



Waitaki

DISTRICT COUNCIL
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Notice of a meeting of the

Community Services Committee

in the

**Whitestone Cheese Empire Room of the Oamaru Opera House,
94 Thames Street, Oamaru**

on Wednesday 30 August 2017

MEMBERSHIP:

Cr Perkins (Chair)
Cr Wheeler (Deputy Chair)
Cr Holding
Cr Kingan

Mayor Kircher (ex Officio)
Cr Garvan
Cr Hopkins
Cr Wollstein

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Community Services Committee Meeting

Wednesday 30 August 2017

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Community Services Committee:

Cr Perkins (Chair)	Mayor Kircher (ex Officio)
Cr Wheeler (Deputy Chair)	Cr Garvan
Cr Holding	Cr Hopkins
Cr Kingan	Cr Wollstein

Waitaki District Council

Community Services Committee

Minutes of Community Services Committee Meeting of the Waitaki District Council held in the Council Chamber, Council Headquarters, 20 Thames Street, Oamaru on Wednesday 19 July 2017 at 10.04am

Present	Crs Perkins (Chair), Garvan, Holding, Hopkins, Kingan, Wheeler, Mayor Kircher
Apologies	Cr Wollstein
In Attendance	Cr Dawson Cr Tavendale Cr Percival Dr Cloete (Community Services Group Manager) Mr van der Spek (Recreation Manager) Mr Lanyon (Aquatic Centre Manager) Ms Hooper (Policy Officer – Governance)

Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

Apologies

RESOLVED

CSC17/016

Crs Kingan / Garvan

"That the Community Services Committee accepts an apology for absence from Cr Wollstein."

CARRIED

The Community Services Committee AGREED to take agenda items in a different order.

Cr Garvan left the meeting at 10.26am, and remained out of the room until the meeting adjourned at 10.35am.

Mayor Kircher left the meeting at 10.29am, and returned at 10.32am.

Mayor Kircher left the meeting at 10.33am, and returned at 10.35am.

The meeting adjourned at 10.35am, and reconvened at 11.40am.

Crs Kingan and Wheeler were not present when the meeting reconvened.

Cr Kingan returned to the meeting at 11.41am.

Cr Wheeler returned to the meeting at 11.44am.

Cr Garvan left the meeting at 11.44am, and returned at 11.57am.

1. Community Services Group Activity Report Period Ending 2 July 2017

The purpose of this memorandum is to inform the Committee about the activities of the Community Services Group for the period 21 May to 2 July 2017.

Mr Matthew Lanyon (Aquatic Centre Manager) gave a presentation to Council, reporting the results of a benchmarking exercise on the Aquatic Centre's performance – in both financial and usage terms – relative to other territorial local authorities' pools.

RESOLVED

CSC17/017

Crs Hopkins / Holding

"That the Community Services Committee receives the information."

CARRIED

2. Confirmation of Meeting Minutes

RESOLVED

CSC17/018

Crs Hopkins / Mayor Kircher

"That the Community Services Committee confirms meeting minutes for 7 June 2017."

CARRIED

3. Receiving Sport and Recreation Needs Assessment and Indoor Recreation Feasibility

To receive a report which will assist Council to:

- a. Make decisions about a new indoor recreation facility
- b. Identify and prioritise future mainstream sporting needs requiring Council support and investment.

RESOLVED

CSC17/019

Mayor Kircher / Cr Kingan

"That the Community Services Committee recommends Council:

1. Receives the 'Waitaki District Sport and Recreation Needs Assessment and Indoor Recreation Feasibility' report
2. Considers consulting on a preferred option as part of the 2018-2028 Long Term Plan
3. Notes Sport Otago's plan to hold an information session to thank sporting codes for their assistance with the report and to answer questions."

CARRIED

AGAINST: Cr Wheeler

4. North Otago Tennis Association Development Submissions

To consider submission on proposed North Otago Tennis Association lease and development and to determine any changes to previous resolution.

RESOLVED

CSC17/020

Crs Hopkins / Garvan

"That the Community Services Committee recommends Council:

1. Receives the submission on the proposed North Otago Tennis Association lease and development
2. Confirms its previous resolution (WDC 16/226) to:
 - a. Approve North Otago Tennis Association's request to develop six hard surface courts on the existing grass courts nearest their tennis pavilion, and
 - b. Approve a lease to North Otago Tennis Association for their pavilion and courts, to be consistent with the proposed lease terms in Appendix Four and subject to public notification, and
 - c. Approve a grant of \$4,000 per annum toward future resurfacing of the new courts subject to the courts being completed and available for agreed public use."

CARRIED

There being no further business, the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 12.04pm.

Confirmed on this day, Wednesday 30th August 2017, in the Whitestone Cheese Empire Room at the Oamaru Opera House, 94 Thames Street, Oamaru.

Chairman

Community Services Committee Report

From Recreation Manager

Date 30 August 2017

Tourism Infrastructure Fund Application – September 2017

Recommendations

The Community Services Committee recommends:

1. That Council applies to the September 2017 round of the Tourism Infrastructure Fund for \$60,000 to support feasibility studies into Tourism infrastructure requirements in Omarama, Otematata, Campbell's Bay and Palmerston.

Objective of the Decision

To get Council approval on projects to be included in a Tourism Infrastructure Fund application for funding.

Summary of Decision Making Criteria

	No/Moderate/Key		No/Moderate/Key
Policy/Plan	No	Environmental Considerations	Moderate
Legal	No	Cultural Considerations	No
Significance	No	Social Considerations	Moderate
Financial Criteria	Key	Economic Considerations	No
Community Views	Moderate	Community Board Views	Moderate
Consultation	No	Publicity and Communication	Moderate

Background

Applications to the first round of the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment's (MBIE) Tourism Infrastructure Fund (TIF) close on 4 September 2017. This is a new fund replacing the regional mid-sized facilities fund (MFF) and the tourism growth partnership. There will be two funding rounds per annum.

The new fund supports the development of public infrastructure that is used by visitors. Examples of what is in scope include carparks, toilets, freedom camping facilities, sewerage and water (tourism-related), safety upgrades, and infrastructure for natural attractions.

The following criteria must be met:

- Only publicly available infrastructure that is used significantly by tourists is eligible.
- Projects need to be for new facilities or enhancements. 'Like for like' replacement will not be funded.
- Development of new attractions, accommodation, and commercial activity is not eligible.
- Projects must demonstrate that they do not compete with commercial activities in the region.
- Projects will not be eligible if the funding sought is under \$100,000 (though a series of linked projects can be joined in one application).
- Projects must be financially sustainable. Funding will not be given for operations and maintenance.
- Projects already receiving funding from NZTA are not eligible.
- Councils must meet at least one of the following tests (now or within five years). Priority will be given to councils that meet two or more of these tests:
 - Visitor: rating unit ratio >5. (i.e. greater than 5 visitors for every rating unit).
 - Revenue from tourism in the region <\$1 billion per annum.
 - Local Government Finance Agency lending limits have been reached.
- Community support must be demonstrated (some form of consultation).
- Councils must be able to demonstrate they are co-funding to the greatest extent they are able.
- Councils must demonstrate capacity to carry out the work and past performance.

Council has been successful in obtaining funding through the MFF for facilities in Duntroon and Dunback. Council has also consulted on and allocated funding to the Weston Domain Toilet (\$90,000 for refurbishment) and Campbell's Bay toilet (\$60,000 seed funding). Refurbishment of Weston Domain toilet is expected to be completed within the allocated budget (as was done at Roberts Park). Further work needs to be undertaken with the Kakanui Community to determine the scope and nature of facilities for Campbell's Bay.

In view of the criteria that projects need to include consultation with the community, have Council funding allocated to them, and require first the completion of existing projects, officers believe that further work is required prior to applying for construction projects in the second or third round of TIF funding (expected February/ March). To support future applications, officers recommend that Council applies for funding towards feasibility studies on Tourism infrastructure needs in Omarama, Otematata, Campbell's Bay and Palmerston.

Summary of Options Considered

Option 1 – Apply to the September 2017 round of the Tourism Infrastructure Fund for \$60,000 to support feasibility studies into Tourism infrastructure requirements in Omarama, Otematata, Campbell's Bay and Palmerston.

Option 2 – Not apply for funding in the September 2017 round of the Tourism Infrastructure Fund.

Option 3 – Apply for funding for other projects in the September 2017 round of the Tourism Infrastructure Fund.

Assessment of Preferred Option

Option 1 is the preferred option as this demonstrates Council's awareness of a need for improved tourism infrastructure and aims to provide information that will support future applications. It also recognises the need to complete existing projects, consult with the community, and allocate Council's share of funding.



Erik van der Spek
Recreation Manager

Dr Thunes Cloete
Community Services Group Manager

Attachments

Additional decision making considerations

Additional Decision Making Considerations

The following matters have been considered in making the decisions.

Outcomes

The decision contributed to the following Council outcomes:

- We provide and enable services and facilities so people want to stay and move here.
- We understand the diverse needs of our community.
- Waitaki's distinctive environment is valued and protected.

Community Views

Council is required to be able to show consultation through strategies and Annual Plan / Long Term Plan documents.

Financial Considerations

Council is required to be able to show local contributions towards projects.

Legal Considerations

There are no specific legal considerations.

Environmental Considerations

Facility provision can help manage environmental impacts from tourism.

Community Services Committee Report

From Recreation Manager

Date 30 August 2017

Craig Fountain Restoration

Recommendations

The Community Services Committee recommends:

1. That Council approves up to \$75,000 from the 'PT Mulligan bequest' and \$90,000 from other bequests (*Oamaru Public Gardens-related*) to restore Craig Fountain to working condition.

Objective of the Decision

To restore Craig Fountain to working condition as a feature of the Oamaru Public Gardens.

Summary of Decision Making Criteria

	No/Moderate/Key		No/Moderate/Key
Policy/Plan	Moderate	Environmental Considerations	No
Legal	No	Cultural Considerations	Key
Significance	No	Social Considerations	No
Financial Criteria	Key	Economic Considerations	No
Community Views	Key	Community Board Views	No
Consultation	Moderate	Publicity and Communication	Key

Background

The Craig Fountain was gifted to the people of Oamaru in 1912 by James Craig, founder of James Craig and Co timber merchants. Over time, the fountain has been damaged by vandalism and wear to components caused by long exposure to running water.

In 1990, Council refurbished the fountain including the replacement of plumbing and restoration of stonework. However, the fountain was subsequently turned off a few years' later, due to problems of leakage. In 1994, it was registered as a Category II Historic Place for cultural significance.

Council allocated \$30,000 in the current Long Term Plan for disassembly of the Craig Fountain and an investigation of options. Quotes were sought, and the fountain was dismantled at a cost of \$39,600.

An engineer's report, supported by the conservation report, recommended a stainless steel core to give strength to the fountain and through which water supply lines (and lighting) could be run. The latter would involve cutting channels in the existing base and reconfiguring the water system into a recirculating system. Provision has also been made to reinstate the lion's head drinking fountains that originally complemented the main fountain.

At the time, reinstatement was expected to cost \$75,000, and in September 2016, Council resolved as follows:

RESOLVED
WDC16/244

Crs Hopkins/Wollstein
"That Council:

1. Approve \$75,000 from the 'PT Mulligan bequest' to reinstate Craig Fountain to a working state.
2. Approve 'internal' lighting as the preferred option.
3. Accept and thank Oamaru Rotary and Network Waitaki for their offer to raise funds and support the lighting component.
4. Approve an A5 size plaque on the side of the fountain pool acknowledging Mr PT Mulligan and those who contribute towards the restoration and lighting."

CARRIED

When work commenced to cut chases in the plinth, it was established that the plinth was a concrete shell filled with sand, rather than solid concrete/rock as previously thought. This has resulted in the need for additional structural engineering to meet standards.

Rotary and Network Waitaki are working with Council to design and fund \$10,000 for lighting the fountain. Work on restoring the fountain is scheduled to start in September 2017 and be completed in December 2017. Rotary may be unable to complete fundraising prior to work commencing.

Officers are working to reinstate the path lighting between the Oamaru Garden's Severn Street entrance and the display house, using NZTA funding. It was originally planned to use the same lighting circuit for the fountain as the path lighting, but this has been deemed impractical as the path light circuit will need to operate at different times to the fountain. Activation of the pump and fountain lighting will be unable to be completed until the path lighting is completed. Officers are trying to tie the two projects into the same timeframe, but the ability to do this will be influenced by the availability of the various contractors.

The revised estimate for restoring Craig Fountain to operating condition with lighting enhancements is:

Item	Original estimate	Revised estimate	Comment
Building Consent	\$2,000	\$0	
Engineer Fees	\$1,000	\$9,000	Investigation, Design, PS1, Monitor construction. PS4.
Structural		\$11,000	Manufacture & install plinth & fountain supports.
Masonry	\$50,000	\$57,000	Site management, scaffolding, refurbish & reinstall individual components as required,
Drinking fountains		\$9,000	Reinstate original drinking fountains.
Painting		\$9,000	Cleaning of the pond and providing a protective coating
Plumbing	\$10,000	\$10,000	Fountain reticulation, pump, water tank.
Lighting	\$10,000	\$21,000	LED lights, control system and installation.
Power supply		\$17,000	Supply & install 35mm cable, incl. protection gear. Trenching by others.
Distribution board		\$7,000	Power supply for events.
Project Management	\$6,000		Undertaken in-house
Contingency	\$6,000	\$15,000	
Subtotal	\$85,000	\$165,000	
Less Rotary contribution	\$10,000	\$10,000	
Total	\$75,000	\$155,000	

Council cost is expected to total \$155,000 if Rotary fund-raising is successful. Note that this estimate is reliant on working collaboratively with the project to reinstate the path lighting between the Garden's Severn Street entrance and the display house. \$28,000 has been spent to date in investigation and design.

Funding for restoration of the fountain is available from accumulated bequests (current budget of \$189,000) or the PT Mulligan bequest (\$99,000 remaining).

Any maintenance and depreciation costs will be met through the public gardens operating budget in the Long Term Plan. Officers emphasise the difficulty in restoring heritage items, with the need to incorporate current engineering standards and lighting enhancements within existing design and heritage values. Due to the unpredictable nature of the tasks involved to repair and reinstate the fountain's various components and the complexity of installing water and power, lump sum / fixed prices are unsuitable for work of this nature. Consequently, prices are estimates only, based on rates and anticipated work. These estimates are reasonably accurate, however, as considerable thought has been

put into how the job is to be executed. Every effort is being made to ensure the fountain will remain in working condition for as long as possible.

Summary of Options Considered

Option 1 – RECOMMENDED Approve up to \$75,000 from the 'PT Mulligan bequest' and \$90,000 from other bequests (Oamaru Public Gardens-related) to restore Craig Fountain to a working state.

Option 2 – Approve funding from an alternative source.

Option 3 – Decline funding to restore Craig Fountain to working condition and look at other options for use of this site.



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Attachment

Additional decision making considerations

Additional Decision Making Considerations

The following matters have been considered in making the decisions.

Outcomes

This project will contribute to the following community outcome:

- *Waitaki's distinctive environment is valued and protected.*

Policy and Plan Considerations

'Craig Fountain' is listed as a Category B Heritage item by the Waitaki District Council District Plan and the Historic Places Trust.

The '*Waitaki District Council District Plan*' for Category B items states 'Preservation of the heritage item is encouraged'.

Financial Considerations

Funding for restoration of the fountain is available from accumulated bequests (current budget of \$189,000) or the PT Mulligan bequest (\$99,000 remaining).

Community Views

Officers are aware of some Community support for restoring the Craig Fountain. Donations have been made to Council in the past for this purpose. However, there may be some who view the cost of restoration to be prohibitive and better spent elsewhere.

Legal Considerations

Historic Places Trust have confirmed support of restoration.

Publicity and Communication Considerations

A media release regarding the proposed project should be distributed.

Community Services Committee Report

From Recreation Manager

Date 30 August 2017

Plan for Toilets and Dump Stations 2018 – 2028

Recommendations

The Community Services Committee recommends:
That Council accepts the 'Plan for public toilets and dump stations 2018-2028'.

Objective of the Decision

To accept the 'Plan for public toilets and dump stations 2018-2028' for consultation with the community as part of Council's Long Term Plan.

Summary of Decision Making Criteria

	No/Moderate/Key		No/Moderate/Key
Policy/Plan	Moderate	Environmental Considerations	Moderate
Legal	No	Cultural Considerations	No
Significance	No	Social Considerations	Moderate
Financial Criteria	Key	Economic Considerations	No
Community Views	Key	Community Board Views	Moderate
Consultation	Moderate	Publicity and Communication	Moderate

Background

Council's current toilet and dump station strategy forms part of the 2012-2022 Recreation Strategy.

