


3. DEPUTATIONS BY APPOINTMENT

3.1 LE RACE - AKAROA EMERGENCY SERVICES



Kim Stewart (Akaroa Fire Chief), Murray Roxburgh (a St. John Ambulance team leader) and Doctor Suzanne Knapp (Akaroa Health Centre) addressed the Board regarding traffic and congestion problems on the day of Le Race.

They were concerned that the traffic congestion and road closures on the day of the race made it impossible for emergency services staff to attend and respond to callouts, particularly any in the eastern bays which needed to be accessed via the Summit Road. They reported that this year had been worse than previous years and that the traffic management and crowd control measures were inadequate to manage the numbers of people and vehicles involved.

The Board **agreed** that staff should be asked to arrange a meeting between Le Race organisers and all key interest groups to discuss ways of improving the situation on Le Race day.

3.2 OKAINS BAY MUSEUM TRUST BOARD – MR NIGEL HAMPTON

Mr Hampton addressed the Board on behalf of the Okains Bay Museum Trust Board, which was requesting further funding from Council. He explained that at present the Museum received a \$10,000 annual grant from Council. The Museum Board wished to increase this amount to between \$50,000 - \$70,000 so that restoration projects (e.g. old school, grandstand) could be undertaken and also to enable the Museum to have acquisition funds available.

Mr Hampton outlined the features of the Museum and noted it was important not just for Banks Peninsula history but also held significance regionally and nationally. He said the Museum had assets in land and buildings of over one million dollars, as well as the collection which was priceless.

The Board **agreed** that it would consider supporting a submission from the Museum Board requesting funding through the LTCCP.

The Board also requested that staff supply details of grants that could be applied for through Council, to the Museum Board so that it could pursue those sources of funding.

3.3 MS VICTORIA ANDREWS

3.3.1 Akaroa Library Signage

Ms Andrews noted that a new sign had been erected on the Akaroa Library building, purportedly by City Council staff. She pointed out that Akaroa had Design Guidelines which covered signs and that the city should be reminded of this so staff were aware there was a due process to be followed.

3.3.2 Gaiety Hall Noise Control

Ms Andrews reported that at a recent social event in the Gaiety Hall, noise control officers had removed an amplifier and taken it back to Christchurch. She noted that this type of enforcement action had not occurred in the past and also noted that residents had been assured that the merger with Christchurch City would mean business as usual, which this action did not appear to be. She also questioned the current status of the resource consent for the Gaiety Hall to allow events to be held which exceed the noise levels for the Town Centre Zone.

3.3.3 Long Term Council Community Plan

Ms Andrews commented that the notice given for a public meeting in Akaroa on Monday 24th April, regarding the LTCCP, was very short.

3.3.4 Akaroa Design Guidelines

Ms Andrews showed members a copy of the completed brochure for the Akaroa Design Guidelines.

3.3.5 Le Race

Ms Andrews said she would like to support the comments made earlier regarding the traffic congestion etc in Akaroa on the day of Le Race.

3.4 GAIETY HALL – MRS DALE THOMAS

Mrs Thomas tabled a letter to the Board in which she explained the work of the Gaiety Trust and what it had achieved in the renovation and refurbishment of the hall. She reported that the Trust was now being wound up but that a Friends of the Gaiety group would continue in its place. The Friends group wanted confirmation from Council that they would be consulted on matters relating to the Gaiety and would receive the same support that the Trust had enjoyed.

The Chairman thanked Mrs Thomas for all the work the Gaiety Trust had carried out and said he was sure that Christchurch City Council would want to continue to work with the Friends group, as Council had worked with the Trust in the past.

3.5 MR SHANE BLACK

3.5.1 Gaiety Hall Noise

Mr Black, who lives opposite the Gaiety Hall, noted that a lot of the noise caused during events at the hall was from smokers who congregated on the footpath outside the hall.

3.5.2 Rubbish Bins – Akaroa Fish & Chip Shop

Mr Black sought clarification on the situation with the Council rubbish bins located on the Fish & Chip shop site. He had previously addressed the Board on this matter and had offered to continue emptying the bins provided Council removed all the rubbish, including that generated by his business, from the premises.

It was noted that a staff report on this matter would be presented to the next Community Board meeting.

3.5.3 Virtual Motion Simulator

Mr Black presented a verbal proposal to the Board on a venture he wanted to start in Akaroa, using a portable virtual motion simulator. He was seeking support from the Board for the proposal and the use of a parking space adjacent to the Akaroa Wharf.

Mr Black was advised to work through staff channels to obtain the necessary consents for such a venture. It was agreed that Mr Ryder and Mr McKean could act as liaison persons between Mr Black and the Board for any further issues that arose regarding this proposal.

3.6 BANKS PENINSULA URBAN TRANSPORTATION & PARKING STRATEGY - OPUS

Representatives from Opus International were in attendance at the meeting to discuss with members the recommendations made in the Transportation & Parking Strategy, with particular emphasis on Akaroa and Little River. They outlined a timetable for implementation of the recommendations, based on predicted growth trends for vehicle/visitor numbers.

The consultants agreed that the 3 main priorities for Akaroa were:

1. Akaroa Boat Ramp Area
2. Initiation of process to develop BP Meats site
3. Consideration of a one way system for northern end of town

The Board **agreed** that staff should be asked to make some recommendations on the strategy proposals, for the Board to consider as part of its LTCCP submission.