



**Mackenzie**

DISTRICT COUNCIL

**Unconfirmed MINUTES**

**Twizel Community Board Meeting**

**7 March 2022**

**MINUTES OF MACKENZIE DISTRICT COUNCIL  
TWIZEL COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING  
HELD ON ZOOM  
ON MONDAY, 7 MARCH 2022 AT 3.00PM**

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

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Mayor Graham Smith, Cr Anne Munro, Cr James Leslie, Angela Oosthuizen (Acting Chief Executive), David Adamson (General Manager Operations – Acting), Brian Milne (Community Services Officer), Tom O’Neil (Community Services Officer), Arlene Goss (Governance Advisor), Joni Johnson (Engineering Manager), Angie Taylor (Twizel Township Supervisor), Keiller MacDuff (Timaru Herald/Stuff)

**1 OPENING**

The chairperson opened the meeting and welcomed everyone.

**2 APOLOGIES**

An apology for lateness was received from member Amanda Sargeant.

**3 PUBLIC FORUM**

The chairperson read out the following email from Shawn Norman. Matters raised by Mr Norman were discussed at the end of the meeting.

Hallo Twizel Community Board members

Arlene has suggested I write to you all with points I would like raised for action:

1. I talked to two gentlemen who were looking at the proposed line of a zig-zag ramp from the car park to the MDC/Info Centre. They suggested I talk to you. My concern is that much of the tussock and beech trees on that bank will be destroyed. Please make every effort to retain our high country look. Whatever you approve, please make sure that that it does not settle on flat grass that needs watering and mowing throughout summer.
2. A "Twizel Walkway" AA yellow and black sign has been removed from its position at the foot of ManMade Hill opposite the end of North West Arch. The post is still there so it should be an easy job to replace the missing sign.
3. The junction of Max Smith Drive and Ostler Road is dangerous for pedestrians and cyclists to cross. A "Cyclists Slow" sign is needed to warn motorists coming up the hill.

May I congratulate the council on the excellent "white paths" which are very popular and well used by walkers and cyclists.

Thank you for your attention.

Shaun Norman

#### 4 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

#### 5 REPORTS

##### 5.1 MINUTES OF TWIZEL COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING - 31 JANUARY 2022

###### COMMITTEE RESOLUTION TWCB/2022/240

Moved: Member Renee Rowland

Seconded: Member Tracey Gunn

1. That the Minutes of the Twizel Community Board Meeting held on Monday 31 January 2022 be received and confirmed as an accurate record of the meeting.

**CARRIED**

##### 5.2 COMMUNITY BOARD FINANCIAL REPORT

The chairperson asked how the township budget was decided. Brian Milne explained that he had decided on the amount when the budgets were done, taking into account what had been spent the previous year and what was planned for the coming year.

###### COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

Moved: Chairperson Jacqui de Buyzer

Seconded: Member Tracey Gunn

That the community board financial report be received.

##### 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.

Brian Milne updated the community board on the matters in his report.

Market Place Update – This work may require cutting down some beech trees if they cannot be relocated. Work on the veranda will also take place. Mr Milne was asked to talk to Hydro café before work began. The chief executive also asked Mr Milne to work with Twizel staff and ensure they had everything they needed to continue working from a portacom during this project. The portacom was going where the old radio shack used to be located.

*Member Amanda Sargeant joined the meeting at 3.12pm.*

Consultation on the Ohau Road Reserve plan would begin soon on Let's Talk. The results of this would come to a future meeting.

The option of buying the compactor bin for Twizel was discussed. There was a possibility that an application could be made to MBIE for money to buy the bin. The council exec was meeting later this week to draw up a list of ideas for things that might be funded by MBIE.

The community board asked for the purchase of the compactor bin to be included on this list.

They also suggested a trial of opening the transfer station on Sunday mornings at peak times. Angie Taylor agreed that a trial when Twizel was heading into the busy time again would be useful.

Good progress was being made on the Twizel Events Centre. David Adamson answered questions on current work and building compliance.

Pool Heating – Contract is about to let and the work will be done this winter.

Wall Mural – Tom O’Neil was waiting to hear back from one of the shop owners on whether the proposed wall can be used. With their permission the work could start in the next month or so. The artist would need to bring a mock up of the design to the community board first. This would be circulated to the community board.

Irrigation – Identifying places where irrigation was needed to keep council gardens going. Wider irrigation would be reviewed in the future. Discussion took place on fire risk and public expectations of green grass.

Brian Milne has been talking to the holiday park about removing a stand of wilding pines. The chairperson said some of the trees in that area were not wilding pines and they were planted as a wind break. Cr Leslie said some of the trees were infected with needle blight and were dying. These posed a fire risk.

Mr Milne said he planned to come back to the community board with a landscape plan to re-plant the area. He was talking to the holiday park about this projects.

The community board asked that the area be cleaned up after the trees were cut down. The chairperson asked for those trees that were not wilding pines to be left. Mr Milne agreed.

