

5 May 2022

Olivia MacKenzie

s7(2)(a)

Tēnā koe Olivia

Request for Information – Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act (LGOIMA) 1987

We refer to your official information request dated 21 March 2022 and refined on 1 April 2022.

You have requested:

- all emails and direct messages relating to the Te Ara Raukura naming process from all members of the Wainuiomata Community Board from 08 February 2021 to 15 March 2021.
- the meeting agendas and minutes for two Wainuiomata Community Board meetings dated 22 February and 01 March 2021.

Emails and direct messages from the Wainuiomata Community Board in respect of the naming process are attached. Some information has been redacted from these documents under section 7(2)(a) of the LGOIMA, to protect the privacy of individuals.

Links to the documents associated with the two Wainuiomata Community Board meetings were provided to you in my email dated 5 April 2022.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this response. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

Please note that this letter may be published on the Council's website.

Nāku noa, nā



Susan Sales

Senior Advisor, Official Information and Privacy

Encl Attachment 1

From: [Gabriel Tupou](#)
To: [Wainuiomata Community Board](#)
Subject: FW: Re Harry Martin
Date: Friday, 19 February 2021 8:11:01 pm

I've acknowledged receipt of this message.
- Gabriel.

From: Gabriel Tupou [gabrielgupou@gmail.com]
Sent: Friday, 19 February 2021 8:09 p.m.
To: Gabriel Tupou
Subject: Re Harry Martin

Text message from s7(2)(a)

7:49pm on 19 Feb 2021

Kia Ora Gabriel, after giving thought to our conversation earlier, I would relay from the family of the late Harry Martin, that we do not agree to the community board holding another meeting and another vote for the street naming. It was a decisive vote at the meeting on Wednesday night and ethically Harry Martin Lane should be the outcome.

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From: dawnmckinley [REDACTED]@ [REDACTED]
Sent: Sunday, 21 February 2021 1:57 PM
To: Jo Miller; Kathryn Stannard
Subject: Major concerns WCB meeting 17th February 2021

Good afternoon Jo and Kathryn.

Please find attached my letter of concern about the events surrounding the WCB meeting dated 17th February 2021.

Unfortunately I have been unable to access my HCC email account and I have sent this from my personal email.

Once I get my HCC login sorted I will send via that route also. For some reason I can access my emails via my phone but not my laptop. Technology can be a blessing and a curse.

Thank you for taking the time to read my letter after a very difficult week.

Kind regards

Dawn

21st February 2021

Dear Jo and Katherine,

Re Major Safety and Wellbeing Concerns WCB Meeting 17th February 2021

After a very anxious and stressful few days I am writing to you with regards to the circumstances surrounding the Wainuiomata Community Board meeting on 17th February 2021.

On Monday 15th February I received notification that I would be acting chair at the meeting due to the fact the Chair, Gabriel Tupou would need to be in self isolation due to COVID-19.

On Tuesday 16th February there was a discussion between me, the chair and Toi around the option to zoom Wednesday's board meeting so all could attend. It was decided to continue with a physical meeting as the logistics to host the meeting via zoom was going to be difficult.

At 7pm on Tuesday 16th an informal zoom meeting was held to look at the agenda and I asked members to read their papers and come prepared to the meeting. There was no discussion as to how members were going to vote, and this can be confirmed by those members present. My understanding is that we read our papers, do our own research, listen to submissions, and then vote accordingly.

Wednesday 17th February the meeting was held. During that meeting a decision on item 8 to name a new street was made. There were 7 recommendations for the Proposed New Public Street name. All worthy of consideration. These recommendations were taken down to a choice of two; Harpori Lane and Harry Martin Lane. A vote was taken. s7(2)(a) and I would like to emphasise there was no intention to offend or upset anyone. There were 3 votes for Harry Martin Lane and 2 votes for Harpori Lane. The motion was carried.

Following the decision, a protest Haka was performed and at this point I felt intimidated, bullied, and threatened. A senior council officer and a councillor felt the need to stand with the group in support of the protest leaving me feeling isolated and unsupported. I respectfully sat through the protest and allowed them to finish before we continued with the final items on the agenda for our meeting. At this point I was tearful and shaken by what had proceeded. This is definitely not okay!!

Friday 19th February Gabriel contacted all members saying he had been working with officers towards an amicable outcome and that it would be a 'Win, Win' for Mana Whenua and the family of Harry Martin, but we had to act quickly. We held a video call at 3pm and the solution put forward was to file a Motion for Revocation as per standing order 24.

I made the decision to agree but felt that this decision was made under pressure due to the time restraints as a decision was needed at HCC by 4pm. I was not the right frame of mind to make such a pressured decision and maybe if I had given more time to make the decision it would have been different.

Also, I do not see it as a win as there will be a disappointed party. By filing this motion, I personally feel that this.

- Undermines the democratic process
- Undermines the decision made by the board.
- Dishonours the late Harry Martin
- Dishonours Harry Martin's family

Over the last few days due to the fall out generated by the decision I currently feel unsafe and reluctant to leave my home. For example, on Friday night I had a function to attend and arranged to be dropped off and picked up from the event for fear of being abused in the street. I have also not been using local businesses for fear of the same repercussions. This is not what I signed up for. However, I fully understand that the board must make decisions that may not be popular. I have lived in Wainuiomata for over 10 years and never once have I felt unsafe, that changed on 17th February.

I would also like to commend Toi from Democratic Services for her support before, during and after the meeting. She did an amazing job under difficult circumstances at what was an exceedingly difficult meeting and I feel that in future such possibly contentious decisions like this should be voted on by all members.

The anxiety and distress I have experienced over the last week had a major effect on me and I wanted you to be aware of the impact and consequences since last Wednesday.

I look forward to your response and thank you for taking the time to read.

Yours Sincerely

Dawn McKinley

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17 FEB 2021, 21:26

Gabriel

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Kia ora koutou - hope it all went well tonight?

Dawn

It was very difficult



17 FEB 2021, 22:00

Yes it was extremely difficult. It would have been good to have had @Sisi Tuala-Le'afa and you @Gabriel Tupou there. The outcome may have been different. Also Gabriel, Dawn did very well considering she was on the hot seat tonight and there was a lot of angst.

Sisi

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Oh man I'm so sorry team!

17 FEB 2021, 23:43

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17 FEB 2021, 23:43

As soon as s7(2)(a) clearance comes in, and at the soonest time possible for everyone, can we please have a debrief on tonight's meeting in person?



18 FEB 2021, 08:53

s7(2)(a)
Dawn



18 FEB 2021, 09:13

s7(2)(a)
Sisi



18 FEB 2021, 11:23

s7(2)(a)
Terry



18 FEB 2021, 16:59

@Gabriel Tupou you were given this option weren't you?

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18 FEB 2021, 21:53

Gabriel

Kia ora. No. The option for WCB meeting was either we hold it all on zoom or proceed as usual, there was no option for either Sisi or myself to participate virtually or via teleconference. After learning that ECB and PCB proceeded with their meetings, and as we were not set up on HCC zoom - it was decided to proceed with the meeting in public, also allowing people to have their say as long as capacity did not exceed 100 people.

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19 FEB 2021, 08:27

Terry

Hi Team, on a **↓** er matter, can all Board members call

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Thank you for the email from s7(2)(a) It would have been good to have had this forwarded last night when you received it?

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Unavailable from 1:30pm for the rest of today.

Keri

Jodie, I said if you have any questions/problems ring me direct as I'm often not reading these messages. You've quoted me out of context, which is why if you have an issue/question ring me. I said there is a gap between now and the next meeting so there is plenty of time to meet before the next meeting. I also said in hard decisions/votes there is sometimes disappointment for those who vote never went through. That happens regularly, remeeting to discuss the vote is moot. Discussing the merits of who voted where is already well debated in the meeting. I'm happy to meet for further training sessions.

