
Te Awahou Foxton Community Board

OPEN MINUTES UNCONFIRMED

Minutes of a meeting of the Te Awahou Foxton Community Board held in the Te Awahou Nieuwe Stroom, 92 Main Street, Foxton on Monday 11 November 2024 at 6:00 pm.

PRESENT

Chairperson	Mr John Girling
Deputy Chairperson	Mr Trevor Chambers
Members	Mrs Nola Fox
	Mr Brett Russell
	Mr David Roache
	Deputy Mayor David Allan

IN ATTENDANCE

Reporting Officer	Monique Davidson	Chief Executive
	James Wallace	Land Transport Manager
	Susan Philp	Strategic Projects Manager
Meeting Secretary	Grayson Rowse	Principal Advisor – Democracy
	Alice Petersen	Democracy Support Officer

1 Apologies

There were no apologies.

2 Public Participation

There was no public participation.

3 Late Items

There were no late items

4 Declaration of Interest

There were no.

5 Confirmation of Minutes

Resolution Number TAFCB/2024/74

MOVED by Mrs Fox, seconded Mr Roache:

That the minutes of the meeting of the Te Awahou Foxton Community Board held on Monday, 30 September 2024, be confirmed as a true and correct record.

That the minutes of the meeting of the Public Excluded Meeting of the Te Awahou Foxton Community Board held on Monday, 30 September 2024, be confirmed as a true and correct record.

CARRIED

6 Elected Members Reports

6.1 Chairperson's Report - November 2024

This item presented the Chairperson's report highlighting matters of interest to Te Awahou Foxton Community Board.

Resolution Number TAFCB/2024/75

MOVED by Mrs Fox, seconded Mr Chambers:

- A. That Report 24/813 Chairperson's Report - November 2024 be received and noted.

CARRIED

The Board discussed the berm mowing issue, mentioning a motion by councillor Brannigan for the council to look into it and addresses a concern from a resident about paying rates without services.

The Board was updated on the Foxton Climate Resilience Project governance group, mentioning meetings to discuss water problems around Foxton.

Decisions from that group included Horizons going ahead with sheet piling for Kings Canal, upgrading the Purcell Street pumping, and stormwater upgrades.

The Cook Street wetland will be fenced off and put on hold, and maintenance on several drains will be undertaken.

Board members questioned the board's earlier submission to Council as part of the Long Term Plan supporting the reduction in levels of service for berm mowing to keep individual rates down. It was suggested the Board prepare a submission to Council.

The Chief Executive advised that the matter coming before Council was not being consulted on a so a formal submission the board was not the best way forward, but that the Board seek public participation rights and suggests noting the board's position in the minutes.

Board members noted their change of approach was because the reduction in levels of service for berm mowing seemed to have a greater effect on the residents of Foxton and Foxton Beach

Resolution Number TAFCB/2024/76

MOVED by Mr Girling, seconded Mr Chambers:

That the Board note that because of the consequences of ceasing berm mowing appear to outweigh the cost saving benefits, it recommends Council revisit the management of berms.

CARRIED

6.2 Community Board Member Report - Nola Fox

This report updated the Community Board on the activities of Community Board Member Brett Russell.

Resolution Number TAFCB/2024/77

MOVED by Mr Girling, seconded Mr Roache:

- A. That Report 24/809 Community Board Member Report - Nola Fox be received and noted.

CARRIED

The report was taken as read.

The increasing level of usage of the Foxton Beach Community Centre's services was noted, as well as the agreement by Council to finalise a lease for the community centre.

The Chief Executive noted that the final lease details would be determined by the Lease Policy which is currently under review.

6.3 Community Board Member Report - Brett Russell

This report updated the Community Board on the activities of Community Board Member Brett Russell.

Resolution Number TAFCB/2024/78

MOVED by Mr Girling, seconded Mr Russell:

- A. That Report 24/817 Community Board Member Report - Brett Russell be received and noted.

CARRIED

It was reported to the Board the Horowhenua Community Camera Trust were successful in gaining find for the cameras in Shannon, and camera were being installed outside New World and Property Brokers in Foxton.

The Manawatu Estuary Trusts progress on finalising development of the Manawatu Estuary Management Plan for 2025-2035. The plan is due to be launched on Friday, 14 March 2025 at the Manawatu Marine Boating Club.

