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Minutes of a meeting of the Wanaka Community Board held on Tuesday 11 March 2014 in the Armstrong Room, Lake Wanaka Centre, Ardmore Street, Wanaka beginning at 10.05 am.

**Present**

Ms Rachel Brown (Chair), Councillor Lyal Cocks, Councillor Ella Lawton, Mr Bryan Lloyd, Councillor Calum MacLeod and Mr Mike O'Connor.

**In attendance**

Mayor Vanessa van Uden, Mrs Ruth Stokes (General Manager, Operations), Mr Mike Weaver (Manager, Parks and Operations), Mr Rob Darby (Senior Engineer), Mrs Nichola Greaves (Infrastructure Engineer) and Ms Jane Robertson (Governance Advisor); 3 members of the media and 8 members of the public

**Karakia/Prayer**

The meeting commenced with a karakia spoken by Ms Brown.

**Apologies**

An apology was received from Mr Ross McRobie.

**On the motion of Ms Brown and Councillor MacLeod the Board resolved that the apology be accepted.**

**Declarations of Conflict of Interest**

No declarations were made.

**Confirmation of minutes**

**On the motion of Mr Lloyd and Councillor Cocks the Board resolved that the minutes of the Wanaka Community Board meeting held on 28 January 2014 be confirmed as a true and correct record.**

*Mayor van Uden entered the meeting at 10.07am.*

**Matters Lying on the Table**

There were no items lying on the table.

**Confirmation of Agenda**

The agenda was confirmed without addition or alteration.

**Public Forum****1. Julie Jones**

Ms Jones stated that she lived on Ballantyne Road and she had major concerns about safety of the Ballantyne Road/Riverbank Road intersection.

She operated a homestay in Ballantyne Road and two sets of guests had had motor accidents at this site, as well as Ms Jones herself. This incident had occurred when a campervan had failed to give way to her and the damage had been such that both vehicles had had to be written off. She cited numerous other accidents and near-accidents at this site, adding that it was a problem with both tourist and local drivers. She considered that the situation was worsening because tourists were being directed down Riverbank Road by their GPS devices and not observing the warning signage or approaching intersection. Furthermore, this area would become busier with the developments proposed at Three Parks and it was therefore essential to make urgent improvements at this intersection.

Councillor Cocks noted that there was a project in the 2014/15 draft annual plan to make this intersection safer and more functional in response to a consent recently granted for a new activity on the corner.

2. John Wellington

Mr Wellington advised that he resided with Ms Jones and he also had considerable experience of traffic accidents and near-misses at the Ballantyne/Riverbank Road intersection. Whilst acknowledging that there was a project in the draft Annual Plan to make intersection improvements, he believed that more urgent action was required. Accordingly, he suggested that rumble strips be installed to provide drivers with a vibratory and audible warning that a 'hazard' was approaching, adding that this would help the situation immediately and be a relatively cheap solution.

Although these strips were usually positioned down the side of carriageways, Mr Wellington stated that other councils had installed transverse rumble strips as a way of warning traffic to slow. He noted that most of the accidents at this intersection involved traffic travelling north to south coming from the state highway, and these drivers were not expecting to have to stop. Whilst the sound made by rumble strips was only four decibels, they had proved very effective in other situations of providing an audible warning to drivers.

Mr Wellington believed that the situation could not wait until Annual Plan funding was made available and he encouraged QLDC to implement his suggestion without delay. He tabled information to support his argument.

1. **Chair's report (WCB131001)**

A report from the Chair contained the following items:

- Board representation on the Wanaka Alcohol Group
- Reminder of altered April Board meeting date
- Request for the Council to bring forward the planned review of the Liquor Bylaw.
- Update on Library Review
- GigaTown Wanaka Signage
- Duck Crossing Signage
- Hawea School Track
- Board Drop-in Sessions

Wanaka Alcohol Group

There was support for the recommendation that Ms Brown be the Board's representative on the Wanaka Alcohol Group. Ms Brown noted that she would be a member of the smaller steering group, which had been formed in an effort to refine the group's structure.

Liquor Bylaw Review

Ms Brown clarified that the additional liquor ban area sought was the picnic area beside the swimming embayment and pontoon at Lake Hawea. She noted that it was a continuation of the existing reserve area and whilst it was not close to residences as stated in the report, it had been established as a family-friendly area and members of the community were seeking its inclusion within the liquor ban zone. The Board wanted the Council to review the Liquor Bylaw earlier than programmed so that new provisions could be in place for summer 2014/15.

It was noted that the bylaw review would also consider existing liquor ban areas. Ms Brown stressed the importance of supporting any request for a liquor ban area with specific evidence demonstrating the need for a ban.

