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WAITAKERE, ON MONDAY, 31 MARCH 2008, COMMENCING AT 7.00 PM**

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1 DECLARATION BY MEMBER

In accordance with the provisions under Clause 14 of Schedule 7, as read with Section 54(2), of the Local Government Act 2002, Members elected to New Lynn Community Board are required to make and sign the Declaration. Mr Wayne Richard Davis was elected to the New Lynn Community Board at a by-election held on 7 March 2008 and is requested to make the declaration before taking his seat at the meeting.

Declaration will be made as follows:

"I, Wayne Richard Davis, declare that I will faithfully and impartially, and according to the best of my skill and judgement, execute and perform, in the best interests of the New Lynn Community, the powers, authorities and duties vested in, or imposed upon, me as a Member of the New Lynn Community Board by virtue of the Local Government Act 2002, the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987, or any other Act."

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2 APOLOGIES

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3 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Meeting Minutes – Monday, 3 March 2008

RECOMMENDATION

That the minutes of the Meeting of the New Lynn Community Board held on Monday, 3 March 2008, as circulated, be taken as read and now be confirmed.

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4 URGENT BUSINESS

Section 46A(7) of the Local Government Official Information 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 Board by resolution so decides; and
- (ii) the Chairman has explained at the beginning of the meeting (when open to the public) that the item will be raised for discussion and decision, why the item is not on the agenda, and why it cannot be delayed until a subsequent meeting.

The Board may make a decision on a matter determined to be urgent.

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



5 **PRESENTATION BY NEW ZEALAND RAILWAYS CORPORATION (ONTRACK)**

ONTRACK will give an update to the New Lynn Community Board on preparation works for the New Lynn rail trench construction.



6 **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 Chairman at the beginning of the meeting; and
- (ii) the Chairman 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 Officer.



7 **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

It just seems like yesterday that I was writing up my last report. It makes one ponder on the thought of what if the word time did not exist; would we have a different word which encompassed what we understand time is or would life and the way we function be chaos. It could be that for people who have no direction, job, home, family or money that time holds no purpose or hope for them. So I will ponder on the word time and be grateful when I say, I have run out of time, for indeed it must mean you are busy and have a life with a purpose. So can we run out of time or is it to do with organisation.

Oaklyn School

The school which caters for special needs has created a cycle track within the school grounds and I spent a delightful couple of hours there along with the Honourable David Cunliffe MP and Lynne Pillay MP, Penny Hulse, Judy Lawley and our new CEO Vijaya Vaidyanath for the opening of the track. Bike Barn had donated three wheeler bikes and large scooters for the pupils and fun was had by all who were brave enough and of course fit enough to try the track. A special thanks to Bike Barn for their contribution which was gratefully received.

Olympic Park

The official opening of Olympic on the 9 March 2008 was a great success. Thank you to the New Lynn Community Board for attending as the Park is a credit to all who have been and are still involved in the planning and producing a facility that is well used.

Green Bags

Green Bay Residents and Ratepayers are forging ahead with their "Get Rid of Plastic Bags" campaign. On 12 April 2008, at the Green Bay shopping centre they are holding a gala day and the New Lynn Community Board have been invited to join in this initiative. Further details will be forthcoming.

Royal Commission

A Public Meeting for the New Lynn Ward is scheduled for 1 April 2008 at 7 pm at the New Lynn Community Centre.

Time is short as to consultation and submissions and as tiring as it may be, Board Members need to be vigilant and communicating with as many residents as possible. Regional Local/Community and accountability are three of the areas to focus on as to our submission.

The Board appreciates the information and assistance from Council and officers as a means to forming and collating data as to our submission.

Parks

There have been numerous complaints as to playground equipment getting overly heated in the last few months of summer; also instances as to the rubber matting being too hot for children to walk on. The majority of complainants are asking for shade sails to provide some protection for the children. This is a very expensive exercise and as we are entering cooler seasons the problem should subside. However, before next summer a report on costs as to major playgrounds and shade sails on a citywide basis would be welcomed.

Annual Plan

There will be an opportunity for a workshop on the Annual Plan submission for the New Lynn Ward at a time yet to be set. This will involve going over last year's Annual Plan and removing or adding new requests.

Due to the work on the rail trenching that is taking place the New Lynn Community Board meeting will be moved to Waitakere City Council Chambers starting June 2008. Apologies to anyone inconvenienced due to this move.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Chairman's Report be received.

GPJ Marshall

CHAIRMAN



8 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.

NEW LYNN COMMUNITY BOARD APPOINTMENTS

OUTSIDE ORGANISATIONS	APPOINTMENT
Auckland Region and Far North Community Board Association Executive Committee	Gayle Marshall Tony Hartnett (alternate)
City Safety Action Group	Sandy Taylor Pim van der Voort (alternate)
Glen Eden Community House Management Committee	Tony Hartnett
Green Bay Community House Management Committee	Pim van der Voort
Keep Waitakere Beautiful Committee	Sandy Taylor Pim van der Voort (alternate)
Waitakere Citizen Advice Bureau	Gayle Marshall Vacant (alternate)
Waitakere Road Safety Steering Group	Pim van der Voort Sandy Taylor (alternate)
COUNCIL COMMITTEES	
Creative Communities Scheme Allocation Subcommittee	Pim van der Voort Vacant (alternate)
Community Sports Fund Allocation Subcommittee	Vacant Tony Hartnett (alternate)
New Lynn Community Board Street Events Subcommittee	Sandy Taylor
Long Term Council Community Plan and Annual Plan Committee	Gayle Marshall Pim van der Voort (alternate)









9 COMMITTEE SECRETARY'S REPORT





RECOMMENDATION


It is recommended that the New Lynn Community Board resolves to:

Receive the Committee Secretary's Report for the New Lynn Community Board dated 31 March 2008.





	Issue	Comments	Reporting Council Officer
1.	Remuneration Authority Officer's Report	The Remuneration Authority has advised the Council that the Indicative Pool for 2008/2009 remains unchanged. The Council has therefore decided not to alter the current distribution. The Community Boards	Darryl Griffin  836 8000 Ext: 8712

	Issue	Comments	Reporting Council Officer
		are advised so that they can agree or disagree with the Council's decision. The Council's decision means that the remuneration payable to Community Board Chairmen and Members will remain unchanged for the period 1 July 2008 to 30 June 2009. If there is any disagreement the Community Board Chair can note it on the return to the Remuneration Authority or the Community Board can make a separate submission to the Remuneration Authority.	
2.	New Lynn Township Streetscape Design - Great North Road, from Hugh Brown Drive to Rewarewa Walkway Officer's Report	The pedestrian lights for the lighting upgrade on Great North Road are currently in storage. Installation of the lights will not be proceeding until the New Lynn works associated with the rail undergrounding project are complete.	Andreas Lilley  836 8000 Ext: 8553
3.	Rewarewa Walkway 30 April 2007 Resolution No. 762/2007	A programme of ground water monitoring is being implemented for a period of 12 months. A decision on whether to proceed with investigations for re-opening the walkway will be recommended to the New Lynn Community Board towards the end of 2008.	Andreas Lilley  836 8000 Ext: 8553
4.	Ken Maunder Park Footbridge Replacement 3 December 2007 Resolution No. 3830/2007 Infrastructure and Works Committee 4 December 2007 Resolution No. 3867/2007	The Infrastructure and Works Committee and the New Lynn Community Board approved the truss style bridge design at their December 2007 meeting. Detailed design is now underway and consents applications are due to be lodged in the next few months. Construction is planned to commence in late 2008 with completion planned for March 2009. A mail drop to update the community was undertaken in mid-February 2008.	Katharine Slack  836 8000 Ext: 8779
5.	Parrs Park No. 1 Field Upgrade Officer's Report	Works commenced in January 2008 on upgrading the no. 1 sports field at Parrs Park. Works are expected to be completed by June 2008. Club games will be reallocated to other fields at Parrs Park until the field re-opens.	Andreas Lilley  836 8000 Ext: 8553
6.	Olympic Park, Waikumete Cemetery, Manawa	Weed control will be carried out in Olympic Park, Waikumete Cemetery and Manawa Wetland Reserve during	Helen Biffin  836 8000