Government has recognised the impacts tourism has had on Councils with a small ratepayer base and has recently provided funding to assist them. The 'Plan for public toilets and dump stations 2018-2028' (the 'Plan') seeks to provide facilities that meet the needs of community and tourism while making use of alternative funding and minimising the impact on rates.

The 'Plan' is intended to allow flexibility to respond to Government funding opportunities by grouping projects. It should be noted that some of the projects are dependent on other agencies (eg Department of Conservation), Central Government, and other decisions that may be made during the period of the 'Plan' (eg the possible construction of a new recreation centre). A review is planned every three years in time for each Long Term Plan.

Two workshops have been held with Council during the development of the 'Plan'. It is proposed that Council finalises a package to consult with the community through the Long Term Plan consultation process. The package would be based around section 4. Council may wish to identify this as an option for pre-engagement on the Long Term Plan.

Based on a rate take of \$30,000,000, the estimated impact on rate payers at the end of 2022 would be 0.7%. The estimated impact on ratepayers at the end of 2028 is 1.24% (2017 figures).

Summary of Options Considered

Option 1 – The Community Services Committee recommends that Council:

1. Accepts the 'Plan for public toilets and dump stations 2018-2028'.

Option 2 – The Community Services Committee recommends that Council:

1. Accepts the 'Plan for public toilets and dump stations 2018-2028' with amendments.

Option 3 – The Community Services Committee requests further work on the 'Plan'.

Assessment of Preferred Option

Option 1 is the preferred option as further refinement of the 'Plan' is believed to be best completed with community involvement. Consultation through the Long Term Plan – with the opportunity of pre-engagement on selected topics – is seen to be the most efficient way to consult rather than engaging through a separate process.



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Attachments

Additional decision making considerations
Plan for Public Toilets and Dump Stations 2018 – 2028

Additional Decision Making Considerations

The following matters have been considered in making the decisions.

Outcomes

The decision contributed to the following Council outcomes;

- We provide and enable services and facilities so people want to stay and move here.
- We understand the diverse needs of our community.
- Waitaki's distinctive environment is valued and protected.

Community Views

Community views will be sought through consultation on the Plan through Council's Long Term Plan.

Financial Considerations

The proposed plan is likely to result in an increase in rates of 1.24% over the next 10 years (0.7% in the next three years).

Legal Considerations

There are no specific legal considerations.

Environmental Considerations

Provision of facilities can help manage environmental impacts from tourism.



Plan for Public Toilets and Dump Stations 2018-2028

Adopted for consultation in WDC 2018-2028 LTP by Council resolution on 13 September 2017.

Planned for review June 2021.

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1 Introduction

1.1 Purpose of the plan

The purpose of this plan is to provide a way forward for Council's provision of public toilet and dump station facilities over the next ten years.

In developing the plan, we have considered how the provision of toilets and dump stations contributes to Council's vision for Waitaki: ***Growing Waitaki: the best place to live, work and play.***

Council has identified the following community outcomes to aim for in order to achieve its vision:

- We keep our district affordable
- We enable opportunities for new and existing business
- We provide and enable services and facilities so people want to stay and move here
- We understand the diverse needs of our community
- Waitaki's distinctive environment is valued and protected
- We maintain the safest community we can

1.2 What facilities Council provides

Public toilets

Council currently provides 48 toilet facilities throughout the Waitaki District. These range in design, construction materials, condition and accessibility depending on their age and location. Public toilets are also provided at Council libraries and other Council-owned community facilities during opening hours.

Dump stations

Council currently provides eight dump station facilities throughout the Waitaki District. Six of these are open during the summer camping season only – while the dump stations located in Omarama and Oamaru's North end are open year-round.

Other providers

As well as the public toilets and dump stations managed by the Council, there are many toilets available through places such as eateries and service stations. These are privately owned spaces that are publicly available, although usually only to patrons of the establishment. There are also six privately managed dump stations throughout the district. Sports clubs located on Council reserve also provide toilets, although these are only available when the clubrooms are open.

For locations of Council's public toilet and dump station assets and operational costs refer to *Appendix 5.3*.

1.3 Why we provide them

While the Council has no statutory requirement to provide public toilets (other than in certain public buildings), adequate provision will assist the Council in meeting its strategic outcomes. At a basic level, Council provides public toilets and dump stations to meet its public health obligations under the Health Act 1956 and the Local Government Act 2002 (LGA).

The provision of good quality and accessible public toilets is considered an expectation of many residents and visitors to the Waitaki District.

Under the LGA councils are required to "meet the current and future needs of communities for good-quality local infrastructure". The Act defines public toilets as 'community infrastructure' and 'good quality' as being efficient, effective and appropriate to present and anticipated future circumstances.

Council's provision of public toilets and dump stations also supports Council's vision of *Growing Waitaki: the best place to live work and play* through contributing (directly or indirectly) to the community outcomes identified under 1.1.

In summary, public toilets and dump stations provide the following benefits:

- Clean, accessible and attractive toilet facilities make residents feel valued and visitors feel welcomed – they make a good impression and help foster community pride.
- The knowledge of where safe and clean toilets are located informs travelers' decisions to stop at particular towns when travelling through our district
- Public toilets in business areas or areas with high tourist numbers brings more foot traffic into these areas and potentially more customers for businesses
- Providing toilet facilities at parks, playgrounds and sportsgrounds supports and enhances the functions of those facilities, and makes them more attractive to users
- Providing dump stations makes it easy for visitors to travel the district and more likely to stay.
- Providing accessible toilets in key locations which cater for all abilities creates a more inclusive and welcoming district and community.
- Providing public toilets and dump stations keeps the environment clean and protected, and demonstrates we value our environment.
- Residents and visitors are able to enjoy a clean, attractive environment.
- Well-maintained, hygienic public toilet and dump stations help to safeguard public health

2 Current situation

A SWOT (Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, and Threats) analysis was undertaken. This section summarises the most important issues and challenges.

General challenges:

- Council is generally the primary funder for public toilets in Waitaki and funding is always limited.
- Resident satisfaction with toilet facilities has been decreasing in recent years.
- Customer expectations are increasing and can sometimes be unrealistically high – for example, where concrete block toilets were once considered the norm, many are now considered to be unappealing.
- Increased freedom camping and more tourists coming to visit attractions through the district places pressure of infrastructure and creates need in new locations.

General opportunities:

- To use available funding more effectively by prioritising need.
- To improve consistency in our provision and maintenance of toilets
- To work with other agencies – e.g. DoC.
- To access alternative funding sources.

2.1 Condition and presentation

Condition and presentation includes the general design of our toilets and construction materials used, the condition of the facilities and routine maintenance.

Value	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Well designed and presented toilet facilities demonstrates we take pride in our facilities and creates a good impression for residents and visitors. • Well designed and presented toilet facilities are easier and more cost-effective to operate, clean and maintain.
Challenges	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Many of our toilet facilities are ageing (more than 30 years old), constructed from concrete block and are outdated in terms of design and fit-out – for example, they have unfinished concrete floors with inadequate drainage, and are awkward or difficult to clean.
Opportunities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We have the opportunity to target available funding towards the maintenance and improvement of toilet facilities that are higher priority and will benefit more users. • We have opportunity to make design a feature in new facilities.

2.2 Accessibility

Accessibility includes how easy toilet facilities are to find and gain access to (site access and signage), opening hours, and whether they can be used by people of all ages and abilities.

Value	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Providing toilet facilities that people of all ages and abilities can use helps create an inclusive community and enhances Waitaki's reputation as the best place to live, work and play. • Accessible toilet facilities make both residents and visitors feel valued and included.
Challenges	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Around 30 per cent of our toilets are accessible, however, none of them fully meet the national accessibility standards. • Nearly 20 per cent of people over 15 years in New Zealand are physically impaired, and we have a rapidly ageing population. • Toilet signage (directional/informational) is variable across our facilities. • The layout and construction of some of our ageing facilities make it difficult and costly to make accessibility improvements.
Opportunities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We have opportunity to improve accessibility at many of our existing toilet facilities without necessarily meeting all of the national standards. • We have the opportunity to meet the national standards when building new facilities.

3.1 Service levels and hygiene

This includes cleaning frequency, fixtures, and consumables like baby change tables, soap dispensers, warm water, hand-drying equipment, and toilet paper.

Value	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Having clean and hygienic toilets, with appropriate fixtures and fittings, creates a safer, healthier and more pleasant experience for all users. Clean and hygienic facilities creates a good impression on users, adding to the overall perception of Waitaki being the best place to live, work and play.
Challenges	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> People's expectations are increasing and older, concrete block facilities can be perceived to be unhygienic, even if they are clean.
Opportunities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We have the opportunity to improve the levels of service at higher priority toilets where it will benefit a greater number of users and contribute to Council's outcomes.

3.2 Safety and security

This includes visibility, siting, building design and crime prevention design principles (CPTED).

Value	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Good design helps people of all ages to feel safe using our toilet facilities.
Challenges	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Many aging facilities make poor use of natural lighting, and are poorly designed and located. The construction of many of our older facilities make improving safety and security difficult and expensive.
Opportunities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We have opportunity to improve safety and security at some sites. Where new facilities are constructed we ensure these are built as safe and secure as possible.

3.3 Provision

Provision includes how many toilet facilities we provide, where we provide them, and how we will fund them

Value	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Toilet facilities are an essential requirement in a community.
Challenges	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Growth in freedom camping and visitors creating need for additional facilities. Need for facilities on land administered by others, including Government agencies, Iwi and private landowners. Changing disposal requirements. Some locations cannot be connected to town systems and require containment facilities or their own treatment facility. Increasing costs for local residents. Recovering costs from users/ polluters.
Opportunities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> New facilities can be completed in partnership with other Council's, community and businesses. New facilities can be funded, or co-funded, by other organisations or Government. Consideration of temporary/ relocatable facilities to respond to peaks and short term need, rather than investment in permanent infrastructure.

3.4 Recent Work

Since Council's last toilet strategy in 2012 we have;

- Constructed toilets at Friendly Bay
- Tendered the maintenance contract with corresponding contract savings
- Undertaken an accessibility audit and completed minor improvements
- Prepared an asset management plan
- Initiated collection of user counts
- Provided a new dump station in Omarama
- Constructed a new toilet in Hampden

- Refurbished Roberts Park toilet
- Planned for refurbishment of Weston toilet
- Obtained funding for replacement of Dunback and Duntroon toilets through the Ministry of Business Innovation and Employment's 'Mid-Sized Facilities Fund'.

4 Decision making guidelines

4.1 Provision

1. Council's provision of public toilet facilities is guided generally by the:
 - a. Local Government Act 2002
 - b. Health Act 1956
2. Council will consider providing public toilet facilities:
 - a. In the larger residential and service townships in Waitaki;
 - b. In townships where the travelling public and tourists are known to, or are likely to, stop;
 - c. At locations where there is evidence of environmental risk associated with toileting;
 - d. At locations that are considered to be strategically important to District tourism;
 - e. At Council operated camping areas, in accordance with Camping Regulations;
 - f. At designated non-self-contained freedom camping sites;
 - g. At major Council facilities, such as administration centres and libraries during their hours of operation; or
 - h. At major sports fields and reserves where high intensity public usage occurs.
3. Council will consider providing dump stations:
 - a. In larger residential and service townships in Waitaki where private facilities are insufficient;
 - b. At locations that are considered to be strategically important to District tourism;
 - c. At Council-owned camping areas; or
 - d. At any other location where there is a demonstrable cost-benefit in Council providing dump station facilities and to ensure an appropriate geographical spread.
4. Any proposal to develop a new facility must be supported by a business case outlining how the proposal is consistent with the provisions of this plan, including an assessment of the cost-benefit.
5. When determining whether a facility is to be provided, the type of facility to be provided, the appropriate level of investment for a new facility, and levels of service, Council will consider:
 - a. The projected number of users;
 - b. The expected user types and user expectations;
 - c. The facility's value to tourism and the district's image;
 - d. The wider benefits to the community arising from the investment;
 - e. The toilet categories set out in section 3.10;
 - f. How current facilities perform (based on assessments, user feedback, costs etc.);
 - g. Proximity to other facilities; and
 - h. An assessment of the cost-benefit.
6. Council will consider closing current facilities that do not meet the criteria outlined in item 2 and 3.

4.2 Funding

1. When the need for a new facility is established, the following options for provision will be considered:
 - a. Funding assistance through Central Government for toilets in locations with high tourist numbers.
 - b. Joint venture between Council and a private partner.
 - c. Direct provision by Council.
2. Council will only consider financially assisting facilities on land not owned or administered by Council where:
 - a. The landowner can demonstrate all other avenues of funding have been exhausted; and
 - b. The facility provides benefits for the wider community.
3. Council may consider charges for using facilities on a case by case basis. Criteria to be addressed when developing a business case for charges include:

- a. User numbers/user profiles;
- b. Likely expectations/willingness to pay;
- c. Cost of implementation against likely revenue and/or benefits;
- d. The ability to enforce payment;
- e. The cost to ratepayers in providing a facility;
- f. Possible environmental impacts; and
- g. The beneficiaries of the facility.

4.3 Design and construction

1. New Zealand Standard 4241:1999 (Public Toilets) and NZ Standard NZS4121:2001 (Accessibility) will be used to guide the design of new public toilet facilities. New Zealand Standard NZS 5465:2001 and the NZMCA installation guide will be used to guide the design of dump stations.
2. Overall design, functionality and presentation of facilities will reflect current and general user needs and expectations, and the level of investment will be consistent with the category of toilet outlined under 3.10 of this plan.
3. Design and construction of new facilities will be sympathetic to their location, and wherever practicable, will incorporate materials and/or design elements from the surrounding natural and built environment.
4. Consideration will be given to integrating artistic design elements or artworks into new public toilet facility developments.

4.4 Accessibility and signage

Accessibility

1. Council will upgrade current facilities to improve accessibility and signage where it is most practicable, cost-effective and will be of most benefit to the highest number of users.
2. Council will prioritise improvements to accessibility and signage based on toilet categories, with Destination and Standard toilets being the highest priority.
3. Public toilets should comply with the accessibility requirements as outlined within the Human Rights Act 1993
4. Public toilets will be accessible and cater for expected use at the particular location
5. At least one public toilet provide 24 hour access within the major townships.

Signage

1. All new public toilet facilities, with the exception of Basic Toilets, will be designed to meet the New Zealand Standards for Accessibility (NZS 4121:2001).
2. Standard toilet symbols will be provided at all public toilets.
3. On-street directional signage will be provided for Destination and Standard Township Toilets.
4. On-street directional signage will be provided for dump stations separate from campgrounds.

4.5 Safety

1. When new facilities are designed, or existing facilities are upgraded, Crime Prevention through Environmental Design (CPTED) principles will be incorporated as far as practicable.
2. For new toilet facility developments, and where appropriate, consideration will be given to providing all-gender units that are fully enclosed in order to maximize the privacy and security of individual users.
3. Where separate male/female toilet facilities are developed, or are already in place, attention will be paid to partition systems which ensure privacy and security is maintained for users.

4. Privacy latches within all toilet facilities will be maintained to a functional standard.
5. Where vegetation is present around facilities, this will be carefully managed to improve visibility.
6. Asbestos will be removed from toilets where it is considered to pose a public health risk.
7. Public toilets must present well and ensure that users feel that the facility is safe, clean and well managed.

4.6 Levels of service and performance

1. Levels of service for public toilets, including accessories and consumables, will be determined by their category under 3.10.
2. Council may consider the provision of higher levels of service at toilet facilities where use of the facility is consistently high over an extended time period, or when toilet facilities will be required for special events.

4.7 Stakeholder engagement

1. Council will engage with the community and key stakeholders when developing new or upgrading existing toilet facilities at a level that is consistent with its Significance and Engagement Policy 2014.

4.8 Priority

1. In ranking the relative priority of toilet projects, toilets will be assessed on a scale of 1-5 based on;
 - a. Their importance including usage, proximity to other toilets and compliance with the provision guidance.
 - b. Their condition including compliance with design, level of service, safety, and accessibility guidance.
 The multiplied scores will be used to indicate priority.

4.9 Environmental Sustainability

1. Environmentally sustainable principles (such as water and energy usage and the types of building and finishing materials) should be applied to any refurbishment of existing toilets or provision of new toilets.
2. Design should balance environmentally sustainable design principles with hygiene requirements
3. Council may consider use of "portable toilet facilities" over the peak summer period, at locations which do not require year round facilities.

