


7. BOARD MEMBERS' EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION

7.1 RECYCLING AT COASTAL CAMPING GROUNDS



Councillor Parker had indicated he wished to raise the issue of recycling facilities at Council coastal reserve camping grounds, as he had had concerns voiced to him by a member of the public that there was a large amount of rubbish being dumped through the transfer station system that could instead be recycled.

This matter was held over until the next meeting so that Councillor Parker could speak to it.

7.2 BANKS PENINSULA AGRICULTURAL & PASTORAL SHOWS – COUNCIL STALL

The Chairman thanked the Board members who had taken turns to man the Council stall at the recent Banks Peninsula A&P Shows. It was generally felt that the stall was well received by ratepayers and residents. Members indicated that they would like to see the stall continued at future shows.

7.3 STATE HIGHWAY 75 – PULL OFF AREA

A request had been received for the Board to approach Transit New Zealand with a suggestion that a pull-off area be constructed on SH 75 at the bottom of the hill going from Barrys Bay to Cooptown. It was noted that many vehicles pulled off at that spot to change drivers etc.

The Akaroa Service Centre Manager reported that she had contacted Transit New Zealand to arrange for a staff member to be appointed to liaise with the Board on State Highway issues. As a result Mr Barry Stratton from Transit would attend the next Board meeting where issues such as this could be raised.

7.4 LITTLE RIVER TOWN CENTRE

It was noted that the roading plans for the Little River Town Centre had never been fully or properly implemented and it was agreed that this was another issue which could be discussed with Mr Stratton.

7.5 OKAINS BAY ROAD – ROAD CLOSURE – WAITANGI DAY

A request was tabled from the Okains Bay Museum for the Board to approve a road closure for Okains Bay Road on Waitangi Day.

The Akaroa Service Centre Manager explained that this was not the correct process for a road closure application and she was asked to follow up on this issue and advise the Museum of the correct channels for a road closure application.

7.6 BIRDLINGS FLAT PLAYGROUND

It was noted that the plan for consultation on the proposed upgrade of the Birdlings Flat toilets and surrounds, had been finalised and a report on this would come to the next Board meeting.

7.7 LITTLE RIVER SERVICE CENTRE

It was questioned whether the Board could spend some of its Discretionary Funding on improving the facade of the Little River Service Centre as it was currently difficult to tell that the building was actually a Council Service Centre.

The Board felt there should be more appropriate budgets within the Property Unit for such work and asked the Akaroa Service Centre Manager to follow up on this issue.

7.8 LAKE FORSYTH – POLLUTION NOTICES

It was questioned why Community Public Health was able to erect signs to alert the public to the toxicity of Lake Forsyth, when the lake was currently not polluted. Staff were asked to investigate this matter. Staff were asked to comment.

7.9 LAKE FORSYTH - OPENING

Members discussed the current opening process for Lake Forsyth and concern was expressed that there was a set protocol surrounding the lake opening and that on this occasion that protocol had not been followed.

7.10 TAKAMATUA RATEPAYERS' ASSOCIATION

The Board liaison person for this association reported on his attendance at a recent meeting. The main issue raised was regarding the new subdivision in Takamatua. However it was noted that any concerns could not be pursued until the subdivision was completed.

7.11 BUSINESSES - RUE LAVAUD, AKAROA

Several members reported that they had been contacted by community members who were concerned about the legitimacy of some businesses that were operating at 62 Rue Lavaud, Akaroa. In particular there were concerns about the integrity of the Akaroa Historic Area and questions about the ablution facilities provided by the bar operating from the site. Members also noted the abundance of signs that were located on the site.

As the operator of a business in Rue Lavaud, Mr Ryder declared an interest in this matter, and commented only briefly on the issues.

The Akaroa Service Centre Manager explained that Council enforcement officers had recently visited the site, and found that there were no breaches of the current consents.

Members remarked that if the manner in which the businesses operating from that site complied with the District Plan, then perhaps a variation to the District Plan was needed. The Board asked that staff comment on this issue.