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HELD IN THE NEW LYNN COMMUNITY CENTRE, 45 TOTARA AVENUE,
NEW LYNN, WAITAKERE CITY, ON MONDAY, 3 APRIL 2006,
COMMENCING AT 7.30 PM**

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1 APOLOGIES



2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Meeting Minutes - Monday, 6 March 2006

RECOMMENDATION

That the minutes of the Meeting of the New Lynn Community Board held on Monday, Monday, 6 March 2006, 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.



4 PUBLIC FORUM

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

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

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



5 **CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT**

The first round of the Long Term Council Community Plan and Annual Plan Special Committee (2006-2016) has been completed after many debates and changes to the budget and projects. As always there are some major changes for consideration, such as do we want capital value rating versus land value rating? There is some cut back in maintenance funding for parks and grass mowing. There is little or no funding for new footpath works. However, there is a large amount of proposed funding for the next 10 years on cycle ways, yet we have roads without footpaths. Council's draft strategic policy indicates walking facilities including safety measures. Originally there was no evidence of this in the long term proposed budget. However, the amount of \$500,000 has, after much debate, been included.

The existing footpath funding formula needs to be reviewed to soundly identify the more urgent needs rather than just roading kilometres in each ward.

Ward Boundary Reviews

Council has made their decision on which proposal to take to the community for consultation. The 3 wards for the City are the preferred option at this stage. Our proposed Southern ward is almost identical to the original New Lynn ward when the Waitakere City was formed in 1989 with only a slight boundary adjustment in Kelston and the Glengarry Road area. 5 Councillors and 6 Community Board Members are the same as at that time.

Policing in Our City.

In last month's Chairperson's report I mentioned Elizabeth Grimmer and myself met with Area Commander, Inspector Mark O'Connor. Since then they have made a presentation to the Council monthly meeting to report on police issues in our City. Statistics are not encouraging and need to be urgently addressed but will not get better unless we get more police for this area. We need a fair share of the new intake. Waitakere is one of the fastest growing cities in New Zealand with a young adult population. I wonder if Wellington or the decision-makers realise the enormity of this. Pressure should be applied to our area MPs of all parties to ensure we have an improved level of manning.

Hut Valley City Council Community Board Forum.

You may have received a brochure on the above. A conference will be held on the 13 & 15 July 2006. More information on this will be forwarded at a later date. Usually one Board member from each Ward may attend. Decisions on who may represent our Board could be made tonight or closer to the date.

Henderson New Library

I attended the opening of the new Henderson library. This is a unique facility, being that it has been built in conjunction with Unitec NZ, Waitakere Campus for the use of all citizens. There is a large room called the Learning Centre, containing many computers. No doubt this facility will be well used.

Cultural Festival

- A1 Waitakere's own cultural festival was held on Saturday 25 March at Te Pai Park. This is another successful event well organised with a good variety of stalls and events (see attached programme at page A1). Congratulations to the organisers team, the Waitakere Ethnic Board.

Transport Planning

There is a lot of talk in the newspapers and at meetings reporting and suggestions on traffic congestion, global warming, air quality etc. I have seen little evidence of these prophets, walking, cycling or trading their petrol guzzling, sometimes smoke belting limousines for a simple fuel efficient basic mode of transport. Our own Council car parks should be full of Daihatsu Charades, smart cars, or well known Vesper scooters, not to forget the bicycle stands. Should we not set a good example?

Long Term Transport Plan

- A2 Our Board Members attended a workshop dealing with the Long Term Transport Plan. Notes of the workshop is attached at page A2. The Board has been asked to endorse or modify this as it sees fit.



RECOMMENDATION







1. That the Chairperson's Report be received.
- A2 2. That the Community Board endorse or modify the proposed prioritisation of Transport Projects as set out in the Notes of the New Lynn Community Board workshop attached at page A2 of the agenda.



Pim van der Voort, JP
CHAIRPERSON




6 COMMITTEE SECRETARY'S REPORT

Issue	Comments	Reporting Council Officer
Totara Avenue Pedestrian Crossing Outside the New Lynn Bus Transfer Station Public Forum 30 May 2005	Investigation of this location shows that kerb projections would provide safety benefits at this crossing, without adversely affecting the operation of the buses. The work is being included in the Minor Safety Projects Stage 2 contract due to be tendered in March 2006 for construction during April 2006.	Adam Moller  836 8000 Ext 8750
Barrons Green Proposed Car Park 4 July 2005 Resolution No. 1248/2005	The twenty-three submissions for the resource consent received have been processed. The Board will be advised of the hearing date once confirmed; it is likely to be in late April 2006.	Adreas Lilley  836 8000 Ext 8553

Issue	Comments	Reporting Council Officer
<p>Rewarewa Esplanade Walkway Officer's Report</p>	<p>Recent slips along the Rewarewa Esplanade have undermined part of the access road at the end of McNaughton Way. Remedial works to reinstate the road were completed in January 2006.</p> <p>Intensive investigation will be undertaken in 2006/2007 to determine the viability to reinstate the walkway, which is currently closed.</p> <p>A report is expected to be presented to the Board in November/December 2006.</p>	<p>Grant Jennings  836 8000 Ext 8537</p>
<p>Playground Redevelopment at Tamariki Reserve, Titirangi Officer's Report</p>	<p>The contract to install a new playground in Tamariki Reserve was awarded in February 2006.</p> <p>Physical works are expected to start towards the end of March 2006, expected to be completed by mid-May 2006.</p>	<p>David Barker  836 8000 Ext 8306</p>
<p>Rua Road - Erection of Ponga Planter as Buffer 5 December 2005 Resolution No. 2363/2005</p>	<p>Erection of the Ponga Planter has been completed.</p> <p>Work to carry out the required high friction surface seal is expected to be completed in April 2006.</p>	<p>Paul Schischka  836 8000 Ext 8742</p>
<p>Warning Signs for Green Bay Beach and Other Key Access Points to Manukau Harbour Chairperson's Request</p>	<p>Signs warning the public of the dangers of the rips, current and mud at Green Bay Beach and other key access points to the Manukau Harbour have been installed.</p>	<p>David Barker  836 8000 Ext 8306</p>
<p>Pedestrian Safety and Crossing, Rankin Avenue Public Forum 13 February 2006 Resolution No. 105/2006</p>	<p>Council officers have approached occupiers of the property at Rankin Avenue where Les Mills Fitness is located, as to whether they support Council's offer to create signs to improve traffic safety of the area.</p> <p>A response is awaited.</p>	<p>Paul Schischka  836 8000 Ext 8742</p>
<p>Anzac Day Parade on Tuesday, 25 April 2006 Council Referral 15 March 2006 Resolution No. 422/2006</p>	<p>The purpose of this report is to seek representation of a Board Member(s) at the New Lynn Ward RSA Anzac Day Parade.</p> <p>In addition to the City's Dawn Parade at the Waikumete Cenotaph, each of the City's RSA's will host its own parade.</p> <p>The Council at its meeting held on Wednesday, 15 March 2006, appointed the following Councillors to represent the City at the New Lynn Ward RSA Anzac Day Parades:</p>	<p>Tracey Haggio  836 8000 Ext 8810</p>

Issue	Comments	Reporting Council Officer
<p>Draft Long Term Council Community Plan 2006-2016 Officer's Report</p>	<p>The draft Long Term Council Community Plan 2006-2016 public submission period runs from Thursday, 13 April to Friday, 12 May 2006.</p> <p>It is hoped that Community Board Members will want to engage with their local communities on the Long Term Council Community Plan and to this end staff from the Public Affairs and Strategy and Development Units have started preparing display materials to use during this submission period.</p> <p>It is envisaged that these materials will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Submission guides; • Submission forms; • A3 laminated copy of the Long Term Council Community Plan billboard; • Issues for public consultation; • The Waitakere City News special Long Term Council Community Plan edition; • The Community Outcomes booklet (optional); • Community Outcomes poster (optional). <p>Setting up displays</p> <p>Council staff will be setting up displays in libraries. At this point they are establishing space availability and timing at each of the libraries and will keep Members posted on the final outcome.</p> <p>It is envisaged that some Board Members may like to be present at these venues to discuss consultation issues with members of the public.</p> <p>Alternative displays</p> <p>As some Board Members may wish to visit the outer areas, or other venues, a lightweight spider frame (approx 2m x 2m) and display material will be made available, with bookings (for up to 3 days) to go through Arlene Fredericks, phone: 836 8000 ext: 8401 or email: arlene.fredericks@waitakere.govt.nz</p>	<p>Nada Cottrell  836 8000 Ext 8427</p>
<p>Update on Works at Manawa Wetland Officer's Report</p>	<p>Defects Liability Certificate has been signed off for the Manawa Wetland Reserve Physical works contract and the maintenance of this will now pass to Council.</p> <p>Rocks were recently placed along a 50m stretch of the road frontage of Margan Avenue to prevent cars accessing the Reserve and will operate in conjunction with a bollard and chain system to allow legitimate access. It was originally intended to put bollards along this frontage (as shown in the Concept Plan adopted by the Community</p>	<p>Mandy McMullin  836 8000 Ext 8792</p>

Issue	Comments	Reporting Council Officer
	<p>Board); however, the bollards were unable to be installed due to the large amount of underground infrastructure and services along this stretch of road frontage.</p> <p>Three artists were invited to submit an idea for a pergola at Manawa as shown in the Concept Plan for the Reserve. One idea has been chosen and the artist is now working with Parks Planning and Arts Section of Council to develop this idea into a concept which will be brought to the Community Board before progressing to the detailed design stage. It is proposed to develop the pergola in conjunction with the development of Stage Three of the Manawa Wetland Reserve.</p> <p>Funding has been allocated to develop a restoration plan for the weed-infested gully lying between the existing developed area of the park and the railway embankment and containing the Rewarewa Stream. A 3-year programme is being developed for weed control and revegetation of this area, which will be let as a contract for Stage Three of the Manawa Wetland Reserve development.</p> <p>It is anticipated that this programme will be brought to the Community Board meeting in May 2006 or June 2006 along with the concept design for the pergola.</p>	
<p>Waitakere Citizens Advice Bureau(Inc) Board - Community Board Representative/s</p>	<p>In early 2006, the four Citizens Advice Bureaux in Waitakere City merged into one legal entity. The Waitakere Citizens Advice Bureaux Inc (WaiCAB). At present three of their Bureau Management Committees have Community Board Representatives on them. Following the mergers, these individual Bureaux will only have less formal committees with no constitutional powers or responsibilities which will be taken over by WaiCAB. Under the circumstances it is considered that Community Board representation would be more effective on their own board rather than on the bureau Committees.</p> <p>WaiCAB have requested that the four Community Boards jointly consider nominating one/two members to sit on the WaiCAB Board which meets monthly, from 9.30 am on the third Thursday of each month.</p>	<p>Audrey Chan  836 8000 Ext 8603</p>