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19 FEB 2021, 14:14

Gabriel

Kia ora koutou, re the Street name: I have just heard from officers. And have been working towards an amicable outcome for all parties involved. This solution will be a win-win for Mana Whenua and Harry Martin's whānau. However, we have to act quickly. I am going to try and call each of you to explain. Ngā Mihi.

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Sisi

@Gabriel Tupou call on here

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Then we can all tune in

Terry

So are we going to do a zoom call ?

Gabriel

One moment

Gabriel

3pm video/ zoom...? My

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The video chat ended.

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Terry

Hi All, forgot to mention, which Maori name are we proposing to replace Harry Martin Lane. Cheers Terry

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Gabriel

Terry and can be determined at the meeting. It will be a public meeting.

Just something quick. Can everyone, if possible please respond to my email re the notice of motion as either supporting or not.

Gary is unavailable for s7(2)(a) and couldn't get Jodie.

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Sisi

I won't be back to my laptop for another hour so, I support - take this message

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Sisi

I won't be back to my laptop for another hour or so, I support - take this message as so I'll follow up with email

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Gabriel



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19 FEB 2021, 18:12

Gabriel

Possible statement on our page? Draft below...

19 February 2021

Tēnā koutou katoa,
Today the Wainuiomata Community Board decided to revisit a decision concerning the new road at the heart of Wainuiomata – 18 The Strand, Wainuiomata. The meeting of 17 February took place under Covid alert Level 2 of this week and not all members

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Possible statement on our page? Draft below...

19 February 2021

Tēnā koutou katoa,
Today the Wainuiomata Community Board decided to revisit a decision concerning the new road at the heart of Wainuiomata – 18 The Strand, Wainuiomata. The meeting of 17 February took place under Covid alert Level-2 of this week and not all members were able to attend.

We will meet to make decisions that will honour both the request of Mana Whenua and will also recognise the late Harry Martin.

Meeting to be held:
6:30pm on Monday 1st
March 2021
At the Wainuiomata Library

We will comm ↓ further at the meeting.

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19 FEB 2021, 19:59

Gabriel

Kia ora all - I am going to take a break from this tonight, as it has been quite a taxing couple of day on various fronts. I had to speak to

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s7(2)(a) And they are not happy with the decision. I am sure they will be present at the March meeting.

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Gary



Terry

Yeah, we need the Council Officer to make sure the road named after Harry Martin is very appropriate.

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22 FEB 2021, 06:29

Sisi

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22 FEB 2021, 06:29

Sisi

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Board snubs Māori name for Lower Hutt street in favour of ex-mayor

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22 FEB 2021, 19:20

Gary

Kia ora koutou ^re we meeting up in ↓ ally before next weeks meeting?!

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22 FEB 2021, 19:20

Gary

Kia ora koutou. Are we meeting up informally before next weeks meeting? I thought we were tonight?

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22 FEB 2021, 20:19

Gabriel

I will do a follow up with officers tomorrow to see how far they've come with putting together a report of appropriate roads. Officers may want to meet with us to brief us if possible - will know more tomorrow.

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23 FEB 2021, 08:45

Dawn

Keep us posted
If anyone is around for this weeks board clinic I would appreciate the company.
2-3 at the library

23 FEB 09:28

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24 FEB 2021, 15:17

Gabriel

I'm heading to a workshop in Wellington. Just checking if the board wants to put a statement on our page tonight re Monday's meeting? Toi has put in article in this week's paper. Cheers.

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Sorry Toi has put an advert in the paper, not an article.

24 FEB 2021, 15:22

Gabriel

Pre-Agenda meeting for the board on Monday morning via video conference. Info sent via email.

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24 FEB 2021, 15:38



24 FEB 2021, 16:17

Gary



24 FEB 2021, 16:37

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Gabriel

The meeting Agenda/ papers are now ready, we received them via email this afternoon. They have also been published online via HCC website.

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This includes the report with recommendations from officers.

25 FEB 2021, 20:14

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Gary



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Due to possible public perception that iwi might be seen as influencing members prior to the meeting. I won't comment further, as the correspondence was between

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(HCC). However, as I discussed with you the other day, there is a risk factor in meeting with Mana Whenua just as the meeting were to commence, as we are decision-makers and closed door meetings with any interested party, just as people arrive puts both Mana Whenua and members at risk when we are already under public scrutiny.

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Gabriel
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27 FEB 2021, 13:08

Another note Board members - and I'm putting this here due to time constraints before Monday's meeting. I see that there are 2 roads to be named now for the extraordinary meeting.

Can we as a board please postpone the 2nd road in Parkway until the next ordinary board meeting?

I don't see why this should be a problem when Council were going to have it on the agenda for the next meeting - they wouldn't have foreseen an extraordinary meeting, so it can wait.

Reasons;

- 1) Insufficient time to consult
- 2) Most name suggestions for the Strand were specific to this place and held meaning
- 3) Name the 2nd road with one of the other suggestions

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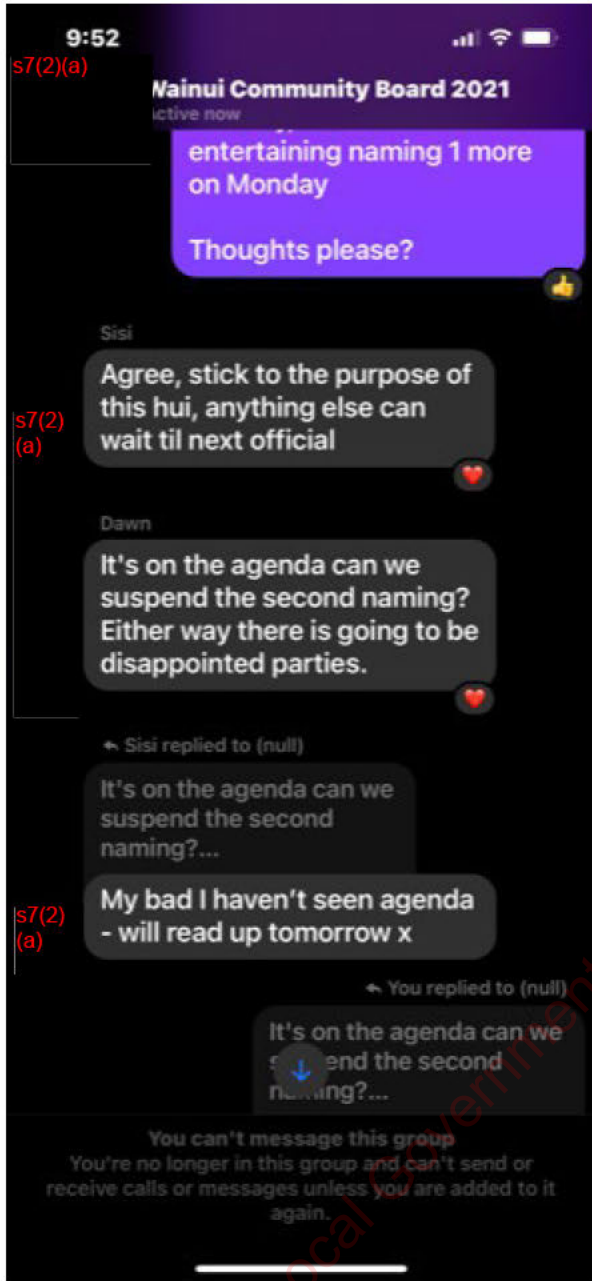
extraordinary meeting, so it can wait.
Reasons;
1) Insufficient time to consult
2) Most name suggestions for the Strand were specific to this place and held meaning
3) Naming the 2nd road with one of the other suggestions will appear to be a "consultation prize"
4) it does not need to be named right now
5) we are having the extraordinary meeting to address the last meeting decision - that is it
6) I can foresee multiple issues if we do proceed with naming 2 streets on Monday, and unless Council can give us 7 roads to name on Monday, we should not be entertaining naming 1 more on Monday

Thoughts please?

