

**Wanaka Community Board
26 August 2014**

Report for Agenda Item 1

Item 1: Chair's Report

Purpose

- 1 To present a report from the Wanaka Community Board Chair.

Recommendation

- 2 *That the Wanaka Community Board:*
 - a. **Note** the report;
 - b. **Agree** to reschedule the next meeting of the Wanaka Community Board from 7 October 2014 to 13 October 2014; and
 - c. **Support** in principle the proposal to develop a Lake Wanaka Photo Tour.

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Chair, Wanaka Community Board

19/08/2014

Draft Wanaka Lakefront Reserves Management Plan

- 3 The hearings committee is still working with operations staff to develop decisions on all the individual comments, questions and suggestions made in submissions. It should be noted that this plan encompasses a lot more than the high profile issues. When the final plan is written it will be recommended to a Wanaka Community Board meeting for approval before being recommended to Council for final approval.

Rumble Strips on Riverbank Road/WCB 2014/15 Annual Plan Projects

- 4 The Rumble Strips have been installed once more but we must now prioritise a longer term solution for this intersection. A project to achieve this has been included in the spreadsheet of Wanaka Community Board 2014/15 annual plan projects which I plan to use as a prioritising and monitoring tool over the coming financial year. It is included as an attachment to this report.

Glendhu Bay Boat Ramp

- 5 A contractor has yet to be engaged but will be appointed in sufficient time for the project to be completed before the start of the summer season. The funding has been carried forward.

Cardrona land sales

- 6 Council was unsuccessful in its efforts to purchase various sections of land in the Cardrona township that were recently sold by the Public Trust Office. The Council will now look at alternative sites in the township for development of a 'town square' in consultation with the community.

Navigation Bylaw

- 7 As resolved at the last meeting I wrote a submission on behalf of the Wanaka Community Board on the proposed QLDC Navigation Safety Bylaw 2014. Hearings were held in Wanaka on 18 August and in Queenstown on 20 August. After reading the summary of submissions and the recommendations, I decided that I could add nothing by speaking at the hearing, so therefore did not appear.

Control of Liquor Bylaw

- 8 Council has begun the process of reviewing the Control of Liquor Bylaw and I have met with Lee Webster to discuss timeframes and community feedback from the current situation. We have supported a request from the Hawea community to extend their liquor ban area to the swimming embayment south of the holiday park and police wish to extend this along the footpath/road to the hotel. Lee is going to consult with police to confirm recommendations for the Wanaka liquor ban area and also identify hot spots for signage.

LAP and LLAP

- 9 The Wanaka Alcohol Group wishes to further their discussions regarding a potential local alcohol policy and/or a local approved products policy and will workshop this with the Wanaka Community Board and Lee Webster on 16 September.

Red Bridge River Park

- 10 I have written a letter from the Wanaka Community Board expressing support in principle of the Red Bridge River Park, to help in the fundraising efforts to purchase the land required.
- 11 The Red Bridge River Park Trust has received a pledge of \$30,000 from the NZ Rivers Trust, which is part of the Morgan Foundation and Contact Energy has now extended their fundraising deadline from 25 August to 21 October.

Hawea Food Forest

- 12 I have written a letter on behalf of the Wanaka Community Board in support of the Hawea Food Forest Trust's project at the Hawea Domain. This will hopefully assist them in their fundraising.

District Plan Review

- 13 I have been attending monthly meetings as part of a focus group representing different sectors of the community to discuss each section of the District Plan as it comes through Council for review.

Lake Wanaka Tourism

- 14 Tess Hellebrekers has met informally with the Board and submitted a proposal to develop self-guided photo tours around Wanaka. It will involve the installation of signs around Wanaka that perfectly frame the views from well-known and unusual locations. Council permission is sought to erect signage on Council land but Lake Wanaka Tourism will pay for the signs, interpretation panels and installation. Furthermore, if permission is granted Tess is happy to work with a Community Board representative to co-ordinate exactly where the signs will be located in the various spots.
- 15 The proposal (Attachment B) includes a description and images of the type of sign intended.

Challenge Wanaka Temporary Road Closures

- 16 Challenge Wanaka has applied to Council for various temporary road closures in order to hold its events in February 2015. The proposed road closures are detailed in the attached table and are provided at this stage for information only.
- 17 The proposal will be advertised over the next few weeks inviting public submission. This feedback will be incorporated into a report seeking a decision from the Board on the temporary road closures which will be presented to the October Board meeting.

Wanaka Sports Facility and Wanaka Community Pool

- 18 The Wanaka Community Board has taken an active role in discussions with Council following the closure of the Wanaka Community Pool and was unanimous in supporting the current project to bring the pool up to the minimum standard required to re-open it to the public as soon as possible.
- 19 The Board also recognises the importance to the Wanaka community of decisions being made in this month's Council meeting regarding the Wanaka Sports Facility.

Date of October Wanaka Community Board meeting

19. I would like to alter the date of the next Board meeting from what is currently scheduled (7 October) to a day in the week following. I understand that the Tuesday of the following week (14 October) will not work because a Council workshop is already scheduled that day and I therefore propose that the meeting take place on Monday 13 October.

Reports from Liaison Positions, Community Associations and recent Council meetings

20. Members are invited to report on the Board-related activities they have been involved in since the date of the last meeting and Councillors are asked to comment on any matters of interest to the Board from the recent Council meeting.

Attachments

- A 2014/15 Annual Plan Wanaka Community Board projects
- B Lake Wanaka Photo Tours Proposal
- C Challenge Wanaka temporary road closures