4.10 Public toilet categories

Category	Description	Main users	General user expectations	Design	Accessibility	Water	Toilet paper	Hand drying	Soap	Mirror	Bin	Change table	Sanitary	Nappy disposal	Cleaners sink & storage
Destination Toilets	In prominent locations, used regularly by local residents, shoppers, visitors and/or tourists as a strategic stopping point.	Local shoppers, travelers, tourists, high proportion of children and elderly	Easily accessible, high quality and condition, with more accessories and higher levels of service	Bespoke/ attraction	Yes	Warm	Yes	Electric driers	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Optional
Township Toilets	In prominent locations used by locals, independent travelers.	Local shoppers, travelers, tourists	Easily accessible, good quality and condition, with standard accessories and levels of service	Functional/ 'Off the shelf;	Yes	Cold/ Warm	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Optional
Camp/ Reserve Toilets	Council-owned reserves, playgrounds and sportsgrounds located in Oamaru or larger townships (user numbers tend to fluctuate over the week or seasonally).	Parks users, some tourists, high proportion of families with children	Easily accessible, good quality and condition, with standard accessories and levels of service	Functional/ 'Off the shelf;	Yes	Cold	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	No	No
Basic Toilets	Toilets located at non-residential or remote areas which can't be connected to services or have discharge systems, or where toilets are provided to manage seasonal environmental issues	Freedom campers, visitors to the area and some tourists	Lower quality and condition, with minimal accessories, variable in terms of accessibility	Basic/ Rustic	No	Cold	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No

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Note:

1. Effective cost to rate payer is the change in annual cost as this includes finance on capital.
2. Costs in 2017 figures.

EXISTING PROJECTS					
LOCATION	ACTION	STYLE	WDC CAPITAL	ANNUAL COST	COMMENT
Duntroon Toilet	Replace	Standard Toilet	\$150,000	\$13,000	New toilet central to Duntroon with discharge field. To incorporate A2O car parking. Capital cost \$263,000 with \$113,000 government funding. Council capital \$150,000 funded from loan. No additional servicing costs. \$18,000 finance cost. (\$7,500 loan costs above existing depreciation, \$5,650 depreciation on government funding.)
Weston Domain Toilet	Refurbish	Standard Toilet	\$90,000	Nil	Funded from depreciation. No additional servicing or finance costs.
Sailors Cutting wastewater system	Replace	Disposal system	\$80,000	Nil	Replace old discharge fields with new fields compliant with Regional Plan. Funded from depreciation. No additional servicing or finance costs.
Falstone waste water system	New	Disposal system	\$150,000	Nil	New discharge fields so waste water is not required to be removed from site. Loan funded. Servicing of finance costs will be met by saving made in not transporting waste water from site.
Dunback Domain Toilet	Replace	Standard Toilet	\$90,000	\$10,000	New toilet and discharge field. To incorporate shower facility if practical. Capital cost \$200,000 with \$110,000 government funding. Council capital \$90,000 funded from loan. Additional servicing for shower expected to be met by increased revenue. costs. \$10,000 finance costs. (\$4,500 loan cost above existing depreciation. \$5,500 depreciation on government funding.)
Existing Projects Total			\$560,000	\$23,000	

2019-2021					
LOCATION	ACTION	STYLE	WDC CAPITAL	ANNUAL COST	COMMENT
Moeraki Boulders	Advocate	Basic	\$0	\$0	Moeraki Boulders is owned and administered by DoC and is a nationally significant tourist location. DoC have opportunity to apply for government funding for tourist facilities. Option of Council applying for government funding. Consider whether Council would support operational costs. Opportunity for this being managed as a tourist trail in conjunction with Katiki Point and Shag Point.
Otematata	Replace	Standard	\$100,000	\$10,000	Relocate to near shops and state highway. \$200,000 capital cost. Council to fund \$100,000 from depreciation and apply to government for \$100,000. Additional servicing \$5,000 per annum. \$5,000 operating increase to cover 5% depreciation costs on government contribution.
Katiki Point (Lighthouse)	Advocate	Standard	\$0	\$0	Katiki Point is owned and administered by DoC/ Iwi. This is a popular tourist location with a basic toilet. DoC have opportunity to apply for government funding for tourist facilities. Opportunity for this being managed as a tourist trail in conjunction with Moeraki Boulders and Shag Point.
Lindis Pass	New	Basic	\$0	\$15,000	Proposed to be packaged in government application with toilets at northern end of Katiki straight and All Day Bay. Capital funded \$50,000 by government as part of package. No additional loan or depreciation costs proposed. \$15,000 each from Waitaki and Central Otago proposed for servicing.
All Day Bay	Replace	Basic	\$25,000	\$5,000	\$50,000 capital proposed. \$25,000 Council loan funding and \$25,000 from Government (to be packaged with Lindis Pass and Katiki straight north). No additional servicing required. \$5,000 finance costs. (\$2,250 loan cost above existing depreciation. \$1,250 operating increase to cover 10% depreciation on government contribution).
Palmerston dump station	New	Dump station	\$0	\$11,750	\$35,000 capital - possibly funding from government. \$10,000 annual servicing. \$1,750 operating increase to cover 5% depreciation costs.

Katiki Straight (north)	New	Basic	\$0	\$20,000	Proposed to be packaged with toilets at Lindis Pass and All Day Bay. Capital funded. No additional loan or depreciation costs proposed. \$20,000 for servicing.
Campbell's Bay	Replace	Standard	\$125,000	\$6,250	Capital \$250,000. Council funding \$125,000 from depreciation (\$60,000 currently approved as seed funding). \$125,000 government funding. Option of including shower and sink facilities for camping subject to KRAIS plans. Additional servicing met by shower revenue. \$6,250 operating increase to cover 5% depreciation costs.
Awamoa	Replace	Standard	\$250,000	\$12,500	To be considered in conjunction with decision on a new recreation centre. \$250,000 loan funded. No additional servicing costs. \$12,500 operating increase to cover loan cost above existing depreciation.
BMX Track	New	Standard	\$200,000	\$48,000	Council to loan fund \$200,000. Servicing costs \$30,000 per annum. \$18,000 operating increase to cover 9% loan costs.
Eden Street	Replace	Standard	\$250,000	\$0	Depreciation funding \$250,000. No additional servicing or finance.
Clay Cliffs	New	Basic	\$0	\$20,000	\$50,000 capital proposed from Government. No additional servicing required. No additional loan or depreciation costs proposed. \$20,000 for servicing.
Centennial Grandstand	Replace	Standard	\$250,000	\$12,500	To be considered in conjunction with decision on a new recreation centre. \$250,000 loan funded. No additional servicing costs. \$12,500 operating increase to cover loan cost above existing depreciation.
Centennial Field	Replace	Standard	\$0	\$0	To be considered in conjunction with decision on a new recreation centre and in conjunction with Centennial Grandstand and Awamoa toilets. \$500,000 capital for two of three with remaining incorporated in recreation centre.
Moeraki	Replace	Standard	\$200,000	\$10,000	Council to loan fund \$200,000. No additional servicing costs. \$10,000 operating increase for loan cost above existing depreciation.
Omarama	Replace	Destination	\$300,000	\$15,000	Loan funded. No additional servicing costs. \$15,000 operating increase to cover loan cost above existing depreciation. Possibility to incorporate into tourist centre funded by government. No additional servicing.
Projects Total			\$1,700,000	\$186,000	

2022-2028					
LOCATION	ACTION	STYLE	WDC CAPITAL	ANNUAL COSTS	COMMENT
Elephant Rocks Toilet	New	Basic	\$0	\$15,000	Possible \$50,000 capital funding from government. No additional servicing or finance costs.
Water treatment systems for camps	New	Water Supply	\$200,000	\$38,000	May be required to upgrade due to changes in legislation. \$200,000 capital from loan. \$20,000 additional servicing costs. \$18,000 to cover 9% loan.
Parsons Rock Wastewater system	Upgrade	Disposal system	\$150,000	\$13,500	May be required to upgrade due to regional plan changes. \$150,000 loan. No additional servicing costs. \$13,500 to cover 9% loan cost.
Loch Laird and Wildlife Wastewater systems	Upgrade	Disposal system	\$150,000	\$23,500	May be required to upgrade due to regional plan changes. \$150,000 loan. \$10,000 addition servicing. \$13,500 to cover 9% loan cost.
Bushey Beach Toilet	Advocate	Basic Toilets	\$0	\$0	Tourist reserve owned and administered by DoC. DoC have opportunity to apply for government funding for tourist facilities.
Duntroon Domain Toilet	Replace	Standard Toilet	\$200,000	\$0	Depreciation funding. No additional servicing costs.
Omarama Playground Toilet	New	Standard Toilet	\$200,000	\$38,000	\$200,000 loan funded. \$20,000 additional servicing. \$18,000 to cover 9% loan cost.
Mill Domain Toilet	New	Basic Toilet	\$100,000	\$19,000	\$100,000 loan funded. \$10,000 servicing. \$9,000 to cover 9% depreciation cost.
Parson's Rock additional West Toilet	New	Basic Toilet	\$50,000	\$17,000	\$50,000 loan funded. \$10,000 servicing. \$7,000 to cover 14% depreciation cost.
Oamaru Cemetery Toilet	Replace	Standard Toilet	\$100,000	\$0	\$100,000 depreciation funded. No additional servicing or finance costs.
Palmerston Toilet	Replace	Destination Toilet	\$300,000	\$0	\$300,000 Depreciation funded. No additional servicing or finance costs.
Itchen St Toilet	Maintain	Destination Toilet	\$300,000	\$0	\$300,000 Depreciation funded. No additional servicing or finance costs.
Projects Total			\$1,950,000	\$164,000	

6 Appendices

6.1 Considerations

6.1.1 Freedom Camping

The increase in tourism, in particular freedom camping, has changed facility needs. Waitaki District Council bylaws require freedom campers to be 'certified self-contained'. Non self-contained freedom campers are required to use campgrounds, however, it is impractical to enforce this consistently across the district at reasonable cost. Additionally, the freedom camping bylaws apply to Council-managed land and not to land controlled by other agencies such as NZTA and LINZ. It is therefore likely that non self-contained camping will occur in some locations across the district and there will be environmental impacts as a result of this. Freedom camping is more likely to occur at locations with toilet facilities, and even self-contained freedom campers are likely to use provided facilities in preference to their own. The freedom camping bylaw has largely been successful in managing impacts and Waitaki has not experienced waste issues that affect other districts.

Freedom camping patterns are fluid and responsive to 'live' information over social media. Providing appropriate facilities and managing impacts is difficult for Council in such a fluid situation. For example, one summer to the next, peak camping increased from a manageable 20 vehicles at Campbell's bay to more than 80.

It can be argued the current bylaw requiring 'certified self-contained' effectively prevents the traditional remote 'Kiwi' camping way, however, exemptions can be applied for and were given last summer to those who either were camping at a location that had a public toilet (such as Gemmels crossing and All Day Bay) or where they could demonstrate they had a suitable toileting facility.

Toilet facilities can be monopolised by freedom campers washing laundry and dishes in hand basins and using hand driers to dry clothes. In locations where this is likely to occur, design should consider locating hand washing basins outside the cubicle, and providing paper towels instead of hand driers.

It has been argued there are few freedom camping locations available within Waitaki townships. In reality the bylaw does not prevent any parks in town from being used, so long as freedom campers are self-contained.

6.1.2 Construction Cost

The cost of constructing new toilet facilities varies greatly subject to design and location. These figures are provided in 2017 values, as an indication. Not all items may be required.

Item	Cost
Building Consent.	\$3,000.00
Resource Consent.	\$5,000.00
Discharge system.	\$30,000.00 - \$60,000.00
Water supply.	\$10,000.00
Power supply.	\$15,000.00
Demolition of existing.	\$5,000.00 - \$20,000.00
Basic Toilet Block	\$20,000.00 - \$50,000.00
Standard Toilet Block	\$100,000.00 - \$200,000.00
Destination Toilet Block	\$300,000.00 - \$400,000.00
Project Management/ Council overhead	15%
Contingency	15%

6.1.3 Operational Cost (Maintenance and Finance)

The cost of maintenance varies greatly subject to design, location, use and frequency. Estimated cost includes cleaning, consumables, waste removal, water use, electricity and repairs and maintenance. These figures are provided in 2017 values as an indication.

Item	Cost per year
Basic toilet block. 2x week in summer, weekly in winter.	\$15,000.00
Standard toilet rural. 2x week in summer, weekly in winter.	\$20,000.00

Standard toilet central. Daily.	\$30,000.00
Destination Toilet. Daily with check in afternoon.	\$60,000.00
Basic toilet depreciation – 10 year life	10%
Standard toilet depreciation – 20 year life	5%
Destination toilet depreciation – 20 year life	5%
Basic toilet loan – 10 year life	14% (10% principal, 4% interest)
Standard toilet depreciation – 20 year life	9% (5% principal, 4% interest)
Destination toilet depreciation – 20 year life	9% (5% principal, 4% interest)

6.1.4 Remote Sites

Vault/Basic toilets are considered to be a viable option (in some cases the only option) for remote locations due to the lack of water supplies and difficulty in obtaining resource consents for discharge in locations close to waterways and with a lack of power. These locations are often popular with freedom campers due to their scenery.

6.1.5 Funding

Government Funding

In recent years, Government funding has been available to support councils in responding to increasing tourism requirements. This funding is available on a contestable basis where Council's must be able to meet criteria. The criteria is liable to change.

User Pays

The option to charge toilet facility users is often raised. User pays is common in overseas cities and works in an environment where there are many people and there is limited opportunity to avoid using the provided facilities. While user pays will be considered on a site by site basis, we expect it is unlikely to work in most instances in Waitaki as generally, we do not have sufficient foot traffic to ensure;

- Families don't pay once and hold the door for each other.
- People don't do their business behind the facility in adjacent gardens or shrubbery.
- New Zealanders are unlikely to be receptive, and facilities are provided for them as much, if not more, than tourists.

Depreciation.

As depreciation was not funded for public toilets until the 1997 financial year, and hence funded incrementally, WDC does not have sufficient reserves to fund replacements at this point of time. The table below shows funding since 1997.

Financial Year	Annual Depreciation	Spent	Unfunded	Net Movement	Running Total
1997	1,980.00		-1,980.00	0.00	0.00
1998	1,980.00		-1,980.00	0.00	0.00
1999	6,732.00		-6,732.00	0.00	0.00
2000	3,433.00			3,433.00	3,433.00
2001	3,510.00			3,510.00	6,943.00
2002	2,182.00			2,182.00	9,125.00
2003	5,214.00	-18,000.00		-12,786.00	-3,661.00
2004	8,773.00			8,773.00	5,112.00
2005	16,600.00			16,600.00	21,712.00
2006	18,312.00			18,312.00	40,024.00
2007	20,365.00	-5,579.00		14,786.00	54,810.00
2008	24,503.25	-9,100.00		15,403.25	70,213.25
2009	28,503.27	-760.40		27,742.87	97,956.12
2010	28,586.23	-1,460.96		27,125.27	125,081.39

2011	59,590.42	-3,414.73		56,175.69	181,257.08
2012	59,744.58	-150,631.75		-90,887.17	90,369.91
2013	63,224.41	-14,768.86	-9,828.34	38,627.21	128,997.12
2014	69,438.88		-10,600.00	58,838.88	187,836.00
2015	67,986.69	-10,155.00	-7,599.96	50,231.73	238,067.73
2016	69,234.25		-7,600.05	61,634.20	299,701.93
2017 (estimated)	76,660.97	-93,716.96	-3,333.33	-20,389.32	279,312.61

Any shortfall will need to be met by loan funding. From 2020 onwards, it is expected that a standard toilet block could be replaced every three years from depreciation, without loan funding.

6.1.6 Consent requirements.

As environmental pressures have increased, what may have been acceptable in the past may no longer be - for example, discharging to a bore in Hampden was once acceptable, but is no longer. At sites where we are unable to connect to a town supply, this may mean that waste needs to be contained and transported, or investment in modern treatment systems may be required.

Locations where we are unable to connect to town systems will require containment facilities (if close to waterways or other environmental areas) or their own treatment system.

6.1.7 Changing expectations.

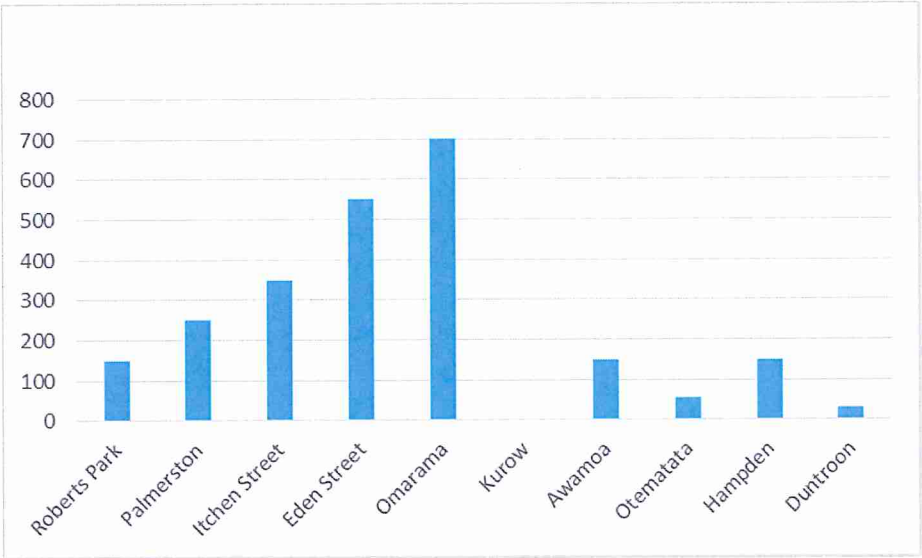
Public expectations of services and quality change over time. Where a concrete block toilet was once the norm, many are now considered to be unappealing.