REPORTS PENDING			
Subject	Date Requested	Report Due	Reporting Officer
Placing of the Tai Tutaki Sculpture at the Olympic Park	5 September 2005 Resolution No. 1604/2005 Chairperson's Report	1 May 2006 (Pending feasibility study including geotechnical reports to help identify the best location for the Sculpture)	Debbie Chapman ☎ 836 8000 Ext 8303
Intersection of Oates Road and Glendale Road	31 October 2005 Resolution No. 2076/2005	1 May 2006	Paul Schischka ☎ 836 8000 Ext 8742
Issues of Parking Restrictions and Rubbish Truck Access Outside 672B to 674 of South Titirangi Road	5 December 2005 Resolution No. 2369/2005 Public Forum	1 May 2006	Brent Piggott ☎ 836 8000 Ext 8716
Rankin Avenue – Erection of Signs or Other Initiatives to improve traffic safety	13 February 2006 Resolution No. 105/2006 Public Forum	1 May 2006	Paul Schischka ☎ 836 8000 Ext 8742
Issues raised by Karen Forbes regarding Parking and City Boundary Sign	6 March 2006 Resolution No. 250/2006 Public Forum	1 May 2006	Jin Jiang Zhong ☎ 836 8000 Ext 8774
Titirangi Beach Reserve Development	5 December 2005 Officer's Report	1 May 2006	Debbie Chapman ☎ 836 8000 Ext 8303
Proposed Naming of Driveway from Gymnasium down to Olympic Place in Olympic Park to be Ecoway, as suggested by EcoMatters Environmental Trust	13 February 2006 Member's Request	1 May 2006	Grant Jennings ☎ 836 8000 Ext 8537

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That the Committee Secretary's Report for 3 April 2006 be received.
2. Anzac Day Parades
That the New Lynn Community Board appoint a representative(s) to attend the New Lynn, Titirangi, and Glen Eden community Anzac Day Parades on Tuesday, 25 April 2006.
3. That:
 - a) the Board make a submission on the Long Term Council Community Plan and Annual Plan;
 - b) a workshop on the Long Term Council Community Plan and Annual Plan be held; and

- c) the Chairperson be authorised to sign off the final submission.

Report prepared by: Audrey Chan, Committee Secretary.



7 REPRESENTATION REVIEW - UPDATE ON THE ADOPTION OF INITIAL PROPOSAL

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

The purpose of this report is to update the New Lynn Community Board on the decision made by Council on 15 March, 2006 regarding the adoption of an Initial Proposal for formal public consultation and inform the Board of the opportunity to make a submission in respect of the Initial Proposal pursuant to Section 19M of the Local Electoral Act 2001.

BACKGROUND

The Local Electoral Act 2001 reduced the frequency of reviews of the basis of elections by local authorities from every three years to at least one every six years. Because the Council chose not to undertake a review in 2003 it must do so in the 2006 year. The Local Government Commission has advised that its workload to deal with any appeals and objections when considering Final Proposals from territorial authorities and regional councils is likely to be substantial. Accordingly, the Commission advises that if a local authority is able to make its determination ahead of the statutory deadlines then it is much more likely that local hearings will be possible.

The Representation Review is required to determine the boundaries for election of the Council and its Community Boards, in order to provide for fair and effective representation, as defined in the Local Electoral Act 2001.

The Electoral Officer started this process for Council by preparing a Discussion Document for Elected Members, and commissioning a consultant to undertake a study identifying Communities of Interest. A number of workshops reviewed the consultants report and updates thereto.

Feedback from the Community Boards was sought by Council in October/November 2005.

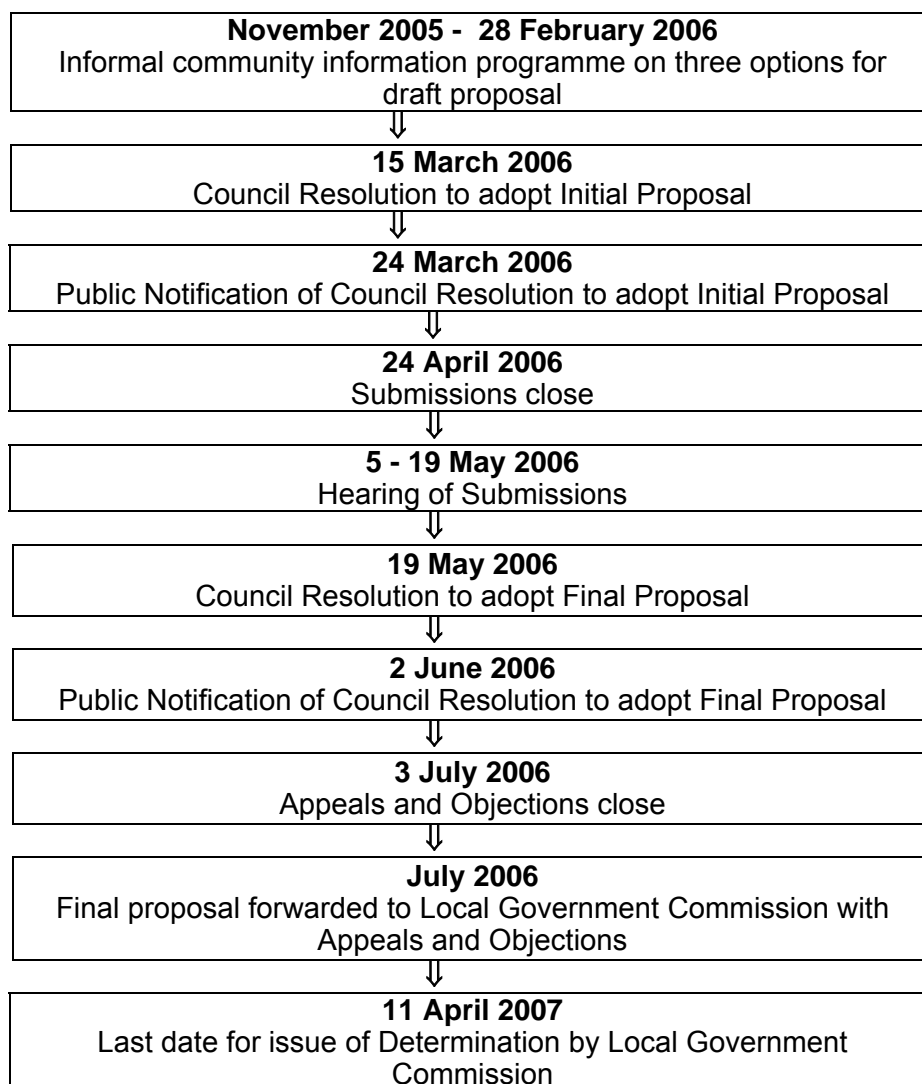
New Lynn Community Board resolved at their meeting on Monday, 31 October 2005 to support Option One.

The Henderson Community Board resolved on Thursday, 3 November 2005 to support Option Two. Massey Community Board gave its support to Option One on Wednesday, 2 November 2005. The Waitakere Community Board resolved on Tuesday, 1 November 2005 to support the enhanced status quo option (Option Three) and to request preliminary public consultation.

On Monday, 7 November 2005 the Finance and Operational Performance Committee resolved to undertake an informal information process finishing at the end of February 2006 prior to Council making its decision on the Initial Proposal for formal consultation in March 2006.

The following timeline was prepared to facilitate the implementation of this resolution.

Basis for Election provisional timescale:



Public meetings were held in each of the current four wards during the month of February as follows:

- 14 February 2006 - Waiatarua Community Hall for Waitakere Ward
- 16 February 2006 - Massey & Birdwood Settlers Hall (Lion's Den) for Massey Ward
- 17 February 2006 - Te Atatu South Community Centre for Henderson Ward
- 21 February 2006 - New Lynn Community Centre for New Lynn Ward

A total of 575 submissions were received by Council as a result of the informal community information process

Further feedback from the Community Boards was sought by Council in March 2006, following the closure of submissions under the informal community information process on 28 February 2006.

On Monday, 6 March 2006 the New Lynn Community Board resolved to reaffirm its support of Option One as its preferred option:

“That the New Lynn Community Board reaffirms resolution 2063/2005 and supports Option 1 as a recommendation to the Finance and Operational Performance Committee for onward transmission to Council on the subject of the preferred option for Ward and Community Board boundaries.”

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The Henderson Community Board resolved, on Thursday, 9 March 2006, to reaffirm its support for Option Two and also requested the inclusion of minor boundary adjustments requested at the various public meetings held during February 2006. On Wednesday, 8 March 2006, the Massey Community Board rescinded its for Option One, and resolved to support Option Two with a request to retain the name Massey Ward for the proposed Northern Urban Ward and to include Ranui in this. The Waitakere Community Board resolved, on Tuesday, 7 March 2006, to rescind its support for the enhanced status quo option (Option Three) and to support Option Two. The Waitakere Community Board further resolved to request that Council seek “isolated community status” for the Waitakere Ward in order to retain representation by three Councillors, to include all areas within the proposed Waitakere Ranges Protection Area, as well as Parris Park and the Haoni Waititi Marae, in this Ward and retain the existing ward names for all the four wards proposed under Option Two.

