

NOTICE OF MEETING

NEW LYNN COMMUNITY BOARD

I hereby give notice that an Ordinary Meeting of the New Lynn Community Board will be held on:-

DATE: **Monday, 31 March 2003** **TIME:** **7.30 pm**

VENUE: **New Lynn Community Centre, 45 Totara Avenue, New Lynn, Waitakere City**

to consider the business as set out herein and to take any necessary action connected therewith.

27 March 2003

Audrey Chan
COMMITTEE SECRETARY

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Ms	GPJ	Marshall
Mr	BJ	Peters
Cr	GB	Presland

(Quorum 4 members)

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1 APOLOGIES



2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Ordinary - 3 March 2003

RECOMMENDATION

That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the New Lynn Community Board held on Monday, 3 March 2003, as circulated, be taken as read and now be confirmed.



3 URGENT BUSINESS

Section 46A(7) and (7A) of the Local Government Official Information Act and Meetings Act 1987 provides that where an item of business is not on the agenda, it may only be dealt with at the meeting if:

- (i) the item is a minor matter; and
- (ii) the Chairperson has explained at the beginning of the meeting (when open to the public) that the item will be raised for discussion, why the item is not on the agenda, and why it cannot be delayed until a subsequent meeting; and
- (iii) the Board resolves to deal with the item.

No resolution, decision, or recommendation may be made in respect of the item except to refer the item to a subsequent meeting for further discussion.

NOTE: Urgent Business need not be dealt with now and may be delayed until later in the meeting.



4 **PUBLIC FORUM**

For guidance of Community Board Members, the Council's Standing Orders have the following provisions in regard to Public Forum.

- (i) Members of the public wishing to address the Board in Public Forum shall furnish their names to the Chairperson at the beginning of the meeting; and
- (ii) the Chairperson shall determine the order of speakers, and allow five minutes for speaking time.
- (iii) Questions by members are to be confined to obtaining information or clarification on matters raised by the speaker.

Section 46A(7A) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 provides that no resolution, decision, or recommendation may be made in respect of any specific item of business not on the agenda except to refer the items to a subsequent meeting for further discussion. Therefore, no decision may be made on matters raised in Public Forum. However, written reports on matters raised may be requested from the Chief Executive.



5 **CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT**

Here we go again. Who remembers the photograph that sickened the world, and marked the beginning of the end of the war in Vietnam - the naked child, her clothes burned off, running screaming from the fire? We will see her again, the inevitable innocent victim, this time as an Iraqi child. When will they ever learn?

And in our remote corner of the world civilisation struggles on. This year's Annual Plan is Year One of the 10-year Strategic Plan. The Local Government Act now requires all Councils to do what ours does anyway: that is, look beyond the day to day needs of city housekeeping and maintenance to a city whose people can enjoy a richer life: a good job close to home; easier transport; clean air and water; a cherished natural environment; busy and beautiful town centres with a humming pavement culture and many opportunities in learning, leisure, sport and art. Please do not sneer. Should this be impossible for a creature that can make `smart missiles` and explore the planet Mars?

When you hear the enigmatic phrase Quadruple Bottom Line, this is what it means: planned projects must meet acceptable standards for the following criteria: Economic, Environmental, Social and Cultural. This can only be achieved if most citizens understand and get behind it; so next month Community Board members will be helping, out in the shopping malls presenting, listening and explaining in the way that was both interesting and successful last year.

Speakers on Day One at the Urbanism Down Under Seminar held at Sky City from 20 to 22 March emphasised that a city is living organism and the signs of vitality that draw people, investment and prosperity to it are good public spaces, a busy pavement culture and beauty. Yes, beauty. Beautiful towns are more popular than ugly ones. Think about it.

The opening of the Veronica Street rail crossing on Thursday 13 March was fun, in bright sunshine with a chilly wind. Afterwards, the RSA played host to everyone concerned, with a lavish morning tea.

Eco Day on Sunday 9 March, at the Corban Centre was busy and successful. I understand it is to be repeated next year. Also popular was the Stay Well Festival on Saturday 1 March at the Kelston Community Centre, organised by our glittering Queen Mother of the Westies, the tireless Margaret Jones. Well done Ma'am.

Also in this month I have involved myself in one of the Call to Action teams in Waitakere City's Wellbeing Collaboration Project. This team is concerned with families giving their children a great start and we are focussed on conception to 8 years old. To avoid becoming meaningless talk fests these teams will undertake limited, achievable plans with measurable results. My personal concerns are better nutrition and loving moral guidance for children. Our next meeting is on Monday 7 April.

Council officer Mark Allen facilitated this project, and now is the time to congratulate him and our very popular Janet Cole, who has planned so patiently for New Lynn, on the birth of their third son.

So many concerns - among them, road safety, transport alternatives to cars, police liaison and pedestrians, pavements, trees, War on Weeds, and a splendid Keep Waitakere Beautiful thank you party for volunteers on Friday 28 February have helped to make this a very busy few weeks. And gumboot time is coming. In May and June we plant trees.

Finally, please; if you have any questions, suggestions or complaints about the report I make to you every month, please make them. Sometimes I feel as if I am reporting to thin air.







RECOMMENDATION

That the Chairperson's Report be received.



Elizabeth Francke
CHAIRPERSON








6 **COMMITTEE SECRETARY'S REPORT**

Issue	Comments	Reporting Council Officer
1. Request for Permission to Use Reserve at Riverband Road	The Parks and Green Section is looking into the issues associated with the proposed use of the Riverband Road Reserve and will report back to the Board in May 2003 on the viability and options for using the Reserve area for parking.	Grant Jennings  836 8000 Ext: 8537
2. Asian Street Events in New Lynn or Other Parts of Waitakere	Peter Chan, Representative of the Asian Community, and Council staff from the City Projects and Public Affairs area have met to consider options for Asian street events in the City. At this stage investigations are underway to determine the feasibility of holding an event in New Lynn during September of this year, with further events in future years a possibility.	Lois Easton  836 8000 Ext: 8474
3. Policy for Resealing Roads with Asphalt Concrete	<p>The City Development Committee at its meeting held on Thursday, 6 March 2003 considered a report on Policy For Resealing Roads With Asphalt Concrete. The Committee, inter alia, resolved that each Community Board be advised in terms of this report and the Committee's resolutions.</p> <p>A copy of the report and the relevant minutes are attached at pages A1 to A10 for the Board's information.</p> <p>These have also been forwarded to individual ratepayers and ratepayer groups who participated in the workshops.</p>	Upali Ileperuma  836 8000 Ext: 8716
4. Golf Road Chip Seals Issue	<p>Council staff have met with residents of Golf Road.</p> <p>The meeting ended with an agreement to investigate a void fill layer solution to the issues associated with Golf Road. If testing proves this is justified work may be undertaken by mid April is possible. Alternatively, work may have to be delayed until the next summer resealing season.</p>	Ara Ovanessoff  836 8000 Ext: 8794
5. Philip Avenue - Aftermath of Road Widening	The Transport Asset section has contacted the contractor on the driveway repair work. The Board will be advised once a response from the contractor is received.	Reg Cuthers  836 8000 Ext: 8740
6. Godley Road Side Road Controls - 'Give Way' Controls	Work progress on the "Give Way" control on the intersections of Godley Road with Bishop Street, Cleve Road, and Harrybrook Road, as approved by the Board on 4 November 2002, will be reported to the Board's May 2003 meeting.	Alan Hopkinson  836 8000 Ext 8742