	Issue	Comments	Reporting Council Officer
	Wetland Reserve - Weed Control and Planting Officer's Report	February 2008 in preparation for native re-vegetation planting to be carried out in autumn. Weed control in preparation for planting will continue on some of these sites through April 2008.	Ext: 8758
7.	Community Board Minor Parks Projects Officer's Report	The status of each project is as follows: <u>Hinau Reserve</u> Building Consent was granted at the end of February 2008. The swings are programmed to be installed in April 2008. <u>Copley Reserve – Additional Play facilities</u> A building consent has been lodged and is currently being processed. Works are planned to commence in April 2008 once consent has been obtained.	Katharine Slack  836 8000 Ext: 8779
8.	Community Wellbeing Fund Allocation 2007/2008 3 September 2007 Resolution No. 3344/2007	A report will be going to the Finance and Operational Performance Committee meeting schedule for 7 April 2008, to which the Chairman of each Community Board has been requested to attend.	Greta Buchanan  836 8000 Ext: 8150
9.	Acknowledgement of the Late Metlife Pinesong Village Owner, Mrs Thora Conlon 26 April 2007 Council Resolution No. 699/2007	On 25 January 2008, Manager: Public Affairs approached the management of Metlife Pinesong and advised that the New Lynn Community Board wished to commemorate Mrs Conlon and in discussion, with the Manager, developed the suggestion of a bench seat at the lookout, with a suitable plaque on the seat dedicated to Mrs Conlon On 19 March 2008, the Manager of Metlife Pinesong declined the proposal and advised that there is a street in the complex named after Mrs Conlon and that is considered sufficient commemoration.	Dai Bindoff  836 8000 Ext: 8907
10.	State of the Heritage House Public Forum 4 February 2008 Resolution No. 85/2008	The entire cemetery including the Sexton's House at Waikumete Cemetery is listed in the District Plan as a Category I heritage item. This means that additions and alterations require resource consent and may also require building consent depending on the proposal. The	Alina Wimmer  836 8000 Ext: 8798



	Issue	Comments	Reporting Council Officer
		<p>Sexton's House was tenanted prior to Christmas 2007 and the tenant was given advice from Council officers at that time that the interior of the house could not be altered without consent and any external changes to the building or any new building would require resource and building consents. Following complaints received about the state of the building, the tenant was issued with a notice to remove the illegal structure within 10 days. The structure has been satisfactorily removed and the matter is now closed.</p>	
11.	<p>Determination Report - Review the Control of Liquor in Public Places Bylaw 2003 Officer's Report</p>	<p>At its meeting on Tuesday, 11 March 2008, the Planning and Regulatory Committee considered a report which concluded that Council has specific legal power to make a bylaw for liquor control purposes pursuant to Section 147 of the Local Government Act 2002. In light of this conclusion, the Committee resolved the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <i>That the determination report – Review of the Control of Liquor in Public Places Bylaw 2003 report be received.</i> 2. <i>That the problem to be addressed is to reduce the incidence of disorderly behaviour and criminal offending in the city linked to alcohol possession and consumption in public places.</i> 3. <i>That the most appropriate way of addressing the perceived problem is to extend the Control of Liquor in Public Places Bylaw 2003 to cover those parts of the City identified by the Police as particularly affected by the problem.</i> 4. <i>That Council officers, in consultation with the NZ Police, prepare a draft Bylaw Statement of Proposal and Summary of Information around the control of liquor in public places for consideration and discussion at a future Planning and Regulatory Committee</i> 	<p>Roy Hunt  836 8000 Ext: 8400</p>

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		<p><i>meeting.”</i></p> <p>(279/2008)</p> <p>The report which was presented to the Planning and Regulatory Committee is attached at pages A1 to A6 and a Council officer will attend each Community Board to answer any questions they may have on the issue.</p>	
12.	<p>Resident's Complaint on Driveway Being Dug Up</p> <p>Public Forum</p> <p>4 February 2008</p> <p>Resolution No. 85/2008</p>	<p>EcoWater has agreed with the customer to replace the wastewater manhole. The drains have been inspected and they are okay.</p>	<p>Sue Liddell</p> <p> 836 8000</p> <p>Ext: 8736</p>
13.	<p>Proposed Pedestrian Lights at Rata Street Junction</p> <p>Public Forum</p> <p>4 February 2008</p>	<p>This site has been included in a pedestrian signalised study to be undertaken. This study is due to be completed in July 2008 and a further update will be given after that date.</p>	<p>Sue Liddell</p> <p> 836 8000</p> <p>Ext: 8736</p>
14.	<p>Proposed Naming of an Un-named Lane in Glen Eden</p> <p>Public Forum</p> <p>3 March 2008</p>	<p>Council's Principal Advisor: Heritage has forwarded the request to Transport Assets for action and implementation.</p>	<p>Goeff England</p> <p> 836 8000</p> <p>Ext: 8292</p>
15.	<p>Installation of Cameras in Glen Eden Shopping Centre, Improvement in Township Lighting and Liquor Ban in Glenmall Place</p> <p>Public Forum</p> <p>3 March 2008</p>	<p>Council officers had a discussion with Ian Burkett of Glen Eden Business Association over a 6 month period regarding the Council's position and available funding for the installation of two new CCTV cameras in the Glenmall shopping centre covering the car park and public toilet area. Presently there is no funding available for this installation. Ian has been informed that there may be funding available via the 2008/2009 Annual Plan funding process and has stated that he will consider this. The Glen Eden Business Association has shown great initiative regarding the installation of their own CCTV system and it is of very high quality. It is suggested that if the association apply for funding via the Annual Plan process that this application is looked upon favourably due to the commitment already shown by the</p>	<p>Roy Hunt</p> <p> 836 8000</p> <p>Ext: 8714</p>

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		<p>association concerned with the installation and monitoring of the system in place. Enquiries are ongoing within Council regarding the authority required to place any new installation (covering the above stated areas) on council owned property.</p> <p>Having made enquires about the quality of lighting with the town centre are, it appears that there are several individuals involved in attempting to rectify this issue.</p> <p>There are two separate areas of concern for the business association. The library lane lighting and also the bakers lane lighting issue.</p> <p>At this time it appears that there are faults with this lighting system in the Library lane. The lighting periodically fuses with adverse weather conditions exasperating the systems' effectiveness. This issue has initially been dealt with by Council officers who are continuing to rectify the issue.</p> <p>The lighting at Bakers Lane is a Vector owned asset. The issue at this location is that the lighting is not bright enough for the newly installed CCTV system. Larger voltage bulbs are required to address this issue. This is being addressed via Transport Assets, Safe Waitakere and Vector.</p> <p>The Safe Waitakere Alcohol Project Leader will be visiting each of the Business Associations to update them on Control of Liquor in Public Places Bylaw 2003. They will also have the opportunity to provide submissions should Council wish to progress the review.</p>	

REPORTS PENDING			
Subject	Date Requested	Report Due	Reporting Officer
Project Twin Streams Four Monthly Progress Report	1 August 2005 Resolution No. 1445/2005 Last updated 4 February 2008	9 June 2008	Tony Miguel  836 8000 Ext: 8294
Intersection of Oates Road and Glendale Road,	31 October 2005 Resolution No.	5 May 2008	Sue Liddell  836 8000

REPORTS PENDING			
Subject	Date Requested	Report Due	Reporting Officer
Glen Eden	2076/2005 4 December 2006 Resolution No. 2312/2006 3 December 2007 Resolution No. 3353/2007		Ext: 8736
Glen Eden Township – Pedestrian Safety Issues and Lack of Disabled Parking	Public Forum 3 September 2007	5 May 2008	Caisey Marter  836 8000 Ext: 8138
Request for Traffic-Control Lights to Enhance Pedestrian Safety in Godley Road	Public Forum 3 March 2008	5 May 2008	Sue Liddell  836 8000 Ext: 8736

Report prepared by: Carmen Fernandes, Committee Secretary.



10 PARRS PARK CONCEPT UPDATE AND WAITAKERE AQUATIC AND ICE CENTRE DEVELOPMENT

GLOSSARY

Parrs Park Reserve Management Plan (Management Plan)
 Waitakere Aquatic and Ice Centre Charitable Trust (the Trust)
 Auckland Regional Physical Activity and Sports Strategy (ARPASS)

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to outline a proposal that was presented to the Infrastructure and Works Committee in March 2008 for the re-development of the existing Waterhole Swimming Centre at Parrs Park with the inclusion of a dedicated curling rink to create a Waitakere Aquatic and Ice Centre. The report also outlines a process for the update of the concept for the northern (undeveloped) end of Parrs Park and which includes the proposed Waitakere Aquatic and Ice Centre.

The proposed Waitakere Aquatic and Ice Centre provides for the development of significant recreational facilities within one of the City's largest and most used Citywide parks. The proposed consultation on the proposal would be undertaken through a proposed change to the Parrs Park Reserve Management Plan (Management Plan), in particular, through a concept plan update for the Parrs Park. This concept plan update will provide a forum for community discussion on the relative merits of the proposal and also an opportunity to review the development of Parrs Park, in particular the northern (currently undeveloped) area.

This report seeks to provide the Community Board with detailed information on the proposal (as provided to the Works and Infrastructure Committee in March 2008) and to recommend that the Community Board hold a workshop with Council officers to provide detailed comments on the proposal and input into the concept plan update for inclusion in the July 2008 report to the Works and Infrastructure Committee.

RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the New Lynn Community Board resolves to:

1. **Receive** the Parrs Park Concept Update and Waitakere Aquatic and Ice Centre Development report.
2. **Agree** that New Lynn Community Board will determine a suitable date to undertake a workshop on the Parrs Park Concept Plan update to provide Council officers with additional information from the Board for inclusion in the July 2008 report to Infrastructure and Works Committee.

BACKGROUND

1. At the 8 February 2007 meeting of the City Development Committee a report was presented regarding requests Council had received for provision of facilities for Auckland Curling and Extreme Trampoline. The following was resolved:

“2. *That the City Development Committee endorses Leisure Services exploring land options for the Auckland Curling Club and the Extreme Trampoline Club and that the results be reported back to the City Development Committee by May 2007.*

3. *That the City Development Committee endorses Leisure Services exploring land options for the appropriate and accessible location, housing and co-location of non-mainstream sports (including curling and trampolining) in conjunction with the review of the Open Space Strategy and that the results be brought back to the City Development Committee by May 2007.”*

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2. A further update report was presented to the 6 September 2007 meeting of the City Development Committee, outlining that Parrs Park was being investigated for possible co-location for curling and that Te Rangi Hiroa Reserve and the Birdwood depot be investigated as a possible location for active recreation provision and that a registration of interest process would be undertaken to gain an understanding of possible options and demand.
3. Based on the above resolutions, Council officers subsequently met with representatives of the Waterhole Swimming Centre and Auckland Curling Club to discuss potential proposals for a joint development and possible ways to accommodate that within Parrs Park in order that they could progress with concept plans and feasibility work on the development proposal. In addition, Council officers have undertaken some preliminary discussions with other interest groups on Parrs Park to inform a draft concept plan update being prepared that not only incorporates the Waitakere Aquatic and Ice centre proposal but also future possible park development in the northern, predominantly undeveloped part of Parrs Park.
4. Parrs Park is a large park that provides significant areas of native ecosystems and has a variety of landscapes and recreational opportunities. It is used by people from across Waitakere and provides for many sporting codes and has a significant stream running through it with associated natural values. Hence, Parrs Park is managed as a citywide park. As such the delegation for decisions relating to Parrs Park sits with the Infrastructure and Works Committee.

5. At its meeting in March 2008, a full report similar to this report was presented to the Infrastructure and Works Committee in order to gain approval to proceed with consultation and public notification. At that meeting the Committee resolved as follows

- “2. *That the Infrastructure and Works Committee approves the public notification of the proposed concept update for Parrs Park, including the proposed Waitakere Aquatic and Ice Centre Development as a partial review of the Parrs Park Reserve Management Plan under Section 41(9) of the Reserves Act 1977.*
3. *That the Infrastructure and Works Committee approves the timeline and consultation process outlined in the Agenda report for the proposed change to the Parrs Park Reserve Management Plan.*
4. *That a hearing of submissions by the Infrastructure and Works Committee on the proposed changes to the Parrs Park Reserve Management Plan, including the proposed Waitakere Aquatic and Ice Centre, be held after the consultation period and once submissions have been received.”*

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DECISION MAKING

Issues

Waitakere Aquatic and Ice Centre Development

6. The Waitakere Aquatic and Ice Centre Charitable Trust (the Trust) was set up in 2003. The Trust was established to purchase the Waterhole Swimming Centre and to subsequently progress plans to develop further facilities at the Waterhole Swimming Centre in association with the Auckland Curling Club and build an international level curling rink alongside additional pools, changing rooms and spectator seating and office space. The Trust will also maintain the facility and ensure management of the facility on a day to day basis by the Waterhole Swimming Centre.
- A7-A14 7. A summary report from the Trust on establishment and funding proposals is attached at pages A7 to A14.
- A15-A16 8. In line with the above objectives and services outlined by the Trust, a proposal has been presented to Council on the re-development of the existing Waterhole Swimming Centre to provide additional pool space and an international level curling rink. A plan of the proposal is attached at page A15 and preliminary computer models of the scale and possible design of the development is attached at page A16.
9. The proposal has been developed in consultation with Council officers from both the Parks and Leisure Sections. The proposal was initiated originally through the Management Plan which provided for the extension and re-development of the Waterhole Swimming Centre. Over the intervening years, work has continued on refining the re-development proposal for the Waterhole Swimming Centre. The Auckland Curling Club, then also approached the Waterhole Swimming Centre to consider a joint facility. Primarily, there are benefits in co-locating an ice rink with swimming facilities due to cooling, water and power use.
10. Both organisations have worked with Council officers to confirm the likely extent of the re-development and building extensions, associated car parking and how the proposal could be successfully incorporated within the existing park area.

11. A document from the Waterhole Swimming Centre titled *Waitakere Aquatic and Ice Centre Charitable Trust* provides details of their organisation and services. A copy of this document along with a Future Growth Strategy document provided by Auckland Curling Club on the benefits and need for a dedicated curling rink will be placed in the Community Board Room for the Board's information.

Options Identified

12. There has been extensive community and Council consultation relating to the decision-making for provision of an extension of the Waterhole Swimming Centre through the Management Plan. However, this consultation was related to a much smaller extension proposal than the one currently being proposed. Hence, the requirement to undertake further public notification of the proposal.
13. At that time, options were assessed and addressed all the issues outlined in the relevant criteria in accordance with Section 76, 77, 78, 80, 81 and 82 of the Local Government Act 2002.

Assessment of Options

14. An analysis of the benefits of the current Waitakere Aquatic and Ice Centre development proposal from a Waitakere City Council parks and leisure perspective is outlined below:

Social	Economic	Cultural	Environmental
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Promotes local recreation within an area of growing population Provides additional recreational resource for the local area Provides for non main-stream sports on a Citywide park and for the local area Improved safety for community through additional use of the existing park and through increased 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Co-location of two recreation providers in one facility is cost effective and supported by leisure and parks strategies Promotes the opportunity for local economic development through jobs running the facility Cost-benefits in the operation of the facility with the co-location of the two types of infrastructure required for each organisation Existing facilities will remain in tact, 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Drowning statistics point to a high level amongst Pacific cultures, provision of learn to swim opportunities could be seen to assist in addressing some of these issues 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Promotes links to other natural areas of the park Riparian restoration and planting along stream beside proposed development and carpark promote habitat enhancement in the area Opportunity for environmental education and promotion through future walkway links and revegetation on site

<p>road frontage to currently lesser accessed parts of the park</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promotion and provision of swimming lessons for children, providing for water safety. 	<p>with the extension adding to the existing facilities further enhancing them.</p>		
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15. The main benefit of the joint proposal is that the two developments have an environmental and operational positive impact due to the cogeneration energy effects. The energy needed to cool the ice is converted to heat which heats the pool and vice versa. This makes the partnership more sustainable both environmentally and economically. One of the major challenges facing pools and ice centres is that they are extremely power hungry which is expensive to sustain. By reducing their costs the operations for both facilities are able to be more financially sustainable and it is hoped that the organisations will be able to pass those cost savings onto the consumer making the recreation experience more affordable.
16. Another benefit is this joint proposal provides the best chance of seeing the curling facility built. Although curling is a non-mainstream sport it is still an Olympic sport and this facility will be the only one of its kind in the North Island. This will result in national and international tournaments being held in Waitakere which offers a good profile for the City. The sport is similar to lawn bowls in nature and has the ability to attract youth, older adult, disabled and corporate participation which it currently does but the organisation will be able to further grow these markets with a dedicated facility.

Auckland Curling Club

17. As outlined above curling is an Olympic sport and is well supported by its international body. The international body provides capital assistance to clubs or bodies looking to develop facilities so raising capital for the project is feasible. The sport has identified the need to build a purpose built facility in the Auckland region since the only other facilities available for competition are in Ranfurly and Dunedin, in the South Island. The Auckland Curling Club currently uses Auckland's Paradise ice skating facilities which do not meet the clubs needs and do not offer the opportunity to develop the sport. The club only gets non peak times to train and have competitions. This situation does not suit the needs of the competitors and the quality of ice is also a problem as ice skating carves up the ice.
18. The Auckland Curling Club believe that by having a purpose built facility in the Auckland region they will be able to attract more competitors, offer school programmes, develop older adult and disabled programmes and host national and international competition.

Waterhole Swimming Centre

19. The Waterhole Swimming Centre development is supported by Leisure Services as it will help meet the needs of the swimming community which West Wave Aquatic Centre alone can not meet. Lane space is under pressure at West Wave Aquatic Centre and management have confirmed the need for additional water lane space in the City to meet current and future demand. This is further supported by the Auckland Regional Physical Activity and Sports Strategy (ARPASS). In the development of ARPASS a survey was conducted on the Auckland regional Aquatics Strategy which cited *"There is evidence of high demand for aquatics facilities (in Waitakere), including overcrowding, waiting lists and competition for access to water space, particularly at West Wave Aquatic Centre"* and *"the current level of 'local' facility provision (1:186,444 people) is less than the indicative generic ratio (i.e. 1:30,000-50,000 people)"*. This information indicates that the re-development of the Waterhole Swimming Centre is timely and will address some current deficiencies in pool provision in the City. Requirements and provision of possible of pool facilities are also currently being investigated for the NORSGA area. It is not anticipated, based on current information as detailed above, that the provision of additional pool space at the Waterhole Swimming Centre will create an over supply in one part of the City, however, further details relating to this issue will be reported back to the Infrastructure and Works Committee at the July meeting, including work on any possible impacts or risks for the Waterhole business.