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naming?...

I'm sure we can if we all agree, even if it's on the agenda. Should not have been put there in the first place

I have sent this message to you also via our official HCC email

Gabriel

I'm in a wānanga, so won't be able to respond to messages this weekend. The Notice of Motion, which was signed by three of us, was already put to the CEO, who accepted it. We agreed on revoking 18 The Strand and giving Harry Martin "an appropriate road." It wouldn't look good if WCB were to then take the alternate Road for Martin off the agenda, which is already in the public domain. I suggest any questions or concerns be put to officers on Monday morn ↓

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...to be put to officers on Monday morning.

@Gabriel Tupou unsure what you mean???

This isn't about the names, it's about a second road to now name?

It can wait

Gabriel

Yes, that's what I mean - the road off Grovesdale Square.

We are meeting Monday morning with officers, that is the opportunity to ask questions in relation to the agenda etc.

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Indeed we will! I want to know why we have a second road to name at the extraordinary meeting and who decided this?

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Dawn

Just reading the agenda

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27 FEB 2021, 13:55

Dawn

Just reading through agenda and will go over all the correspondence from the last week and will put together my questions for Mondays meeting with officers. Hopefully things will be clearer following the meeting



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27 FEB 2021, 21:20

We are going to do what with our community board meeting now? Logistically a nightmare for the public to attend

*what

Dawn

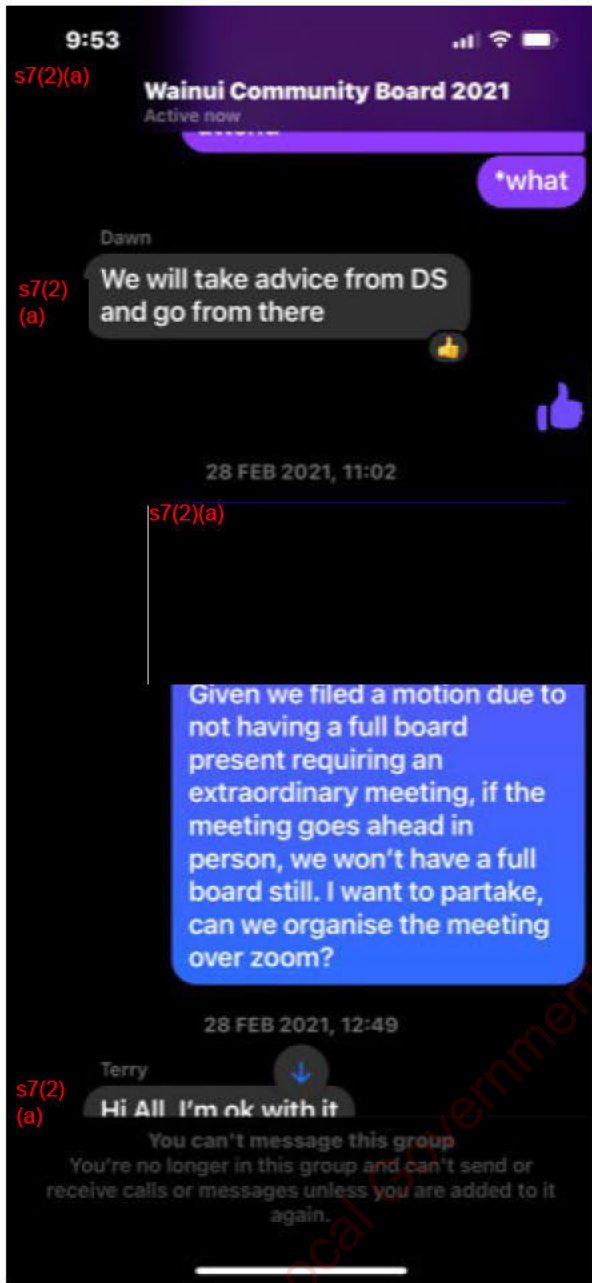
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We will take advice from DS and go from there



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01 MAR 2021, 11:26

Sisi

Ok now that I've almost caught up can we please 'meet' prior to tonight's hui to make a decision on street name in private so that we can front this with a United front and be clear on our comms and plan of proceeding for tonight/game plan; ensure that we STAY the course of our United front and not stray or waffle, by being clear on our stance, and with clear way forward.



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Might not be possible with set up happening at 5:30pm. I think it's fairly obvious given recent times, mana whenua deserve the respect

Sisi

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Terry

Hi All, I agree with Sisi in regards of deciding a name before the meeting. This will give us a United Front. Considering Harry Martin Lane is being revolt , I'm supporting Te Ara R not sure in spelling, they have significant ties to the land in the area proposed for the new road/ street.



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Kathryn explained at today's meeting that it has to be voted first to take off the table Harry Martin for the Strand naming. We have to vote that first, then we put forward the recommendations, debate and then vote. I think we should follow process.

Sisi

Just to clarify - we are NOT pre determining the name sorry for not being clear. I only meant that we stay the

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and then vote. I think we
should follow process.

Sisi

Just to clarify - we are NOT
pre determining the name
sorry for not being clear. I
only meant that we stay the
course/game plan that we
decide on so that everyone is
on same page - there will be
lots of emotion tonight and
that can cause side tracking -
but a game plan on our United
front will ensure that we stay
the cause

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Course

Yes I hear you, but thought
that was the whole point of
this mornings meeting? I have
also asked a few times to
have a debrief, but that hasn't
happened 😊

Sisi

I understand that it was more
process etc... I ↓ alking
about how we as a board plan

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happened 😊

Sisi

I understand that it was more process etc...I'm talking about how we as a board plan to process through our chair in tonight's meeting etc #gameplanning

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We have to go through the process - that hasn't changed. We are having public comment and we need to listen. Pre determining anything else beyond that is not a democracy. I think we follow the process tonight, we will listen and then vote.

Going forward, after this, we defiantly need to have a meeting if you all agree?

Sisi

Agree, not disputing that we go through the process but seeing as we v. at a United

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Going forward, after this, we defiantly need to have a meeting if you all agree?

Sisi

Agree, not disputing that we go through the process but seeing as we want a United front I'm just wanting to make sure that nobody is thrown under the bus because we didn't have a team talk prior

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I agree with you too. I'm annoyed that not everyone agreed to a debrief that I'd asked for at least twice! Exact reason why you're asking for one now. I think the board has been let down significantly given the attention our last meeting has got. I asked for leadership and was told to wait until the meeting this morning.

Terry

Got It, what C. ↓ ne said to you guys seems a straight

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was told to wait until the meeting this morning.

Terry

Got It, what s7(2)(a) said to you guys seems a straight forward process. There was always going to be emotions regardless what street name we chose, my opinion is that from here on what ever is voted on, we need to respect the decision even if some of us voted for another name.

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Sisi

For me, moving forward - after this mornings procedure/process from council hui, for us as a board going into what potentially will be an emotionally charged hui - and wanting to present a United front ive set a 4pm Zoom meeting for anyone who is keen

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Terry

I'm keen, Messenger worked

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last time too.



01 MAR 2021, 15:03

Gabriel

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Will try, just off to an appointment.

