

4. DEPUTATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

4.1. Queen Street Trees – Matthew Hill and Queen Street Residents

Matthew Hill presented a PowerPoint (Trim 230717106466) to the Board on behalf of residents and property owners of Queen Street, Rangiora. He raised concerns regarding the problems residents experienced as a result of the London Plane street trees. He outlined the number of times residents had spoken to the Council regarding the trees starting with a site meeting in 1996. At that time residents had been guaranteed that trees would not be allowed to grow any taller than what they were at that time. While there had been some pruning over the period, trees had continued to grow and some had now reached a height of 25 metres. Since 1996 residents had repeatedly advocated for removal or height reduction of the trees.

M Hill outlined the problems caused by the trees which included the streetlights obscured by the canopy making the street dark, uneven footpaths due to root upheaval, shading of properties, allergies, an over abundance of leaf litter which blocked drains and guttering and caused excessive work for elderly residents. In the past mesh had been laid in a trench to prevent tree roots spreading under the road, however this forced tree roots into neighbouring properties where they invaded sewer systems and caused an undulating footpath and footpath damage. In addition, large branches were breaking off and were a safety risk to the public.

M Hill spoke to the Council's current Community Outcomes which included ensuring a safe environment by minimising harm, housing matching the needs and aspirations of the community, and opportunities to support people's wellbeing. He believed the plane trees were at odds with these outcomes due to the impact they had on residents including respiratory and eye irritation from the tiny hairs that coated the leaves.

M Hill noted the trees were planted in the late 1920-1930s and were pollarded until late 1980 when the powerlines were undergrounded. He advised that majority of the street residents wanted the trees removal, some supported their pollarding. London Plane Trees were not natives to New Zealand and residents supported their replacement with natives. He noted that while the Council policy was not to remove healthy trees, healthy London Plane trees had been removed previously in Sycamore Close, Arlington Boulevard, Oak Drive and Church Street.

M Hill advised the outcome being sought was removal of the plane trees and replacement with a less intrusive native tree, or a staged approach where the most troublesome trees could be removed immediately and remaining trees pruned and replaced over the next three to five years.

Mischela Avent a resident of Queen Street also raised concerns about the trees. She referenced the City of Melbourne and Sydney who had both removed plane trees from the inner city due to the respiratory issues caused by the trees. The Horowhenua District Council were also removing plane trees due to similar concerns.

There were no questions from the Board. J Gerard acknowledged the public in the gallery who had also attended, thanked the residents for their presentation, and advised that the Board would seek a staff report to consider the matter.

4.2. Road Names – Bellgrove – Paul McGowan

P McGowan (Bellgrove Project Director) addressed the Board regarding the first stage of road names for the new Bellgrove subdivision. He provided some background on the land including that the rural parcels dated back to 1840 and previous owners included the former Mayor, Trevor Inch. This first stage of development was 200 lots with a total development of 1,300 lots over the next eight to ten years.

P McGowan provided reasoning behind selected road names. Bellgrove Boulevard had been selected as it was the main collector road from Kippenberger Avenue. Homestead Drive had been selected as it was a sub-collector road that went directly past the original homestead. This was a Category 2 property and was being retained. The loop road that went past the homestead was suggested to be Inch Crescent. The names Stegall, Hanmer, Brandon, Peirse, McGrath, and Bamberger had all been chosen as historic landowners. Cam Mill had been selected for the mill that had been in that location and Ruataniwha as the original name for the Cam River.

J Gerard asked if Road 7 and 8 were continuous and thus should have the same road name. P McGowan explained that Road 7 was more of a cul-de-sac and Road 8 more intensive, they were on opposite sides of the main collector road and would not necessarily be considered a continuation.

J Gerard commented that the road names required approval from Ngai Tuahuriri and asked if that had been received. P McGowan advised that Ngai Tahu were joint venture partners and the road names had been passed through the team.