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Issue	Comments	Reporting Council Officer
<p>7. Clothing Bins Nuisance at Margan Avenue Site</p>	<p>This issue was raised at the Public Forum part of the last Board meeting and the Board asked about Council policy on the siting of clothing bins.</p> <p>Five bin companies have a monthly roster so that the area surrounding the bins is kept clean. The agreement with the companies involved is one bin per company per site.</p> <p>If rubbish is reported, the Call Centre contacts the company rostered to remove it.</p> <p>If extra bins are placed on site, the Call Centre notifies any bin companies that do not have permission to leave bins, to have them removed. Failure to comply with this instruction results in the issue being investigated by a Field Services Officer.</p> <p>A Field Services Officer has visited the Margan Avenue site and been in contact with the company rostered to do the clean-up. Three bins were found on this site that belonged to the same company. The company has been instructed to reduce bin numbers to the agreed maximum, one bin per company per site within seven days.</p>	<p>Max Wilde  836 8000 Ext 8741</p>
<p>8. Golf Road - No Stopping At All Times Control</p>	<p>The Board at its last meeting approved extension of No Stopping At All Times Control from Property No.249 Golf Road and No. 270 Titirangi Road.</p> <p>The work has been completed.</p>	<p>Upali Ileperuma  836 8000 Ext: 8716</p>

REPORTS PENDING			
Subject	Date Requested	Report Due	Reporting Officer
12. Proposed Walkways Network - Avondale and New Lynn	2 September 2002 (Public Forum)	5 May 2003	Ross Hill  836 8000 Ext: 8737
13. Additional Directional Parking Signs for New Lynn	2 September 2002 (Public Forum)	5 May 2003	Ross Hill  836 8000 Ext: 8737
14. New Footpath Construction - Final Priority List	2 December 2002	5 May 2003	Reg Cuthers  836 8000 Ext: 8740
15. Proposed Removal of Yellow Lines on Hutchison Ave and Traffic safety Concern at Pimento Place / Hutchison Avenue	3 February 2003 (Public Forum)	5 May 2003 (As Transport Assets Staff are working on other priority projects at the moment, this report will be submitted to the Board's May meeting.)	Ross Hill  836 8000 Ext: 8737
16. Proposed 15-minute Parking Control at Rosier Road/West Coast Road Shops	3 February 2003 (Public Forum)	5 May 2003 (As Transport Assets Staff are working on other priority projects at the moment, this report will be submitted to the Board's May meeting.)	Ross Hill  836 8000 Ext: 8737

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That the information be received.
2. That the New Lynn Community Board appoint a representative to attend each of the RSA Anzac Day Parades in the New Lynn Ward:
 - New Lynn - 9.30 am
 - Titirangi - 10.30 am
 - Glen Eden - 11.00 am

Report prepared by: Audrey Chan, Committee Secretary.



7 CRUM PARK LIGHTING UPGRADE

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

The purpose of this report is to provide additional information to the Board as requested on the matter relating to the upgrade of the floodlighting at Crum Park.

BACKGROUND

The Bay Olympic Sports and Soccer Association has applied for approval to erect fourteen standards with forty floodlights on Field Number 1, 2 and 3 at Crum Park Green Bay for use for night time training until 9.30 pm.

A11-A15 A report was presented to the New Lynn Community Board on 3 February 2003 on the proposed installation of floodlighting at Crum Park. See pages A11 to A15 for a copy of this report. The Board resolved as follows:

“That the matter of Crum Park Lighting Upgrade be deferred to allow for a report to be presented to the Board, covering the Crum Park Management Plan and what commitment Council had made in the Agreement to encourage the establishment of the Bay Olympic Soccer Club at Olympic Park.”

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A hearing was held by the Hearings Committee on 20 February 2003 for the provision of the Flood Lighting at Crum Park.

The Hearings Committee resolved that consent be granted to erect “14 standards with 40 floodlights on fields 1, 2 and 3 at Crum Park, Green Bay for use for night time training until 8.45 pm”. The Hearings Committee also noted that “the New Lynn Community Board, as the property owner of Crum Park, has yet to provide their approval to the proposed development. No work shall take place until such time that this approval is obtained. It should be noted that the granting of this consent does not in any way guarantee consent of the landowner.”

A16-A31 See resolutions attached at pages A16 to A31 for the details of the Hearings Committee’s resolutions.

The Number 1 and 2 sports fields at Crum Park are full sand fields with slits at 1.0m centres and irrigation and can support approximately 20 hours of play spread out over the week. The Number 3 field has a reduced sand content with sand slits at only 2.0m centres and no irrigation. This lower specification was carried out on Number 3 as it was always intended that this field was to be used predominately for training.

STRATEGIC CONTEXT

This proposal supports the Council’s Urban and Rural Villages objectives of encouraging lots of living and working together in bringing working, living and playing close together.

ISSUES

Agreement

The agreement between the Council and the Green Bay/Titirangi Soccer and Sports Association required the Council to carry out various development works at Crum Park and Olympic Park and agreed to grant a lease to the club of part of the land at Olympic Park in return for the surrender of Deed of Lease over part of Crum Park.

All the conditions and development works at both Olympic Park and Crum Park as identified in the agreement have been completed. There is no further obligation on Council for any other works or provision of facilities.

Crum Park Management Plan

The adopted Management Plan is the governing document of the park to which the Council is required to adhere. The plan states under the Management Objective and Polices section:

1. *To manage Crum Park as a recreation reserve under the requirements of the Reserves Act 1977 for causal use, contemplative usage and organised club activity.*

Under section 6.0 Management Issues clause 6.9 Floodlighting of the Crum Park Management Plan it states that:

“The designated training area and the tennis courts have floodlighting. Any further floodlighting proposals are subject to a Resource Consent. The Management Plan does not allow specifically for further floodlighting unless resource consent approval is obtained.”

Advice has been obtained on this matter from the Department of Conservation and the above clause could be read that the provision of additional floodlighting on the park is in accordance with the plan and would only require a resource consent and not need a review of the Management Plan.

The New Lynn Community Board's role is to consider this proposal as landowner representative. Extracts from the delegation to Community Boards and Council officers pertaining to this matter are detailed below:

Delegated Functions of Community Boards

Included within the community boards' scope are those matters (not specifically delegated to Council officers) relating to the overview of the following. Unless a matter is specifically delegated to the community boards, overview in this context shall mean general scrutiny of the services listed.

