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**1 APOLOGIES**



**2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

Ordinary - 4 February 2003

**RECOMMENDATION**

That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Waitakere Community Board held on Tuesday, 4 February 2003, as circulated, be taken as read and now be confirmed.



**3 URGENT BUSINESS**

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

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

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

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



#### 4 **PUBLIC FORUM**

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

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

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



#### 5 **CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT**

Well I thought I would ease back gently into the New Year. No such luck!

##### **COMMUNITY CONSULTATION**

What a diverse ward the Waitakere Ward is.

I am currently involved in project community consultation processes in McLaren Park, Western Heights, Piha, Karekare and Bethells.

The McLaren Park and Western Heights/Summerland Dr consultations are both 'social' related issues. These meetings have been either weekly or fortnightly over a period of 6 - 8 months. They usually include separate focus group consultation in order to gather the varying views of adults, children, youth, senior citizens and different ethnic groups, all very important components of any proposed social service/facility in an urban area. These consultation processes seem to happen at a fast pace and outcomes arrived at in a reasonably short timeframe.

Now the Piha and Karekare consultations are more environmentally focused. The public meetings are generally held 4-6 weekly in the evening or weekends to enable 'bach' owners to be present. Residents in the Coastal areas are very passionate and protective of their environment. I think this is great and although not always accepted as rational they are the watchdogs of the Waitakere Ranges and Coastal areas, creating a necessary balance. Opinions at meetings are often split, one I can recall recently at Karekare was split exactly 50/50 when it came to a show of hands for a preference on a decision. I have been very impressed by the Waitakere City Council officers who attend these meeting, in particular Peter Sewell, as they never 'loose their cool' and always offer to come back with whatever options/information the residents wish to help with their decision making.

Bethells is different again as they are consulting on a children's cycle/skate track on a small reserve near the beach carpark. There are approximately 50 children in Bethells (only 4 20 years ago) and the first meeting saw some 30 children turn up to give their 'wish list'. Their priority was a cycle/skate track around the perimeter of the reserve and a basketball hoop. There are those who live in Bethells who are opposed to hard surfaces in the beach area and feel they are losing their environment to suburbia. It was inspiring to hear Allie Eagle state that "It is important to be people focused as well as environmentally, and that it is very important also to retain the 'kaupapa' of the area which is why most of them came to live there in the first place". There are several alternatives to concrete and these are to be looked at. The next step to come from the meeting was to do a household survey so everyone gets the opportunity to have their say.

### **PIHA - ART ON THE BEACH**

Generally when I head out to Piha it's for a Residents and Ratepayer or public meeting. On Sunday, 9 February I made the trip out for pleasure, that's not to say the meetings aren't a pleasure, so I should say for personal enjoyment.

Allie Eagle and supporters of Bethells/Te Henga Beachcare arrived at 11am with their 'koha', 10 large woosacks of kowhangatara (spinifex), and were greeted by Pat La Roche of Piha Coastcare. Pat accepted the spinifex and had it carried to a site in the sand dunes immediately behind Lions rock where the spinifex art work was to be created. The word Kowhangatara was marked out in the toe of the dunes, seeds were buried and the spinifex planted with the intention to establish in the minds of beach goers that there is a special restoration project going on that can be seen long after the Art on the Beach event was over.

Apart from this formal part of the event there was a fantastic array of art works being formed in the sand on the beach by adults and children. As I left a large 'jug' was being formed by Allie and event supporters where spinifex seeds would be placed in a channel with the intention that the incoming tide would wash them out into the sea, to eventually come to rest and grow spontaneously on another patch of beach. Unfortunately I was unable to remain for the late afternoon tide to come in and witness this happening.

### **WHATIPU**

I have discovered I have a latent desire to be a 'rally driver'!

I received an invitation to attend the handing over of 820 hectares of recently gazetted scientific reserve, the 'Whatipu Sands', from the Department of Conservation to the management of the Auckland Regional Council.

