

WORKSHOP NOTES

What: Franklin Local Board Workshop

Where: Franklin Local Board Chambers, Pukekohe Service Centre,
82 Manukau Road, Pukekohe

When: Tuesday, 16 August 2016 at 10.15am

Who attended: Andrew Baker, Malcolm Bell, Alan Cole, Brendon Crompton, Angela Fulljames, ,
Murray Kay, Lyn Murphy, Jill Naysmith, Sue O’Gorman, Debra Langton, Jane Cain,
Denise Gunn

Absent: Sarah Higgins

1. Arts and Culture update

Staff Attending: Tania Short, Sally Barnett

Update and direction on arts initiatives being considered.

Many community projects need further work prior to being ready to allocate funds. Staff will report monthly on the progress of the work programme.

The draft programme was reviewed. Staff proposed a fuller programme be developed for the second half of the year.

Feedback

- Concern that generalised funding has led to underspend at the end of each financial year
- Board appreciate the recent action by staff and seeing a definitive list on the draft proposed work programme
 - Noted the community day in Beachlands 11 September 2016 (refer mural proposal)
 - Support for creative music items
 - Clevedon Artist Trail - promote business links and marketing. This could link into a Franklin-wide arts trail
 - Arts youth programme – the Hunua Youth programme has synergies with this proposal and the two could become connected.
 - Splore in February – have an art installation. Can something develop from this?
 - Can community halls be linked into arts activities?
- How can we show how the projects are providing community benefit?
- Work programme – identify what needs to be delivered early; then review stage 2.
- Clark’s Beach – potential for creative work on old toilet blocks, and other such areas.

Action

- Work programme to be presented for approval at the September business meeting
- Staff to meet with the board monthly and provide updates on the work programme
- Feed new ideas via Local Board Services staff to develop new arts community projects

2. Locally Driven Initiatives (LDI) Operational expenditure (opex) and capital expenditure (capex) update

Staff Attending: Debra Langton

Update on locally driven initiatives capital and operational expenditures.

Belgravia – waiting on information on the entrance floor information. Board would like to know the timing of this project.

Pukekohe Hill – interpretive signage, possible planting, and access paths: seeking further information. Can there be an aural function included? Costings and options to be brought to the Board when received.

Skatepark toilet - parked. Options on how to remove the old exeloo being investigated. (Bledisloe Park)

Weed brochures – extra printing for delivery to post office boxes and all rural delivery addresses. An urgent decision will be required for extra \$1,200 needed. The reprint will allow the extra needed.

Beach signage for keeping vehicles off beaches such as the Awhitu beaches – this is a regional issue.

Action

- Sunkist Bay Reserve traffic management plan for Beachlands Movies in the Park to reported to the September business meeting

3. Consideration of acquisition of open space (videoconference)

Staff Attending: Roma Leota

Staff presented a proposal for potential acquisition of open space and received board feedback on the proposal.

4. Maori language policy

Staff Attending: Rama Ormsby

For the board to provide feedback on the policy

Feedback

- Ambitious - how can the policy be implemented?
- As a key point of difference the Maori language should be protected.
- How names are to be displayed is quite prescriptive; this needs to be more open.
- There are missed opportunities – e.g. the meaning of the names, even town names.
- At citizenship ceremonies the Maori needs to be explained so people understand what is happening.
- Road naming – people who propose names need to see relevance in the Maori names put forward. This would increase the buy in. There is a lack of quality assurance in this area.

Action

- Board feedback to be included in the Maori language policy report to the Regional Strategy and Policy committee in September

5. Transport - Southern Corridor Improvements Project

Staff Attending: Jenni Wild (AT), Mark Baines, Chandra Perera, Jodana Samuel, Andrea Durie

An update on the Southern Corridor Improvements project was presented.

Feedback

- Traffic flow does not appear to be adversely affected by the works.
- Project office is in Takanini behind the Gull service station.
- Can more night work be done? *No material is available from quarries at night, also noise is issue at night for affected residents and there are consent requirements.*
- Support the cycleway extension.

6. Draft annual report 2015/2016

Staff Attending: Mark Purdie

DRAFT ANNUAL REPORT (tabled)

- Any questions on the report to local board services this week.
- The report demonstrates we are failing to achieve low targets; an attitude shift is needed.
- General community attitude is that council can do nothing right – e.g. even Libraries getting negative results in customer satisfaction ratings, hence any survey is likely to produce negative outcomes.
- It is helpful to know where the results come from and what they relate to, for example, 'pools' – which results relate to what amenity? An action plan is needed to address the issues raised

7. Draft quarterly report to June 2016

Staff Attending: Mark Purdie, Debbie Ashton, Greg Hannah, Emma Joyce
Coral Timmins, Greg Lowe

Update on the year-end financial and non-financial activities

Facilities

Waiuku Sports Park upgrade is proceeding.

Pukekohe skatepark attracted very few tenders at high price so this is being retendered. This is being funded from the growth fund resulting in some shortfall.

Clevedon Scenic Reserve works are under way, including Resource Consents.

Pine Harbour lighting is proceeding.

There needs to be more explanation around the three-year work programme, post-election, to be able to manage projects over a longer period.

Libraries

Rural library review is on-going.

Clevedon library building needs a review.

Infrastructure & Environmental Services

Pest brochures are being reprinted.

Feedback

- The Tamakae wharf design has changed from the original design presented to the board for example the pontoon is gone from the current design; this was signed off some time ago as part of the plan under the renewal budget. *Staff will check against the engineering scope and the tree first. Stage one was renewal, the rest is capital expenditure.*
- Pukekohe skatepark construction needs to use professional skatepark builders to avoid poor results.
- What is the status of the rural halls project?
- Are our venues being advertised sufficiently to the business sector e.g. tourism?
- Has the Wairoa River Action Plan resumed?
- Clarks Beach clean-up (\$5000) – please confirm where it occurred, and where the tree planting occurred.

Action

- Review Tamakae Wharf plans
- Rural Halls update requested
- Check Waiuku library self-check – connectivity working?
- Confirm when rural recycling bin sizes can be changed

- Planting in Yogi's walk location was not allocated by the Board – can this be tracked?
- Financial advisor to review Programmes and Events, and Volunteers in Parks funding/approvals for the past year
- *Stadium floor update requested – condensation on the floor causing issues (see last week's workshop notes)*
- Staff to provide update on Waiuku Exeloo situation

8. Franklin Youth Advisory Board (FYAB)

Attending: Loren-Crystal Pitt, Bryce Colin, Ben Christy, Caryn Strang (Youth Advisory Panel)

Update on FYAB activities in Franklin

Feedback

- How have the changes by council to supporting them affected FYAB? *Initially FYAB was left a little adrift but the changes have presented the opportunity for FYAB to build capacity and learn the steps needed to access the resources needed to continue with activities in the community.*
- How can the local board involve FYAB, to gain a youth perspective, in board planning into the future? *Systems are being put in place for FYAB and the board to engage more closely into the future.*
- It is exciting what FYAB is trying to do.
- The local board wants to encourage FYAB to challenge the board thinking on issues and to put forward their own perspective.
- The local board would like more regular updates from FYAB. These could be topic based updates, for example, giving youth perspectives on policies (not restricted to council policies) such as Smokefree, dental care, covered seating with Wi-Fi access in open spaces.
- *Youth Advisory Panel (YAP) - Caryn Strang*
- Is there value in YAP? Do you enjoy being on the panel? *Yes, a lot has been learnt from involvement in the panel*

Action

- Facilitate more and regular updates from FYAB to the board

The workshop concluded at 4.45pm