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**PRESENT:** Councillors DQ Battersby, QSM, JP (Chairman)  
RP Dallow, QPM, JP (Deputy Chairman)  
PG Mitchell

**OBSERVERS:** Councillor WW Flaunty, QSM, JP

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Acting Director: City Services  
Senior Transport Engineer: Planning  
Solicitor: J Lamm  
Committee Secretary: E Joyce

**1 APOLOGIES**

912/2010

MOVED by Cr Battersby, seconded Cr Mitchell:

That apologies from Crs Brady, Clews, Clow, Cooper, Corban and Jolley for absence be received and sustained.

**CARRIED**

**2 URGENT BUSINESS**

There was no Urgent Business.

**3 CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

Members were reminded via the agenda of the need to be vigilant to stand aside from decision making when a conflict arises between their role as a Member of the Council and any private or other external interest they might have.

**4 DRAFT WAITAKERE CITY COUNCIL SPEED LIMITS BYLAW 2010 – HEARING REPORT**

913/2010

MOVED by Cr Battersby, seconded Cr Mitchell:

The Infrastructure and Works Committee resolved to:

**Receive** the Draft Waitakere City Council Speed Limits Bylaw 2010 - Hearing Report.

**CARRIED**

## **ADJOURNMENT**

914/2010

MOVED by, seconded:

That the meeting stand adjourned to allow for submissions to be heard on the Draft Waitakere City Council Speed Limits Bylaw 2010.

**CARRIED**

9.33 am        The meeting adjourned.

9.34 am        The hearing commenced.

9.34 am        **Neil Olsen**  
(Auckland Regional Council)

- Spoke to the Auckland Regional Council's submission seeking a reduction in the speed limit past the Arataki Visitors Centre on Scenic Drive, Titirangi noting the number of visitors to the area;
- Noted that the Hillary Trail crossed a number of roads with high speed limits, in particular Te Ahuahu Road, Piha.

9.46 am        **Kathy Moy-Low and Charmaine Munro**  
(Holy Cross School and Sunnyvale School)

- Spoke to their submission concerning the speed that vehicles travel on View Road, Henderson in the vicinity of both the Holy Cross and Sunnyvale Schools;
- Noted that the schools have been working with Travelwise to encourage walking to schools; and
- Were supportive of the suggestion from the Acting Director: City Services to investigate further traffic calming measures along View Road, Henderson, in addition to the flashing 40 kilometres per hour school zone signs.

9.50 am        **Desmond Burton**  
(Titirangi Rudolph Steiner School)

- Spoke to the Titirangi Rudolph Steiner School's submission requesting that the 70 kilometres per hour speed limit on Laingholm Drive, Laingholm past Helios Place, Laingholm be reduced to 40 kilometres per hour;
- Sought the installation of flashing 40 kilometres per hour school zone signs, noting that other schools nearby have these signs whereas there is only one sign on Laingholm Drive advising motorists of the school; and
- Noted the high speed limits on surrounding roads, namely Huia Road, Titirangi.

10.04 am

**Neil Wilkinson**

(Parau Residents and Ratepayers Association)

- Spoke to the Association's submission requesting an extension of the 50 kilometres per hour speed limit on Huia Road, Parau so that the limit applies to the whole of the Parau settlement and up to the entrance to the Armour Bay Reserve;
- Noted that there has been an increase in development along Huia Road, Parau;
- Noted that a slower speed limit would make it safer for children walking to and from school bus stop and waiting for bus, particularly as there are few footpaths; and,
- Noted that there are 50 kilometres per hour areas along Huia Road, Huia and Huia Road, Cornwallis where there is less urban settlement.

915/2010

MOVED by Cr Battersby, seconded Cr Mitchell:

That the meeting stand adjourned until 11.19 am.

**CARRIED**

10.30 am

The meeting adjourned.

11.19 am

The meeting reconvened.

