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**AKAROA/WAIREWA COMMUNITY BOARD
22 MAY 2013**

**Minutes of a meeting of the Akaroa/Wairewa Community Board
held on Wednesday 22 May 2013 at 9.37am in the
Boardroom, Little River Service Centre, 4238 Christchurch-Akaroa Road, Little River**

PRESENT: Pam Richardson (Chairman), Lyndon Graham, Leigh Hickey, and Stewart Miller.

APOLOGIES: Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Bryan Morgan and Claudia Reid.

The Board reports that:

PART A – MATTERS REQUIRING A COUNCIL DECISION

1. DEPUTATIONS BY APPOINTMENT

1.1 LITTLE RIVER INFORMATION CENTRE

Glynis Dobson, Information Co-ordinator, Little River Information Centre attended the meeting to update the Board on the activities of the Information Centre which is located in the Little River Railway Station and operated under the umbrella of the Little River Craft Station Incorporated. She outlined the history of the Centre and the importance of the Little River location as a “gateway” to the Peninsula, which is a natural stopping point for travellers. Mrs Dobson reported that 41,600 people had visited the Information Centre during a six month period in the 2012/13 season.

Mrs Dobson said the information Centre had been informed that the Council will no longer be funding the \$10,000 it had previously contributed on an annual basis towards the operation of the Information Centre. That funding had allowed the Centre to have paid part time employees, purchase essential equipment and provide an information service on 363.5 days a year. She was concerned that without funding the service and future planning could diminish or cease.

The Board **decided** to recommend to the Council that it consider allocating \$10,000 from the excess income from cruise ships, above what had been budgeted, to assist the Little River Craft Station Incorporated in providing information services at Little River.

This item was presented to the 13 June 2013 Council meeting by way of a Chairperson’s Report.

PART B – REPORTS FOR INFORMATION

2. DEPUTATIONS BY APPOINTMENT

2.1 LITTLE RIVER INFORMATION CENTRE

Glynis Dobson updated the Board on the Little River Information Centre’s Summer Season.

(Refer to Clause 1 – Part A).

3. PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS

Nil.

4. NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil.

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5. CORRESPONDENCE

Nil.

6. RESERVE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEES

The Board **received** the minutes of the Duvauchelle Reserve Management Committee meeting held on Monday 8 April 2013.

7. BRIEFINGS

Nil.

8. COMMUNITY BOARD ADVISERS' UPDATE

The Board received information from the Community Board Adviser on various matters.

- **Lease - Akaroa Tennis and Netball Pavilion**

The Board was updated on a previously approved lease for the Akaroa Tennis and Netball Pavilion, to the Akaroa Resource Collective Trust, that had never been formalised.

The Board **decided** to request that staff bring a revised report to the Board to consider amended terms and conditions for the lease, to reflect the changed circumstances relating to local community facilities, and taking into account the following factors:

- that the lessee complies with all Council policies and regulations
- the inclusion of a provision to terminate the lease if the proposed activity ceases
- that the term of the lease be reduced to a three year period, with two rights of renewal
- that the Board be consulted when the lease is reviewed
- that the facility be available for hire to other groups and members of the public when not being used by the lessee.

9. ELECTED MEMBERS' INFORMATION EXCHANGE

Board members received information on various matters.

- **Youth Excellence Award**

The Board **decided** to support the suggestion of presenting Youth Excellence Awards to pupils attending schools within the Akaroa/Wairewa area and requested that staff provide information on whether funding for this year's Awards could be obtained from funds not expended from the Board Newsletter budget.

- **Student Voice – Community Board**

The Board **decided** to support the concept of a senior student participating in Community Board meetings subject to discussions with the Akaroa Area School.

- **Akaroa Area School – Fitness Equipment Circuit**

The Board was informed that the fitness stations installed at the Akaroa Area School, which are also available to the wider community, have been well received and are being well used. The school wishes to install some further exercise items around the school field at a cost of a approximately \$30,000.

The Board **decided** to ask staff to meet with the Principal of the Akaroa Area School to ascertain if Council staff could provide any assistance or expertise with this project to recognise the wider public benefit that would be gained from this project.

- **Ngaio Point Walkway**

The Board **decided** to ask staff to report on the Ngaio Point Walkway, as it appeared it was not being maintained to an appropriate level, after it was reported that there were several hazards on the walkway which had not been repaired, although they had been reported several times through Council systems.

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- **Duvauchelle Footpath**
The Board **decided** to ask staff for a report on how the condition of the Duvauchelle footpath from Seafield Road to Pawsons Valley Road could be improved to make it more accessible for foot traffic, particularly people with mobility issues and for people using pushchairs and wheelchairs.
- **Akaroa Boat Compound/Parking Area**
The Board **decided** to ask staff for an update on how the Akaroa Boat Compound area, which had become very untidy and had large potholes, could be remediated, and how the Board could initiate a biodiversity project to improve the adjoining streams and tidal pool.

10. QUESTIONS UNDER STANDING ORDERS

Nil.

PART C – DELEGATED DECISIONS

11. CONFIRMATION OF MEETING MINUTES – 17 APRIL 2013

The Board **resolved** that the minutes of its ordinary meeting held on Wednesday 17 April 2013 be confirmed.

12. AKAROA/WAIREWA COMMUNITY BOARD STRENGTHENING COMMUNITIES FUNDING – KEY LOCAL PROJECTS REPORT 2013/14

The Board considered a report seeking a recommendation for any Key Local Projects to be recommended to the Metropolitan Strengthening Communities Fund for 2013/14.

The Board **resolved** that the Akaroa Resource Collective Trust project be a Key Local Project and recommended a grant of \$47,000 to be considered by the Metropolitan Funding Committee for the 2013-14 Strengthening Communities Fund.

The Board **resolved** that the Akaroa Resource Collective Trust be requested to provide an update on its activities to the Board within the next six months.

Note: Leigh Hickey declared an interest in this item and withdrew from the discussion and voting thereon.

The meeting concluded at 12.23pm.

CONFIRMED THIS 19TH DAY OF JUNE 2013

**PAM RICHARDSON
CHAIRMAN**