



NOTICE OF MEETING

**Notice is hereby given of the Meeting of the
Bluff Community Board
to be held in the Bluff Municipal Chambers,
Gore Street, Bluff on
Monday 16 October 2017 at 7.00 pm**

Mr R Fife (Chairperson)
Mrs W Glassey (Deputy Chairperson)
Mrs G Henderson
Mr G A Laidlaw
Mrs P Young
Cr I L Esler

EIRWEN HARRIS MITCHELL
MANAGER, SECRETARIAL SERVICES

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To be tabled.	
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10. PUBLIC EXCLUDED SESSION	
Moved, seconded that the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting; namely	
(a) <i>Confirmation of Public Excluded Session of the Bluff Community Board held on 4 September 2017</i>	

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)(d) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution are as follows:

General subject of each matter to be considered	Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Ground(s) under Section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution
(a) Confirmation of Minutes held 4 September 2017	Protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of deceased natural persons.	Section 7(2)(a)

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE BLUFF COMMUNITY BOARD HELD IN THE BLUFF MUNICIPAL CHAMBERS, GORE STREET, BLUFF ON MONDAY 4 SEPTEMBER 2017 AT 7.00 PM

PRESENT: Mr R Fife (Chair)
Mrs W Glassey
Mrs G Henderson
Mr G A Laidlaw
Mrs P Young
Cr I L Esler

IN ATTENDANCE: Mr R King – Chief Executive
Mr R Pearson – Road Manager
Mrs N Allan – Service Centre Manager
Mr L Beer – Bluff Publicity/Promotions Officer
Ms M Chapman – Personal Assistant to the Chief Executive

1. **APOLOGY**

Nil.

2. **PUBLIC FORUM**

Nil.

3. **MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 24 JULY 2017**

Moved Cr Esler, seconded W Glassey and **RESOLVED** that the minutes be accepted as a true and correct record.

4. **MATTERS ARISING**

R Fife had spoken with Cherie Chapman, Labour Party Candidate, who was trying to organise a meeting with South Port.

5. **REPORT OF THE BLUFF PUBLICITY/PROMOTIONS OFFICER**

The report had been circulated.

Moved P Young, seconded G Laidlaw that the report be received.

5.1 **Burt Munro Challenge Bluff Hill Climb – Thursday 8 February 2018**

Mr Beer said there were still a few issues with the road at one part of the road and the Council Roding Department had been very helpful. The road had been marked up where work with the water cutting machinery was required. He was waiting for the machinery to arrive. One of the motorcycle members on the Burt Munro Committee had looked at the markings and felt it would be superb. Mr Beer was now working on the logistics for the event.

One of the big issues was bringing in to Bluff the safety barriers and then get them back to Invercargill in time for the street race. He was looking at solutions to this.

5.2 **Summer Sounds Concert**

Mr Beer said he was looking at options for the summer sounds events. Venture Southland had organised it over the last few years but this year they would provide support but wanted the communities to run the event. Andrew Watkins was looking at holding the event at the Gun Pit which would accommodate 150 people. Mr Beer was working through budgets and said Mr Watkins was happy to provide support. One of the issues could be parking but options such as shuttle buses were being investigated. Parks was happy with the proposal. DOC and Iwi would be approached for their approval. This would also draw people to the Gun Pit.

5.3 **Picnic Table**

Mr Beer said he was working with Bluff Engineering on the picnic table next to the Lighthouse Gallery. He would continue working in conjunction with Parks.

5.4 **7 Sharp**

Mr Beer said 7 Sharp would be doing a segment about what people would do if they were Prime Minister on their show. He had contacted W Glassey to be a part of this. W Glassey said if she were Prime Minister for a day she would promote discounts for volunteers.

In response to questions, the following answers were given:

1. Possibly not on the hill but it is a worldwide method of crash containment with motorcycles. They used to use them at Ascot Park Raceway for the Ivan Major Spectacular. They cushion the impact like airbags.
2. You would have to close Gun Pit Road because it is only a one way street. The other issues would be a Stirling Point. We have not set a date and we need to work in with the other Summer Sounds Concerts but it would highly likely be a Sunday, so Stirling Point parks would be taken anyway just as of tourist traffic. I think we are pricing the option of using the oyster festival carpark and just running people up there. It's the most efficient.
3. What we are counting on is because Glengarry, South City and places in Invercargill have their own, it would be primarily for Bluff people so it's probably realistic to have 100-150 people. It just gives us that intimacy that the Oyster Festival site for a small crowd doesn't. It's a picnic, short time span and is a really good venue if we can do everything right by all the parties involved.
4. It would be nicer to have our own bottle barrier and it would qualify for funding but it would only qualify for a percentage, so there will still be quite a bit of money. What happens is Southland Enterprises actually collect the milk bottles and put them in a durable sleeve like the material that go around goalposts at rugby venues. It would take a lot of milk bottles but it would be far easier if we had some in Bluff but then you have storage issues as they are six metres long.