Where appropriate for improvement to those services, the Board may make recommendations to the Council or appropriate committee:

- Local parks reserves beach and foreshore areas, public swimming pools and camp grounds;

The following is a further section of the delegations to Community Boards relating to parks: *to classify or reclassify local parks and reserves, approve management plans, and to make all local decisions and to exercise the powers of Council under the Reserves Act 1977 or any other statute or regulation or bylaw relating to the maintenance and operation of local parks and reserves except the power to determine that written suggestions would not materially assist the preparation of a management plan and except where the exercise of powers:*

- (a) *Has been delegated to Council Officers (see below).*

The Director of City Services has the following delegated authority that relates to this matter:

- *Power to authorise play on Council Sports Grounds;*
- *Power to authorise allocation of sports and recreation grounds, winter and summer and the closing of grounds as circumstances shall require from time to time and the setting;*
- *Power to authorise applications for the use of any park of Council sports grounds and reserves for sporting activities and fixing of charges within the limits imposed by the Reserves Act 1977.*

Thus, the New Lynn Community Board is required to manage efficiently and effectively within the objectives determined by the community through the parks management plan process. This can involve the allocation of use rights amongst the often-competing users of the park.

The proposal of providing training on Number 2 and Number 3 fields and partial use of Number 1 field is supported for the following reasons:

- the proposal gives better effect to the purposes and objectives set out in the Management Plan
- high demand for training areas;
- limited open space in the New Lynn/Titirangi area for sport training;
- maximise the use of a limited resource (night training);
- spread load of fields over 3 areas;
- utilise field as designated;
- conserve main field for competition games; and
- Number 3 field was set up as training field.

RESOURCES

The work will be totally funded by Bay Olympic Sports and Soccer Association.

CONCLUSION

The proposed lighting upgrade works will enhance the training activities on Crum Park and give better effect to the purposes and objectives set out in the Management Plan. It is recommended that the lighting proposal for floodlighting on Number 2 and 3 fields and partial lighting of Number 1 field be approved with restricted use. If any reduction was imposed on the installation of floodlights, then it is recommended that the lighting of Number 1 should be removed. This will allow increased competition play on this field at weekends and maximise the intended use of Number 3 field for training.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That the information be received.
2. That the New Lynn Community Board approve the Bay Olympic Sports and Soccer Association's proposal for the upgrade of the flooding lighting at Crum Park for Field Numbers 1, 2 and 3, subject to conditions set out in the resource consent.

Report prepared by: Grant Jennings, Service Manager: Parks and Green Assets.



8 **KEEP WAITAKERE BEAUTIFUL 2003 TREES FOR BABIES PLANTING PROGRAMME**

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

The purpose of this report is to approve the following parks as this year's sites for the annual "Trees For Babies" community planting days in Waitakere, Henderson, Massey and New Lynn Wards and to nominate a representative from each Community Board to speak on the day.

BACKGROUND

"Trees For Babies" is an annual community event to celebrate babies born in Waitakere City. Trees have been planted by the community in one reserve in each of the four wards as part of a Keep Waitakere Beautiful, Plunket and Council project since 1995. This is a popular community event, and approximately 100 trees have been planted at each site in 2002, with over 300 people attending each event.

STRATEGIC CONTEXT

The following parks listed are proposed as "Trees for Babies" sites in 2003 in consultation with Waitakere City Council arborist, Roscoe Webb. The parks recommended have been identified in the Parks Strategy as citywide parks and each has adequate size and space to accommodate large areas of tree planting.

ISSUES

The "Trees For Babies" funding has been approved through the 2002/2003 Annual Plan programme. The "Trees for Babies" will take place in the autumn planting season in May.

The proposed "Trees For Babies" sites and dates are:

New Lynn Ward	Harold Moody Park	Saturday, 3 May	11.00 am - 1.00 pm
Henderson Ward	Catherine Esplanade / Hart Domain	Saturday, 10 May	11.00 am - 1.00 pm
Waitakere Ward	Ranui Domain	Saturday, 17 May	11.00 am - 1.00 pm
Massey Ward	Keegan Park	Saturday, 24 May	11.00 am - 1.00 pm

The event will be community focused with family orientated activities and guest speakers. A Community Board member is requested to speak at the event.

CONCLUSION

The "Trees For Babies" event has been held successfully since 1995 to celebrate the birth of babies in Waitakere City. The parks proposed for the "Trees for Babies" events have been chosen because of their ease of access, the space available to accommodate large areas of tree planting, and ongoing park developments.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That the information be received.
2. That the park suggested for New Lynn Ward be accepted as the confirmed venue on the recommended date, for the 2003 "Trees for Babies" event.
3. That the Board nominate a member to speak at the New Lynn Ward "Trees for Babies" event.

Report prepared by: Jacki Byrd, Parks and Community Projects Co-ordinator and Liz Bell, Keep Waitakere Beautiful Project Manager.

9 PATUROA FORESHORE EROSION

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

The purpose of this report is to recommend to the New Lynn Community Board a programme for dealing with the foreshore erosion below Paturoa Road.

BACKGROUND

Foreshore erosion due to wind and wave action is common along many parts of the Manukau coastline with significant stretches of coast prone to slips and erosion due to the steep, soft nature of the cliffs and slopes that form the coastline. This erosion is a natural process and, because few public assets or infrastructure are threatened by the erosion, relatively few coastal protection measures have been installed along the Manukau coastline to prevent erosion.

The issue of foreshore erosion along the coastline beneath Paturoa Road was first raised at the New Lynn Community Board's public forum on Monday 2 December 2001. Since that date Council's Transport Assets section have investigated the issues and proposed a course of action for dealing with the short term stability issues associated with Paturoa Road, however, no long term solutions have been identified for dealing with the foreshore erosion below Paturoa Road.

STRATEGIC CONTEXT

Addressing coastal erosion is part of the Green Network Strategic Platform and aims to project and enhance the range of native plants, wildlife and ecosystems in Waitakere City and adjoining harbours and oceans.

ISSUES

Legal Requirements

To resolve coastal erosion issues in the past, many coastal structures and works have been designed, located and built with insufficient recognition of coastal processes and these have not resulted in successful protection of assets and the coast.

To try and prevent similar mistakes in the future, a management system for the coast has been established and this is based on the Auckland Regional Plan: Coastal which provides a framework to promote the integrated and sustainable management of Auckland's coastal environment. The Plan gives a great deal of detail on what outcomes are to be achieved on the coast, and the way in which activities and their effects are to be managed.

The consent issues associated with coastal protection works are typically complex and the cost of structures is also usually high. Any works in the Coastal Marine Area, i.e. below the mean high water mark, need to be consented by the Auckland Regional Council.

The Auckland Regional Council have also produced a Coastal Erosion Manual which outlines the main principles or philosophy for coastal erosion management in the Auckland Region.

The first stage in dealing with coastal erosion is to determine whether it is a problem before implementing a coastal erosion management option.