6.1.8 Ownership.

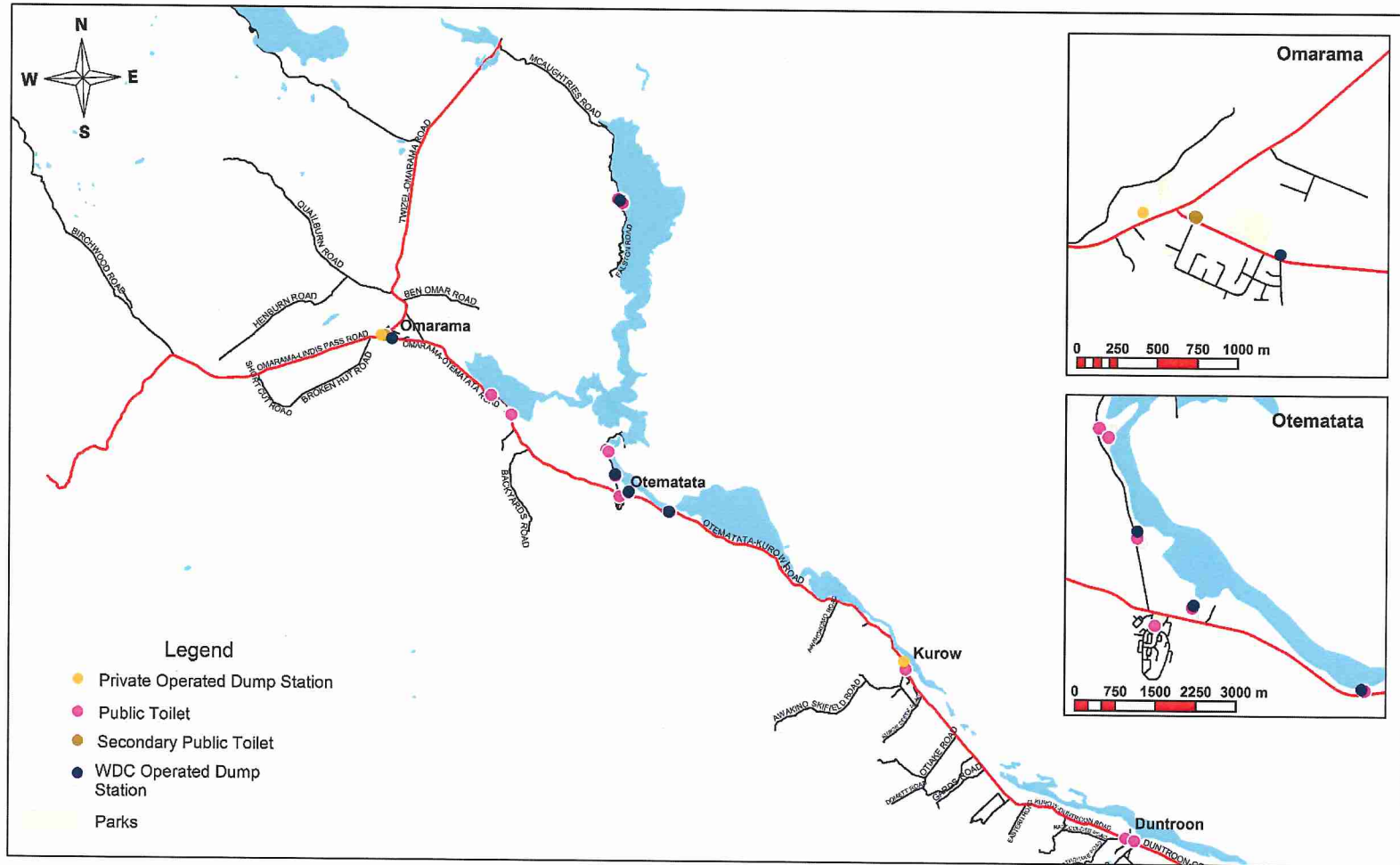
Some locations where there is demand for facilities fall on land owned or administered by others, including government agencies, Iwi, NZTA and private land. Some of these agencies have access to a funding base greater than local ratepayers, and have their own obligations as landowners and tourism providers.

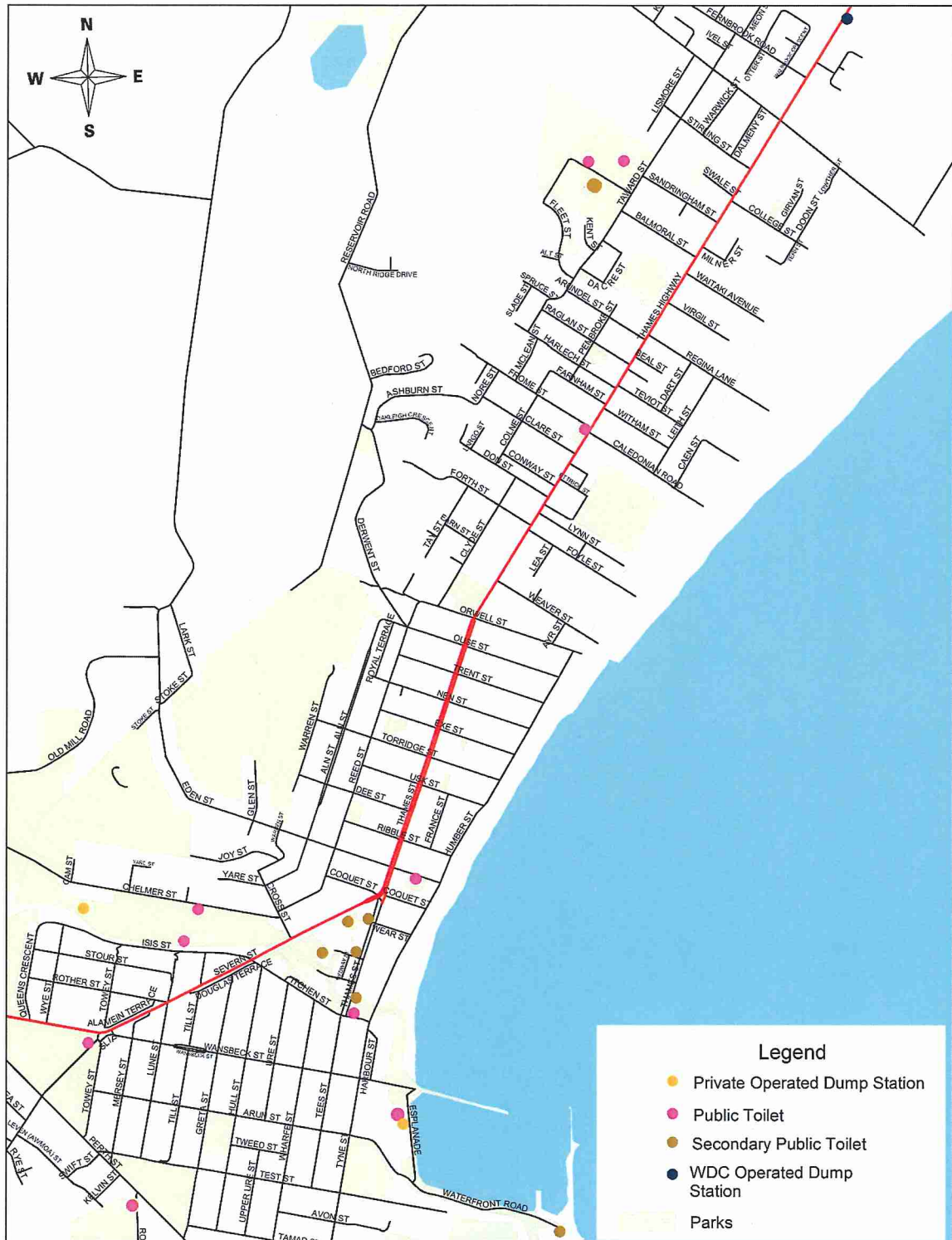
6.2 Approximate use.

Monitoring of use has been in place for two years. Two methods are used, water use and counters. Both methods have limitations and are used generally to monitor trend and compare sites rather than being considered absolute.

