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1 APOLOGIES



2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Meeting Minutes - 4 April 2005

RECOMMENDATION

That the minutes of the Meeting of the New Lynn Community Board held on Monday, 4 April 2005, as circulated, be taken as read and now be confirmed.



3 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 Chairperson 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.



PRESENTATIONS

Brian Loudon, Sergeant Community Relations Waitakere, will be present to address the Board on policing in Glen Eden.



5 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 Officer.



6 CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

It has been a busy month in various ways with meetings, meeting residents/staff and attending to extensive paper work.

The Green Bay Community House meeting regarding the car park proposals was reasonably well attended with both sides of the argument presented.

The open day railway projects attendance was disappointing. Glen Eden was better represented and those who attended had some concerns such as the existing railway crossing, roading and traffic congestion at this point. The position of the present railway station and parking for rail users was also of concern. They would like to see more investigation done on alternatives.

The Fruitvale Open Day of which I expected a large turnout due to a previous consultation, which led to an outcry, was attended by only a few residents. All we can say now is that we tried to consult.

Some of the Board Members attended a meeting organized by the Member of Parliament, David Cunliffe, regarding the possibility of losing the New Lynn Maori Wardens due to retirement, ill health, difficulty in recruiting new members and of course, funding. Government should have provided funding for this years ago. The Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinators are also in constant difficulty with funding and are existing only month by month. This may be an opportunity for the Board, especially being election year, to approach our M.P.s for permanent assistance.

A1 – A2

The Annual Plan Submission Proposal has been circulated to Board Members for consideration and further input. (See pages A1 to A2). If members wish to add or amend, this should be done now. It also needs to have authorisation that the Chairperson or his nominee may sign the final submission on behalf of the Board.

The Water and Sanitary Services workshop is to be held on Tuesday, 26 April 2005 and more are to follow. However, at the time of writing this report this has not taken place so I will give a verbal comment.

Included in my report is a special addition on Committees in NZ:

I'm On A Committee

Oh give me your pity, I'm on a Committee
Which means from morning to night
We attend, and amend, and contend and defend
Without a conclusion in sight!
We confer and concur, we defer and demur
And re-iterate all of our thoughts.
We then revise the agenda with frequent addenda
And consider a load of reports.
We compose and propose, we suppose and oppose
And the points of procedure are fun!
But though various notions are brought up as motions
There's terribly little gets done.
We resolve and absolve, but never dissolve
Since it's out of the question for us.
What a shattering pity to end our Committee
Where else could we make such a fuss! (Just kidding of course).

RECOMMENDATIONS




1. That the Chairperson's Report be received.
2. That the Chairperson or his nominee be authorised to finalise and sign off the New Lynn Community Board's final submission to the Annual Plan 2005/2006.
3. That the Board authorise a representative to finalise and sign off its submission to Council on the Draft Assessment of Water and Sanitary Services.


Pim van der Voort, JP
CHAIRPERSON



COMMITTEE SECRETARY'S REPORT

A3 – A17

	Issue	Comments	Reporting Council Officer
1.	Glen Eden Street Signage Project 7 March 2005 (Resolution 305/2005)	Structural engineer has completed revised footing details. Amendments have been submitted to meet Building Consent application requirements. Following the Building Consent approval, a revised contract with adjusted tender price to cover footing amendments will be signed, to be followed by fabrication and installation of the signs. Signing of the revised contract is expected to be finalised by the end of April 2005.	Peter Joyce  836 8000 Ext 8140
2.	Speed Limits Bylaw (Resolution 467/2005)	Council at its meeting held on 30 March 2005 considered a report on Speed Limits Bylaw and resolved, <i>inter alia</i> , that this report be referred to all Community Boards for their information. A copy of the report and the relevant minutes of the meeting are attached at pages A3 to A17.	Denis Sheard  836 8000 Ext 8018
3.	Draft Waitakere City-Wide Alcohol Strategy (Resolution 547/2005)	The City Development Committee at its meeting held on Thursday, 7 April 2005 approved the release of the Waitakere city-wide draft Alcohol Strategy for public submission. Board Members now have the opportunity to comment on the draft Alcohol Strategy if they have particular issues they believe need to be addressed. The draft Strategy has been circulated to Members separately.	Mike Mills  836 8000 Ext 8421

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4.	Community Board Parks Projects Update May 2005	<p>The Parks Projects update for the New Lynn Ward is as follows:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="683 360 1219 1496"> <thead> <tr> <th data-bbox="683 360 938 461">PROJECT</th> <th data-bbox="938 360 1219 461">PROJECT STATUS</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td data-bbox="683 461 938 546">Prospect Park Drinking Fountain</td> <td data-bbox="938 461 1219 546">Completed.</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="683 546 938 658">Ken Maunder Park Cricket Nets</td> <td data-bbox="938 546 1219 658">Underway to be completed by end June 2005.</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="683 658 938 743">Onedin Green Swings & Seat</td> <td data-bbox="938 658 1219 743">Completed September 2004.</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="683 743 938 855">Titirangi Community House Art Sign</td> <td data-bbox="938 743 1219 855">Cheque given to Titirangi Potters-project underway.</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="683 855 938 940">Barrons Green Planting</td> <td data-bbox="938 855 1219 940">Completed.</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="683 940 938 1052">Tamariki Playground Upgrade</td> <td data-bbox="938 940 1219 1052">Construction is planned to take place in May 2005.</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="683 1052 938 1357">Titirangi Walkway</td> <td data-bbox="938 1052 1219 1357">The walkway - Soldiers Memorial Reserve - has been closed off until a suitable fence can be erected on the unsafe sections of the footpath in the 2005/2006 Budget.</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="683 1357 938 1496">Titirangi Steps-Titirangi War Memorial Park</td> <td data-bbox="938 1357 1219 1496">Resource Consent approval expected to be in a few weeks.</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	PROJECT	PROJECT STATUS	Prospect Park Drinking Fountain	Completed.	Ken Maunder Park Cricket Nets	Underway to be completed by end June 2005.	Onedin Green Swings & Seat	Completed September 2004.	Titirangi Community House Art Sign	Cheque given to Titirangi Potters-project underway.	Barrons Green Planting	Completed.	Tamariki Playground Upgrade	Construction is planned to take place in May 2005.	Titirangi Walkway	The walkway - Soldiers Memorial Reserve - has been closed off until a suitable fence can be erected on the unsafe sections of the footpath in the 2005/2006 Budget.	Titirangi Steps-Titirangi War Memorial Park	Resource Consent approval expected to be in a few weeks.	<p>Katherine Slack  836 8000 Ext 8779</p>
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REPORTS PENDING				
	Subject	Date Requested	Report Due	Reporting Officer
1.	Paturoa Foreshore Erosion - Results of Coastline Survey	2 December 2001 Public Forum (Resolutions 343/2003 and 642/2003) 5 July 2004 (Resolution 1182/2004)	4 July 2005	Harish Singh ☎ 836 8000 Ext 8953
2.	Anti-Speed Device for Vardon Road	1 December 2003 Public Forum	2 May 2005 (A report covering survey results)	Adam Moller ☎ 836 8000 Ext 8750
3.	Friends of Whau Steering Group	January 2005	30 May 2005	Tony Miguel ☎ 836 8000 Ext 8294
4.	Appointment to Steering Group on Shopping Trolleys in Streams	7 February 2005	30 May 2005	Tony Miguel ☎ 836 8000 Ext 8294
5.	Traffic Issues at Oates Road/Glendale Road Intersection	7 February 2005 Public Forum (Resolution 84/2005)	30 May 2005	Paul Schischka ☎ 836 8000 Ext 8742
6.	Petitions – East West Organics, seeking Reconstruction of Kerb to facilitate Smooth Transition off and onto West Coast Road	7 March 2005 Public Forum (Resolution 290/2005)	30 May 2005	Adam Moller ☎ 836 8000 Ext 8750
7.	Golf Road – Traffic Safety Issues caused by Parked Cars	7 March 2005 Public Forum (Resolution 291/2005)	30 May 2005	Paul Schischka ☎ 836 8000 Ext 8742

RECOMMENDATION

That the Committee Secretary's Report for 2 May 2005 be received.