When selecting an option to deal with coastal erosion it is important to recognise that, under the Resource Management Act the natural character of the coastal environment should be protected and the section of coastline containing Paturua Bay has been classified as a Regionally Significant Landscape in the Auckland Regional Plan: Coastal.

Technical Reports

A Report on Paturua Foreshore Erosion, written by Bill Hales of BKB Resource Management, was provided to the New Lynn Community Board in December 2001. This report indicated that erosion was occurring at a rate of 0.5 metres per year and suggested that the placement of boulders would reduce erosion.

This report has been reviewed by Tonkin & Taylor Consultants Limited, who also inspected the site and were requested to provide comment on the erosion issues. Tonkin & Taylor Limited concluded that whilst the coastal processes will have a role to play in the future stability of the area below Paturua Road, the main risks are presently not related to coastal process.

The base of the coastline beneath Paturua Road consists of a thick layer of soils and unconsolidated material (colluvium) overlying a steeper slope. The headlands around the bay shown no signs of significant erosion (compared to other similar stretches of Manukau coastline) but there has been some erosion of the residual soils and colluvium at shore level below Paturua Road.

A few metres of soils loss is likely to have occurred due to erosion, however, a study of aerial photographs from the 1950's and 1972 suggests that no significant changes in the shore line have occurred over the past 60 years - certainly not at the rate of 0.5 metres per year as suggested by the BKB report.

Therefore the coastal erosion is not considered a significant problem at this stage and a 'hard' structural option for dealing with the erosion, such as a boulder wall, is not considered appropriate as it is not consistent with the Auckland Regional Plan: Coastal or the principles of the Coastal Erosion Management Manual.

However, in order to confirm that the erosion does not worsen or become a problem in the near future, the rate of erosion needs to be carefully monitored. It is therefore proposed that a survey of the existing coastline be carried out in April 2003, October 2003 and April 2004 and a further report be presented to the Board on the issue in June 2004.

In addition to the monitoring, it is also proposed that sand from the adjacent Titirangi Beach be placed along the coastline below Paturua Road in order to provide an 'erosion' buffer. This work could be carried out under an existing coastal consent, which Waitakere City Council obtained from the Auckland Regional Council in May 2000 in order to periodically excavate sand from the Beach and re-distribute the sand within the Bay. This consent was obtained because the sand within the Bay accumulates on Titirangi Beach to such an extent that it can overtop the seawall and spread across Aydon Road, blocking storm water drains and allowing vehicles to drive onto the Beach.

This type of 'soft' structural option is preferable to a hard option, such as a boulder wall, in the short term as it is less costly and more in keeping with the natural characteristics of the environment.

RESOURCES

The funding required to carry out survey in April 2003 (approx, \$500) and place sand along the coastline below Paturua Road (approx \$1,000) is included in the 2002/2003 Annual Plan.

The funding required to carry out survey in October 2003 and April 2004 (approx \$1,000) has been included in the draft 2003/2004 Annual Plan.

No funding for significant physical works e.g. a boulder wall, or the associated resource consents, has been included in either the 2002/2003 or 2003/2004 Annual Plan.

CONCLUSIONS

Recent investigations into the foreshore erosion below Paturoa Road have found that, whilst erosion has occurred in the past, the erosion has not significantly altered the coastline and the current risks to Paturoa Road are not related to coastal process. Therefore, at this stage, the construction of a 'hard' structural option such as a boulder wall is not considered appropriate.

However, the rate of erosion does need to be carefully monitored and it is proposed that the coastline be surveyed in April 2003, October 2003 and April 2004 and a further report be presented to the Board on the issue in June 2004.

It is also proposed that works to move sand from Titirangi Beach to the coastline below Paturoa Road be carried out in order to provide an erosion 'buffer'. This work could be carried out immediately under an existing coastal consent.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That the information be received
2. That a survey of the coastline below Paturoa Road be carried out in April 2003, October 2003 and April 2004 and the results of the survey be reported back to the Board in June 2004.
3. That works to move sand from Titirangi Beach to the coastline below Paturoa Road be carried out.

Report prepared by: Peter Sewell, Parks Asset & Contracts Engineer



10 ASTLEY AVENUE - LOADING ZONE

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

The purpose of this report is to seek approval from the New Lynn Community Board to provide a loading zone outside Glenburn Rest Home in Astley Avenue, New Lynn.

BACKGROUND

The Glenburn Rest Home is located at 33 to 41 Astley Avenue. The rest home has approximately 100 metres of frontage of which one third is occupied by 5 separate vehicle entrances serving different parts of the complex, one third is occupied by a bus stop and some no stopping restrictions adjacent to the main vehicle entrances to protect visibility, and one third is available for public parking on the street. The operators of the rest home have requested that a loading zone be designated on the frontage of their property to provide for trucks making deliveries to the rest home.

STRATEGIC CONTEXT

Objective 3 of the 'Urban Villages' pathway to a sustainable city is that people can get easily and safely to where they need to go and businesses can efficiently move their goods and services.

Provision of a loading zone could assist the efficient movement of goods and services to and from the business.

ISSUES

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Use of on-street parking is low in this part of Astley Avenue so the loss of general parking as a result of creating the loading zone would have minimal impact. A loading zone could be designated outside 35 Astley Avenue as indicated in the plan as attached at page A32. However it is worth noting that as a non-residential activity taking place in the living environment the rest home should be providing for its traffic needs including delivery vehicles on site.

RESOURCES

The necessary parking signs can be funded from the Traffic Signs Maintenance Contract.

CONCLUSIONS

It is recommended that a loading zone be established on the public road outside Glenburn Rest Home in Astley Avenue. The proposed loading zone can be accommodated on the road without any major impact of traffic or the surrounding residents, although normally loading facilities for this type of business would be provided on the private site and not on the public road.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That the information be received.
2. That in relation to **ASTLEY AVENUE, NEW LYNN**:
 - (a) That all existing parking restrictions or limitations (affected, or superseded, or replaced by this resolution) applicable to Astley Avenue, New Lynn imposed by any prior resolution (including resolution of any former authority) cease to have any force and effect as from the date of this determination provided however that any current enforcement action by way of prosecution arising from, or infringement notice issued in relation to, any non-compliance with or breach of any such parking restriction or limitation be authorised to be concluded in the normal manner.
 - (b) That, in accordance with the powers conferred by virtue of the Local Government Act 1974, the Transport Act 1962 and the Waitakere City Council Bylaw No 7, 1991 – Traffic, the following parking limitations and restrictions be now resolved to be specified and imposed namely:
 - On the northwest kerb line of Astley Avenue from a start 98 metres northeast of the centreline of Islington Avenue to an end point 12 metres further northeast, a **P15 - LOADING ZONE - GOODS AND SERVICE VEHICLES ONLY**, parking control be put in place.
3. That the appropriate signage and/or marking, in accordance with the Traffic Regulations 1976, be hereby approved to be put in place to properly establish, delineate and record the said parking limitation.

Report prepared by: Adam Moller, Transport Assets, Transport Engineer.