01 MAR 2021, 15:35

Dawn

No pre determined decisions would give any value before the meeting. Let's follow the usual process and as long as we are respectful to individual members decisions and support each other we will be fine.

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Dawn

I will still be at work

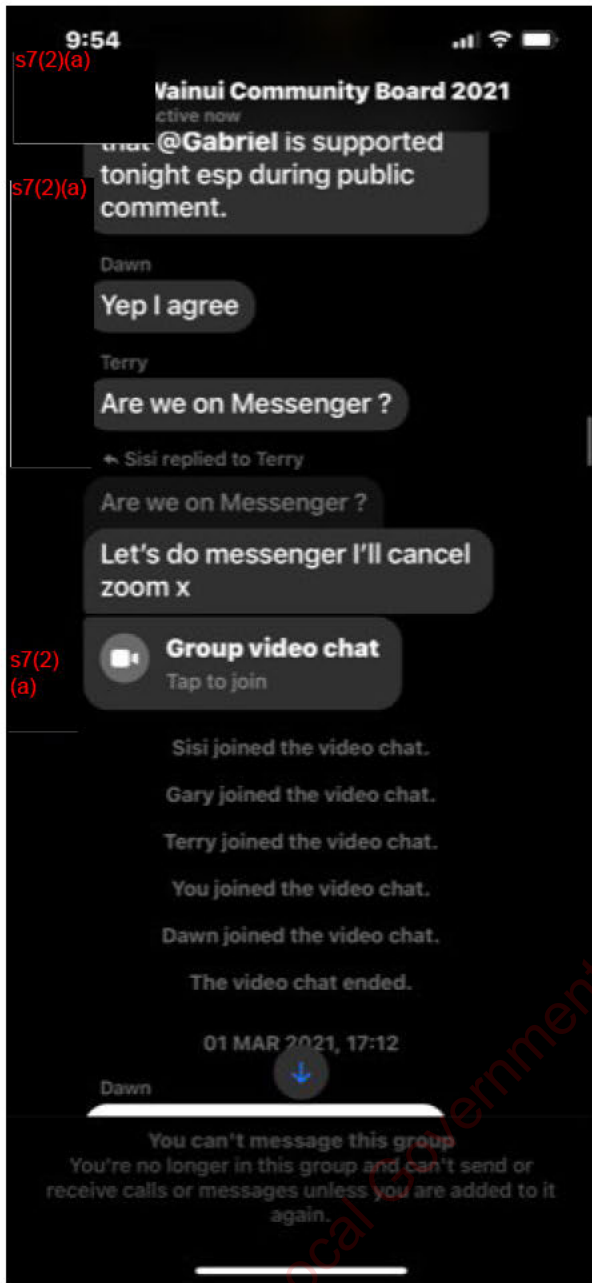


Sisi

Just want to ensure a plan so that @Gabriel ↓ upported tonight esp during public

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From: Gabriel Tupou <Gabriel.Tupou@huttcity.govt.nz>

Sent: Friday, 19 February 2021 5:39 pm

To: Jo Miller <Jo.Miller@huttcity.govt.nz>; Keri Brown <Keri.Brown@huttcity.govt.nz>; Dawn McKinley <Dawn.McKinley@huttcity.govt.nz>; Sisi Tuala-Le'afa <Sisi.Tuala-Leafa@huttcity.govt.nz>; Gary Sue <Gary.Sue@huttcity.govt.nz>; Jodie Winterburn <Jodie.winterburn@huttcity.govt.nz>; Terry Stallworth <Terry.Stallworth@huttcity.govt.nz>

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Subject: RE: Notice of Motion and Request for Extraordinary Meeting of the Wainuiomata Community Board

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On 19/02/2021, at 4:44 PM, Gabriel Tupou <Gabriel.Tupou@huttcity.govt.nz> wrote:

Tēnā koe Jo,

Please find below my Notice of Motion for revocation as per Standing Orders Clause 24 Revocation or alteration of resolutions. I also attach a signed version of this motion.

Friday 19th February 2021

NOTICE OF MOTION

I move that the Wainuiomata Community Board:

- (1) considers revoking resolution (1) Minute No. WCB 211014 approving a street name for the new Public Road, Wainuiomata Mall Development at 18 The Strand, Wainuiomata as Harry Martin Lane made at its meeting held on 17 February 2021;
- (2) considers a replacement street name for the new Public Road, Wainuiomata Mall Development at 18 The Stand, Wainuiomata; and
- (3) asks officers to prepare a report recommending an appropriate new road for use of the name Harry Martin.

Signed by us

Gabriel Tupou – signed 19/02/2021

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Terry Stallworth – signed 19/02/2021

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Sisi Tuala-Le’afa – signed 19/02/2021

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At the time of this Notice of Motion, I can confirm the following members of the Wainuiomata Community Board support this notice:

Gabriel Tupou, Chairperson
Dawn McKinley, Deputy Chairperson
Terry Stallworth
Sisi Tuala Le'afa
Cr Keri Brown

I also wish to call an extraordinary meeting of the Wainuiomata Community Board at the soonest convenient time to consider the new name of the public road at 18 The Strand, Wainuiomata. I understand that the soonest time that this meeting can take place is the 1st of March, as my Notice of Motion requires five working days before it could be considered at a meeting. Can you and your staff please liaise with me around the setting of the day, time and place of this extraordinary meeting.

I look forward to receiving acknowledgment from you, confirming receipt of this Notice of Motion. Please let me know if you require any information.

Nāku iti noa, nā

Gabriel Tupou
CHAIRPERSON
Wainuiomata Community Board

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From: Gabriel Tupou
To: s7(2)(a)
Subject: RE:
Date: Friday, 19 February 2021 5:41:11 pm

Kia ora s7(2)(a)

I have left a message on your phone and have also sent this via text message:

Regarding the Wainuiomata Community Board decision on Wednesday night. Due to Covid alert Level-2 this week, not all members (including myself) were able to attend the meeting.

We are looking at meeting again where all members can be present and we can re-visit this decision so that we can honour both the request of Mana Whenua in the centre of Wainuiomata and also recognise the late Harry Martin within Wainuiomata.

Meeting details are:

6:30pm
Monday 1st March 2021
Wainuiomata Library

I will comment further at the meeting.

Nāku iti noa, nā

Gabriel Tupou
CHAIRPERSON
Wainuiomata Community Board

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-----Original Message-----

From: Jodie Winterburn

Sent: Monday, 22 February 2021 11:15 AM

To: Kathryn Stannard

Subject: Question

Hi Kathryn,

Is it possible for someone to arrange a hui with a representative from local iwi with the Wainuiomata Community Board? I (and others) think this is needed prior to our meeting on March 1.

Is this something you can have arranged for us?

Kind regards,

Jodie Winterburn

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From: [Gabriel Tupou](#)
To: [Kathryn Stannard](#)
Subject: RE: Resolution of the Board - Proposed New Public Street Name: Wainuiomata Mall Redevelopment - 18 The Strand, Wainuiomata
Date: Friday, 19 February 2021 12:28:33 pm

Thanks Kathryn,
Much appreciated.

Nāku iti noa, nā

Gabriel Tupou, MInstD
CHAIRPERSON
Wainuiomata Community Board

From: Kathryn Stannard
Sent: Friday, 19 February 2021 12:14 p.m.
To: Gabriel Tupou
Subject: Resolution of the Board - Proposed New Public Street Name: Wainuiomata Mall Redevelopment - 18 The Strand, Wainuiomata

RESOLVED: (Ms McKinley/Mr Stallworth)

“That the Board:

- (1) approves a street name for the new Public Road (attached as Appendix 1 to the report) as Harry Martin Lane; and
- (2) approves the appropriate road type as shown in the list attached as Appendix 3 to the report.”