L McCure asked if Bellgrove was too similar to Belgrave and would cause confusion and if it would be less confusing if the road became a continuation of MacPhail Avenue. P McGowan did not believe it was too similar. He believed the name Bellgrove Boulevard was suitable as it was the main road for the subdivision. To be a continuation of MacPhail Avenue it would need to be MacPhail North for road numbering purposes. P Williams also expressed concern regarding the similarity of names. It was important in times of emergency that road names did not get confused.

Item 6.2 was taken at this time, the minutes have been presented as per the agenda.

4.3. **Community Outcomes – Temi Allison**

S Hart provided the presentation on Community Outcomes to be included in the Long Term Plan (LTP) (Trim 230713105882). It was important to articulate well what the Council strategic priorities were. This went alongside a new set of community outcomes rationalised under four Wellbeings. Once confirmed they would be built into the front end of the Long Term Plan.

S Hart briefly outlined the process to this point, the review of community outcomes had been a robust process and was the first genuine review in three LTP rounds. He went through the Draft Strategic Priorities and Community Outcomes that were proposed to go to public consultation, with the strategic priorities fed into the community outcomes. He noted that the Council was not solely responsible for some of the outcomes for example ECan had responsibility for buses, however it was important to partner with agencies and community groups, to show leadership.

M Fleming asked if groups like the Waimakariri Accessibility Group could make a submission. S Hart agreed they could, the outcomes were high level statements which could be used by the community to lobby for more specific needs.

5. **ADJOURNED BUSINESS**

Nil.

6. REPORTS

6.1. River Road Upgrade - Approval of Scheme Design – J McBride (Roading and Transport Manager) and G Kempton (Senior Project Engineer)

J McBride and K Straw were in attendance to speak to the report which sought approval for the scheme design and upgrade of River Road, Rangiora. During investigation of the scheme, it had been determined that there was insufficient budget to complete the full upgrade from Ashley Street to Cone Street within current funding. Staff had identified four options regarding the staging of the work as outlined in the report. Staff recommended Option 3 – upgrading from Riverview Road to No.61 River Road.

P Williams noted that many homes on River Road had septic tanks which were not connected to the sewer line. He requested that those homeowners be contacted prior to the kerb and channel installation to determine if they wanted to connect to the sewer line so as not to have to repair work just completed. J McBride advised that could be included with the communications.

M Fleming asked whether the gate entrance to the hospital would have appropriate kerb and channelling and K Straw advised that the hospital was not covered by Option 3.

J Gerard compared the costing for Option 2 and Option 3 the difference being \$175,000 and asked if it was possible to complete the full urban length with the difference being funded from some other budget. J McBride explained staff had already taken a request to the Council for an additional unsubsidised budget of \$125,000 to allow completion of street lighting. With the installation of Park'n'Ride, street lighting had become important for users after dark.

The meeting adjourned at 7.50pm for a workshop to discuss options (Trim 230713105900) and reconvened at 8.03pm)

Moved: J Ward

Seconded: I Campbell

THAT the Rangiora-Ashley Community Board:

(a) **Receives** Report No. 221014179364.

AND

THAT the Rangiora-Ashley Community Board recommends:

THAT the Utilities and Roading Committee:

(b) **Approves** the River Road Upgrade Scheme Design (as per Trim No. 230412051155).

(c) **Endorses** proceeding with Option Two – Upgrading the southern side of River Road for the full urban length, between Ashley Street, and the western boundary of no. 61 River Road, on the south side of River Road, subject to funding being approved.

(d) **Notes** this option had an estimated construction cost of \$700,000, which resulted in a budget shortfall of \$175,000.

(e) **Approves** the installation of no stopping restrictions as per the following table.