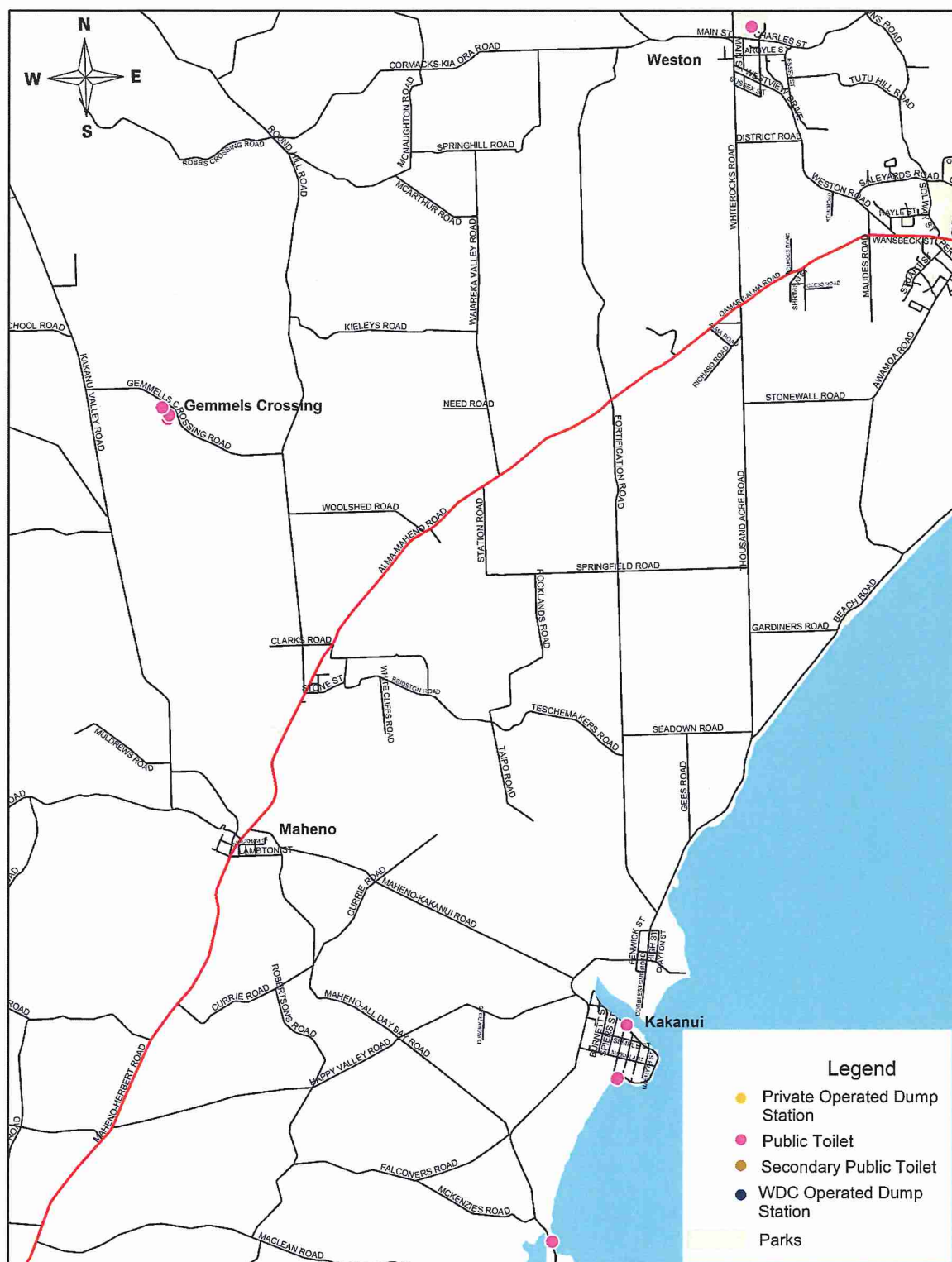


6.3 Toilet and Dump Station Locations (at 31 July 2017)

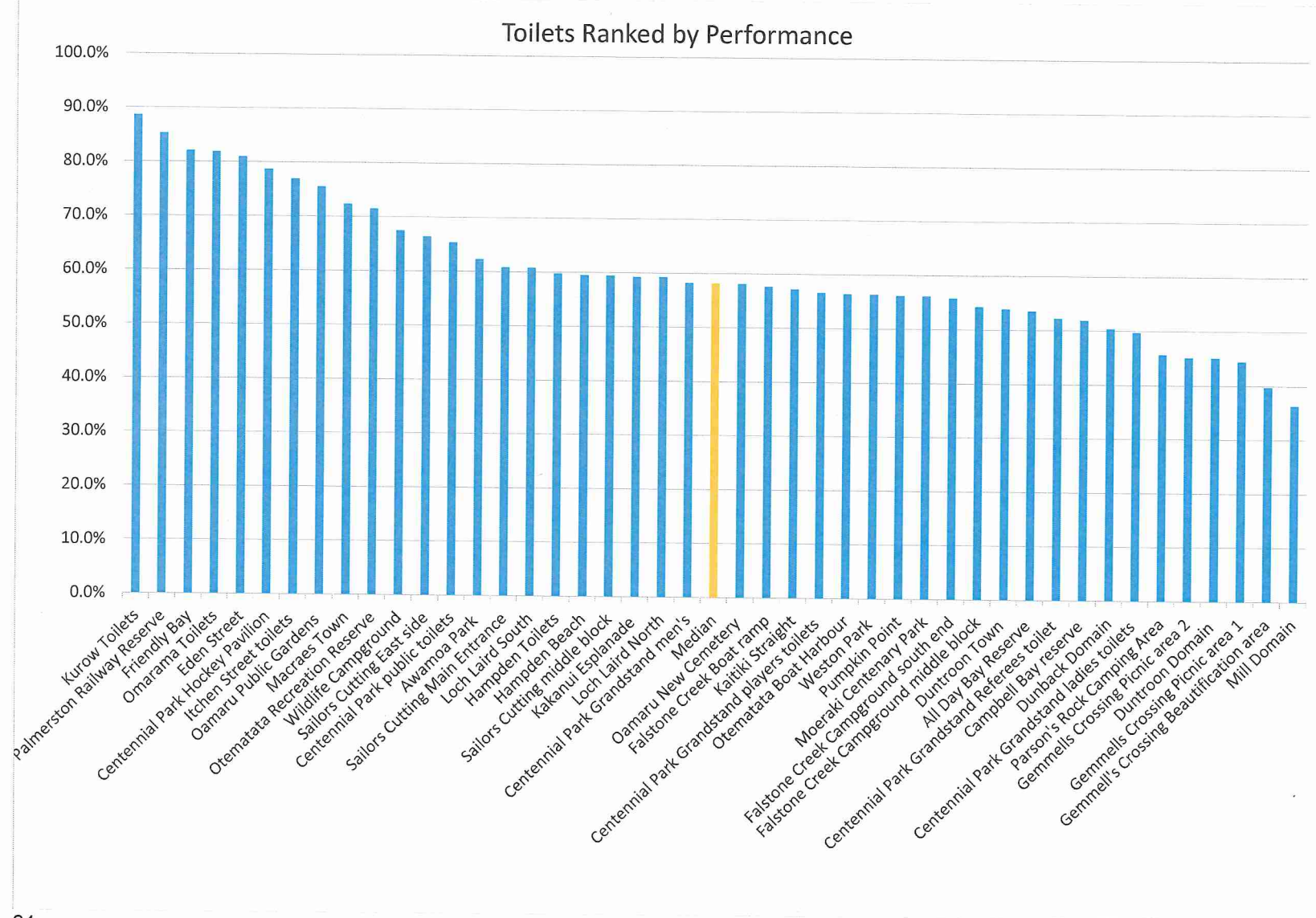








6.4 Current condition/ Compliance



6.5 Detailed Plan

Location	Category	Landowner/ Owner	Importance/ use (1 low, 5 high)	Importance comment	Condition/ Compliance (1 excellent, 5 poor)	Condition comment	Priority	WDC Action	Indicative Replacement Year (ending 30 June)	WDC Indicative Capital Cost	WDC Indicative additional Operating/ Maintenance Cost	WDC Indicative additional Finance Cost	Comment	Funding
Duntroon Toilet	Standard Toilet	WDC	4	Trail head for A2O.	5	Toilet design dated, poor condition, away from town centre, no disability access.	20	Replace	2018	\$150,000.00	Nil	\$13,000.00	New location central to Duntroon. To complete in conjunction with car parking for A2O.	\$263,000. Council funded \$150,000 from loan in 2015-25 LTP. Government funding \$113,000.
Weston Domain Toilet	Standard Toilet	WDC	4	Only public toilet in Weston. Provides for informal and formal recreation at Weston Domain.	5	Toilet design dated, poor condition, away from town centre, no disability access.	20	Refurbish	2018	\$90,000.00	Nil	Nil		Council funded from depreciation in 2015-25 LTP.
Sailors Cutting wastewater system	Disposal system	WDC	4	Disposes wastewater from popular campground	4	Existing activity. Constructed in 60's. Modern systems manage quality better.	16	Replace	2018	\$80,000.00	Nil	Nil	Completion of this project to be discussed as part of camp revenue in 2017/18.	Existing Project Depreciation funded in 2015-25 LTP
Falstone waste water system	Disposal system	WDC	4	Disposes wastewater from popular campground	4	Existing activity. Constructed in 60's. Modern systems manage quality better.	16	Replace	2018	\$150,000.00	Nil	Nil	Completion of this project to be discussed as part of camp revenue in 2017/18.	Loan funded in 2015-25 LTP. Finance costs covered by savings in not having to take waste away.
Dunback Domain Toilet	Standard Toilet	WDC	3	Used by domain users and campers. Camper numbers increasing.	5	Dated design. Poor condition.	15	Replace	2018	\$90,000.00	Nil	\$10,000.00	Opportunity to partner with new showers.	\$200,000. Council funded \$90,000 from loan in 2015-25 LTP. Government funding \$110,000 for improvements to discharge system and shower.
Moeraki Boulders Toilet	Basic Toilet	DoC	4	DoC Icon destination site. Evidence of toilet waste. Popular tourist destination.	5	Non-existent.	20	Advocate	2019	Nil	Nil	Nil	Likely to be vault at approximately \$50,000 due to environmental constraints unless pumped to Moeraki oxidation ponds. Cost to empty between \$20,000 and \$100,000 per annum subject to vault or flush. Cost to connect to oxidation ponds estimated to be \$70,000 including power connection and pipework.	DoC funded through tourism funding?
Otematata Toilet	Standard Toilet	WDC	4	Main town toilet. A2O destination. Increasing tourist traffic.	4	Located away from main traffic and shops. Dated design. Basic. Does not meet accessibility standards	16	Replace	2019	\$100,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	Consider relocating closer to shop.	\$200,000 required. Council funding \$100,000 from depreciation, Possible \$100,000 funding from Government?
Katiki Point (Lighthouse) Toilet	Standard Toilet	DoC	4	Popular tourist destination.	4	Basic vault toilet in place. Need for better facilities raised by Iwi and DoC.	16	Advocate	2019	Nil	Nil	Nil	Likely to be vault due to environmental constraints. Capital cost between \$50,000 and \$200,000 subject to scope. Cost to empty between \$20,000 and \$100,000 per annum subject to vault or flush. Could be as low as \$50,000 to install, if basic vault 'wilderness' toilets used.	DoC funded through tourism?
Lindis Pass Toilet	Basic Toilet	NZTA	3	Various locations both sides of Lindis Pass have toilet waste	5	Non-existent.	15	New	2019	Nil	\$15,000.00	Nil	Likely to be Vault due to constraints in water supply. Risk of toilet location turning into freedom camping hub. Bylaws not applicable to NZTA land.	Propose \$50,000 project funded by Government as required for tourism and not ratepayers. Servicing \$10,000 each from WDC and CODC?
All Day Bay Toilet	Basic Toilet	WDC	3	Used as freedom camping location. Required to be self-contained.	5	Poor standard.	15	Replace	2019	\$25,000.00	Nil	\$5,000.00	Environmental constraints may require management of usage. Additional facilities such as showers undesirable due to cost to dispose of waste water. Cost to empty between \$20,000 and \$100,000 per annum subject to vault or flush. Could be as low as \$50,000 to install, if basic vault 'wilderness' toilets used.	\$50,000 proposed. Waitaki \$25,000, Government \$25,000.
Palmerston Dump station	Dump Station	WDC	3	Closest facilities privately operated in Waikouaiti and Moeraki.	5	Non-existent.	15	New	2019	Nil	\$10,000.00	\$1,750.00	Possibly provided by Palmerston AP	Possible Tourism Funding?
Katiki Straight North Toilet	Basic Toilet	NZTA	3	Toilet waste issues. Used by Freedom Campers	5	Non-existent.	15	Monitor	2020	Nil	\$20,000.00	Nil	Likely to be \$50,000 vault due to environmental constraints. Cost to empty between \$20,000 and \$100,000 per annum subject to vault or flush. Could be as low as \$50,000 to install, if basic vault 'wilderness' toilets used.	Government Funding as part of a package?
Campbell Bay Toilet	Standard Toilet	WDC	3	Used by beach users and campers.	4	Dated design. Poor condition.	12	Replace	2020	\$125,000.00	Nil	\$6,250.00	Consider relocating to terrace. \$250,000 project. \$60,000 currently allocated as seed funding from Council loan. Scope to be determined in conjunction with response to Freedom Camping. Opportunity to work with KRAIS and partner with toilet block. Cleaning and servicing can be met by KRAIS camper fees.	Government Funding opportunity if used by campers. Waitaki \$125,000.00, Government \$125,000.00
Awamoa Toilet	Standard Toilet	WDC	4	Used by passing traffic. Services Awamoa sports field. Highly used.	4	Dated design, poor condition.	16	Replace	2021	\$250,000.00	Nil	\$12,500.00	If new Rec Centre is built at Awamoa can incorporate into this. 2020 target date for work to coincide with potential rec centre date. Funds could be interchanged with Centennial Grandstand and Centennial Field Toilets. \$500,000 estimated to be required across the three toilets.	\$250,000 required from WDC loan.
BMX track Toilet	Standard Toilet	WDC	3	Required by track users	5	Non-existent.	15	New	2021	\$200,000.00	\$30,000.00	\$18,000.00	Carry out work in 2022 when track is constructed and usage is known.	\$200,000 Council Loan.
Eden St Toilet	Destination Toilet	WDC	5	Used by tourist and commuter buses. One of Oamaru's main toilet blocks.	3	Average condition. Dated design.	15	Replace	2021	\$250,000.00	Nil	Nil	Consider showers if used by freedom campers.	
Clay Cliffs	Standard Toilet	Private	3	Popular tourist destination.	5	Non-existent.	15		2021	Nil	\$20,000.00	Nil		

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Centennial Park Grandstand Toilets	Standard Toilet	WDC	3	Used by sporting codes. Centennial park is main sporting complex.	4	Vary in standard, with women's particularly poor and small. Basic dated design.	12	Refurbish	2021	\$250,000.00	Nil	\$12,500.00	If new Rec Centre is built by Centennial grandstand, can be incorporated into this. 2020 target date for work to coincide with potential rec centre date. Funds could be interchanged with Awamoa and Field Grandstand. \$500,000 estimated to be required across the three toilets.	Unlikely to be eligible for Government funding as not tourist driven.
Centennial Park Field Toilets	Standard Toilet	WDC	3	Regularly used by sports teams and public watching sport.	4	Low standard	12	Replace	2021	Refer Awamoa toilet and Grandstand toilet.	Refer Awamoa toilet and Grandstand toilet.	Refer Awamoa toilet and Grandstand toilet.	If new Rec Centre is built by Excelsior, incorporate into this. 2020 target date for work to coincide with potential rec centre date. Funds could be interchanged with Awamoa or Centennial Grandstand. \$500,000 estimated to be required across the three toilets.	Unlikely to be eligible for Government funding as not tourist driven.
Moeraki Toilet	Standard Toilet	WDC	3	Used by residents, holiday makers and independent tourists.	4	Dated design, poor condition.	12	Refurbish	2021	\$200,000.00	Nil	\$10,000.00	May be better located beside carpark.	Depreciation funding?
Omarama Toilet	Destination Toilet	WDC	5	High use toilet used by tourist buses. Possibly highest use toilet in district	3	Good interior. Exterior could be smartened.	15	Replace	2021	\$300,000.00	Nil	\$15,000.00	Need to assess use with buses. Woman may be using the disability instead of the women's side causing ques. Replace with 6-7 unisex? Consider if alternative site may be better. Consider if should be part of improved tourist centre.	Government funding may be available with increases in tourism.
Elephant Rocks Toilet	Basic	Private	3	Popular tourist destination.	4	Poor condition	12	New	2022	Nil	\$15,000.00	Nil	\$50,000 basic vault?	Possible tourism funding?
Water treatment systems for camps	Water Supply	WDC	4	Drinking water supplied for popular camping facilities	3	Currently complies through having permanent boil water notices. This may not be acceptable to community or meet standards following Palmerston North incidents.	12	New	2022	\$300,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$18,000.00		Loan funding. Government funding unlikely as this is a NZ Drinking water standards issue not a tourist driven issue. Tourists typically do not use the camps.
Parsons Rock Wastewater system	Disposal system	WDC	3	Popular camping site in summer	4		12		2023	\$150,000.00	Nil	\$13,500.00		
Loch Laird and Wildlife Wastewater systems	Disposal system	WDC	3	Popular camping site in summer	4		12		2023	\$250,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$13,500.00		
Bushey Beach Toilet	Basic Toilets	DoC	2	Tourist destination	5	Non-existent.	10	Advocate	2024	Nil	Nil	Nil	Likely to be vault due to environmental constraints. Cost to empty between \$20,000 and \$100,000 per annum subject to vault or flush. Could be as low as \$50,000 to install, if basic vault 'wilderness' toilets used.	DoC funding through additional tourist funding?
Duntroon Domain Toilet	Standard Toilet	WDC	2	Used by domain users and campers. Camper numbers increasing.	5	Very basic and poor quality facility.	10	Replace	2024	\$200,000.00	Nil	Nil	Only used for camping and domain use. May need to pump to discharge fields. Flood prone. A private campground may be desirable in a different location. Shower facilities an option for future.	Government funding may be available with increases in tourism and camping.
Omarama Playground Toilet	Standard Toilet	WDC	2	Local playground and possible site for tennis courts.	5	Non-existent.	10	New	2025	\$200,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$18,000.00	Option to gain access to Hall toilet. Needs assessment to be completed for tennis courts and option to use school to be investigated.	Loan funding.
Mill Domain Toilet	Basic Toilet	WDC	2	Owned and used by local cricket club.	5	Very poor quality.	10	New	2025	\$150,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$9,000.00	Currently owned and maintained by Cricket Club	Loan funding
Parson's Rock additional West Toilet	Basic Toilet	WDC	2	Popular camping site in summer	5	Non-existent.	10	New	2026	\$50,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$7,000.00	Likely to be vault toilet due environmental constraints for discharge. Currently portaloos provided Christmas and new year period.	
Oamaru Cemetery Toilet	Standard Toilet	WDC	2	Limited use by Cemetery visitors	5	Very poor quality.	10	Replace	2026	\$100,000.00	Nil	Nil		
Palmerston Toilet	Destination Toilet	WDC	5	High use	2	Good condition.	10	Replace	2027	\$300,000.00	Nil	Nil		
Itchen St Toilet	Destination Toilet	WDC	5	High use toilet used by tourist buses.	2	Poor layout with alley. Otherwise in good condition	10	Maintain	2028	\$300,000.00	Nil	Nil	Access does not comply with safety guidelines. Rest of facility adequate.	Depreciation funding.
Kurow Toilets	Standard Toilet	WDC	4	In top 5 of WDC toilets for use.	2	Good condition.	8	Refurbish	2029	\$300,000.00	Nil	Nil		
Pumpkin Point Toilet	Basic Toilet	LINZ	2	Day visitor location in summer	4	Low standard	8	Replace	2029	\$50,000.00	Nil	Nil		
Katiki Straight Toilet	Basic Toilet	NZTA	2		4		8	Replace	2030	Nil	Nil	Nil		Government funding as tourism toilet not benefiting ratepayers
Hampden Beach Toilets	Standard Toilet	WDC	2		4		8	Maintain	2030	\$200,000.00	Nil	\$10,000.00	Management of discharge may be an issue as will require pumping to a new discharge field and may be unable to obtain resource consent. Vault may be an option.	

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Oamaru Public Gardens Toilet	Standard Toilet	WDC	5		1		5	Maintain	2033					Depreciation
Friendly Bay Toilet	Destination Toilet	WDC	5		1		5	Maintain	2035					Depreciation
Hampden Toilets	Standard Toilet	WDC	4		2		8		2036					
Roberts Park Toilet	Standard Toilet	WDC	4		1		4	Maintain	2037					
Sailors Cutting Entrance Toilet	Standard Toilet	WDC	3	Serves boat ramp users and A2O traffic in addition to campers.	3	Average condition. Dated design.	9	Refurbish		\$60,000.00	Nil			Government funding may be available with A2O tourist traffic.
Loch Laird North Toilets	Standard Toilet	LINZ	2		4		8						On Crown land servicing day recreational use. Not part of campground.	
Loch Laird South Toilets	Standard Toilet	WDC	2		4		8							
Otematata Boat Harbour Toilets	Standard Toilet	WDC	2		4		8							
Falstone Creek Boat Ramp Toilet	Standard Toilet	WDC	2		3		6							
Falstone Campground south Toilet	Standard Toilet	WDC	2		3		6							
Falstone Campground middle Toilet	Standard Toilet	WDC	2		3		6							
Parson's Rock Toilet	Standard Toilet	WDC	2		3		6							
Wildlife Campground Toilet	Standard Toilet	WDC	2		3		6							
Sailors Cutting East Toilet	Standard Toilet	WDC	2		3		6							
Sailors Cutting Middle Toilet	Standard Toilet	WDC	2		3		6							
Gemmels Crossing south bank Toilet	Basic Toilet	WDC	1		5		5	Replace					Consider returning this land to DoC	
Gemmels Crossing North Bank men's Toilet	Basic Toilet	WDC	1		5		5	Replace					Consider returning this land to DoC	
Gemmels Crossing North Bank Woman's Toilet	Basic Toilet	WDC	1		5		5	Remove					Consider returning this land to DoC	
Maori Rock Paintings	Basic	Private	1		5	Non-existent.	5	Monitor						
Centennial Park Hockey Pavilion Toilet	Standard Toilet	NORTT	2		2		4						Owned by sports codes. Maintained by Council for sports access.	
Kakanui Esplanade Toilet	Standard Toilet	WDC	1		4		4	Remove					Remove when unsafe.	
King George Park Toilet	Standard Toilet	Private	2	Union Pavilion provides toilets when in use. Only required when cricket games played.	2	Basic facilities.	4	Nil		\$150,000.00	\$20,000.00		New toilets may be required if sporting use increases.	Loan
Harbour Street Toilet	Standard Toilet	WCT	2	Close proximity to Friendly Bay and Itchen Street Toilets	2	Existing facilities	4	Grant		\$0.00	\$4,000.00		Grant provided for consumables	

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High Country Salmon	Standard Toilet	Private	1	Benefits private business. Toilets available in Omarama and Twizel for motorists.	3	Existing facilities	3	Monitor					Owner would advertise as public toilets as opposed to customer toilets if Council were to make a contribution. Some salmon fishing done near here but generally on opposite banks of canals from location. Canals are Meridian and LINZ land.	

6.6 Glossary

Dump Station

A dump station is a small facility designed to protect public health and the environment by ensuring the proper disposal of wastewater from recreational vehicles.

Community Services Committee Report

From: Recreation Manager

Date: 30 August 2017

BMX Track Feedback

Recommendations

The Community Services Committee recommends:

That Council:

1. Notes progress to date.
2. Receives the community feedback.
3. Approves construction of parking on the landfill site adjacent to Selwyn Street, as indicated in Attachment Three.

Objective of the Decision

To update Council on BMX track progress and present community feedback.

Summary

Feedback is generally supportive, with themes of:

- Toilets required.
- Bushy Beach Road too busy for vehicle access.
- Do not want carpark directly behind houses at Selwyn Street.
- Fence the carpark so it cannot be used for burnouts.

