

STRATEGY AND COMMUNITY COMMITTEE

MINUTES: of a meeting of the Strategy and Community Committee which commenced at 9.08 a.m. in the Council Chamber, Centreway Road, Orewa on Thursday, 5 August 2010.

PRESENT: Penny Webster, Mayor (from 9.10 a.m.)
Crs Michael Goudie (Chairperson)
Ross Craig
Pat Delich
Gaye Harding
John Kirikiri
Dave Parker, QSM
Grahame Powell
June Turner
Greville Walker
Wayne Walker
Suzanne Weld

IN ATTENDANCE: Assistant Chief Executive (Warren MacLennan)
Democracy Services Officer (Vivienne Martin)

Note: *Owing to the absence of the Chairperson, Cr Zane Taylor, Cr Michael Goudie (Deputy Chairperson) took the Chair.*

460/08/10 APOLOGIES

AGENDA ITEM NO. 1

Powell/Turner

That the apologies for Cr Zane Taylor (for absence) and the Mayor, Penny Webster (for lateness), be received and sustained.

Carried

Cr Parker announced that he would need to leave the meeting at 10.00 a.m.

461/08/10 PRESENTATION OF THE QUARTERLY REPORT OF ACTIVITIES BY THE RODNEY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT TRUST (REDT) FROM APRIL TO JUNE 2010

FILE REF DG/2/1

AGENDA ITEM NO. 2

Valerie Freeman and Neil Barr, representing Rodney Economic Development Trust, present

Valerie Freeman summarised her agenda report, noting in particular that:

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- The REDT relationship with the Rodney Times was working well. A free marketing seminar, which 150 people attended, had received good feedback.
- Only large organisations such as Fonterra seemed to be receiving Primary Growth Partnership funding. However REDT would reapply for funding the AquA cluster.
- Although the Youth Transitions to Trades programme had been discontinued, Work and Income had offered another type of programme and REDT was working with large companies such as Wharehine, Foodtown and Mitre 10 to put in an application for this programme.

In answer to a question Ms Freeman said that REDT felt strongly about food producer cooperatives and wanted to encourage them. REDT was seeking to undertake a 'real world' economic study and compile a register of growers, but this would need intensive work and funding. She noted that the West Rodney farmers' market at the Borich orchards was very popular.

In answer to a question about a proposed water bottling plant at Upper Waiwera, Valerie Freeman said that she understood that the land had been sold. She noted that the aquifer which was to be used was very extensive and that the water could have been taken from somewhere less selective (than Waiwera Valley). Ms Freeman said that REDT had not been involved in the matter.

Craig/Webster

That the quarterly report and supporting presentation by the Rodney Economic Development Trust, covering the period April to June 2010, be received.

Carried

9.19 a.m. Valerie Freeman and Neil Barr retired from the meeting.

9.20 a.m. Director: Customer Service, Lloyd Barton, in attendance

**462/08/10 FUTURE OF AUCKLAND REGIONAL SERVICES TRUST (ARST) FUND
– OUTCOME OF WORKSHOP WITH COUNCILLORS AND COMMUNITY
ARTS COUNCILS ON 22 JULY 2010**

FILE REF AR/1/4

AGENDA ITEM NOS. 3 AND 3A

Lloyd Barton introduced this item and outlined the Committee's options for dealing with the issue. He noted that the Auckland Transition Agency (ATA) needed a resolution from the Council on how the funds should be distributed.

Assistant Chief Executive Warren MacLennan advised that the ATA could confirm or not confirm Rodney District Council's decision, but could not make a decision itself.

9.29 a.m. Gerald Lanning, Simpson Grierson, legal representative for the Council, present.

During discussion concern was expressed that, if the ARST funds were transferred to the new Auckland Council, the Hibiscus Coast's share could be claimed by East Coast Bays applicants. It was also noted that the Rodney Community Arts Council representatives had suggested that the funds be split between the North/West and the Hibiscus Coast, on a population basis, and that the Hibiscus Coast Committee would be able to find sufficient projects to fund before 1 November 2010.

In answer to a question Lloyd Barton advised that, while a local board would have the decision making powers (on this matter, for example), it could sub-delegate them to a subdivision of the board.

Mr Barton confirmed that it could be possible to complete the fund distribution process for the Hibiscus Coast before 1 November 2010. If the ATA agreed with the Council's decision, applications could be open for one month, collated and considered by Council officers, then brought to the

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Committee for a decision a month later. Urgency could be requested from ATA, but a response could take approximately two weeks.

It was suggested that Councillors with an interest in the arts, accompanied by the two Rodney Community Arts Council representatives could be invited to attend a meeting with the ATA Community Services Work Stream Leader, Colin Dale, to explain their point of view.