Town	Street Name	Side of Road	Location	Length (m)
Rangiora	River Road	South	Ashley Street to Riverview Road	175
Rangiora	River Road	South	Riverview Road to Cones Road	285
Rangiora	Riverview Road	East	River Road going South	10
Rangiora	Riverview Road	West	River Road going South	10
Rangiora	River Road	North	Both sides of each Park and Ride entranceway	18

- (f) **Notes** that there was currently no formal on-street parking on River Road, and that there was a lack of on-street parking. It was noted that the residential land use on the southern side of the road, with the addition of community facilities and recreational areas on the northern side of the road had created more parking demand in the area. The creation of formalised parking areas therefore fits with the surrounding land use.
- (g) **Notes** that staff would proceed to detailed design and tender stage following approval of the Scheme Design.
- (h) **Notes** that the recommended option had been through an independent Road Safety Audit and any changes to the design had been completed.
- (i) **Notes** that a budget of \$40,000 was available in 2022/23 for design and \$485,000 was available in 2023/24 to complete this first stage of the work. The budget was therefore \$525,000 across both years.

CARRIED

P Williams abstained

J Ward believed that it made sense to complete the job as one as it was more cost effective. It was important to have good communication with landowners including need to connect to sewer if they wanted prior to installation of the kerb and channel.

I Campbell agreed it was more cost effective to complete the job as one, the project would only increase in price.

J Goldsworthy requested that the work be competed around large events at the showgrounds to minimise disruption.

6.2. **Road Naming – Bellgrove Rangiora Limited – S Morrow (Rates Officer – Property Specialist)**

S Morrow referred to the presentation P McGowan (Bellgrove Project Director) regarding road name selections. Some of the Developer suggested names including Todd and Bayley had not been accepted due to the same or similar road names already existed in the district. These names had been replaced with other names provided as second and third choices.

S Hart provided clarification that and te reo road name required approval from Te Ngāi Tūāhuriri Rūnanga, however did not to suggest that Ruataniwha Avenue was not a suitable name.

Moved: B McLaren

Seconded: J Goldworthy

THAT the Rangiora-Ashley Community Board:

- (a) **Receives** Report No. 230629097812.
- (b) **Approves** the following proposed road names for the new roads marked as Roads 1 to 11 as shown on the plan attached to the report.
 - 1. Bellgrove Boulevard
 - 2. Homestead Drive
 - 3. Inch Crescent
 - 4. Steggall Road
 - 5. Hanmer Crescent
 - 6. Brandon Close
 - 7. Cam Mill Place
 - 8. Peirse Road
 - 9. Ruataniwha Avenue – subject to confirmation from Ngai Tuahuriri
 - 10. McGrath Lane
 - 11. Bamberger Way (Pvt)
- (c) **Notes:** That the Community Board may replace any proposed name with a name of its choice.

CARRIED

6.3. **Potential New Road Names for addition to the Pre-Approved Rangiora-Ashley Road and Reserve Name List – T Kunkel(Governance Team Leader)**

K Rabe briefly introduced the report which had come through as a request from the public.

Moved: L McClure

Seconded: M Fleming

THAT the Rangiora-Ashley Community Board:

- (a) **Receives** report No. 230418054162.
- (b) **Approves** the inclusion of the following two names in the Rangiora-Ashley Pre-Approved Road and Reserves Name List:
 - i. Louise Henderson
 - ii. Olivia Spencer Bower
- (c) **Notes** that the proposed name Doris Lusk has already been used in the in the Townsend Fields subdivision.
- (d) **Request** staff to write to inform J Hoult of the outcome of the Community Board decision.

CARRIED

L McClure commented it was nice to get the history as part of the request.

R Brine commented that although the name Olivia Spencer Bower was rather long, road names would come before the Board for approval and it could be shortened at that time if agreed by the Board.

6.4. **Rangiora-Ashley Community Board's 2023/24 Discretionary Grant Fund and 2023/24 General Landscaping Budget – T Kunkel (Governance Team Leader)**

J Gerard noted that the draft before the Board had the following wording in the sixth bullet point of the criteria "limited up to \$1,000 with a maximum of \$1,500 in any financial year", however this had not been agreed to by the Board who had adopted the wording 'The Board would consider granting more than \$1,000 in exceptional circumstances'. The Board requested that the mention of \$1,500 be removed from the criteria.