Summary of Decision Making Criteria

	No/Moderate/Key		No/Moderate/Key
Policy/Plan	No	Environmental Considerations	No
Legal	No	Cultural Considerations	No
Significance	No	Social Considerations	No
Financial Criteria	No	Economic Considerations	No
Community Views	Key	Community Board Views	No
Consultation	Key	Publicity and Communication	Moderate

Background:

In September 2016, Council was approached by Venture Waitaki requesting funding and approval to construct a BMX track on Council land. Council resolved:

RESOLVED

WDC16/239

Crs Tavendale/Hopkins

"That Council approves:

1. Construction of the proposed carpark from its landfill rehabilitation budget to a maximum of \$15,000.
2. Up to \$20,000 from RMA funding toward the construction of the BMX track.
3. Venture Waitaki to sell sponsorship and naming rights to fundraise for the track development.
4. Venture Waitaki's proposal to develop the track.
5. Council maintaining the surrounding vegetation and carpark.
6. Entering into a Memorandum of Understanding with a BMX club (to be formed) that will maintain the track."

CARRIED

Progress:

Since this resolution, the following progress has been made:

- Venture Waitaki has obtained funding from the Otago Community Trust for the riding surface. The Otago Community Trust has confirmed funding for the track will be released without having to confirm funding for the start gate.
- A Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) has been signed between Council and the BMX Club.
- An RMA-required contamination risk assessment has been completed, with no issues identified.

- The landfill designation in the district plan has been waived for this activity.
- Council is currently ensuring the depth of cap above landfill meets resource consent requirements and obtaining sufficient clay for the BMX track construction.
- The Mountain Bike Club has advised it has a contractor and hopes to start work in late spring.

Consultation:

As the land is not subject to the Reserves Act 1977, and the proposal does not meet the threshold in Council's 'Significance and Engagement Policy', there is no legal requirement to consult. However, Council's intentions were notified in the Waitaki Link, and neighbouring houses received information in their mail boxes.

Topics generally covered by feedback and officers comments are:

Topic	Comment
Toilets Required.	This can be considered as part of Council's toilet strategy.
Bushy Beach Road too busy for vehicle access.	Higher use than Selwyn Street. Sufficient sight lines can be obtained. Access would need to cross existing walking / cycling path.
No carpark off Selwyn Street. Confusing intersection.	Safer than using Bushy Beach Road due to lower use. Use of Selwyn street supported by site visit.
Fence Car Park so it can't be used for burnouts.	Car park can be designed to minimise opportunity. Eg Parking on side of Selwyn street would not provide enough space for burnouts.

The BMX Club's preference is to have the carpark on the landfill site (indicated in Attachment Three) as it is concerned about congestion on Selwyn Street. Access for maintenance and emergency vehicles will need to be provided.

Summary of Options Considered

Option 1 – The Community Services Committee recommends that Council:

1. Notes progress to date.
2. Receives the community feedback.
3. Approves construction of parking on the landfill site adjacent to Selwyn Street as indicated in Attachment Three.

Option 2 – The Community Services Committee recommends that Council:

1. Notes progress to date.
2. Receives the community feedback.
3. Considers other parking options.

Option 3 – The Community Services Committee recommends that Council:

1. Notes progress to date.
2. Receives the community feedback.
3. Requests further information.

Assessment of Preferred Option

Option 1 is the preferred option, as parking alongside Selwyn Street:

- Does not require an additional intersection.
- Is on a street with lower traffic movements.
- Does not require crossing the existing walking and cycling track.
- Is lower cost than options off Bushy Beach Road



Dr Thunes Cloete
Community Services Group Manager

Erik van der Spek
Recreation Manager
Attachments

- 1 Additional decision making considerations
- 2 Information Sheet and feedback
- 3 Car Park Location

Attachment One: Additional Decision Making Considerations

The following matters have been considered in making the decisions.

Outcomes

This project will contribute to the following community outcomes:

- We provide and enable services and facilities so people want to stay and move here.
- We keep our district affordable.
- We understand the diverse needs of our Community.

Significance

The decision is considered to be of low significance and a level of engagement of 'Inform' is appropriate.

Consistency	Is consistent with support provided to community sporting facilities in the past
Financial Consequences	Has low financial consequences for Council and the community
Community Impact	Has low impact on present and future interests of the community
Controversy	Is unlikely to be controversial and community views are known.
Reversibility	Will not be reversible.
Uncertainty	Funding for start gates has yet to be secured.
Strategic Asset	A strategic asset is not part of this decision

Community Views, Publicity and Communication

Community views have been sought and are included in this report for consideration.

Attachment Two: Information Sheet and feedback.



BMX Bike Track

Waitaki District Council, Venture Waitaki and a newly-formed BMX club have been working to redevelop a BMX track for the community. It is intended to be built in the vicinity of the Oamaru Landfill which is due to close in April.

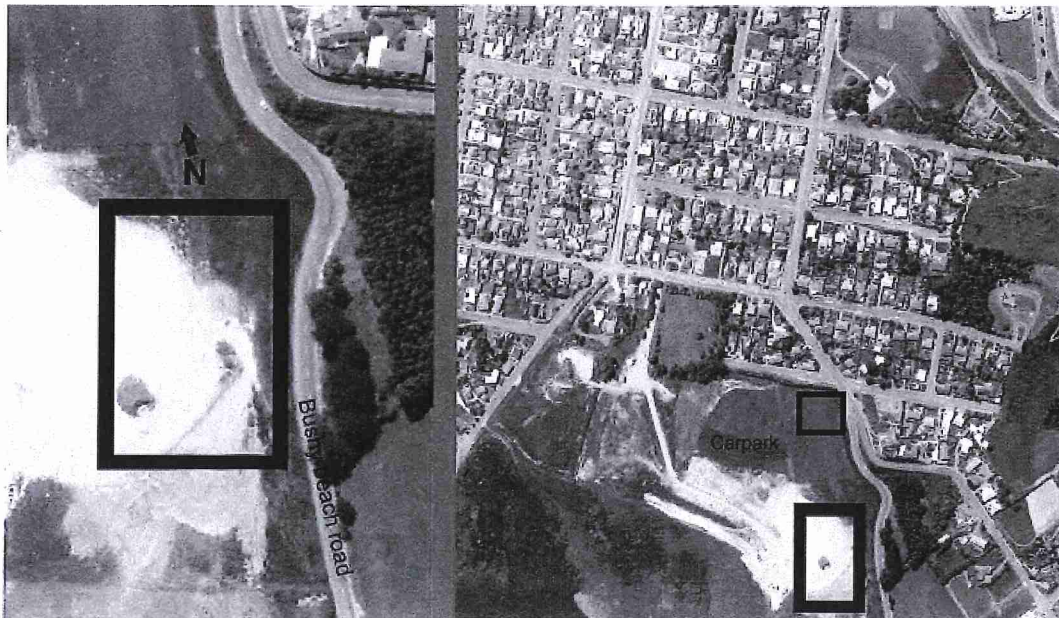
The bike track is planned to be a venue that will be able to hold national and local events and there for locals to use at their will. This will mean local children will have somewhere to get outdoors and do something that is a lot of fun. It will also mean people coming into our wonderful district - a spin off for local businesses.

We think the location is ideal. There's a large area that can be developed, it's close to town and it's sheltered. The track will be designed with all ages in mind from the 3 year old on their balance bike to the big kids on their bikes.

A group of local parents (some have already signed up) will help maintain the track with help from us.

We think this is a great opportunity but it's important we have the views of others including you. We'd like to hear if you have any issues or concerns about the project.

Please contact us on 03 433 0300 or email evanderspek@waitaki.govt.nz by **Friday 5 May**.



Growing strong communities.

Contact Erik van der Spek Phone 03 433 0300 Email evanderspek@waitaki.govt.nz Web www.waitaki.govt.nz
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Feel free to forward my views. I believe a jump track / pump track would have much wider appeal, and get more use than a BMX track albeit in a more casual manner than formal BMX competitions. I'm not being negative about BMX- hopefully both will happen.

A lot of the young local riders are desperate for some larger jumps to play on. At the moment they have to travel to Dunedin, Timaru or central Otago for that kind of experience.

It might take some of the pressure off Cape Wanbrow given the recent complaints about activities up there, too.

6 April 2017

Erik van der Spek
Waitaki District Council
Private Bag 50058
Oamaru

Dear Erik

Submission – BMX Park on old Tip Site

I am in favour of the former tip site at the top of South Hill being used by the BMX club for a bike track and agree that this would be a fantastic use of this site. It is great we have people in the community willing to maintain the site and keep it tidy once the track is created.

As a person who has lived in Selwyn Street for nine years I do have concerns about traffic flow and where the proposed carpark is located. The five way intersection of Selwyn St, Tyne St, Brinkburn St and Bushy Beach Road is confusing to people – both local and visitors. There is a high volume of tourist traffic going to view the Bushy Beach Reserve and these people often stop in the middle of the intersection, turn up Brinkburn or Selwyn Street and then go down the correct road to Bushy Beach. Often just doing a u-turn when they realise that they are going the wrong way.

Those who miss the Tamar St turn to Lookout Point also turn at this intersection after stopping in the middle of the road and getting instructions from their navigator (electronic or with maps, sometimes placed on the steering wheel while driving).

When coming back from Bushy Beach very seldom does traffic on that road 'Give Way' to vehicles coming down Brinkburn Street and those coming out of Selwyn Street often all stop and give way to everything.

I request that Council carefully consider the location of the carpark, the expected volumes of traffic and how to best manage the directions/signage for those using the BMX track and those who are going to other destinations.

I also ask that toileting be considered as the nearest public toilets to there are in Itchen Street or Awamoa Road, so a toilet either at the new BMX track or at Lookout Point would be an advantage to all.

Best of luck with this project.

Hi,

We live on Bushy Beach road and are wondering where you plan to have the access to the proposed park and what car parking facilities there will be. Parts of Bushy Beach road have less than ideal sight lines for traffic and adding to the campervan traffic to the penguin colony in summer some problems are likely.

Hi

I would like to suggest that the parking area for this be a fenced area to stop late night hoons using the whole area for burnouts etc. The area will also attract freedom campers so maybe the alternative would be a locked gate in the evenings?

Regards

Hi Erik

In my opinion for the BMX Track it could not be a good idea. I believe this is because the youth of Oamaru don't ride bikes as much as they use too. This can be seen if you go around the schools and see how many bikes are parked up in the biking bay. Kids are more riding scooters rather than bikes. Kids riding scooters tend to go to the Skate Park a lot, maybe developing the Skate Park to withhold Skaters and Scooters should go into consideration. If you want to discuss further that would be great.

Hi

Firstly think it's so fantastic that Oamaru is getting a BMX track! Great work council!!

We moved from Dunedin and I was a member of the Dunedin club, racing at the National Champs at one point. Now I have children I would love us all to be involved.

What I would love to see at the track is an area where small children can play and ride while racing/club nights are happening, where they can be watched ride their bikes but still be off the main track. Maybe some shade for hot summer's days?

Night stadium lights would be great too - they would enable winter club racing under lights. We used to do that in Hamilton and it was exciting for the kids as well as keeping the enthusiasm, fitness and member numbers up over the winter.

I believe there may be a pump track being built also - fantastic idea.

Regards,

05/05/2017

To Whom It May Concern,

Please accept my submission regarding the future use of the Tamar Street Landfill site.

1. An area of native bush could be established on the hill to the south of the property. In addition to the current track, more walking tracks could be created above and below this track. A three-sided park bench could be placed at the lookout on the top of the hill (views to the sea, the mountains, and the town). The current cover is largely grass, with no wilding pines or other trees, so this would be an ideal place for the native plant purists (Forest & Bird?) to create an area of bush with the original plants of the area. The lookout could be surrounded by tussock and other low-growing plants so as to preserve the view. An area of natural ponding below the lookout could be planted in flaxes and other water-loving plants. The team currently propagating trees and planting at Cape Wanbrow could continue here.
2. Regarding the track (on the flat) leading to this area, there is a low-lying spot where rainwater pools and makes the track impassible. This needs to be either raised or drained. There is also a large excavation at the bottom of the hill which currently fills up with water whenever it rains. It is both a eyesore and potential hazard - it should be either filled in, drained, or planted out as a wetland.

All the above measures will make the whole area a beautiful addition to the park, and a suitable place for visitors to the BMX track and other tourists, as well as locals to enjoy.

A few issues along Beach Road:

3. The areas of capped landfill would be ideal for walking tracks, and I presume this is why two entrances have been created along Beach Road. One is directly below a drainage pond which currently has inadequate drainage whenever there is serious rain. As a consequence, the pond overflows and gouges out not only the new track entrance, but also the entrance to the neighbouring property, and also the (recently repaired) road edge. Either the pond needs better drainage, or the gateway needs to be moved. A better spot would be where the old entrance to the dump used to be (further up the hill towards town), where there is an area of hard gravel suitable for lots of foot traffic. Regarding the other gate (further down the hill), does it actually enter into landfill property?
4. Some time ago a row of conifers were planted along Beach Road, presumably with the intention of blocking views of the landfill. These trees need to be inspected, as numbers of them are either dead or dying. If this is due to being planted in or near rubbish, maybe even the surviving ones should be removed, as they may fall down in the future when they are big enough to cause a hazard. Also, now that the landfill is closed, they are no longer needed, and will end up shading the road and requiring trimming.

Please contact me if you would like to discuss any of this further.

Dear Erik

I live on the corner of Tyne and Selwyn street directly opposite the old dump site where you are proposing putting in a BMX bike track. Obviously I am going to have a birds-eye view of the track, however my concern is the car park. Will the entrance be directly opposite my house? I enjoy being in this location however if the traffic flow is going to increase substantially I'm not happy. I'm truly hoping that the

entrance to the proposed car-park is not virtually outside my gate. I chose to live here because its almost the end of town with not a great traffic flow (apart from when they are putting in new water mains!!)

I would appreciate it if you could clarify this more as when I look at the map that came in my mail box it looks like I'm going to have a car park within metres of my home.

A concerned resident

Dear Sir/Madame

I wish to make a submission about the proposed BMX track.

I submit that Friendly Bay would be a better place for it. Somewhere near the children's bike park. It would be popular with older children and adults, making that area even more of a draw card for families.

A pump track could be added beside it like the one at Arrowtown. That one is always busy and draw visitors to watch it.

That location would also draw people to it to watch big events. It may be harder to draw spectators to the landfill site.

Oamaru seems to be developing quite a following around cycling and this would be a great addition to the activities on offer at the heart of the town.

Yours faithfully

Attachment Three: Car Park Location.

Community Services Committee Report

From Recreation Manager

Date 30 August 2017

12 Ranfurly Street, Kurow

Recommendations

The Community Services Committee recommends:

That Council:

1. Notes no submissions were received to the public notice advising that Council intends to revoke reservation of 12 Ranfurly Street, Kurow under the Reserves Act 1977.
2. Confirms its previous resolutions to:
 - a. Request the Department of Conservation to revoke reservation and dispose of 12 Ranfurly Street, Kurow.
 - b. Remove the recreation designation for 12 Ranfurly Street, Kurow in the District Plan.

Objective of the Decision

1. To prevent the improvements at 12 Ranfurly Street, Kurow from falling into disrepair and becoming a Council liability.
2. To provide funds for community recreation purposes.

Summary of Decision Making Criteria

	No/Moderate/Key		No/Moderate/Key
Policy/Plan	Moderate	Environmental Considerations	No
Legal	Key	Cultural Considerations	No
Significance	No	Social Considerations	No
Financial Criteria	No	Economic Considerations	No
Community Views	Key	Community Board Views	Moderate
Consultation	Moderate	Publicity and Communication	No

Background

Improvements/facilities at 12 Ranfurly Street, Kurow consist of a house and grounds (Attachment 1) that were previously leased for use as a pre-school. This use ceased approximately six years ago and the facilities have been unused and unmaintained since that time.

In the 2016/17 Annual Plan, Council allocated \$25,000 towards maintenance and modifications with a view to leasing as residential accommodation (Attachment 3). Officers were also requested to investigate the possibility of selling the land and improvements. In December 2016, a party interested in purchasing the improvements and leasing the land approached Council.

Following this, officers received advice that the activity itself on the land must be consistent with the lands reserve status rather than how the funds would be used. As such, use for residential accommodation would not meet the definitions of either 'Local Purpose Reserve' or 'Recreation Reserve' as the use is not for a community or recreation purpose.

The Department of Conservation (DoC) advised that in 1957 the building (being the old school house) was gifted to the community at no cost for the purposes of use as a Scout and Guide hall, and that ownership lies with the Waitaki District Council. As this was a gift to the local community, it is likely DoC would only seek half the proceeds from the land sale (after disposal costs) but would require Council to use the proceeds from the sale of improvements to be used for recreation purposes.

In order to allow for disposal, Council (WDC 17/063) resolved:

RESOLVED
WDC17/063

Crs Dawson/Perkins

"That Council:

1. Notifies the community of its intention to revoke reservation of 12 Ranfurly Street, Kurow under the Reserves Act 1977.
2. Request the Department of Conservation to revoke reservation and dispose of 12 Ranfurly Street, Kurow.
3. Remove the recreation designation for 12 Ranfurly Street, Kurow in the District Plan."