The Council's legal representative Gerald Lanning advised that the key purpose of the ARST fund was to fund significant projects on a regional basis and that taking smaller bites could create legal risks. If the money was distributed now to part of the District, this would be getting away from the purpose of the project.

Weld/Delich

That a portion of the Auckland Regional Services Trust fund, determined on the basis of the population of the Hibiscus Coast Ward, including principal and interest, be distributed to fund significant projects within the Hibiscus Coast ward only in the area of arts and culture, prior to 1 November 2010.

Such distribution is to be by competitive application, with the balance of the fund being retained as a special reserve fund to be transferred to the Auckland Council as it pertains to the new Rodney Ward.

Carried

- 10.05 a.m. Cr Parker retired from the meeting.
- 10.07 a.m. Lloyd Barker and Gerald Lanning retired from the meeting.
- 10.07 a.m. Senior Policy Planner, Ryan Bradley, in attendance.

463/08/10 HERITAGE ITEM ASSISTANCE FUND 2010 – 2011 – ALLOCATION OF FUNDS

FILE REF TP/14/2/7/1

AGENDA ITEM NO. 4

Note: Cr Suzanne Weld declared an interest in this item and retired from the meeting. She took no part in the discussion or voting.

Senior Policy Planner, Ryan Bradley, introduced the item.

Kirkiri/Delich

That the Council allocate its 2010 – 11 heritage assistance fund budget to the following projects, and appropriate agreements be entered into with the applicants for the amounts specified (with reference to the conditions):

#	H#	Name	Area	Work	Amount sought	Amount Rec-md	Conditions
9	H066	Former Port Albert School	Wellsford	Repair rotten boards and paint to preserve rest of building.	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	Detailed specification of the works (including paint colours) to be supplied to the Council and approved in writing by the Council prior to the commencement of any works.

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							In particular, any replacement of Kauri for Pine must only be for those areas that had (and will continue to have) a painted finish.
12	H046	Former Wade School	Silverdale	Replace the exterior of all buildings and the perimeter picket fence at Silverdale Playcentre	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	The colours for the painting need to be approved by the Council in writing prior to the commencement of painting.
15	H059	Union Bank of Australia /ANZ Bank	Helensville	Repairs to road frontage of building to improve general appearance and prevent future weather damage.	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	The grant is not to be used for the ceiling insulation part of the project. The colours for future painting (outside this grant) need to be approved by the Council in writing prior to the payment of this grant.
5	H089	Kaukapakapa Church	Kaukapakapa	Kaukapakapa Church: Restoration of all doors, windows and their frames.	\$675.00	\$675.00	The colours for the painting need to be approved by the Council in writing prior to the commencement of painting.
8	H004	Te Makeri	Helensville	Restoration to working order and original appearance of sash windows throughout the house.	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	The colours for the painting need to be approved by the Council in writing prior to the commencement of painting.
10	H069	Former Matakana Dairy Company	Matakana	Reroofing and painting of south eastern wing of factory - replacing of barge boards where necessary.	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	Detailed specification of the works (including paint colour) to be supplied to the Council and approved in writing by the Council prior to the commencement of any works. Particular attention needs to be paid to ensure that all detailing matches the existing detailing.
6	H142	Kaukapakapa Methodist Church Hall	Kaukapakapa	Church hall: Restoration of all doors, windows and their frames.	\$325.00	\$325.00	The colours for the painting need to be approved by the Council in writing prior to the commencement of painting.
3	H102	Presbyterian Church	Parakai	Roof and gutter replacement	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	Detailed specification of the works (including roof colour) to be supplied to

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				including entry door.			the Council and approved in writing by the Council prior to the commencement of any works. In particular, gutters to match the existing gutters.
11	H162	Appletree Cottage and Former US Army Base	Warkworth	Replace rotten wood and flashings to prevent water ingress to key structural components.	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	Not applicable
7	H164	St Michael and All Angels Church	Leigh	Electrical cabling, door replacement, subfloor access panel, replacement of grill, work on bell, new cross.	\$2,650.00	\$2,650.00	<p>The grant is conditional on the protective grills being removed and alternative means used (if anything) for protecting the windows.</p> <p>The grant for the new cross is conditional on evidence to show that a cross in this location is part of the history of the building. Further details on the new cross are also required.</p> <p>Further evidence required on a possible repair of the door rather than full replacement. If replacement is agreed then it is to be matching in all respects.</p>
21	H016	Warkworth Post Office	Warkworth	Replace rotting façade on Neville Street frontage Repair wooden joinery	\$2,695.00	\$2,695.00	Work to match existing detailing in all respects.
13	H114	House	Helensville	Replace rotten decking at front of the house and ensure front piles are in good condition.	\$1,998.00	\$1,998.00	Detailed specification of the works to be supplied to the Council and approved in writing by the Council prior to the commencement of any works.
14	n/a	Headstones of Captain Dawson and son-in-law Hugh Fulton	Kaukapakapa	Restoration of historic headstones	\$2,027.50	\$2,027.50	<p>Further details on cleaning methods required.</p> <p>Clarification needed whether the iron railings are proposed to be</p>