K Rabe noted the wording regarding the spending of funds in a "financial year" had been raised at the Woodend-Sefton Community Board given the likelihood of a group spending the funding if the money was allocated in the last month of the financial year. The Woodend-Sefton Community Board had changed the wording to within 12 months of the funding being granted. L McClure believed that a timeframe was important to include however suggested that the criteria should read within 12 months of the activity/project taking place. There was general agreement to this.

The other question was around the need for signatures from two officers including the treasurer. There was general agreement that there was no need for signatories.

Moved: J Goldsworthy

Seconded: M Clarke

THAT the Rangiora-Ashley Community Board:

- (a) **Receives** Report No. 230609084766.
- (b) **Notes** that the Board's General Landscaping Budget allocated by the Council for 2023/24 is \$27,370, with a carry forward for 2023/24 still to be determined due to outstanding invoices being processed.
- (c) **Notes** that the Board's Discretionary Grant Funding allocated by the Council for 2023/24 is \$10,160 and that an amount of \$8,566 is expected to be carried forward from the 2022/23 budget. Thereby bringing the Discretionary Grant Fund to a total of \$18,726 for this financial year.
- (d) **Approves** the Board's 2023/24 Discretionary Grant Fund Application Criteria and Application Form (Trim No. 210603089866) subject to the agreed changes specified above.
- (e) **Approves** the Board's 2023/24 Discretionary Grant Accountability Form (Trim No. 210603089980).
- (f) **Adopts** the Financial Template for Informal Groups (Trim No: 23027095307).
- (g) **Approves** that Discretionary Grant Fund applications be considered at each meeting during the 2023/24 financial year (July 2023 to June 2024).

CARRIED

J Goldsworthy supported the changes made and hoped they would encourage more applications.

B McLaren was happy for a high level of trust for this activity.

J Gerard noted that the Board wanted to make it as easy as possible for groups to apply.

6.5. **Application to the Rangiora-Ashley Community Board's 2023/24 Discretionary Grant Fund – Thea Kunkel (Governance Team Leader)**

K Rabe briefly introduced the report. She had contacted both applicants to advise the grant amount had increased to a maximum of \$1,000 and gave them the option to increase the amount of funding in their application.

Moved: R Brine

Seconded: M Fleming

THAT the Rangiora-Ashley Community Board:

- (a) **Receives** report No. 230621092481.
- (b) **Approves** a grant of \$495 to the North Canterbury Athletics Club towards printing costs of information booklets.

CARRIED

Moved: P Williams

Seconded: J Ward

THAT the Rangiora-Ashley Community Board:

- (c) **Approves** a grant of \$1,000 to the North Canterbury Pony Club towards the cost of a new cross country course.

CARRIED

J Ward believed both organisations did a great job supporting youth in the district.

7. **CORRESPONDENCE**

Nil.

8. **CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT**

8.1. **Chair's Diary for June 2023**

Moved: J Gerard

Seconded: L McClure

THAT the Rangiora-Ashley Community Board:

- (a) **Receives** report No. 230705101039.

CARRIED

9. **MATTERS FOR INFORMATION**

9.1. **Oxford-Ohoka Community Board Meeting Minutes 7 June 2023.**

9.2. **Woodend-Sefton Community Board Meeting Minutes 12 June 2023.**

9.3. **Kaiapoi-Tuahiwi Community Board Meeting Minutes 15 May 2023.**

9.4. **Enterprise North Canterbury Approved Statement of Intent Beginning 1 July 2023; Approved Enterprise North Canterbury Business Plan and Budget 2023/24; and Promotion of Waimakariri District Plan 23/24 – Report to Audit and Risk Committee 13 June 2023 – Circulates to all Boards.**

9.5. **Mandeville Resurgence and Channel Diversion Upgrade Project – Public Consultation – Report to Utilities and Roothing Committee 20 June 2023 – Circulates to the Oxford-Ohoka Community Board.**

9.6. **July 2022 Flood Response Update – Report to Utilities and Roothing Committee 20 June 2023 – Circulates to all Boards.**

Moved: J Gerard

Seconded: R Brine

THAT the Rangiora-Ashley Community Board:

- (a) **Receives** the information in Items 9.1 to 9.6.

