

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE MALVERN COMMUNITY BOARD
HELD IN THE HORORATA COMMUNITY HALL
ON MONDAY 27 MARCH 2023, COMMENCING AT 4.30PM**

PRESENT

Messrs K May (Chair), S Ellis, C Payne, and B Russell (Deputy Chair), Ms S Nu'u and Councillor RH Mugford

ATTENDEES

Councillor LL Gliddon, Messrs M Washington (Group Manager Infrastructure & Property) and O Gosling (Assistant to Group Manager Community Services & Facilities) and Mrs D Prendergast (Personal Assistant, Infrastructure & Property)

WELCOME

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting, especially those members of the public attending.

APOLOGIES

None.

IDENTIFICATION OF ANY URGENT OR GENERAL BUSINESS

None.

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

None.

PUBLIC FORUM

Members of the public attending and speaking were Mr Dave Askin, Ms Laurie Squires, and Mr Peter Snook. Ms Megane Graven, Mr Mike Davies, and Ms Karen Meares attended but did not speak.

Mr Dave Askin spoke to his plan for Hororata flood prevention following an earlier report shared with the Community Board and Council. A diagram was presented to aid Askin's plan (captured by Al Lawn). Mr Askin referred to his earlier report shared with the Community Board and Council in August 2022 and asked for a response to this.

Ms Laurie Squires discussed several points starting with the Hororata public toilets. She was disappointed with the work around the toilets and the classification of the surrounding land as toxic by ECAN. Council will report back to the board on the toilets and septic tank for the

Hororata reserve. Ms Squires continued, saying the maintenance of Hororata Millennium Garden is “an absolute disgrace”. Responsibility for the garden will be checked by Council staff and reported back to the board and CORDE. Ms Squires also mentioned the increased incidence of water quality issues in Hororata over the last three years. Ms Squires will be personally responded to regarding the source of her water. Ms Squires concluded her series of enquires with one regarding the organisational operation of Go Hororata, which is an independent community group.

Mr Peter Snook discussed the state of the Hororata Domain after contracting work was undertaken. He was disappointed with the waste left behind and the holes along the walkway by which he believed people would be injured. A response to the board regarding the work undertaken will be provided by Council staff. Mr Snook also emailed ECAN regarding a concerning riverbank on crown land which is being remediated by ECAN. Council will confirm this is crown land and that ECAN is undertaken the necessary work. Mr Snook was also concerned with the resealing of Duncan Road which was not required, where he would instead like Duncans Road inspected and resealed in part. This will be investigated and reported back.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Malvern Community Board held in the Darfield Library Meeting Rooms, on Monday 27 February 2023.

Moved – Mr Bruce Russell / **Seconded** – Ms Sharn Nu’u

‘That the Board confirms the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Malvern Community Board held on Monday 27 February 2023, as circulated.’

CARRIED

Matters arising

None.

Actions from Previous Meeting

With reference to the matter of recycling facilities outside of Rolleston brought to the Community Board’s attention at the 27 February 2023 meeting by Ms Nancy Wright and Mr Murray Urquhart, Mr Sean Ellis raised the point of a recycling plant like those at Arthur’s Pass and Castle Hill being implemented on the former Hawkins tip site. Mr Ellis was surprised at the extensive consenting requirements for what he considered is a small installation. Ms Nu’u mentioned the issue of air pollution contributing to the consenting requirements. Ms Nancy Wright will submit to the Annual Plan.

Concerning Ms Wendy Thompson and Ms Angela Neil’s issue raised at the previous meeting, planting was discussed as an alternative to a parking prohibition outside Ms Wendy Thompson’s property on Cardale Street, Darfield, near Almond Park. Sharn Nu’u mentioned that if a recommendation to Council is submitted suggesting a community preferred solution, this may avoid the complication of the annual plan process.

The project for a basketball hoop in Springfield was discussed by the Chair, with Mr Sean Ellis noting that it seems to have been “lost on someone’s desk.”