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							removed or restored.
19	n/a	Makarau Hall	Makarau	Replacement of rotten windows on north and east side of building	\$2,900.00	\$2,900.00	Detailed specification of the works to be supplied to the Council and approved in writing by the Council prior to the commencement of any works. In particular, the option of repair of the windows rather than replacement needs to be evaluated.
1	n/a	The Schoolhouse at the Helensville Pioneer Museum	Helensville	Repair schoolhouse roof	\$925.00	\$925.00	Not applicable
20	n/a	House (single bay villa)	Helensville	Repairing fabric of villa (100 years old)	\$325.00	\$325.00	Not applicable
TOTAL					\$49,520.50	\$49,520.50	

Carried

10.10 a.m. Open Space Planner, Leo Jew and Recreation Policy Planner, Wendy Rutherford, in attendance.

10.10 a.m. The Mayor, Penny Webster, retired from the meeting.

464/08/10 DRAFT HIBISCUS COAST ACTIVE RECREATION PLAN**FILE REF TP/9/75/1****AGENDA ITEM NO. 5**

Open Space Planner, Leo Jew, introduced the item.

10.12 a.m. Cr Weld present.

10.19 a.m. The Mayor, Penny Webster, present.

During discussion it was noted that community gardens were active recreation and it was suggested that these be included in the draft document.

- Leo Jew agreed to amend the submission form to give people an opportunity to comment on this topic.

In answer to a question Leo Jew advised that the land in Green Road, Dairy Flat, which had been purchased for recreational purposes had been identified for a sub-regional facility. The draft Hibiscus Coast Active Recreation Plan was based on the Hibiscus Coast being self sufficient.

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Goudie/Kerikeri

- (a) That the Draft Hibiscus Coast Active Recreation Plan, attached as Appendix 1 to the agenda report, be approved for the purposes of public consultation.
- (b) That the Draft Hibiscus Coast Active Recreation Plan be notified for public input, with a submission period of one month.

Carried

10.23 a.m. Leo Jew retired from the meeting.

465/08/10 AMENDMENT TO THE OMERU SCENIC RESERVE MANAGEMENT PLAN**FILE REF** RC/303/1**AGENDA ITEM NO.** 6

Recreation Policy Planner, Wendy Rutherford, introduced the item.

Ms Rutherford advised that at a further meeting with Ngati Whatua, it had been decided that Omeru should remain as one word and that the reserve would now be named Omeru Pā Scenic Reserve. She also noted that there had been changes to the wording of the traditional greeting (mihimihi) that would be added at the beginning of the document.

Ms Rutherford tabled a revised Summary of Recommendations incorporating the change in spelling from O Meru to Omeru.

The 4th paragraph under the heading *7.0 Historical Background* in the Summary of Recommendations was also amended to reflect the most recent consultation with Ngati Whatua.

The amended paragraph should now read (deletions ~~struck through~~ and additions underlined):

A cultural report (Appendix 1) prepared for the 2010 revision of the reserve management plan by Ngāti Whātua Ngā Rima o Kaipara has informed Council that the correct spelling of the pā site is in fact O Meru. It is intended that in future the reserve will be known as the O Meru Pā Scenic Reserve. A glossary of Maori terms is included as Appendix 2.

The name of the reserve has been consulted on with Ngati Whatua Nga Rimu O Kaipara and is confirmed as Omeru. In future it is intended that the reserve be known as Omeru Pā Scenic Reserve.

The second half of the mihimihi was amended to read (deletions ~~struck through~~ and additions underlined):

Ko Na raua i tukuna tukua mai ki a tatou matou nga taonga oranga o te ao
For they have provided gifts enabling the people to survive in the world we live

E mihi atu ana ki nga mate ki-kei tua o te arai
Together we acknowledge all those who have passed on

E tangi nei E mihi poroporoaki atu ana kia ratou ki-kei
We cry in acknowledgement and bid you all farewell

Haere, haere, haere ~~hoki-ra~~ koutou ~~me-ou-wairua,~~ ki kia Hawaiki nui, ki Hawaiki roa, ki Hawaiki pamamao ~~haere~~ ki te kainga tuturu o ~~tatau-tupuna-e~~ ngai tatou