Report prepared by: Audrey Chan, Committee Secretary.



8 WAITAKERE RANGES AND FOOTHILLS PROTECTION PROJECT

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

The purpose of this report is to update the Community Board on the Waitakere Ranges and Foothills Protection Project and seek the Board's feedback for Council's 24 May 2005 meeting, where a decision will be made as to whether to forward the Waitakere Ranges National Heritage Area Bill to Parliament.

BACKGROUND

The Waitakere Ranges and Foothills Protection Project was initiated in early 2003 in response to concerns expressed by local people, local MPs, the community, the Parliamentary Commissioner for the Environment (PCE) and the West Coast Plan, that the special qualities of the Waitakere Ranges and Foothills continue to be under pressure from urban scale development and further action is needed to ensure more secure protection for future generations.

A Working Party (previously called the Political Liaison Group) was established to provide political oversight and information sharing amongst the partners. The Working Party consists of elected representatives from Waitakere City Council, Auckland Regional Council and Rodney District Council, iwi and local Members of Parliament the Hon David Cunliffe, Hon Chris Carter and Lynne Pillay.

Mayor Bob Harvey and Councillors Hulse and Clews were appointed as the Council's representatives on the project's Working Party. Councillor Lawley was appointed as an alternate member.

The goal of the Waitakere Ranges and Foothills Protection Project as agreed by the partners is:

'Through a partnership of iwi, Waitakere City Council, Auckland Regional Council & local Members of Parliament, and in close consultation with stakeholders, to find and implement ways of achieving better long-term protection for the natural and landscape values of the Waitakere Ranges and West Coast.'

Three phases of community consultation have been implemented to date:

- Phase One: September - December 2003;
- Phase Two: April - May 2004;
- Phase Three: November 2004 - February 2005.

Phase One and Phase Two Consultation

The purpose of the first phase was to share information and facts gathered about the status of the Ranges and Foothills with the community, discuss issues including gaps and weaknesses in current management.

Following Phase one additional policy work was undertaken to identify or further develop already identified ways to provide that 'something extra' i.e a more complete package of protection tools and mechanisms. These were researched and analysed. Those considered most suitable as methods or responses to fill the gaps and eliminate or diminish the weaknesses in the current management system were identified in a 'proposed package' in Phase two. The package was made up of both regulatory and non-regulatory/voluntary mechanisms.

Regulatory

- Investigate new legislation;
- Amend the Auckland Regional Policy Statement and the Waitakere City District Plan as required;
- Amend the Regional Growth Strategy as required.

Non-Regulatory

- Establish a community trust or forum (as a means of accessing additional funds and achieving voluntary protection);
- Investigate World Biosphere status;
- Prioritise projects through the Councils' Long Term Council Community Plans;
- Establish core staff teams within the Councils;
- Develop an implementation plan.

Phase two focused on the visions and values for the eastern foothills and gained feedback on the proposed package, particularly the legislation component. Both phases showed that most people who participated believed the Ranges and Foothills were not protected enough now and for the future and that 'something extra' was needed. Participants did identify a clear need for further information.

Phase Three - Focus on Legislation

Legislation is seen as a component of an overall package of regulatory and non-regulatory instruments. It would provide the direction for the other regulatory components and is thus the focus of the current work within the programme.

This emphasis on legislation was further enhanced in October 2004 by a formal invitation from the Minister of Local Government the Hon Chris Carter, to the Waitakere City Council and the Auckland Regional Council, to prepare a local bill within the current parliamentary term.

Consultation included a city-wide distribution of a special publication including a questionnaire; a letter from the Mayor and Deputy Mayor to all ratepayers within the current and previous project areas and 14 community hosted meetings.

More than 3,500 questionnaires and comments were returned to Council. Respondents were asked if they supported new legislation to protect the Ranges and Foothills. About 70 percent supported legislation, 21 percent disagreed and 9 percent either did not know or did not respond. Of those who were landowners in the proposed area about 54 percent said yes to legislation, about 38 percent said no, and 8 percent either didn't know or didn't respond.

For more detailed information on the consultation please see the Council's 16 February 2005 agenda report (item 5).

Independent Research / Polls

Waitakere City Council engaged an independent market research company to ascertain whether the consultation process was effective and to formally survey opinions about the proposal to introduce legislation. A high level of awareness was identified from the results. The results indicated that over 80 percent of respondents supported the protection of the Waitakere Ranges and Foothills. Sixty seven percent supported legislation, 14 percent opposed, and 15 percent neutral. Reasons expressed in opposition of the legislation included that it was unnecessary, it affected property rights and there had been a lack of consultation.

Councils' February Decisions

A18 – A21

The results of Phase three consultation were presented to the three Councils at their February 2005 meetings as well as the first draft of the Bill. A decision was sought on whether to adopt the draft Bill. Auckland Regional Council resolved to support the draft proceeding to the parliamentary process. Both Waitakere City Council and Rodney District Council resolved to undertake further consultation and drafting on the Bill. The draft Bill is to be taken back to Councils in May 2005. Detailed resolutions are attached at pages A18 to A21.

Legislation Process

If the Council decides to proceed with a local bill the following processes occur:

- Public advertising of draft Bill in libraries and the District Court (legal requirement as part of the process of presenting a local bill to parliament; this includes the promoting local authority calling for submissions/comments);
- Draft Bill presented to the House of Representatives for First Reading. Bill sent to Select Committee;
- Submissions to Select Committee on the draft Bill;
- Select Committee Hearings on the draft Bill;
- Recommendations to the House on changes to the Bill as a result of Hearings;
- Passage of the Bill through the House into law.

Public Input into the Parliamentary Process

If the Bill is forwarded to Parliament, the Select Committee considering the Bill will call for public submissions. People then have the opportunity to make oral presentations at Select Committee hearings, which are likely to be held locally.

In addition, prior to the draft legislation being introduced to the House of Parliament, the promoting local government organisation is required to lodge the draft Bill in the local district court for three weeks, and to call for submissions. These would need to be analysed, and appropriate responses would be incorporated through the promoters' own submission to the Select Committee.

STRATEGIC CONTEXT

The Waitakere Ranges have long been recognised as a key strategic asset to Waitakere City and the region, with a rich and unique ecology and high biodiversity and landscape values. They have a distinctive history and strong cultural and ancestral associations. They are recognised as being nationally, regionally and locally important – both for their intrinsic values, and because of their proximity to the Auckland metropolitan area.

The Waitakere Ranges and Foothills Protection Project is a key project within the Green Network platform of the Long Term Council Community Plan. The 'Green Network' strategic platform contains a vision that would see streams and forests full of life, the Waitakere Ranges permanently protected and a Green Network in place linking the Ranges to the sea, as well as connecting the everyday lives of the people of Waitakere with the natural world.

