam River. Waiting for a few properties co-operation and would be up at the Revells Road Bridge. Environment Canterbury had donated 10,000 plants plus the 15,000 the Council already had. Some would be planted along the trail and some planted at various places along the river.
- Land and Water Committee 17 May 2022 – Expecting a deputation which would update the Committee on the Northbrook Trail which was the Sparks Family initiative. They were donating some of their farmland for a trail along the Northbrook waterway. It was conceptual currently.
- Water Zone Committee – Workshop and a breakaway group setting up a workshop on ten top environmental tips for lifestyle block owners to improve environmental aspects.

A Blackie

- Mahinga Kai opening day and planting was on 28 May.
- Motorhome Association was progressing.

J Meyer

- Represented the Board at the ANZAC Day Services at Kaiapoi and Tuahiwi. Covid-19 had not affected the services too much, the atmosphere and turnout was good.

- Trip down the river on the River Queen.

B Cairns

- Neighborhood Support North Canterbury – Andrea Allen (Woodend-Sefton Community Board) had stepped down as Chair, and had taken over as acting chair. Lots of work being done behind the scenes to build resilient communities.
- Food Forest Update
 - On Oram place holes for carved Poū and entrance have been dug. Was planning to install Poū at the start of May however supplies of steel had delayed that.
 - Planning Matariki event for 24th June, Kaiapoi Promotions Association were assisting with elements of the event.
 - Promoted the Food Forest at a Christchurch event.
 - Had a group from a national charity based in Auckland visit.
 - Free Seed Project – had many people attend from throughout Canterbury.
 - Multiple groups still visiting from throughout Canterbury – most recent was 30 from Canterbury home schools group.
- Food Secure North Canterbury – Attended monthly meeting.
- All Together Kaiapoi – Planning for Matariki event.
- ANZAC Day – Attended the service.
- New businesses in Kaiapoi – Nzulu, Hukka vape shop.

M Pinkham

- Attended a number of meetings of the Audit and Risk Committee of Community Wellbeing. It was extremely challenging times for funding as the Government had gone back to short term funding programmes. The Mana Ake Primary School Programme had been extended up to the end of 2022.
- Kaiapoi Promotions was getting ready for the Kaiapoi River Carnival on 2 October 2022 and the Christmas Carnival. The easing of Covid-19 restrictions was making it a lot easier to run events.
- Meeting with the Council's Greenspace Team regarding the extension of the walking trail on the true right bank of the Kaiapoi River upstream of the Kaiapoi River Bridge and the Railway Bridge but Kiwi Rail were extremely difficult to deal with.

N Atkinson

- Annual Plan Hearings – there were not many submissions. There were 45 presented and 150 in total.
- Cure Boating Club – enjoyable day. Nice to see the building. Was very impressive.
- Community Service Awards 25 May 2022.
- Housing Working Group – Gathered a lot of information from Kāinga Ora through Abbyfields and private providers of affordable housing and next month would be considering information gathered and trying to sort out where they went and what they did. There was lots of land that could be used.
- ANZAC Day Services the Honorary Consulate from Belgium attended.

12 CONSULTATION PROJECTS

12.1 Changes to Johnson Street Parking

<https://letstalk.waimakariri.govt.nz/let-s-talk-changes-to-johnson-street-parking>

12.2 Townsend Road Reserve

<https://letstalk.waimakariri.govt.nz/townsend-road-reserve>

The Board noted the consultation projects.

13 REGENERATION PROJECTS

13.1 Town Centre, Kaiapoi

Updates on the Kaiapoi Town Centre projects are emailed regularly to Board members. These updates can be accessed using the link below:
<http://www.waimakariri.govt.nz/your-council/district-development/kaiapoi-town-centre>.

The Board noted the regeneration projects.

14 BOARD FUNDING UPDATE

14.1 Board Discretionary Grant

Balance as at 11 May 2022: \$3,627.

14.2 General Landscaping Budget

Balance as at 11 May 2022: \$25,430.

The Board noted the funding updates.

15 MEDIA ITEMS

Nil.

16 QUESTIONS UNDER STANDING ORDERS

Nil.

17 URGENT GENERAL BUSINESS UNDER STANDING ORDERS

Nil.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Kaiapoi-Tuahiwi Community Board would be held at the Ruataniwha Kaiapoi Civic Centre on Monday 20 June 2022 at 5pm.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE MEETING CONCLUDED AT 5.57pm.

CONFIRMED



Chairperson

20 June 2022
Date

Workshop
(6pm – 6.18pm)

- *Norman Kirk Park – Grant Stephens (Design and planning Team Leader)*