The motion, now put, was **RESOLVED** in the **affirmative**.

6. **REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF WORKS AND SERVICES**

The report had been circulated.

6.1 **Bluff Action Sheet**

Moved W Glassey, seconded G Henderson that the report be received.

Mr Pearson took the meeting through his report. He said the bins were on order for Stirling Point and would be in place within a few weeks. He had inspected the place where a lady had fallen at Stirling Point and maintenance would be undertaken.

6.1.1 ***Stirling Point Signpost***

Mr Pearson said he had had discussions regarding the signpost at Stirling Point and where it pointed. Some people were very specific and complained that some of the fingers did not point the right way. After having this surveyed, Mr Pearson said this complaint was correct, but it could be quite costly to make changes. R Fife said the signpost was more pictorial rather than informative. Mr King said there was nothing pointing to Council's sister city Suqian or China and it was getting embarrassing when delegations came to visit, so he asked for this to be included. A discussion was held regarding whether a complete rebuilt was required or whether the fingers could be moved. It was agreed that a rebuild of the signpost would be required and Mr King suggested that this should happen. W Glassey asked that local contractors be used to do this.

6.1.2 ***Parking at Stirling Point***

Mr Pearson tabled maps of the parking plans at Stirling Point and he took the meeting through the different options to maximise parking. The issue was where the footpath went and what to use at the edge of the footpath. He was reluctant to use glass and he asked for feedback from the Board. It was agreed that the nose-in parks were preferable to the parallel parks. R Fife said something needed to be installed, whether glass or something else, because it was a health and safety issue. Cr Elser asked if the status quo could stay and Mr Pearson said it was about meeting potential risks. This was a work in progress which Council was still working on. Another issue was the length of stay for parking. Mr Pearson said it was about understanding how to use the car park and what purpose it served. R Fife suggested putting up a traffic counter to count the number of vehicles to Stirling Point.

6.1.3 ***Morrison Beach***

G Henderson said the erosion from Morrison Beach was getting worse and she gave photos she had taken to Mr Pearson. Mr Pearson said the question was who had ownership of the walls. He had spoken to Downers and South Port about this. If it was a pipeline issue it was Downers and if it was a foreshore issue it was South Port. Mr Pearson would look into this and report back at the next meeting.

6.1.4 ***Roading Issues***

P Young said she had been approached about the slumping footpath by the RSA. There was water pooling there and as yet Council had not looked at it. There were also some gouges in the road and Mr Pearson said he would look into this.

6.1.5 ***Ocean Beach Smell***

P Young said there was a strong smell coming from the back of Ocean Beach, south of the car park. She had tried to find the source of this smell but could not find anything. Mr Pearson said he would contact to Lab to investigate this.

6.1.6 ***Boat Ramp***

Mr Pearson said he had a meeting with a consultant who had been engaged to design and cost the boat ramp. He would report back to the next meeting.

6.1.7 ***Request for Mirror***

G Henderson asked for a mirror to be installed on Foreshore Road at the corner of Bluff Museum. Mr Pearson would look into other things like vegetation before installing a mirror.

The motion, now put, was **RESOLVED** in the **affirmative**.

7. **REPORT OF THE CHAIRPERSON**

The report was tabled and the Chairperson took the meeting through it.

7.1 **NZAS Site Visit**

R Fife said the date of Thursday 26 October was no good as no one was available. It was suggested this be done every two years rather than yearly.

7.2 **Zone 6 Meeting**

G Henderson and R Fife were going to this meeting in Gore. Among other things, Representation Reviews and community engagements would be discussed.

7.3 **ZED Petrol Tanks**

ZED owned the petrol tanks and said if there was enough community feedback they would pull down the tanks. R Fife said he would be in favour of contacting them and letting them know it was the view of the Board to have the tanks removed.

Moved W Glassey, seconded G Henderson and **RESOLVED** that the Board contact ZED and inform them the Board was in favour of pulling down the tanks.

7.4 **Concept Plan**

R Fife said the view of the Board at a recent workshop was that the Concept Plan not be rushed, and a proper consultation process be undertaken. He had meet with Bobbi Brown from Venture Southland who was aware of funding available for tourism in the region.

7.5 **Invercargill City Rebranding**

R Fife had attended the City Rebranding function and said it was really good. It was agreed that this was a good brand.

7.6 **Bill Gold – Fire Brigade Function**

The Bluff Community Board thanked Bill Gold for his years of voluntary service in the fire brigade.

Moved R Fife, seconded Cr Elser and **RESOLVED** that the report be received.

8. **FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

The report had been circulated.

Moved G Henderson, seconded G Laidlaw and **RESOLVED** that the report be received.

9. **URGENT BUSINESS**

9.1 **Bluff Cycle Trail Update**

R Fife said the Bluff Community Board had not been consulted on the Bluff Cycle Trail. Mr Pearson had asked Environment Southland to speak to Council as they provided a \$50,000 grant to promote this. He had received feedback about the Greenhills Park but had not had any other progress. Mr Pearson said he would contact Environment Southland for feedback.