The Council has indicated a strong commitment to working on the protection of the Ranges, whilst recognising that there are many different values relating to the Ranges, and that much is already being done to achieve protection. As the many tools for protection are varied and community views diverse, a robust process and inclusive process to establish any new measures is important.

ISSUES

Proposed Legislation

Policy Contexts

1. The legislation to better protect the Waitakere Ranges and Foothills is but one element of a comprehensive package of regulatory and non-regulatory proposals (as noted above). Better legislation can improve the management of the Ranges and provide a better basis for other methods. It can not solve all the problems, but it would speed up and assist in their resolution.
2. The second policy context is the special and unique management circumstances of the Ranges and Foothills.

The area is of national significance for its natural and historic heritage. The area is characterised by a relatively fragile environment. Generally these areas are forested or regenerating forest, of importance as natural habitats for wildlife, as Regional Park, and as water supply areas for urban Auckland. The foothills to the east and north are essentially rural in character, with a history of farming and orcharding, but with a strong presence of regenerating forest on higher slopes.

In Titirangi-Laingholm extensive residential development, now within the metropolitan urban edge, has occurred in a manner that has created a unique "bush living" environment where the built environment is subservient to the natural character of the rapidly regenerating forest. Along the Manukau Harbour and the Tasman coast are distinctive small settlements, each with its own identity.

Metropolitan urban intensification threatens all those qualities. Resisting metropolitan pressures in the Ranges and Foothills area is a key part of the Region's Growth Strategy, and of the City's Growth Strategy. In the foothills, and to an extent on the coast, the objective meets a mixed set of aspirations among landowners. There are those who have sought and value most highly the distinctive rural and natural character of the area and seek to avoid "metropolitanisation". For others the protection objective directly confronts aspirations for subdivision and more intensive development of their land.

The Proposed Draft Waitakere Ranges National Heritage Area Bill

A22 – A39

A draft Bill was presented at the Council's February 2005 meeting and a copy is attached at pages A22 to A39. Tangata Whenua, Watercare Services Limited, Government departments and parliamentary officials have been consulted in its drafting.

At that meeting Council resolved that additional drafting and consultation should occur on the Bill. Council officers are in further discussions with iwi, Government agencies and landowners. These discussions are resulting in substantive changes to the preamble and body of the Bill.

Below is a brief outline of the draft Bill as presented at the Council's February 2005 meeting. The Bill establishes the Waitakere Ranges National Heritage Area within which the legislation will operate. It identifies the "heritage features" of the area, and high level objectives for the management of the area, and for the protection of the features listed. These objectives and the purpose of the Heritage Area are implemented by specific provisions that work through existing mechanisms in the Resource Management Act 1991, the Local Government Act 1974 and 2002, other legislation and through voluntary agreements. The following paragraphs explain some specific issues:

Explanatory Note:

The Bill is prefaced by a policy statement and explanatory note that sets out the Councils' policy intent, and how that has been achieved. The note also explains the regulatory impact of the Bill, and why this legislative option was chosen. The note is to inform Parliament and the public about the Bill, but does not form part of the Bill, and is not attached when the Bill becomes an Act.

Clause 1: Title

The proposed title "Waitakere City Council and Auckland Regional Council [*and Rodney District Council*] (Waitakere Ranges National Heritage Area) Act 2005" follows the convention for naming local bills, but is yet to be agreed to by the Clerk of the House. It is unusual for a local bill to be promoted by three authorities, but that may be acceptable in this case because of the integrity and coherence of the "local area" affected. Rodney District is yet to decide if any part of that district is to be included, and whether or not it would wish to be a promoting Council.

Defining the "Heritage Area"

The Bill has to be accompanied by a certified plan of the boundary of the area. A plan has been prepared which defines the previously approved boundary, following property boundaries. The plan will need to be modified to incorporate any changes agreed to by the Councils, including properties in Rodney District should the District Council so decide. In the future, substantive additions to the area can be made after consultation, through an Order in Council process, but properties can be removed only through Act of Parliament.

The "Purpose", Values and Objectives of the Area

New provisions have been incorporated that explain the purpose of the "Area". These are to be read with the following 2 clauses which define the heritage features of the Area, and objectives for management. Together these three clauses work iteratively to guide decision-makers about what it is that is to be protected from urban processes such as subdivision. The "heritage features" include a comprehensive list of valued attributes that has been drawn from previous work, and informed by public submissions and comments.

The Relationship with the Resource Management Act 1991

The key vehicle for implementation is the Resource Management Act and District and Regional Resource Management Act documents. Every endeavour has been made to align the Bill with the Resource Management Act regime, so as not to have the effect of amending that statute. The intention is to inform the Resource Management Act and its processes, not to amend them. However by aligning the objectives of the Bill with the matters in Part 2 of the Resource Management Act, they are given higher standing than policies in a national policy statement, and in particular become matters that the consideration of applications under section 104 of the Resource Management Act are 'subject to', rather than merely required to 'have regard to'. This elevation overcomes the comparatively ineffective formulation in the Hauraki Gulf Marine Park Act 2000.

Local Management Plans

Provisions have been incorporated that allow the inclusion in the District Plan of what might be seen as long term 'vision statements' for individual localities, so that the distinctive local identity outcomes for places like Piha or Opanuku can be enunciated and used as a guide to appropriate development and assist in avoiding inappropriate development.

Rates

The Bill seeks to integrate many statutory processes in the Area, including the consideration of the effect of rating systems on the achievement of the purposes of the Bill.

The Waitakere Regional Park

The Park is the essential means of protecting and managing the area, constituting more than 17200 ha of land. Since the 2002 repeal of parkland provisions in the Local Government Act 1974, and the repeal of the Auckland Centennial Memorial Park Act there has been some uncertainty about the statutory arrangements for the Park. The draft Bill does not affect the ownership or inalienability of the Park. At the request of the ARC Regional Parks officials, it establishes a high level management purpose for the park, and the implementation of the purpose through a management plan process.

Watercare Services Limited, and the Water Supply System

Watercare operate the essential water supply infrastructure in the Ranges under provisions in the Local Government Act 1974, the Auckland Metropolitan Drainage Act and a lease with the Auckland Regional Council. They also control and manage many of the aquatic ecosystems in the area. In consultation with Watercare Services Ltd, provisions have been incorporated that align the two purposes, so as to not undermine the operability of the supply system.

Recognition of Tangata Whenua Relationship with Specific Places

The Heritage Area covers the core district (rohe) of Te Kawerau a Maki. Other Iwi also have ancestral associations with the Area. Te Kawerau a Maki sought the inclusion of the deed of recognition provisions that are in the Hauraki Gulf Marine Park Act. They provide a simple mechanism for acknowledging historical and ancestral relationships of tangata whenua who are now essentially landless in the Area. They do not relate to private land. They can be entered into by the Crown or a local authority in relation to land they own.

The Current Status of the Bill

The draft Bill will require some additional work to incorporate any policy changes agreed to by Councils, or to clarify and make more effective the present drafting. In particular Parliamentary Counsel will audit the draft for consistency with conventions relating to local bills, and examine the way in which it interacts with other legislation.

RESOURCES

The Waitakere Ranges and Foothills Protection Project is seen as a key priority in the current financial year and has had a budget of \$110,000 allocated to the project in the 2004/2005 financial year. Policy, Project Management, Communications and support staff are allocated to work on the project. Auckland Regional Council, Rodney District Council and Department of Conservation staff support has been received.