Moved – Mr Ken May / **Seconded** – Mr Calvin Payne.

‘That the actions from the previous minutes be resolved as current.’

CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE

None.

REPORT FROM CHAIRPERSON

1. Monthly Report from the Chairperson

The Chair spoke to the key items in his report. He mentioned the meeting of Springfield Township Association at which the matter of Kowai Pass Domain Board was raised and

Moved – Mr May / **Seconded** – Mr Bruce Russell

‘That the report from the Chairperson be received for information.’

CARRIED

REPORTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

2. Board Member Mr Sean Ellis

Whitecliffs Track was discussed by Sean Ellis. Mr Murray Washington noted that the track was not built to Council standards, and easements to bring the track up to standard are being investigated. Mr Ellis asked if maintenance by the Board can be undertaken in the interim before Council finishes its investigation. Mr Washington suggested not.

Mr Ellis noted that the protected tree outside Springfield is being handled by Johnathon Crawford.

Mr Ellis discussed the shower block at Kowai Domain that is run by electric water, despite the design decision to heat its water by gas. This will be investigated by Council staff.

Bealey Spur Station and its zoning and respective rating was discussed.

Moved – Mr Ellis / **Seconded** – Mr Calvin Payne

‘That the report from Mr Ellis be received for information.’

CARRIED

3. Board Member Ms Sharn Nu’u (verbal)

Ms Sharn Nu’u discussed the footpaths in Darfield which she says are currently insufficient for greater accessibility needs.

Moved – Ms Nu'u / **Seconded** – Mr Sean Ellis

'That the (verbal) report from Ms Nu'u be received for information.'

CARRIED

4. Board Member Mr Calvin Payne

The Kirwee Residents Committee have confirmed their new constitution which Mr Payne will bring to the next meeting.

Mr Payne mentioned his disappointment at the fact that the Board can only submit to the Annual Plan process like any member of the public rather than have a governance role. Mr Murray Washington noted that the Annual Plan this year is working at a high level rather than at a lower level of detail and there is very little to change due to finance constraints. It will be more important, Mr Washington said, to contribute to the Long-Term Plan by September this year. Mr Payne appreciated this explanation and found the reasoning understandable.

Mr Payne and other board members attended the Malvern A&P Show and consulted with the public. He thanked Cr Gliddon for her support at this event. Mr Payne also attended the West Melton Country Fete, and many leaflets were distributed.

Mr Payne raised whether a delegation of board members to each Malvern residents' group had yet been completed by the Chair. It had not. Mr Payne attends the Kirwee Residents Committee. Mr Payne also asked whether attendance at community events would be delegated by the Chair. Ms Nu'u mentioned the delegation should reflect where members reside.

Moved – Mr Calvin Payne / **Seconded** – Ms Sharn Nu'u

'That the report from Mr Payne be received for information.'

CARRIED

5. Board Member Mr Bruce Russell (verbal)

Mr Bruce Russell discussed the West Melton Bowling Club which has been tidied up including the carpark and a sewerage issue.

Mr Russell discussed the West Melton traffic lights that were started on Monday and 22 people have been charged for running red lights according to the local police he has spoken to.

More than \$50,000 was raised at the West Melton Country Fete with more than 8,000 attending, which Mr Russell said was something to be proud of.

The ANZAC service at West Melton was discussed regarding whether a Councillor is needed to lay a second wreath. This will be answered by Council staff.

Mr Murray Washington thanked Mr Russell for his persistent efforts over the past decade in the West Melton community.

Moved – Mr Bruce Russell / **Seconded** – Mr Ken May

‘That the (verbal) report from Mr Russell be received for information.’

CARRIED

6. Councillor Bob Mugford (verbal)

Cr Bob Mugford told members that there is an Extraordinary Council Meeting on Wednesday to confirm the Annual Plan. Cr Mugford suggested that the Board members should each attain a copy of the Community Services and Facilities Administered Grants Year to Date 2022-23 Report for their information and reference.