CARRIED

Public notification was completed in the 23 June 2017 edition of the Oamaru Mail and in the Kurow Bugle. No submissions were received.

Summary of Options Considered

Option 1 (*Recommended*)

The Community Services Committee recommends that Council:

1. Notes no submissions were received to the public notice advising that Council intends to revoke reservation of 12 Ranfurly Street under the Reserves Act 1977.
2. Confirms its previous resolutions to:
 - a. Request the Department of Conservation to revoke reservation and dispose of 12 Ranfurly Street.
 - b. Remove the recreation designation for 12 Ranfurly Street in the District Plan.

Option 2

Retain management of land and improvements and seek recreational use of 12 Ranfurly Street.

Assessment of Preferred Option

Option 1 is the preferred option as this is considered to provide the most benefit to the community and is consistent with the requirements of the Reserves Act 1977.



Eric van der Spek
Recreation Manager

Dr Thunes Cloete
Community Services Group Manager

Attachments:

- 1 Additional decision making considerations
- 2 Public Notice and information sheet

Attachment 1: Additional Decision Making Considerations

The following matters have been considered in making the decision.

Outcomes

This project will contribute to the following community outcomes:

- Our communities are safe places to live, work and play
- Our green-spaces, sports fields, libraries and recreational facilities are well managed and encourage healthy, active lifestyles and learning
- We recognise, value and respect Waitaki as a great place to live, visit, work and play
- Our infrastructure services are reliable and affordable.

Policy and Plan Considerations

Recreation designation in the District Plan will be required to be removed. Council is able to request this as the requiring authority.

Legal

The land is Crown land set aside under the 1948 Land Act and is now administered as a Recreation Reserve and vested in Waitaki District Council.

The Reserves Act requires activities to be consistent with the purpose of the reserve and to show that the relevant statutory requirements have been met. As a Recreation Reserve, use must be recreational in nature. Since the Scouts ceased to use this building, Council has not received any approach for recreational use of the land. Kurow is blessed with large areas of recreation land and many buildings are available for recreation use including the public hall, old school building, and bowling club. The land and buildings at 12 Ranfurly Street are considered surplus to recreation requirements.

In order to dispose of the land, Council is required to publicly notify its intention and request DoC carry out this process. LINZ will run this process for DoC and the cost of the process will need to be met from the proceeds.

Significance

This does not trigger Council's significance policy.

Financial and Economic Considerations

This will potentially provide additional funds for community recreation as well as ensure that assets do not fall into a state of disrepair.

Publicity and Communication Considerations

Public notification has been completed under the Reserves Act.

Attachment 2: Public Notice and information sheet

PROPOSED RECREATION RESERVE REVOCATION, KUROW

Pursuant to section 24(1) and (2) of the Reserves Act 1977, notice is given of the Council's intention to seek revocation of the recreation reserve status of approximately 0.1189 hectares of land described in the Schedule of Land (1) below. The land is recreation reserve vested in Council and is surplus to recreation requirements with the improvements falling into a state of disrepair. The land will be returned to the Crown for a decision on disposal.

More information is available from the Waitaki District Council office at 20 Thames Street, Oamaru or Council's website www.waitaki.govt.nz

Any person wishing to make a submission, either objecting to the proposal, or supporting the proposal, may do so. Any submission so received must be in writing and in a sealed envelope clearly marked "Revocation of recreation reserve Kurow" and directed to the Chief Executive Officer, Waitaki District Council, Private Bag 50058, Oamaru or alternatively, delivered directly to the Oamaru office at 20 Thames Street on or before noon, Monday 24 July 2017.

Schedule of Land

(1) Land Subject to Proposed Recreation Reserve Revocation

SEC 20 BLK V TWN KUROW containing an area of 0.1189 hectares, as more particularly known as 12 Ranfurly street, Kurow and shown outlined in red on plan below.





Waitaki
DISTRICT COUNCIL
TE KAUNIHĀRA A ROHĀ O WAITAKI

Recreation Reserve

There's a house and land in Kurow that used to be a playcentre but for several years has been vacant and is now falling into disrepair. We'd like to take some action and want public feedback on our plan.



What we're planning to do

We're proposing to return a property in Kurow to the government for them to consider changing its legal status and disposing of it (it's currently Recreation Reserve as it's no longer required for recreational purposes).

Where

12 Ranfurly Street, Kurow (legal title is Sec 20 Blk V Twn Kurow) and is an area of 0.1189 hectares (see the red area on the image to the left).

Why

The house and section used to be leased as a preschool but this closed approximately six years ago. Since then the property has been unused and unmaintained.

Because the land is classified as 'Recreation Reserve', any activity must be considered a recreational activity and is unable to be used for activities such as accommodation. The building was once the old school house and was gifted to the community at no cost and was to be used as a Scout and Guide hall.

Should the government decide to sell it, the Department of Conservation (DoC) is likely to get half the proceeds from the land sale (less disposal costs) and we would receive the value of the building. Those proceeds would need to be used for recreational purposes.

This is our preferred option as we believe it will provide the most benefit to the local community and is also consistent with the requirements of the Reserves Act 1977.

How

We're in the process of notifying the public. People have an opportunity to tell us whether they support our proposal to return the property to the government or if they have an objection. This has to be done on or before 12 noon, Monday 24 July.

We'll consider all of the feedback before providing a report to the Minister of Conservation. DoC will then consult with Te Runanga o Ngai Tahu who will be offered first right of refusal in accordance with our Ngai Tahu Settlement Act 1998 obligations. The Minister of Conservation (or delegated authority) will then decide what to do with the land. If it's to be sold Land Information NZ (LINZ) will do this.

Have a say

You may wish to tell us what you think of our proposal. If so, it must be in writing and in a sealed envelope, addressed to:

'Revocation of Recreation Reserve Kurow'

Chief Executive Officer

Waitaki District Council

Private Bag 50058, Oamaru

Alternatively, it can be delivered directly to our office in Oamaru (20 Thames Street).

Feedback must be with us on or before 12 noon, Monday 24 July.

Community Services Committee Memorandum

From Community Services Group Manager

Date 30 August 2017

Community Services Group Activity Report for the period 25 June to 4 August 2017

Recommendation

The Community Services Committee receives the information.

Summary and Purpose

The purpose of this memorandum is to inform the Committee about the activities of the Community Services Group, for the period 25 June to 4 August 2017.

The Community Services Group is a diverse group that has a varied impact on the community. This report process is the only direct reporting line to Councillors for some of the Community Services units.

Advance notice of any questions would be gratefully received.

1. Waitaki District Libraries

1.1 Events

- On Monday 17 July, 10 members of the Waitaki Writers' Group attended the afternoon announcement and celebration of the winners of their annual short story and poetry competition. This year the judge was Maclean Barker, the Library's Large Print coordinator. This was the fourth year that a staff member at the Oamaru Library had judged this competition. It is worthy to note that the Waitaki Writers' Group is one of the oldest of its kind operating in New Zealand.
- The BookChat members met in the newly opened Community Space and were able to enjoy an afternoon tea as they digested the good, the bad and the plain insipid amongst their previous month's literary diet.

Displays:

- Constant refreshing of displayed books has been warmly commented on by Library patrons. Staff have been replenishing display shelves with relevant books. Non Fiction Living Room areas have invited mini displays that relate directly to books, magazines and DVDs in each subject "room".

1.2 Reference and Digital Services

Culture Waitaki Website:

Google Analytics for our online catalogue website (July 2017):

Total Number of Sessions (A session describes active use, such as the activity of searching for a book, or renewing books, etc.): 1,628

New Visitor Sessions: 1,076 (66.1% of all sessions)

Returning Visitor Sessions: 552 (33.9% of all sessions). It is important to see a higher ratio of returning visitors to new visitors.

Pages Viewed: 6,875

Online Catalogue Website Statistics (1 – 31 July 2017)

Google Analytics for our online catalogue website:

Total Number of Sessions (A session describes active use, such as the activity of searching for a book, or renewing books, etc.): 1,786

New Visitor Sessions: 570 (31.9% of all sessions)

Returning Visitor Sessions: 1,216 (68.1% of all sessions). It is important to see a higher ratio of returning visitors to new visitors.

Pages Viewed: 8,571



Collection Management:

Non Fiction (NF) users have made the following recommendations, that we house all NF DVDs in one place as opposed to each of the Living Rooms and that we create a display of recent returns (as some of our users like the spontaneity of finding recently returned items in one place) which we will call "Quick Picks". We have responded to most of these recommendations within the constraints of the lay-out.

IT and Digital Initiatives:

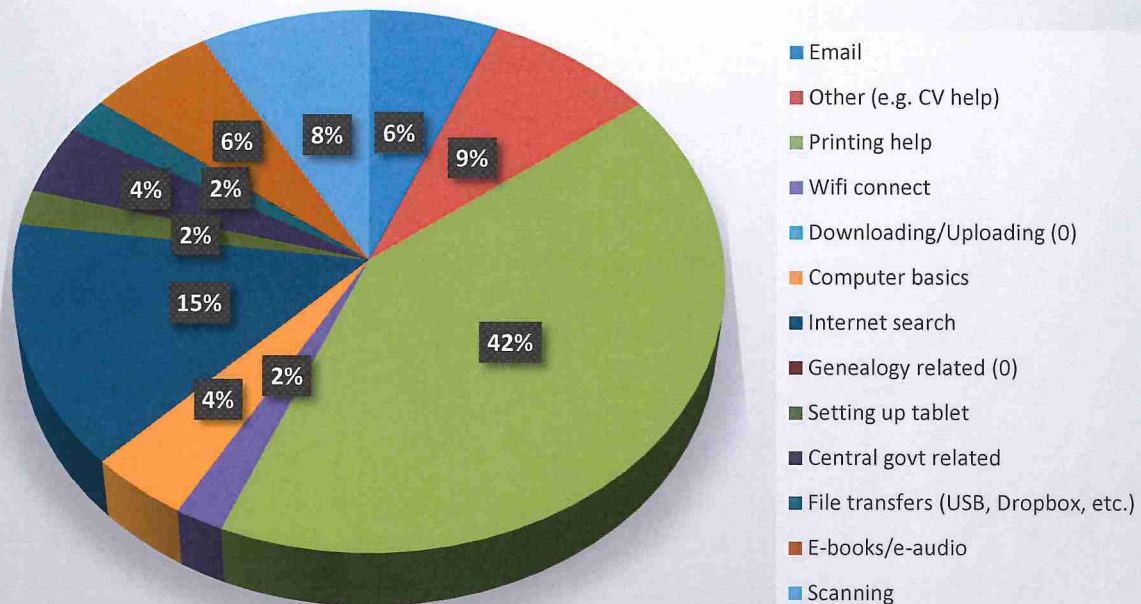
We have completed preparations for the launch of the 2020 Trust/Spark Jump programme (enabling Internet connection in households with school age children). The programme has been launched immediately after the official opening of the Community Space in the Library.

In addition to the Spark Jump programme, the Digital team has developed tailored modules for staff training in digital literacy, with a follow up survey assessing digital literacy competencies among staff. This training will commence in August.

Digital Assistance Statistics

This month, the emphasis was once again on helping people with their print jobs, including the setting up of our Wi-Fi printer, for the public to print from their mobile devices. The library has also set up a scanning service, which is now listed as a category on the statistics, below.

Number of Digital Activities Requiring Help from Library Staff 01/07/2017 - 31/07/2017



Twitter

Our most popular tweets were:

- 8 things you're learning about history watching Game of Throne
- Find out what to read next, based on what you're watching
- Weird book picks (selections) that are justified

Facebook

Our Facebook page received 18 new likes (July 2017) making our total number of likes 685. Some of our most popular posts were:

- Robots photos
- Spark Jump

Culture Waitaki blogs

- Riveting Read: Wonder Woman: Gods and Mortals
- Top Ten: Magical Adventures
- What Staff are Reading (July)

Our social media links:

- **Twitter:** <https://twitter.com/WDLibraries>
- **Facebook:** <https://www.facebook.com/WaitakiDistrictLibraries>
- **Pinterest:** <https://www.pinterest.com/WaitakiLibrary/>
- **Current Reads on Culture Waitaki:** <http://www.culturewaitaki.org.nz/waitaki-district-libraries/blog/current-reads>

1.3 **Youth Report – July**

Toddler Time: Despite it being the school holidays, sessions continued as this is a great way to maintain connections with children and families who used to attend regularly but are now at school.

Wriggle & Rhyme: This month, the Youth services team presented activities related to developing hands and fingers, upper body development. Sessions took a break for the school holidays, but are now back.

Kids' Book Club: Six children attended with one new member joining. The activity this month was a library word-search and a colouring-in picture that they needed to complete and hand-in before the school holidays. All six members contributed to the book discussion. Everyone enjoyed seeing the new children's books that had arrived at the library. The group commented how much they enjoy the sessions.

Outreach: On 4 July, we visited Little Wonders Early Childhood Centre to run the bi-monthly Wriggle & Rhyme based activity. The children seemed a little more familiar with Library staff and therefore were more comfortable taking part in the session.

School Holidays: The children's library was very well used during the school holidays. The colouring-in table was always in use and it was good to see children leave with piles of books under their arms.

Oamaru Robotics, run by Tom Francis, once again ran a two day session for children who hadn't attended any of his sessions before as well as a two day sessions for children who had attended previous sessions. He also ran two introductory sessions for children aged 5-8 with parents. The focus was using Lego Mindstorm robots and looking at basic coding to maneuver the robots, attracting lots of interest from other patrons.

1.4 **Branches**

Palmerston: The Knitting group is doing well with one new member coming along to join the group. Over the month, we had a total of 17 people attend over two sessions.

The Māori group is going strong with regular attendees. Over the month (and 4 sessions), there was a total of 23 attendees.

1.5 **Statistics (July 2017)**

	2017	2016
Hampden		
Borrowers - new	1	3
Borrowers - total	234	215
Door Count	113	93
Events - Adults	1	1
Events - Adults - attending	9	9
Events - Children's	0	0
Events - Children's - attending	0	0
Items - Issues (Manual)	158	158
Items - Renew	0	0
Volunteer Hours	41	36
Kurow		
Borrowers - new	1	2
Borrowers - total	423	409
Door Count	480	319
Events - Adults	0	0
Events - Adults - attending	0	0
Events - Children's	5	0
Events - Children's - attending	121	0
Items - Issues (MUSAC)	380	445
Items - Renew	0	0
Volunteer Hours	19.5	28.5

	2017	2016
Oamaru		
Borrowers - new	83	55
Borrowers - total	11684	11134
Door Count	8939	11898
Events - Adults	4	18
Events - Adults - attending	52	419
Events - Children's	11	0
Events - Children's - attending	164	0
Items - Issues	11885	14776
Items - Renew	2517	0
Volunteer Hours	59.75	61.25
Omarama		
Borrowers - new	4	2
Borrowers - total	72	21
Door Count	30	24
Events - Adults	0	0
Events - Adults - attending	0	0
Events - Children's	0	0
Events - Children's - attending	0	0
Items - Issues (Laptop)	27	45
Items - Renew	13	0
Volunteer Hours	0	27
Otematata		
Borrowers - new	15	6
Borrowers - total	463	946
Door Count	80	71
Events - Adults	0	0
Events - Adults - attending	0	0
Events - Children's	0	0
Events - Children's - attending	0	0
Items - Issues (Manual)	131	84
Items - Renew	0	0
Volunteer Hours	29.5	41
Palmerston		
Borrowers - new	6	9
Borrowers - total	938	889
Door Count	373	410
Events - Adults	6	3
Events - Adults - attending	40	22
Events - Children's	0	0
Events - Children's - attending	0	0
Items - Issues	650	804
Items - Renew	137	0

The previous manual system was replaced by an electronic RFID accurate counter and this explains the anomaly.

1.6 General

On Friday 14 July, the Oamaru Library's newly created Community Space was officially opened. The space (previously the Library Manager's office) has now been fitted with whiteboards, pin boards, projection facilities, furniture, and six laptops (donated by the 2020 Trust), converting the space into a functional area. The bookable space is already beginning to prove its worth, with it being used for meetings, study space, quiet space for reading, teaching and workshops. Although the Oamaru Public library reflected a 96% satisfaction rate, there was a suggestion that we need a quiet space, so this is addressing that need. <http://www.oamarumail.co.nz/community/space-available-to-community/>



2. Community Safety and Development

2.1 Safer Waitaki Project

Vision "Waitaki District is a safe community in which to live, work and play".

Strategic outcomes of the Safer Waitaki Project are:

01. Reduction of harm related to alcohol, drugs and violence
02. Increased social engagement of the under 25 and over 65s
03. Environmental change that makes the safe way the easy way

Goals are:

- Target effective programmes and implement measures that keep our community safe
- Promote and foster a collaborative approach
- Build and promote a culture where people of Waitaki think safe and act safe

All activities relate back to the vision, strategic outcomes and goals.

