

Notice of Meeting

and

AGENDA

of the

Assets Committee

in the

Council Chamber, Third Floor Office of the Waitaki District Council 20 Thames Street, Oamaru

Tuesday 2 July 2019

Assets Committee Membership:

Cr Bill Kingan (Chair) Cr Guy Percival (Deputy Chair) Cr Jeremy Holding Mayor Gary Kircher (ex officio) Deputy Mayor Melanie Tavendale Cr Hugh Perkins



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Waitaki District Council

Assets Committee

UNCONFIRMED MINUTES of Assets Committee Meeting of the Waitaki District Council held in the Council Chamber, Office of the Waitaki District Council, 20 Thames Street, Oamaru on Tuesday 28 May 2019 at 9.00am

Present	Cr Bill Kingan (Chair), Cr Jeremy Holding, Cr Hugh Perkins, and Deputy Mayor Melanie Tavendale
Apologies	Cr Guy Percival (approved leave of absence); and Mayor Gary Kircher (absent on official business elsewhere);
In Attendance	Cr Craig Dawson Cr Jim Hopkins Cr Jan Wheeler Cr Colin Wollstein Fergus Power (Chief Executive) Neil Jorgensen (Deputy Chief Executive / Assets Group Manager) Paul Hope (Finance and Corporate Development Group Manager) Lisa Baillie (People and Culture Group Manager) (part of meeting) Lichelle Guyan (Heritage, Environment and Regulatory Group Manager) Bill Chou (Information Services Group Manager) Ainslee Hooper (Governance and Policy Advisor)
In Attendance for	

Specific Agenda Items: Renee Julius (Property Manager) Erik van der Spek (Recreation Manager) Martin Pacey (Water Services and Waste Manager) Mark Renalson (Acting Roading Manager) Graham Sullivan (Ahuriri Community Board Chair) Joshua Rendell (Projects Officer)

The Chair declared the meeting open at 9 00am and welcomed everyone present

1. Apologies

RESOLVED AC 2019/038

Cr Hugh Perkins / Deputy Mayor Melanie Tavendale That the Assets Committee accepts apologies from Cr Guy Percival (on an approved leave of absence) and from Mayor Gary Kircher (absent on official business elsewhere).

CARRIED

2. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

3. Confirmation of Previous Meeting Minutes (Public)

The Chair advised Committee members that, unless anyone wished to speak to the Public Excluded Minutes of the previous Committee Meeting held on 16 April 2019 PE (included in this meeting's agenda as Public Excluded Agenda Item 10), he intended to confirm those minutes in the public session of this meeting, as Agenda Item 3(b). No one wanted to speak to the public excluded minutes, so the Chair declared that they would be confirmed instead in the public session of this meeting, as Agenda Item 3(b).

(a) Confirmation of Previous Meeting Minutes (Public)

RESOLVED AC 2019/039	Deputy Mayor Melanie Tavendale / Cr Jeremy Holding That the Assets Committee confirms the public minutes of its previous meeting held on 16 April 2019, as circulated with a minor grammatical correction, as a true and correct record of that meeting. CARRIED
(b) Confirmation	on of Previous Meeting Minutes (Public Excluded)
RESOLVED	
AC 2019/040	Deputy Mayor Melanie Tavendale / Cr Hugh Perkins That the Assets Committee confirms the public excluded minutes of its previous meeting held on 16 April 2019, as circulated, as a true and correct record of that meeting.

CARRIED

4. Severn Street Wall

The report, as circulated, sought a recommendation from the Assets Committee to Council to approve an option for retaining two tiers by means of heavy maintenance of the Severn Street wall that best fits with the Community Outcomes criteria.

Group Manager Neil Jorgensen introduced the report, and Acting Roading Manager Mark Renalson was also present to answer questions from Elected Members.

Discussion on the report highlighted the following points:

- The drop in price stems from not doing a full replacement and instead doing heavy maintenance only.
- This is a good outcome for Council for a longstanding matter. It is demonstrating that Council has listened to the survey results. A local company has expertise in this area, and it has come to the table with a better option that will get the same result ratepayers want ie to keep the historic look of the wall.

RESOLVED AC 2019/041

Deputy Mayor Melanie Tavendale / Cr Hugh Perkins That the Assets Committee recommends: That Council approves the heavy maintenance option to stabilise the Severn Street Wall.