Consideration of Community Views

20. The Management Plan for Parris Park was adopted by the Waitakere Community Board (at that time the delegation for citywide reserves sat with Community Boards) in 2000. The Management Plan contains a number of policies which provide for the Waterhole Swimming Centre and are required to be considered in the assessment of the proposal put forward by the Trust.
21. Leases play an important role in the Council's ability to regulate activities on reserves. Leases often give exclusive access to a reserve, or part of a reserve for a particular user and there is a need to ensure that the benefits of such exclusive use outweigh the disadvantages and that such leases are equitable and fair to the whole community. The following description is provided in the Management Plan with regard to the existing Waterhole Swimming Centre lease:
- (1) The Waterhole Swimming Centre Limited was granted a lease over its building site (1600 sq.m) in October 1982. The term of the lease is for 33 years from 1 October 1982 with an annual rent of \$5.00. There is provision in the lease for a renewal for a further term of 33 years. This lease is legal in terms of the Reserves Act 1977 in view that it was granted by the former Waitemata City Council pursuant to section 54(1)(d) of the Reserves Act 1977 with the prior consent of the then Minister of Lands. This section of the Act authorises the granting of leases for the carrying on of any trade, business or occupation on any specified site on a recreation reserve. Under Clause 4 (*n) of the lease, the lessee is required to advise the council of admission fees charged to the public for access and use of the premises. The amount of the fees is subject to the final consent by the Minister of Conservation.

Expires 2015

Objectives and policies within the Management Plan relevant to the Trust proposal are as follows:

Objective 1 *To Increase the Use and Enjoyment of Parrs Parks*

Policies

- 1.1 Provide facilities which present a diverse range of experiences and challenges for the public especially for youth, older people and women
- 1.2 Control lease agreements to ensure the effective and equitable use of the park

Implementation

- Ensure leases on Parrs Park provide for community use and wellbeing with reviews to ensure maximum potential of the park is realised for the community.
- Ensuring that new applications for leases and applications to extend leased areas or buildings will conform to the criteria as set out in the Community Assistance Policy and Parks Strategy. In addition the applicant will need to satisfy the Waitakere City Council that the proposed use:
 - a) will be in accordance with the objectives and policies of this plan;
 - b) will not detract from the existing environment and use of the park;
 - c) will generally provide a benefit (or benefits) to the public which is greater than any adverse effect caused by granting the lease;
 - d) is in an appropriate location;
 - e) will not cater exclusively to any one sector of the public except where this is provided for and is appropriate in terms of the objectives and policies of this plan;
 - f) fulfils a city wide need and is appropriate for a Citywide park;
 - g) does not allow permanent fencing.

Objective 5 *To Increase the Use, Range and Quality of Sports Facilities on Parrs Park*

Policies

- 5.1 Extensions to buildings and improvements by lessees to enhance sporting facilities and activities are not provided for. Any proposals for extensions and improvements are to be assessed by the Community Board and any such work will be subject to Community Board approval and subsequent Resource Consent Requirements.

Implementation

- Provide for possible future development of the Waterhole facility.

22. The following statement is also provided in the Management Plan specifically around the Waterhole Swimming Facility.

“An important aspect of the development of Parrs Park is the upgrading and extension of the Waterhole Facility. Three development options were assessed during the Management Plan process. The Option which was allowed for is detailed below:

Option 1b

A staged development of the Waterhole is provided for within the plan. This would include two additional pools, seating, upgrading of the changing rooms, a café and shop, kitchen, club rooms, outdoor BBQ area, a service lane and additional parking.

All costs associated with this proposed development and maintenance (including carparking) would be the responsibility of the Waterhole management.

Details on carparking, design and layout would be discussed with Council and the Community Board through the Resource Consent process required for the development.

Further consultation with the public would be carried out following submission of details for the proposal.

A review of the lease and expansion of the leased area for the Waterhole would be required to accommodate this development”.

Proposed Concept Update for Parrs Park

23. The policies in the Management Plan as detailed above, indicate that provision is already made for a re-development and extension of the Waterhole Swimming Centre. However, the Management Plan does not provide for the lease or development of facilities for the Auckland Curling Club and does not anticipate the extent and size of re-development as proposed by the Waitakere Aquatic and Ice Centre Development.
24. The Management Plan does, however, provide and recommend further consultation on details of re-development proposals. This, alongside the provision for a partial review of the Reserve Management Plan under Section 41 subsection (9) of the Reserves Act 1977. This subsection outlines that the re-notification of a modified concept for Parrs Park can be undertaken to provide a more relevant update for the subsequent development of the Park through the Long Term Council Community Plan process but also to provide the opportunity for community feedback and comment on the Waitakere Aquatic and Ice Centre proposal.
- A17-A18 25. Parks officers have undertaken the development of a draft concept plan update which includes provision of the Waitakere Aquatic and Ice Centre proposal and how that re-development relates to existing and possible future developments within Parrs Park. The draft concept plan update is attached at page A17. It will be this draft concept plan which forms the basis for discussion through the consultation process with the community. A copy of the current concept plan for Parrs Park is attached at page A18 for comparison.
26. The Management Plan includes the following policies around consultation, which has formed the basis of further notification and consultation to be carried out for the concept plan update for Parrs Park.

Objective 8 *To Involve Communities in the Design and Management of Parrs Park*

Policies

- 8.1 Involve the local community in the Parrs Park Reserve Management Plan;
8.2 Encourage community ownership of Parrs Park;

- 8.3 Involve key stakeholders and lessees in improving the recreational opportunities on Parrs Park.

Objective 9 *To Improve the Management and Administration of Parks*

Policies

- 9.2 Encourage clubs to combine or share facilities
9.3 Ensure the reserves are managed in terms of their reserve classifications for the enjoyment and use of the local and regional community, now and in the future

Implementation

- Ensure that any major change to the overall emphasis or specific policies of this Management Plan will need to be addressed following the processes outlined in section 41(2) of the Reserves Act.

STRATEGIC CONTEXT

27. Council's provision of Leisure Services principally aligns with the Strong Communities and Urban and Rural Villages strategic platforms.
28. The Urban and Rural Villages Strategic platform aims to ensure that people have choices in recreation in their own neighbourhoods and town centre. The future planning for a Citywide park such as Parrs Park and its associated community consultation provides for significant recreation opportunities, both passive and active.

CONSULTATION

29. In addition, the above consultation process and associated public notification process required and provided for under Section 41 subsection (9), (5) of the Reserves Act 1977 will further address issues under the relevant Sections of the Local Government Act 2002.
30. As such, it is considered that the past and proposed decision making processes combined, around the provision of the Waitakere Aquatic and Ice Centre proposal will have met all the requirements for decision making as outlined in the Local Government Act 2002.

In particular:

Local Government Act Requirement	Information/Consultation Achieving that Requirement
<p><i>Section 77(1)</i> <i>Seek to identify all reasonably practicable options for the achievement of the objective of a decision; and</i> <i>(b) assess those options by considering -</i></p> <p><i>(i) the benefits and costs of each option in terms of the present and future social, economic, environmental, and cultural well-being of the district or region; and</i></p> <p><i>(ii) the extent to which community outcomes would be promoted or achieved in an integrated and efficient manner by each option; and</i></p> <p><i>(iii) the impact of each option on the local authority's capacity to meet present and future</i></p>	<p>Options developed through the Parrs Park Reserve Management Plan</p> <p>Community outcomes as identified in the Parks Strategy 1999 and LTCCP are achieved by the options considered in the Management Plan</p> <p>Future needs met and identified through ARPASS</p> <p>A feasibility study on the Waitakere</p>

Local Government Act Requirement	Information/Consultation Achieving that Requirement
<p><i>needs in relation to any statutory responsibility of the local authority; and</i></p> <p><i>(iv) any other matters that, in the opinion of the local authority, are relevant; and</i></p>	<p>Aquatic and Ice Centre proposal is still to be undertaken and will be reported back to Council in July.</p>
<p><i>if any of the options identified under paragraph (a) involves a significant decision in relation to land or a body of water, take into account the relationship of Maori and their culture and traditions with their ancestral land, water, sites, waahi tapu, valued flora and fauna, and other taonga.</i></p>	<p>Consultation through fortnightly Iwi meetings on the Parrs Park Reserve Management Plan and Iwi consultation will be undertaken through the notification process for the concept plan update</p>
<p><i>78(1) A local authority must, in the course of its decision-making process in relation to a matter, give consideration to the views and preferences of persons likely to be affected by, or to have an interest in, the matter.</i></p>	<p>Full Citywide consultation through the Parrs Park Reserve Management Plan and through the notification process and submission period to be undertaken for the concept plan update</p>
<p><i>81 Contribution to decision-making processes by Maori</i></p>	<p>Consultation through fortnightly Iwi meetings on the Parrs Park Reserve Management Plan and Iwi consultation will be undertaken through the notification process for the concept plan update.</p>
<p><i>82 Principles of Consultation</i></p>	<p>Refer to following table which outlines the proposed public consultation processes relevant to the concept plan update including all affected and interested persons, information dissemination and opportunities for presentation of views</p>

Consultation Process for Concept Plan Update

31. The following outlines the consultation process and timeline that will be undertaken for the Parrs Park concept plan update and Waitakere Aquatic and Ice Centre proposal:

April 2008

Public notification requesting submissions on the Parrs Park concept plan update and associated Waitakere Aquatic and Ice Centre proposal (two month submission period). Report to New Lynn Community Board.

