

Rodney Local Board

OPEN MINUTES

Minutes of a meeting of the Rodney Local Board held in the Warkworth Town Hall, 21 Neville Street, Warkworth on Wednesday 17 March 2021 at 3.00pm.

PRESENT

Chairperson	Phelan Pirrie
Deputy Chairperson	Beth Houlbrooke
Members	Brent Bailey
	Steve Garner
	Danielle Hancock
	Tim Holdgate
	Louise Johnston
	Vicki Kenny
	Colin Smith

ALSO PRESENT

Ward Councillor	Greg Sayers
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1 Welcome

The Chairperson opened the meeting and welcomed those in attendance.

2 Apologies

There were no apologies.

3 Declaration of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

4 Confirmation of Minutes

Resolution number RD/2021/198

MOVED by Member D Hancock, seconded by Member B Bailey:

That the Rodney Local Board:

- a) **confirm the ordinary minutes of its meeting held on Wednesday 17 February 2021, as a true and correct record.**

CARRIED

5 Leave of Absence

There were no leaves of absence.

6 Acknowledgements

There were no acknowledgements.

7 Petitions

There were no petitions.

8 Deputations

8.1 Deputation: Leigh Penguin Project

Tony and Jenny Enderby from Warkworth Area Forest and Bird were in attendance to provide an overview of the Little Blue Penguin/Kororā Project (Te Point to Goat Island).

A PowerPoint presentation was given. A copy has been placed in the official minutes and is available on the Auckland Council website as a minutes attachment.

Resolution number RD/2021/199

MOVED by Deputy Chairperson B Houlbrooke, seconded by Member S Garner:

That the Rodney Local Board:

- a) **thank the Mr and Mrs Enderby for their presentation.**

CARRIED

Attachments

- A 17 March 2021 - Rodney Local Board, Item 8.1 - Leigh Penguin Project - presentation

8.2 Deputation: Omaha Shorebird Protection Trust

Marie Ward from the Omaha Shorebird Protection Trust was in attendance to provide an update on the ongoing protection of the shorebirds that inhabit Omaha Spit.

A PowerPoint presentation was given. A copy has been placed in the official minutes and is available on the Auckland Council website as a minutes attachment.

Resolution number RD/2021/200

MOVED by Member S Garner, seconded by Member V Kenny:

That the Rodney Local Board:

- a) **thank Ms Ward from the Omaha Shorebird Protection Trust for her presentation.**

CARRIED

Attachments

- A 17 March 2021 - Rodney Local Board, Item 8.2 - Omaha Shorebird Protection Trust - presentation

8.3 Deputation: The Forest Bridge Trust

Tracey Tristram from the Forest Bridge Trust was in attendance to provide an update on their activities.

Resolution number RD/2021/201

MOVED by Member S Garner, seconded by Deputy Chairperson B Houlbrooke:

That the Rodney Local Board:

- a) **thank Ms Tristram from the Forest Bridge Trust for her presentation.**

CARRIED

8.4 Deputation: Curry's Bush Reserve Waharoa Project

Caroline Milner, Collen Wright and Herby Skipper were in attendance to introduce the Curry's Bush Reserve Waharoa Project.

Resolution number RD/2021/202

MOVED by Member S Garner, seconded by Member T Holdgate:

That the Rodney Local Board:

- a) **thank Ms Milner, Ms Wright and Mr Skipper for their presentation.**

CARRIED

9 Public Forum

9.1 Public Forum: Stephen Law

Stephen Law attended to address the meeting regarding Rodney Local Board Standing Orders in relation to public forum time.

Resolution number RD/2021/203

MOVED by Chairperson P Pirrie, seconded by Member B Bailey:

That the Rodney Local Board:

- a) thank Mr Law for his attendance.

CARRIED

10 Extraordinary Business

There was no extraordinary business.

11 Auckland Transport update on the Rodney Local Board Transport Targeted Rate March 2021

MOVED by Member C Smith, seconded by Member T Holdgate:

That the Rodney Local Board:

- a) request that the Warkworth Park n Ride project be put on hold.