11 LONGTERM COUNCIL COMMUNITY PLAN CONSULTATION PROCESS

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

This report provides information on the timeline and process for submissions to the Council Long Term Council Community Plan and the Community Boards direct involvement in the consultation.

BACKGROUND

Under the Local Government Act 2002, Councils are required to identify Community Outcomes and develop a Long Term Council Community Plan. At its 19 February 2003 Special Meeting, the Council resolved that:

“Council produce a Long Term Council Community Plan for the period 2003/2004 to 2012/2013 using the transitional provisions of the Local Government Act 2002.”

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The Annual Plan 2003/2004 will be incorporated into the first year of the Long Term Council Community Plan. The Council adopted the draft Long Term Council Community Plan for consultation on 25 March 2003. The submission period will run from 23 April to 23 May 2003.

Under the transitional requirements of the Local Government Act 2002 Councils are able to use existing information to identify Community Outcomes in the development of the Long Term Council Community Plan and Annual Plan Special Committee. The consultation undertaken last year was part of the process for identifying these outcomes.

In 2002 the Council undertook stage one of a 2-stage consultation process originally designed to support the development of its draft 10-year strategic plan. The purpose of this stage was to talk to communities about their key issues and priorities. Community Board members took a lead in that consultation, fronting display boards at community places and events including libraries, shopping malls, and markets. This was an important and successful programme with over 330 people taking part.

The purpose of stage two of the consultation is to take the draft Long Term Council Community Plan back to the communities for their comment. One goal of the consultation plan is to, where possible, go back to the same communities or recreate consultation undertaken previously. This will enable communities to confirm whether the draft captures their intent expressed in stage one. The focus will be on providing summary information to communities. A key part of the consultation will be Community Board Members again fronting information display boards at community events and venues. This will be an important means of making the draft Long Term Council Community Plan accessible and interesting for members of the community the Council might not otherwise talk to.

Three documents will be produced as part of the Council Long Term Council Community Plan process:

1 **Long Term Council Community Plan**

This is the full document that will contain the long-term vision, strategic platforms, long-term financial information, and policies required under the Local Government Act 2002. Copies will be made available through libraries, Citizen Advice Bureaux and through the Council's website from 23 April 2003.

2 Summary Document

As required in the new Local Government Act 2002, a Council Long Term Council Community Plan summary document will be produced as part of the consultation process. This will be a colour document approximately 40 - 50 pages long. From 23 April 2003 it will also be made available through libraries, Citizen Advice Bureaux and the Council's website. Colour copies will be made available to Councillors and presented at meetings of our key partners (e.g. Te Taumata Runanga, Pacific Island Advisory Board, Residents and Ratepayers Associations, Collaboration Forum, Intersector Group). Black and white copies will be available for other interested parties including a mail out to Creative Conversation participants.

3 Waitakere City News Special Edition

The May edition of the Waitakere City News will be dedicated to the Council Long Term Council Community Plan. Its production and delivery will be moved forward to around 22 April 2003 to coincide with the submissions period.

The Waitakere City News will be the major communication tool of the consultation process, providing information on:

- the key issues for consultation;
- specific policies/issues requiring consultation under the Act;
- the nine Strategic Platforms;
- how to get involved.

ISSUES

Community Boards Participation in Consultation

A key driver of the consultation is to reach communities the Council does not often talk to. By taking information display boards to community events and venues the Council can capture a different voice and perspective from people who might not otherwise participate.

Community Boards Submission Process

Under the Local Government Act 2002, part of the role of Community Boards is to maintain an overview of Council services and prepare an annual submission. The submission period to the draft Council Long Term Council Community Plan (incorporating the Annual Plan 2003/2004) is from 23 April to 23 May 2003. The May Community Board meetings will be the last formal opportunity for Community Boards to sign off their own submission. To enable Community Boards to complete their submissions by the due date they will either need to:

- sign off their submission at their May Community Board meetings;
- OR nominate a board member to have delegated authority to sign off their completed submission after that date and by the 23 May 2003.

CONCLUSION

Part of the overall objectives of the Council Long Term Council Community Plan consultation plan is to reach communities the Council does not often talk to. Taking information boards to community events and venues is a key part in achieving that objective and Community Board members are well placed to lead this activity.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That the information be received.

2. That the Community Board be part of encouraging the general public to have their say on the Council's draft Long Term Council Community Plan.
3. That the Community Board provides four (approximately) venues/events they wish to attend and nominate a contact person.
4. That the Community Board makes a submission on the draft Long Term Council Community Plan.

Report prepared by: Kim Morresey, Partnerships and Advocacy Leader: Environment.



12 **CIVIC FUTURE PROJECT**

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

The purpose of this report is to update the New Lynn Community Board on the Civic Future Project.

BACKGROUND

At its meeting of 18 December 2002, the Council decided to go ahead with the development of the new Civic Centre adjacent to the Railway Station on the ex Carter Holt land in Henderson Valley Road, while at the same time proceeding with the new Henderson Library in conjunction with the UNITEC campus development.

STRATEGIC CONTEXT

Henderson is one of the three major town centres in Waitakere City and is recognised as a key centre in the Urban Strategy. It is the city's most centrally located town centre. It is located on the rail corridor and has the largest percentage of retail floor-space and community facilities. There has been significant recent investment, notably at Westfield's West City Mall, Sel Peacock Drive retirement complex and Council's Aquatic Centre. There is significant opportunity for further development and redevelopment. Good planning and co-ordination are essential to ensure Henderson consolidates its critical position as a key working environment and employment locality, hence furthering Council's objectives in creating a sustainable City.

The Henderson Library/UNITEC Campus development and Civic Centre projects will play a pre-eminent role in catalysing the redevelopment of the Henderson Town Centre, providing two major cornerstones within the town centre. An analysis of the Triple Bottom Line benefits of the projects has identified significant economic, social and economic benefits to the City from the two projects.

ISSUES

The move to Henderson Valley Road by the Waitakere City Council, is a strategic move, which will bring distinct benefits to ratepayers, residents and customers. A series of briefing sessions for community board members were held on 13 and 14 March, however these were poorly attended. Because of the significance of the project, a further briefing will be held at the community board meetings in April. Staff will be able to answer questions and provide further information to the boards on the project.

RECOMMENDATION

That the information be received.

Report prepared by: Lois Easton, Manager City Projects.



13 SITING OF A WATERCARE SERVICES LIMITED BOOST PUMP STATION IN MARGAN AVENUE, NEW LYNN

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

The purpose of this report is to update the New Lynn Community Board on consultation undertaken over the last month on possible sitings for a Watercare Services Limited boost pump on reserve land and to make recommendations to the Board with regard to the outcomes of that consultation.

