

SmartGrowth Strategic Partners Forum Meeting

Tuesday, 10 April 2018 8:00am – 10:30am

Classic Flyers, The Armoury Room

Forum Members Present	Bill Wasley (Chair), John Garwood (Fruitgrowers Association), Dr. Patricia Hanlen (National Council for Women), Paul Hickson (Te Puke Fast Forward), Mark Boyle (Te Puke EDG), Jacqui Knight (Katch Katikati), Christine Ralph (Chair of HAF), Buddy Mikaere (Co-chair of CTWF) Carole Gordon (Chair of Social Sector Forum), Eddie Orsulich (Forest and Bird), Jacqui Knight (Katch Katikati)	
SmartGrowth	Bernie Walsh (SG Manager), Megan Rumble (SG Coordinator)	
Partner Staff	Emily Watton (WBoPDC), Philip King (TCC)	
Apologies from forum members	Mary Dillon (Envirohub), Phil Shoemack (Toi Te Ora Public Health), Alastair Rhodes (Bay Trust), Meg Davis (Creative Bay of Plenty), Annie Hill (Priority One), Katy McGinity (NZ Kiwifruit Growers), Anne Pankhurst (Chair of PATAG)	
Previous minutes and matters arising	Discussion	No matters arising from the previous 20 February minutes. The minutes were confirmed by the forum.
SLG March transport decisions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Resolution passed by SLG 21 March - Transport collaboration fact sheet 	Discussion	<p>Bill Wasley provided an update and of particular note was item 2 sub-regional transport vision, objectives policies and action around that. Resolution 7 recommended to the partners and NZTA that a resource be recruited. Bill provided background around establishing a western Bay of Plenty Centre for Transport and the previous Local Government Futures project (completed in 2016) where there were recommendations relating to transport but did not progress on a region wide basis. Additionally, SmartGrowth Leadership Group made an urgent submission to the Regional Land Transport Plan. Bill was to present the SmartGrowth partnership submission.</p> <p>Bernie spoke to the transport collaboration diagram and noted the SmartGrowth Leadership Group (SLG) has shown they want more collaboration across this transport space – The Regional Investment Oversight group has been</p>

		<p>formed and has a focus on a more strategic approach. This group also ensures transport doesn't happen in isolation but together with land use.</p> <p>Discussion followed around rail now been incorporated. It was noted the space around rail is certainly changing. It all comes down to funding however long- term discussions are being had. Given new government policy and centre of excellence there is a lot more vision in terms of passenger rail for the future. The focus does seem to be around commuter rail AKL-HAM-TGA at present.</p> <p>Discussion followed around what is the most cost effective between road/rail. It was noted the national framework is changing. Discussion was had around issues with reinstating ferries. There is a need for express lanes in the harbour so fast ferries can run. It was noted that discussions would need to be had with harbour master.</p> <p>Discussions will be had with Hon Phil Twyford next week during his visit on transport matters.</p>
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<p>Tauranga Urban Strategy (TUS) Draft SPF TCC LTP submission</p>	<p>Update</p>	<p>Michael Tucker and Ana Hancock presented the TUS to the forum at the February meeting. SPF had a strong desire to support the strategy and its funding. The draft submission has been crafted. Discussion and comments followed.</p> <p>It was agreed a shorter and focussed submission would be crafted. Meeting post note: submission lodged Monday 16 April.</p> <p>Discussion was had around the TUS having a wider view i.e. is the TUS looking wider than just Tauranga? Sub regional? It was noted the Future Development Strategy (FDS) will cover sub regional.</p> <p>Bernie circulated the Point Life magazine from Hobsonville Point which shows their vision and what they are trying to create there. A good way to communicate plans etc. to the community.</p> <p>Concerns around social issues that will eventuate from this intensification/growth were discussed. The pressure on social services given there is already a great demand/pressure. Even parks which are needed to provide to the</p>

		community. Bernie noted this point will be made to the Minister as well. Additional urban sprawl decreases ability for social services to get out there to people. Need balance.
	Action	SPF TUS submission changes/clarity of messaging to be actioned. Amended submission to be lodged and circulated to members for information. Post note: submission lodged by Megan 16 April, circulated to members 17 April.
SmartGrowth Bi-monthly Partnership Report Highlights Report	Update Discussion	<p>Partnership Report and Highlight Report for reading.</p> <p>Bernie provided a further update and noted the Smart Action Framework was approved at the March SLG meeting with strong support. The four key action areas have been approved and support is there to get on with those. Philip King is the Tauranga City Council officer working on this along with Jodie Rickard from Western Bay.</p> <p>Tauranga City Council held their Housing in Greenfield workshop with the City Transformation Committee on 3 April. There was a good one pager included in the agenda – see here (page 61). TCC are working through actions from this in April, May and June.</p> <p>It was noted that Western Bay of Plenty District Council have their meeting re: their housing action plan this afternoon. Looking across the housing continuum and talking to elected members about where they would like to go further. Phillip Martelli is also part of the workshop and looking at the district plan.</p> <p>Another key milestone is the Social Sector Mapping Report which was funded by SocialLink along with SmartGrowth is nearing completion. This research report is another good evidence base. Will be discussed at SLG on 18 April Post note: meeting was cancelled due to ministerial visit. Will be presented and discussed at May meeting. There will also be further discussion around our response.</p> <p>Philip King provided an update: a lot of work is going through the TCC City Transformation Committee and City Culture Committee in April and May. Aspiration of creating one plan is proving challenging. Coordination across all of these is more essential than the one plan approach.</p> <p>Emily Watton and Philip King gave overviews of their Long-Term Plan's (LTP) which are out for consultation.</p>