Strategic Library Review

Ms Brown summarised the activities of the Taskforce on which she had been a community representative. She noted that there would be a public meeting in Wanaka to discuss the results of the review on 20 March.

Duck Crossing Signage

Ms Brown advised that following a recent workshop, there had been general agreement that the Board will support the request for signage to warn drivers of ducks crossing Ardmore Street.

Councillor Cocks stated that he remained unsupportive of this initiative and requested that the parts of the motion be taken separately.

Liaison roles and other business

- Verbal update reports were presented on the Wanaka Sports Facilities, Queenstown Convention Centre, District Plan Review, Project Groundswell and the development of a Local Alcohol Plan.
- Individual members reported on community meetings recently attended and other local matters of interest.

**On the motion of Mr Lloyd and Councillor MacLeod the Wanaka Community Board resolved that the report be noted.**

**On the motion of Councillor Lawton and Councillor MacLeod the Wanaka Community Board resolved that the Board approve the appointment of Rachel Brown as a member of the Wanaka Alcohol Group.**

**On the motion of Mr Lloyd and Councillor MacLeod the Wanaka Community Board resolved that the Board request the placement of 'Duck crossing'**

**signage at the western and eastern ends of  
Pembroke Park on Ardmore Street.**

*Motion carried with Councillor Cocks and Mr  
O'Connor recording their votes against the  
motion.*

**On the motion of Councillor MacLeod and Mr Lloyd  
the Wanaka Community Board resolved that the  
Board request the Council to undertake the review  
of the Liquor Bylaw before the end of the 2014  
calendar year so that any new provisions may be in  
place for the 2014/15 summer season.**

## **2. Wanaka Lakefront Reserves Management Plan**

A report from Mike Weaver (Manager, Parks and Operations) introduced the draft Wanaka Lakefront Reserves Management Plan which was attached, seeking its approval prior to public notification for the purposes of consultation. The report also asked the Board to nominate a panel which would hear submissions and recommend a final plan for the Board's endorsement, prior to the Council's final approval.

Mr Weaver joined the table. He noted that the draft plan had been compiled in a very short timeframe and as a result, the document contained a number of minor errors. Accordingly, he suggested that the Board adopt it for public consultation but that this be subject to the Board reviewing and proofing the draft document. It was suggested that this task could be undertaken at the workshop scheduled to take place in a fortnight's time, with the Chair and the General Manager Operations delegated authority to finalise the draft plan.

Members agreed that the plan was not in a form suitable for public notification at this time and they supported the recommended course of action.

**On the motion of Mr Lloyd and Councillor MacLeod  
the Wanaka Community Board resolved that the  
Wanaka Community Board adopt the Wanaka  
Lakefront Reserves Management Plan dated March  
2014 for public notification, subject to amendments  
to be made by the Wanaka Community Board and  
with final signoff delegated to the Chair and the  
General Manager Operations.**

There was considerable discussion on the membership of a hearings panel with a number of members expressing an interest in being part of this process.

**On the motion of Mr O'Connor and Councillor  
Lawton the Wanaka Community Board resolved that  
Rachel Brown, Ella Lawton, Bryan Lloyd and Calum  
MacLeod be appointed to form a Hearings  
Committee to consider submissions to the Wanaka  
Lakefront Reserves Management Plan dated March**

**2014 and finalise the plan for endorsement by the  
Wanaka Community Board.**

*Mayor van Uden left the meeting at 11.35 am.*

**3. Infrastructure and Assets Monitoring Report**

A report from Ulrich Glasner (Chief Engineer) detailed key operational activities and capital projects being undertaken in the Wanaka ward in the areas of roading, transport, three waters and solid waste.

Mrs Greaves provided an update on several items contained in the report:

- The geotechnical report into the slump on Aspiring Terrace had been recently received;
- The Aubrey/Anderson soak pit had been completed;
- The road metalling programme would begin in May and not in March/ April as stated in the report.

There was further comment on the following:

- The street lighting project, new requests for street lighting and options for the Council investigating the use of LED lighting;
- Complaints about severe corrugations on Wanaka-Mt Aspiring Road;
- When chlorination in Hawea water supply would cease;
- On-going discussions with All Waste and Wanaka Wastebusters

A request was made for future reports to include the tonnage of recycling received. Members also asked staff to explain the reason for the spike in recycling RFSs in January 2014.

*Mayor van Uden returned to the meeting at 12 noon.*

There was discussion about use of the recycling drop off point on Domain Road (Hawea). Members asked the Council's communications department to assist in raising the community's awareness of the purpose of this site.

**On the motion of Councillor Cocks and Councillor  
Lawton the Wanaka Community Board resolved that  
the report be noted.**

*The meeting concluded at 12.08 pm.*

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CHAIRPERSON

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