On Monday, 13 March 2006 the Finance and Operational Performance Committee deferred its decision on the adoption of a single preferred option for formal public consultation to the meeting of Council on Wednesday, 15 March 2006. At this meeting of Council the following was resolved:

“That, following the recommendation of the Finance and Operational Performance Committee, Council has determined which of the three Representation Review options, consulted on through the Informal Community Information Process, should be adopted for formal public consultation, Council adopts Option 1 as itemised in the previously distributed consultant report entitled “Basis of Representation Review - Communities of Interest - Updated following Public Information Process March 2006”, as the Representation Review initial proposal for public consultation, pursuant to Sections 19H, 19J and 19K of the Local Electoral Act 2001. Accordingly the following comprises the initial proposal determining the membership and electoral arrangements of the Waitakere City Council to apply for the triennial election to be held on 13 October 2007:

- 1) *That pursuant to Section 19K of the Local Electoral Act 2001 it is noted that the current division of the Waitakere City into four Wards for Electoral purposes, represented by 14 Councillors, does not comply with the fair representation population ratio requirements of Section 19V of the Act and Council considers that a division of the City into three Wards would appropriately reflect the broad communities of interest in Waitakere City.*
- 2) *That Council proposes, that the Council to be elected at the October 2007 triennial election comprise 14 Councillors, and a Mayor elected at large.*
- 3) *That three Wards, based on integrated land-use, transportation and landscapes communities of interest be constituted as follows:*
 - (i) *A Central Ward represented by five Councillors.*
 - (ii) *A Northern Ward represented by four Councillors.*
 - (ii) *A Southern Ward represented by five Councillors.*

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- 4) *That the proposed Wards follow the boundaries indicated on the map attached to these minutes (see attached at page A3) as follows:*
- (i) **Central Ward** - *The Central Ward is the area generally comprising Piha, Karekare, Oratia, Western Heights, McLaren Park, Henderson, Lincoln, Te Atatu South and Te Atatu Peninsula.*
 - (ii) **Northern Ward** - *The Northern Ward is the area generally comprising Bethells / Te Henga, Swanson, Ranui, Whenuapai, Hobsonville, West Harbour and Massey.*
 - (iii) **Southern Ward** - *The Southern Ward is the area generally comprising Whatipu, Huia, Laingholm, Titirangi, Green Bay, Kelston, Glen Eden and New Lynn.*
- 5) (i) *That pursuant to Section 19J of the Local Electoral Act 2001 the Council proposes the retention of Community Boards to assist the efficient operation of the City. In order to provide for fair and effective representation by the Community Boards, Council proposes that the Community Boards cover the same areas as the Council Wards.*
- (ii) *That Council therefore proposes to disestablish the Henderson, New Lynn, Massey and Waitakere Community Boards and that the following three Community Boards be established:*
- (a) **Central Community**
 - (1) *There shall be constituted a Community for the area of the Central Ward to be known as "the Central Community".*
 - (2) *The Community Board for the Central Community shall comprise:*
 - (a) *Six Members elected by the Electors of the Central Community; and*
 - (b) *Three persons elected, as Members of the Council representing the Central Ward and appointed, from time to time, to the Community Board by the Council.*
 - (b) **Northern Community**
 - (1) *There shall be constituted a Community for the area of the Northern Ward to be known as "the Northern Community".*
 - (2) *The Community Board for the Northern Community shall comprise:*
 - (a) *Six Members elected by the Electors of the Northern Community; and*
 - (b) *Three persons elected, as Members of the Council representing the Northern Ward and appointed, from time to time, to the Community Board by the Council.*
 - (c) **Southern Community**
 - (1) *There shall be constituted a Community for the area of the Southern Ward to be known as "the Southern Community".*
 - (2) *The Community Board for the Southern Community shall comprise:*
 - (a) *Six Members elected by the Electors of the Southern Community; and*

- (b) *Three persons elected, as Members of the Council representing the Southern Ward and appointed, from time to time, to the Community Board by the Council.*

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It was thus resolved by Council that the single preferred option for formal public consultation, referred to in the Local Electoral Act 2001 as the Initial Proposal, would be Option One. This has been Publicly Notified as Council's Initial Proposal and a formal process of public consultation has commenced, including the opportunity for the making of submissions and the subsequent hearing of those submissions by the Council and the review of Council's Final Decision by the Local Government Commission.

STRATEGIC CONTEXT

Active Democracy is one of the Council's nine strategic platforms identified in its Long Term Council Community Plan and Annual Plan 2005/2006. This platform supports the involvement of citizens in the Council's decision-making process through education, removing barriers, developing partnerships, improving information flows and supporting the communities' own ways of interacting with the Council.

The Council measures its success in meeting active democracy targets by conducting regular household surveys. Although the public's perception of engagement in the Council's decision-making processes has improved since 2001/2002, (partly due to this Council's extensive community consultation processes), the voter turnout for Council elections remains low. Voter turnout was only 35.68% at the last election. The electoral representation review process will assist the Council in determining why this is so by addressing issues around Communities of Interest and how to structure a system that is more conducive to active voter participation.

ISSUES

The Local Electoral Act 2001 states that any person or organisation, including a Community Board, may make a submission with respect to a Representation Review Initial Proposal. Section 19O states that if the Council decides to confirm its Initial Proposal without changes, only those who made a submission have standing to appeal this decision to the Local Government Commission. If, however, the Council decides to amend the Initial Proposal then any person may object to that decision pursuant to Section 19P of the Local Electoral Act 2001.

RESOURCES

Provision has been made in the Annual Plan 2005/2006 and the draft Annual Plan 2006/2007 to resource the Representation Review. No additional resources are required.

CONCLUSION

The New Lynn Community Board is being invited to make a submission expressing its opinion on the decision of Council to adopt Option One as the Initial Proposal for formal public consultation as is provided for in the Local Electoral Act 2001. It is suggested that the New Lynn Community Board authorises the Chairperson to sign off the submission on behalf of the New Lynn Community Board.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That the Representation Review - Update on the Adoption of Initial Proposal report be received.
2. That the New Lynn Community Board make a submission to Council in respect of the Representation Review Initial Proposal and delegate to the Chairperson the authority to sign off a submission to Council on the subject of the preferred option for Ward and Community Board boundaries on behalf of the New Lynn Community Board.

Report prepared by: Stephen McDaid, Electoral Official and Charlie Inggs, Deputy Electoral Officer.



8 NOTIFICATION OF PROPOSED RESERVE EXCHANGE - CHETTLE RESERVE

PURPOSE OF REPORT

The purpose of this report is to bring the results of the public notification of the proposal for a land exchange between the owners of 25A Titirangi Road, New Lynn and Chettle Reserve for back to the New Lynn Community Board its consideration and recommendation to the City Development Committee.

BACKGROUND

Mr Clifford, owner of Mercury Mansions, contacted Council in March 2004 and a pre-application meeting was held with Council staff. At this meeting the proposal to carry out a reserve exchange was brought to Council in which it was proposed to exchange 236m² of reserve with 1833m² of private land at 25A Titirangi Road. This proposal did not involve any reserve land being exchanged for private access from Chettle Court. The land swap proposal at this stage was presented by the applicant to increase development potential at 25a Titirangi Road.

The current land swap proposal, presented by Mercury Mansions in July 2004, involves approximately 394m² of Chettle Reserve for approximately 2308m² of land at 25A Titirangi Road to enable a private driveway entrance to be constructed from Chettle Court to the western side of 25A Titirangi Road and to allow a medium density housing development to be constructed alongside the railway line. The land swap proposal was amended to include land to provide access from Chettle Court because further investigations carried out by the applicant had determined that the costs of constructing access via 25A Titirangi Road were prohibitive.

A4-A7

On 1 August 2005 a report was brought to the New Lynn Community Board (attached at pages A4 to A7) for their consideration to have the reserve exchange publicly notified. At the meeting it was resolved:

- “1. That the New Lynn Community Board approves the notification of Council’s intention to enter into a reserve exchange of approximately 394m² of Chettle Reserve (Lot 61 DP 188490) with approximately 2308m² of land forming Lot 2 DP 67799 under Section 15 of the Reserves Act 1977, with any objections to be brought back to the Board for consideration and subsequent recommendation to Council.*”

2. *That all costs incurred through any reserve exchange process should be borne by Mr Clifford.*

3. *That the report be presented to the New Lynn Community Board on the Public Notification of the proposed land swap includes sufficient information on traffic engineering, geotechnical and environmental issues to enable the New Lynn Community Board to make an informed decision."*

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A8

The proposed land swap was notified on 19 January 2006 in both the Western Leader and the New Zealand Herald with a copy of the Public Notice attached at page A8. The period for submissions closed on 19 February 2006.

There is no current Reserve Management Plan for Chettle Reserve.

The Chettle Reserve was vested in Waitakere City Council on 17 September 1998 as Local Purposed (drainage) reserve and therefore was not originally acquired from the Crown and approval of the Department of Conservation is not needed for the reserve swap.

STRATEGIC CONTEXT

The areas of land under discussion are the riparian margins of the Scroggy Stream, which is a branch of the Rewarewa Creek which flows into the Whau River. The Scroggy Stream is part of the Rewarewa catchment in New Lynn. This area has been identified as a moderate priority for restoration and public access as part of the Green Network. The stream area also has the potential to provide amenity to the local residents and plays a part in the stormwater network in the New Lynn area.

Parks Strategy

The Parks Strategy 1999 has a policy that existing native ecosystems along the Whau Stream network should be upgraded and the parks network extended where possible. The Whau River system is one of the five main networks that has been the focus of Council for restoration and enhancement over the last 5 years. The Council has been involved in a partnership with Friends of the Whau in the restoration of the streams associated with the Whau River, and the Scroggy Stream is an important stream in this network.

ISSUES

Feedback from Consultation

A9-A10

A letter was sent out on 10 January 2006 to all residents within Woodbury Park who were considered to be affected, giving them early Notification of Council's intention to notify the reserve exchange. This letter is attached at pages A9 to A10.

A11-A34

An information pack was made available upon request during the Notification period that included: a scheme plan of the proposed reserve exchange; an indicative plan of the proposed development; a letter from Lord Enterprises, the consultant for the applicant in support of the land swap; an artist's impression of the proposed accessway; a geotechnical assessment commissioned by Mr Clifford, and a traffic impact assessment. This information pack can be found at pages A11 to A34.

The proposed land swap would involve a strip of grass land in Chettle Reserve, adjacent to the Scroggy Stream, leading from the end of Chettle Court and a grassed corner of Chettle Reserve at the rear of 18 Chettle Court. The total area of reserve land removed would be approximately 394m². The private land proposed for exchange is a downstream area of native bush and part of the Scroggy Stream downstream, which would be added to extend the Chettle Reserve.

A35-A193

During the notification period 56 submissions were received from the community, of which all were objections to the proposed reserve exchange. The submissions are attached at pages A35 to A193.

