

Wānaka-Upper Clutha Community Board

22 August 2024

Report for Agenda Item | Rīpoata moto e Rāraki take [6]

Title | Taitara : Chair's Report

Purpose of the Report | Te Take mō te Pūroko

The purpose of this report is:

- a. to provide the Board with an update on projects of interest;
- b. to allow members to report on recent community engagement; and
- c. to cover other matters not listed elsewhere on the agenda.

Recommendation | Kā Tūtohuka

That Wānaka-Upper Clutha Community Board:

1. **Note** the contents of this report.

Prepared by:



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Title: Chair

6 August 2024

Context | Horopaki

Members' Sector Engagement Updates

Simon's comments

1. In early July the community was shocked by the death of Hiroto Shimura who was riding his bike near the Anderson Road and SH84 intersection. I spent some time connecting with Police and offering support via the Japanese Consular and laying some flowers.
2. Since my last report I have met with the Mayor twice for informal meetings covering the topics of local health services, sports fields in the Upper Clutha, Wānaka Airport master planning, empowerment of the Community Board for Scurr Heights reserves and other matters relating to local government.
3. Councillor Ferguson always makes the effort to visit the Upper Clutha regularly – something we are grateful for. In a recent visit we caught up for coffee to share insights in to local government and for Ferg to hear first-hand some of the projects and initiatives happening in Wānaka.
4. Kathy Dedo and I had a walk and talk meeting along the Outlet Track on a glorious mid-winter afternoon. In her capacity as Deputy Chair of Central Lakes Trust we had a high level discussion on the Trust and the Community Board working together to fund community infrastructure projects.
5. The opening of Cardrona Station's development in Cardrona was a positive, well attended Saturday afternoon event. It was refreshing to hear words of respect and appreciation between the developer and QLDC, especially around the investment in Cardrona's new reticulated water supply scheme.
6. Making Board Meetings not "Bored Meetings" was the topic of an Institute of Directors event at Edgewater. I appreciated the facilitation of David Downs and local Giselle McLachlan and took away a number of tips for chairing Community Board meetings and workshops.
7. This year's WAO Summit programme feels refined and dynamic. I attended the launch in late July and heard Monique Kelly showcase the inspirational speakers and topics that will feature between 29 October and 2 November 2024.
8. July's 'Share With Us' session at Paetara Aspiring Central focused on the Long Term Plan. Attendance by the Mayor was appreciated and about ten members of the community attended and asked questions on a range of matters – from the proposed Performing Arts Centre and projected growth numbers through to gratefulness for the Wānaka Community Workshop and our urban cycle network.
9. Ensuring all their pupils can travel safely to and from school, walking or biking, is extremely important to Take Kārara. I attended their August Board of Trustees meeting to help them understand the planning for shared paths, cycle ways and other road safety initiatives that are planned for their school zone.

Lyal's comments

10. Wānaka Community Response Group (CRG) members undertook further training and a session was held at the Hub to familiarize members with the layout and available areas for the Group to set up in the event of an emergency. Input was provided by a member of the Lake Hawea CRG which was most useful and indicated that Group is well organized.
11. The LTP Drop-in Session at the Wānaka Library only attracted a few members of the public, however the Luggate session was well attended and there was useful discussion. LTP hearings will be held in Queenstown on Monday 26 August and in Wānaka on Tuesday 27 August. Councillors will deliberate in Queenstown on Wednesday 28 August.
12. A Wānaka Business Chamber BA5 was hosted by the ANZ and the new Manager revealed the intention is to return to having the bank open every day of the week.
13. At the Path Wānaka meeting, Sally Murray was appointed as the new Operation Manager. Sally has recently moved to Wānaka from Christchurch and has extensive experience in the education sector. The new Path Wānaka website is now live. Go to www.pathwanaka.org.nz.
14. At the Challenge Wānaka Sports Trust AGM, the chair reported on a tough year with costs up and competitor numbers down, but there were some great events. It was the final year of Integrity Homes as naming sponsorship. An independent expert (Chris Randall) has been engaged to provide advice and assist with the move of Challenge Wānaka back into town.
15. The Albert Town Community Association continues to work on getting the bus shelter provided by the Otago Regional Council installed beside the bus stop adjacent to the commercial area. It is not a simple process, but progress is being made. Council has agreed to install a picnic table at Templeton Park.
16. Some impressive annual statistics were presented at the Food for Love AGM where it was revealed that over the year they had made 9,085 meals, feeding an average of 74 people per week. This leads to the question, how could we now do without this organisation? Food for Love is well led, well organised and reliant on a large number of volunteers. They have recently moved into new premises on Gordon Road.

John's comments

17. I attended several of the Long Term Plan Drop-in meetings in Wānaka and helped draft the Community Board submission on the plan.
18. Together with Barry Bruce, we have continued to work on a safe active transport route for Te Kura O Take Kārara pupils through Three Parks, as more development occurs.
19. I attended a celebration of the new Upper Clutha Birthing unit.
20. I have liaised with staff regarding flooding and erosion issues on the new Golf Course Road.

Barry's comments

21. I have been working with Te Kura O Take Kārara to establish safe travel routes for pupils and staff.

22. I have also been working with property owners and other affected parties concerned about the roading changes and traffic lights installed very close to the Brownston Street-Ardmore Street roundabout. These are causing business disruption but also have the potential for traffic jams and inhibiting access for emergency vehicles.

Chris's comments

23. I continue work with Wānaka Arts Centre Trust (WACT) and have also spent considerable time since the last meeting compiling the Board's LTP submission.

Linda's comments

24. I attended the Wānaka Chamber of Commerce ANZ event to hear Matt Chisholm speak on very real and meaningful events and changes to his life and the embracing of rural life with his family.

25. The Guardians of Lake Wānaka met and we attended a site visit on the western side of the lake.

26. Mount Cardrona Station resort opening was well attended by local residents, the Mayor, other Councillors and Community Board members. The long term vision of the Lee Family and the developer Chris Morton, Andrew Spencer was finally a reality. As the Community Board representative on the Cardrona Ratepayers' and Residents' Association, it was great to attend this grand opening of a significant asset to the community.

Attachments | Kā Tāpirihaka

A	Three Waters projects report
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Attachment A: Three Waters Project Update

Project Code	Project Name	Project Status	Estimated Practical Completion	Location	Phase	Status Report Overall Comment (Last months)
001353	Cardrona Water Supply Scheme Pipeline (WS)	Red - Critical	20/06/2024	Cardrona	7.Construction	Physical works are complete. Practical Completion will be issued shortly.
000625	Project Pure Upgrade (WW)	Green - On Track	06/03/2024	Wanaka	7.Construction	Practical Completion has been issued.
001260	Wanaka New Waste Facilities	Amber - At Risk	07/10/2026	Wanaka	3.Concept Design	The Options Analysis is complete and concept design is due for completion in November The preferred option makes use of the wider acquired site but this has resulted in an increased scope in both area and enabling works required.