A division was called for, voting on which was as follows:

<u>For</u>	<u>Against</u>	<u>Abstained</u>
Member T Holdgate	Member B Bailey	
Member C Smith	Member S Garner	
	Member D Hancock	
	Deputy Chairperson B Houlbrooke	
	Member L Johnston	
	Member V Kenny	
	Chairperson P Pirrie	

The motion was declared **LOST** by 2 votes to 7.

Resolution number RD/2021/204

MOVED by Member S Garner, seconded by Deputy Chairperson B Houlbrooke:

That the Rodney Local Board:

- a) **receive the Auckland Transport update on the Rodney Local Board Transport Targeted Rate.**

CARRIED

12 Auckland Transport - Rodney Local Board Transport Targeted Rate Footpaths Report March 2021

Resolution number RD/2021/205

MOVED by Member D Hancock, seconded by Deputy Chairperson B Houlbrooke:

That the Rodney Local Board:

- a) **receive the Auckland Transport Rodney Local Board Transport Targeted Rate Footpaths March 2021 Report**
- b) **request that Auckland Transport deliver the following footpath projects through the Rodney Local Board Transport Targeted Rate:**
- i) **Albert Street, Leigh Footpath (Warkworth) – allocate \$172,000**
 - ii) **Cambridge Road Footpath (Kumeū) – allocate \$453,000**
 - iii) **Duke Street Footpath (Kumeū) – allocate \$282,000**
 - iv) **King Street Footpath (Kumeū) – allocate \$238,000**
 - v) **Matua Road Footpath (Kumeū) – allocate \$630,000**

- vi) Pakiri Road Footpath (Warkworth) – allocate \$502,000
 - vii) Princes Street Footpath (Kumeū) – allocate \$198,000
 - viii) Queen Street/York Terrace (Kumeū) – allocate \$335,000
 - ix) Waimauku Station Road (Kumeū) – allocate \$196,000
 - x) Wech Drive (Warkworth) – allocate \$543,000
- c) approve the use of up to \$60,000 for the investigation of possible new footpath sites to be considered across the Rodney Local Board area to allow the optimal allocation of the remaining footpath funds.

CARRIED

13 Local board input into preparation of the draft 2021 Regional Parks Management Plan

Resolution number RD/2021/206

MOVED by Chairperson P Pirrie, seconded by Member B Bailey:

That the Rodney Local Board:

- a) provide the following feedback to inform the preparation of the draft Regional Park Management Plan 2021:
 - i) support the provision of furniture and other amenities including ample shade to enable better access and enjoyment of regional parks for older and mobility-impaired people
 - ii) support regional parks providing vehicle access for mobility parking permit holders and parking for mobility-impaired people where possible
 - iii) support commercial activities within regional parks subject to certain conditions, including not granting exclusivity to particular commercial operators, having mobile vendors operating across the park network to avoid single vendors providing a poor service, and aiming for shorter-term leases to ensure that vendors are meeting visitor and community needs
 - iv) support charging fees to private tourism companies operating in regional parks
 - v) request that commercial income generated from regional parks, such as filming, be ring-fenced to use to enhance regional parks facilities
 - vi) request that additional boat ramps are provided in regional parks in the Rodney Local Board area and that the boat ramps at Te Rau Pūriri Regional Park and Sullivans Bay, Mahurangi Regional Park are upgraded due to the pressure on the existing boat ramps
 - vii) support protecting and enhancing the ecology and biodiversity within regional parks
 - viii) support retaining natural and wilderness areas in regional parks to protect the natural environment and to provide sanctuaries for biodiversity
 - ix) support all practicable steps be applied to avoid conflict between horse riders and vehicles within regional parks
 - x) request that population, development growth, and increasing visitor numbers are considered in regional parks planning to mitigate impacts on the environment and facilities in regional parks
 - xi) request impacts on surrounding residential areas be considered with regard to all activities taking place within regional parks

- xii) request that a volunteer park ranger programme for regional parks be considered to foster a sense of community ownership and environmental stewardship by locals
- xiii) supports better management of vehicles on beaches
- xiv) request that no provision for dedicated areas are set aside for specific activities to avoid conflict between different users wanting access to the same area
- xv) support steps towards making regional parks accessible by public transport
- xvi) support the continued engagement of local boards in planning and decision-making processes for regional parks, including coordinating local boards' greenways plans, pest control and water quality activities with regional parks
- xvii) strongly oppose any additional access for four wheel drive vehicles in regional parks.