April 2008

One-on-one meetings with interest groups (including Iwi), users and other lessees on Parrs Park.

Public open day at Parrs Park to present the draft concept plan and receive comments/feedback.

May 2008

Second public open day at Parrs Park to present the draft concept plan and receive comments/feedback.

June 2008

Hearing of submissions on draft concept plan update by Infrastructure and Works Committee.

June 2008

Amendments to draft concept plan based on submissions.

July 2008

Report to Infrastructure and Works Committee to adopt the amended Parrs Park concept plan and make any required amendments to the existing Parrs Park Reserve Management Plan.

RESOURCES

32. The public consultation process for the Parrs Park concept plan update and the associated details of the Waitakere Aquatic and Ice Centre can be undertaken by Council officers within the existing resources provided for Reserve Management Plans in the 2007/2008 Annual Plan. This would be in addition to the two Reserve Management Plans being undertaken this year, being Henderson Valley Park and Henderson Ward Neighbourhood Reserves Management Plans.
- A7-A14* 33. The re-development of the existing Waterhole Swimming Centre and establishment of the Waitakere and Aquatic and Ice Centre would be subject to funding. The Trust has outlined a proposed funding process and proposed funding sources in their summary document attached at pages A7 to A14. Council may be approached by the Trust in the future to consider possible funding assistance, but this will occur as a separate process to the consultation and approval process for the Parrs Park concept plan update. At the Infrastructure and Works Committee meeting, this issue was discussed and it was confirmed that details of any possible Council contributions to the achievement of the Waitakere and Aquatic and Ice Centre, such as car parking, will be outlined in the report proposed for the July 2008 meeting of the Works and Infrastructure Committee. At the July 2008 meeting there will also be an independent feasibility study presented by the Trust which will outline proposed funding avenues and this will confirm whether or not there is an intention to ask Council for funding. The Trust is currently proposing to try and achieve all funding outside of Council.
- A7-A14* 34. The summary report from the Trust on establishment and funding proposals, attached at pages A7 to A14 outlines that after presentation of the proposal to Council at this meeting and parallel to community consultation being undertaken on the proposal, funding will be sought for the preparation of a feasibility study on the proposal. It is anticipated that the feasibility study will be able to be presented to the Committee at the July 2008 meeting when submissions on the proposal are heard and feedback from the community is provided to the Council.

IMPLEMENTATION ISSUES

35. The provision for the development of the Waitakere Aquatic and Ice Centre within the Parrs Park Reserve Management Plan would only provide for that opportunity to occur in the location identified within the Park. The development proposal would still require confirmation of funding before it could proceed and would also be subject to any approvals for applicable resource and building consents. If funding was not able to be obtained, then the status quo would exist, and/or a new proposal would need to be put forward to the community for consultation.

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11 **DRAFT AUCKLAND REGIONAL PARKING STRATEGY AND PROPOSED WAITAKERE CITY PARKING PLAN**

GLOSSARY

Auckland Regional Council (ARC)
Draft Auckland Regional Parking Strategy (Draft ARPS)

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to inform the New Lynn Community Board of the opportunity for the Policy and Strategy Committee, at its meeting on Thursday, 8 May 2008, to consider a response to the Draft Auckland Regional Parking Strategy (Draft ARPS) and to outline a process for development of the Waitakere City Parking Plan. Community Boards are invited to provide input to the Policy and Strategy Committee for inclusion in the proposed Council submission.

Council officers have been participating in the development of the Draft ARPS and have also received the benefit of strategic parking advice from McCormick Rankin Cagney and Todd Litman. A presentation will be provided at the Community Board meeting based on Todd Litman's proposed strategic approach to parking.

The Draft ARPS proposes changes to parking management in town centres in order to achieve more intensive development in town centres and to encourage greater use of passenger transport.

It is proposed that Elected Members consider a proposed strategic approach to parking and involve key stakeholders in the development of a consultation draft of the Waitakere City Parking Plan and comprehensive parking management plans for New Lynn, Henderson, and Westgate-Massey North. It is proposed that a consultation draft will be made available for written submissions and hearings, with a view to finalising proposed plans by the end of June 2008.

RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the New Lynn Community Board resolves to:

1. **Receive** the Draft Auckland Regional Parking Strategy and Proposed Waitakere Parking Plan report.
2. **Either:**
 - (a) Agree to make a submission to the Policy and Strategy Committee for inclusion in the Council submission to the Auckland Regional Council on the Draft Auckland Regional Parking Strategy based on the submission points noted in this report,
 - Or
 - (b) Agree not to make a submission to the Policy and Strategy Committee for inclusion in the Council submission to the Auckland Regional Council on the Draft Auckland Regional Parking Strategy based on the submission points noted in this report;
3. **Approve** the Chairman of the New Lynn Community Board to sign off the final submission on the Draft Auckland Regional Parking Strategy.
4. **Agree** to support the development of the Waitakere City Parking Plan, and comprehensive parking management plans for New Lynn, Henderson and Westgate-Massey North, in accordance with the process outlined in the Agenda report.

BACKGROUND

Draft ARPS

A19-A77

1. The Auckland Regional Council (ARC) has prepared the Draft ARPS, included in pages A19 to A77, as required by the Auckland Regional Land Transport Strategy 2005, to provide guidance to the territorial authorities on parking in the region. The primary objective of the Draft ARPS is to encourage and facilitate the development and implementation of parking policies and measures across the region that complement and support the region's sustainability, growth, economic development, and transport strategies. The Draft ARPS aims to assist in the creation of an integrated transport network for the Auckland region through parking supply, management, pricing and control policies that:
 - Support plans for land use intensification around selected mixed use high density centres and corridors;
 - Encourage travel behaviour changes for a more sustainable, less car-use intensive future;
 - Integrate parking supply and management and implementation actions with planned improvements to the public transport system;
 - Support increased travel by public transport and active modes,
 - Make better use of existing parking resources;
 - Achieve consistency in district plan rules and standards for parking provision and operation among equivalent developments and centres throughout the region; and
 - Contribute to improved urban design, particularly in high density centres and corridors.
2. The Draft ARPS recognises that parking management is an important travel demand management mechanism that can have a significant influence on reducing car use, thereby reducing traffic congestion and achieving a more sustainable region. The Draft ARPS provides an appropriate range of approaches to parking at the regional level, with a mix of policies and actions. These are not binding on other organisations as the Auckland Regional Parking Strategy will not be a statutory document.
3. The Draft ARPS provides ten policy directions, as follows:
 - Linking district plan parking standards to passenger transport accessibility;
 - Giving priority to short stay parking;
 - Supporting land use intensification;
 - Reducing parking provision in high density residential developments;
 - Controlling public long stay/commuter parking provision in buildings and lots;
 - Providing regional guidance on parking on arterials;
 - Preparing comprehensive parking management plans for centres;
 - Preparing a regional plan for implementation of park and ride facilities;
 - Providing public parking facilities that encourage alternatives to the single occupant car;
 - Communicating the need for change.
4. The ARC will be inviting submissions on the Draft ARPS over a three month period to June 2008.
5. Policy 7 of the Draft ARPS would require territorial authorities in the Auckland region to prepare comprehensive parking management plans for centres served

by passenger transport. In anticipation of this requirement, officers have commissioned consultants to provide:

- Strategic Parking Advice analysing strategic options for parking in Waitakere; and
- A comprehensive Waitakere Parking Study identifying ways of implementing a strategic approach to parking in Waitakere. This includes comprehensive parking management plans for Henderson, New Lynn and Westgate-Massey North, and general guidance in relation to other centres and growth corridors.