I am ashamed to say that with the Waitakere Ward being so widespread I had never visited Whatipu.

So I took a days leave from work and accepted the invitation to attend. What an experience! The gravel road to get out there was a challenge, well kept and 'clean', as in rubbish free. (I don't think I've driven a road like it since I got lost in Coramandel 10 years ago). It is a beautiful natural area and I am confident it will be preserved just exactly as it is for future generations to enjoy! No sealed roads in their future plans.

### **HOANI WAITITI MARAE**

I attended a meeting at the Marae recently to see the plans for the new 'Kura' that is to be built to replace the old existing primary school buildings. The primary school children will be moved at the start of term 2 to the existing prefabs on the West Coast Road boundary while the new school is being built. There are some issues I am concerned about regarding the safety of the children, however I am assured by the school Headmaster that the prefab area is to be fully fenced (this might eliminate the accessibility for graffiti artists), and that the crossing on West Coast Road will be monitored before and after school. Parents will be encouraged to drop off their children in the Parris Park carpark to minimise any danger. My suggestion to have a public meeting so local residents could be shown the plans and be informed of the work being undertaken was met with enthusiasm

by the project team. This is to be arranged in partnership with the Residents and Ratepayers group and will be held on the Marae, a first opportunity for many residents to be welcomed onto the Marae.

One of my first delegations when taking the position on the Waitakere Community Board was to be the Waitakere Ward representative on the Harbourview 'Peoples Park' working party. Well that has almost come to an end now and as I think back on the consultation and discussions I firmly believe that what is proposed for the park is the best for Waitakere City.

I know there has been some very vocal opposition to the Marae being a part of the park but I, as the Waitakere Ward representative, was more interested in the citywide views of residents rather than those in the immediate vicinity. I am confident our Councilors made the right decision. Harbourview (Orangihina) Park will be an asset to Waitakere City, and indeed Auckland City, and enjoyed by many for generations to come. I am very proud to have been involved in this process.

### **GLENGARRY ROAD**

I have had a letter from Waitakere Grey Power Association who have raised very grave concerns regarding the safety of residents of the Greenview Park Retirement village in Glengarry Road, Oratia.

I agree with the writer and am concerned that this village was built without sufficient or adequate footpath, pedestrian crossing and bus-stop infrastructure being put in place for the elderly residents. The bus-stop and footpath are on the opposite side of the road to the village, and the bus-stop is uphill and too far away to be easily accessible for elderly and often infirm residents who are unable to cross the road safely.

I would like to see a reassessment of the priority rating formula for footpaths within the Waitakere ward and I would like a report on the pedestrian crossing and bus-stop issues to be brought to the next meeting.

### **RESIDENT AND RATEPAYERS GROUPS**

I would like to acknowledge the fact that the Waitakere Ward has 16 Resident and Ratepayer groups who are active within their communities. It is my intention to attend every group, not monthly, but on a regular basis throughout the year. I am aware that many of the groups have held recently or are about to hold their Annual General Meeting's. Could I please ask all new secretary's to forward on to the Waitakere Community Board Committee Secretary, Owena Schuster, the details of new Committee Executives for the records.

### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

1. That the Chairperson's Report be received.
2. That the Board appoint a ward representative to attend the New Zealand Community Board's Conference in New Plymouth in July 2003.
3. That the priority rating formula for footpaths in the Waitakere Ward be reassessed prior to the next allocation.
4. That a report be brought to the April meeting re the pedestrian crossing and bus-stop issues on Glengarry road in the vicinity of the Greenview Park Retirement Village.






