

REPORT OF A MEETING OF THE MATAURA COMMUNITY BOARD, HELD IN THE MATAURA COMMUNITY CENTRE, MCQUEEN AVENUE, MATAURA, ON MONDAY 12 NOVEMBER 2012, AT 5:30 PM.

PRESENT A Taylor (Chairman), C Duffy, L Sinclair, B Cunningham and Cr Dixon.

IN ATTENDANCE General Manager, District Assets (Mr Paul Withers), Roding Manager (Mr Murray Hasler), Administration/HR Manager (Mrs Susan Jones), Corporate Support Officer (Mrs Tracey Millan) and one member of the public in the gallery.

APOLOGY Mr Bill Lee apologised for absence.

1. CONFIRMATION OF REPORT

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Cr Dixon, seconded by C Duffy, THAT the report of the ordinary meeting of the Mataura Community Board, held on Monday 1 October 2012 as circulated, be accepted and signed by the Chairman as a true and complete record.

2. HEAVY TRAILER PARKING, LODGE STREET (3.24.3)

A memo had been received from the Roding Manager, together with a response received from the RSA strongly objecting to the proposed truck parking area being located in Lodge Street.

The Manager advised the Council had written to neighbours and businesses in close proximity and the only response received had been from the RSA. Its strong objection needed to be taken into consideration when making a decision.

A Taylor said the park had been an idea that had come about from the increasing number of trucks on the roads.

C Duffy said a site was still needed and the freezing works site could be looked at in the future.

RECOMMENDED on the motion of C Duffy, seconded by L Sinclair, THAT the Board, recommend not using a proposed Lodge Street location for a heavy trailer park, and hold over a decision until other options have been explored.

3. MATAURA RIVER BRIDGE CLEANING (3.24.19)

Mr Peter Robinson, the NZ Transport Agency Southland Regional Engineer, was in attendance to discuss the request for the bridge superstructure to be cleaned.

He said the inside of the bridge area could be cleaned, however as with the Balclutha bridge, the cost of scaffolding for the outside would

be quite expensive and a half cleaned bridge could look worse than not cleaning it. NZTA was not in a position to do anything for three years due to budget cuts. After that, an internal clean could be looked at. A small section could be cleaned and evaluated before the Board decided to have the clean completed. The state of the bridge was purely aesthetic. If the work had been structural, he could have used alternative funding.

In reply to C Duffy, Mr Robinson said the cost to clean the bridge would be up to \$50,000. To clean the inside only would cost in the vicinity of \$30,000.

A cherry picker had been used to clean the Balclutha bridge, however there were limits using that method as there would be safety issues with people hanging over water. He would be happy to organise a clean along the railings and footpaths on the walkways, by using a low level water blast to lift off surface dirt.

The Board concurred that would be a good idea.

Mr Robinson said there was money available for minor safety works for Southland. The right turn bay at Selbourne Street fell within that and NZTA was currently pricing to get contractors to complete the work. Trees would have to be removed to create a right turning bay into Selbourne Street.

In response to A Taylor, Mr Robinson said the aim was to make the intersection safer for everyone.

P Robinson showed a plan of the intersection at the meeting.

He also advised that NZTA would erect some permanent gates at the start of the 100km mark on State Highway 93 and signage to advise that State Highway was closed between Matura to Clinton. State Highway 93 would be broken into three sections to try and reduce the length that may need to be formally closed. That would allow residents who lived on that road to access their properties if they lived on an unaffected part and would protect zoned drivers insurance cover. The gates, when closed, would be manned 24 hours a day.

Mr Robinson said NZTA was still looking for a stock effluent disposal site in the area. Environment Southland was driving the project and NZTA was involved in consultation with it.

In response to C Duffy, Mr Robinson confirmed Opus was getting a parking survey on Bridge Street underway. He would deliver the forms when they became available.

In response to Cr Dixon, Mr Robinson advised the repairs to the Main Street in Gore would be carried out in February.

In response to A Taylor, the Manager advised the Selbourne Street project would be completed by June.

A Taylor said a lot of residents were not aware of the no right turn option on Selbourne Street.

4. MAIN STREET FOOTPATH UPGRADE (3.24.22)

The Roding Manager provided a verbal update to the meeting. He said due to a reduction in funding for capital works, reseals had been slimmed down. The pre reseal in Allen Street was a top priority. Next years reseals would be carried out this year as well, including a section of River and Ingram Streets. Isolated repairs on Kana Street from the paper mill north would be carried out, together with Forth Street and the footpath on Main Street from Glendhu Road to Cardigan Bay Road and from Glendhu Road to Dacre Street. A section from Dacre Street to Carteret Street would be replaced with an asphalt footpath and an asphalt footpath would replace the gravel section up to Carteret Road. Most repairs would be completed in February and March.

In response to B Cunningham, the Manager encouraged members and the community to lodge a customer service request at the Council if they were aware of footpath sections that required repair.

5. LIBRARY BIKE STAND (3.1.27)

A memo had been received from the Roding Manager advising an existing bike stand would be sourced from the Mataura Medical Centre or the Mataura Pool for installation outside the Mataura library. The work would be funded as requested by the Board from its discretionary fund.

RECOMMENDED on the motion of C Duffy, seconded by B Cunningham, THAT the information be received.

6. REQUEST FROM MATAURA PLUNKET (46.36.3)

A memo had been received from the Administration Manager together with an application from the Mataura Plunket for a project it had recently devised.

Cr Dixon thought parents should be encouraged to take their children to the Mataura library to access existing books and services.

RECOMMENDED on the motion of C Duffy, seconded by Cr Dixon, THAT the request be declined.

7. GENERAL

In response to A Taylor, the General Manager, District Assets said the implementation of the new recycling service had gone smoothly. There had been much praise received from the recycling centre in Invercargill about the condition of the waste items it was receiving from Gore. He would be happy to arrange a visit for the Board to the recycling centre in Invercargill in the New Year.

8. DATE OF NEXT MEETING- Monday 28 January 2013 at 5.30pm.

The meeting concluded at 6.11pm.