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From: [Gabriel Tupou](#)
To: [Kathryn Stannard](#); [Toi Lealofi](#)
Subject: WCB Extraordinary Meeting
Date: Tuesday, 23 February 2021 12:21:33 pm

Kia ora Kathryn and Toi,

Just checking in to see when we may be able to meet a head of Monday's extraordinary meeting. Noting that we'll need to run through the agenda and discuss an appropriate alternative for Harry Martin, which will be in the officer's report.

Perhaps members could have a workshop/ brief with s7(2)(a), as Kathryn suggested on Friday?

Nāku iti noa, nā

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From: Dawn McKinley
Sent: Tuesday, 16 February 2021 3:47 PM
To: Gabriel Tupou; Toi Lealofi
Subject: RE: Zoom meeting - WCB meeting

I am not sure what to do for the best.

s7(2)(a)

Sent from my Galaxy

----- Original message -----

From: Gabriel Tupou <Gabriel.Tupou@huttcity.govt.nz>
Date: 16/02/2021 13:53 (GMT+12:00)
To: Toi Lealofi <Toi.Lealofi@huttcity.govt.nz>, Dawn McKinley <Dawn.McKinley@huttcity.govt.nz>
Subject: RE: Zoom meeting - WCB meeting

Kia ora Toi,

How can we ensure that members of the public can participate in this direct form of democracy?
I am aware the a lot of elderly folk don't have zoom. Do we want to prioritise public speakers?

Nāku iti noa, nā

Gabriel Tupou, MInstD
CHAIRPERSON
Wainuiomata Community Board

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From: [Gabriel Tupou](#)
To: [Wainuiomata Community Board](#)
Subject: Way forward...
Date: Friday, 19 February 2021 2:14:36 pm

Kia ora koutou, re the Street name:

I have just heard from officers. And have been working towards an amicable outcome for all parties involved. This solution will be a win-win for Mana Whenua and Harry Martin's whānau. However, we have to act quickly. I am going to try and call each of you to explain.

Nāku iti noa, nā

Gabriel Tupou, MInstD
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To: [Jo Miller](#); [Keri Brown](#); [Dawn McKinley](#); [Sisi Tuala-Le'afa](#); [Gary Sue](#); [Jodie Winterburn](#); [Terry Stallworth](#)
Cc: [Kathryn Stannard](#); [Campbell Barry](#); [s7\(2\)\(a\)](#); [Toi Lealofi](#); [Helen Oram](#); [Kara Puketapu-Dentice](#); [Matiu Jennings](#)
Subject: RE: Notice of Motion and Request for Extraordinary Meeting of the Wainuiomata Community Board
Date: Friday, 19 February 2021 5:39:21 pm

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From: [Terry Stallworth](#)
To: [Jodie Winterburn](#); [Gabriel Tupou](#); [Dawn McKinley](#); [Gary Sue](#); [Sisi Tuala-Le'afa](#); [Keri Brown](#)
Subject: RE: Suggestion
Date: Monday, 22 February 2021 8:42:00 am

Hi Team,

Sometimes we disagree, but regardless we are still a Team !! just wanted to remind us all.

I'm Free to meet for a discussion on either Monday or Wednesday after 6pm.

Cheers
Terry

-----Original Message-----

From: Jodie Winterburn
Sent: Saturday, 20 February 2021 12:42 AM
To: Gabriel Tupou; Dawn McKinley; Gary Sue; Sisi Tuala-Le'afa; Terry Stallworth; Keri Brown
Subject: Suggestion

Kia ora team,

I have an idea that I mentioned to Terry and would like to get your thoughts on it.

In anticipation of our next meeting and re-vote, which may determine a different road name, can we as a board please start the process by asking council officers to urgently get back to us on the process around changing the name of Queen St? I know officers said that this could potentially be done but has not yet been done ever.

Another suggestion is to also look at getting the hub named after Harry Martin QSM JP and/or perhaps a storyboard which gives a bit of history around Wainuiomata. This could serve as an acknowledgment to Harry Martin for his service (photograph, what he did etc). We could also engage iwi on the history of Wainuiomata and have their input so we can combine it into the storyboard.

These are my thoughts and would love your feedback or further thoughts ahead of our next meeting so we can start planning some alternatives that have significance, whilst also taking this opportunity for more learning and having something that adds value to Wainuiomata. If you think this might be feasible, I'm wondering if we need to get onto this on Monday?

Regards,
Jodie

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Re: Wainuiomata Community Board hui tonight

s7(2)(a)

To:

Gabriel Tupou

Cc:

Campbell Barry, Jo Miller, Wainuiomata Community Board

Date:

02/03/2021 16:40:52

Ka pai Gabriel,

Well done e hoa, I appreciate the time taken to address the points in my email and am encouraged at the responsivity of the council and community board in this instance. I think this sort of leadership provides good models for the wider community of the Hutt region and nationwide.

ngaa mihi maioha

s7(2)(a)

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Please find attached my response.

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CHAIRPERSON
Wainuiomata Community Board

From: Gabriel Tupou s7(2)(a)
Sent: Tuesday, 2 March 2021 3:22 p.m.
To: Gabriel Tupou
Subject: Fwd: Wainuiomata Community Board hui tonight

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FW: Wainuiomata Community Board hui tonight

Gabriel Tupou

To:

Matiu Jennings

Date:

02/03/2021 15:41:37

Attachments:

[WCB Letter to s7\(2\)\(a\) 2March2021.pdf](#)

Kia ora Matiu,

Just an fyi (attached).

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s7(2)(a)

Sent via Email: s7(2)(a)

Tuesday 2nd March 2021

Tēnā koe s7(2)(a)

I acknowledge receipt of your email received yesterday afternoon. Please see my response below:

1. A member who voted for the name “Harry Martin Lane” on Wednesday 17th February sought advice from a Council Officer and myself as Chair on how the Board could revisit the decision concerning the naming of the new road 18 The Strand. The intention was to allow all members the opportunity to participate in the decision. The decision was clearly controversial as reflected by the split vote of 3-2. Therefore, we unanimously supported taking steps to review that decision.
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8. I am aware of the various Mana Whenua groups, entities and Runanga and I thank you for making those distinctions and corrections, which will now be used in all forms of communications and publications by Council.

Kia tau te rangimārie, nā



Gabriel Tupou
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To:

s7(2)(a)

Cc:

Campbell Barry, Jo Miller, Wainuiomata Community Board

Date:

02/03/2021 15:26:49

Attachments:

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My expectation was that the Hutt City Council would lead out with the stated principles and take the mana whenua recommended name.

Unintended consequences of a decision to vote again are:

You have stated that there will be an alternative option for Harry Martin which is good. However in essence what the Council via the Community Board is doing is 'letting Maori scrap it out in a public forum'. By Maori I mean Tangata Whenua (Te Atiawa or Hau Kainga me Te Ahi Kaa Roa) against Tau Ra Here here in Wainuiomata who have put forth a very popular name 'Hapori Lane'.

This situation further compounds a contentious debate, but what it really does is, creates angst within the Maori community. This is not a wise thing to do in my humble opinion.

It sends the signal to everyone that the council, by superseding their tino rangatiratanga in this situation to the Wainuiomata Ward (who are still uneducated and ignorant until properly trained) in this difficult situation (which it has created by not providing correct and timely process or guidance) is further polarising the community.