BACKGROUND

A33-A49

At the meeting of the New Lynn Community Board on 3 March 2003 a report was presented outlining a proposal to locate a Watercare Services Limited pump station on sites on Margan Avenue. The preferred site for Watercare was site Option 1. The report raised issues regarding possible future development of the reserve and consultation with the Manawa reserve advisory group and recommended site Option 4. The previous report is attached at pages A33 to A49. At that meeting the following recommendation was carried:

“That the matter of siting of a Watercare Services Limited boost pump station be deferred in the light of the Watercare Services Limited presentation at the meeting, and that finalisation of a recommendation on the matter be subject to consultation with stakeholders with whom Council has previously consulted over the Margan Green issues.”

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STRATEGIC CONTEXT

Site option 1 would be located on reserve only – Manawa Wetland Reserve. Currently there is no reserve management plan for the Manawa Wetland. The Manawa Wetland was extensively developed in 2000 and that work won an “Action Award” in the Auckland Regional Council Environmental Awards 2000. Recently Council has secured an additional 8040 sq m of land in Manawa Reserve, which will increase the road frontage area and allow for further wetland restoration. This additional land will provide significant benefits to an area where population density is increasing.

ISSUES

As recommended at the 3 March 2003 Board meeting, further consultation was undertaken to further progress resolution of this issue. On Wednesday, 19 May 2003, the following people met at the Manawa Wetland Reserve to discuss the proposed Watercare Services Limited water pumping station: three members of the Manawa Wetland Advisory Group, three representatives from Watercare Services Limited, Pim van der Voort - New Lynn Community Board, Warren Ogilvie - Waitakere City Council, Senior Planner, Parks.

At that site meeting Watercare presented a proposed landscape plan, which was used as a basis for discussion on the possible impact or not on future development of the reserve. Those present agreed that with the following modifications, the pump station would not impinge significantly on any future development that will be undertaken at the reserve.

Amendments and additions to the plan included:

- extend the parallel parking bay west to the park entrance path, retaining the kerb height (to be confirmed with Transport Assets);
- delete the garden area, covering the pumping station and replace with grass. This will allow for flexibility with a future plan;
- pay to Council an agreed dollar sum, for the supply, planting and two year maintenance of five PB 150 native specimen trees (possibly pohutukawa – this will be determined through the concept development for the reserve in association with the advisory group), that will replace the pittosporums;
- parks arborist to assess the 18 pittosporums as to their ability to be transferred to another site, at the expense of Watercare (*the Parks arborist has assessed the site and believes that the expense of re locating the trees is not warranted.*);
- the gobi paving at the eastern end of the pump station is to be installed around the ventilation and man access hatch only. It is not to be extended to the path.

Watercare Services Limited are to re submit a landscape development plan with the changes, prior to 31 March 2003.

CONCLUSION

Given the above consultation and discussions on site and with the provision of parking which will benefit the park use, it is recommended to proceed with the pump station being located on Site Option 1.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That the information be received.
2. That approval be given for the siting of a Watercare Services Limited boost pump station on site option 1.

Report prepared by: Warren Ogilvie, Senior Planner, Parks.



14 **POSTERS AND BILLBOARDS OVER STREET FURNITURE IN NEW LYNN**

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

At its February meeting the New Lynn Community Board expressed a concern about the resurgence of posters and billboards over the street furniture, bus shelters, walls and the railway bridge in New Lynn, and requested that a report be prepared outlining Council's policies on the granting of permission for posters and billboards.

BACKGROUND

The erection of all signage within the City is subject to the provisions of both the Proposed District Plan rules and Council's Bylaws.

Posters and billboards advertising forthcoming events, concerts and the like, falls within the definition of 'temporary signs', as defined under the definition section of the Proposed Plan. This definition states (in part) that signs:

" of not more than 2.88m² in area, advertising a forthcoming cultural, community, religious or sporting event displayed for not more than 21 days before the date of the event and removed not later than 3 days of the event"

are permitted as of right. It is only if the size of the sign exceeds 2.88m², or the sign is required to be up for longer than 21 days before the event, that the prior approval of Council to a Resource Consent is required.

Council's bylaws, on the other hand, deal with where such posters can and cannot be placed. Bylaw No. 4 215, Placards on Buildings, Posts, states (No. 215.1) that no person shall:

"(a) Place any placard, poster, or other document on, or write, paint, print, draw ... or otherwise disfigure or deface, any building or any wall, fence, statue, lamp post, or electric light or power post, or any waiting-shed, convenience, rubbish receptacle or upon anything whatsoever erected in or constructed or standing on or abutting any public place ..."

ISSUES

While it is accepted that there is a need for signs to advertise forthcoming events, it is the indiscriminate placement of these signs over street furniture, and the fact that they are often not maintained and/or removed immediately after the event, that gives rise to complaints from the public.

The task of removing posters and billboards from street furniture is being carried out almost exclusively by the Tag Out Trust, under contract to Council. The Trust have staff that patrol the New Lynn area from Titirangi Rd to the Whau Creek (excluding Lynmall Shopping Centre) on a daily basis, removing both graffiti and posters. The Trust advises that while there are always posters being placed on street furniture on a regular basis, there has been no noticeable increase or decrease over the last 5-6 years. The main targets appear to be the Titirangi Road railway over-bridge, and transformers. With respect to the over-bridge, the Trust advises that the mural on the bridge is about to be repainted. Once this is done, a graffiti proof finish will be added, which will make the task of removing any subsequent graffiti so much easier.

Other regular targets include Telecom and New Zealand Post facilities. In both cases, The Trust will generally remove the graffiti, but leaves the removal of posters to the utilities involved, as the Trust does not want to be responsible for damaging the paint work.

Under the City's Bylaws, any person caught placing signs on street furniture and in other public places, is liable for a fine of not more than \$500, and where the breach is a continuing one, a further fine not exceeding \$50 for every day or part of a day for which the breach continues. A review of Bylaws under the provisions of the new Local Government Act 2002 is programmed for the coming Annual Plan Year. This will enable Council to consider larger penalties for Bylaw breaches. The difficulty however, is either catching the person(s) putting up the sign, or any other identification, which might lead to the 'offender'. On the rare occasion where it is possible to identify who put the poster(s) up, then the Trust forwards this information on to Council Officers, to investigate.

CONCLUSION

The Tag Out Trust advises that the problem of posters, billboards and graffiti over street furniture in the New Lynn area, while an ongoing problem, has not shown any significant increase or decrease over the last 5-6 years. The Trust continues to remove these on a regular basis, as part of its contract with Council. Where it is possible to identify who placed the posters on an item of street furniture, then the Bylaws contain provision for Council to initiate legal action against that person(s).

RECOMMENDATION

That the information be received.

Report prepared by: Colin Diprose, Field Services, Resource Management.



15 UPDATE ON OPOU ROAD HALL, FRENCH BAY

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

The purpose of this report is to update the New Lynn Community Board on options for the future of Opop Road Hall. The report also recommends that the Community Board provide comments to the Finance and Operational Performance Committee for the 7 April 2003 meeting, to be considered as part of the decision on the future of the Opop Road Hall.