Christine Shepherd, JP  
**CHAIRPERSON**







6 **COMMITTEE SECRETARY'S REPORT**





ISSUE	COMMENT	REPORTING COUNCIL OFFICER
<p>Update on Piha Toilet Blocks and Waste Water Upgrade</p>	<p><b>Auckland Regional Council Resource Consent</b> An application to the Auckland Regional Council for a resource consent to discharge effluent at the Karo Forest at Les Waygood Park was lodged in October 2002. The resource consent was publicly notified and received 8 supporting submissions and 1 conditional submission. After liaison with the Auckland Regional Council it was agreed that the Auckland Regional Council and Waitakere City Council would meet with the 1 conditional submitter to address the concerns raised.</p> <p>A meeting was on Friday, 31 January 2003 to discuss and resolve the issues. The meeting was successful with the submitter in agreement on all outcomes reached and the Auckland Regional Council agreeing to issue the resource consent.</p> <p><b>Waitakere City Council Landuse Consent</b> The Waitakere City Council consent was not notified but requests for additional information including an assessment of the environmental effects were requested. BioResearchers were engaged to carry out the assessment, their report back was favourable, with a recommendation to annually assess the area using their report as a benchmark. As a result Waitakere City Council included this as a condition of the Waitakere City Council Consent. The Waitakere City Council Landuse consent will be issued shortly.</p> <p><b>Other</b> New architects have been engaged following Peter Joyce's employment with Waitakere City Council. They are currently producing final designs and preparing contract specifications.</p> <p>Riley Consultants Limited have been engaged to commence final wastewater system design and contract specifications.</p> <p>A new project manager was been engaged in replacement of Boubacar Coulibaly.</p>	<p>Melinda King  836 8000 extn 8728</p>








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Laingholm Park Sportsfield Development	The physical works contract for the sportsfield development has been awarded. Physical works at Laingholm commenced in November 2002 and are progressing as expected. The works are scheduled for completion in April 2003.	Peter Sewell  836 8000 ext: 8759
Wekatahi/Marawhara Stream Realignment	The resource consent application for the proposed works was lodged with the Auckland Regional Council in November 2002 and was publicly notified in December 2002. Further to requests from the Piha Residents and Ratepayers Association, a public meeting will be held at Piha in February 2003 to present the design concept to members of the public. The public will then be in a position to provide submissions on the resource consent application to Auckland Regional Council before the submission period closes in mid/late February 2003.	Peter Sewell  836 8000 ext: 8759
Waitakere River Erosion	The Auckland Regional Council issued a coastal permit to carry out works to realign the Waitakere River in December 2002. The physical works to realign the stream were carried out on 14 January 2003 and the site will be closely monitored on an ongoing basis to determine the effectiveness of the works in solving the erosion problems on the River.	Peter Sewell  836 8000 ext: 8759
Karekare Public Toilet Upgrade	Further to the public meeting held at Karekare on 17 December 2002, an architect will be engaged to develop concept designs showing the toilet block in two possible locations. These concepts will then be presented to the Karekare community and agreement will be sought on the preferred location for the toilet block. A report will then be presented to the Board seeking approval for the preferred location of the toilet block and the necessary resource consent applications will then be lodged. Due to the delays caused by the ongoing consultation, the project cannot be completed in the 2002/2003 financial year so approval will be sought from the Finance and Operational Performance Committee to carry over the funds necessary to complete the project to the 2003/2004 financial year.	Peter Sewell  836 8000 ext: 8759
Swanson Reserves Management Plan	The publication of the draft Swanson Reserves Management Plan was delayed by the late inclusion of the Kay Road Balefill site into the draft Plan, in October 2002.  The draft Management Plan, (now including Kay Road among the reserves), was	Mandy McMullin  836 8000 ext: 8792

