HAURAKI DISTRICT COUNCIL PAEROA WARD COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE PAEROA WARD COMMITTEE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, WILLIAM STREET, PAEROA ON TUESDAY 16 AUGUST 2016 COMMENCING AT 12.30PM

PRESENT Crs J M Bubb (Chairperson), D A Adams, P A Milner, J Thorp and His

Worship the Mayor J P Tregidga

IN ATTENDANCE Messrs S B Fabish (Group Manager - Community Services), A de

Laborde (Group Manager - Engineering Services), Mr J McIver (Community Development Officer), P Matthews (Parks & Reserves

Manager) and Ms C Black (Council Secretary)

APOLOGIES

There were no apologies.

LATE ITEMS

There were no late items.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations.

PRESENTATION: JOCELYN HALE, PAEROA COLLEGE: LEADERSHIP PROGRAMME (GREAT BOYS INTO AMAZING MEN)

In support of the funding provided by the Ward at the July meeting, Jocelyn Hale and Miah Williams were in attendance to provide a presentation on the Paeroa College Leadership Programme (Great Boys into Amazing Men).

The Mayor offered to support the programme by offering funding towards the attendance of a guest speaker. It was suggested that Marcus Akuhata-Brown be approached and invited to speak on the 'Mayors Task Force for Jobs' initiative.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 12 JULY 2016 (1560034)

RESOLVED

THAT the minutes of the meeting of the Paeroa Ward Committee held on Tuesday 12 July 2016 be confirmed and are a true and correct record.

PAWC16/52 Thorp/Adams CARRIED

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

There were no matters arising.

COMMUNITY SERVICES

<u>COMMUNITY SERVICES MONTHLY REPORT - JULY 2016 (1570443, 1573968, 1560987, 1573486, 1576024</u>

The Community Services monthly report on activities for the month of July 2016 was presented for the Committee's consideration.

RESOLVED

THAT the Community Services monthly report for July 2016 be received.

PAWC16/53 Thorp/Adams CARRIED

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Requests for Financial Assistance

Paeroa Bowling Club Inc. [1573968 - Appendix A]

The secretary for the club has written seeking a 'waiver' of their annual rates.

The writer advises that they received their rates account after the season was completed and they had not budgeted for it; limited turnover has left them with nothing in their reserves fund to cover the invoice.

Currently, the club receives a rates remission on the land of 100%. Refuse/sewage rates for the year ending 30 June 2016 to the amount of \$643.38 were invoiced to the Paeroa Bowling Club in line with the conditions of their lease. Their lease stipulates the lessee shall be responsible for all outgoings and charges levied on the property. The club also is also required to pay water charges.

RESOLVED

THAT the correspondence from Paeroa Bowling Club Inc., and

THAT the request from the Paeroa Bowling Club Inc. seeking a rates remission be declined, and

THAT a letter from the Mayor is sent to the Paeroa Bowling Club Inc. explaining the decision and that an offer is extended to them to discuss the matter.

PAWC16/54 Tregidga/Thorp CARRIED

Paeroa Neighbours [1576600 – Appendix B]

The treasurer for the group has written seeking a grant towards the purchase of perishable food items through the year.

The writer advises that one of their donors has withdrawn their monthly donation and they estimate a grant of \$1000.00 would assist them through to the 2016/17 financial year.

RESOLVED

THAT the correspondence from Paeroa Neighbours be received, and

THAT a grant of \$1,000.00 is contributed from the Paeroa Community Assistance Fund to the Paeroa Neighbours group in support of the purchase of perishable food items through the year.

PAWC16/55 Milner/Adams CARRIED

New Zealander of the Year 2017 [1560987 – Appendix C]

The Community Development Officer advised that nominations are now open for the 2017 New Zealander of the Year Awards. Full details on how to nominate and the six award categories were attached. Nominations close Friday 30 September 2016.

The organisers also encourage Council to consider the New Zealander of the Year Awards as an extension of Councils own Civic Awards and, in so doing, raise the national awareness of the great people within our community.

It was agreed that Cr Bubb to be involved in a working group to review possible candidates.

Street Stalls

Over a number of years the Paeroa community has had a site near the ANZ Bank (ex-National Bank) on Normanby Road that was made available for community groups to use on Fridays for fund raising initiatives.

In recent times, there have been a small number of requests for the site to be used on days other than Fridays. In some instances this request has risen due to the site already been booked for the day and a second group desiring to achieve their outcomes in the same week. The rationale for having a site available once a week (Fridays) was to ensure that retailers are not adversely affected by such activity.

In light of the requests for additional or alternative days of use, the members supported that the status quo remain that community groups use the ANZ Bank (ex-National Bank) on Normanby Road site only on Fridays only.