In addition, Auckland Regional Council has shared costs for printing and distributing consultation and communications material and legal fees.

CONCLUSION

Waitakere City Council has resolved to undertake further consultation and drafting for the Waitakere Ranges National Heritage Area Bill. Officers are in further discussions with iwi, Government Agencies and landowners which are resulting in substantive changes to the preamble and body of the Bill.

Waitakere City Council and Rodney District Council will consider at their May 2005 meetings whether to adopt the Bill and progress it to Parliament. Auckland Regional Council has already resolved this in their February meeting.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That the Waitakere Ranges and Foothills Protection Project report be received.
2. That the New Lynn Community Board provides comment to the 24 May 2005 meeting of Council regarding the Waitakere Ranges and Foothills Protection Project.

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



9 GLEN EDEN PUBLIC TOILETS ARTWORK

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

The purpose of this report is to present the committee with the designs for a proposed new artwork to be installed adjacent to the new Glen Eden Public Toilets.

BACKGROUND

Waitakere City Council has a well established practice of art and design collaboration in public space projects. Glen Eden is currently experiencing the benefits of this with its new library and service centre. The refurbished Playhouse Theatre and Railway Station building are recent projects breathing new life into Glen Eden and now the community has a new state-of-the-art public toilet block.

A40 – A42

Jason Hall is a local jeweller whose work focuses on issues of biculturalism and who obtained his degree in the visual arts in 1998 majoring in jewellery. Jason has exhibited both here and overseas in a number of major exhibitions and is currently touring a major solo exhibition called *Ornament for the Pakeha*. The extraction of a motif from European wrought iron work echoes the Maori koru. Jason Hall was commissioned for this work because his own work is strongly influenced by the local feature of wrought iron work (see pages A40 to A42).

The proposed new artwork will provide a safe and attractive pedestrian “filter” in front of the entrance to the toilets without obscuring visibility.

STRATEGIC CONTEXT

The arts/design practice which frames this project is a significant tool in delivering on Council’s Arts and Cultural Strategy. This project also fits within Council’s town centre revitalisation strategy by enhancing the attractiveness of the toilet facility.

ISSUES

The artwork will be made from 16mm steel bar, welded at every joint, with a bottom plate dyna-bolted to a concrete base. There will be a 1m post at each end also in a concrete base. The overall dimensions of the artwork are 5.3m x 1.5m. The artwork will be painted Pioneer Red, in keeping with the Parks Departments current colour scheme, the Tag Out Trust are also supplied with this colour. There will be a slight wave to the structure, increasing its stability and rigidity and reducing the ease of vandalism. This design work can be implemented with a possible completion date of 10 June 2005.

RESOURCES

A total of \$8,000 has been allocated from the Council's Parks budget for a new artwork to be incorporated into this new facility.

CONCLUSION

The proposed design is appropriate to its site and intended purpose. It provides some protection to the entry to the toilets without compromising safety.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Glen Eden Public Toilets Artwork report be received.

Report prepared by: Lesley Smith, Arts Coordinator, Public Affairs.



10 GREAT NORTH ROAD / BRANDON ROAD INTERSECTION – PROPOSED TRAFFIC SIGNALS

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

The purpose of this report is to seek the New Lynn Community Board's approval for the following:

- Signalise the intersection of Great North Road and Brandon Road, Kelston; and
- Rescind the Stop Control on Brandon Road at its intersection with Great North Road.

BACKGROUND

A43 – A45

The commercial and residential sites at 4085 to 4041 Great North Road were developed in June 2004. Due to the nature of this development, the residents from the area have put together a petition to the Council to provide a pedestrian crossing point in Great North Road near Brandon Road to provide a safe place for pedestrians to cross the road to/from the new commercial site. A copy of the petition is included at pages A43 – A45.

Currently Brandon Road is controlled by a stop control with priority given to traffic on Great North Road.

STRATEGIC CONTEXT

The Waitakere City 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.

Safety for pedestrians and vehicles is a key objective under the Urban Villages platform. This is reiterated within the Transport Strategy and provision is made for minor safety improvements in accordance with this.

ISSUES

Brandon Road is a local road controlled by a stop control with priority given to traffic on Great North Road, which is a regional arterial road with a traffic volume of approximately 40,000 vehicles per day. As Great North Road is a multi-lane regional arterial road with high traffic volume, a signalised pedestrian crossing is the preferred method for assisting pedestrians; a zebra crossing at this location is not appropriate and would not be safe.

A search of the Land Transport Safety Authority database reveals a total of 12 reported crashes at the intersection of Great North Road and Brandon Road for the 5 years 1999 to 2004. Of the 12 crashes, there is one head-on collision (alcohol above limit) and this resulted in 1 serious and 3 minor injuries. The other crashes are non-injury crashes, these mostly involved traffic turning to/from Brandon Road.

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It is proposed that the existing stop control at the intersection of Great North Road and Brandon Road will be removed and replaced with a set of traffic signals to service pedestrians and turning traffic to/from Brandon Road. Turning movements within the intersection will be executed with confidence and safety. The pedestrians crossing Great North Road and Brandon Road will be controlled by their own phase. Auckland Region Traffic Management Unit staff have been consulted and concurred with the proposal. A plan showing the extent of the proposed work is provided at page A46.

Provisions have been made already for traffic signal controls through the negotiations with the developer of No. 4085 Great North Road; ducts for signal cables across Great North Road were provided during the site development.

The proposed traffic signals will reduce pressure on the existing signals at the Great North Road/Glenview Road intersection by facilitating alternative access to Great North Road via Brandon Road.

The Brandon Road signals are well placed half way between the existing signals at Glenview Road and West Coast Road to 'pace' and 'calm' through traffic.

The owners of the properties adjacent to the intersection of Great North Road and Brandon Road affected by the proposed works have been consulted in writing and no objections have been received.

RESOURCES

The proposed traffic signals at the intersection of Great North Road and Brandon Road are estimated to cost \$160,000. Funding for this project has been provided from the line item for Walking Strategy Works-Pedestrian Signals in the 2005/2006 Annual Plan. However, this is subject to approval of the draft funding allocation by both Council and Land Transport New Zealand.

CONCLUSION

It is proposed that the existing stop control at the intersection of Great North Road and Brandon Road be removed and replaced with traffic signals to improve safety for pedestrians crossing the road and turning traffic to/from Brandon Road. Subject to funding approvals, the proposed traffic signals would be installed in year 2005/2006.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That the Great North Road/Brandon Road Intersection – Proposed Traffic Signals report be received.
2. That the existing ‘**STOP CONTROL**’ on **BRANDON ROAD** at its intersection with **GREAT NORTH ROAD** now be approved to be removed and not reinstated, and such removal to be undertaken contemporaneously with the installation of traffic signals approved in 3. below as part of the 2005/2006 transport work programme.
3. That approval be given to establish a set of ‘**TRAFFIC SIGNALS**’ at the intersection of **GREAT NORTH ROAD** and **BRANDON ROAD**, subject to final approval of funding being approved in the Annual Plan 2005/2006.
4. That the appropriate signage and/or road markings, in accordance with the provisions of Land Transport Rule: Traffic Control Devices 2004 – Rule 54002 be hereby approved to be put in place to properly establish, delineate and record the said parking limitations and restrictions.

Report prepared by: Vinh Bui, Senior Transport Engineer, Transport Assets.



11 WEST COAST ROAD – NEW PARKING RESTRICTIONS

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

The purpose of this report is to seek the New Lynn Community Board’s approval for new parking controls in West Coast Road.