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	<p>rescheduled to be brought to the Waitakere Community Board for approval in February 2003. Unfortunately there has been a further delay, this time as a result of the procedural requirements arising from the reconstitution of the Kay Road Site Management Committee (SMC).</p> <p>The SMC was established under the Mediation Agreement reached between the Swanson Community and Council over the extension of the life of the Balefill, in 1993. The SMC was established to oversee the management and aftercare of the Balefill and consists of three members of the community and three elected representatives; one from the Waitakere Community Board and two from Council.</p> <p>The Waitakere Community Board approved the reestablishment of the SMC and proposed David Hallet as their representative in November 2002. The Swanson Resident and Ratepayers have been approached to select their three representatives. However, it appears that, as the SMC have not met since March 2001, the Terms of Reference for the re-establishment of the Kay Road Balefill Site Management Committee must now be presented to the Council's February 2003 meeting for approval before the Committee can reconvene. Consequently, Council staff will be presenting an agenda item to the full Council meeting in February requesting the reestablishment of the Site Management Committee and the selection of two representatives.</p> <p>The draft Swanson Reserves Plan will then be brought to the Community Board once the section on Kay Road has been approved by the SMC. As the draft Plan deals with the Swanson Stream – a City-wide Green Network corridor, the City-wide issues must be approved by the City Development Committee (in March), before returning to the Waitakere Community Board for final approval.</p> <p>Due to these procedural requirements, the draft plan is now not expected to reach the Community Board before April 2003.</p>	

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Palomino Drive Pedestrian Crossing Point.	Palomino Drive crossing point will be altered in the 2002/2003 financial year in accordance to the report submitted to Waitakere Community Board.	Reg Cuthers  836 8000 ext: 8740
Project Twin Streams - Community Board Participation.	At present the focus of this project is on securing sustainable funding to achieve the project objectives. In this context, Kevin Healey provided a presentation to Infrastructure Auckland which was led by Councillor Penny Hulse and supported by Council staff. The purpose of the presentation was to provide an overview to the Infrastructure Auckland Board as to the scope of the project and its regional significance. The next stage of the project is to commence community consultation on a prioritised basis and commence a riparian restoration project in the Oratia Stream. Once the outcome of the funding application to Infrastructure Auckland is known, Council staff will finalise the project plan and a report will be presented to all community boards on the project.	Tony Miguel  836 8000 ext: 8294
Piha/Karekare and Huia/Cornwallis Local Water Plan.	Preliminary meetings have been held to scope these projects. However, the project plan will have to be significantly amended by Council staff to take into account the new requirements of the Local Government Act 2002, which was passed into legislation on 24 December 2002. It is expected that it will take two months to assess the requirements of the Act and thereafter the Steering Group will be convened to overview the process.	Tony Miguel  836 8000 ext: 8294
Watercare Waitakere Water Supply Dams	Watercare Services Limited provided a presentation to the Environmental Management Committee on 11 February 2003 outlining its work programme for applying for new resources consents for the Waitakere dams. EcoWater will be facilitating a process to gauge community preferences and co-ordinate these with Watercare. As a starting point, an invitation will be sent to stakeholders in the Waitakere ward to attend the meeting to discuss the way forward on this issue.	Tony Miguel  836 8000 ext: 8294

ISSUE	COMMENT	REPORTING COUNCIL OFFICER
Proposed Work to the Stormwater Ponds at Laingholm in Relation to the Effects on the Beach Hall Access	The Laings Stream Catchment Management Plan has been lodged with the Auckland Regional Council and objections called to the Plan. A number of objectors have been consulted with over their objections. In regard the Hall site, this is subject in part to the flooding regime determined by the study. Construction of the quality pond at 12 Western Road will not marked affect the Hall site. Once the Consent to the Plan has been received from the Auckland Regional Council, detail design work on the ponds will be proceeded with. At this stage a definitive date for that cannot be given as it is dependent of the time taken for ARC to complete their deliberations of the Plan.	Peter Kovacevich  836 8000 ext: 8222
Speed Control outside RSA at Piha	Council officers met with Community Board Member Betty Hanson in Piha to discuss this issue. Mrs. Hanson is concerned about the problems with speeding drivers all over Piha and not only this particular location. Following this discussion I have drawn Ross Hill's attention into the issues raised by Mrs. Hanson. Transport Assets will have to undertake a detailed investigation into this and physical works may not happen until next year due to budgetary and time constraints. Transport Assets has already instructed to the traffic consultant to carryout speed counts in Beach Valley Rd and Sea View Rd. Hence I recommend to include the following paragraph in your report under this issue.  Transport Assets will carryout a detailed investigations into the concerns raised by CBM Betty Hanson and report back to the Community Board in due course.	Upali Ileperuma  836 8000 ext: 8716
713 Swanson Road	Council officers met with Mr Ian Ingsley on 18 February 2003 to determine the extent of his concerns (noise and vibration due to the uneven surfacing adjacent to the crossing point west of Church Street). He appears to be satisfied with the proposed seal work that Council is proposing. Council will meet with Mr Ingsley once they seal the section concerned.	Reg Cuthers  836 8000 ext: 8740
Munroe Bridge Construction	This project has been put forward to the 2003/2004 Annual Plan for Consideration. The Project Evaluation and Benefit to Cost ratio analysis has been completed. This been submitted to Transfund for approval for the 2003/2004 year	Reg Cuthers  836 8000 ext: 8740