Strategic Parking Advice

6. A Strategic Parking Advice report has been prepared by McCormick Rankin Cagney, in association with Todd Litman from the Victoria Transport Policy Institute, British Columbia, Canada. Todd Litman visited Waitakere in February and made presentations to elected members and staff at Waitakere and to the region. Todd's power point slides and video footage of his presentations have been made available to Elected Members. A brief presentation based on Todd Litman's proposed strategic approach to parking will be given at the Policy and Strategy Committee meeting.
7. The following are key messages from Todd Litman's presentation:
 - As Waitakere grows and develops, the costs associated with meeting minimum parking requirements in its town centres and growth areas will escalate and impede efficient land use development;
 - A more flexible approach to parking is required in town centres and growth corridors in order to achieve the intensive development that the Council is seeking;
 - A comprehensive planning approach to parking, rather than a pure reductionist approach, is more likely to achieve better outcomes from a transport, land use, economic, social and environmental perspective;
 - There are a range of regulatory and non-regulatory tools that can be effective in making efficient use of available parking and to reduce the demand for additional parking;
 - The introduction of parking maximums to replace parking minimums in town centres and growth corridors is an important part of that comprehensive planning approach to parking;
 - A discretionary option should be provided for developments needing more on-site parking than that permitted by parking maximums, with the onus placed on the developer to justify demand for additional parking;
 - The benefits of a comprehensive planning approach to parking include opportunities for affordable housing, better opportunities for urban development, more walkable communities, greater travel choices, more passenger transport use, more attractive landscapes, and better motorist convenience.
8. Todd Litman outlined a number of parking management principles:
 - Consumer choice – people should have viable parking and travel options;
 - User information – motorists should have information on their parking and travel options;
 - Sharing – parking facilities should serve multiple users and destinations;
 - Efficient utilisation – parking facilities should be sized and managed so spaces are frequently occupied;
 - Flexibility – parking plans should accommodate uncertainty and change;
 - Prioritisation – the most desirable spaces should be managed to favour higher-priority uses;

- Peak management – special efforts should be made to deal with peak-demand;
- Quality vs. quantity – parking facility convenience, comfort and aesthetics should be considered as important as quantity;
- Comprehensive analysis – all significant costs and benefits should be considered in parking planning.

Waitakere Parking Study

9. ARRB Group Limited of Perth, Australia, in conjunction with Transport Planning Solutions of Auckland, has been commissioned to develop a detailed parking plan identifying how to implement a strategic approach to parking in Waitakere. This includes comprehensive parking management plans for Henderson, New Lynn and Westgate-Massey North, and general guidance in relation to other centres and growth corridors. This work is expected to be completed by 30 June 2008.

Waitakere District Plan

10. For many years Waitakere's District Plan Rules set minimum standards for parking. Parking surveys undertaken from 2004 to 2008 indicate that these standards have resulted in an over-supply of parking in Henderson and New Lynn. The Council has initiated changes to District Plan rules in parts of New Lynn and Westgate-Massey North to either remove minimum standards or replace them with maximum standards. These steps are consistent with the approach suggested in the Draft ARPS and the strategic approach suggested by Todd Litman. The District Plan Rules have yet to be changed in relation to Henderson.

Local Government Funding Arrangements

11. The report of the Independent Inquiry into Rates is supportive of full cost recovery through user charges, where applicable. *No Magic Answers*, the analysis of this report and its implications, undertaken by Local Government New Zealand and SOLGM (Society of Local Government Managers) indicates that if the Inquiry's recommendations are adopted more of the financial burden in metropolitan councils will shift from commercial ratepayers to residential ratepayers. This reinforces the importance of identifying alternative revenue streams, such as parking.

DECISION MAKING

Issues

12. The issues for decision making relate to proposed submissions on the Draft ARPS and the proposed process for developing the Waitakere City Parking Plan.

Options identified

Submission on Draft ARPS

13. It is proposed that the Draft ARPS receives support in principle, subject to the following specific submissions, because it is consistent with the parking policies in the Auckland Regional Land Transport Strategy 2005, and aims to support the Regional Growth Strategy, and to support the region's achievement of outcomes for public transport, active modes, travel demand management and managing the supply of parking in the region's centres.

14. The Draft ARPS proposes parking maximums at town centres that are served by passenger transport. The Draft ARPS advocates for the level of the parking maximum to be set in relation to a passenger transport accessibility index, with automatic adjustment of the standards as passenger transport levels change.

Officers consider that access to passenger transport is one of many factors which should affect the maximum level of parking. Todd Litman has identified a range of factors, attached to this agenda at page A78, which affect the demand for parking and hence the appropriate amount of parking to be provided. There is a risk of legal challenge if a proposed District Plan change automatically sets the parking level according to a passenger transport accessibility index, because there are other factors affecting the supply of parking. Policies intended to support District Plan changes in the region need to be well founded. It would be unusual to have automatic adjustment of standards based on an accessibility index. The accessibility index should be an important factor but not the only one.

15. The Draft ARPS appears to primarily relate to car parking in town centres and corridors. The final version of the Auckland Regional Parking Strategy should either be explicit about this focus or provide additional guidance in relation to cycle parking, truck parking and parking outside town centres and corridors. For example, the Auckland Regional Parking Strategy could encourage minimum requirements for cycle facilities for new developments in town centres.
16. The Auckland Regional Parking Strategy could identify steps that could be taken at the national level such as review of fringe benefit tax rules regarding parking, and funding assistance for bicycle parks and park and ride facilities.
17. The policy context should include reference to the Updated New Zealand Transport Strategy and the economic development outcomes sought at the local and regional levels.
18. The Draft ARPS indicates that new park and rides

“...should not be located adjacent to stations or interchanges in centres where transport oriented development is planned unless the parking is viewed as an interim use retaining the land for future (high density) development.”

The Draft ARPS would be more meaningful if a more comprehensive approach to park and rides is provided regarding the appropriate size and location of park and ride facilities in the region and a policy about paid parking at park and ride facilities.

19. Based on the approach in Brisbane, and various North American centres there is an argument in favour of continuing to include park and rides at transit oriented developments, provided they are located on the periphery, so that park and ride commuters would be encouraged to support retail and other uses at the centre and thereby add critical mass. The Draft ARPS does not make this distinction, and discourages park and rides at transit oriented developments, except as an interim measure, pending high density re-development of the park and ride site.
20. However, guidelines are required as to where it is appropriate to locate park and ride facilities. The park and ride facility at Orakei, which is in relative close proximity to the Auckland Central Business District (CBD) is located at a congested place and is one stop away from Britomart. Size and neighbouring land use are considerations that need to be included in criteria for siting new park and rides, particularly where these are intended to be permanent in nature.
21. Park and ride facilities should be targeted at commuters who don't having other means of accessing train stations or bus interchanges (i.e. walking, cycling or local buses). The introduction of integrated public transport ticketing will greatly assist in reducing demand for park and ride facilities by facilitating increased uses of local buses to connect to rail and longer distance buses.
22. Provision should be made to distinguish between short term and long term park and ride facilities and the need to restrict usage to bona fide park and ride users.

There are examples of park and ride facilities being shared with other users and this can create tension, for example, at the Half Moon Bay ferry terminal where the same parking is used by boat owners.

23. Consideration should be given to charging for use of park and ride facilities with mechanism to provide unpaid parking to the disabled, car poolers and those residing in rural areas without access to connecting local buses.
24. Inconsistencies in funding mechanisms for park and ride facilities between bus, rail and ferry park and ride facilities need to be addressed. Likewise, the issue of catchments for park and ride facilities overlapping Territorial Authority boundaries needs to be addressed, for example, park and ride facilities at the proposed Hobsonville ferry terminal.
25. Clarification and consistency is required in respect of references to on-street parking on arterial roads. There can be sound circumstances for retaining or introducing on-street parking on an arterial road: parking can act as a traffic calming measure in people orientated development corridors such as the planned Hobsonville corridor. The Draft ARPS recognises this, but also argues for long term goals of reducing parking in corridors.

Process for developing the Waitakere City Parking Plan

26. The options for developing the Waitakere City Parking Plan relate to the extent to which key stakeholders are involved in the development stage or whether a draft is produced for all stakeholders to make a submission on. There is also an option of whether or not stakeholders should have the right to be heard in hearings.

Assessment of Options

27. The proposed submissions on the Draft ARPS have been assessed in relation to the proposed strategic approach to parking in Waitakere by the Council's officers based on advice from consultants and also the existing Waitakere City Transport Strategy.
28. The involvement of key stakeholders in the development stage of the Waitakere City Parking Plan and comprehensive parking management plans for the town centres would take more time and cost, but is likely to result in a greater understanding and support for changes to parking arrangements. Formal hearings of submissions on draft plans would require additional time (one to two days) for elected members and staff, but would create a greater understanding of stakeholders' views.

