



Mackenzie

DISTRICT COUNCIL

MINUTES

Twizel Community Board Meeting

11 July 2022

**MINUTES OF MACKENZIE DISTRICT COUNCIL
TWIZEL COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING
HELD AT THE TWIZEL EVENTS CENTRE
ON MONDAY, 11 JULY 2022 AT 3.00PM**

PRESENT: Chairperson Jacqui de Buyzer, Tracey Gunn, Cr Emily Bradbury

IN ATTENDANCE: Mayor Graham Smith, Cr James Leslie, David Adamson (Operations Manager – Acting), Scott McKenzie (Roading Manager), Brian Milne (Community Services Officer), Tom O’Neil (Community Services Officer), Arlene Goss (Governance Advisor), Joni Johnson (Engineering Manager), Karen Morgan (TPDA), Matt Gunn (public), Pat Shuker (public), plus four other members of the public.

1 OPENING

The chairperson opened the meeting.

2 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Renee Rowland, Amanda Sargeant, Angie Taylor and Angela Oosthuizen.

3 PUBLIC FORUM

Pat Shuker said the agenda and minutes for the meeting were not available on request from the Twizel council office. Printed minutes at the Twizel library were no longer available. The governance advisor said she would fix this.

Pat Shuker thanked Roading Manager Scott McKenzie for coming out personally to sort out a roading issue at Manuka Terrace. She also thanked Brian Milne for help with cutting down trees and returning the wood to the community. She also wanted to thank Barbara McGartland and the staff in the Twizel office “who have been wonderful lately”. Her thanks will be passed to the staff involved.

Karen Morgan from TPDA spoke about the street art projects she was organising. Three walls were targeted for art work. One is completed. The second one is the wall behind the shops, beside the Razza Bar on Tasman Road. This location is the gathering point for the Anzac Day service. Art needed to reflect this. She has sought a concept drawing from an artist who did the paintings on the silos at Waimate, named Billy Scott. A concept has been drawn up. She passed copies of the concept around the room. This funding has been approved and this would be painted in spring. (A copy of the concept is available as an attachment to these minutes).

The Mayor asked how long the art work would last. It has a UV coating over it and would last 10-15 years.

Tom O’Neil thanked Karen Morgan for her work on the mural that is already finished. Some tree trimming in this area was scheduled for next week.

4 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

5 REPORTS

5.1 MINUTES OF TWIZEL COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING - 11 APRIL 2022

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION TWCB/2022/246

Moved: Member Tracey Gunn

Seconded: Chairperson Jacqui de Buyzer

1. That the Minutes of the Twizel Community Board Meeting held on Monday 11 April 2022 be received and confirmed as an accurate record of the meeting.

CARRIED

5.2 CORRESPONDENCE

A letter and petition regarding the Twizel Library was received from Elizabeth Higgins. A response from chief executive Angela Oosthuizen was also attached to the agenda.

The chairperson said there was a meeting held with concerned members of the public regarding the library. The council was committed to running a community library in Twizel. The current library would run out the current building for as long as possible and would be replaced. A member of the public asked for a guarantee and the Mayor said he would not leave Twizel without a library.

An email asking for permission to run market days in Market Place was received from Jacqueline Palmer. Cr Bradbury said this market would replace the upcycle market that TPDA usually runs. It would also tie in with work being done by the Mistletoe Committee. A new Christmas tree will arrive in November. They were working to plan something fun happening in the Market Place every Saturday leading up to Christmas, and this market would be part of that. The community board approved the use of Market Place in principle. Brian Milne was asked to work through the details with Jacqueline Palmer.

5.3 TWIZEL COMMUNITY BOARD GENERAL UPDATE

The purpose of this report was to provide the Twizel Community Board with a general update on several projects and actions related to the Twizel area in general and community board specifically.

Community Facilities Officer Brian Milne said the **Market Place upgrade** was ready to go, pending good weather. Contract has been let.

He then presented the plan for **the Ruataniwha reserve**, as attached to the agenda. This plan needed to go to the Engineering and Services Committee and would then go out to the community for consultation.

The chairperson said she found the plan difficult to read. There were two documents – the concept plan and the reserve management plan. Mr Milne explained the reason for both.

Mr Milne then spoke about the Ruataniwha reserve as a place to put sports grounds. He was looking for feedback on this. Some people thought this was too far out of town. The chairperson said it was a mind shift for people to get used to things not being so central as the town expanded.

Cr Bradbury asked to consider Mackenzie Park as a steppingstone location for a sports field in the short term, until three playing fields were needed. The Ruataniwha plan doesn't exclude doing this.

