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**AKAROA-WAIREWA COMMUNITY BOARD
13 DECEMBER 2006**

**A meeting of the Akaroa-Wairewa Community Board
was held on Wednesday 13 December 2006 at 9.30am**

PRESENT: Stewart Miller (Chairman), Steve Lowndes, Winston McKean,
Bob Parker and Eric Ryder.

APOLOGIES: An apology for absence was received and accepted from Bryan
Morgan.

Bob Parker left the meeting at 11.30am and was absent for items 4,
6, 7 & 11.

The Board reports that:

PART B – REPORTS FOR INFORMATION

1. PETITIONS

Nil.

2. CORRESPONDENCE

Nil.

3. DEPUTATIONS BY APPOINTMENT

3.1 MS NOELENE ALLAN – DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE

Ms Allan addressed the Board regarding a project she was working on for the Department of Social Welfare. Wairewa was part of the project area. She had carried out some scoping for the report and expected to release it in February 2007.

Some of the social issues which she had already identified, as part of the scoping exercise, were:

- Birdlings Flat – need for its own rural fire party and means of raising alarm for fire and other emergencies.
- Birdlings Flat – has limited facilities for the large number of children who live there – eg no park to kick a ball around.
- Birdlings Flat – number of families without transport so trying to raise funds for a trip to Christchurch. Cost of shuttle is out of reach for many families.
- Little River – needs better access to pre-school services.
- Little River – some issues are preventing the fire brigade delivering the service they would like to.
- Little River area – provision of primary health care.

Ms Allan said the last issue was the biggest of them all and was a concern throughout the community. It appeared as though a contract for provision of health services in the community was not being honoured, due to a system failure. The problem seemed to be compounded because of an anomaly in the health sector boundaries which meant that the Little River area fell between two health authorities. Ms Allan felt that the Community Board could act as a facilitator between the health authorities and the community to address this important issue.

The Board **decided** to write to the Rural Canterbury Primary Health Organisation, the Canterbury Primary Health Organisation and the District Health Board, requesting a meeting to discuss the provision of primary health services for the Little River area.

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3.2 MRS SUE GRIMWOOD – COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ADVISER

The Community Development Adviser addressed the Board regarding the Council funding that was available for the Akaroa and Wairewa areas. However she was unclear on some aspects of that funding.

The Board **decided** to ask staff to provide some clarity on the level of funding available for the Board to allocate, and the source of that funding.

3.3 BI-MONTHLY POLICE REPORT

Senior Constable Lyle Pryor was in attendance at the meeting and reported to the Board on the following issues:

- Theft of outboard motors from boatsheds in Duvauchelle and French Farm.
- Recovery of a boat in Picton which had been stolen from Little Akaloa. Offender caught.
- Burglaries were continuing at about the same level as previously. One property in Akaroa had been burgled three times.
- Extra staff allocated to Akaroa area over Christmas and holiday season.
- Petty vandalism appeared to have reduced since a youth programme had been introduced.

3.4 MS VICTORIA ANDREWS – URBAN DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY

Ms Andrews raised concerns about the Urban Development Strategy. Although the strategy did not encompass Banks Peninsula, she had concerns that there would be repercussions for the local area. Cr Parker, as the Chairman of the Urban Development Strategy Committee, was able to address Ms Andrews' concerns. He explained the intention of the strategy and also noted that anyone was able to make a submission on the strategy.

3.3 MR STEVE CARSWELL – HEMPLEMAN DRIVE

Mr Carswell raised a concern with the Board regarding the state of the top portion of Hempleman Drive, which he said needed some routine maintenance. It was agreed that this should be processed as a Request for Service.

4. ADMINISTRATION MANAGER'S UPDATE

The Administration Manager updated the Board on the following issues:

4.1 COUNCIL STRATEGIES

Consultation deadlines for the following strategies/policies currently out for public consultation had been extended by the Council:

Community Development Strategy	Closing date end of January 2007
Ageing Together Policy	Closing date end of February 2007
Housing Strategy	Closing date end of February 2007

The Board **decided** to meet with the Community Development Adviser and Administration Manager to formulate a submission on the Community Development Strategy.