A new Council CEO is being appointed with recruitment underway. David Ward will retire 30 June 2023.

Cr Mugford discussed the confusion with residents unsure who is to be attending residents' groups' meetings, and confirmed a schedule would be useful.

Moved – Cr Bob Mugford / **Seconded** – Mr Calvin Payne

‘That the (verbal) report from Cr Bob Mugford be received for information.’

REPORTS FROM OFFICERS

7. Group Manager Property & Infrastructure

Manager's Report – March 2023

Mr Murray Washington presented the March Manager's Report on behalf of the CEO David Ward.

Mr Washington's activity has included recruitment following an organisation restructure. The tier three management recruitment in the Property and Infrastructure Group is now complete.

With reference to mileage claims, Mr Bruce Russell noted that it is excessive for the members to need to be formally invited to meetings and present this as evidence with mileage claims. Mr Washington explained that this is to ensure consistency and that the budget may be expanded.

Mr Calvin Payne entered into the record that an increase in the Mileage budget for Board Members is expected.

The submission for Castle Hill Reserve is completed.

Ms Sharn Nu'u questioned why smart fire sensors had been installed in McHugh's Plantation. Mr Washington responded noting it is risk mitigation. Cr Lydia Gliddon will share background information with Ms Nu'u supporting and explaining the fire sensors project.

The Selwyn Awards will be considered by the board privately for them to nominate candidates.

Moved – Mr Ken May / **Seconded** – Cr Bob Mugford

‘That the Malvern Community Board receives the Manager’s Report – March 2023, for information.’

CARRIED

REPORTS FOR INFORMATION

8. Request for a Grant – Malvern Probus

Mr Bruce Russell abstained and asked that this be recorded given his concern for the precedent set.

Moved – Mr Calvin Payne / **Seconded** – Mr Ken May

‘That the Malvern Community Board grant \$1400 from the Malvern Ward Discretionary Fund to assist the Malvern ProBus with: -

- a) the cost of hiring the local ladies from Kirwee Bowls to serve the Probus morning teas monthly; and*
- b) subsidise the bimonthly members bus trip for April to October 2023.’*

CARRIED

9. Discretionary Fund Financials

Moved – Mr Bruce Russell / **Seconded** – Mr Calvin Payne

‘That the Malvern Community Board receives the discretionary fund financials report, for information.’

CARRIED

10. Committee Financials

Moved – Mr Ken May / **Seconded** – Mr Bruce Russell

‘That the Malvern Community Board receives the committee financials report, for information.’

CARRIED

COMMUNITY COMMITTEE INFORMATION

11. Community Committee Minutes

- Springfield

GENERAL BUSINESS

Ms Sharn Nu'u feels unsupported in her role to engage with Residents' Groups.

There is concern about the Darfield Residents' Association, which Mr May and Cr Mugford will assist Ms Nu'u to establish.

Mr Payne wished for the Community Board to establish a Facebook page to interface with the public including Youth and Darfield residents.

A meeting will be organised on Teams for the board members to have a private discussion.

Mr Payne asked that the letters to Castle Hill and Arthur's Pass Community Committees (Residents Groups) be sent. The board members agreed. Mr Washington will advise David Ward that the letter is confirmed. The speed management plan process will have to be consulted regarding the signage issues.

Plan Change 77 was discussed by Mr Payne. Cr Gliddon explained that the zoning is residential "medium-density housing or a retirement village", not the three-storey housing allowed through the Resource Management (Enabling Housing Supply and Other Matters) Amendment Act 2021.

Mr Sean Ellis asked why minutes have not been received by Sheffield / Waddington Community Committee. It was entered that Chairperson Bill Woods has refused to send them. Cr Gliddon will attend the next Community Committee meeting.

The meeting closed at 6.30pm.

DATED this *24th* day of *April* 2023



CHAIRPERSON