ISSUE	COMMENT	REPORTING COUNCIL OFFICER
Weed Control/Gorse Control at the Corner of Township and Bethells Road	The site is recognised as needing better regular maintenance. The gorse on Railways land continues to overgrow the footpath area used by school children and residents walking between the township and the school and community hall area. I have arranged for a one-off flail mow to bring things down to size. This has been completed. The site has now been added to the maintenance contract. This will provide more frequent and suitable ongoing maintenance.	Chris Ferkins  836 8000 ext: 8508
A1 - A2 Update On The McLaren Park (Henderson South) Community	At the last meeting of the City Development Committee a report on McLaren Park (Henderson South Community) was discussed and endorsed by the committee. A copy of that report is attached at pages A1 to A2 for your information.	Owena Schuster  836 8000 ext: 8864

REPORTS PENDING			
Subject	Date Requested	Report Due	Reporting Officer
Piha Beach Care	December 2002	March 2003	Chris Ferkins  836 8000 ext: 8508
Doggy Doo Bins and Notice Boards for the Bruce McLaren Area	February 2003	April 2003	Katherine Slack  836 8000 ext: 8779
Lockington Green Centre Is Pedestrian Refuse approx 169 Sturges Road before the Palms	February 2003	April 2003	Reg Cuthers  836 8000 ext 8740

### RECOMMENDATION

That the information be received.

Report prepared by: Owena Schuster, Committee Secretary.



### 7 ELECTED MEMBERS REMUNERATION

This report was not available at time of printing and will be circulated separately.



8 **RAYNER ROAD - NO STOPPING AT ALL TIMES CONTROL**

**PURPOSE OF THE REPORT**

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To seek approval to introduce “ No stopping at all times “ markings of 50m along the southern edge and 35m along the northern edge around the corner at property No 25 Rayner Road, Piha. (refer to the attached diagram on page A3).

**BACKGROUND**

Residents of Rayner Road have raised the issue of obstruction and safety problems caused by vehicles parked around the corner at property No 25.

**STRATEGIC CONTEXT**

Road safety is an Urban Village objective and contributes to Council’s overall goal of a sustainable city. “No stopping at all times” controls can contribute to traffic safety by keeping narrow carriageways clear for traffic and by preventing visibility blocks caused by parked vehicles.

**ISSUES**

The carriageway width of Rayner Road round the corner in front of property No 25 is just 4.0m at the narrowest point. This bend is situated in such a way that drivers are directly exposed to the sun-strike both in the morning and in the evening. Vehicles parked on both sides of the road narrow the space available for two vehicles to cross over and obstruct sight lines of traffic manoeuvring the bend. Mainly during the weekends and holiday periods cars can be seen parked all round the bend.

Hence it is desirable from a safety perspective to introduce “ No stopping at all times” controls for a length of 50m on the southern edge and for a length of 35m on the northern edge around the corner in front of the property No 25.

This proposal covers the narrowest section of the road in the vicinity thus none of the safe parking spaces will be lost.