Some of the concerns presented by the submitters include:

- Inadequate consideration of alternative options by the applicant including the use of Titirangi Road to access the proposed development.
- Council should consider a financial contribution requiring the vesting of the Scroggy Stream land at the time of subdivision as an alternative to the reserve exchange.
- Council should purchase the land and add it to the Chettle Reserve to enhance the Green Network.
- Loss of amenity and increased traffic within the neighbourhood.
- Protect the character of Woodbury Park as it is a special community.
- The proposal goes against the original intention/concept of Woodbury Park.
- Residents are very proud of the Woodbury Park area and consider it to be one of the best housing areas in Waitakere City. It is a very safe and healthy place to live with residents taking pride in their properties and maintaining them to a high standard.
- Access via Chettle Reserve will be less costly for the developer than accessing via Titirangi Road, however, adjoining landowners to Chettle Reserve will suffer a loss in property value.
- Environmental affects including damage to roads, traffic noise during construction, loss of bird life in the reserve, loss of vegetation from the reserve.
- Residents go to great expense and time to light up homes for the Christmas period which would be impacted by the development.
- Developer should provide access from 25A Titirangi Road.
- Some residents have used their own time to beautify the Chettle Reserve through planting days to improve the reserve and protect from erosion. Many of the residents have participated in weed clearance efforts on the reserve also.
- Concern for residents and children's safety from traffic.
- Loss of property values.
- Swapping a piece of usable flat land for a piece of drainage land that has less recreational value.
- Residents purchased properties with the knowledge that the reserve would remain as it is in perpetuity.
- Council should weigh up what is more important – the desires of the community and protecting Chettle Court as it is or the proposed land offer including the scroggy stream area.
- Council Parks Department supplied residents with plants to enhance the park which will be lost if the development goes ahead.
- Park has been transformed by residents from weeds and rubbish to an attractive reserve. This process helped to create a community spirit among the residents. The proposed accessway would be an injustice to all who participated in the planting of the reserve and who continue to take pride in the appearance of the community.

- Concerned about the loss of vegetation and loss of birdlife associated with the proposed development.
- Concern about erosion effects associated with the driveway on the stream.
- Residents use the park currently as a meeting place for community gatherings and also for recreation. Chettle Reserve used as a picnic area, meeting place and an area for children to play.
- Loss of this piece of reserve will affect the quality of the area and the residents' use of Chettle Reserve.
- Concerned by potential for flooding and restriction of the stream width.
- Residents initiated the cleanup of Chettle Reserve in the early days including the removal of rubbish and noxious weeds. Residents worked to improve pedestrian access. During a residents' working bee the stream was cleared and planted with flax and toetoe provided by the Council Parks Department.
- Residents will lose access to the western side of the creek. It will prevent pedestrian access to the railway.
- Proposal will remove a large proportion of the flat useable area of the reserve.

Geotechnical Report

The Geotechnical report states that the northern boundary of 18 Chettle Court will be adjusted to accommodate an accessway. However, the owners of 18 Chettle Court have not been consulted over this matter and are opposed to the development which poses a significant hurdle.

The banks of the Scroggy Stream below the proposed accessway entrance are very steep and are showing evidence of erosion. The subsoil beneath the proposed accessway comprise of 2m to 4m of non-engineered fill and the proposed accessway entrance is considered to be at risk of slope failure. An in-ground retaining wall is suggested to stabilise the area.

It is considered that the effects on the reserve of the retaining works required to form the accessway are significant. There is a risk of failure of the non-engineered fill that is in close proximity to the stream and poses significant threat of erosion. The proposed retaining wall will also be in close proximity to the stream which is undesirable.

Traffic Impact Assessment

The Traffic Impact Assessment report concludes that the additional traffic can be accommodated by the existing road network with little or no effect with additional traffic generation from the proposal in the range of 60 to 80 traffic movements per day. Vehicle access to the site is also provided to a high standard. During construction, the number of truck movements is likely to be in the range of 4 to 30 in one day over a period of 12 months. It is considered that this will be accommodated with little or no effect on the normal functioning of Chettle Court or Skilgate Avenue.

Environmental Issues

The only information in relation to environmental issues that the applicant has provided regarding the 394sqm of reserve, is that there is minimal vegetation and there will be no impact on the surface or sub surface of the surrounding ground and no visual or environmental impact as a result of the development.

Local Government Act 2002

Section 77 of the Local Government Act 2002, requires Council to identify all reasonably practicable options for the achievement of the objective of a decision and to assess those options. Alternative options to achieve the same outcomes would be to remove the right of way access from Chettle Court and use the driveway access to the property from Titirangi Road, however, this would involve bridging over the stream, and would require removal of the existing dwelling. Alternative options to Council to add the proposed extension to Chettle Reserve would be to require the land to be vested at the time of subdivision consent.

The proposal would create a benefit to the Green Network. The proposed swap does increase the size of the reserve which will be enhanced by having a section of the Scroggy Stream protected through reserve status along with an area of bush which will enhance the Green Network. However, the proposed new reserve will not be easily accessible to the community unless a dedicated pedestrian link is created from Chettle Reserve to Titirangi Road.

There has been considerable public objection to the proposed reserve exchange. It is the responsibility of Council to exercise the powers and duties of the Council under the Reserves Act 1977 relating to the management and control of parks and reserves, and part of this responsibility is to consult and represent the local community over issues relating to local parks and reserves. It is considered that the desires and needs of the local community outweigh the benefits that the proposed land swap will create. There are also alternative options available to Council to acquire the piece of land offered as part of the reserve swap.

RESOURCES

All costs associated with the reserve exchange process shall be paid for by the owners of 25A Titirangi Road, New Lynn.

CONCLUSION

The objections received to the proposed reserve exchange have highlighted the strong public opposition to the reserve exchange. There are alternative options to achieve the same outcome such as providing access to the development from Titirangi Road and also requiring the vesting of the Scroggy Stream area upon subdivision, and it is now considered that these options should be further progressed.

Also, the Geotechnical report highlights the risk of erosion that works associated with the retaining wall to support the proposed accessway could cause. Both the close proximity to the stream of the retaining wall and the risk of failure of non-engineered fill are negative adverse environmental effects that go against the proposal.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That the Notification of Proposed Reserve Exchange - Chettle Reserve report be received.
2. That the objections received to the notification of the Chettle Reserve Exchange are to be brought to the City Development Committee for their consideration and subsequent recommendation to Council.
3. That the New Lynn Community Board recommend to the City Development Committee that the Chettle Reserve Exchange be declined.

4. That all costs incurred through the Chettle Reserve Exchange process be borne by Mercury Mansions.

Report prepared by: Maylene Barrett, Parks Consent Planner.



9 KEEP WAITAKERE BEAUTIFUL TRUST 2006 COMMUNITY STREET TREE PLANTING PROGRAMME

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

The purpose of this report is to update the New Lynn Community Board on streets nominated by residents, and recommended for planting in the New Lynn Ward, as part of the Keep Waitakere Beautiful Trust's 2006 Community Street Tree Planting Programme.

BACKGROUND

Keep Waitakere Beautiful Trust is a community based, environmental trust funded by Waitakere City Council. Keep Waitakere Beautiful Trust has been working in partnership with Council since 1993 and for the past 13 years, the Community Street Tree Planting Programme has been a successful core programme of Keep Waitakere Beautiful Trust.

Keep Waitakere Beautiful Trust delivers a wide variety of environmental projects as part of its annual calendar of events including Trees for Babies, Operation Spring Clean and Clean Stream Waitakere.

STRATEGIC CONTEXT

The Community Street Tree Planting Programme is an important component in implementing Council's Green Network and Active Democracy goals by involving the community in creating and improving their neighbourhoods. The planning of this annual programme takes into account requests from residents received throughout the year, recommendations from the Council Parks Arborist, and budget constraints.

The Community Street Tree Planting Programme aims to:

- Engage the local community by encouraging residents to nominate their street for planting;
- Involve the local community in planning, executing and maintaining street tree plantings;
- Provide a forum for community building and making a difference;
- Provide a forum for promoting Waitakere City Council partnerships.

ISSUES

The programme aims to plant 100 trees in each of the three Wards (Henderson, New Lynn and Massey). There were no suitable nominations made for the Waitakere Ward this year, thus Community Street Tree Planting will not be undertaken. The number of trees planted in each Ward has varied over the years depending on the number of suitable streets nominated from each Ward, and physical constraints such as overhead power lines and narrow berms, which may be affected by tree plantings.

Promotion of the 2006 Community Street Tree Planting Programme began in November 2005 through an article in the Keep Waitakere Beautiful Trust Summer Newsletter, which was mailed to approximately 1000 Keep Waitakere Beautiful Trust volunteers (including schools) and distributed through libraries, Community Centres and Citizen Advice Bureaux. Nominations were called for in an article featured in the Western Leader in November/December 2005 and on the Keep Waitakere Beautiful Trust Website. Keep Waitakere Beautiful Trust also sought guidance from the Community Board representatives on the Keep Waitakere Beautiful Trust Board on streets that would be suitable for planting in their local community.

Each planting begins with a welcome from representatives of Keep Waitakere Beautiful Trust and the Community Board; a planting demonstration follows and the planting day concludes with a community BBQ organised by residents and Keep Waitakere Beautiful Trust.

As in previous years, the resident nominating a street becomes the Street Co-ordinator and works alongside Keep Waitakere Beautiful Trust to advertise and encourage resident participation on the day and to monitor tree health following the planting.

NOMINATIONS FOR 2006

Keep Waitakere Beautiful Trust received four nominations from residents for the 2006 Community Street Tree Planting Programme for the New Lynn Ward.

Keep Waitakere Beautiful Trust visited each street nominated and the suitability of the street was assessed against criteria prescribed by Waitakere City Council. The criteria states:

- Interest from residents must be high and a street co-ordinator is available to deliver flyers and generate interest and attendance;
- Road berm must be equal to or more than 1.5 metres wide;
- There must be plenty of room for tree growth, both vertically and horizontally;
- Water-logged ground inhibits growth so is unsuitable;
- Road visibility, including driveways, must not be reduced by too many or bushy trees;
- Planned roading development in the near future prohibits tree planting;
- Overhead services (powerlines) make planting unsuitable;
- Underground services may make planting unsuitable;
- Existing trees preclude further tree planting unless the current trees are hazardous are need to be removed.

The Keep Waitakere Beautiful Trust Community Street Tree Planting Programme is targeted at neighbourhood streets rather than arterial routes. Nominations from residents living on arterial routes are referred to the Waitakere City Council Parks Arborist.

The streets nominated for 2006 are as below:

STREET	RECOMMENDATION	Approx. # trees
Foothills Lane Oratia Drive Philip Avenue	Yes	Approx 80
Beaubank Rd	No	
	Total	80

Community Street Tree Planting Applicants 2006 - New Lynn Ward

Following consultation with the Keep Waitakere Beautiful Trust Board and Waitakere City Council staff, the streets recommended for planting as part of the 2006 Community Street Tree Planting programme are as follows:

New Lynn Ward	Foothills Lane
	Oratia Drive
	Phillip Avenue

The 2006 Keep Waitakere Beautiful Trust Community Street Tree Planting Programme will be carried out during the months of June and July 2006, when there is optimum rain to maximise survival rates of the trees.