CARRIED

10. **MEMBERS' INFORMATION EXCHANGE**

L McClure

- Attended All Boards briefing.
- Attended Waimakariri Health Advisory Group meeting, some concern regarding taxi chit service and need for assurance that residents could access.
- Helped prepare, cook and serve 98 cooked breakfasts for Southbrook School Matariki Breakfast celebration event.
- Attended Richard Blackmore's retirement event after 24 years at Southbrook School.

B McLaren

- Attended Good Street Relaunch event.
- Assisted and attended meetings with Rangiora Community Patrol.
- Attended Rangiora Early Records Society meeting, assisting with future thinking for the museum.
- Attended North Canterbury Neighbourhood Support meeting. Significant numbers of people were signing up for the 'Gets Ready' app.
- Follow-up to Rangiora High School recycling bin audit fail – EcoEducate was working with the Blue Planet group to help achieve sustainability goals.
- Council controlled security cameras – commented this had been a theme of discussions and that he would like to work with Council staff regarding review and management of crime cameras under WDC control in the district.

There was support from the Board for B McLaren to be involved where appropriate in camera policy development and connections with community groups.

J Ward

- Annual Plan had been signed off 20 June 2023. The Council was now progressing with the Long Term Plan process. Roading, transport and drainage would be priorities.
- There had been a lot of discussion at a Council workshop regarding the economic development strategy.
- The Rangiora Airfield Advisory Group meeting had been well attended, a new full-time manager had been appointed.
- Thanked staff for completing a lot of work at short notice for the new Water Entities Bill including preparation of a submission on behalf of the Council.

P Williams

- Attended many Drainage Committee meetings, concern was especially around flooding due to a lack of maintenance.
- Attended meeting with staff and rural resident regarding water usage.

R Brine

- Advised he had been appointed to the Greater Christchurch Spatial Plan Hearing Panel. An independent Chair had been appointed. Submissions would be heard in October.
- The regional greenwaste facility in Bromley was required to relocate. There had been some discussion regarding what would happen with greenwaste in the interim.

J Goldsworthy

- The Civil Defence team would be making a submission on the new Emergency Management Bill.
- Encouraged members to promote the Community Hub concept – it would be good to have 30-40 community hubs across the district.
- Attended Rangiora Promotions meeting, they had a new president.
- The Housing Policy hearing was in two weeks.

M Fleming

- Attended Honda tree planting event, it was a good facility for the future.
- Attended Keep Rangiora Beautiful meeting, the Keep NZ Beautiful week was coming up in September.
- Attended Kaiapoi Art Expo.

I Campbell

- Attended All Boards meeting in June.
- Attended Drainage Advisory Group meeting in Oxford, noted new 10m rule for waterways.
- Viewed new pump station near Kairaki Beach.

M Clarke

- Noted complaints regarding trucks on Southbelt damaging tar seal.

11. CONSULTATION PROJECTS

There are currently no consultation projects.

12. BOARD FUNDING UPDATE

12.1. Board Discretionary Grant

Balance as at 30 June 2023: \$18,726.

12.2. General Landscaping Fund

Balance as at 30 June 2023: \$27,370.

13. MEDIA ITEMS

Nil

14. QUESTIONS UNDER STANDING ORDERS

Nil

15. **URGENT GENERAL BUSINESS UNDER STANDING ORDERS**

Nil

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Rangiora-Ashley Community Board is scheduled for 7pm, Wednesday 9 August 2023.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, THE MEETING WAS CLOSED AT 8.35PM.

CONFIRMED



Chairperson

9 August 2023