BACKGROUND

A local resident has raised concerns regarding problems caused by vehicles parked in and around the sealed parking area outside number 302 to 312 West Coast Road.

Outside number 302 to 312 West Coast Road there is a sealed off road parking area that was originally created when the road was realigned several years ago. The properties in this portion of West Coast Road access the carriageway through this parking area. Vehicles for sale are often parked in this area and it was reported by local residents that these vehicles are sometimes parked on the edge of the carriageway of West Coast Road when this area is full.

There is a medical practice located at 306 West Coast Road and a church located at 302 West Coast Road. Both sites have on site parking, however the users of the church building occasionally park off site during services and other events.

The resident who originally approached Council regarding this issue is concerned that vehicles parked either side of the entrance to the parking area block driver sight lines when exiting the parking area. Given the high vehicle volumes and speeds in West Coast Road it would be desirable if vehicles did not park in locations that block sight lines.

STRATEGIC CONTEXT

The Waitakere City 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.

'No Stopping at All Times' controls can be applied to ensure efficient, safe movement on roads by keeping traffic lanes and visibility lines clear.

Appropriate time restrictions for parking allow for the most effective utilisation of parking, best allowing for the essential needs of parking users. Shorter time limits ensure turnover, stimulating business activity, but if they are too short, business cannot be concluded without the prospect of infringing restrictions and consequential fines.

ISSUES

The different components of the parking restrictions recommended in this report are each discussed separately below.

1. Extension of the short length of existing 'no stopping' line at the intersection of Swanhill Road and West Coast Road from the intersection along the south edge of West Coast Road to the west edge of the vehicle crossing of number 296 West Coast Road

Land Transport New Zealand's Road and Traffic Standard 6: Guidelines for Visibility at Driveway's recommends that 90 metres of clear sight distance be provided to oncoming traffic for drivers exiting a vehicle crossing on to an arterial road. A Council transport engineer has calculated that to provide this length of sight distance for the lane configuration of West Coast Road outside number 308 that kerb side parking would need to be eliminated for 49 metres to the right of and 18 metres to the left of both of the vehicle crossings from the sealed parking area outside number 308 West Coast Road. Driver sightlines for vehicles exiting Swan Hill Drive would also need to be taken into account.

To achieve these sightlines it is necessary to eliminate on street parking between Swan Hill Drive and the west edge of the vehicle crossing of number 296 West Coast Road.

A47

This proposed change is shown on page A47.

2. Installation of a new four hour parking restriction along the north kerb line of sealed off road parking area outside numbers 302 to 312 West Coast Road

During initial consultation on the proposed parking restriction in West Coast Road two residents complained about the presence of the cars for sale in this area and requested that Council consider ways of discouraging people from selling cars in the parking area. The residents who complained about the people buying and selling cars in this area described them as 'undesirable', 'aggressive' and 'intimidating'. It is proposed that a P240 parking restriction be placed on the parking spaces in the off street parking area in this area. By reducing the maximum time period for parking in this area it is intended that the area will be rendered unsuitable for displaying cars for sale.

To maximise the number of parking spaces along the north kerb of the off road parking area it is also proposed to mark the edges of the parking spaces in this location to ensure that drivers do not leave excessively large gaps between parked vehicles, and 16 parking spaces will be marked.

A48

This proposed change is shown on page A48.

3. Install 'no stopping' lines along the south edge of the sealed off road parking area outside numbers 302 to 312 West Coast Road

Council's Code of Practice for City Infrastructure and Land Development, Parking and Driveway Guideline requires that that at least 6.5 metres of clear space be provided behind car parking spaces that are at 90 degrees to the kerb line, with allowance for car parking of 5 metres. The sealed parking area outside number 302 to 312 West Coast Road is 12 metres wide at its widest point. It is therefore not possible to park a car on the south side of the off road parking area and still provide the required clearance behind a car parked at 90 degrees to the north kerb without parking at least some of the car on the grassed area to the south. Council has a bylaw prohibiting vehicles from parking on grassed road berm areas.

During consultation the residents of nearby properties stated that drivers often park on the south side of the sealed parking area and that vehicles parked in this location sometimes limits access to their properties. For these reasons it is recommended to install a 'no stopping at all times' control on the south edge of the sealed off road parking area.

A49

This proposed change is shown on page A49.

4. Install 'no stopping' lines on the both sides of the narrow piece of seal between the vehicle crossing outside the church at number 302 and the medical practice at number 306, leaving space for one parked car on the south side immediately east of the vehicle crossing for the medical practice

There is narrow sealed area between the vehicle crossing outside the church at number 302 West Coast Road and the medical practice at number 306 West Coast Road. Measurements taken of this area show that a vehicle may not park in this area without unduly restricting the link between these two vehicle crossings, except that there is space for one car to park on the south side immediately to the east of the vehicle crossing for the medical practice.

A50

This proposed change is shown on page A50.

The occupants of nearby properties on both sides of West Coast Road have been consulted regarding the proposed changes by letter. No negative replies and four positive were received.

A51

The location and extent of the all the proposed parking restrictions are indicated on the attachment at page A51.

RESOURCES

The proposed new road markings and signage can be implemented under the 2004/2005 Annual Plan road maintenance budgets.

CONCLUSION

The proposal to install new parking restrictions in and around the parking area outside numbers 302 to 312 West Coast Road is desirable to improve road user safety in this area, and ensure that parking is available for the nearby residential, business and community properties.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That the West Coast Road - New Parking Restrictions report be received.
2. That in relation to **WEST COAST ROAD, GLEN EDEN:**
 - (a) That all existing parking restrictions or limitations currently applicable to **WEST COAST ROAD** imposed by any prior resolution (including resolutions of any former authority), that are affected, or superseded, or replaced by part (b) of this resolution, 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 Land Transport Act 1998, the Transport Act 1962 and the Waitakere City Council Bylaw No.7, 1991 - Traffic, the following controls be now resolved to be specified and imposed, namely,
 - (i) on the south kerb line of **WEST COAST** starting from the point where the kerb line meets the east kerb line of **SWAN HILL DRIVE** and extending to a point 133 metres east along the kerb line a new **NO STOPPING AT ALL TIMES** control be put in place.
 - (ii) on the edges of all parts of the **SEALED OFF ROAD PARKING AREA OUTSIDE NUMBERS 302 TO 312 WEST COST ROAD** which are east of the east edge of the vehicle crossing of number **306 WEST COAST ROAD**, except for that part of the southern edge of the sealed area which is less than 6 metres from the east edge of the vehicle crossing of number **306 WEST COAST ROAD**, a new **NO STOPPING AT ALL TIMES** control be put in place.
 - (iii) along the northern edge of the **SEALED OFF ROAD PARKING AREA OUTSIDE NUMBERS 302 TO 312 WEST COST ROAD** between the northwest corner of this parking area and a point a further 43 metres east along the northern edge of the sealed area a new **P240** control be put in place and parking space edge lines for 16 parking spaces marked.
3. That the appropriate signage and/or road markings, in accordance with the provisions of Land Transport Rule: Traffic Control Devices 2004 – Rule 54002 be hereby approved to be put in place to properly establish, delineate and record the said parking limitations and restrictions.

Report prepared by: Paul Schischka, Transport Engineer.



12 GLENDALE ROAD – RELOCATION OF MOBILITY AND P5 PARKING SPACES

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

The purpose of this report is to seek the New Lynn Community Board's approval to swap the locations of the mobility parking space and the P5 parking space outside the Glen Eden Library.