Strategic Outcome 01

Alcohol & Drug Coalition

Meeting held 25 July with full attendance (10 attendees).

Progressing Game On planning with a view to facilitating the project during 2018 pre-season.

Looking at options for alcohol free events – youth led.

Mental Health & Addictions

Meeting held 26 July with 28 attendees from organisations across the district.

Presentations from:

- Methodist Mission
- Presbyterian Support Otago
- Green Prescription (Sport Otago)

Group is working on a local directory of mental health and addiction services. Once completed, this will be available electronically.

Family Violence Prevention

Group met on 8 August with 18 attendees from various organisations.

Presentations from:

Alison Stuart, Service Manager Timaru High Court /District Court and Oamaru Hearing Centre and Marita Bool, Family Court, Court Coordinator, Timaru, Oamaru, Greymouth and Westport District Court.

Strategic Outcome 02

Under 25

Family Whanau Group met on 1 August. Nine attendees. Matters covered included Civic engagement, supporting parents, and under 5's.

SKIP (Strategies for Kids Information for Parents) project is now into its sixth month and is going extremely well. Facebook: Page followers up to 85. Increased networking with sharing of events such as the Milk Room, courses through Ara, advertising of OamaruRocks and KurowRocks events, and sharing of information from MumSpace (soap making, eating well on a budget). Intermingled with some positive parenting tips.

Clued Up Kids

The Clued Up Kids event was held at the Waitaki Recreation Centre on 9 and 10 August. The event was attended by 264 students from 15 primary schools across the district. The Waitaki Clued Up Kids is an interactive programme designed for Year 6 students. Learning objectives are to:

1. Become more aware of personal safety
2. Learn how to react in dangerous situations
3. Know what role the emergency services play
4. Foster good citizenship

There are 11 workshops in total, namely: road safety, water safety, gun safety, dog safety, civil defence, fire safety, first aid, irrigation and waterways, relax kids, quad bike safety, and scooter safety. The event was very well coordinated by Public Health South, supported by Safer Waitaki, WDC Road Safety Coordinator, St John, Surf Lifesaving, Police, Waitaki Irrigators Collective, Sport Waitaki, Civil Defence, Fire Service, and Vetlife.

Over 65s

Meeting held 18 July attended by 10 organisations. Agency updates provided valuable networking opportunities and information about programmes available in the Waitaki community.

Safer Waitaki, Age Concern Waitaki and Grey Power North Otago are collaborating to deliver an older persons survey. The survey will run from 21 August to 8 September and be available from a number of sites including Council, District Libraries, Age Concern Waitaki, Iona Home, Grey Power, Community Safety & Development Office, Northside New World and Countdown supermarkets. The purpose of the survey is to learn more about the needs, priorities, and barriers for seniors living in Oamaru and the Waitaki. Individual responses are confidential.

Strategic Outcome 03

Industry link

Group facilitated Methcon presentations on 27 July.

Funding was sought and received (\$5,000) from ACC and the Otago Community Trust along with additional sponsorship from the Brydone Hotel, to support the delivery of a series of Alcohol and Drug awareness workshops over two days, for the Waitaki area, covering Business groups, Schools, Community and Emergency services in the region. This initiative had both a Community and Workplace focus.

High Schools – with attendance of over 300 year 12 & 13 students and 20 adults

Safer Waitaki Industry and Community groups – 86 attendees (some attendees came from as far afield as Timaru and Dunedin).

Emergency Services and Education providers – 52 attendees

Business Breakfast – 30 attendees

Family's session – 25 attendees

The main focus of the presentations was the direct and indirect effects of illicit drugs, specifically Methamphetamine. The presentations ranged from approximately 30 - 90 minutes, targeted at the specific audience, with a combination of presenter dialogue and video material. They were confronting, with a goal of "harm elimination", focusing on the health effects rather than legal implications.

A Pre/Post survey was developed to maximise the value of this opportunity. In Part 1 of the survey, attendees were asked to rate their knowledge from 1-5 (none through to excellent) covering current understanding, issues and impact of illicit drugs on Health and Safety in the workplace and community, what they got out of the presentations, and suggested changes going forward.

In Part 2 was their belief of meth abuse precursors, steps to address drug abuse, influence of family and friends and role of the workplace. Survey results showed increase in knowledge from pre to post event.

2.2 Community Liaison:

In addition to the above during the reporting period the officer participated in the following meetings:

- Youth Justice Hui
- Planning meeting ACC
- Planning meeting Public Health South
- Sport Waitaki
- Police
- Waitaki Safer Community Trust
- Newcomers Network
- Waitaki Multi-Cultural Council
- Waitaki Safer Community Trust
- Youth Council
- Waitaki Road Safe
- Pasifika Fono Network Meeting

3. Forrester Gallery, North Otago Museum and Archive





Images:

Friends of the Forrester AGM – Sunday 23 July, 2017

Opening of exhibition 'Waanaka – Learning in the Dark' by Moana Tipa on Saturday 6 August, 2017.

A still from the film *Te Heke* – recording the journey of the Te Maiharoa clan retracing Te Heke (1877-1879) by Bronwyn Judge - currently on display at the gallery. There will be a closing ceremony at 4pm on Sunday 17 September.

Note: Images are NOT cleared for republishing or onward use beyond this report. – Please do not republish.

3.1 **Cultural Facilities Development Project**

It has been really excellent news to reach a 60% funding target of our overall budget to date.

For the remainder of 2017, the team and Committee will be working with the architect to complete detailed architectural plans and with an exhibition designer to develop some early display concepts – to support further applications to the Ministry of Culture & Heritage and Lotteries: Environment and Heritage Fund for funding in February 2018 - March 2018.

3.2 **Public Facing Outputs – to year end June 2017**

Total Forrester Gallery visitor numbers for the 2016-2017 year were 12, 286. This was down on 2015-2016 numbers (15,627) but an increase from 2014-2015 (12,150).

We have continued to develop the online presence for the Gallery/Museum/Archive through Facebook and the collaborative Culture Waitaki website, adding an education tab and delivering 21 website blogs. At year end, we had reached 1966 likes on the Museum Facebook page and 796 likes on the Gallery Facebook page.

We delivered 40 education programmes on and offsite for the Gallery/Museum/Archive including several collaborative film projects presented on the gallery Facebook pages, and three special programmes - Art & Anatomy (in support of Heritage Week), Te Kaihinaki (a collaborative programme with Te Rūnanga O Moeraki about the Moeraki boulders), and Nigel Brown: Icon (in support of a major exhibition at the gallery).

We delivered 25 exhibitions, including 10 drawn from across our permanent collections, and five featuring local artists.

We delivered 6 exhibition openings and 15 talks and events.

Education:

We delivered a very successful holiday programme in collaboration with Oamaru Rocks in the second week of the school holidays.

Stakeholder and Community Engagement:

The quarterly SHAPING OUR STORY Newsletter was released in July. The Director will give an update on the Cultural Facility Development Project at the gallery on Tuesday 22 August.

Museum Curator Chloe Searle gave a talk to the Oamaru Sea Scouts about the history of the harbour.

The team hosted a volunteer visit to Whitestone City followed by morning tea at the gallery on Wednesday 9 August.

The Director presented her yearly report and an update on the Cultural Facility Development Project to the Friends of the Forrester AGM on Sunday 23 July, which was hosted at the Gallery.

Collaboration:

The Director and Archivist continue work with Records and IT to review Records Management across WDC. Both staff attended a workshop on Friday 11 August.

3.3 Collections and Administration

The team hosted Otago University staff from the Southern Pacific Archaeological Research unit during the week of 4 August to carry out further research on the Willetts' Collection.

Inputs for the Annual Report and Long Term Plan have been submitted for the Gallery/Museum and Archive.

4. Oamaru Opera House

4.1 Venue Hire Statistics

Venue Hire Statistics	25 June – 4 August 2017		25 June – 4 August 2016	
	Bookings	Pax	Bookings	Pax
Not for Profit/Free of Charge	13	277	6	82
Commercial (Incl Sponsorship JV)	16	514	19	184
Community (Incl WDC)	11	193	23	1,179
Total	40	984	48	1,445

Please note that the Oamaru Tap Dancing Association was postponed from July to October due to bad weather on the scheduled weekend resulting in lower attendance comparatively for the period.

-16.7% decrease in venue hire comparatively

Year to End Comparative Statistics	2016/17		2015/16	
	Bookings	Pax	Bookings	Pax
Not for Profit/Free of Charge	87	1,814	94	1,582
Commercial (Incl Sponsorship JV)	165	10,480	146	6,116
Community (Incl WDC)	106	8,694	82	7,460
Total	358	20,988	322	15,158

11.2% increase in venue hire comparatively

Not for Profit groups that utilise the venue:

- Alzheimers Support Group
- Oamaru Newcomers Group
- Migrants Newcomers Group
- Friends of Forrester
- Wriggle & Rhyme preschool programme

New client:

Whitestone Funerals Ltd. for Funeral Directors Association of New Zealand (FDANZ) Otago Southland District meeting in the Empire Room.

"Why don't we come here more often? Absolutely amazing venue, we'll be back. Many thanks for having us." – Janeen Paull

4.2 Marketing

- **Mailchimp**

The monthly e-newsletter is tracking steadily. These go out to approximately 2,599 subscribers. An average of 34.4% open and engage with the newsletter. The average industry open rate is 14.1%.

- **Facebook**

Average post reach, across 40 posts for the period is 898.47, which is a slightly down on the previous six-week reporting period. Overall the post reach is much higher than the averages over the past year. A few community-centered posts (like school children using the building etc) performed very well, which indicates that we should focus on our community activities wherever possible. Audiences are also responding enthusiastically to special offers and competitions. Average engagement too has improved upon the average, with clicks/likes/shares at 88.93.

Page likes increased from 1,467 likes to 1,498.

- **Website Analytics**

In the reporting period the website was visited 873 times. Of these visits, 59.6% (520) are new visitors and 40.4% (353) are returning visitors. On average, visitors view 2.35 pages in sessions of just under one and a half minutes.

The website continues to be primarily used as a What's On guide, with visitors interested in specific performances – especially Rhys Darby. The vast majority of visitors are coming from Organic Searches (90.3%), which means these are visitors actively searching for our website, rather than being referred to us through other websites such as eventfinda.co.nz, Facebook or Mailchimp. We can build on this by more actively promoting the website through our social media.

- **Community**

27/8/17 – Launched Waitaki Arts Festival

27/8/17 – Began participating in Waitaki Girls' High School work experience programme

- **Show attendance**

Whitestone Contracting Auditorium

30/6/17 – Answers from the Other Side: 129

3/8/17 – Rhys Darby in Mystic Time Bird: 217

Inkbox Theatre

13/7/17 – New Zealand Guitar Quartet: 100 - Full House

5. Recreation

5.1 General

- A 174 mm rainfall event over the 21 and 22 July caused flooding in coastal areas of Waitaki. Repairs and rectifications are estimated to be around \$150,000. This figure includes an estimate of \$50,000 to reinstate the track below the lookout at Moeraki. Officers are looking at alternative options as this track is on unstable land.



Moeraki Lookout Point Slip

5.2 Aquatics

- The South Island secondary schools canoe polo championships were once again held in the Waitaki Aquatic Centre, with favorable comments. This is the third year we have hosted this event, with 26 teams (up from 24 last year) from Nelson to Invercargill competing. We hope to confirm bookings for a further three years.

5.3 Lakes Camping Grounds

- Pre-season work is underway to prepare camps for the camping season.
- Environment Canterbury intends to undertake further river clearance work on our behalf in September, using this year's \$15,000 budget. This work will consist of vegetation removal and clearing of the river mouth to improve water passage. We also hope to move gravel on the downstream side of the Otematata road bridge. Long term, we may need to obtain resource consent for gravel removal downstream of the bridge as no one else holds a current consent.

- Mulch at Parsons Rock is available to the community to use. Some local residents in Otematata and local dairy farmers have taken up this opportunity.
- We have been notified that trees at Sailors Cutting need to be removed to protect transmission lines. Those shown in red below are on land administered by Council. These are the outside row of a pocket of trees and in an area not used for camping so will have little effect on the camp. The mulch may be able to be used as part of waste water system improvements. Those shown in yellow are on Crown land and will have a larger visual impact. We have advised the lines company to contact LINZ as Crown land managers.



OUTSIDE ROW FOR REMOVAL



END TREES FOR REMOVAL



LINZ TREES FOR REMOVAL

5.4 Forestry

- Harvesting of Sailors Cutting (Macraes) and some small blocks in Hampden have been completed and replanting is underway.
- Approximately one-third of the Sailors Cutting (Macraes) block remains unplanted due to community concern over shading of the roads. We will monitor this to determine the best solution for the community and with consideration to any carbon liability we may be required to meet.
- Little Kuri creek in Hampden will be planted with flax this spring.

5.5 Parks

- Tidal surge and the storm event of 21 July has caused erosion of the archaeological site in the Awamoa Foreshore Reserve. This is believed to be the oldest site of its type in the country. Officers have been assisting archaeologists and authorised local volunteers to recover what they can. Unfortunately, the site continues to erode and is subject to theft of artefacts by others. Officers and Heritage New Zealand are working to identify the thieves. A full excavation is desirable to recover any artefacts and record the site before it is lost to erosion and continued theft. Heritage New Zealand has advised it is not funded to carry out this work. \$10,000 is estimated to be required for archaeologists to supervise volunteers to carry out the work and to record and catalogue artefacts. All artefacts are prima facie the property of the Crown until ownership is determined by the Maori Land Court. Artefacts/taonga typically are notified and stored at the nearest Museum. Archaeologists currently have the artefacts/taonga and will hand them over to the appropriate museum in due course.
- The Oamaru Blue Penguin Colony is replacing the fence around the Oamaru Stream colony. Once this has been completed, contractors will undertake work to seal the Friendly Bay carpark.
- Otago Regional Council has identified two sites of historic 'fly tipping' in the Awamoa Foreshore Reserve that are eroding into the sea, and has advised that, as landowner, Council is required to rectify.

5.6 Sports

- The domestic rugby competition has been completed, and the Heartland Championships have commenced.
- North Otago Cricket will be undertaking spring renovation and preparing cricket wickets in coming months.
- Bookings and user agreements for summer are in the process of being completed.
- Councilors requested a summary of sports field use. The following tables are based on bookings and user agreements but are not considered absolute as we have had to estimate numbers in each team and frequency of practices. Numbers do not include spectator and parents. No comparative data is available.

		Centennial Park								Awamoa Park		
		Weekdays	Saturday/ Sunday # players	Games	Cricket Oval (WCCP2/3) Games # players	Outer Oval (WCCP 6/7) Games # players				Weekdays	Saturday/ Sunday # players	Games
Summer:	Touch - Juniors	900	Tournament	152								
	Touch - Seniors	108										
	Junior Cricket/Rep				13	286	21	462				
	Senior Cricket	55			9	198	8	176				
	NO Athletics	106										
Winter	Rugby JAB	190	122	2684								
	Rugby	160	31	1240								
	Football											
										100	56	504

		KGP			Weston Domain			Mill Domain		
		Weekdays	Saturday/ Sunday # players	Games	Weekdays	Saturday/ Sunday # players	Games	Weekdays	Saturday/ Sunday # players	Games
Summer:	Touch - Juniors									
	Touch - Seniors									
	Junior Cricket/Rep		12	264	65	27	594	70	6	152
	Senior Cricket	66	15	330	22	13	286	Friday Twilight	2	44
	NO Athletics									
Winter	Rugby JAB				95	27	594			
	Rugby				80	13	520			
	Football									

5.7 Toilets

- The 'green space' in the Duntroon Town Centre is owned by Crown. We approached LINZ for permission to put the new public toilets on this land but it has declined our request and wishes to dispose of it. These are the only parcels of green space in Duntroon and are also used for the Alps to Ocean trail. Officers are investigating options for Council, but it appears that, if Council wished to secure this land, an open market process could take two years or the public works act could take a year. It is likely that we will be unable to complete the toilet project with Regional Mid-sized Tourism Facilities Grant Fund (MFF) funding as required by February 2018.

- Officers have discussed siting of the new toilet at Dunback Domain with community and stakeholders and established the preferred site is where the existing toilet is. Soil tests have ruled out a number of sites for the disposal fields. One of the remaining sites is often used by campervans, while another has possibilities but tests have not been completed. The soil conditions and space constraints may make it impractical to provide shower facilities.
- We have been unable to get timeframes from our draughtsman for completing plans for Weston toilet.

5.8 CRM Comment

Our reporting tool is not providing accurate information. This is scheduled to be replaced with a new authority tool. All customer related CRM's have been responded to.



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