BACKGROUND

The Opop Road Hall in Opop Reserve, French Bay, Titirangi is owned by the Waitakere City Council and has been unavailable for community use since April 2002 after Council officers found it to be structurally unsound. A decision was made by Council officers in 2002 in consultation with Councillors, Community Board Members and local community representatives to repair the hall as at that stage both repair costs and demolition costs were anticipated to be around \$20,000. Council officers recently carried out further investigations and found that significantly more work is required at Opop Road Hall than was first anticipated. The total cost for all the work (including structural repairs, waterproofing the toilets and general maintenance) is estimated at around \$50,000. Demolition of the Hall has also been re-estimated at approximately \$7,000 as some of the costs can be recovered from materials that can be re-used.

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A map is attached at page A50 and shows the location of the hall and other community facilities in the area. The Hall was donated to the community and relocated to Opu Road Reserve from Waiuku Army Base in the late 1940s. Ownership of the Hall was transferred to the Council in the 1970s. In the past the Hall was used as a focal point for community activities including social dances, family parties, election voting and the Titirangi Orpheus Sea Scout Group. In recent years the casual and regular usage of the hall has decreased due to a range of factors including lack of parking as the hall is located at the end of a narrow cul de sac road and has no off street parking. The hall is also situated directly next to houses in a very quiet residential area and noise and traffic generated by hall users has caused problems for the community.

The only regular users of the hall as at April 2002 were the Sea Scout Group who used the venue three evenings a week. The scouts were relocated to the Paturoa Residents and Ratepayers Hall, Titirangi Beach where they remain today. After conducting community consultation Council Officers have submitted the following information and made recommendations to the Finance and Operational Performance Committee to demolish the Opu Road Hall and revert the site back into park land. The Finance and Operational Performance Committee will discuss the report and the recommendations for the future of Opu Road Hall at their meeting on 7 April 2003. The Orpheus Sea Scouts have been consulted regarding the outcomes of the community consultation and likely recommendations concerning the Opu Road Hall and will be informed that they are welcome to attend and speak at the Finance and Operational Performance Committee meeting on 7 April 2003.

STRATEGIC CONTEXT

The Urban Villages Pathway aims to make the town centres a vibrant fun place to live, giving people choices about recreation in their town centres.

The Council's Strategic Plan is to join and improve the city's parks, bush and streams to form a link throughout the town centres.

Council's Well-being and Urban Village Pathway strategic and policy objectives aims to provide networks of appropriate and accessible public buildings as key community focal points and through a wide range of low cost, low impact community activities.

ISSUES

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As at 2001, the Titirangi South area within which the Opu Road community is located had a total population of 3237. A relatively high number of Council and non-Council owned community facilities are available for use in the area as marked on the map in attached at page A50. These facilities include the Titirangi Community Centre, Titirangi Community House, Paturoa Bay Residents and Ratepayers Association Hall, French Bay Yacht Club, and School and Church Halls. The Council carries out maintenance required for Council owned halls on a case-by-case basis in cooperation with the Hall Management Committees. In addition the Council also administers the Community Hall Fund, which had \$42,000 available in 2002/2003 for small grants of \$500-\$3000 to eligible Hall Management Committees to contribute to the maintenance and running expenses costs of the halls (both Council and Community owned).

Community Consultation

A51-A53

The Council has recently carried out consultation with the local community to determine community views and preferences for the future of the Opu Road Hall. A community consultation questionnaire attached at pages A51 to A53 was delivered to 400 homes in and around Opu Road. A further 30 copies were also distributed to the Sea Scouts and ten to the Paturoa Residents and Ratepayers Association. Community response to the questionnaire was very strong with 143 completed and returned to the Council. Of the responses 54% (the majority) believe that the hall should be demolished and the land reverted to reserve, and 39% believe that the hall should be repaired¹. Following community consultation two options have been identified for the future of the Opu Road Hall, French Bay. These include the following:

Option One - Repair the Opu Road Hall

Option One involves carrying out the repairs to Opu Road Hall estimated at \$50,000 and making the hall available for community use. The repairs required to bring the building up to standard include structural repairs, waterproofing of toilets, removal and replacement of the roofing and spouting, repair and/or replacement of weatherboards, replacement of fibrolite sheeting, exterior repainting, electrical checks, defective heater removal and interior tidying. This option would preserve the Opu Road Hall for long term community use. However, the repairs require significant resources and there are a range of other community facilities in the area, including those that also have low to medium use and are available for increased community use.

Repair costs may be offset over the longer term against increased community use of the hall. However in this case use of the hall is restricted by the residential location, lack of parking for hall users and disruption to the neighbourhood in terms of traffic congestion and noise. It is unlikely that increased use of the hall would be encouraged in order to justify the repairs, as the hall is situated in an area that is not conducive to high usage. Further, although many residents have had connections with the hall in the past the majority have indicated through the questionnaire that they would not be likely to use the hall if repaired and recommend that the hall be demolished. Many of the respondents feel that they would benefit more from an increased reserve at minimal expense.

The Sea Scouts have been approached by Council officers to determine whether they could contribute to the repair costs as the main users of the Hall. The Scouts enjoyed being based at Opu Hall and have advised that they are willing to look into funding options. However they are unlikely to be successful, as most funding organisations will not fund community groups for repairs to buildings that do not belong to the group themselves. Further, the Sea Scouts would need to seek special permission from Scouting New Zealand as their policy does not support Scout groups to seek funding for building repairs and improvements. Therefore it is unlikely that the Scouts would be in a position to share repair costs with the Council. The repairs would be funded from the Council Property Renewals Budget as the Community Halls Fund is designed to contribute to maintenance and running costs only and does not cover major capital improvements. This may set a precedent for Council to fund all major repairs required to community halls in the future regardless of the levels of community utilisation of the hall. This could lead to significant financial implications in the long run as many Council owned halls including the Opu Road Hall are donated by the Community and are not always well maintained by previous owners.

Further whilst there is community support for the hall it is in less significant numbers than those who recommend demolishing the hall and reverting the site back to park space.

¹ 7% of questionnaire respondents were undecided.

Option Two – Demolish the Opu Road Hall and Revert Site to Park Land

Option Two recommends demolishing the Opu Road Hall and reverting the site back to park land. As discussed above in Option One there are a range of other available community facilities in the area. With the exception of the Sea Scouts, community groups have not used Opu Road Hall regularly for a number of years. The demand for use is unlikely to increase significantly in the future due to logistical difficulties associated with using the hall including location, lack of parking, and noise restrictions. Demand from alternative users is low and other community facilities in the area also experience low to medium demand and use.

Some members and leaders of the Sea Scouts prefer the Opu Road Hall to the Paturoa Hall as they were based there for a number of years, had storage facilities and as near sole users could leave their equipment set up in the hall. At the Paturoa Hall the Scouts are required to pack their equipment away although they do have the use of a secure storage room and also other space in the hall for storage. The Paturoa Hall is situated on old Road Reserve land owned by Waitakere City Council and directly adjacent to an old unused concrete bus shelter owned by the Auckland Regional Council. On a previous visit to the Sea Scouts at Paturoa Hall, the leaders suggested to Council officers that the shelter be secured and converted into a storage shed for their boats and equipment. If Option Two were agreed and the Sea Scouts were to be based permanently at the Paturoa Hall Council officers would investigate options for securing the old bus shelter and converting it into a storage shed for the Sea Scouts.