RESOURCES

The funds for this project have been provided for in Council's grant to Keep Waitakere Beautiful Trust for 2004/2005 and Keep Waitakere Beautiful Trust is working with a landscape contractor who will provide trees, equipment, guidance and technical assistance at each planting event.

CONCLUSION

Keep Waitakere Beautiful Trust will be delivering its annual Community Street Tree Planting Programme for the 13th consecutive year in June and July 2006. Nominations have been received from residents and the streets have been assessed against criteria prescribed by Waitakere City Council. A final list of recommended streets is now being submitted to the Community Boards for ratification.

Community Board Members are welcome and encouraged to attend the plantings in their Wards.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That the Keep Waitakere Beautiful Trust 2006 Community Street Tree Planting Programme report be received.
2. That the following street(s) be planted as part of Keep Waitakere Beautiful Trust's 2006 Community Street Tree Planting Programme:

New Lynn Ward:

Foothills Lane
Oratia Drive
Phillip Avenue

Report prepared by: Estée Farrar, Parks and Community Projects Coordinator



10 **KEEP WAITAKERE BEAUTIFUL TRUST 2006 TREES FOR BABIES PLANTING PROGRAMME**

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

The purpose of this report is to gain approval from the New Lynn Community Board for the proposed park within the New Lynn Ward recommended as this year's site for the annual Trees for Babies community planting. The report also requests the nomination of a representative from the Community Board to speak on the day.

BACKGROUND

Trees for Babies is an annual community event to celebrate babies born in Waitakere City. Trees have been planted by the community in one reserve in each of the four Wards as part of a Keep Waitakere Beautiful Trust, Plunket and Council joint project for the past 11 years. This is a popular community event with approximately 100 trees planted in each reserve every year.

STRATEGIC CONTEXT

Trees for Babies is now in its 11th year, evidence of both the popularity of this event, and the ongoing long term partnership between the Keep Waitakere Beautiful Trust and Council. Trees for Babies is an active reflection of the Strong Communities platform, as well as the Green Network platform, within the Long Term Council Community Plan. Trees for Babies exists because both parties recognise the long-term value in establishing community ownership, and participation in community-based environmental initiatives. Trees for Babies also adds to the Green Network, providing habitat and "highways" for wildlife and enhanced recreational areas for people.

ISSUES

The following park is recommended as the Trees for Babies site in the New Lynn Ward for 2006 following consultation with the Keep Waitakere Beautiful Trust Board, Waitakere City Council Parks staff, and neighbouring properties. The park recommended has been assessed for suitability and has adequate size and space to accommodate large areas of tree planting.

The Trees for Babies event will take place in the autumn planting season in May 2006. All plantings take place on Saturday between 11am and 1pm.

The recommended Trees for Babies site and date for the planting day is:

New Lynn Ward Barrons Green 6 May 2006

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

RESOURCES

Funding of \$32,000 for Trees for Babies has been approved through the 2005/2006 Annual Plan programme and is identified as one of the yearly work programme outputs from the funding provided by Council to Keep Waitakere Beautiful.

CONCLUSION

The Trees for Babies event has been held successfully since 1995 to celebrate the birth of babies in Waitakere City. The park recommended for Trees for Babies for 2006 has been selected based on the suitability for a Trees for Babies event following consultation with the Keep Waitakere Beautiful Trust Board, Waitakere City Council Parks staff and park neighbours.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That the Keep Waitakere Beautiful Trust 2006 Trees for Babies Planting Programme report be received.
2. That Barrons Green be accepted as the confirmed site for the 2006 Trees for Babies event in the New Lynn Ward.
3. That a Community Board Member be nominated from the Community Board to speak at the Trees for Babies event.

Report prepared by: Estée Farrar, Parks and Community Projects Coordinator.



11 CASPIAN CLOSE ISSUES

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

The purpose of this report is to provide information as requested by the New Lynn Community Board on the issues raised by the Caspian Close Residents' Association.

BACKGROUND

At the New Lynn Community Board's meeting of 13 February 2006, Hugh Allen and Jenni Graham raised a number of issues regarding Caspian Close, with the Board resolving as follows:

"That a report to address the issues raised by Hugh Allan and Jenni Graham be brought back to the New Lynn Community Board."

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STRATEGIC CONTEXT

The issues raised by the residents relate to Council's strategic platform for Rural and Urban Villages whereby Council aims to provide a good standard of amenity for the enjoyment of the community.

ISSUES

Council officers have investigated the issues raised by Hugh Allan and Jenni Graham on behalf of the Caspian Close Residents' Association. An inspection was carried out on 10 February 2006, with follow up action as set out below.

Access Bridge/Walkway

Council officers have carried out an inspection of the walkway and access bridge and established that there is a need for removal of overgrown vegetation. The overgrowth will be removed some 2 metres back from the walkway so as to give clear visibility for the safe walking of this access. The removal of rubbish from this walkway has subsequently been carried out.

Parking, Entry Obstructions (Abandoned Vehicles)

Jenni Graham has been contacted and advised that at any time a suspected abandoned vehicle is parked in the area, that a call to Waitakere City Council Call Centre (09 839 0400) will instigate an inspector to investigate.

Concern was raised that the intersection of Caspian Close and Rata Street was restrictive and unsafe for clear manoeuvring when vehicles parked too close to this intersection due to an absence of no parking yellow lines.

Council's roading and traffic engineers are investigating the placement of a continuous no-parking yellow line to extend from the intersection of Rata Street and Caspian Close to No. 10 Caspian Close (on the left hand side) and this will be the subject of a separate report to the Board.

Environmental Concerns with Caspian Close and Estuary (Rubbish, Pollution)

Inspection of the estuary and walkway was carried out by Council staff. This has now been cleaned up, and regular maintenance inspection for the estuary and the removal of rubbish will be carried out on a quarterly basis. Regular checks will also be carried out when passing due to the high level of illegal dumping within this area.

RESOURCES

There are no resource implications arising from this report as the work requested can be funded from the 2005/2006 Annual Plan maintenance budget.

CONCLUSION

The issues raised by the Caspian Close Residents' Association have now been actioned and will be completed during April 2006.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Caspian Close Issues report be received.

Report prepared by: Tony Miguel, Group Manager, Asset Management



12 **CASPIAN CLOSE AND RATA STREET, NEW LYNN - NO STOPPING CONTROLS**

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

The purpose of the report is to seek the New Lynn Community Board's approval to install 2 new 'No Stopping' lines in Caspian Close and Rata Street.

BACKGROUND

A resident approached the New Lynn Community Board Chair requesting a 'No Stopping' line be installed in Caspian Close. The resident is concerned when vehicles are parked on both sides of the road, the parked vehicles narrow down the road width and cause difficulty for through traffic especially rubbish trucks entering into the cul-de-sac. The resident is also concerned that when vehicles are parked near the intersection of Caspian Close and Rata Street, the parked vehicles obstruct the traffic turning in or out of the intersection and cause safety hazards.

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.

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

ISSUES

The width of Caspian Close is 6 metres, which is insufficient to provide for vehicles parked on both sides of the road without obstructing the flow of the traffic. A Council officer has visited the site with the New Lynn Community Board Chair. The Chair made the suggestion to install 'No Stopping At All Times' line from the beginning of the intersection of Caspian Close and Rata Street to the edge of the driveway of number 10 Caspian Close.

Vehicles were observed parking in Caspian Close right next to the intersection with Rata Street during the site visit. The Traffic Regulations 1976 prohibits vehicles from parking within 6 metres of an intersection. Installing a 'No Stopping' line would discourage drivers from parking in the above location.

The occupants of nearby properties were consulted regarding the proposed changes by letter. Two favourable replies, from number 1 and 2 Caspian Close, were received.

A194 The location of the proposed new marking control is shown on the aerial photograph in the Attachment at page A194.

RESOURCES

The proposed parking controls can be implemented under the 2005/2006 Annual Plan maintenance budgets.

CONCLUSION

The proposed 'No Stopping' line in Caspian Close and Rata Street is recommended to ensure that through traffic will not be obstructed by parked vehicles.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That the Caspian Close and Rata Street – New ‘No Stopping’ Controls report be received.
2. That in relation to the **CASPIAN CLOSE AND RATA STREET, NEW LYNN:**
 - (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) Extend the existing ‘**NO STOPPING**’ line on the east kerb of **RATA STREET** alongside the kerb line to the west edge of vehicle crossing of property number **1 CASPIAN CLOSE**.
 - (ii) On the north kerb line of **CASPIAN CLOSE**, starting from the western edge of vehicle crossing of number **10 CASPIAN CLOSE** along side the kerb line to a point in **RATA STREET** 6 metres further north from the northern boundary of **CASPIAN CLOSE**, a new ‘**NO STOPPING**’ line been 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 hereby be approved to be put in place to properly establish, delineate and record the said parking limitations and restrictions.

Report prepared by: Jinjiang Zhong, Transport Engineer.



13 BRAINS ROAD AND COBHAM CRESCENT – NEW NO STOPPING CONTROLS

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

The purpose of this report is to seek the New Lynn Community Board’s approval to install a new ‘No Stopping At All Times’ parking restriction on Cobham Crescent and Brains Road, New Lynn.

BACKGROUND

A resident of Brains Road wrote to Council requesting a ‘No Stopping’ parking restriction be installed on both sides of the road from the existing bus stop to the end of Brains Road, in order to discourage people from parking in a location that obstruct vehicles especially buses and heavy commercial vehicles turning from Cobham Crescent into Brains 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.

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

ISSUES

The width of Brains Road is 7.8 metres, which is insufficient to have vehicles parked on both sides of the road without obstructing vehicles turning from Cobham Crescent into Brains Road. Installing a 'No Stopping At All Times' line in Brains Road will ensure turning vehicles from Cobham Crescent gain sufficient room to enter Brains Road.

A195 The location of the proposed new parking control is shown on the aerial photograph attached at page A195.

The occupants of adjacent properties were consulted regarding the proposed changes by letter.

Two favourable replies were received. One from the resident at number 43 Brains Road, the person also requested that Council install a 'No Stopping' line on the south kerb line of Brains Rd between numbers 38 and 40 Brains Road. The other reply was from the resident at 6 Cobham Crescent. The person requested Council to install a 'No Stopping At All Times' line on the east kerb line of Brains Road between the driveways of number 6 and 8 Cobham Crescent.

