TE HIKU COMMUNITY BOARD MEMBER'S REPORT

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Subdivision: Doubtless Bay

Date: to 15 May 2021

REPORT

1) Meetings

Museum meetings. I have been appointed as the Te Ahu Museum representative on Te Ahu Charitable Trust. The Charlie Dawes exhibition which is made up of fantastic historic photos has been lent to the museum by Auckland Library. Funding will be sought to display the photographs.

6 April	THCB meeting
25 April	Laid Board wreath at the Mangonui ANZAC service.
4 May	Public meeting regarding the proposal to impose a heritage designation on approximately 200 properties in Mangonui.
14 May	Te Ahu Charitable Trust meeting.
14 May	Met with the Council CEO regarding the proposed Mangonui heritage area.
12 May	Together with Cr Foy I attended a meeting at Te Aurere where proposals for development were outlined. Very positive and exciting.

2) Issues

Congratulations and thanks to John Stewart and Bill Subritzky on speaking to the Board's submission. I noticed there were no questions from councillors. Presume that is because they understand and agree with our submission.

Swamp Palace – Haven't heard anything resulting from my request in April. Any response yet?

Draft District Plan – proposed heritage precinct for Mangonui. The proposed heritage precinct under the Draft District Plan includes at least 200 properties, the majority of which have no historic value. The deadline for feedback was 7 May. Although the council went through the motions of consulting, there was no direct and personal consultation with the affected ratepayers. Therefore, the process became flawed from that point. Affected parties were unaware of the proposed impact on the far-reaching effects on themselves as property owners so were unable to provide informed feedback by the deadline date. This is completely unacceptable.

A meeting was held in Mangonui Hall on 4 May.

At the conclusion of the meeting the following resolution was passed unanimously by the approximately 65 people in attendance:

• This meeting acknowledges the value of Heritage Precincts which include Historic Buildings, Sites and Objects, Sites of Cultural Significance to Maori, Archaeological Sites and Notable Trees.

- This meeting supports the retention of the existing Mangonui Heritage Precinct along the village business waterfront and other individually identified heritage buildings outside this area.

- However, this meeting opposes the arbitrary extension of this precinct to include many ordinary homes and buildings of multiple designs and age.

- The application of heritage rules to this vastly extended area would apply onerous resource consent, planning, design and engineering requirements with vastly increased costs to do even simple alterations or extensions. To get permission to build family or retirement homes visible from a public area, would become very expensive, if not impossible.

- The council has not fulfilled its own rule that before seeking to put private property into a heritage area that they should first consult with each and every affected ratepayer

- Accordingly, this meeting calls on the council to withdraw this proposal forthwith and seek community support for any change to the heritage precinct before proceeding including consulting with each and every affected ratepayer.

- This meeting has the expectation that the extent of such a replacement proposal should be confined to actual heritage resources.

- Further this meeting calls for the release of any reports or recommendations that this proposal is based on. Also, minutes and emails of any council deliberation on this topic.

I would therefore ask the Board to consider supporting the concerned Mangonui ratepayers, and to resolve to request the council to:

Remove the heritage precinct as proposed in the Draft District Plan, consult with every affected ratepayer as required under the provisions of the Operative District Plan and once this has been done, amend the proposed heritage precinct so that only actual heritage resources are included.

3) Resource Consents

Nil

4) Requests for Service

Several.