

Methven Community Board

10 June 2024



Methven Community Board – 10/06/2024

Minutes of the Methven Community Board meeting held on Monday 10 June 2024, commencing at 9.00 am, in the Mt Hutt Memorial Hall Board Room, 160 Main Street, Methven.

Present

Kelvin Holmes (Chair), Robin Jenkinson, Allan Lock, Crs Liz McMillan and Rob Mackle.

In attendance

Toni Durham (GM Democracy & Engagement), Linda Clarke (Communications Advisor) and Mary Jenkin (Governance Support).

1 Apologies

Mayor Neil Brown; Megan Fitzgerald and Richie Owen

Sustained

2 Extraordinary Business

Nil.

3 Declarations of Interest

Nil.

4 Confirmation of Minutes

That the minutes of the Methven Community Board meeting held on 22 April 2024 be taken as read and confirmed.

Jenkinson/Lock

Carried

5 Activity Reports

That the reports be received.

McMillan/Mackle

Carried

5.1 Democracy & Engagement

- The LTP key decisions have been noted.
- Biodiversity Advisory Group have requested a representative from the Birdsong Initiative to attend their next meeting. The contact person would be Barry Maister.
- Board members were pleased the Councillors supported the Methven town lighting.
- Query about Hall salaries, change to hours, reducing duplication.
- Biking trail – discussion on connecting trails, there is a plan going forward. Simon Worthington and Phil Hooper are discussing with Kelvin. The Board are pleased with the additional funding of \$500K for road maintenance.
- Stockwater – Alan Lock went to Mt Harding stream to note the biodiversity aspect. (A catchment group), we will have someone from MCB attending.

Representation Review

- Proposal to reduce Community Board elected members from five to four. Decreasing the number would give a less-broad community representation. MCB will make a submission. Consultation dates - 13 June to 21 July.

ADC Submission to Ecan

- Toni Durham explained the submission on the ECan Representation Review, noting the belief that the district is under-represented.

5.2 Business Support

Customer Request Management

- Finance Report – in order.
- Birdsong initiative – Discussion on how to keep a plan and momentum going forward as it was not approved on Council's LTP. It was noted it is almost a Council controlled area because of the lease. Council's expertise would be called on for the planning, it might still happen. Will continue to look at other avenues.
- CRM 1600238/24 Tactician Lane and Racecourse Ave, damaged signed, was not addressed.

5.3 Compliance and Development

- Building Services - consents issued, MCB noting growth in the town.
- Rural Banking Trial, a Reserve Bank initiative – Kelvin Holmes has discussed the trial with Simon Worthington, further work needed to advance, including a suitable location.

5.4 Infrastructure & Open Spaces

- Methven Mall, safety and parking to be assessed.
- Line Road trees boundary, attention required, overdue trim.
- Gutter maintenance on town roads and schedule.
- Garden of Harmony - Lions spray twice a year, what is the role of Council in the maintenance of plants and tracks?
- RDR pipe, Bert Hofmans from ADC currently liaising on this matter.
- Methven Cemetery – MCB complimentary about the standard of work in cemetery.

Business transacted with the public excluded – 9.50am

That the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting, namely – the general subject of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter, and the specific grounds under Section 48 (1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution are as follows:

Item No	General subject of each matter to be considered:	In accordance with Section 48(1) of the Act, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter:	
6	Minutes – 22/04/24 Lease agreement	Section 7(2)(h)	Commercial activities

Lock/Mackle

Carried

There being no resolutions passed, the Board resumed in open meeting and concluded at 10 am.

Confirmed 29 July 2024



Chairman