



# **MINUTES**

## **Twizel Community Board Meeting**

**3 August 2020**

**MINUTES OF MACKENZIE DISTRICT COUNCIL  
TWIZEL COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING  
HELD AT THE MERIDIAN ENERGY MEETING ROOM, TWIZEL  
ON MONDAY, 3 AUGUST 2020 AT 3.00PM**

**PRESENT:** Chairperson Jacqui de Buyzer, Tracey Gunn, Renee Rowland, Amanda Sargeant, Cr Emily Bradbury

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Mayor Graham Smith, Tim Harty (General Manager Operations), Bernie Haar (Asset Manager), Ann Rogers (Planning Manager), Aaron Hakkart (Planning Team Leader), Jan Sprigs (Regulatory Manager), Angie Taylor (Community Services and Waste Manager), Arlene Goss (Governance Advisor), and 14 members of the public.

## **1 OPENING**

The chairperson opened the meeting and thanked those people who had provided feedback on the wilding pine issue (a proposal by Environment Canterbury to undertake significant wilding pine control on council land around Twizel). She noted that no decision had yet been made. The results of the public consultation would come to a future meeting.

## **2 APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from Council Chief Executive Suzette van Aswegan and Community Facilities Officer Charlotte Borrell.

## **3 PUBLIC FORUM**

**Norman Geary** gave a presentation on plans for the 2021 Cavalcade. A copy of his presentation is available as an attachment to these minutes. He said Twizel would be the location of the cavalcade next year. He was expecting about 800 people to participate, with about 4,000 additional on-lookers. The Cavalcade starts on the 27<sup>th</sup> February, 2021, and ends in Twizel on 6<sup>th</sup> March.

**Pat Shuker** spoke regarding the Twizel wood chipper. She said the chipper was currently in Fairlie and needed to be returned to Twizel.

**Shaun Norman** said the historic photographs in the Twizel Events Centre had been taken down and left on the floor. He asked for these to be better cared for and put back after painting was completed.

**Louise Beaumont** complained that many street lights in Twizel were not working. The Mayor said Council was in the process of changing the bulbs to LEDs and some of the fittings did not fit. Staff were in the process of fixing this. The chairperson then read out an email from the roading manager with further details about the situation. She called for this information to be communicated to the public through the Twizel Update. Mr Haar offered to organise this with the communications advisor.

Louise Beaumont then asked if the wilding pines at Ruataniwha would be discussed at the meeting. The chairperson said the public consultation on this matter finished the day before the meeting and the results of this would come back to a future meeting. Members of the public noted their concerns with the proposal.

#### 4 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

#### 5 REPORTS

##### 5.1 UPDATE FROM PLANNING AND REGULATORY STAFF

Planning Manager Ann Rogers was welcomed to the meeting. She gave the community board some background information on the District Plan Review. This started with a survey that collected 800 responses and was followed up with a district-wide housing stocktake. Growth prediction work is currently underway.

She handed out some information about planning problems in the Twizel township as identified in an earlier workshop with community representatives. This is available as an attachment to these minutes.

The next step would be for various options to go out to the wider community within the next two months. A full report would go to the Council in October.

Ann Rogers said the spatial plan process was helpful because planners could take a more coordinated approach. They were looking at planning for growth projections 30 years out. In 30 years the population of Twizel was expected to be about 3,000 people, which was just under double the current population of 1,800.

Members of the public were asked to contribute to the spatial planning process on the new Let's Talk online website. A member of the public asked for a link to the Let's Talk platform to be placed on the home page of the council website.

##### 5.2 MINUTES OF TWIZEL COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING - 8 JUNE 2020

###### COMMITTEE RESOLUTION TWCB/2020/208

Moved: Member Amanda Sargeant

Seconded: Member Renee Rowland

That the Minutes of the Twizel Community Board Meeting held on Monday 8 June 2020 be received and confirmed as an accurate record of the meeting.

**CARRIED**

##### 5.3 COMMUNITY BOARD ACTION LIST

Discussion on the action list included the following matters:

**Market Place South Eastern Corner** - Work schedule to come to the next meeting.

**Barriers at Lake Ruataniwha** - Delayed by wilding tree issue. Mr Haar offered to visit this area with the chairperson.

**Sports hall floor** - Work is scheduled for the end of September.

**Twizel swimming pool** - Work is done. Contractors will do a training session with staff before the summer start. Shower curtains will go up before the season. Angie Taylor was asked to revisit the pool upgrade finances to see if more work could be planned, including a mural.

**Grass outside the Twizel gym** -Barriers are in place and are working.

**Pensioner flats** - Work on these continues. Remove from list.

**Sealing of long parking bay** – Mr Haar said the roading manager was planning to build up the gravel then get a price from a contractor for sealing. Cannot do any sealing until 15 September.

**Whitestone yard** – This matter will be workshopped by Council.

**Twizel events centre access upgrade** – Work in progress. A few teething issues to work through. Concern was expressed about safety issues because the side door of theatre could not be opened from the inside. There was confusion over whether the external door would open automatically if the fire alarm went off. Angie Taylor offered to follow up.

**Twizel Information Centre changes** – Discussion took place on whether the Events Centre Lounge would be available for future community board meetings. The Governance Advisor was asked to communicate the location of next two meetings and advertise these.