Mayor Barry, in your reply to me you stated how committed the Hutt City Council is to a Te Tiriti partnership. I have copied the Council Statement below which supports what I am asserting;

Local Government Statement 2019-2022

TE TIRITI O WAITANGI (THE TREATY OF WAITANGI) Council has an obligation to take into account the principals of Te Tiriti o Waitangi (Treaty of Waitangi) and to recognise and provide for the special relationships between Māori, their culture, traditions, land and taonga.

The obligation to consult includes recognising those who have mana whenua, or inherited rights Page 18 of 30 LOCAL GOVERNANCE STATEMENT of land ownership. Within Hutt City these rights are vested in Te Runanganui o Taranaki whanui ki te Upoko o te Ika a Maui and Ngā Tekau o Pōoneke (Wellington Tenth Trust). Both groups represent Te Atiawa and the Taranaki tribes within the

Wellington region The Treaty of Waitangi has a significant effect on the functions of Hutt City Council. Council is clear that it has a relationship with iwi resident within the City. This relationship includes the acknowledgement of Te Atiawa as the iwi mana whenua and kaitiaki (those with authority and guardianship over their tribal territory).

This relationship also includes the acknowledgment of Te Taura Here o Te Awakairangi (representing twenty three tribal groups). Open and honest communication between Council and Māori is an important step in strengthening this relationship.

In order to improve Council's relationship with Māori, the following is used as a strategic guideline; ♣
To acknowledge the role of mana whenua (authority over tribal territory).

- ♣ To give effect to the principals of Te Tiriti o Waitangi (Treaty of Waitangi).
- ♣ To maintain and improve opportunities for Maori to contribute to local government decision-making processes.
- ♣ To promote tikanga Māori (Te Atiawa protocol) throughout Council.
- ♣ To take up opportunities where Māori, as a major contributor to economic and social improvement, offers to advance the best interest of Hutt citizens as a whole

Therefore my recommendation for your team to consider as a part of the action for tonight's hui is:

Cancel any voting process

Name the new street Te Ara Raukura as a part of the Council 'giving effect' to the stated principles of Te Tiriti partnership it holds with Mana Whenua Te Atiawa.

I have decided to boycott my attendance at this hui tonight based on the abovementioned unintended consequences that I believe occur if you go ahead with a vote.

Finally, I notice a couple of things that need amending in the Council Statement, it's always helpful to have a few eyes over text in the public form:

Te Runanganui o Taranaki whanui ki te Upoko o te Ika a Maui has since changed its name to Te Runanganui o Te Atiawa ki Te Awakairangi inc

You may need to note that Wellington Tenth is not an iwi. I agree it is a group that represents a part of the Iwi business however it should be made clear that it is not an iwi but an organisation that holds a mandate to make decisions on behalf of the iwi.

The word acknowledgment has a spelling error and there are a few punctuation areas that need attention.

I'm happy to be contacted for clarification if necessary.

Ngaa mihi maioha

s7(2)(a)

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FW: Wainuiomata Board Process and Induction to our Cultural History

Gabriel Tupou

To:

Wainuiomata Community Board

Date:

19/02/2021 11:46:25

Please see below...

From: s7(2)(a)
Sent: Thursday, 18 February 2021 6:51 p.m.
To: Campbell Barry; Linda Olsen; Keri Brown; s7(2)(a); Gabriel Tupou
Cc: s7(2)(a)
s7(2)(a)
Subject: Wainuiomata Board Process and Induction to our Cultural History

E te Rangatira, E Campbell, Tena koe,

This email is in reference to last nights community board hui which I attended and spoke in support of the mana whenua name Te Ara Raukura.

Status:

I was very disappointed in the dishonorable process entered into by the council-led community board which was poorly led, communicated and organised.

It was clear to that (with the exception of Cr Keri Brown) the new board members had little or no understanding of the Whakapapa and cultural history of Wainuiomata regardless if they claim to be Taranaki or now as in the case of Gary Sue. They relied on their own lived experience and google searches of the names suggested. This process is highly subjective.

It was apparent that the hui was stacked with our local taurahere roopu lead by s7(2)(a) and s7(2)(a) (whanau a Apanui me Tuhoē hoki). However my issue is not with other roopu ii sits with the council and local body process and lack thereof. Given this I would like to make a few suggestion to improve the current situation.

The other issue was that the hui and process had to contend with a historic issue of late Harry Martin not yet having a street named after him. This generated much debate.

History:

Campbell, I stayed until the end and listened and observed the end result. After the vote I was compelled (obligated by my manamotuhake) to stand and issue a warning to the board members. I did this by chanting the Taranaki Waiata called E'Rere ra (supported by whaea s7(2)(a) s7(2)(a) in order to remind all present that we are Tangata Whenua and hold Mana Whenua in our takiwa or tribal boundaries of Te Whanganui a Tara. I then reminded your team that we as Maori state:

Nau mai, Haramai, kei raro i te maru o Te Atiawa or welcome under the security of Te Atiawa.

This statement is an important and serious matter as it holds great weight and mana behind it. The reason being is, we (Te Atiawa who are Ahi Kaa Roa) know the history of the land in Wainuiomata, we can talk about the bloodshed and pakanga (war battles) which have taken place on the land as we are the rightful and first Kaitiaki owners of this whenua.

The statement above keeps all others safe, physically and spiritually while they live within our tribal boundaries. This is a customary practise that all iwi practise.

In my passionate and angry protest, I briefly explained that it was our ancestor Poukawa who was beheaded while tending his mara kai here on the lot 19 Lowrey Bay including Wainuiomata land which we owned. Therefore it is our whakapapa responsibility and obligation to those who choose to reside in Wainuiomata to maintain the shelter (even if it is unseen and in the spirit realm) which we afford them.

Yesterday your board actively dishonored and rejected that notion, I believe because they were ignorant and uneducated about such deep matters.

Solution

This email is not a rant, it is an effort to help you remedy the current situation of a number of issues that this hui has raised in our community. In my view they are:

1. The matter of the community wanting to offer Harry Martin a street name in a prominent location.
2. The issue of race and ownership which has been bubbling up in the Wainuiomata community over the past year. Most apparent in the back down of construction of Transitional Homes in Wood street.
3. The lack of due and purposful partnership with Mana Whenua across the region of Te Awakairangi

If you remedy these issues and catch them before they fester then we can all move forward and mahitahi or work together as people who share the same space.

I would urge the Hutt City Council to consider the following:

1. Urgently, mandate a cultural induction training programme for all new and old board members in the council boundaries in perpetuity and for adoption by other councils. I understand that your councilors have received cultural and historic training from my father and our kaumatua s7(2)(a) s7(2)(a) This training needs to extend to all the boards across the region in order to focus in on the

historic and significant history peculiar to that region. You may find many of the answers to local health, whanau and spiritual issues sit within this knowledge bank of s7(2)(a). For example the reference to our ancestor Poukawa outlined above another maybe for example understanding the meaning of the name Pomare and why it was given would help the HVDHB to link the issue of chronic asthma prevalent in the Hutt Valley to Pomare or meaning 'to cough in the night'. This describes the characteristic of the land and the Hutt isthus area and valley floor and our people have lived experience of it for many years.

2. Revise their partnership with Te Runanga o Atiawa. It is clear that the partnership is not functioning to its full potential and there seems to be some capture between the council and a few individuals who are in positions of leadership. I have observed this capture in recent years in the local newspapers and on facebook posts. However, I question the guidance and advice your council are receiving from these individuals as if it were wise and prudent functionally speaking, lasts night's fiasco would not have occurred. I would also assert that just because one can function in one area of customary practice (offering a karakia, whaikorero or waiata) does not mean they have expertise or credintialled in other areas of significance to hapu and iwi in other tribal matters such as history, mahi toi, taiao. One or two representatives do not hold the monopoly on knowledge in any society Maori or otherwise.

