

MINUTES

Title:	Mapua Waterfront Advisory Group	
Date:	22 February 2017	
Time:	7.00 pm	
Venue:	Mapua Boat Club	
Present:	Cr Tim King Gene Cooper Martyn Barlow Elena Meredith Trish Smith Marion Satherley Janet Taylor Russell Sampson Annette Walker Nicky McBride Peter Coeland Tim Robinson David Scott	Chair Tasman District Council Mapua & District Community Association Mapua & District Community Association Mapua & District Community Association Ruby Coast Initiative Trust Mapua & Districts Business Association Neighbour Mapua Boat Club & Neighbour Mapua & Districts Business Association Mapua Wharf Business Representative Mapua Boat Club Tamaha Sea Scouts
In attendance:	Petrina Francis (Tasman District Council) Cath McFaul (Project Consultant)	

Apologies

Apologies received from Beryl Wilkes and Jamie McPherson (Tasman District Council).

Minutes: 16 November 2016

Russell Sampson asked that it was noted he was in attendance at the 16 November meeting.

The paragraph about the strategic plan under the heading “Business Association update” is in the wrong place and duplicated later in the minutes, so group agreed it can be removed.

With the above amendments, the minutes of the meeting held on 16 November 2016 were confirmed as a true and correct record.

Moved: Tim Robinson/Nicky McBride

Mapua Strategic Plan Update – Cath McFaul (Project Consultant)

Cath McFaul attended the meeting to provide an update on the Mapua Strategic Plan and introduce herself to the group. She plans to consult with various groups on the plan between now and Easter and is keen to get advice and input from the stakeholders in the plan. She wants to ensure as many as possible in the community have the opportunity for input and asked the group for ideas on particularly how to connect with the young people in the area.

Cath's brief has been to focus on Council owned land, but she will be looking at the area holistically and what the area will be like in decades to come. She hopes to have initial work done by end April and to Council. The Plan needs to be finalised after the Full Council meeting second week of July at the latest, in order to be included as part of the Long Term Plan (LTP).

Feedback from the Mapua survey will be incorporated into the work. A query was raised whether the results from the survey will be made available. Cath felt sure it will as there was a question in the survey asking if respondents would like to know the results.

The LTP looks at the budget for the 10 year plan. The sewerage project – although separate to the work in the strategic plan, will have implications and is being included in the LTP. The water/waste water solutions and timeframes (short, medium, long) will be done in tandem.

Cath is looking to run a series of public meetings for consultation. All agreed the whole community needs to be involved and have an opportunity through one form or other to be part of the consultation.

Cath agreed to send a list of stakeholders/groups and the plan for engagement, out to all with the minutes. **Action:** Petrina to liaise with Cath.

Community Association update

Elena Meredith introduced Trish Smith who has replaced her as a representative on this group.

A workshop session was held at the last Association meeting to get comments from people on various parts of Mapua, and this feedback will be collated. The association currently has 124 members.

One area they are very interested in, is the money the community donated after the aquarium was burnt down in 2011, and whether there is the possibility that another aquarium could be developed or if not, a memorial to the aquarium.

The Community Upgrade Group have developed a Facebook page with information on Mapua, specifically on the development of the park. Elena wished to clarify that this group does not represent the Community Association. The Association also has a subgroup for the Waterfront Park Upgrade and they may suggest to this new group, that the two groups could work together. Neither group is mutually exclusive.

The Association applied to the Rata Foundation for an extension to the funding grant and an extension has been granted to the 31st of May 2017.

Business Association update

Nicky McBride gave an update.

At the last meeting there was an in-house discussion on the response to the Strategic Plan. The Association envisage individual businesses will make a response to the plan.

The Business Association was dismayed at the choice of venue for the Busker Festival – especially the position of the stage, as they felt it should have been located on the grass park area. Gene explained that when the organiser approached him about using the area, he said it was fine, and the operator was quite clear they were not interested in using the park and wanted to be in the business area.

The Business Association would like, for any future interest for similar events, to ask Council to encourage use of the park area more. Cr King agreed this feedback should go to the Council Parks and Reserves team (Mike Tasman Jones) for any future interest. The group were unsure of the power facilities in this area and access for vehicles, and asked if this could also be followed up.

Action: Feedback to be passed on to Council Parks and Reserves team. Cr King/Gene Cooper

Martyn Barlow and Tim Robinson left the meeting at 7.58pm

Shed 5 Update

Golden Bear - ongoing issues with toilets and compliance. In response to a question, Gene confirmed the toilets will be inside the building.

Shed 1 Works

Jellyfish Café – significant work to repair the building will take place in June/July this year. There will be only very minimal visual changes to the outside of the building as similar design and materials to other buildings will be used. The work is to repair significant water damage/rotting/leaks. Council are currently in negotiations with the tenant around business closure/business interruption for a period while the work is done.