11.21 am

**Warren Spanhake**

(Whenuapai Primary School)

- Spoke to Whenuapai Primary School's submission for a 40 kilometre per hour school speed zone along Brigham Creek Road and Airport Road, Whenuapai, in the vicinity of the School;
- Noted that the speed limit along State Highway 16 is 80 kilometres per hour and drivers often are driving too fast when approaching the Whenuapai Primary School pedestrian crossing; and
- Noted that traffic volumes in the Whenuapai area will increase following the completion of the State Highway 16 motorway extension.

11.27 am

**Jo Quatermass**

(Huia / Cornwallis Residents and Ratepayers Association)

- Spoke to their submission recommending reductions in the speed limit on Huia Road, from Huia Point to Whatipu Road, from 70 kilometres per hour to 50 kilometres per hour and on Whatipu Road from Little Huia to Whatipu from 100 kilometres per hour to 80 kilometres per hour;
- Noted the increased traffic volume in Huia;
- Supported Huia as a trial area for the introduction of 'speed zoning';
- Supported the extension of 40 kilometres per hour speed limits outside schools to all schools in Waitakere; and
- Supported the submission of the Parau Residents and Ratepayers Association for extending the 50 kilometres per hour speed limit through the Parau settlement.

11.38 am **Karen Spriggs and Ron Watson**  
(Henderson Valley Residents and Ratepayers)

- Spoke to their submission recommending the application of 70 kilometres per hour speed limit along the entire length of Mountain, Opanuku and Coulter Roads, Henderson Valley, noting that recent plan changes will see development in this area increase; and,
- Encouraged the Infrastructure and Works Committee to apply a “common sense rule”, rather than the Land Transport Rule – setting of Speed Limits 2003, when setting speed limits in order for specific local knowledge and traffic volumes to be considered when determining new speed limits.

916/2010

MOVED by Cr Battersby, seconded Cr Dallow:

That the meeting stand adjourned.

**CARRIED**

11.52 am The meeting adjourned.

1.33 pm The meeting reconvened.

1.34 pm **Kelly Burch**  
(Carey Park Christian Camp)

- Noted their support of the decision to reduce the speed limit on Henderson Valley Road; and
- Recommended extending the 70 kilometres per hour limit from Mountain Road to Scenic Drive.

2.07 pm **Glenda Lock**  
(Resident of Woodlands Park)

- Spoke to her submission recommending increasing the length of the 40 kilometres per hour school zone outside Woodlands Park School, Woodlands Park and
- Recommended reducing the speed limit on Woodlands Park Road from the intersection with Scenic Drive from 70 kilometres per hour to 50 kilometres per hour due to large number of pedestrians and vehicles and limited sightlines,

2.10 pm **Noel Rugg**  
(Herald Island and Whenuapai Residents and Ratepayers Association)

- Spoke to the Herald Island and Whenuapai Residents and Ratepayers Associations' submission recommending that a 70 kilometres per hour speed limit apply to the whole length of Kauri Road, Whenuapai;
- Noted that issues raised in their submission had been considered in the officer's report; and
- Recommended that the stop sign at end of Kings Way (causeway from Herald Island) should be replaced with a Give Way sign.