In that vein, I would like to suggest that Wainuiomata be treated differently and that the consultation and advisory of things pertaining to Wainuiomata sit with a smaller and different combination of iwi experts being those who hold the history narrative (of kaumatua status who can articulate our histories well), a representative from the Wainuiomata Marae and a representative from the Te Puna Wai Papakainga Uri Working Group and maybe even a Taurahere representative. This move will take in the ethos of Te Atiawa being 'Goodwill to all people' it also allows for the pan-tribal voice of Maori to be heard in the area they have made home. These would-be leaders who are progressively taking Wainuiomata from the past into the future on behalf of Taranaki Whanui with whakapapa connections and the expertise and knowledge to accompany and who live in Wainui (with the exception of kaumatua such as s7(2)(a) - our old pa site). This new team of advisors will offer the council the due diligence back story and rigor of trusted information necessary to ensure decisions are made with honour, respect, and dignity before the council moves into korero within the public domain. It also keeps the Hutt City Council as an organisation 'safe' and in step with national changes to the culture of how local body government is organised and run.

3. I suggest you another solution for Harry Martin is mooted. Perhaps rename the community hall after him once its fixed or the Park area outside the community hall where many public gatherings of significance take place can be named in his honour and memory (with a few comfortable park benches for reflection)

Conclusion:

Finally, I would like to say that the Queens Street Hub is a place for all people, the name 'Te Ara Raukura' signals the notion of Peace and Goodwill to all people.

The significance of placing that name on the new lane from an Ao Maori perspective is as follows:

1. It is weighed down with the expectation upon the people (who are in the Hub) to behave in that

manner. If communication and information is made available to the general public then we are implementing a passive crowd control measure of 'keeping the peace'

2. It give the Hutt City Council the opportunity to model and lead out with a strong demonstration of the Tiriti relationship with local mana whenua (in Wainuiomata). It also sends a strong signal to the central government that the Hutt City is leading the way in race relations (bicultural) for all other councils in Aotearoa in this time of social growth and stability.

3. Most importantly, you are doing the right thing by choosing the principle of honour. The council will attract honour if it makes the right decision here. Therefore the opposite will also occur if the wrong decision is made here.

Honour the Treaty

Honour Mana Whenua and the words captured on the video clip by s7(2)(a)

s7(2)(a)

Honour the iwi partnership that the council hold with mana Whenua

this is a good model of biculturalism.

ngaa mihi maioha

s7(2)(a)

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RE: I see on Facebook that there is a Community Board meeting tonight - what is this for?

Dawn McKinley

To:

s7(2)(a)

Date:

03/03/2021 08:52:16

Hi s7(2)(a)

Your points are noted and I am happy to discuss

I hope to see you at the next clinic to discuss further.

Kind regards

Dawn

Sent from my Galaxy

----- Original message -----

From: s7(2)(a)

Date: 03/03/2021 08:29 (GMT+12:00)

To: Dawn McKinley <Dawn.McKinley@huttcity.govt.nz>

Subject: Re: I see on Facebook that there is a Community Board meeting tonight - what is this for?

Hi Dawn

Thank you for acknowledging the oversight. But frankly this is a systems error.

This oversight has potentially locked out residents who may have wanted their voices heard but didnt have the option to attend because the didnt know the meeting would occur, as per my observations in my response to Gabriel.

You have admin support from the Council - a Democracy Advisor no less, supports the Community Board. This is a system role that should have ensured that all comms channels were used as per normal.

Again I'm indifferent to the name chosen for the new street.

I'm more concerned that communications channels weren't used correctly.

Given my dealings with Council over the last few years I'm not sure I can have any faith in Council intentions re open and truly democratic processes for public consultation.

Poor comms, dreadful record keeping, slow LGOIMA response to queries of public interest when all information should be on file for easy retrieval, minutes approved that gloss over public comment that the Chair refuses to amend..... I've encountered them all.

I may see you at your clinic later in the month. My phone number is below if you wish to talk to me sooner.

Regards

s7(2)(a)

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From: Dawn McKinley <Dawn.McKinley@huttcity.govt.nz>

Sent: Wednesday, March 3, 2021 8:12:12 AM

To: s7(2)(a)

Subject: RE: I see on Facebook that there is a Community Board meeting tonight - what is this for?

Hi s7(2)(a)

Thank you for your email.

I take full responsibility for not posting the agenda on the Wainuiomata Facebook page and agree with you that it's an effective way to reach a lot of people.

Happy to discuss with you ways forward to improve information sharing.

If you would like to do this I run a monthly clinic at the library on the last Thursday of each month from 2-3pm. Happy to give you a call just let me know.

Kind regards

Dawn

Sent from my Galaxy

----- Original message -----

From: s7(2)(a)

Date: 02/03/2021 19:01 (GMT+12:00)

To: Gabriel Tupou <Gabriel.Tupou@huttcity.govt.nz>

Cc: Dawn McKinley <Dawn.McKinley@huttcity.govt.nz>, Dawn McKinley

<Dawn.McKinley@huttcity.govt.nz>

Subject: Re: I see on Facebook that there is a Community Board meeting tonight - what is this for?

Thank you for your formal letter.

Gabriel - I am somewhat surprised that Dawn hasn't replied but I suspect that this overlooking of publishing via all normally used communication channels is somewhat embarrassing for the Board and that you personally are taking accountability for the oversight of not updating the Community Board Facebook page regarding the Extraordinary meeting being set in the Boards calendar.

Re the communication channels mentioned in your letter:

1 - Given that the Wainuiomata News is not consistently delivered to some addresses particularly in rural areas - it gets bundled in with junk mail which often gets blown out of letter boxes or is routinely taken as a bundle directly to the recycling bin. Many residents if it's not thrown out unread, its real use is lining the kitty litter box or starting a fire. Reliance on this publication is probably not a great communication channel.

Though of course publishing in papers is a long standing method of promulgating public notices, as we all know we have moved very much into a digital age and engagement via a newspaper medium will be an ineffective channel for connecting with residents in many age demographics.

I am sure the Council is well aware of that and this is why the Community Board has established a digital presence via a popular social media application namely Facebook to facilitate Community engagement.

2 - When I became aware of 'a' meeting via a post on the Community Boards Facebook page on the day of the actual meeting occurring (and please note I say 'a' meeting as the post was very cryptic and mentioned no topic for discussion at the meeting), I did do a search on the Hutt City website - and did not find the notice of meeting but as I had no idea what I was looking forward my search terms could easily have been poorly framed.

Gabriel, I would be grateful if you could forward me the link to the website notification of the Extraordinary meeting as soon as possible, so I have an idea what part of the website is used for these types of notifications for future reference

3 - I find it surprising that no entry was made on the Community Board Facebook page - it has an Event function perfect for these types of notifications.

The Council use it perfectly consistently, and in a timely manner, for notification of; upcoming Board meetings, meet your board member clinics, CLG meetings etc. Quite odd that in this instance the

most easily accessible communication channel for many people was ignored.

This is especially interesting that this channel of communication was 'overlooked' given the Council obviously made the decision to run an Extraordinary meeting in good time to meet the cut-off date/time for a print notification meeting via the Wainuiomata news which was published on 24 Feb 2021.

I assume that the cut off for setting the paper print run is probably 12 hours prior to an overnight print run which indicates to me that Council could very easily have added an Event notification and a newsfeed post on the Facebook page on the 23rd or 24th of February for the Extraordinary meeting.

Previous event and information posting on the Boards Facebook page has created a precedence i.e. there is a community expectation that Board business will be notified on the Facebook page. I believe many in the community see the Facebook page for the Community Board as a trusted communication channel for Board matters.

