

MINUTES



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MEMBERSHIP: Hemi Hikawai (chair), Deputy Mayor Nona Aston,
Bill Burdett, Andy Cranston, Alan Davidson, Allan Hall and His Worship the Mayor (ex officio).

MINUTES of the **COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT Committee**

Held in the Committee Room, 15 Fitzherbert Street on 10 March 2010 at 9am.

PRESENT:

Councillors Hemi Hikawai (chair), Bill Burdett, Nona Aston, Andy Cranston and Alan Davidson

IN ATTENDANCE:

Chief Executive Lindsay McKenzie, Corporate Affairs Manager Douglas Birt, Community Planning & Development Manager Nedine Thatcher-Swann, Community Development Team Leader Judy Livingston, Community Development Officer Barbara Dockley, District Librarian Pene Walsh, Economic Development Team Leader Phil Wauchop and Committee Secretary Eileen Marshall

APOLOGY:

Cr Allan Hall

1. Apology

MOVED by Cr Davidson, seconded by Cr Aston

That the apology from Cr Hall be sustained.

CARRIED

2. Public forum, petitions, deputations and representation from tangata whenua

(a) *Heart of Gisborne* - Kathy McVey (City Manager Heart of Gisborne) presented an update to the Committee on the activities of Heart of Gisborne over the 2009/2010 summer period and the proposed activities for the remainder of the year.

Kathy took up her position with Heart of Gisborne in November 2009 and undertook to report to the Community Development Committee more regularly than in the past. She will be assisted by Mr Ken Huberts and Mr Scott McSloy. Newsletters will be sent out every second month.

Cr Aston advised that Cr Seymour should be consulted with respect to Civic Space activities.

(b) *Safer Communities* - Molly Pardoe (Acting Project Co-ordinator - Safer Communities) said there are nine safer communities accredited in New Zealand. Tairāwhiti Safer Communities are working for accreditation to be recognised as a 'safe' community.

Once accreditation is obtained they hope to fund a full time co-ordinator.

Cr Davidson suggested that sports bodies should also become more involved with Safer Communities.

- (c) *Museum* - Dr David Butts (Director Tairāwhiti Museum) spoke to his report on the Museum's Annual Plan Key Performance Indicators – July 2009/January 2010.

One of the projects that was not planned for their Annual Plan 2009-2010 was the new museum entranceway. This project is now completed and was funded with the generous support of Dr Jack Richards, Lion Foundation, Eastern and Central Community Trust and the Clarke Charitable Trust. The new entrance has created more space in the concourse allowing for the creation of an additional small gallery.

Cr Aston congratulated Dr Butts on the appearance of the new entranceway and asked if the design work related to the C. Company proposal addresses the storage problems.

Dr Butts indicated that they would expect that there would be space created but until the design was finalised there was no definite storage solution.

Another positive project which was not anticipated this year is the museum's jewellery collection by Gisborne Gemmologist and jewellery appraiser Margaret Wirepa.

Cr Davidson asked Dr Butt's his view on the Navigational Project - Dr Butts said the museum is a gateway to the introductory of heritage precincts and the Museum will play a roll in that concept as it develops.

- (d) Cr Cranston congratulated the organisers of the Relay for Life which was held on 6 and 7 March at the A & P Showgrounds.

3. Confirmation of Minutes

Community Development – 10 February 2010

MOVED by Cr Aston, seconded by Cr Davidson

That the Minutes of 10 February 2010 be accepted.

CARRIED

Action Sheet

Meeting Date 10 February 2010 – Report No 10/073 – Tairāwhiti Regional Economic Development Action Plan

A verbal report was given to the Committee by Economic Development Team Leader Phil Wauchop and a full report will be prepared for the Community Development April meeting.

4. Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

5. Notification of late items, questions and general business

Nil.

6. Mayor's and Councillors' Reports

For decision

Nil.

For noting

Nil.

7. Staff Reports

For decision

7.1 No. 10/112 – Older Persons Policy

Cr Aston is pleased that the older folk who have given so much to the district will now have their voices heard in this region.

MOVED by Cr Aston, seconded by Cr Burdett

That the Committee

1. receives the report.

Recommends that Council

2. adopts the Older Persons Policy

CARRIED

7.2 No. 10/124 – Navigation Traditions

Councillors asked what financial contribution would have to be made by Council.

The Chief Executive said that specific proposals will be brought forward as part of normal budget and planning rounds. The nature of the expenditure will lend itself to grant support as well.

A Project Manager is recommended to be housed in Council should external funding from NZTE be provided for the role.

MOVED by Cr Burdett, seconded by Cr Aston

That the Committee

1. receives the report

2. receives the Tairāwhiti Navigational Project 'pre-feasibility study' report.

Recommends that Council

3. incorporates the Tairāwhiti Navigational project into relevant Council plans and projects (existing and or new).

CARRIED

For noting

7.3 No. 10/118 – Safer Communities

MOVED by Cr Cranston, seconded by Cr Davidson

That the Committee

1. receives the report

CARRIED

7.4 No. 10/107 – Community Development Unit Activity Report – February/March 2010

MOVED by Cr Davidson, seconded by Cr Cranston

That the Committee

1. receives the report

CARRIED

7.5 No. 10/113 – Service Level Agreements Update

Community Development Team Leader Judy Livingston updated the committee on Service Level Agreements.

MOVED by Cr Burdett, seconded by Cr Aston

That the Committee

1. receives the report
2. notes that further work is scheduled to be carried out on the contracts that organisations enter into with Council for grants to ensure that they are fit for purpose.

CARRIED

7.6 No. 10/126 – Work Programme

MOVED by Cr Burdett, seconded by Cr Cranston

That the Committee

1. receives the report
2. notes that an update on progress towards work areas will be provided to the Committee in September 2010.

CARRIED

7.7 No. 10/122 – Heart of Gisborne Update – March 2010

MOVED by Cr Burdett, seconded by Cr Aston

That the Committee

1. receives the report

CARRIED

7.8 No. 10/121 – Museum Update – March 2010

MOVED by Cr Burdett, seconded by Cr Cranston

That the Committee

1. receives the report

CARRIED

7.9 No. 10/108 – Economic Development Unit Activity Report – February/March 2010

MOVED by Cr Davidson, seconded by Cr Cranston

That the Committee

1. receives the report

CARRIED

7.10 No. 10/141 – HB Williams Memorial Library Activity Report – October 2009/February 2010

District Librarian Pene Walsh said the behaviour of young people in the Library had been a problem over recent months. The age group of the offenders was mostly between the ages of twelve to twenty five years. City Watch are successfully working with the Library to assist with these problems.

MOVED by Cr Davidson, seconded by Cr Aston

That the Committee

1. receives the report

CARRIED

8. Late items

There were no late items.

9. Questions

There were no questions.

10. General Business

There were no items of general business.

11. Public Excluded Business

There was no public excluded business.

There being no further business, the meeting concluded at 10.20am.

Hemi Hikawai
Chairperson