Mr Milne said the Ruataniwha plan included managing parking and access to the picnic area on the water's edge. The chairperson agreed that this was a good idea - along with cutting down trees on the edge of the water to make more room.

A large dog exercise area was also suggested, and potential for a bike jump park.

Ohau Road Reserve – This draft has gone out for consultation. Most feedback was positive. People asked for more of a focus on native planting. However, there was a need for shade trees and exotics were faster to grow for this purpose. Was some concern expressed about a basketball half court in the reserve. On reflection this would be better in the centre of town. There would still be a playground in the reserve.

Would parking be needed? This was more of a local reserve. Following feedback Mr Milne had decided to make the link path to Totara Drive in concrete instead of gravel.

Twizel Events Centre – David Adamson said all the structural work under the seats in the theatre had been completed. Fire protection work had also been done. New glass doors into the meeting room will be partly frosted for privacy.

Hope to re-open the theatre within the next 2-3 weeks. Tidying up the drainage outside on one side of the building. Roof been waterproofed with new ceiling tiles. Pat Shuker asked if railing would be installed from the top to the bottom of the steps inside the theatre. The chairperson asked Mr Adamson to speak to Angie Taylor regarding this, as she had investigated this previously. There have been accidents on these steps due to a mix of wide and narrow steps causing confusion.

The Events centre would be shut on the 27th of July for 24 hours, for work on the transformer and electrical system that services the swimming pool.

A projector and screen would be installed soon to make the meeting room more functional.

TIF funded public toilets project – Two new public toilets were due to go in at Lake Ruataniwha by the end of October. One in the lagoon area and the other at the eastern boat ramp.

Pool heating project – Power infrastructure upgrade underway.

Wilding pines – Hoping to do the removal sometime this winter.

Singlemen's Hut and Twizel house buildings – Council has approved a location next to the large machinery display for the house. The Singlemen's hut is going near the path at the entrance to Manmade Hill.

Will be putting new **dog bins** around the town. The community board was asked to consider the photos of different dog bins in the agenda and state a preference. They preferred the orange rust-coloured bins on the left of the page. The Mayor asked who was going to clean out these bins and was told it was on his job description. One dog bin would go at Northwest Arch, one at the river, also one at Ruataniwha.

Tree planting – Replacement tree planting was needed in a few places where trees had been removed. The community board said to go ahead, without consultation in the interests of getting things done.

Compactor bins in Twizel – The lease for the Twizel bin has come to an end so Mr Milne suggested returning the bin and extending the hours at the refuse station with the money saved.

The chairperson thought adding extra opening hours on Thursday to Monday was a good compromise. Need to consider the loss of income from the compactor bin and additional fees/income at the transfer station. The community board wanted the weekend to be included in the days open. David Adamson said he would ask Angie Taylor to come back to the community board with outcome of this matter.

Manmade Hill – Working on plans for planting and a potential mountain bike trail on Manmade Hill. Brian Milne talked about his plans for this area including the need for temporary water tanks on top of the hill to hold irrigation water, and a rabbit proof fence. Potentially talking a six-figure sum, but would be quite a feature when it's done.

Mr Milne said he had been meeting with the local mountain bike fraternity to talk about their work on tracks. They were planning more work on the track by the river.

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION TWCB/2022/247

Moved: Member Tracey Gunn

Seconded: Cr Emily Bradbury

1. That the Public Facilities, Parks and Places update report be received.
2. That the Ohau Rd Reserve development plan be approved.

CARRIED

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION TWCB/2022/248

Moved: Cr Emily Bradbury

Seconded: Member Tracey Gunn

3. That the draft Lake Ruataniwha Reserve Management Plan and Concept development plan be recommended to Council for approval, for the formal consultation phase.
4. That the removal of the Compactor bin be approved, subject to approval by the Engineering and Services Committee services for an increase in the opening hours of the Twizel Transfer Station by two hours per day for 5 days per week.

CARRIED

5.4 ENGINEERING MANAGER'S UPDATE

Engineering manager Joni Johnson introduced herself and went through the first part of her report.

Three Waters – Our water quality standards are being met. We have been trying for a long time to get water meters to Twizel. They have been difficult to source.

Council will be putting a bulk water supply station in each town for people who use or sell bulk water. This would be located at the water treatment plant. It will stop people taking water from hydrants.

Work has finished at the Mackenzie Park wastewater substation. Also putting in a second screen to stop material entering ponds. Sewage ponds were dredged.