Mapua Wharf Condition

Work to remediate the wharf will be done in two parts – the work above the wharf, and the structure below the wharf. There are funds allocated in the LTP to do this work.

Rubbish

Annette Walker commented that the new rubbish facilities are great – they are not obtrusive and are working well. There are options to have more of these bins and the possibility that Don Yelverton as adjoining land owner could organise the same for his tenants and take advantage of the contract already in place.

The rubbish solution does require an element of recycling. Gene will provide an update for the commercial rubbish solution at the next meeting. May need to reconfigure the bin capacity to cope with the volume of general rubbish, with a smaller requirement for recycling.

General Items

The Wine Bar on the corner is gradually extending their outside space and have now taken over a large outside area. Unfortunately, this makes the pedestrian and disabled access in this area difficult. **Action:** Gene will follow up with the tenants.

The bollards have been damaged and the hydraulics are not working correctly. Gene confirmed that Council is looking at the damage and organising specialists to repair.

Lighting

Jamie McPherson (Transportation Manager at Council) is looking at refining an option for lighting in the main street. He may be able to reallocate some budget to this and if so, the work could be done this financial year (June/July).

A query was raised about the light not working outside the fire station. Gene encouraged all to phone Council and report these types of issues, as they are dealt with via Jamie McPherson's team (not through the Commercial Manager).

The group asked Gene to clarify with Jamie if the lighting plans will cover the main street *and* the carpark areas? **Action:** Gene to speak to Jamie.

Campervan issues

There was an extended discussion on freedom camper issues, due to the problem recently with freedom campers taking over Council owned private land. Signs have now been put up that say no overnight camping, to actively discourage camping and in an attempt to resolve the issue without going over the top with padlocks, trespass notices and additional security. Council will continue to monitor the situation.

Further discussion about whether camping rights should distinguish between those who are self-contained and freedom campers that are not. Also, the money spent by campers in the local shops and cafes.

If the community decides it would like to have a freedom camping ground area – this could be a suggestion for the strategic plan. Gene has placed it on the list for discussion/consultation. The neighbours can get together as a group and put together a proposal and present it to Council or it can be raised with the Community Association.

The Chair explained that freedom camping is high on Council's agenda and a meeting/workshop coming up in the near future to look at the issue. It is an issue for Councils nationwide.

Parking issues

A recent issue was raised when a bus parked in the main carpark area and took up seven car parks. This is a parking enforcement issue.

There were several parking issues raised at the last meeting and the group requested that these are passed on to Jamie McPherson to respond to. **Action: Gene/Tim King**

Elena mentioned that Jamie McPherson is going to the next meeting of the Community Association.

In response to a question, Gene confirmed he has not received any complaints about motorcycles parked on the wharf.

Neighbour Representatives

The Chair had an enquiry from another neighbour interested in being on this group. He asked if the Group were happy to have the two current neighbourhood reps on the group – and should he ask this person if he would like to work through the current reps, or would the group like to have another rep as well?

Discussion. General consensus was that another rep was not needed. Annette offered to talk to the interested neighbour and provide the agenda for future meetings via email so that

she can get feedback on anything they would like discussed at the meeting. The group suggested that the Neighbour/hood reps may like to form their own group to meet and get feedback to feed into this group.

Also, the confirmed (approved and final) minutes of these meetings are available on the Council website for the public to read.

Elena Meredith

Elena bid farewell to the group. From her perspective, as she has been on the group for a number of years, she felt the meetings and group work well. To the Chair and others who have chaired – Elena said this group is one way that Council fronts its responsibilities and this is great. She encouraged the group to continue onward and forward, and sang a song of encouragement. Kia Kaha.

The Chair thanked Elena for her contributions.

Meeting Closed: 9.02pm

Next Meeting: Wednesday 17 May 2017

Action log:

Action	Who
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Send list of stakeholders and groups and the plan for engagement out to all with the minutes <i>Update – now completed.</i> 	Cath McFaul/Petrina
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pass on feedback from Business Association re encouraging use of the park area for future events in Mapua, to the Council Parks and Reserves team. <i>Update: Gene Cooper actioned 27/2/17</i> 	Cr King/Gene Cooper
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Follow up with the tenant for the Wine Bar regarding the issue of their outside space extending creating access difficulties. <i>Update: Gene Cooper actioned 23/2/17</i> 	Gene Cooper
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clarify with Council Transportation Manager (Jamie McPherson) re lighting in the main street and whether plans will cover the main street and the carpark areas. <i>Update: Gene has spoken to Jamie and Jamie will update the Motueka District Community Association on the scope of this at their meeting on 13 March.</i> 	Gene Cooper
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pass on the parking issues raised at the November 2016 meeting for Jamie McPherson to respond to. <i>Update: Passed on via email to Jamie 28/2/17</i> 	Gene Cooper