CARRIED

Note: Pursuant to Standing Order 1.9.3, Member D Hancock requested that her abstention be recorded.

14 Local board views on a Notice of Requirement for a Designation for 'Argent Lane Extension Project' - road realignment and upgrading between Old Pine Valley Road and the Silverdale Motorway Interchange in the Auckland Unitary Plan (operative in part)

Resolution number RD/2021/207

MOVED by Member L Johnston, seconded by Member V Kenny:

That the Rodney Local Board:

- a) provide the following feedback on two Notices of Requirement providing for formation, realignment and upgrades of the arterial road between Old Pine Valley Road and the Silverdale Motorway Interchange in the (Auckland Unitary Plan (Operative in Part):
 - i) express concerns that Notice of Requirement 2 (Pine Valley Road south and Dairy Flat Highway) does not include off carriageway walking and cycling provision in the design of the widening and upgrading of Dairy Flat Highway to ensure safe walking and cycling options and access to the future business/industrial zone
 - ii) request the final construction design of the proposed projects considers safety concerns raised by the submitters
 - iii) request the final construction design for 36 Old Pine Valley Road (Lot 6 DP136559) includes safe vehicle access for both the corner and main block for all vehicle types including horse floats and cattle trucks and where possible avoid felling the 80 old Totara trees
- b) if considered necessary, appoint Local Board Member Louise Johnston to speak to the local board views at a hearing, if one is held, on the Notice of Requirement.

CARRIED

15 Development of children's playground within Stage 2D, Milldale Subdivision, Pine Valley

Resolution number RD/2021/208

MOVED by Member L Johnston, seconded by Member D Hancock:

That the Rodney Local Board:

- a) **approve Auckland Council entering into an infrastructure funding agreement for the Stage 2D playspace**
- b) **delegate to the General Manager, Parks, Sports and Recreation authority to negotiate the infrastructure funding agreement on terms acceptable to council's Infrastructure funding team.**
- c) **approve the concept plan and associated landscaping plan (Attachment A and B to the agenda report) and subsequent construction of the playground at 159 Ahutoetoe Road, Pine Valley by the consent holder with the asset to be vested in council at practical completion.**

CARRIED

Note: Pursuant to Standing Order 1.9.7 Member T Holdgate requested that his dissenting vote be recorded.

16 Divestment of Auckland Council carpark at 14 Baxter Street, Warkworth

John Nash – Programme Manager, was in attendance for this item.

Resolution number RD/2021/209

MOVED by Member S Garner, seconded by Deputy Chairperson B Houlbrooke:

That the Rodney Local Board:

- a) **does not support the disposal of the Auckland Council owned assets consisting of a rooftop carpark, airspace above it and ancillary foyer, stairs and support pillars at 14 Baxter Street, Warkworth due to its concern at the lack of parking provision in Warkworth, and the importance of the carpark in providing car park provision within the town centre**
- b) **request the property at 14 Baxter Street be transferred to Community Facilities to be managed as a local board asset, with allocation of capital funding to complete the remedial works required to address known weathertightness issues (which have been assessed as at least \$1.7m), and ongoing Asset-Based Services funding**
- c) **request that if the Governing Body progresses with the disposal of 14 Baxter Street:**
 - i) **that disposal be delayed until completion of a Centre Plan for Warkworth as signalled in the 2020 Rodney Local Board Plan**
 - ii) **that consideration be given to providing a condition on the sale that retains public parking on the site to meet current and future needs**
 - iii) **that the financial liability for the property does not sit with the Rodney Local Board.**

A division was called for, voting on which was as follows:

For

Member B Bailey
Member S Garner
Member D Hancock
Deputy Chairperson B Houlbrooke

Against

Member T Holdgate

Abstained

Member C Smith

Member L Johnston
Member V Kenny
Chairperson P Pirrie

The motion was declared CARRIED by 7 votes to 1.