Residents of house Nos 23, 25, 27, 42, 44, 46, 48 and 50 were consulted in writing on this proposal. Mr Ritchie Cooper of No 46 responded seeking a 25m extension to the proposed “No Stopping Control” along the northern side to facilitate easy manoeuvring of vehicles in and out of his property. He cited the difficulties he is facing due to vehicles parked on the opposite side of his vehicle crossing. After further investigations this request was found not to be feasible to include in the proposal. The main reason was there would be a loss of 4 parking spaces if the requested extension was accommodated. Rayner Road has only a few such on street parking areas.

**RESOURCES**

As the work involves a minimal cost, it can be accommodated within the annual budget.

**CONCLUSION**

The proposal for the subject “No stopping at all times” control in Rayner Road is desirable from a safety perspective and will have no affect on the parking in the vicinity. The work can be accommodated in the 2002/2003 budget.

## **RECOMMENDATIONS**

1. That the information be received.
2. (a) That all existing parking restrictions or limitations (affected, or superseded, or replaced by this resolution) applicable to Rayner Road imposed by any prior resolution (including resolution of any former authority) cease to have any force and effect as from the date of this determination provided however that any current enforcement action by way of prosecution arising from, or infringement notice issued in relation to, any non-compliance with or breach of any such parking restriction or limitation be authorised to be concluded in the normal manner.  
  
(b) That, in accordance with the powers conferred by virtue of the Local Government Act 1974, The Transport Act 1962 and the Waitakere City Council Bylaw No. 7, 1991 – Traffic, the following parking limitations and restrictions be now resolved to be specified and imposed namely:  
  
(c) On the south side of Rayner Road starting from the western side of the driveway of No 42 and ending at the eastern side of driveway of No 46 for a length of 50m and on the north side of Rayner Road 15m eastwards and 20m westwards from the eastern edge of the driveway of No 27, a No stopping at all times control be put in place;
3. And that the appropriate signage and /or markings, in accordance with the Traffic Regulations 1976, be hereby approved to be put in place to properly establish, delineate and record the said parking limitations and restrictions.

Report prepared by: Upali Ileperuma, Transport Engineer: Transport Assets.



## **9 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.

### **WAITAKERE COMMUNITY BOARD APPOINTMENTS**

<b>OUTSIDE ORGANISATIONS</b>	<b>APPOINTMENT</b>
Auckland Region Community Boards' Association Executive Committee	Christine Shepherd
Keep Waitakere Beautiful Committee	Kevin Healy
The Weedfree Waitakere Trust	Diane Goodley
Auckland Regional Council, Pest Liaison Group	Rob Taylor
Harbourview "People's Park" Working Party Voluntary Membership	Christine Shepherd
Huia/Cornwallis Stormwater/Wastewater Liaison Group	Diane Goodley
Glen Eden Citizen Advice Bureau	Betty Hanson
West Coast Plan Liaison Group	Betty Hanson

<b>OUTSIDE ORGANISATIONS</b>	<b>APPOINTMENT</b>
Piha/Karekare Stormwater Liaison Group	Betty Hanson
Waipareira Community House	Diane Goodley
Waitakere Ward Weed Control (Working Party)	Diane Goodley
Corban Reserve Workers Memorial Workshops	David Hallett
Spokesperson for Trees for Babies event	Christine Shepherd
Huia/Cornwallis Local Water Agenda Steering Group	Diane Goodley (Alternate: Rob Taylor)
Piha/Karekare Local Water Agenda Steering Group	Betty Hanson (Alternate: Rob Taylor)
Footpath Construction: Budget Allocation	Kevin Healy
<b>COUNCIL COMMITTEES</b>	
Hearings Committee	Rob Taylor (Alternate: Diane Goodley)
Community Sports Fund Allocation Subcommittee	David Hallett
<b>WORKING GROUPS</b>	
Wai Care Programme	Betty Hanson & Rob Taylor
Project Twin Streams	Kevin Healy



## UPDATE ON THE MCLAREN PARK (HENDERSON SOUTH) COMMUNITY PROJECT

### **PURPOSE OF THE REPORT**

The purpose of this report is to update the City Development Committee on the progress of the working party to establish the McLaren Park Community Project (MPCP) and strengthen community services in the Henderson South/McLaren Park area.