I would be very interested to know why the Extraordinary meeting wasn't promulgated via the Boards Facebook page.

I would be very grateful Gabriel, if you could get a formal response from Council on the following:
>why the Extraordinary meeting wasn't promulgated on the Facebook page and;
>a statement that processes and procedures regarding communications for Extraordinary meetings have been updated to ensure all normally used digital channels are updated in a timely manner to enable any interested Community member to attend such meetings properly prepared

My reasons for taking an interest

1/ Communication from Council to Communities:

I have no preference for the name of the new link road between The Strand and Queen Street. Harry Martin, Raukura, Hopari or any of the other suggested names listed in the last Community Board meeting order paper seem fine to me. Actually, I do favour Hapori but as part of the phrase Hapori Whanui as that phrase would convey a sense of the new street as a place that is central to the Valley community and a place to come together. But again I have no runner in the race for the new streets naming.

My concern is that yet again communication around matters before the board is somewhat less than transparent.

2/ Community Board Decisions being relitigated in a time expedited manner

I attended the last Community Board meeting where the naming of the new street was originally discussed - leaving after Public Comment when I knew my particular interest wasn't going to come up. The meeting was run according to standing orders by the Deputy Chair. The community was given an opportunity to present via Public Comment on which proposed name they favoured.

I find it interesting that a group that presented in favour of Raukura relitigated the decision via the news media calling for cultural sensitivity training no less and this led to an Extraordinary meeting being called over what is a very prosaic matter - a street name.

Extraordinary meetings called on very short notice often stop good public engagement and curtail the public being able to either attend the meeting or talk to the topic/s of interest at the meeting in a well prepared and concise way. As such they really should be reserved for matters that are extremely serious or where the Council needs to remedy a legal breach rapidly in a formal meeting. I would submit a Street name does meet the criteria I have listed in the previous sentence.

Again, this is not about the Street name - whatever was picked I am sure is perfectly fine.

It is about relitigating of minor matters under urgency when urgency is not required. The naming of the Street could have been revisited at a later date if it was necessary.

In closing - thank you for your response, much appreciated. And I look forward to your responses to my requests above.

Also - I consider that the letter attached to your email has been sent to me as a private communication to myself and will not be published by Council and my name will be redacted if the document is released under LGOIMA provisions. Please note I do not give permission for the letter to be shared with my name as the addressee to anyone outside of the audience of this email without my express permission.

Regards

s7(2)(a)

From: Gabriel Tupou <Gabriel.Tupou@huttcity.govt.nz>
Sent: Tuesday, March 2, 2021 5:44:07 PM
To: s7(2)(a)
Cc: Dawn McKinley <Dawn.McKinley@huttcity.govt.nz>
Subject: RE: I see on Facebook that there is a Community Board meeting tonight - what is this for?

Kia ora s7(2)(a)

I acknowledge receipt of your email sent to Dawn McKinley last night.
Please find attached my response on behalf of the Board.

Nāku iti noa, nā

Gabriel Tupou
CHAIRPERSON
Wainuiomata Community Board

From: s7(2)(a)
Sent: Monday, March 01, 2021 6:50 PM
To: Dawn McKinley
Subject: I see on Facebook that there is a Community Board meeting tonight - what is this for?

Hi Dawn

I see a post on the Community Boards Facebook page stating the Board will meet tonight.

Nothing is posted in the Events tab on the Facebook Page nor in the feed of posts before today - what is the meeting about?

Is this a re-litigation of the naming of the new street between The Strand and Queen Street?

If it is a re -litigation of naming of the new street, can you confirm:

1. Why the decision is being revisited?
2. Who decided to hold a new meeting to reconsider the naming of the new street and under what standing order is a reconsideration of the decision being made?
3. Who was informed of the meeting, by what means and why is a public notice not easily accessible about the agenda of the meeting?

If this meeting is to consider the naming - the process of informing interested parties seems a bit off.

Thanks and Regards

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Tuesday 2nd March 2021

Tēnā koe s7(2)(a)

I acknowledge receipt of your email received by Deputy Chair Dawn McKinley last night. Please see our response below:

1. Why the decision is being revisited?

The Board decided to revisit the decision concerning the naming of the new road 18 The Strand, made on 17 February 2021. This allowed all members the opportunity to participate in that decision as there was a clear division of 2-3. Two members were in self-isolation and didn't have the option at the time, to join the physical meeting via video. Community Boards are not usually equipped to facilitate virtual attendance. At last night's meeting, two members were unwell but officers were able to connect them via video conference (zoom).

2. Who decided to hold a new meeting to reconsider the naming of the new street and under what standing order is a reconsideration of the decision being made?

Standing Orders (Clause 24) allows council decision-making bodies to revoke previous decisions. The Board put the Notice of Motion to the Chief Executive to revoke the previous decision; request an extraordinary meeting to re-name Harry Martin Lane (18 The Strand); and to ask officers to find an appropriate road for the late Harry Martin.

3. Who was informed of the meeting, by what means and why is a public notice not easily accessible about the agenda of the meeting?

An advert was placed in the Wainuiomata News the week before the meeting. And the meeting papers were published on the Hutt City Council website. I will pass on your feedback concerning social media.

Ngā Mihi,



Gabriel Tupou
Chairperson
Wainuiomata Community Board
gabriel.tupou@huttcity.govt.nz

E: Unbelievable

Gabriel Tupou

To:

Dawn McKinley, Gary Sue, Jodie Winterburn, Keri Brown, Terry Stallworth, s7(2)(a) sisi.tuala-le'afa@huttcity.govt.nz

Cc:

Toi Lealofi

Date:

02/03/2021 17:49:37

Kia ora s7(2)(a)

Firstly, I apologise for the late response.

Just writing to acknowledge receipt of your email sent to the Board on 17 February.

I am sure that the outcome of last night's extraordinary meeting to revisit the decision of 18 The Strand will speak for itself. This new road was named Te Ara Raukura and 80 Parkway Road was named Harry Martin Lane.

Nāku iti noa, nā

Gabriel Tupou, MInstD
CHAIRPERSON
Wainuiomata Community Board

From: s7(2)(a)
Sent: Wednesday, 17 February 2021 9:35 p.m.
To: Dawn McKinley; Terry Stallworth; Jodie Winterburn; Gary Sue; Keri Brown; sisi.tuala-le'afa@huttcity.govt.nz; Gabriel Tupou; news@stuff.co.nz
Subject: Unbelievable

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Not only did you disrespect iwi and tangata whenua with your conduct in disregarding Hapori and Te Raukura. You also put the name of a known racist ahead of them.

Do we live in the 1950's?

Yes Harry Martin was the Mayor of Wainuiomata for one year and contributed for many more. But he was also a known sympathiser of the apartheid movement in South Africa.

Did you know this and vote this way anyway?

What are you going to do to put this right?

I am disgusted.

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Fwd: Unbelievable

Jodie Winterburn

To:

Toi Lealofi

Date:

17/02/2021 23:19:12

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: s7(2)(a)
Date: 17 February 2021 at 9:35:52 PM NZDT
To: Dawn McKinley <Dawn.McKinley@huttcity.govt.nz>, Terry Stallworth <Terry.Stallworth@huttcity.govt.nz>, Jodie Winterburn <Jodie.winterburn@huttcity.govt.nz>, Gary Sue <Gary.Sue@huttcity.govt.nz>, Keri Brown <Keri.Brown@huttcity.govt.nz>, sisi.tuala-le'afa@huttcity.govt.nz, Gabriel Tupou <Gabriel.Tupou@huttcity.govt.nz>, news@stuff.co.nz
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