6.4 Community Board Member Verbal Update – David Roache

An update was provided on the recent Spring Fling. Some 10,000 people attended. There were 200 stalls and 30 food trucks. Despite the inclement weather the Spring Fling was a great success

7 Reports

7.1 Presentation - Options for Lady's Mile Traffic

James Wallace – Land Transport Manager – presented to the Board.

The purpose of the presentation was to provide background and options for traffic calming measures, following a petition recently presented to the Board concerned about increasing speeds on Lady's Mile.

Traffic data for the most recent survey showed a significant speeding problem, with 15% of traffic, or 1,000 vehicles per day, were exceeding the speed limit by more than 20 km/h.

A number of options were presented. The installation of speed humps was the most practical and effective option, and could be done within existing budgets.

Attachments

- 1 Presentation - Lady's Mile Speeding - 11 November 2024

7.2 Foxton and Foxton Beach Community Plan

This report presented the draft Foxton and Foxton Beach Community 'Plan on a Page' to the Te Awahou Foxton Community Board for endorsement.

Resolution Number TAFCB/2024/79

MOVED by Mrs Fox, seconded Mr Roache:

- A. That Report 24/822 Foxton and Foxton Beach Community Plan be received.
- B. That this matter or decision is recognised as not significant in terms of S76 of the Local Government Act.

CARRIED

Officers presented the draft Foxton and Foxton Beach Community Plan on a Page, noting positive feedback from the community.

Background was provided on the structure and implementation of the plan, emphasising community-led leadership.

The board endorsed the draft community plan on a page, noting its focus on partnerships and ongoing review.

Resolution Number TAFCB/2024/80

MOVED by Mr Girling, seconded Mr Russell:

- C. That the Te Awahou Foxton Community Board endorse the Draft Foxton and Foxton Beach Community 'Plan on a Page'.

CARRIED

7.3 Update on Foxton Beach Stormwater Consent

This report provided an update to the Board on the storm water discharge consent process for the Foxton Beach township.

The report was taken as read.

Some concern was noted about the consent committing to actions without knowledge of the full cost implications.

The Chief Executive acknowledged that the regulatory environment is changing, and there is uncertainty around the standards council will need to meet, which impacts the costs involved. Those costs would need to be further discussed by Council.

Resolution Number TAFCB/2024/81

MOVED by Mr Girling, seconded Mrs Fox:

- A. That Report 24/824 Update on Foxton Beach Stormwater Consent be received and noted.

CARRIED

7.4 Foxton Beach Endowment Fund Update

This report updated the board on financial movements in the Foxton Beach Endowment Fund, and reported progress of the Fund policy review.

Officers provided an update on the Foxton Beach Endowment Fund, noting the current balance and recent grants. The report provided in future will be more detailed and set out a more useful breakdown, including all previously made grants.

The board acknowledged the progress and thanked officers for their work with the Fund review.

Resolution Number TAFCB/2024/82

MOVED by Mr Roache, seconded Mrs Fox:

- A. That Report 24/823 Foxton Beach Endowment Fund Update be received and noted.

CARRIED

7.5 Te Awahou Foxton Community Board - Actions Monitoring Report - November 2024

This report presented Te Awahou Foxton Community Board the updated monitoring report covering requested actions from previous meetings of the Board.

Resolution Number TAFCB/2024/83

MOVED by Mr Girling, seconded Mrs Fox:

- A. That Report 24/826 Te Awahou Foxton Community Board - Actions Monitoring Report - November 2024 be received and noted.

CARRIED

7.6 Horowhenua District Council Organisation Performance Report October 2024

This report presented the Organisation Performance Report for October 2024 highlighting areas of interest to the Foxton Community.

The Chief Executive presented the Horowhenua District Council's Organisation Performance report October 2024, noting high-level strategic priorities and actions.

Resolution Number TAFCB/2024/84

MOVED by Mr Girling, seconded Mr Russell:

- A. That Report 24/816 Horowhenua District Council Organisation Performance Report October 2024 be received and noted.

CARRIED

7.20 pm

There being no further business, the Chairperson declared the meeting closed.

**CONFIRMED AS A TRUE AND CORRECT RECORD
AT A MEETING OF TE AWAHOU FOXTON
COMMUNITY BOARD HELD ON**

DATE:

CHAIRPERSON: