

Gorge Road and Districts Community Development Area Subcommittee

OPEN MINUTES (UNCONFIRMED)

Minutes of a meeting of Gorge Road and Districts Community Development Area Subcommittee held in the Gorge Road Community Centre, Factory Road, Gorge Road on Monday, 20 March 2017 at 6.05pm.

PRESENT

Mayor Gary Tong
Councillor Julie Keast
Mark Hamill
George Kevern
Gay Munro
Ray Waghorn

IN ATTENDANCE

Group Manager, Community and Futures – Rex Capil
Committee Advisor - Fiona Dunlop
Community Partnership Leader - Michelle Stevenson

1 Welcome and Introduction

Mayor Tong welcomed all present and thanked them for taking time out to participate in the local Gorge Road and Districts Community Development Area election meeting.

He advised that Southland District Council approved at its 26 October 2016 meeting the Community Development Area Subcommittees Terms of Reference which clearly define the scope, membership, and delegations. It is important to note is that Community Development Area Subcommittees are Subcommittees of Council and as a consequence of this they are part of the Council governance structure. Therefore as an elected representative Subcommittee members represent Council and are part of Council. Subcommittees are not “ratepayers associations” or Council “watchdogs” but in a positive and constructive way assist in contributing to Council delivery of quality services and activities for the betterment of the communities Council serves. The Subcommittees operate as per the terms of reference and members are required to operate as per the Southland District Council Code of Conduct which all members for this triennium will receive as part of the first Subcommittee meeting and induction process for elected members

Mayor Tong also advised that as part of the process for the new way of working for the Community Development Area Subcommittees and Community Boards, there is a Community Leadership Plan Workshop to be held on Wednesday 26 April 2017 at 6.30pm in the Memorial Hall Wyndham where will be joined by the Edendale-Wyndham Community Board and the Woodlands and Tokanui Community Development Area Subcommittees. There are various other Workshops to be held in other locations across Southland for the remaining Community Boards and Community Development Area Subcommittees.

All present were asked to sign the attendance register (which is attached to the minutes).

2 Apologies

There were no apologies.

3 Chairperson's Report

Ray Waghorn in his capacity as the Chair for the 2013/2016 Triennium shared the following with the meeting.

The last 3 years of the Gorge Road Community Development Area Subcommittee have seen a lot of work on the further development of the planning around the outside of the reserve. Soon we will have small plaques showing the areas being managed by the Gorge Road School, Gorge Road Garden Club, Gorge Road Country Club and the Waituna Landcare Group. We have had our challenges along the way but in the main have succeeded. Thanks to all those who have given of their time to help create this project.

Within the Community Development area there has been the usual run of the mill concerns, but one which happened last year was the opening of a drain that turned into an expensive repair for the area. If anyone has a problem in the village or wider area, please contact the Southland District Council so that your engineer can have it

checked out. Recently a number of dangerous trees were removed from the east end of the reserve bordering the highway.

Throughout the last 3 years I have attended regular meetings at the Southland District Council for chairpersons from Community Boards, and CDAs and have worked for your interests.

We have had a change of engineer from Irwin Harvey to Brendan Gray and I must say Thank You to Brendan for your help within the Gorge Road and Districts Community Development Area Subcommittee even to working a spade to dig hold for trees during a working bee.

Consent from the Gorge Road School Board of Trustees has been received allowing us to extend the walking track on round to Factory Road and with a bit of luck this should be completed by the end of April so that walkers can do the complete loop of the domain.

4 Public Forum

There was no public forum.

5 Election and Appointment of Scrutineers

Mayor Tong called for nominations from the public at the meeting to be members of the Gorge Road and Districts Community Development Area Subcommittee.

Nominees	Mover	Seconder
George Kevern Mark Hamill Gay Munro Ray Waghorn	Gay Munro	Mark Hamill

As there were four nominations for the six places on the Subcommittee there was no requirement for an election or the appointment of scrutineers. As a result of the reduced number of nominations, the process of electing the members would proceed. Members agreed that they would approach members of the Community to see if they could find another two members.

6 Announcements of Results and Conclusion of Meeting

Mayor Tong announced that George Kevern, Mark Hamill Gay Munro and Ray Waghorn were elected to the Gorge Road and Districts Community Development Area Subcommittee.

Moved Mayor Tong, seconded Councillor Keast and resolved that George Kevern, Mark Hamill Gay Munro and Ray Waghorn were elected to the Gorge Road and Districts Community Development Area Subcommittee.



The meeting concluded at 6.20pm.

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RECORD AT A MEETING OF THE GORGE
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DEVELOPMENT AREA SUBCOMMITTEE HELD
ON MONDAY 20 MARCH 2017.

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CHAIRPERSON:.....