Stormwater was not an issue in Twizel because the ground was so porous. Ecan have asked us to do sampling of stormwater to test for contaminants.

Roading – Roding manager Scott McKenzie spoke about the first snow storm of the year, recently experienced in Twizel. The roading contractors were caught out with key staff out of town and snow clearing was slower than it should have been. We have talked to them about this. The chairperson asked about clearing footpaths of snow, as well as roads, so people could still walk on the path.

Glen Lyon Ford - Signs showing “ford closed” were stolen. Have ordered new signs and a guardrail for there. Have also had complaints about people cycling and walking in the low point. The community board suggested installing depth signs showing how deep the water was in the ford.

Temple Drive shared use path -The chairperson said she was very glad to have that path put in. Scott McKenzie said there was enough funding to install a path from Ostler to Temple Drive. Will get to approx. Harris Place at this stage, but ideally need to take the path right around in the future.

Christmas Tree – Because of the dark sky requirements a lighted tree would be against that policy. A study was underway to see what type of lights were needed on the tree.

Bike Stands – have been ordered. Hope to see them in a month or so.

Liquor ban signs – A stencil is ready to use. Just waiting for the new compliance manager who was starting soon and would be based in Twizel.

5.5 COMMUNITY BOARD FINANCIAL REPORT

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION TWCB/2022/249

Moved: Chairperson Jacqui de Buyzer

Seconded: Member Tracey Gunn

1. That the community board financial report be received.
2. That the \$5,000 donation from Whitestone Contracting be added to the project budget for the Manmade Hill Development Plan.

CARRIED

5.6 GRANT APPLICATION

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION TWCB/2022/250

Moved: Chairperson Jacqui de Buyzer

Seconded: Member Tracey Gunn

1. That a grant of \$120 be approved for Twizel Snow Club towards the costs of holding their annual ski sale.

CARRIED

1.1 LATE GRANT APPLICATIONS

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION TWCB/2022/251

Moved: Chairperson Jacqui de Buyzer

Seconded: Member Tracey Gunn

1. That a grant of \$500 be approved for Twizel Trap Library towards the costs of pest traps and pest trap materials.

CARRIED

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION TWCB/2022/252

Moved: Cr Emily Bradbury

Seconded: Chairperson Jacqui de Buyzer

2. That a grant of \$500 be approved for Twizel Promotions and Development Association towards the cost of a website for the Wine and Salmon Festival.

CARRIED

5.7 GENERAL BUSINESS AND COUNCILLOR UPDATE

Information Kiosk update – The governance advisor will ask Chris Clarke to update the community board by email.

Swimming pool wall upgrade – Karen from TPDA said they viewed the swimming pool wall as a youth hub and wanted something fresh and bright on that wall. There was an artist in Christchurch who has been asked to provide a concept. She explained the symbols he had used in the concept plan.

Electric bike – Council was recently given five electric bikes. One would go to each community board to use as they wish. These are still in their box, not made up. The community board asked for more time to think about this and come up with a plan. Add this to the action list.

Cr Bradbury said she was encouraged to see how much work and progress had been made to get improvements lined up for Spring. Keen to see this work carried out and progress continue.

The Mayor said Council was busy working through the district plan review and further discussion took place on other decisions recently made by Council. “Better off Funding” potential projects were outlined.

5.8 COMMUNITY BOARD ACTION LIST

Large Machinery – Tom O’Neil has received a quote for a small fence to go around the large machinery display, but may need to get a second quote.

Manmade Hill – Discussion took place on whether this should be removed from the action list now that a plan had been adopted. Agreed to leave it in place until after the election.

Christmas Tree – remove from list as Mistletoe Committee is managing this.

Remove mural from list. Completed.

Broken glass – Tom O’Neil said there was more broken glass picked up by Whitestone last weekend.

Golf club rubbish – Angie Taylor forwarded information to the golf club about a grant that goes to people wanting to reduce glass going to landfill. The club submitted an application and grant was approved. Golf club now has nearly \$5,000 to implement new bins. Remove from list.

Swimming pool heating – Heating equipment to be on site by end of August.

Wilding pines near holiday park – Waiting for the forestry contractor to do this work.

Request for footpaths – Footpath has started at Tussock Bend. The Drive is included on a prioritised list so will be addressed in the future. Remove from list.

Cr Bradbury announced the Twizel Mistletoe Committee has raised \$25,000 for the Christmas tree. This came from donations from local families, businesses and community groups. The committee was congratulated.

The Meeting closed at 4.54pm.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Twizel Community Board Meeting held on .

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CHAIRPERSON