Council officers have investigated these requests. Using Council's Code of Practice, Turning Path Templates for Heavy Vehicles and Buses, removing one parking space on both Cobham Crescent and Brains Road is sufficient to ensure heavy commercial vehicles and buses to turn through the intersection without being obstructed by parked vehicles on either side of the road. Replies which explained the relevant issues were sent to residents.

One negative reply was received from the resident at number 1 Cobham Crescent. The resident is unhappy with the installation of the proposed 'No Stopping At All Times' line on Cobham Crescent outside his property as it will reduce his parking spaces. The Traffic Regulations 1976 prohibit vehicles from parking within 6 metres of an intersection; therefore installing a 'No Stopping At All Times' line outside number 1 Cobham Crescent is recommended to discourage drivers from parking at the above location. Relevant regulations have been explained to the resident.

RESOURCES

The proposed markings and signage changes can be implemented under the 2005/2006 Annual Plan road maintenance budgets.

CONCLUSION

The proposed installation of 'No Stopping' lines in Brains Road and Cobham Crescent is recommended to ensure that turning vehicles from Cobham Crescent are not obstructed by parked vehicles.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. That the Brains Road and Cobham Crescent, New Lynn – New ‘No Stopping’ Controls report be received.
2. That in relation to **BRAINS ROAD AND COBHAM CRESCENT, NEW LYNN:**
 - (a) That, in accordance with the powers conferred by virtue of the Local Government Act 1974, the Land Transport Act 1998 and the Waitakere City Council Bylaw No.7, 1991 - Traffic, the following controls now be resolved to be specified and imposed, namely,
 - (i) on the south kerb line of **COBHAM CRESCENT** starting from a point 23 metres away from the western edge of vehicle crossing of numbers **1 COBHAM CRESCENT** alongside the kerb line further west to a point 12 metres north from the northern edge of vehicle crossing of number **43 BRAINS AVE**, a new **NO STOPPING AT ALL TIMES** 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 hereby be approved to be put in place to properly establish, delineate and record the said parking limitations and restrictions.

Report prepared by: Jinjiang Zhong, Transport Engineer.



14 AVONLEIGH ROAD - NEW BUS STOP MARKING AND NO STOPPING LINES

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

The purpose of this report is to seek the New Lynn Community Board's approval for two new 'bus stop' markings at two existing bus stops outside 65 and 48-72 Avonleigh Road (Pinesong Retirement Village) and two new 'No Stopping At All Times' lines next to the vehicle crossing of 48-72 Avonleigh Road

BACKGROUND

A resident in Avonleigh Road has observed vehicles parking in the existing bus stops outside numbers 65 and 48-72 Avonleigh Road. The resident has requested that Council install 'bus stop' road markings at these bus stops.

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.

Correctly marked and sign posted bus stops are desirable to both notify public transport users of the pick up and drop off locations for bus services and to keep these locations clear of other vehicles.

ISSUES

The existing bus stops are located outside the property of numbers 65 and 48-72 Avonleigh Road and are currently marked only with regulatory bus stop signs. When a Council officer visited the site, vehicles were observed parking in the bus stop immediately to the north of the vehicle crossing of number 65 Avonleigh Road. Vehicles were also parked next to the bus stop sign outside numbers 48-72 Avonleigh Road. It is illegal to park within six metres either side of a regulatory bus stop sign, therefore installing the bus stop marking will discourage people from parking in a location which obstructs bus access to the bus stop.

The occupants of properties adjacent to the proposed parking restriction were consulted regarding the proposed changes by letter.

One favourable reply from the manager of Pinesong Retirement Village was received. The manager also requested that Council consider installing 'No Stopping At All Times' lines next to the vehicle crossing of the village.

There are more than 25 properties in the Pinesong Retirement Village. The vehicle crossing on Avonleigh Road is the only access way for residents to exit or enter the residential village, therefore there will be a high volume of traffic exiting and entering the vehicle crossing. It is desirable to ensure sufficient sight distance is provided for the drivers exiting the vehicle crossing. Installing 'No Stopping At All Times' lines next to the vehicle crossing will prevent drivers from parking and blocking sight lines.

A196 The location of the proposed new parking control is shown on the aerial photograph attached at page A196.

RESOURCES

The proposed markings changes can be implemented under the 2005/2006 Annual Plan road maintenance budgets.

CONCLUSION

The proposed new 'bus stop' markings at the existing bus stops outside the Pinesong Retirement Village and 65 Avonleigh Road are recommended to remind drivers that it is illegal to park in a bus stop.

The proposed new 'No Stopping' lines are recommended to prevent drivers from parking in position which would create a hazard to other drivers.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That the Avonleigh Road - New Bus Stop Marking and No Stopping Lines report be received.
2. That in relation to **AVONLEIGH ROAD, TITIRANGI**:
 - (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) on the west kerb line of **AVONLEIGH ROAD** starting from the north edge of the vehicle crossing of number 65 **AVONLEIGH ROAD** and extending to a point a further 15 metres north along the kerb line to a new **BUS STOP** control be put in place.

- (ii) on the east kerb line of **AVONLEIGH ROAD** starting from a point 16 metres further south from the south edge of the vehicle crossing of numbers 48-72 **AVONLEIGH ROAD** and extending to a point further 15 metres south along the kerb line a new **BUS STOP** control be put in place.
 - (iii) on the east kerb line of **AVONLEIGH ROAD** starting from the north edge of the vehicle crossing of numbers 48-72 **AVONLEIGH ROAD** and extending to a point further 6 metres north along the kerb line a new '**NO STOPPING AT ALL TIMES**' control be put in place.
 - (iv) on the east kerb line of **AVONLEIGH ROAD** the south edge of the vehicle crossing of numbers 48-72 **AVONLEIGH ROAD** and to a point further 15 metres south along the kerb line a new '**NO STOPPING AT ALL TIMES**' 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: Jinjiang Zhong, Transport Engineer.



15 **KONINI ROAD - NEW 'NO STOPPING' CONTROL**

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

The purpose of this report is to seek the New Lynn Community Board's approval for a new 'No Stopping' control in Konini Road, Konini.

BACKGROUND

A resident of Konini Road has contacted Council with concerns regarding vehicles parked on both sides of the curve on the road between numbers 5 and 13 Konini Road. The resident is concerned that vehicles parked in this location create a safety hazard by narrowing down the width of the road and forcing the flow of traffic to pass over the centre line.

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.

ISSUES

Konini Road is a collector road and the latest estimated traffic data shows the traffic volume as 2,743 vehicle movements per day. The section of the road which is between the vehicle crossing of numbers 5 and 13 is a sharp bend and the width of the carriageway in this location is 8 metres. Council staff visited the site and observed that the sight distance at this bend is relatively low.

The resident who requested parking controls in this area stated that cars were often parked on both sides of the bend. This is undesirable as the parked vehicles restrict the remaining clear carriageway to a single lane for moving traffic, forcing the flow of traffic to move across the centre line to avoid collision with parked vehicles.

It is proposed to install a 'No Stopping At All Times' line on both sides of the bend in the above location. This will allow two-way traffic flow at all times in this section of the road and ensure drivers gain sufficient room to pass each other at the curve.

The residents that dwell in close proximity to the proposed changes have been consulted by letter. No replies were received.

A197 The location and extent of the proposed 'No Stopping At All Times' line and 'Centre' line are indicated on the attachment at page A197.

RESOURCES

The proposed new parking control markings can be implemented under the 2005/2006 Annual Plan maintenance budgets.

CONCLUSION

The proposed parking restriction in Konini Road is recommended to prevent vehicles parking in a location which could cause a hazard to other drivers.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That the Konini Road - New 'No Stopping' Control report be received.
2. That in relation to **KONINI ROAD**:
 - (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) on the east kerb line of **KONINI ROAD** starting from the west edge of the vehicle crossing of number 8 **KONINI ROAD** and extending to a point a further 78 meters south along the kerb line, a new '**NO STOPPING AT ALL TIMES**' control be put in place.
 - (ii) on the west kerb line of **KONINI ROAD** starting from the South edge of the vehicle crossing of number 5 **KONINI ROAD** to the north edge of the vehicle crossing of number 15 **KONINI ROAD**, a new '**NO STOPPING AT ALL TIMES**' 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 intersection priority controls.

Report prepared by: Jinjiang Zhong, Transport Engineer



16 **INTERSECTION OF PARK ROAD AND TITIRANGI BEACH ROAD - NEW STOP CONTROL**

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

The purpose of this report is to seek the New Lynn Community Board's approval for a new 'Stop' Control in Titirangi Beach Road, Titirangi at its intersection with Park Road.

BACKGROUND

A member of the public has contacted Council requesting an intersection priority control at the intersection of Titirangi Beach Road and Park Road. This person is concerned that there is confusion about the priority at the intersection and has experienced a near miss accident when a driver failed to give way where they should. The person believes that an intersection priority control at this intersection would assist in preventing accidents in this location.

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.

Intersection priority controls can improve road user safety at intersections by better defining turning priorities and reminding drivers of the need to stop when they do not have priority.

ISSUES

Council engineers have measured the sight distance for drivers approaching Park Road from Titirangi Beach Road. The sight distance is less than 60 metres. According to the 'Manual of Traffic Signs and Marking', a Stop sign is required to define the priority at intersections with limited sight lines.

Land Transport New Zealand's accident database does not contain any record of failure to give way accidents at this intersection in the 5 year accident record. However, the Land Transport New Zealand database does not contain a complete list of all accidents, especially minor or non-injury accidents, that have occurred and it is entirely possible one or more unreported accidents have occurred at this intersection.

As the cost of implementing a new 'Stop' control is small in comparison to the potential effects of an accident it is recommended that a new 'Stop' control be approved at this intersection.

A198 The location of the proposed new intersection priority control is indicated on the attachment at page A198.

RESOURCES

The proposed new 'Stop' control can be implemented under the 2005/2006 Annual Plan maintenance budgets.

CONCLUSION

The proposal to install a new intersection priority control at the intersection of Park Road and Titirangi Beach Road is recommended to improve road user safety.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That the Park Road and Titirangi Beach Road - New Stop Control report be received.
2. That in relation to **TITIRANGI BEACH ROAD, GLEN EDEN:**
 - (i) 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,
 - (ii) that a new **STOP** control be put in place on **TITIRANGI BEACH ROAD** where it intersects with **PARK ROAD**.
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 intersection priority controls.