4.2 ENVIRONMENT CANTERBURY SUBMISSION

The Administration Manager had circulated a copy of the response from Environment Canterbury to the Board's submission on its Long Term Council Community Plan 2006-16.

4.3 NEW YEAR'S EVE LIQUOR BAN

It was noted that the Council Secretary had arranged for the advertising of the New Year's Eve Liquor Ban for Akaroa, pursuant to the Banks Peninsula Public Places & Signs Bylaw.

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5. NOTICES OF MOTION

5.1 SPEED RESTRICTION - LITTLE RIVER TOWNSHIP

The Board **resolved** that staff be asked to report to the Board on the speed restriction through the Little River township, particularly in regard to approaching Transit New Zealand to seek a reduction on the current speed limit.

6. QUESTIONS

Nil.

7. BOARD MEMBERS' INFORMATION EXCHANGE

7.1 BP Meats Land

It was noted that in reply to a question staff had reported there was potential for the future of the BP Meats land in Akaroa, to be considered as part of a greater plan for Akaroa. As there seemed to be some doubt over whether this was definite the Board asked that staff provide a briefing on the issues regarding the BP Meats land at the earliest opportunity.

7.2 Agricultural & Pastoral Shows – Little River & Duvauchelle

Board members agreed to volunteer on a rostered basis to man the Council tent that would be stationed at both the Banks Peninsula and Duvauchelle shows.

7.3 Little River Information Centre

Board members agreed to support the proposal for the continuation of an Information Centre in Little River. However, they did not agree to that support including any financial contribution through the Board's Discretionary Funding.

7.4 Discretionary Funding

Board members agreed in principle to supporting an allocation from its Discretionary Funding for a function and gift for Gerald Carson, Akaroa's long-time dental health provider. The Administration Manager would bring a formal report on this matter to the January 2007 meeting.

7.5 Puaha Valley – Road Reserve

A Puaha Valley resident had written to the Board asking to be able to occupy a piece of "tramway" reserve along the roadside. The letter had been handed to staff for action.

PART C – DELEGATED DECISIONS

8. CONFIRMATION OF REPORT

The Board **resolved** that the report of the ordinary meeting held on Wednesday 22 November 2006 be confirmed.

9. JOINT COMMUNITY BOARD DRAFT OBJECTIVES 2006/09

The Board **resolved** that the Draft Joint Objectives for the Banks Peninsula Ward 2006/2009, be adopted.

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10. AKAROA SKATEPARK LANDSCAPE ENHANCEMENT – PLAN APPROVAL

The Board considered a report on the final landscape proposal for the Akaroa Skatepark. Two of the submitters on the proposed plan, Mr Brian and Mrs Melva Parke, were in attendance at the meeting to speak to the concerns they had noted in their submission. The Parkes own a residential property adjacent to the Akaroa Recreation Ground and were concerned that tree planting as part of the landscaping would result in loss of sun and views to their property. The Board acknowledged their concerns and included a provision in the final plan approval for the position of plantings to be carried out in consultation with the Parkes.

The Board **resolved** to:

1. Approve the final plan for landscape enhancement of the Akaroa Skatepark.
2. Grant approval for the City Environment Group to commence work on implementing the construction programme, on the proviso that the final planting positions be established in consultation with the neighbouring property owners.
3. Ask the City Environment Group to provide a further report to the Board at the appropriate time, to address the current "land ownership" and "legal road" issues within the Akaroa Recreation Ground and surrounding areas.

11. CHRISTMAS BREAK – EMERGENCY DECISION MAKING

The Board **resolved** to appoint an Emergency Committee, as detailed below, with power to act to make decisions on behalf of the Board for the period following its 13 December 2006 meeting, up until the Board resumed normal business, proposed to commence on 24 January 2007, with any such decisions to be made in the presence of the Community Board Principal Adviser:

- (a) That the Committee comprise the Chairman and one other available member of the Board.
- (b) That any decisions made be reported to the first Board meeting in 2007 for information.
- (c) That a notice of any Emergency Committee meeting be forwarded to all Board members.

The meeting concluded at 11:50am

CONSIDERED THIS 24TH DAY OF JANUARY 2007

**STEWART MILLER
CHAIRMAN**