Farewell, farewell, farewell to you all and to your spirit returning to the sacred ancestral and long distant land of Hawaiki from where we hence forth

E mihi atu ana ki Te Awa e rere nei, Ko Waitangi
Let us acknowledge this flowing river, Waitangi

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Mai ki nga wahi tapu me te pa nei o ~~Ō-Meru~~ Omeru
The sacred places and its surroundings of ~~Ō-Meru~~ Omeru pā

Tihei Mauri Ora
I sneeze, Let there be life

G Walker/Powell

That pursuant to section 41 (5a) of the Reserves Act 1977, the Omeru Scenic Reserve Management Plan be amended in accordance with the officer's recommendations as summarised in the agenda report at Section 3, Table 1 Summary of Recommendations and in the revised summary tabled at the meeting.

Carried

10.25 a.m. Wendy Rutherford, retired from the meeting.

10.25 a.m. Manager: Resource Consents, Ian Dobson and Manager: Building Consents, Richard Ritsma in attendance.

**466/08/10 SUMMARY OF RESOURCE AND BUILDING CONSENT INFORMATION
MAY - JUNE 2010**

FILE REF TP/9/17

AGENDA ITEM NO. 7

Manager: Resource Consents, Ian Dobson, summarised the section of the report relating to resource consents.

Mr Dobson noted that over 97% of all applications were currently being processed within statutory timeframes and said that this put Rodney District Council in a good position in relation to the government's discount policy.

Manager: Building Consents, Richard Ritsma, summarised the section of the report relating to building consents.

Mr Ritsma noted that the processing time for building consents averaged 97.1%. Extra staff leave at Christmas 2009 had brought the average down. He also noted that residential building consent activity was still busy, with commercial consents quieter.

When asked whether there were any issues in achieving compliance (section 6.0 of the agenda report), Ian Dobson said that this depended on what had not been complied with. Silt protection measures, for example, were easy to rectify; but if a condition had not been complied with, such as incorrect building materials being used, this required negotiation, either to change the materials, or to change the condition.

In answer to a question relating to three illegal buildings in the Dome Valley and one at Wellsford, Ian Dobson said that he was not aware of these, but would pass the information on to the Compliance and Monitoring Manager for action.

10.32 a.m. Manager: District Planning, Peter Vari, in attendance.

In answer to a further question Richard Ritsma advised that the non compliance statistics did not include complaints from disability groups about access issues. Some of the access complaints related to buildings which had been signed off previously and had been compliant at that time. Mr Ritsma reported that the double doors at the Plant Barn in Silverdale, which individually had not been wide enough, now complied with the building code.

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- It was requested that in future a list of complaints about accessibility issues be included in the table of complaints in the report.

It was reported that the old dairy factory at Helensville was crumbling away and that the security fences around it were ineffective. It was requested that a demolition order be served on the owners if possible. It was also noted that a company was willing to undertake the demolition if it was allowed to burn the timber on site.

Richard Ritsma agreed to check the legislation and report back to the Committee. He said that if the building was dangerous the Council could demolish it. However, the burning of timber could require consent from the Auckland Regional Council.

Goudie/Kiriliri

That the summary of resource and building consent information May - June 2010 be received.

Carried

10.42 a.m. Ian Dobson and Richard Ritsma retired from the meeting.

467/08/10	PROGRESS REPORT ON IMPLEMENTATION OF COMMITTEE DECISIONS
FILE REF	CF/1/1
AGENDA ITEM NO.	8

G Walker/Goudie

That the progress report on implementation of committee decisions be received.

Carried

468/08/10	PUBLIC EXCLUDED
AGENDA ITEM NO.	9

G Walker/Weld

That the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting, namely:

Minute No(s) 469/08/10 and 470/08/10

The general subject of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter, and the specific grounds under section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution are as follows:

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General subject of each matter to be considered	Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Grounds under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution
Appeal	Refer grounds	That the exclusion of the public from the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting is necessary to enable the Local Authority to deliberate in private on its decision or recommendation in any proceedings before it where: (i) a right of appeal lies to any court or tribunal against the final decision of the Local Authority in those proceedings; or (ii) the Local Authority is required, by any enactment, to make a recommendation in respect of the matter that is the subject of those proceedings. (section 48(1)(d) Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987.)
Progress report on implementation of confidential committee decisions	As per the reasons given for excluding the public at the meeting(s) when these decisions were made.	As per the grounds given for excluding the public at the meeting(s) when these decisions were made.

Carried

The meeting closed at 10.55 a.m..

CONFIRMED AS A TRUE AND CORRECT RECORD THIS 19TH DAY OF AUGUST 2010MAYOR

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