### **BACKGROUND**

The McLaren Park Community Project is aimed at strengthening community services for the Border Road/Henderson South/McLaren Park area. The project was established after a report was presented to the City Development Committee on 13 May 2002 outlining significant unmet community needs in the McLaren Park Community Project area. The report recommended that a working party be established to assess the various options for the ongoing provision of services in the area.

The Committee resolved that:

*"Council endorse the formation of a working party to explore needs and options in the Henderson Valley area."*

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The working party (including representation from Councillor Yates, Community Board members, local principals and council staff) identified the McLaren Park Community Project area as one of the most disadvantaged communities in Waitakere City in terms of socio-economic status and access to services. The area currently has unmet need for youth activities, holiday and after school programmes for young people and pre-school programmes. There is also need for support and activities for parents, including drop in facilities, training and education and advocacy services.

On 9 September 2002 the City Development Committee endorsed the recommendation of the working party that:

*"funding targeted for Waipareira Community House to deliver services in the Border Road, be used to contract a consultant for an eight-month period to provide services in Border Road and Henderson South and to assess the feasibility of establishing a community development project along the lines of the Ranui Action Project model, and that a report on the outcome of the assessment be brought back to the City Development Committee."*

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### **STRATEGIC CONTEXT**

The McLaren Park Community Project contributes to Council's Well-being and Urban Village strategic and policy objectives by helping provide networks of appropriate and accessible public buildings as key community focal points and through a wide range of low cost, low impact community activities. Council's role in the McLaren Park Community Project is also in keeping with its support for community led initiatives in the area of social development.

### **ISSUES**

The McLaren Park Community Project working party have now finalised the scoping and objectives for the project which aims to strengthen community services and develop a plan for future service delivery in the McLaren Park Community Project area. Caroline McCurdie has been contracted from January to June 2003 as a part time community worker to provide services in the McLaren Park Community Project area and assess the feasibility of establishing a community development project along the lines of the Ranui Action Project. Caroline will be based at the Bruce McLaren Intermediate School for the duration of the contract to encourage participation and interest from the community and existing service providers in the area.

The McLaren Park Community Project community worker will provide a final report outlining findings and recommendations for future community development in the McLaren Park Community Project area, including the following information:

- feasibility assessment of establishing a community development project along the lines of the Ranui Action Project model;
- planning for future service delivery in the McLaren Park Community Project area and identification of potential community leaders to support the development of the project both in the present and future;
- strengthening and increasing the current provision of relevant community services in the Henderson South area;
- enhancing community well-being and encourage community's "sense of ownership" of community services and activities;
- identifying community needs (social, educational) and profile of community demographics;
- fostering and coordinating community participation in the McLaren Park Community Project (cultural focus, public meeting, visioning, including participation from current initiatives/services in area); and
- identifying community initiatives and strengths and organisations who can provide community services/activities.

## **RESOURCES**

Funding is available in 2002/2003 for the provision of community services in the Border Road/Henderson South/McLaren Park area. Council staff resources are already provided for Community House and co-coordinator support within current work programmes. This work will highlight community needs that are currently not being met. It may result in demands on Council for resourcing of these needs in the future.