Report prepared by: Jinjiang Zhong, Transport Engineer.



17 PROJECT TWIN STREAMS UPDATE

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

The purpose of this report is to provide the New Lynn Community Board with an update of Project Twin Streams outcomes to March 2006.

BACKGROUND

Project Twin Streams is an exciting and innovative multi-faceted project which is gaining national recognition and funding. It focuses on achieving long-term sustainable integrated management of the Henderson Creek and Huruhuru Creek catchments. This project weaves together the issues of integrated storm water management and the restoration of 125 kilometres of stream banks along the Oratia, Waikumete, Opanuku, Pixie and Swanson Streams, with a sustainable community development approach. The Project Twin Streams catchment has a population of 100,000 people.

Central to the long term success of the project is finding ways of raising people's awareness of the causes of the degradation of streams, and behaviour changes to address these. This requires working across all aspects of wellbeing (environmental, social, economic and cultural), and actions that promote strong, healthy, engaged local communities who understand the challenges facing their catchment and take responsibility for them. Community engagement is being achieved through contracting six locality-based community organisations to develop Project Twin Streams in their own areas cross the catchment.

The 5 December 2005 agenda report provided additional background information on Project Twin Streams and the detailed project plan.

STRATEGIC CONTEXT

Project Twin Streams has been identified as one of Council's catalytic projects and will contribute to implementing the Vision of Waitakere as an Eco City through all Council's strategic objectives and platforms. The Vision for Project Twin Streams is *Working Together for Healthy Streams & Strong Communities: Creating a Sustainable Future*.

In particular Project Twin Streams supports the Council strategic platforms of:

- Strong Communities - people are active, healthy and content;
- Active Democracy - people feel they can make a difference. There are high levels of community participation and respect for each others views;
- Green Network - caring for natural areas. Protection and enhancement is on both public and private land; community involvement is encouraged, as is the protection of landscapes, native plants, wildlife and ecosystems;
- Three Waters - stream restoration and resolving stormwater management issues.

Project Twin Streams also demonstrates the integration of Council's Quadruple Bottom Line approach in programme development and implementation as required by the Local Government Act 2002.

OUTCOMES

Planting & Maintenance Programme

Since the Project Twin Stream began (2003) 20 percent of the required planting in the Infrastructure Auckland application has been achieved. A total of 146,012 plants have been planted covering 31,091 sq metres. Weed and maintenance programmes have been carried out over 53,239 square metres of stream banks. Approximately 3,500 volunteers have taken part in 107 planting events, site preparation and weed maintenance programmes.

Highlights for 2005/2006 include the following:

- Planting undertaken by Rutherford High School at Pixie Stream. The school began planting the stream in 2004. Over this period they have planted in excess of 8,000 plants. The school has also commenced monitoring to assess the effect the revegetation has had on the stream. Pixie Stream is also being developed by Project Twin Streams as a demonstration site through the construction of bioretention (stormwater systems that use natural filtration through plants to clean up stormwater) prototype devices which are being monitored for stormwater treatment efficiency. There has also been construction of permeable paving using Permapave products.
- Princes Trust – a group of youth offenders have been working on the Henderson Creek undertaking both planting and weeding. Over the 2005 planting season they have planted over 8,000 plants.

- Swanson Community organised three very successful community planting days over 2005 that attracted approximately 250 local residents and resulted in the planting of 5,927 plants.
- 25 Staff from GE Electrical spent a day doing weeding and maintenance on the stream banks of the Lower Opanuku in January 2006.
- Community Probation workers have undertaken site preparation and maintenance on areas that are difficult for community to access.

Community Contracts & Community Engagement

A key goal of Project Twin Streams is to build community ownership of the Project in ways that are inclusive and meaningful for local neighbourhood communities and communities of interest. Community uptake is being achieved through working to engage and contract six locality-based community organisations to develop Project Twin Streams in their neighbourhoods. As well as co-ordinating community involvement in the weeding and maintenance of the stream banks, local contract holders will develop, with their local communities, opportunities to integrate environmental awareness through music, arts, cultural, storytelling, youth, job creation and employment and training initiatives.

There are now three organisations that have community contracts with Project Twin Streams which have been approved by the Tenders Subcommittee. These are:

- Te Ukaipo Mercy Initiatives for Rangatahi Limited in Ranui-Massey along the Swanson Stream from Birdwood Road to Huruhuru Creek.
- West Auckland District Council of Social Services (WADCOSS) in the Henderson area along the Henderson Creek.
- Corban Estate Arts Centre has recently signed a contract to deliver Project Twin Streams in the Henderson South area along the Lower Opanuku Stream to Border Road.

Consultation is currently being undertaken in the Lower Oratia and Glen Eden areas to ascertain how these local communities would like to engage with Project Twin Stream and to identify suitable organisations to undertake a community contract. The Swanson community is also exploring options for an appropriate organisation to take up a community contract. It is anticipated that by the end of 2006 there will be six community organisations contracted to deliver Project Twin Streams in their localities. This will cover the majority of the Catchment.

A snapshot of achievements from Te Ukaipo Mercy Initiatives for Rangatahi Limited (Ranui-Massey) and West Auckland District Council of Social Services (Henderson Creek) community contract organisations include the following:

- Establishing Project Twin Streams in their local communities.
- Ranui-Massey Project Twin Streams have held three extremely successful community planting & education days attracting approximately 400 residents including a large number of children. Local groups are also beginning to adopt sections of the stream. Five local groups have adopted a section of the stream. A programme for rangatahi (youth) at risk are working weekly on the stream banks doing weeding, planting and maintenance. It has been reported that there have been significant improvements in the students' behaviour and also their educational attainment from being involved in Project Twin Streams. At the end of one programme a rangatahi stated that "I have learnt to respect mother nature". A total of 8,972 plants have been planted by the local community covering approximately 4,740 square metres.
- West Auckland District Council of Social Services began their contract part way through the planting season. They have organised planting days with Flanshaw Road Primary School, Scouts and local residents.

Creative Processes

Project Twin Streams is demonstrating that using creativity is an essential tool for generating interest and excitement in Project Twin Streams and in beginning to understand the issues facing the catchment. The Project Twin Streams Community Arts Worker, a temporary position, who was initially funded through external funding, has been working for the past 9 months alongside the community contract organisations to creatively engage people in re-building their relationship with their local streams.

Some achievements of this position to date include:

- Working with children in the Ranui After-School Project who have made a mosaic gecko (mokomoko) that is now displayed outside the Ranui Community Centre. The children also drew pictures and wrote stories of their vision for the Swanson Stream. This has been put together into a book and entered into the OSCAR (National Association for After-School Care) competition.
- Children at Birdwood School have written and performed a rap about Project Twin Streams. Youth from the local youth group designed tee shirts that the younger children wore for their performance. Over 2006 they will be working with students from the Auckland University of Technology Communications Course to make a DVD on their rap and involvement in planting.
- Children at West Wave After-School designed flags depicting how they see Henderson Creek. These flags have been sewn up by a group of trainee machinists.
- Working with West Auckland District Council of Social Services to organise the Celebrating Henderson Creek weekend that included art displays by children from Flanshaw Road and Edmonton Road schools, music, ecological and historical walks, painting, educational displays, a performance by the Waitakere Women's Choir and a parade and installation of the flags designed by the West Wave After-School.

A significant number of people, particularly children, who are engaging with Project Twin Streams through the community arts projects, are also taking an active interest in planting days.

Cycle & Walkways

In 2004 an application was approved by Infrastructure Auckland (now Auckland Regional Holdings) for \$5.2 million to construct 14.5 kilometres of cycle/walkways along the Opanuku, Oratia and Waikumete Streams.

Work is well underway for this project and is on track for completion by the end of 2006 beginning of 2007, including the following:

- Extensive community consultation has been undertaken for stage one of the project. This also included final consultation of the Lower Oratia Stream Reserves Management Plan.
- Non-notified consents have been approved for routes along the Lower Oratia and Lower Opanuku Streams and partially notified consents for the Lower Waikumete. Consents will be lodged for the remainder of the routes along Millbrook Road, the Upper Waikumete and Upper Opanuku by March 2006.

Property Buy Outs

Following approvals from the Finance and Operational Performance Committee, Project Twin Streams commenced buying properties in the Serwayne Place, Millbrook Road area (2003), in Henderson Valley (2004) and Glen Eden (2005). To date 45 properties have been purchased, 3 are awaiting settlement and 32 are under negotiation. Seven further properties are under negotiation for the purchase of a strip of land for the walk/cycleway project.

To date the careful and sensitive process used by Project Twin Streams in working with affected property owners has meant that it has not been necessary for Council to resort to using the Public Works Act to acquire properties. Apart from one brief article which was based on inaccurate information, and was subsequently resolved with the owner, there has been no adverse publicity. Significant financial savings have been achieved by totally avoiding the need for protracted legal and arbitration processes.

Relationship with Manawhenua & Iwi

Te Kawerau a Maki and Ngati Whatua have both been engaged to prepare cultural heritage reports for the parts of the catchment covered by the cycle and walkways. Both iwi have in principle given their support for the project.

Meetings have been held with Hoani Waitiiti Kura Whanau and Te Whanau o Waipareira to begin discussions regarding their interests in Project Twin Streams. Each of the contracted community organisations is being encouraged and supported to develop relationships with local Maori in their own localities.

A training workshop for people associated with Project Twin Streams (from across Council and the community) was jointly organised and hosted with Te Piringatahi o Maungarongo Marae. Five kaumātua attended and significant interest was generated in developing opportunities for Maori involvement in Project Twin Streams.

Project Twin Streams is working with other key stakeholders to support the recently established Maori Economic Development Project - Turuki Turuki Paneke Paneke – a joint venture between Te Kawerau a Maki and Te Piataata Trust (funded by Department of Internal Affairs). A number of the objectives for this project are aligned to Project Twin Streams.

Achieving Project Twin Stream Goals through Collaborative Partnerships

Project Twin Streams has been selected as one of two demonstration sites for Sustainable Communities, one of the work strands of Sustainable Auckland, which is a government demonstration project. This brings additional resources of \$65,000 - \$85,000 a year for three years through direct funding. It also includes the possible realignment of existing central government resources to further the social, economic, environmental and social goals of Project Twin Streams. Through Sustainable Communities collaborative working relationships have been developed with Auckland Regional Council, Department of Internal Affairs, Te Puni Kokiri and Enterprise Waitakere.