CARRIED

17 2021 Local Government New Zealand Conference and Annual General Meeting

Resolution number RD/2021/210

MOVED by Member L Johnston, seconded by Member V Kenny:

That the Rodney Local Board:

- a) **note the budget constraints in the current financial year and the recommended process for the appointment of attendees and delegates to the Local Government New Zealand 2021 Conference and Annual General Meeting in Blenheim from 15 to 17 July 2021**
- b) **endorse the selection of:**
 - i) **Local Board Member Beth Houlbrooke as the representative for the Rodney-Franklin local board cluster through the Local Board Chairs' Forum and agree to put that nomination through the local board chairperson for consideration at their April 2021 meeting, or**
 - ii) **agree that Local Board Member Beth Houlbrooke, if unsuccessful as the Rodney-Franklin local board cluster representative be approved to attend the New Zealand Local Government Conference funded from her Individual Development budget and subsidise any additional costs at her own expense as per resolution, f)**
- c) **note the process to submit remits to the Annual General Meeting and entries for the 2021 Local Government New Zealand Excellence Awards has been communicated to elected members on 2 March 2021**
- d) **confirm that conference attendance including travel and accommodation will be paid for in accordance with the current Auckland Council Elected Member Expense Policy**
- e) **note that all local board members who are appointed to attend the conference will be confirmed to the General Manager Local Board Services by 15 April 2021 at the latest to ensure that they are registered with Local Government New Zealand**
- f) **note that any member who wishes to attend the conference using their Individual Development Budget allocation will need to subsidise the cost and must contact the General Manager Local Board Services by 8 April 2021 to make the necessary arrangements**
- g) **note that the Governing Body will be appointing delegates to the 2021 Local Government New Zealand Annual General Meeting at their 25 March 2021 meeting, with the recommendation being to appoint Mayor Phil Goff as presiding delegate, and to appoint Chief Executive Jim Stabback and up to two other Auckland Council conference attendees as delegates**
- h) **note that conference attendees can attend the 2021 Local Government New Zealand Annual General Meeting in an advisory capacity provided their names are included on the Annual General Meeting registration form, which will be signed by the mayor.**

CARRIED

18 Approve the appointment of project leads for the Rodney Local Board

Resolution number RD/2021/211

MOVED by Member L Johnston, seconded by Member D Hancock:

That the Rodney Local Board:

- a) **approve Member Vicki Kenny, as lead for Helensville Town Centre Improvements as set out in the project lead appointment form (Attachment B to the agenda report)**
- b) **approve Member Beth Houlbrooke, as lead for Warkworth Town Centre Improvements as set out in the project lead appointment form (Attachment C to the agenda report).**

CARRIED

19 Rodney Ward Councillor update

Resolution number RD/2021/212

MOVED by Chairperson P Pirrie, seconded by Member B Bailey:

That the Rodney Local Board:

- a) **receive Cr Sayers' update on the activities of the Governing Body.**

CARRIED

20 Rodney Local Board workshop records

Resolution number RD/2021/213

MOVED by Member D Hancock, seconded by Member V Kenny:

That the Rodney Local Board:

- a) **note the workshop records for 17 February, 3 and 10 March 2021.**

CARRIED

21 Governance forward work calendar

Resolution number RD/2021/214

MOVED by Member D Hancock, seconded by Member V Kenny:

That the Rodney Local Board:

- a) **note the governance forward work calendar.**

CARRIED

22 Consideration of Extraordinary Items

There was no consideration of extraordinary items.

4.50pm

The Chairperson thanked Members for their attendance and attention to business and declared the meeting closed.

CONFIRMED AS A TRUE AND CORRECT RECORD
AT A MEETING OF THE RODNEY LOCAL BOARD
HELD ON

DATE:.....

CHAIRPERSON:.....