Opu Reserve is well used by the locals of the area and the completed questionnaires showed that the majority of the community participating in the consultation support demolition of the hall and reverting the site back to park space. The Reserve is one of few green spaces in the area and is a unique site as it offers a tranquil and scenic public space with little or no traffic pollution including noise. Under this option the utilities would be sealed and the site grassed over on completion of demolition of the Hall. Many members of the community have advised Council officers that they would be interested in donating native plants to the site once reverted to park land. If this option is agreed the Parks Department would organise a planting day with the local community to enhance any future landscaping developments of the park.

This option is preferred as it would improve public access to the coastal environment, and create an extended pleasant neighbourhood reserve for the wider and/or local community to utilise and enjoy. Although the Hall has had varied community use since its relocation to Opu reserve in the 1940's, there has not been high demand for the hall in the more recent past with the exception of the Orpheus Sea Scouts who have been re-located and based at Paturoa Hall for the past 11 months. Further, this option corresponds with the views of the community who responded to consultation on the issue. The majority of the community recommended that the Opu Hall be demolished in recognition that there are alternative community facilities in the area and a relative shortage of green spaces such as the Opu Reserve.

RESOURCING

Commitments to date would allow for repair costs of \$50,000 or demolition costs of approximately \$7,000 to be funded from the Property Renewals Budget.

CONCLUSION

The Opu Road Hall in Opu Reserve, French Bay, Titirangi is owned by the Waitakere City Council and has been unavailable for community use since April 2002 after Council officers found it to be structurally unsound. An initial decision to repair the hall was revised after further investigations found significantly more work required at Opu Road Hall than was first anticipated. The total cost for all the repair work was re-estimated at around \$50,000 and demolition costs were also re-estimated at approximately \$7,000 as some of the costs can be recovered from materials that can be re-used. The only regular users of the hall as at April 2002 were the Sea Scout Group who were relocated to the Paturoa Residents and Ratepayers Hall, Titirangi Beach where they remain today.

There are two options that have been considered for the future of the Opu Hall. It will be recommended that the Finance and Operational Performance Committee endorse Option Two that the Opu Road Hall be demolished and the site reverted back to park space. This will provide public access to the coastal environment, and a redeveloped and extended neighbourhood reserve for the wider and/or local community to use. The recommended option also corresponds with the majority views of the community, which were sourced from a questionnaire on the issue. The majority of the community recommended that the Opu Hall be demolished in recognition that there are alternative community facilities in the area and a relative shortage of green spaces such as the Opu Reserve.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That the information be received.
2. That the New Lynn Community Board indicates its preference (for demolition or repair of Opu Road Hall) and provide comments to the Finance and Operational Performance Committee meeting on 7 April 2003.

Report prepared by: Polly O'Brien, Leisure Services, Project Leader Community Resources.



16 COMMUNITY SPORT FUND - CHANGES TO MEMBERSHIP

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

The purpose of the report is to seek an alternate nomination from the New Lynn Community Board for the Community Sport Fund Allocation Subcommittee.

BACKGROUND

The Community Sport Fund has been a partnership between the Sport and Recreation New Zealand (formerly Hillary Commission) and Waitakere City Council through which funding has been provided to support community sport, fitness and physical leisure organisations and activities.

At a recent Community Sport Fund Allocation Subcommittee there were insufficient members who were able to attend and as a result the meeting lapsed after the required time frame.

As a result, a request has been received from the Waitakere Community Board proposing the option of providing an alternative nomination.

STRATEGIC CONTEXT

Through the Community Assistance Policy, Council has outlined its commitment to help strengthen the ability of local community groups to create a strong social base for Waitakere City and to improving local leisure and recreation opportunities and choices.

Through adoption of First Call for Children, Council has also stated its commitment to proactively supporting children, young people and their families in Waitakere City. Direct financial assistance to organisations providing activities to train volunteers and get people more active, with a priority on youth, assists Council's commitment to these policies.

ISSUES

The Delegations to Committees and Community Boards Register sets out that the Subcommittee shall comprise:

- 1 Councillor representative who shall be the Chairperson.
- 1 Community Board representative from each Board (total 4).
- 1 Representative from Waitakere Regional Sports Trust.
- 2 Representatives from Te Taumata Runanga.
- 1 Representative from the Pacific Islands Communities.
- 2 Representatives from the Community.

Quorum: 6 members

Due to the pressure of meetings it is not always possible for the elected Community Board member to attend the meeting and the wish is to have an alternate member nominated to attend should the original member be unavailable.

This proposal is to be put before all Community Boards for their consideration regarding their own nominated member of the Community Sport Fund Allocation Subcommittee

RESOURCES

There are no additional financial or staffing requirements.

CONCLUSION

The recent Community Sport Fund Allocation Subcommittee meeting lapsed after the required timeframe due to insufficient members being able to attend.

A request has been received from the Waitakere Community Board suggesting that an alternative member be nominated and allowed to attend future meetings if the first nominated member cannot attend.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That the information be received.
2. That the New Lynn Community Board nominate an alternate member for the Community Sport Fund Allocation Subcommittee.

Report prepared by: Jan Brown, Community Assistance Administrator.



17 **BOARD MEMBERS' REPORTS**

Provision has been made on this agenda for Board Members should they so wish to submit a report on their activities during the month in regard to matters within the scope and delegations of the Board. However, to comply with the provisions of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987, no decision may be made on matters raised in Board Members' reports.

PIM VAN DER VOORT

At the February Community Board meeting I questioned the annual plan process and the Community Board input. They are now working through the draft plan that will be put out for public consultation. But we all know that very little will be changed unless there is a public outcry. For this board there are a number of issues to be resubmitted for the annual plan.

Green Bay Community House Car Park

This will be the eighth time this has been submitted. It has fallen on deaf ears again and is not in this year's draft proposal.

After last year's disastrous debate on footpath funding and its allocation to each ward, at present \$450,000 is allocated.

Kerbing and Channelling

None was allocated last year. This year's proposal is only \$250,000 (at time of writing). If you recall at the September 2002 Council meeting suggestions were made to increase those amounts to \$1M each to obtain some real progress in the city.

Bear in mind that Council received a windfall of \$57,000,000 from its power board shares, which it used to reduce its debt. Is it too much to ask for an increase in funding for footpath works and kerbing.

On the brighter side, the Kauriland Domain footpath to the Kindergarten was completed at the beginning of this year's school term. It looks great. Congratulations to staff for a great job.

The New Lynn rail bridge on Titirangi Road has had a spruce-up. Thanks to Creative New Zealand Funding and artist Sally Griffin. Let us hope that the posters and graffiti stay away. Well done.