9.2 **Freedom Camping**

Mr Pearson asked if the Community Board had thought about their position on freedom camping. W Glassey asked for the definition of freedom camping and Mr Pearson said generally freedom camping was a vehicle which was certified. Mr Fife said the Board would workshop this for ideas.

10. **PUBLIC EXCLUDED SESSION**

Moved G Henderson, seconded P Young and **RESOLVED** that the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting, namely:

(a) *Report of the Chief Executive*

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(a) 6 Ward Parade, Bluff	Protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of deceased natural persons.	Section 7(2)(a)

TO: BLUFF COMMUNITY BOARD
FROM: BLUFF PUBLICITY/PROMOTIONS OFFICER
MEETING DATE: MONDAY 16 OCTOBER 2017

REPORT OF THE BLUFF PUBLICITY/PROMOTIONS OFFICER

Report Prepared by: Lindsay Beer – Bluff Publicity/Promotions Officer

RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that this report be received.

CLASSIC MOTORCYCLE MECCA BURT MUNRO CHALLENGE BLUFF HILL CLIMB – THURSDAY 8 FEBRUARY 2018

The water cutting work on the road to improve safety is now complete. I am currently advising some of the Burt Munro Challenge Committee members that the work has been carried out so that they can visit the hill to view the work to ensure it is suitable for the event.

Classic Motorcycle Mecca has also now been confirmed as the naming rights sponsor of the event again next year.

SUMMER SOUNDS CONCERT

I am still waiting for a suitable time to meet with DOC at the Gunpit to look at our favoured Summer Sounds concert venue.

I am also looking tentatively at Sunday 28 January as a date. An application has been made to the Creative Communities Scheme for a grant to provide assistance with some aspects of the event.

AMERICA’S CUP VISIT

I have been liaising with the Bluff Yacht Club re the visit of the America’s Cup on Tuesday 17th October. The public viewing of the Cup will be at the Bluff Yacht Club from 5.00pm to 6.30pm on that day.

TO: BLUFF COMMUNITY BOARD
FROM: THE DIRECTOR OF WORKS AND SERVICES
MEETING DATE: MONDAY 16 OCTOBER 2017

BLUFF HILL WALKING TRACKS

Report Prepared by: Robin Pagan, Parks Manager

SUMMARY

The Parks Division is working with the Department of Conservation on improvement to the Bluff Hill walking tracks.
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RECOMMENDATION

That the report be received.

IMPLICATIONS

1.	<i>Has this been provided for in the Long Term Plan/Annual Plan?</i> Yes.
2.	<i>Is a budget amendment required?</i> No.
3.	<i>Is this matter significant in terms of Council's Policy on Significance?</i> No.
4.	<i>Implications in terms of other Council Strategic Documents or Council Policy?</i> N/A.
5.	<i>Have the views of affected or interested persons been obtained and is any further public consultation required?</i> Yes.
6.	<i>Has the Child, Youth and Family Friendly Policy been considered?</i> Yes.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

No additional funding has been requested at this stage.

BLUFF HILL WALKING TRACKS

The Bluff Hill walking tracks are extremely well used with numbers for the past 12 months from 1 July 2016 to 30 June 2017 for the Tōpuni track totalling 18,406 and for the Millennium track totalling 13,510.

Prior to this coming summer season, work is being undertaken to clear water tables using Department of Corrections labour along with Parks staff. Noxious weed control is currently being carried out on the track sides to prevent weed spread and encourage native plant growth while the side of the road leading up to Flagstaff Road has been cleared and planted.

Talks are being held with the Department of Conservation on alternative trails that may be used to better facilitate walkers using this area as part of the final stage of the Te Araroa Trail. Discussions with the Bluff Community Board and affected groups will be held once some indication on what is possible has been investigated.

Wilding pine tree removal will commence again on the Hill this summer.

The Southland Mountain Bike Club continue to maintain the trails they have created with the addition of gravel to provide a better surface.

CONCLUSION

It is important to open up access for the final stage of the Te Araroa Trail as numbers are increasing each year.

Business Unit **321000 - Community Boards - Bluff**

	Aug YTD			2017 / 18	
	Actual	Budget	Variance	Remaining Budget	Budget
Staff Expenditure	3,442	3,812	(370)	21,294	24,736
Administration Expenditure	327	1,270	(943)	7,293	7,620
Grants & Subsidies Expenditure	12,117	12,117	0	25,383	37,500
Operational Expenditure	0	333	(333)	2,000	2,000
Total Expenditure	15,886	17,532	(1,646)	55,970	71,856
Operating Surplus / (Deficit)	(15,886)	(17,532)	1,646	(55,970)	(71,856)
Rates Required	15,886	17,532	(1,646)	55,970	71,856

Commentary:

Bluff Community Board is under budget by \$1,646 as at 31 August 2017 but as we get into the year this will level out.