Economic Goals

Enterprise Waitakere, Project Twin Streams and the Sustainable Communities have agreed to form a partnership to identify existing and potential opportunities and an implementation plan for economic development in the Project Twin Streams catchments. Funding of \$50,000 has been provided by Sustainable Communities for this initial work which is due for completion by June 2006. This work will also strengthen the roles of Ministry of Economic Development, Ministry of Social Development and the Sustainable Business Network as potential partners in the implementation of economic development opportunities.

Evaluating the Effectiveness of a Quadruple Bottom Line Approach

An integrated framework is currently being developed to capture the effectiveness of a quadruple bottom line approach to evaluating an environmental project. Evaluation will include the effectiveness and learnings of using a community development model, and a range of environmental, economic and social outcomes.

ISSUES OF INTEREST TO THE NEW LYNN WARD

Community Contracts

Consultation on how Project Twin Streams can best be implemented in Glen Eden is currently being undertaken. Meetings have been held with a number of community organisations and local schools. There is wide support for Project Twin Streams being established in Glen Eden and the schools in particular see exciting opportunities to strengthen school-community relationships through the Project. Registrations of Interest for community organisations interested in contracting with Council to deliver Project Twin Streams in Glen Eden will be publicly advertised over the next few weeks.

Project Twin Streams Cycle and Walkways – Stage Two Consultation

From July to September 2005, consultation was undertaken on Stage One of the Project Twin Streams cycle and walkways, which covered the following areas:

- Lower Opanuku - from Great North Road alongside the Opanuku Stream, through Henderson Park to Border Road Bridge;
- Lower Oratia - from Millbrook Road alongside the Oratia Stream to Parrs Park;
- Lower Waikumete, from its confluence with the Lower Oratia Stream to Parrs Park.

Consultation can now begin on stage two of the cycle and walkways, which for the New Lynn Community Board involves:

- 1 Ceramco Park to Harold Moody Park, along the Waikumete Stream.
- 2 From Harold Moody Park to the Glen Eden rail station (this is likely to be an entirely an on-road route, with several potential options being developed for consultation).

Detailed design options are being prepared for the Glen Eden rail station route, and will be taken to this Community Board for consideration in May, along with a suggested consultation and communication programme. Proposed consultation and communication for the Harold Moody to Ceramco Park route is as follows.

- Send a letter and a pamphlet outlining the proposed route to nearby residents, providing a phone number and feedback form. The Community Board will also receive this information;
- For the eleven properties that are being purchased as part of Project Twin Streams in this area, hand-deliver the information above with a personalised letter and talk the owners through the proposed route. Note that a drop-in day was held in August 2005 with local residents regarding the property purchases occurring in their area. At this drop-in day the proposed cycle and walkway route was clearly referred to so will not be a surprise to local residents;
- Meet with key groups directly, including the Glen Ora Rugby League Club and the Community Centre;
- Hold a community information and drop-in day at the local Community Centre;
- Undertake a safety and access audit;
- Communicate plans in general media (Waitakere City News) and provide a phone number to contact for more information or to provide feedback.

The consultation period will run from 10 April to 8 May. Feedback from this process will be taken to the Board's July meeting for consideration.

PROJECTIONS FOR NEXT THREE YEARS – A SNAPSHOT

It is planned that over the next three years Project Twin Streams will achieve the following:

- 60 percent on the planting programme for the Infrastructure Auckland funding will have been achieved;
- An additional 3 community contract organisations will be engaged in the Glen Eden, Lower Oratia and Swanson areas bringing the total number of community contracts to 6;
- Community contract organisations will be increasing their capacity to organise community planting of between 12,000-15,000 plants per planting season and have community-based maintenance plans in place for long term maintenance of the areas planted;
- Creative programmes and processes for community involvement and awareness raising of the causes of the degradation of the streams and what people can do about it will increase the diversity of community understanding, participation and ownership of Project Twin Streams;
- The first of regular city-wide Water Festivals will be held;
- 14.5 km of cycle/walkways will be completed and well-used;
- Property purchase of flood prone properties in the Lower Opanuku will be completed and the purchase of riparian strips or easements for stormwater management in the Waikumete, Oratia and Swanson areas will be underway;
- The programme could be relocated in a community based centre as a step towards becoming community governed;
- Catchment management plants utilising the treatment train approach will be progressively developed;
- Economic development, skills training opportunities and new jobs arising from Project Twin Streams will begin to be realised through collaborative projects with Enterprise Waitakere, business, tertiary training institutions, iwi and local communities;
- Planning and consultation will be underway for a permanent, catchment-wide, self funded community governance structure for Project Twin Streams;
- Increased external funding and resources will be sourced to support the wider goals of Project Twin Streams;
- Increased cross-Council alignment and integration of Project Twin Streams will be achieved;
- An integrated evaluation framework will be implemented and capturing the environmental, social and economic outcomes of the Project. Local communities will be actively involved in data collection and monitoring the changes in their local streams.

RESOURCES

The resources available are as follows:

- Funding of \$38.2 million has been allocated from Infrastructure Auckland (now Auckland Regional Holdings) for stormwater management, repair and restoration of 125 km of streams and to provide social and economic benefits as outline in the contract. A claim has just been submitted to Auckland Regional Holdings for \$7,112,000 for 2004/2005. This will make a total of \$10 million that has been claimed;
- Funding of \$5.2 million has been allocated from Infrastructure Auckland for the construction of cycle and walkways along the Oratia, Opanuku and Waikumete streams;
- Direct funding of \$70,000 from Sustainable Communities for three years has been secured to progress agreed social, cultural and economic goals of the programme;

- A Community Advisor from Department of Internal Affairs has been made available to contribute up to 20 hours per week to progress agreed Project Twin Streams-Sustainable Communities goals;
- Funding of \$12 million from Financial Contributions.

CONCLUSION

Project Twin Streams has evolved significantly from its original concept of riparian restoration to become a quadruple bottom line community development model for catchment restoration as a living example of sustainable development. The project is already becoming well known within the catchment as well as nationally. To realise the potential of Project Twin Streams quadruple bottom line approach a partnership approach and shared resources are essential both within Council and with external stakeholders. Community Boards are important partners in the development of Project Twin Streams and provide an effective conduit between Council and their local communities to progress mutual interests.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Project Twin Streams Update report be received.

Report prepared by: Tony Miguel, Group Manager: Asset Management.



18 NEW LYNN EAST INTEGRATED CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT PLAN CONSULTATION AND INFORMATION PROGRAMME

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

This purpose of this report is to seek from the New Lynn Community Board input on the issues raised in the New Lynn East Integrated Catchment Management Plan.

BACKGROUND

Council is implementing a work programme to plan for network and community infrastructure to support Council's application to the Auckland Regional Council to change District Plan zonings to allow for additional urban development of the New Lynn town centre area in accordance with the Local Government (Auckland) Amendment Act 2004.

Council has submitted all the information required by the Auckland Regional Council by the due date of 31 August 2005, but further work is required to supplement the information provided. The Auckland Regional Council has requested Council to carry out consultation in accordance with the requirements of the Resource Management Act.

STRATEGIC CONTEXT

The provision of infrastructure is essential to advance Council's priorities for sustainable urban development.

ISSUES

The proposed Auckland Regional Plan: Air, Land and Water requires that territorial authorities prepare Integrated Catchment Management Plans.

The purpose of an Integrated Catchment Management Plan is to undertake a review of the resource management values and issues that apply to the catchment, and identify objectives for future stormwater management. In addition to the proposed Auckland Regional Plan: Air, Land and Water Plan, the objectives of the catchment study must take in to account other local and regional policies such as the Auckland Regional Policy Statement and relevant planning documents.

The New Lynn East Integrated Catchment Management Plan was prepared to support Council's application to the Auckland Regional Council to change current District Plan zonings to allow for additional urban development of New Lynn town centre area to accommodate more people and economic growth.

The Integrated Catchment Management Plan forms the basis of a comprehensive stormwater discharge consent application, and is consistent with requirements of the Auckland Regional Council.

An overview of the issues to be addressed in the Integrated Catchment Management Plan is as follows:

- Stormwater flooding
- Stream channel stability and erosion
- Natural values of streams
- Contaminant potential for receiving environments from stormwater run-off and wastewater overflows
- Low impact development
- Institutional capability
- Management options

A199 A plan showing the New Lynn East catchment area in Waitakere City is attached at page A199. There are minimal properties affected by flooding in the catchment.

Future development in the catchment will involve low impact design to minimise stormwater effects on the environment, and various development options will be considered as part of the planning process. Council officers are currently working with the Auckland Regional Council to define how low impact design could be implemented for the area.

In order to enable the affected property owners, iwi, Massey and New Lynn East communities to fully understand the issues raised in the Integrated Catchment Management Plans a consultation programme has been developed, as set out in table 1 below.

It is recommended that a workshop be held with the New Lynn Community Board to enable Council staff to provide detailed information on the contents of the Integrated Catchment Management Plan and thus enable the Board to provide feedback.

Community Consultation and Information Programme

TASK	MILESTONE
Newsletter sent to all properties in the catchments, inviting general feedback and comment	March 2006
Report to New Lynn Community Board	3 April 2006
New Lynn Community Board workshop	April 2006
Feedback closes	May 2006

Table 1 – New Lynn East Community Consultation and Information Programme

RESOURCES

Provision of \$1.5 million has been made in the 2005/2006 Annual Plan for infrastructure planning and the preparation of Integrated Catchment Management Plans. In addition, \$271,000 will be reimbursed by the Auckland Regional Council through the funds they received from the former Infrastructure Auckland. The funding allocation covers the cost of various models required and specialist technical input into the assessment.

Whilst estimates are included as part of the 2006-2016 Long Term Council Community Plan budget, the resource implications arising from the Integrated Catchment Management Plans and the transport infrastructure will be reported to Council through the 2006/2016 Long Term Council Community Plan process. The cost of infrastructure will be partially recovered by Development Contributions.

CONCLUSION

The proposed Auckland Regional Plan: Air, Land and Water establishes an expectation that territorial authorities will prepare Integrated Catchment Management Plans for stormwater catchments. The draft Integrated Catchment Management Plan provides a series of tactical action plans and management options to address stormwater issues in the catchment.

The planning also provides for integration of good urban design and the provision of transport services, while promoting the movement of goods and freight.

RECOMMENDATIONS

That the New Lynn East Integrated Catchment Management Plan Consultation and Information Programme report be received.

Report prepared by: Tony Miguel, Group Manager Asset Management



19 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
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