SIGNIFICANT DISTRICT FUNDED PROJECTS

New Paeroa Library

The Group Manager – Community Services updated the members on the progress of construction of the new Paeroa Library building. The plan is to have the new library finished and opened in approximately February next year.

Ward Funded Projects

The Parks and Reserves Manager updated on the Paeroa Ward Recreation Projects carried forward from 2015-16.

Capital Projects

The Parks and Reserves Manager updated on the Paeroa Ward Facilities and Recreation capital projects for 2015-16 and 2016-17.

GENERAL

Domain Public Toilets

A decision on the future of the Public toilets in the Domain has been put on hold until the completion of the new Library and the new public toilets are in place and operating at the Library.

There have been two fires in the toilets since 2013 and extensive damage done. Temporary refurbishment was completed at the time of the fires. The toilets will be painted inside and out with a graffiti proof product which will be funded from the operating budget.

Installation of a bike stand – Ronnie's Cafe – Appendix D (GIS image 1573486)

A service request was received from Ronnie's Cafe that a bike stand be installed outside their cafe as there is nowhere to lock up valuable bikes when cyclists shop within or around this area and therefore resort to parking their bikes outside the shop and along the glass around the corner. The bikes are blocking access along the footpath. There is no other bike stand in the entire block other than at the library across the road.

Staff requested the Councillor's feedback on this matter, and if supported, would gather options and costing for the installation of a bike stand.

Discussion was held and it was believed that the current design detracts from amenity of the main street.

RESOLVED

THAT the request that a bike stand is installed outside Ronnie's Cafe be approved, and

THAT the cost of the bike stand is contributed 50% from Ronnie's Cafe and 50% from the Paeroa Ward Community Facilities and Recreational Development Fund, and

THAT the Parks and Reserves Manager reports back to the Ward Committee on design options of bike racks for consideration.

PAWC16/56 Thorp/Milner CARRIED

Mowing Request – Appendix E (1576024)

An elderly lady with health issues has written to Council requesting that the road reserve berm fronting her property on Corbett Street can be mowed by Council until the end of the year as she is in ill health and in the process of selling the house. The resident has provided Council with a letter from her doctor.

The cost of this mowing would be approximately \$60.00 if it is mowed on the once per month frequency.

RESOLVED

THAT the request from the Corbett Street resident for temporary mowing of a road reserve berm is declined and that the resident is advised of the decision and the reasoning for it.

PAWC16/57 Milner/Thorp CARRIED

Paeroa Swimming Pool

Staff is pricing the installation of new concrete where the portable tiered seating is located and are currently in the process of consulting with the swim club and schools in regards to the 2016/17 swim season start.

Tarariki Stream Trees Removal

A new lock has been placed on the gate at the entrance to Tarariki Stream Reserve to prevent unauthorised access. There are only three keys to this lock. One is in the secure cabinet in Community Services; one is with Construction & Maintenance Business Unit staff and one is with the bee-keeper who has hives located at the reserve. A sign has been made (warning that vegetation is protected and not to be removed from the area) and will be attached to the gate. Suitable native trees are to be purchased and planted, including one Totara tree which will grow into a large specimen tree.

Hutchinson's Reserve

The Parks and Reserves Manager has visited the site a number of times with members of Council, Lions, and fencing contractors to gain an understanding of what the requirements of the reserve are, and to plan a development strategy. Presently, staff are waiting on fencing quotes. Initial development would include: stock-proof roadside fencing; post and rail entrance that allows for 20 metres of safe stopping area in front of the gate; and an "easy to maintain" parking and picnic area in the vicinity of the entrance.

Further development could include additional fencing on the northern boundary; weed control for the entire open area; development of access for vehicles to the top site (including management of water flows); walkways, and activities areas.

The fencing will need to be undertaken in consultation with the Roading Engineer's input as the fence comes right up to the road boundary.

Donation of Seven (7) Ginkgo trees

Seven Ginkgo trees have been donated to Hauraki District Council for planting in suitable locations along the Hauraki Rail Trail. Three of the Ginkgo (Maidenhair Tree) trees have been earmarked for planting in Railway Reserve. Many Asian countries, especially China, place great value on the Ginkgo tree.

Wharf Street/Mackay Street - Streetscape Design

The Group Manager – Engineering Services updated the members on the reduction in the current car parking bays in Mackay Street as part of the streetscape redesign project.

Members of the church have raised their concern with the Mayor regarding the reduction in car parks.

WARD MEMBERS MONTHLY UPDATE ON COMMUNITY MEETINGS ATTENDED AND COMMUNITY MATTERS OF SIGNIFICANCE

Cr Thorp – attended the Paeroa Promotions Trust meeting – a number of new members have joined the Trust. The Trust's office is moving location.

The meeting closed at 2.00pm.

CONFIRMED

J M Bubb Chairperson

13 September 2016