**Wifi in Market Place** – Fibre is installed. The Governance Advisor was asked to get an update on this and send an email around.

**Town Signage Audit** – Community board members to organise a walk around.

**Twizel Viewing Corridors/Fence Around Playground/Junior Roadway on Skating Rink** – Angie Taylor said she has started investigating these matters but would like to take a more strategic view. She asked for the community board to be patient while background issues were investigated. The community board considered playground fencing to be a safety issue and wanted this to be done soon. The junior roadway could benefit for further investigation including other locations. The viewing corridors hadn't been maintained and the community board would like to have a walk around to look at these.

#### 5.4 COMMUNITY BOARD FINANCIAL REPORT

The community board noted that \$20,000 had been transferred from the subdivision fund to pay for work on a greenway at Rata Street.

##### COMMITTEE RESOLUTION TWCB/2020/209

Moved: Member Renee Rowland

Seconded: Cr Emily Bradbury

That the community board financial report be received.

**CARRIED**

#### 5.5 WOOD CHIPPER

Tim Harty was asked to speak to the community board on this matter. He introduced himself as the new General Manager of Operations at Council.

He understood the chipper was purchased in 2009. The Health and Safety Act outlines the responsibilities of the council in the operation of equipment like this. At present the chipper was being used without an appropriate health and safety plan. Ultimately any accident that occurred would be the responsibility of either the chief executive or himself as General Manager of Operations. Neither he nor the chief executive wished to carry this risk. Mr Harty recommended that the chipper be disposed of appropriately.

The community board members were asked for their feedback on the council report. They generally agreed with the recommendations of staff.

Pat Shuker asked to speak. She said she had checked with the appropriate authorities and they were happy with her using the chipper. In three years there had never been an accident.

The community board passed the resolution and asked for the disposal process to be carried out in public so anyone in Twizel could have the option to purchase the chipper.

**COMMITTEE RESOLUTION TWCB/2020/210**

Moved: Member Amanda Sargeant

Seconded: Member Renee Rowland

1. That the report be received, and that
2. the Twizel Community Board recommend to Council to dispose of the woodchipper in accordance with the Retention and Disposal Policy, and that
3. the proceeds be returned to the Twizel Community Board grant budget in support of other community initiatives.

**CARRIED**

**5.6 TWIZEL COMMUNITY BOARD - AFFECTED PERSONS APPROVAL - RM020063 29 JOLLIE ROAD, TWIZEL**

The purpose of this report was for the Twizel Community Board to consider a request for affected party approval under Section 95E of the Resource Management Act 1991.

It was recognised that some older storage buildings would be removed to make space for the new building. The community board agreed to provide affected persons approval.

**COMMITTEE RESOLUTION TWCB/2020/211**

Moved: Chairperson Jacqui de Buyzer

Seconded: Member Renee Rowland

1. That the report be received.
2. That the Twizel Community Board recommend to Council that affected persons approval be provided for land use consent RM020063 with a reduced setback from the eastern boundary that is owned by Council and zoned Recreation Passive.

**CARRIED**

### 5.7 GRANT REQUEST FROM TWIZEL CAVALCADE 2021

All the members of the community board agreed this amount should be granted.

**COMMITTEE RESOLUTION TWCB/2020/212**

Moved: Member Renee Rowland

Seconded: Member Tracey Gunn

That the Twizel Community Board considers the grant request for of \$41 including GST from the Twizel Cavalcade for hireage of the Twizel Events Centre.

**CARRIED**

### 5.8 GRANT REQUEST FROM INCUHUB

Community board member Tracey Gunn spoke in support of this application. She said she worked at Incuhub and it would close down unless further funding was sourced. She outlined their efforts to apply for funding from other sources, which are on-going.

The recommendation to approve the grant was moved, seconded, and the resolution was passed.

Governance Advisor Arlene Goss asked member Tracey Gunn if she wished to declare a conflict of interest in this matter. She replied that she would not receive a financial benefit from the grant and did not consider that she had a conflict. The Mayor said he was happy there was no conflict. The chairperson thanked the governance advisor for raising this.

**COMMITTEE RESOLUTION TWCB/2020/213**

Moved: Chairperson Jacqui de Buyzer

Seconded: Member Amanda Sargeant

That the Twizel Community Board considers the grant request for of \$500 including GST from IncuHub Twizel.

**CARRIED**

### 5.9 GENERAL BUSINESS

**Man-made Hill** – The chairperson said a plan was needed on what to plant on the hill. She suggested consulting with someone knowledgeable to determine the best plants. This might also need consultation with the community. The Department of Conservation would have planting information.

A working bee was suggested. There was also a suggestion to put extra money from other funds into planting, as \$5000 was not a lot of money. And local businesses might want to sponsor plants.

The community board asked if it was possible to consult on this matter using the new Let's Talk platform.

Angie Taylor offered to move this forward. The community board stressed they did not want to miss the planting season, and also wanted to incorporate the walking tracks in the planting plan.

The new plants would need a water supply. Bernie Haar offered to look into this.

**The Meeting closed at 4.24pm.**

**The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Twizel Community Board Meeting held on 12 October 2020.**

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**CHAIRPERSON**