Consideration of Community Views

29. The ARC has developed the Draft ARPS through an iterative process of interaction with officers from all the Territorial Authorities in the region and the Auckland Regional Transport Authority. Other stakeholders and the public will be invited to make formal submissions to the ARC on the Draft ARPS.
30. In respect of the proposed Waitakere City Parking Plan, and the comprehensive parking management plans for New Lynn, Henderson and Westgate-Massey North, it is proposed that the public is informed about the process for development of these plans and is given an opportunity to present their views informally or through the formal submission process.
31. The terms of reference for procurement of consultants' advice were developed in consultation with a broad cross section of Council officers whose areas of expertise may be affected by changes in parking policy. A similar process has been and will be used to review consultants draft reports.

Communications Plan

32. The ARC is responsible for communications in respect of the Draft ARPS. To this purpose the ARC's Transport and Urban Development Committee adopted a communications plan on 12 March 2008.
33. A communications plan will be developed in relation to the proposed Waitakere City Parking Plan and the comprehensive parking management plans for New Lynn, Henderson and Westgate-Massey North. Communications with key stakeholders is expected to be an important component of the proposed Waitakere City Parking Plan so that there is an understanding and willingness to provide an appropriate amount of parking for future developments.

STRATEGIC CONTEXT

34. The parking policies in the Auckland Regional Land Transport Strategy 2005 were adopted in the Waitakere City Transport Strategy 2006-2016. Additional policy guidance on parking includes:

- A range of measures is required to respond to demand for parking, particularly in the main town centres, including restricted time parking, improved passenger transport, paid parking in the Council's off-street car parks and car park buildings;
- A commitment to reducing the effects of traffic and a limit on the provision of parking to achieve this;
- Road users need to bear the costs of travel, including parking;
- Provision of park and ride area near to selected rail, bus and ferry stations, with a high standard of safety and security.

35. There are a number of strategic platforms that are affected by parking, including the following:

Integrated Transport and Communication: *Te Whakaurunga Waka Te Whakawhiti korero*

Parking directly affects access by motor vehicle and also the level of traffic attracted to a centre.

Strong innovative economy, *He tupuranga kaha ihi wana*

Parking is a critical factor for movement of goods, delivery of services and business travel in Waitakere and across the region. Parking is also a critical factor in terms of the cost and location of development.

Strong Communities, *He iwi kaha*

Parking affects access by motor vehicles and also other modes. Parking has an impact on affordable housing, the intensification that can be achieved in town centres and growth corridors, and the safety and amenity at these places.

Urban and rural villages, *Nga kainga taone, tuawhenua*

Parking has a key role in the delivery of the vision for thriving, people oriented town centres.

Sustainable energy and clean air, *He kaha motuhake. He hau ora pai*

Parking has an important impact on traffic levels and associated fuel use and emissions. The effects vary depending on the level of traffic that arises from an expansionary or travel demand management approach adopted in the Auckland region.

Preferred Option

36. It is proposed that the Council make a formal submission on the Draft ARPS in accordance with the options outlined in the Agenda report.
37. It is proposed that key stakeholders are involved in the development of the Waitakere City Parking Plan and comprehensive parking management plans for New Lynn, Henderson and Westgate-Massey North and that hearings are conducted in relation to submissions.
38. It is proposed that the general timetable for developing the Waitakere City Parking Plan and comprehensive parking management plans for New Lynn, Henderson and Westgate-Massey North is as follows:

March to June 2008	Receive consultants' advice
July / August 2008	Elected members' workshop to consider advice and materials for key stakeholders
September / October 2008	Key stakeholders' workshops and focus group meetings
November 2008	Policy and Strategy Committee approves draft plans for consultation
December / January 2009	Draft plans published
February / March 2009	Written submissions received
April 2009	Hearings held
May 2009	Policy and Strategy Committee approves final plans
June 2009	Final plans published

CONSULTATION

39. The ARC has involved staff from the territorial authorities and the Auckland Regional Transport Authority in the development of the Draft ARPS. The ARC will conduct a consultation process with the public on the Draft ARPS over a three month period.
40. Council staff input has been obtained in relation to key issues such as parking maximums over a number of years. The consultants engaged to assist in the development of the Waitakere City Parking Plan have obtained input from staff across the council. Consultation with stakeholders will be required in respect of the Waitakere City Parking Plan.

RESOURCES

41. No additional resources, other than staff time, will be required to prepare the final submission to the ARC in respect of the Draft ARPS.
42. Sufficient resources are currently available to obtain expert advice to guide development of the Waitakere City Parking Plan and comprehensive parking management plans for New Lynn, Henderson and Westgate-Massey North. A budget of \$25,000 is proposed in 2008/2009 for publication of these plans and consultation with stakeholders.

IMPLEMENTATION ISSUES

43. A comprehensive planning approach to parking and implementing the proposed parking plans would require additional resources within the Council in terms of staff and budgets. Consideration of the resources required for implementation would need to be considered as part of the Long Term Council Community Plan process. There are opportunities to involve the community in some parts of management through travel management associations which have been successfully used in centres overseas. Revenue generated from parking enforcement and paid parking is a potential revenue source that could be expected to cover the parking management costs and also provide surplus revenue for reinvestment back into the town centres and growth corridors.
44. Proposed changes to parking arrangements, particularly regulatory and pricing changes, are likely to attract a lot of scrutiny from sections of the public. It will be important for the public to understand the reasons for any changes and be involved in the process of making these changes in order to achieve effective implementation.

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12 KEEP WAITAKERE BEAUTIFUL TRUST 2008 'TREES FOR BABIES' PLANTING PROGRAMME

GLOSSARY

Keep Waitakere Beautiful Trust	(KWBT)
Trees for Babies	(TFB)

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to secure approval of a park for this year's annual Trees for Babies (TFB) community planting day in the New Lynn Ward, and to request the nomination of a representative from the Community Board to speak on the day.

The park option recommended for TFB for 2008 has been selected based on their suitability for a TFB event following consultation with the Keep Waitakere Beautiful Trust (KWBT) Board and Waitakere City Council Parks officers.

RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the New Lynn Community Board resolves to:

1. **Receive** the Keep Waitakere Beautiful Trust 2008 'Trees for Babies' Planting Programme report.
2. **Approve** La Rosa Reserve as the confirmed venue for the 2008 'Trees for Babies' event in the New Lynn Ward.
3. **Approve** Clayburn Reserve as the alternate site for the 2008 'Trees for Babies' event if La Rosa Reserve raises significant issues with the local community.

4. **Approve** the nomination of representative from the New Lynn Community Board to speak at the 2008 'Trees for Babies' event.

BACKGROUND

1. TFB is an annual community event to celebrate babies born in Waitakere. Trees have been planted by the community in one reserve in each of the four wards as part of a KWBT, Plunket and Council project for the past 13 years. This is a popular community event with approximately 100 trees planted in each reserve each year.
2. Park sites for the TFB event are assessed according to the following range of issues:
 - The parks suitability to accommodate a large area of planting;
 - Proximity to a school, kindergarten or playground;
 - Good access to the park;
 - Amenity of the site, (i.e. is it a nice park to be in?);
 - Level of use and visibility to the community.

DECISION MAKING

Issues

3. The TFB event for the New Lynn Ward will take place on Saturday, 24 May 2008 from 11:00am to 1:00pm. The event will be community focused with family orientated activities and guest speakers. A Community Board Member is requested to speak at the event.
4. A Community Board representative on the KWBT and/or the KWBT Programme Manager will be present at the Community Board meeting to answer any questions there may be regarding the event.

Options Identified

5. New Lynn Community Board requested consideration of Clayburn Reserve for the 2008 TFB. Alongside this, there were two other options identified by KWB and Parks officers, those being La Rosa Reserve and Mason Park.

Assessment of Options

6. Following site visits to the parks, the following assessments of the shortlisted sites provides details which have determined the proposed preferred option.

Option	Advantages	Disadvantages
La Rosa Reserve	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Good existing amenity and location for TFB site• Further possible enhancement with TFB planting• Accessible• Toilet block• Playground and kindergarten	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Set back from reserve frontage and carpark

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Quiet neighbourhood park 	
Clayburn Reserve	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Very open site that could be enhanced by planting 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Old clean landfill site, so some minor limitations to planting in terms of long term health of large trees • Very low amenity and no apparent neighbourhood usage • Adjacent to railway track
Mason Park	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Could benefit from amenity planting • Limited existing space 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Other park developments in progress within the park • Planting already proposed to occur alongside new station platform this planting season

7. Based on the above evaluation, La Rosa Reserve is considered the preferred option with Clayburn Reserve as the alternate.

Consideration of Community Views

8. There has been continued community support for the TFB annual planting programme, as highlighted through the numbers of residents taking part in the event each year and taking an active ongoing interest in the progress of their trees. There continues to be a demand from the community for TFB opportunities with Waitakere.
9. TFB is now in its 13th year, evidence of both the popularity of this event, and the ongoing long term partnership between the KWBT and Council.