BACKGROUND

At its meeting held on 7 February 2005 the New Lynn Community Board, after considering a report on the feasibility of providing an additional mobility parking space outside the Glen Eden Library, made the following resolutions:

- “1. That the Glen Eden Library – Disability Parking report be received.
2. That in relation to **GLENDALE ROAD, GLEN EDEN:**
 - (a) 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 controls be now resolved to be specified and imposed, namely,
 - i. on the west kerb line of **GLENDALE ROAD** starting from a point 14 metres south of the south kerb of **GLENMALL PLACE** and extending to a point a further 8 metres south a new **OPERATION MOBILITY PERMIT HOLDERS PARKING ONLY** parking control be put in place.
 - ii. on the west kerb line of **GLENDALE ROAD** starting from a point 22 metres south of the south kerb of **GLENMALL PLACE** and extending to a point a further 7 metres south a new **P5 AT ALL TIMES** parking control be put in place.
 - iii. on the west kerb line of **GLENDALE ROAD** starting from a point 29 metres south of the south kerb of **GLENMALL PLACE** and extending to a point a further 16 metres south a new **BUS STOP** parking control be put in place.
 - iv. on the west kerb line of **GLENDALE ROAD** starting from a point 46 metres south of the south kerb of **GLENMALL PLACE** and extending to a point a further 28 metres south a new **TAXI STAND** parking control be put in place.
3. That the appropriate 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.”

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The outcome of these resolutions was to convert one of the existing mobility parking spaces outside the Glen Eden Library into a five minute parking space that could be used by library patrons returning books.

STRATEGIC CONTEXT

The Waitakere City 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.

The provision of parking spaces set aside for the exclusive use of the disabled allows mobility impaired members of the community improved access to the commercial and public services provided in city centres

ISSUES

Since the second mobility space outside the library was removed three complaints have been received by the Library and Information Services Manager regarding this matter. One of these complaints noted that the space that was converted into a P5 space was more suitable than the remaining mobility space for unloading and loading wheelchairs from the rear of a parked vehicle due to the positioning of the pram crossing in this location.

It is proposed to swap the positions of the new P5 parking space and remaining mobility space to allow for easier access to the mobility space for users of rear loading vehicles.

A52

The location and extent of the proposed change is indicated on page A52.

RESOURCES

The proposed changes to parking control markings and signage can be implemented under the 2004/2005 Annual Plan maintenance road budgets.

CONCLUSION

The proposed changes to the parking restrictions in Glendale Road are desirable to improve the accessibility of the mobility parking space outside the Glen Eden Library.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That the Glendale Road - Relocation of Mobility and P5 Parking Spaces report be received.
2. That in relation to **GLENDALE ROAD, GLEN EDEN:**
 - (a) That all existing parking restrictions or limitations currently applicable to **GLENDALE ROAD** imposed by any prior resolution (including resolutions of any former authority), that are affected, or superseded, or replaced by part (b) of this resolution, 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 Land Transport Act 1998, the Transport Act 1962 and the Waitakere City Council Bylaw No.7, 1991 - Traffic, the following controls be now resolved to be specified and imposed, namely,
- (i) on the west kerb line of **GLENDALE ROAD** starting from a point 14 metres south of the south kerb of **GLENMALL PLACE** and extending to a point a further 8 metres south a new **P5 AT ALL OTHER TIMES** parking control be put in place.
 - (ii) on the west kerb line of **GLENDALE ROAD** starting from a point 22 metres south of the south kerb of **GLENMALL PLACE** and extending to a point a further 7 metres south a new **OPERATION MOBILITY PERMIT HOLDERS PARKING ONLY** parking control be put in place.
3. That the appropriate signage and/or road markings, in accordance with the provisions of Land Transport Rule: Traffic Control Devices 2004 – Rule 54002 be hereby approved to be put in place to properly establish, delineate and record the said parking limitations and restrictions.

Report prepared by: Paul Schischka, Transport Engineer.



13 **COBHAM CRESCENT – NEW CENTRE LINE**

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

The purpose of this report is to seek the New Lynn Community Board's approval for a new centre line in Cobham Crescent, Kelston.

BACKGROUND

A resident of Cobham Crescent has requested that Council install a centre line in Cobham Crescent to help remind drivers to stay on the left hand side of the road when travelling around the curves in the northern part of the road.

STRATEGIC CONTEXT

The Waitakere City 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.

Centre lines can be applied to calm traffic on roads by restricting vehicles to the left hand side of the road.

ISSUES

Cobham Crescent is a 'U' shaped road in northern Kelston providing access to approximately 120 residential properties. At the north end of the road there are a series of reasonably tight curves in the road.

The resident who requested a centre line in this road has observed vehicles travelling at high speed around the curves in the north end of the road while failing to keep to the left hand side of the road. Given the limited sight distances around the curves in this portion of the road and the high vehicle speeds observed by the resident it is desirable that drivers be encouraged to keep left. A centre line will also have the effect of narrowing the lane widths in this location creating a traffic calming effect resulting in reduced vehicle speeds.

It is proposed to install a centre line from the north side of the intersection with Ingleby Place around the northern portion of the road to a point adjacent to the property boundary between numbers 48 and 50.

A53 The location and extent of the proposed centre line is indicated on page A53.

RESOURCES

The proposed new centre line can be implemented under the 2004/2005 Annual Plan road maintenance budgets.

CONCLUSION

The proposed new centre line in Cobham Crescent is desirable for improved road user safety.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That the Cobham Crescent - New Centre Line report be received.
2. That in relation to **COBHAM CRESCENT, KELSTON**:
 - (a) That, 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 controls be now resolved to be specified and imposed, namely,
 - (i) in **COBHAM CRESCENT** a centre line be put in place along the centre of the carriageway from the north side of the intersection with **INGLEBY PLACE** around the north end of **COBHAM CRESCENT** to a point adjacent to the property boundary between numbers 48 and 50 **COBHAM CRESCENT**.
3. That the appropriate signage and/or road markings, in accordance with the provisions of Land Transport Rule: Traffic Control Devices 2004 – Rule 54002 be hereby approved to be put in place to properly establish, delineate and record the said centre line.

Report prepared by: Paul Schischka, Transport Engineer.



14 **THE SITING OF THREE MOBILE PHONE ANTENNA AND CABINETS ON PARKS IN THE NEW LYNN WARD BY VODAFONE NZ LIMITED**

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

The purpose of this report is to seek the approval of the New Lynn Community Board for the siting of three mobile phone antennas and cabinets at Archibald Park, Lawson Park and Golf Road Domain.

BACKGROUND

Vodafone NZ Limited is currently seeking to improve broadband network coverage in Waitakere City and wishes to establish three cell sites on Council owned land.

A54 – A62

The Vodafone NZ Limited proposal is outlined in a report attached at pages A54 to A62.

Lawson Park is a sports park used by the New Lynn Rugby League Club. Their lease expired in 2003 and a renewal was deferred until the New Lynn Reserves Management Plan was adopted. A new lease is under negotiation. At the present time there are five floodlights along the north western side or Seabrook Avenue side of field one, which belong to the New Lynn Rugby League Club. The Vodafone NZ Limited proposal would replace these with four floodlight poles and lights with an antenna placed on top of one of them.