Single man’s hut – There was still a need to investigate the status of the land. This was not urgent for the Heritage Committee because the hut still needed to be restored.

#### **COMMITTEE RESOLUTION TWCB/2022/241**

Moved: Chairperson Jacqui de Buyzer

Seconded: Member Tracey Gunn

1. That the report be received.
2. That the Community Board approves in principle the painting of a mural on the wall to the east of the Market Place shops facing Two Thumb Drive, subject to the Twizel Promotions and Development Association submitting a mock-up of the proposed artwork for approval by the Community Board.
3. That the Community Board supports the removal of the block of Wilding Pines on the Glen Lyon Road Reserve from Nuns Veil Road to Opposite the Pump Track, and further, that a landscape plan be developed for replanting this area with amenity tree species. And that trees that are not wilding pines are retained.
4. That the adjoining land owners and leasee of the holiday park are consulted with before the work is carried out and if there are any problems it can come back to the community board.

**CARRIED**

#### 5.4 GENERAL BUSINESS AND COUNCILLOR UPDATE

Angie Taylor updated the community board on progress with the introduction of the green waste bins.

The chairperson then invited Rick Ramsay from the Twizel Heritage Group to speak about a project to site a heritage house in Twizel.

He said the intent was to have an original house that demonstrated what it was like to live in the village during the power scheme days. This project was not connected to the separate project to locate a single-man's hut, which was planned to be located near the golf club. The house location would be near The Musterer's Hut. The deadline to claim the house was the end of May.

Mr Ramsay did not think resource consent was required because it was a permitted activity, however building consent would be needed. The building regulatory officer would be asked to compile a list of regulatory options for the building, depending on end use. The status of the land would require a title search. Mr Ramsay said the land was owned by council and was zoned RecA.

Regarding end use, there were three options – static display, display with public access, or manned information centre. Mr Ramsay anticipated the building would be council-owned but maintained by the community.

The chairperson said the community board supported the project and discussed a grant.

Was there a need to discuss this further with the community?

The Mayor asked if a concept plan or drawing could be provided.

It was noted that there was a timeframe to meet with this project. Final approval would need to come from council, as this was council-owned land.

The community board agreed to allocate \$10,000 from the township fund towards this project, subject to council approval.

#### **COMMITTEE RESOLUTION TWCB/2022/242**

Moved: Chairperson Jacqui de Buyzer

Seconded: Member Amanda Sargeant

1. That the Twizel Community Board supports in principle the proposal from the Twizel Heritage Group to site a historic house on the ex-project office site in Twizel on Wairepo Road, subject to council approval.
2. That the Twizel Community Board allocates \$10,000 from the township fund to the Twizel Heritage Group towards the relocation of the worker's house, subject to council approving the project.

**CARRIED**

## 5.5 GENERAL BUSINESS AND COUNCILLOR UPDATE

Cr Bradbury updated the community board on council activity. Then the chief executive spoke about Covid testing sites that would be set up in the district. There were 17 active cases at the time of the meeting.

Various council projects were underway and going well.

The Mayor said council was considering the major changes posed by Three Waters reform, RMA reform and the future of local governance.

## 5.6 LATE ITEM - ENGINEERING MANAGER'S UPDATE

Joni Johnson outlined the main points of her report.

The community board asked for more information about the bollards on Boundary Terrace. As part of the LED street light upgrade they would be upgraded to LED and made compliant with Dark Sky rules.

Regarding Christmas decorations, Joni Johnson outlined the cost estimates for decorations in Twizel. Councillor Emily Bradbury then outlined the work of the new Mistletoe Christmas Committee in Twizel, formed by the TPDA. She was the council liaison person on the committee.

They were currently working on buying a 6m Christmas Tree for Twizel. It cost \$25,000 and there was only a month to get the order underway. Joni Johnson suggested that the committee reach out to her if they had any questions.

## 5.7 ACTION LIST

**Sealing of Long Parking Bay carpark** – Completed. Remove from list.

**Twizel Youth Centre** – A meeting is planned with the community to address community-wide needs.

**Man-made Hill** – Another spray of the broom has taken place.

**Twizel Events Centre** – A deep clean has been done by contractors from Timaru. Remove from list.

**Speed Petition** – Remove from list.

**Twizel Market Place Upgrade** – Contract has been let. Remove from list.

**Christmas Decorations** – Remove from list.

**Twizel Liquor Ban Signs** – Tom O’Neil is working on this.

**Golf club rubbish disposal** – Discussions yet to take place with golf club.

**Matters raised by Shaun Norman** – The governance advisor offered to put these matters into the service request system. Brian Milne said he was aware of the signage problem but was waiting for the introduction of new council signage to address this.

Regarding the signage at the intersection, Cr Bradbury this was a blind corner and needed a sign to be seen as cars were going up the rise, to warn them of bikes and pedestrians. Joni Johnson would ask the roading manager to look into this.

**The Meeting closed at 4.45pm.**

**The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Twizel Community Board Meeting held on 11 April 2022.**

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**CHAIRPERSON**