STRATEGIC CONTEXT

10. TFB is an active reflection of the Strong Communities platform, as well as the Green Network platform, within the Long Term Council Community Plan. TFB exists because both parties recognise the long-term value in establishing community ownership, and participation in community-based environmental initiatives. TFB also adds to the Green Network, providing habitat and "highways" for wildlife and enhanced recreational areas for people.

Preferred Option

11. The preferred option for the New Lynn Ward 2008 TFB is La Rosa Reserve.

CONSULTATION

12. Community Boards were asked to submit possible sites for the 2008 TFB. From the list of sites gathered and from other options put forward by Council officers and the KWBT Board, a shortlist of suitable sites was selected.
13. Consultation with the local community adjacent to the proposed TFB sites has yet to occur. It is proposed that this consultation will occur after the preferred site is chosen.

14. Community Boards have previously commented that they would like more details on the proposed planting sites and the impact on the chosen reserve. As such, parks are assisting KWB by now producing planting plans for all the preferred TFB sites for use in consultation with the Community Board and local residents and to ensure implementation of the planting in the best location within the reserve and with the most appropriate mix of tree species.
15. A detailed planting plan showing the TFB site within the nominated park will be presented at this meeting. This planting plan will provide the details to undertake consultation with the local community to ensure there are no issues with the proposed planting location from a community perspective.
16. Past community consultation on possible sites has only rarely resulted in objection from the community. The planting plan will allow for amendments to be made based on community consultation that should address most of the issues related to tree size, location, and shading that have in the past been the key issues with the proposed TFB planting sites.
17. If any objection to the proposed site becomes evident during this consultation process, then it is proposed that the second highest rated option is then progressed for the TFB planting programme for 2008 as an alternate.

RESOURCES

18. Funding for TFB has been approved through the 2007/2008 Annual Plan (\$20,500) and is one of the key programmes funded by Council through the Keep Waitakere Beautiful Trust.

IMPLEMENTATION ISSUES

19. All the implementation of the TFB planting programme is undertaken by KWBT. Planting is carried out according to the Council's Code of Practice specifications and is supervised by suitably qualified experts.
20. As has been put in place in previous years, an under-planting of low shrubs will be put in place to minimise maintenance and weed invasion issues with the TFB site.
21. Once the TFB site has been planted and the asset information passed on to parks from KWBT, the maintenance of that planting is then carried out by Council's parks section through a landscape maintenance contract.

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13 MEMORIAL DRIVE PUBLIC CAR PARK, NEW LYNN – NEW AUTHORISED VEHICLES ONLY PARKING

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to seek the New Lynn Community Board's approval for a new Authorised Vehicles Only parking space in the Memorial Drive Public Car Park, New Lynn.

RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the New Lynn Community Board resolves to:

1. **Receive** the Memorial Drive Public Car Park, New Lynn – New Authorised Vehicles Only Parking restriction report.
2. **Approve** that in relation to **MEMORIAL DRIVE PUBLIC CAR PARK, NEW LYNN**:
 - (a) and in accordance with the powers conferred by virtue of the Local Government Act 1974, the Land Transport Act 1998, the Transport Act 1962 and the Waitakere City Council Bylaw No. 7, 1991 – Traffic, the following restriction now be resolved to be specified and imposed, namely,
 - (i) on the north kerb line of **MEMORIAL DRIVE CAR PARK** behind property number 3074 Great North Road the **AUTHORISED VEHICLES ONLY** restriction be put in place.
3. **Agree** that the appropriate signage and/or road markings, in accordance with the provisions of the Land Transport Rule: Traffic Control Devices 2004 – Rule 54002 hereby be approved to be put in place to properly establish, delineate and record the said parking limitation and restriction.

BACKGROUND

1. In May 2006 the New Lynn Community Board approved a proposal to install P60 and P120 parking restrictions in sections of the car park that were previously unrestricted parking spaces. With this change to restricted parking, the senior staff member at the New Lynn Library has found it increasingly difficult to find suitable parking on days when she is required to be in the New Lynn Library for longer than the parking restriction permits.

DECISION MAKING

Issues

2. The senior staff member who is based at the New Lynn Library is required to supervise and manage three libraries: Titirangi, Glen Eden and New Lynn.
3. When the senior staff member is on site at Glen Eden or Titirangi, parking is not generally a problem as car parks are more accessible and required for shorter periods of time. As New Lynn is a large hub library and has the most complex operation of the three libraries and has the largest staff, there is a strong case for the senior staff member to be sited at this library for long periods.

Comparisons with Senior Staff at other Libraries

4. Massey and Te Atatu Peninsula Libraries - the senior staff member based at the Massey and Te Atatu Peninsula Libraries is able to park on site as there are sufficient parking spaces available in the car park at the front of the libraries.
5. Henderson and Ranui Libraries - the senior staff member based at Henderson Library has access to the paid parking building in Waitakere Lane, and has access to the fleet vehicles parked at Civic Central. Parking is also available at Ranui Library.
6. The location of the proposed change is indicated in attachment at page A79.

Options Identified

7. There are no other feasible options for the on-duty senior staff member of the New Lynn Library.

Consideration of Community Views

8. As the proposal considers the loss to the community of only one parking space of approximately 130 available parking spaces, no consultation with the community was considered necessary.

STRATEGIC CONTEXT

9. Council's Integrated Transport and Communication platform provides the strategic context for this report. The vision is for public transport and communications systems that provide fast, effective services, and for City travel facilitated by integrated, environmentally-responsible and innovative design, with a focus on meeting the essential needs of all, for access, communication, and safety.
10. The Council has a responsibility to provide for the well being of its staff.

CONSULTATION

11. As this is a public car park available to all road users, consultation has not been addressed in this instance.

RESOURCES

12. The new Authorised Vehicles Only parking restriction can be implemented under the Annual Plan 2007/2008 maintenance budgets.

IMPLEMENTATION ISSUES

13. The new Authorised Vehicles Only parking restriction is recommended to allow the senior staff member of the New Lynn Library safe and accessible parking.

Report prepared by: Jane Harris, Transport Technician.



14 WARD STREET, NEW LYNN – NEW P60 8 AM TO 6 PM, MONDAY TO SATURDAY PARKING RESTRICTION

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to seek the New Lynn Community Board's approval for a new P60 parking restriction on Ward Street, New Lynn.

RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the New Lynn Community Board resolves to:

1. **Receive** the Ward Street, New Lynn – New P60 8 am to 6 pm, Monday to Saturday Parking Restriction report.

2. **Approve** that in relation to **WARD STREET, NEW LYNN:**
 - (a) and in accordance with the powers conferred by virtue of the Local Government Act 1974, the Land Transport Act 1998, the Transport Act 1962 and the Waitakere City Council Bylaw No. 7, 1991 – Traffic, the following restriction now be resolved to be specified and imposed, namely,
 - (i) on the west kerb line of **WARD STREET** between Puriri Street and Veronica Street the **P60 8AM TO 6PM MONDAY TO SATURDAY** parking restriction be put in place.
3. **Agree** that the appropriate signage and/or road markings, in accordance with the provisions of the Land Transport Rule: Traffic Control Devices 2004 – Rule 54002 hereby be approved to be put in place to properly establish, delineate and record the said parking limitation and restriction.

BACKGROUND

1. In December 2007, a request was received from one of the businesses in Ward Street, New Lynn to install a P60 parking restriction. The business making the request advised that their customers are finding it increasingly difficult to find suitable parking in the area due to all day parkers.

DECISION MAKING

Issues

2. This area currently has unrestricted parking and commuters are using the area for all day parking. This makes it difficult for customers visiting the businesses in the area to find suitable parking nearby. The business that made the request has recently relocated to this location and have expressed concern over the lack of on street parking for visitors/customers to the area. This proposed parking restriction if accepted shall be a temporary measure to assist the business customers in the area and may be subject to change as per the long term parking strategy.
3. The location of the proposed change is indicated on attachment at page A80.

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Options Identified

4. There are no other feasible options than providing restricted parking.

Consideration of Community Views

5. As the proposal was a request from a local business and other businesses have been consulted and in agreement, it is considered that this proposal is something that will benefit the local community.

STRATEGIC CONTEXT

6. Council's Integrated Transport and Communication platform provides the strategic context for this report. The vision is for public transport and communications systems that provide fast, effective services, and for City travel facilitated by integrated, environmentally-responsible and innovative design, with a focus on meeting the essential needs of all, for access, communication, and safety.
7. Time limit parking restrictions can be applied to ensure convenient parking is available for short term use by users of facilities in the immediate area by displacing long duration parking to less convenient locations.

CONSULTATION

8. Verbal consultation has been carried out with the businesses that will be directly affected by this proposal, to date no objections have been received.

RESOURCES

9. The new P60 8 am to 6 pm Monday to Saturday parking restriction can be implemented under the Annual Plan 2007/2008 maintenance budgets.

IMPLEMENTATION ISSUES

10. The new P60 8 am to 6 pm Monday to Saturday is recommended to allow visitor/customer parking to the nearby businesses.

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