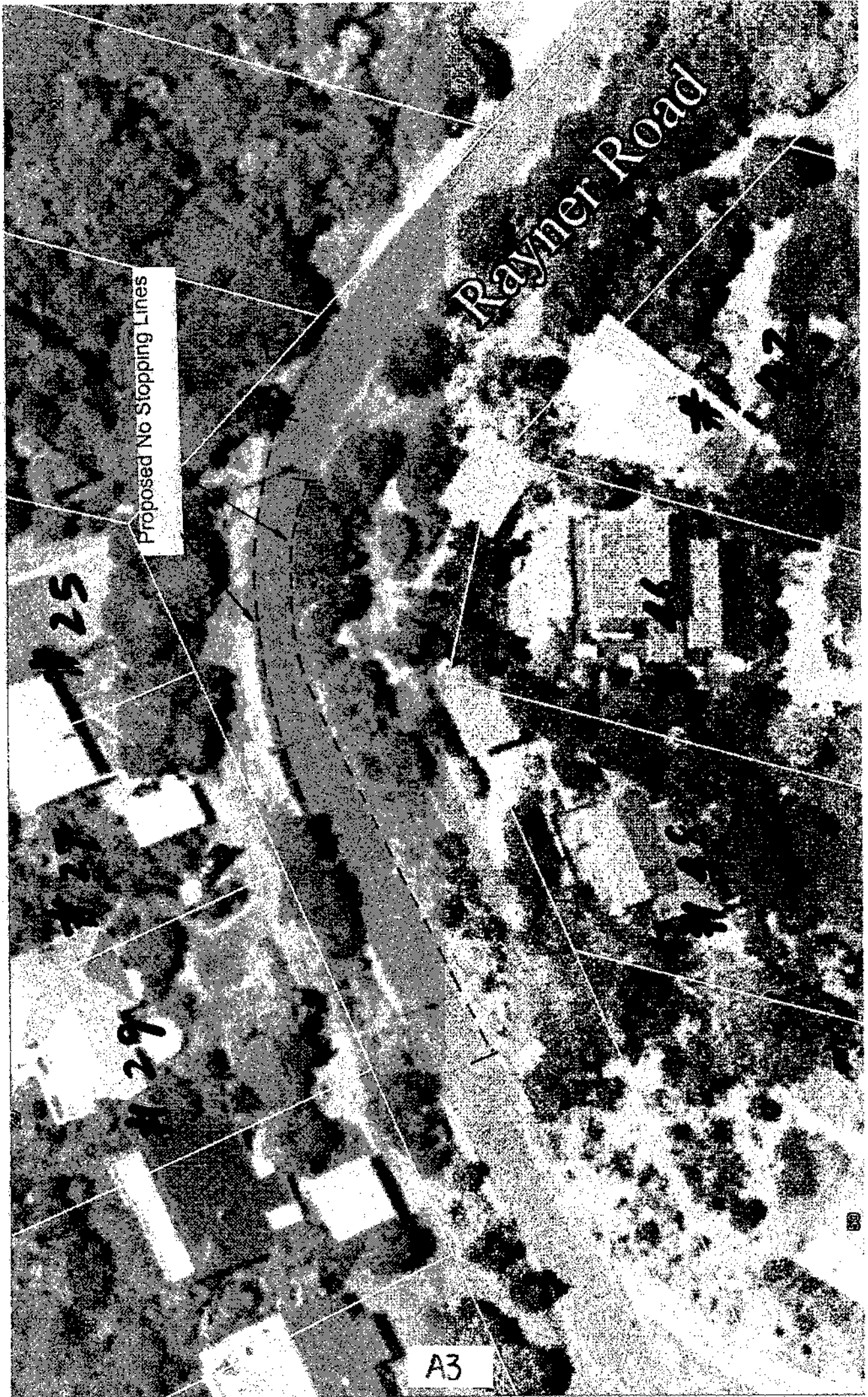
## **CONCLUSION**

The McLaren Park Community Project working party have recently approved the contracting of a short term community worker to be based within the Henderson South/McLaren Park community. The working party including council staff will continue to support the project. The community worker will aim to strengthen the provision of services within the Henderson South area with participation from the community to improve well-being outcomes for the community. A report will be developed including the feasibility of establishing a community project along the lines of the Ranui Action Project model and a plan for future community service delivery options in the Henderson South area.

## **RECOMMENDATIONS**

1. That the information be received.
2. That a report on the progress of the McLaren Park Community Project and the feasibility of establishing a community development project along the lines of the Ranui Action Project model be provided to the City Development Committee after receipt of the consultant's report in June 2003.

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