



Stewart Island/Rakiura Community Board

OPEN MINUTES

UNCONFIRMED

Minutes of a meeting of Stewart Island/Rakiura Community Board held in the Stewart Island Pavilion, Ayr Street, Stewart Island on Monday, 11 December 2017 at 11.00am.

PRESENT

Chairperson	Jon Spraggon
Deputy Chairperson	Steve Lawrence
Members	Dale Chittenden
	Aaron Conner
	Greg Everest
	Anita Geeson
Councillor	Bruce Ford

IN ATTENDANCE

Venture Southland Steve Canny, **Committee Advisor** Kirsten Hicks

1 Apologies

There were no apologies.

2 Leave of absence

There were no requests for leave of absence.

3 Conflict of Interest

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

4 Public Forum

Mr Ren Leppers (representing DOC)
Senior Constable Dale Jenkins (NZ Police)

5 Extraordinary/Urgent Items

There were no Extraordinary/Urgent items.

6 Confirmation of Minutes

Resolution

Moved Councillor Ford, seconded Member Everest

Confirms the open minutes of Stewart Island/Rakiura Community Board, held on 1 September 2017.

Resolution

Moved Deputy Chairperson Lawrence, seconded Member Everest

Confirms the public excluded minutes of Stewart Island/Rakiura Community Board, held on 1 September 2017.

Resolution

Moved Deputy Chairperson Lawrence, seconded Member Conner

Confirms the open minutes of Stewart Island/Rakiura Community Board, held on 30 October 2017.

Resolution

Moved Member Everest, seconded Member Chittenden

Confirms the public excluded minutes of Stewart Island/Rakiura Community Board, held on 30 October 2017.

Reports for Resolution

7.1 Dark Skies Project - Update for the Stewart Island/Rakiura Community Board

Record No: R/17/12/29759

Steve Canny (Venture Southland) spoke on this report, detailing the key findings of the Dark Skies feasibility study, providing a summary of the opportunity that exists should the community wish to embrace it and ultimately lead the region's approach to dark skies.

Following interest from Stewart Island Promotion, field night sky measurements have now been completed and are able to be reported back to the Stewart Island/Rakiura Community Board. The survey results indicated that Stewart Island has a unique opportunity to be internationally recognised as a place of outstanding sky quality. A feasibility study commissioned by Venture Southland and undertaken by Xyst Consulting has been completed.

Initial consultation with the Stewart Island Promotion and community members has been extremely positive.

Resolution

Moved Cr Ford, seconded Member Geeson

That the Stewart Island/Rakiura Community Board:

- a) **Receives the report titled "Dark Skies Project - Update for the Stewart Island/Rakiura Community Board" dated 6 December 2017.**
- b) **Determines that this matter or decision be recognised as not significant in terms of Section 76 of the Local Government Act 2002.**
- c) **Determines that it has complied with the decision-making provisions of the Local Government Act 2002 to the extent necessary in relation to this decision; and in accordance with Section 79 of the Act determines that it does not require further information, further assessment of options or further analysis of costs and benefits or advantages and disadvantages prior to making a decision on this matter.**
- d) **Supports the establishment of a dark sky sanctuary for Stewart Island, subject to positive acceptance of the proposal by the Stewart Island Community.**
- e) **Agree that a community survey be undertaken by Venture Southland in conjunction with Stewart Island Promotion to gauge wider community support for the dark skies project.**

Reports

8.1 Schedule of Meetings for 2018

Record No: R/17/11/27031

The purpose of this report is to approve a schedule of meeting dates for 2018. This allows meetings to be publically notified in accordance with the requirements set by the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987, following Council adopting a meeting schedule for 2018.

Resolution

Moved Member Geeson, seconded Member Chittenden

That the Stewart Island/Rakiura Community Board:

- a) **Receives the report titled "Schedule of Meetings for 2018" dated 21 November 2017.**
- b) **Determines that this matter or decision be recognised as not significant in terms of Section 76 of the Local Government Act 2002.**
- c) **Determines that it has complied with the decision-making provisions of the Local Government Act 2002 to the extent necessary in relation to this decision; and in accordance with Section 79 of the Act determines that it does not require further information, further assessment of options or further analysis of costs and benefits or advantages and disadvantages prior to making a decision on this matter.**
- d) **Agrees to meet at 11.00am on the following dates:**
 - **Monday 12 February 2018**
 - **Monday 9 April 2018**
 - **Monday 11 June 2018**
 - **Monday 13 August 2018**
 - **Monday 8 October 2018**
 - **Monday 10 December 2018**

9.0 UPDATES

Rakiura Heritage Centre Trust

There will be a meeting this Friday on how to progress this project, especially in regards to the building contract.

Golden Bay Wharf

Negotiations are continuing.

10.0 CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

10.1 Petersons Hill Road

The Board is seeking clarification from staff as to when the developers' contribution expires. Evidently contractors have been approached to price this project.

Resolution

Moved Councillor Ford, seconded Deputy Chairperson Lawrence

That the Stewart Island/Rakiura Community Board

requests staff urgently report back on the progress of the footpath development, using Peterson Hill development contributions.

10.2 Parking

Member were asked to consider the possible future development of parking between Neil Conner's two Main Road driveways.

10.3 Street Lights

The current location of street lights often relates to safety requirements and the location of accommodation. Possibly some of these could be replaced by lower lights. The new bollard lights have been returned as they weren't fit for purpose (both in terms of design and quality).

10.4 Proposed one way system

It appears that the investigations into required/desired widening of the roads in question is delaying this report. The next step will be public consultation to gauge support for such action.

Resolution

Moved Chairperson Spraggon, seconded Member Everest

That the Stewart Island/Rakiura Community Board

requests public consultation be undertaken to judge support of the proposed one way system, with investigation into road widening to follow.

10.5 Rakiura Maori Land Trust

Jon recently met with the Trust who were keen to have an ongoing relationship with the Community Board. They are particularly interested in the Halfmoon Bay wharf proposal and Dark Sky implications for The Neck.

10.6 Roadside mowing

Members discussed the limitations of the current mowing of areas bordering beaches, and what would be considered to be beautification.

Resolution

Moved Member Everest, seconded Member Chittenden

That the Stewart island/Community Board

Increases beautification mowing to the beach edge/rock of Horseshoe Bay, Halfmoon Bay and Elgin Terrace as far as Lonneckers.

10.7 SIESA Debtors

There is some concern regarding an apparent lack of movement in resolving these debts.

Resolution

Moved Member Conner, seconded Member Chittenden

That the Stewart Island/Rakiura Community Board

Requests an explanation as to why 60 day bad debtors action has not been undertaken.

11.00 COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

Councillor Ford spoke on the following topics:-

- Electricity – David Inch is interested in working with existing equipment, but if this offer is taken up there needs to be a clarification of terms. Permission for a helicopter landing in Rakiura National Park is required. Robin McNeill (VS) is requesting some equipment be returned.
- There has been no new information on the Powernet contract renewal or the SIESA review.
- Chatham Island has recently received \$13million in government funding.
- Urgent need for gazetting of parking.

The meeting concluded at 12.50pm

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COMMUNITY BOARD HELD ON

DATE:.....

CHAIRPERSON:.....