The Titirangi Tennis and Squash Rackets Club have a lease with Council at the Golf Road Domain that involves the entire site. The lease expires on 30 March 2007. The antenna pole would replace an existing floodlight pole, owned by that Club.

At Archibald Park, the preferred location is a street light pole near the boat ramp in the adjacent car park. Vodafone NZ Limited has also offered to install another street light in the car park. The Ponsonby –Kelston Rugby Club has home club status at Archibald Park, and has four floodlights on the playing fields.

The cabinets need to be within 50 metres of the pole. The cabinet sizes are:

- Archibald Park – 1500mm long x 800mm deep x 1300mm high
- Lawson Park- 1500mm long x 800mm deep x 1300mm high
- Golf Road Domain- 2700mm long x 800mm deep x 2000mm high

The cabinets would be painted in a colour approved by the Parks Asset section, preferably a dark grey to distinguish them from a Council owned asset. The cabinets would also have the name of the owner written on them. At Lawson Park and Golf Road Domain, the cabinets would be located amongst existing vegetation. The cabinet location at Archibald Park would be located to one side of the car park on the edge of the reserve. Access to the cabinets would be required approximately twice yearly.

STRATEGIC CONTEXT

The Parks strategy recognises that parks are often viewed as convenient locations for infrastructure that is not compatible for residential areas. However, placing such infrastructure on parks can further restrict the open space qualities of the park. The strategy recommends that approval for infrastructure should be assessed on a case by case basis.

Reserves are public spaces unless the private activity is covered by one of the exceptions in the Reserves Act 1977.

Section 48A, Reserves Act 1977, states that Council, being the administering body of a reserve, and with the consent of the Department of Conservation, may grant a licence for the installation of a communications station. Public notice is not required if the reserve is not likely to be materially altered or permanently damaged, and the rights of the public in respect of the reserve are not likely to be permanently affected.

The Reserve Management Plan for the New Lynn Reserves, incorporating Lawson Park, was adopted in August 2004 by the New Lynn Community Board. Policy 6.6 ensures that any new structures are designed to complement the open space character of reserves and improve their identity without comprising the natural character of the environment. In addition, policy 2.2 allows for additional night lights of sports fields by clubs where there is evidence of the need and the lighting will not have a negative impact on other users and local residents.

The Reserves Management Plan for Archibald Park, adopted October 1988, outlines assessment criteria for new structures, in policy 3.2.3. The information provided in this report follows these assessment criteria.

The Waitemata City Council draft management plan for Golf Road Domain, August 1982, states in section 1.9, page 6, that any flood lighting erected must be to the satisfaction of the Council's City engineer.

The proposed Vodafone NZ Limited structures are aligned with Council's strategic platforms on transport and communication, to facilitate e-infrastructure and broad band links.

ISSUES

Section 48A, Reserves Act 1977, states that no licence shall be granted unless Council is satisfied that:

1. the antenna and cabinet are necessary for the purpose of the communication station and,
2. that they cannot readily be provided outside the reserve.

The same section of the Act also states the communications licence shall be subject to such terms and conditions as to duration, design, materials, situation, use, rental, inspection, maintenance, and public access, or otherwise as Council determines.

Parks reserve management policies also state that in assessing the proposed structures on parks the following key criteria must be met:

1. the need for the structure in the park;
2. the preferred location of the antenna and cabinets within the park;
3. pole and cabinet requirements;
4. the effect on public views;
5. the impact on the immediate neighbourhood;
6. the contribution of the structure to the quality and experience of the reserve;
7. the benefits to the park users;
8. the maintenance of the structures and the applicant responsibilities.

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Vodafone NZ Limited has consulted with both the New Lynn Rugby League Club and the Titirangi Tennis and Squash Rackets Club, on this proposal. Vodafone NZ Limited has received a written response from the New Lynn Rugby League Club, this is attached at page A63.

A response from the Titirangi Tennis and Squash Club is pending.

The concept development plan for Lawson Park, outlined in the New Lynn Reserves Management Plan, recognises its status as a local reserve that needs to cater, not only for sports, but also to provide passive recreational opportunities for the immediate neighbourhood. The Vodafone NZ Limited proposal to New Lynn Rugby League Club involves the upgrade of the poles and the floodlights, on the Seabrook Avenue side of the park. Vodafone NZ Limited have offered to upgrade the lighting and reduce the number of poles to four. This will improve light efficiency and direction. Light glare/spillage would be better controlled with the installation of reflectors, reducing the impact on the immediate neighbourhood. This lighting upgrade would require Council approval, and public consultation through the resource consent process. As indicated in the New Lynn Reserves Management Plan, policy 2.2, p 97, the New Lynn Rugby League Club would need to outline how the upgraded lighting would not have a negative impact on other users and the local residents. Vodafone NZ Limited are prepared to re-install the current floodlights should a lighting upgrade not be approved.

The impact on the immediate neighbourhood is less at Golf Road Domain as only one pole would be replaced, without any lighting upgrade. The entire Golf Road Domain is in the tenancy agreement with the Titirangi Tennis and Squash Club, and would incorporate the proposed site of the cabinet.

The proposed poles that Vodafone NZ Limited would install will not withstand co-location of another antenna belonging to a different telecommunications provider, unless that pole was replaced with a stronger, thicker pole. They can, however, be used for other services, such as video surveillance.

Vodafone NZ Limited will need to apply for building and resource consents and will undertake these according to the requirements of the ICT agreement and RMA.

In September 2002, Council signed an agreement with Vodafone NZ Limited related to network site licences, with the view of upgrading telecommunication services in the City. This agreement related to the establishment of Information Communications Technology (ICT) on Council owned infrastructure within road reserves only and does not cover parks (resolution no. 717/2002, Finance and Operational Performance Committee, April 2002).

Section 48A of the Reserves Act 1977 will require Vodafone NZ Ltd to negotiate terms of a licence with the administering body, for the placement of and access to the antenna, poles and cabinets on park land.

At Golf Road Domain, the Council is the administering body, but Council has a lease with the Titirangi Tennis and Squash Rackets Club which gives them exclusive use of the land. Vodafone NZ Limited will need to negotiate the communications licence with both Council and the Titirangi Tennis and Squash Club. Council will apply to the Department of Conservation for approval.

At Lawson Park the licence would be negotiated with Council, being the landowner. An arrangement shall be made between Vodafone NZ Limited and the New Lynn Rugby League Club, for the antenna on top of one of the floodlight poles, which the Club owns. Council will require approval from the Department of Conservation.

Council will negotiate the licence for Archibald Park, and apply to the Department of Conservation for approval.

RESOURCES

Council resources required for this project involves Council staff time in working with Vodafone NZ Limited on community liaison, obtaining the approval of the Department of Conservation, auditing of construction works and establishing a commercial agreement with Vodafone NZ Limited on structures in Parks. It will be the responsibility of Vodafone NZ Limited to meet all Council and Department of Conservation costs.

CONCLUSION

The proposed siting of the Vodafone NZ Limited antennas and cabinets in Archibald Park, Lawson Park, and Golf Road Domain is considered to have minimal impact on the amenity values and use of the reserve. In consideration of the benefits obtained by the sports clubs on the reserves, the location of the proposed ICT structures is recommended, provided a commercial agreement can be reached with Council.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That the Siting of Three Mobile Phone Antennas and Cabinets on Parks in the New Lynn Ward by Vodafone NZ Limited report be received.
2. That the location of Vodafone NZ Limited antennas and cabinets on Archibald Park, Lawson Park and Golf Road Domain be approved, subject to Vodafone NZ Limited negotiating licences acceptable to Council and the leasing sports clubs, all necessary approvals from the Department of Conservation being granted and all necessary resource consents and other regulatory approvals being obtained by Vodafone NZ Limited at their cost.