		There was discussion and clarification around points in the partnership reports. Some NZTA points discussed. It was agreed it would be beneficial to have an NZTA rep at the next SPF meeting to provide clarity around some points.
	Action	NZTA attendee next meeting.
Forum chairs roundtable update – each forum chair to give a brief update on their forums, and any key points on strategic issues. (verbal)	Update	<p>Housing Affordability Forum – Since the February meeting HAF have given feedback back to TCC around residential zone rules. Christine Ralph was invited to the TCC Housing in Greenfield Workshop and was pleased to participate. Pilot project update – the HAF pilot project has had an interesting six months and has taken a step sideways. Omokoroa site has run into difficulties which provides lack of feasibility. It has been decided we need to go to another site. Site B has been offered in same development and is 4000sqm. There are disadvantages which decrease land value which will support economics. This will require good on- site development. Will be looking to get independent panel agreement and then going onto construction next year. HAF is pleased to see the Housing Action Framework and its four actions going forward and members look forward to been part of that.</p> <p>Combined Tangata Whenua Forum – Due to commonality of membership between the Combined Forum and Tangata Whenua Collective issues tend to overlap. Housing is certainly the no.1 issue. In terms of infrastructure to land and cost of building. Trying to further build relationship with Te Puni Kōkiri. Tangata Whenua are looking to meet with Minister Twyford during his visit also. A rep is attending CTWF meeting tomorrow to discuss broadband roll out.</p> <p>Social Sector Forum – Carole noted Minister Twyford’s LTP Elder Housing priority statement. Which is a current LTP question for TCC. Carole gave an overview of the Social Sector Report which will go to SLG also. In terms of the forum the group commends the Tauranga Urban Strategy and the Housing Need and Demand Report. The group sees a need for an improved engagement with Bay of Plenty District Health Board.</p> <p>Environment & Sustainably Forum – John Garwood, E&S Forum member provided an update. Celia Walker presented to the forum at 3 April meeting and updated on the TCC Environment Strategy. She is leaving and Joel Peters will be taking over. The forum also discussed submissions made to various plans. Jo Wills has resigned as chair of the forum. Bill outlined that any formal appointment of chair is to be put in abeyance until revisit of Forums</p>

		<p>Health Check. Bill agreed to chair June meeting. John also noted the forum is not well attended at the moment which is disappointing to see.</p> <p>Eddie questioned about the hazard risks in respect of developing Te Tumu. Bill advised that a significant amount of hazard investigation and research had been undertaken by TCC and landowners and that the area was considered to be safe for development in respect of the range of hazards.</p> <p>PATAG – apology PDF – apology</p>
	Action	
Other matters		<p>Bill acknowledged Bernie, who is finishing her role as SmartGrowth Manager next week. Bill acknowledged the work Bernie has done over the last 2 years and her passion and commitment for example in the housing space including Bernie’s engagement with the raft of partners, the Needs Assessment and sign off by SLG. Bill acknowledged the SmartTalk initiative which Bernie led during her time at SmartGrowth. The SmartTalks have covered a number of topics, with a range of speakers and excellent turn out, they have been very successful. Together with matters around transport and a host of other things. Bill thanked Bernie and wished her well for the future.</p> <p>Bernie acknowledged how great it has been to meet and work alongside everyone. She thanked they group for their support and friendship and noted she believes in the power of collaboration. Bernie enjoyed the SmartTalks and noted how good it has been to bring in collective thinking and engage the wider community in these.</p>
Key message for SmartGrowth Leadership Group		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Have the courage to make long term decisions please and support for implementation of the Tauranga Urban Strategy. <p>Social Sector Forum report recommendations to SmartGrowth:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Undertake strong advocacy in support for increasing Social Housing Provider funding capacity in housing dialogues with Government Ministers and Officials • That the SmartGrowth revisit the research highlighting a looming elder rental crisis

		<p>as a key component of the Smart Housing Action Framework. There is a need to increase a range of community housing and supportive community care options.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Note the Strategic Partners Forum submission in support of the Tauranga Urban Strategy.
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Meeting ended at 9.40am Next Meeting 12 June 2018– Classic Flyers, Armoury Room

ACTION POINTS – from 10 April meeting

Item No.	Meeting	Action	Action
1.	April	SPF TUS submission changes/clarity of messaging to be actioned. Amended submission to be lodged and circulated to members for information. Post note: submission lodged by Megan 16 April, circulated to members 17 April.	
2.	April	NZTA attendee next meeting.	