- 2.22 pm      **Elaine Dyer**  
(Resident of Whenuapai)
- Spoke to her submission in support of a reduction in the speed limit along Trig Road, Whenuapai to 80 kilometres per hour speed limit as it would be safer for pedestrians and cyclists using this road; and
  - Supported a 70 kilometres per hour speed limit on Hobsonville Road, noting that the current 50 kilometres per hour temporary limit due to road works is too slow.
- 2.38 pm      **John and Jacqui Newick**  
(Residents of O'Neills Road, Swanson)
- Presented a petition on behalf of 32 residents of O'Neills Road, Swanson with the following:
  - *We the undersigned, being residents of O'Neills Road, Swanson, Waitakere City and residing in the 100km/hr area, request that the speed limit on O'Neills Road be reduced to 70km/hr*
  - Read a letter on behalf of Catherine Miller supporting a reduction in speed limit on this route to make it safer for pedestrians, cyclists, horse riders and motorists; and
  - Read a letter from the New Zealand Automobile Association noting that the speed limit on O'Neills Road is too high and that it should be reduced.
- 3.08 pm      **Martin Riddle**  
(Resident of Crows Road, Swanson)
- Spoke to his submission recommending a reduction in the speed limit along Crows Road, Swanson to 50 kilometres per hour as it is a narrow road used by motorists, pedestrians, cyclists and horse riders.
- 3.12 pm      **Len and Pam Byles**  
(Residents of Crows Road, Swanson)
- Noted the increase in traffic along Crows Road, Swanson and expressed concern about the likelihood of a serious accident if the speed limit is kept at 100 kilometres per hour, noting that such a speed limit is more appropriate to a motorway and not a windy and narrow road like Crows Road; and
  - Noted that Council is responsible for ensuring community safety and requested that the Council advocate on behalf of the community for a more suitable rule regarding setting of speed limits in semi-urban areas.
- 3.24 pm      The hearing adjourned

9.36 am The hearing reconvened.

9.36 am **Dr Marion Wood**  
(Resident of Tanekaha Road, Titirangi)

- Spoke to her submission regarding the speed and the number of trips of buses travelling along Tanekaha Road, Titirangi and suggested a reduction in the speed limit along this road, as well as the use of a smaller bus along this route

9.51 **Cr Warren Flaunty**

- Noted that the current derestriction on Birdwood Road, Massey is not appropriate due to the windy nature of the road and the location of a primary school at one end of the road;
- Noted that there will be a number of new properties in this area following the approval of the Birdwood Structure Plan; and
- Advised the Infrastructure and Works Committee that there are no safe pedestrian paths on Birdwood Road; and
- Recommended that the speed limit on Birdwood Road be reduced to 70 kilometres per hour.

9.56 The hearing closed.

9.57 The meeting reconvened.

917/2010

MOVED by Cr Mitchell, seconded Dallow:

The Infrastructure and Works Committee resolved to:

1. **Receive** the Draft Waitakere City Council Speed Limits Bylaw 2010 report.
2. **Note** that the Infrastructure and Works Committee considers that the Waitakere City Council Speed Limits Bylaw 2010 does not adequately address issues raised by submitters, but that it is constrained in its decision making by the narrow focus of the Land Transport Rule – setting of Speed Limits 2003 (The Rule), and there is a risk to public safety as speed limits set by Land Transport Rule – setting of Speed Limits 2003 do not adequately take into account road conditions.
3. **Direct** the Chief Executive Officer to implement an advocacy plan to promote change to Land Transport Rule – setting of Speed Limits 2003.
4. **Agree** to recommend to the Finance and Operational Performance Committee the approval of \$280,000 for school speed zones to be funded from the capital project surplus in the Annual Plan 2010/2011.

**CARRIED**

918/2010

MOVED by Cr Dallow, seconded Cr Mitchell:

The Infrastructure and Works Committee resolved to:

1. **Approve** the form of the proposed Waitakere City Council Speed Limits Bylaw 2010, after consideration of submissions, and with the amendment that all roads listed in schedule four of the proposed Waitakere City Council Speed Limits Bylaw 2010 be derestricted.
2. **Agree** that traffic control measures be implemented to ensure public safety in the vicinity of the Arataki Visitor's Centre, Scenic Drive, Titirangi.
3. **Agree** to recommend to the Council that the Council revoke the existing Waitakere City Council Speed Limits Bylaw 2005.
4. **Agree** to recommend to the Council the adoption the Waitakere City Council Speed Limits Bylaw 2010.

**CARRIED**

10.18 am

The Chairman thanked Members for their attendance and attention to business and declared the meeting closed.

CONFIRMED AT A MEETING OF THE  
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HELD ON

**DATE:**.....

**CHAIRMAN:**.....