Report prepared by: Warren Ogilvie, Operations Manager - Special Projects, Parks and Open Spaces.



15 COMMUNITY INTERACTION PLAN FOR THE LONG TERM COUNCIL COMMUNITY PLAN 2006/2016

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

The purpose of this report is to provide to the New Lynn Community Board the Community Interaction Plan which supports the development of the 2006/2016 Long Term Council Community Plan through engagement with stakeholders and communities and to also ask the Board to propose a date for consultation for the New Lynn Ward.

BACKGROUND

During the draft Annual Plan deliberations in February 2005 the Long Term Council Community Plan and Annual Plan Special Committee was provided with an overview of the project plan for the development of the Long Term Council Community Plan 2006/2016. That report set out the parameters, principles and community interaction process for the 2006 Long Term Council Community Plan as well as work done to date, legislative requirements, roles of partners in the process, the project timeline and a proposed name - City Plan, for the 2006 Long Term Council Community Plan.

The Community Interaction Plan was adopted by the Long Term Council Community Plan and Annual Plan Special Committee at its meeting held 19 April 2006.

STRATEGIC CONTEXT

Feedback from the Community interaction will be used to develop community outcomes. These community outcomes will provide opportunities for discussion with communities, taking into account the requirements of the Local Government Act 2002. These requirements include:

- the social, economic, environmental and cultural wellbeing of people and communities; and
- the need to maintain and enhance the quality of the environment; and
- the reasonably foreseeable needs of future generations.

The interaction with the community will also provide the way forward in prioritising identified outcomes and activities within these wellbeing areas. Levels of service expectations also need to be consulted on; and then finally, consultation on the draft Long Term Council Community Plan.

The prioritised community outcomes provide the Council with community views on where the City should be focusing its attention and resources. These views are considered by Council during the decision making process as well as in the preparation of a Long Term Council Community Plan. The Long Term Council Community Plan is a response to the needs expressed in the community outcomes. Feedback on levels of Council service also have a direct bearing on the Activity Plans under preparation. These Activity Plans provide the foundation for the Long Term Council Community Plan. In order to achieve robust, representative feedback, particular attention has been paid to developing a Community Interaction Plan that targets particular groups within the community, as well as ensuring that Maori are involved.

ISSUES

Consultation

A64 – A71

The Community Interaction Plan attached at pages A64 to A71 covers consultation requirements for the Long Term Council Community Plan in order to develop Council's response to community outcomes and levels of service. Detailed planning of individual actions has not been included, but is in progress. The community consultation will not start with a blank slate; rather it will be based upon the community outcomes identified as part of the 2003 Long Term Council Community Plan and other feedback received to date as part of other consultation processes.

The Community Interaction Plan must enable the Council to deliver a Long Term Council Community Plan that:

1. Identifies a set of community outcomes – these may be similar to the 2003 community outcomes, or they may be modified.
2. Prioritises the community outcomes.
3. Identifies a set of indicators to monitor and report on the progress of the community outcomes.
4. Identifies levels of service around key service areas.

The Local Government Act 2002 requires the Council to undertake a special consultative procedure in order to adopt a Long Term Council Community Plan. The new Plan should specify any significant changes to current levels of service, transfer of ownership or control of strategic assets, construction, replacement or abandonment of any strategic assets, or any decision that affects the capacity of the Council, or the cost of any activity identified in the Plan.

The Council must make a draft of the Plan publicly available and it must contain a report from the Council's auditor on compliance with the disclosure requirements of the Local Government Act 2002, the quality of information provided, assumptions, forecast information and performance measurement.

Overview of the Community Interaction Plan

The following sections have been taken from the attached Community Interaction Plan.

Aim:

To undertake a Community Interaction Plan that engages communities of Waitakere to participate in developing prioritised community outcomes for the City, a way of measuring progress towards these outcomes, and an indication of what level of service communities are satisfied with for the Council's services.

Strategy:

Phase One – Development of 2006 Community Outcomes and Indicators

Analysis of preliminary data (2003 community outcomes and other feedback), workshops and meetings, mailouts, advertising, media relations and stakeholder meetings.

Phase Two – Refinement and Prioritisation of 2006 Community Outcomes and Indicators

Community and Stakeholder Panel, Drop-Ins/Road show, flyer in rates notice, survey, and Council's *Waitakere City News* newsletter centre spread, workshops and meetings.

Phase Three – Levels of Service Consultation and Document Production

Workshops, Council's *Waitakere City News* newsletter centre spread, event, media relations, draft document.

Phase Four – Consultation of Draft Long Term Council Community Plan and Final Document Production

Mailout, flyer in rates notice, media relations, advertising, submissions process, final document.

A full break-down of these phases is set out in the attached Community Interaction Plan.

Tools and Media:

- Workshops
- Meetings
- Drop-Ins/Road Show
- Community and Stakeholder Panel
- Event
- Mailouts
- Flyer
- Print advertising
- Survey
- Local media: The Aucklander and the Western Leader

- Council's website and the project website
- Council's newsletter – Waitakere City News
- Circulation of draft LTCCP and submissions process

RESOURCES

Staff resources are currently being aligned to this part of the Long Term Council Community Plan project. Community Board Members are encouraged to participate in the May workshops and any other areas of the consultation as far as is practicable.

CONCLUSION

The Community Interaction Plan that accompanies this report will enable the Council to meet its obligations under the Local Government Act 2002 in order to identify community outcomes. It provides for a participative consultation process that seeks to involve a wide variety of Waitakere residents and ratepayers.

The feedback generated by this consultation process will enable the development of prioritised community outcomes, a means for measuring progress on the achievement of those outcomes, and a feel for what levels of service the community is prepared to fund. This feedback provides information to assist the Council in its decision making, and in its preparation of a Long Term Council Community Plan that responds to the needs of the City as expressed through the community's community outcomes.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That the Community Interaction Plan for the Long Term Council Community Plan 2006/2016 report be received.
2. That the New Lynn Community Board propose a date for consultation in their Ward to determine their involvement for the consultation process for the development of the Long Term Council Community Plan 2006/2016.

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16 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 (Alternate: Pim van der Voort)
Keep Waitakere Beautiful Committee	Elizabeth Francke
Glen Eden Citizens Advice Bureau	Gayle Marshall
Glen Eden Community House Management Committee	Gayle Marshall
Green Bay Community House Management Committee	Pim van der Voort (Alternate: SL Taylor)
Council/Police Liaison Group	Elizabeth Francke SL Taylor
New Lynn Citizens Advice Bureau	Elizabeth Francke
Glen Eden Community House Management Committee	Gayle Marshall
Youth Advocacy Advisory Group	Gayle Marshall (Alternate: WD Buchanan)
Waitakere Road Safety Steering Group	WD Buchanan (Alternate: EG Francke)
COUNCIL COMMITTEES	
Hearings Committee	Elizabeth Francke (Alternate: SL Taylor)
Community Sports Fund Allocation Subcommittee	WD Buchanan (Alternate: Gayle Marshall)
Long Term Council Community Plan and Annual Plan Special Committee	Pim van der Voort (Alternate: Gayle Marshall)
COMMUNITY BOARD SUBCOMMITTEE	
New Lynn Community Board Street Events Subcommittee	WD Buchanan