CARRIED

5. Tyne Street Landscape Plan

The report, as circulated, sought a recommendation from the Assets Committee to Council to approve the Tyne Street landscape plan.

Group Manager Neil Jorgensen introduced the report and noted that the landscape plan was quite challenging given the nature of the site.

In response to questions, Recreation Manager Erik van der Spek advised that two neighbours had responded and were supportive of what is planned; there is no footpath; and the pohutakawa trees will grow to approximately 6 - 7 metres tall.

It was also noted that the plan is representative of what was approved by Council. The chosen tree will offer some colour and the entranceway looks very smart. The objective at this time was to reintroduce trees and not go too much further ahead until plans for the wider area are firmed up.

RESOLVED AC 2019/042

Deputy Mayor Melanie Tavendale / Cr Hugh Perkins That the Assets Committee recommends: That Council:

- 1. Approves in principle the Tyne Street Landscape Plan
- 2. Incorporates the landscape plan into its Harbour Strategy for implementation.

CARRIED

6. Moeraki Wastewater – Effluent Dispersal System Upgrade

The memorandum, as circulated, sought to update the Assets Committee on the Moeraki Wastewater Treatment Plan effluent dispersal system design, cost and rates impact.

Group Manager Neil Jorgensen and Water Services and Waste Manager Martin Pacey presented the report and fielded questions from Elected Members. Mr Pacey noted that the report outlined the worst-case scenario for the funding impact on Moeraki ratepayers, but there were options that could be explored.

Request for Action: That Council deciding to offer a full payment option be added to the options report to come back to Council. **ACTION: Group Manager Neil Jorgensen**

RESOLVED AC 2019/043

Deputy Mayor Melanie Tavendale / Cr Hugh Perkins That the Assets Committee:

- 1. receives and notes the information; and
- 2. requests that Officers investigate funding options for the Moeraki Wastewater Effluent Dispersal System Upgrade and bring them back to Council for approval.

CARRIED

7. Kurow Duntroon Irrigation Company Pipeline

The memorandum, as circulated, presented information on tree removals necessary for the installation of the Kurow Duntroon Irrigation Company (KDIC) pipeline.

Recreation Manager Erik van der Spek spoke to the report, highlighting that other alternatives had been investigated. He also noted that KDIC had undertaken to go back to the Waitaki Valley Society with a replanting plan for discussion in due course.

Many Councillors shared the view that the replacement of the old trees with modern, prettier ones was a good move.

RESOLVED AC 2019/044

Cr Bill Kingan / Deputy Mayor Melanie Tavendale That the Assets Committee receives and notes the information.

CARRIED

8. Assets Group Activity Report April 2019

The memorandum, as circulated, sought to update the Assets Committee about strategic matters and outcomes.

There was general discussion on sections of the report, as noted below.

Water Services and Waste

There was general discussion about the Kurow water main (there was no cost to ratepayers; learnings included that Council was as prepared as it could have been, but since the event, the valve work had been moved further away); there would be an update on Lake Ohau provided to a future Assets Committee Meeting following a lot of work with and good feedback from the local community; the Waitaki Resource Recovery Trust (WRRT) would come up with solutions for customers in response to the collapse of the plastics recycling market; and 3Waters matters was scheduled to be a workshop focus next week.

<u>Roading</u>

There was general discussion about the New Zealand Transport Agency's (NZTA) focus on safety matters; Springfield Road drainage solutions being a great example of cooperation between farm owners and Council; and the good number of responses being received on the Waitaki District Speed Limit Review, with the collated results report scheduled to be brought to the 2 July 2019 Assets Committee Meeting.

There was a request for a road safety update report to be brought to a future Assets Committee Meeting, with Road Safety Coordinator Elton Crane in attendance to present it and discuss its contents as required with Elected Members. **ACTION: Group Manager Neil Jorgensen**

Property

There was general discussion about concrete work and the fact that all options are investigated before the most cost-effective option is chosen; Heritage New Zealand is running some education programmes with the community; this is still a good time for dredging work but that could change after the shortest day in June and it would continue to be dependent on the availability of the dredger.

Recreation

There was a request for further discussion about the planned nature of the construction work on the Alps to Ocean section between Aviemore Dam and Kurow that would be the subject of a claim to MBIE (it was noted that the claim should be "to" MBIE, rather than "from" as it stated in the report). **ACTION: Group Manager Neil Jorgensen**

RESOLVED AC 2019/045

Cr Jeremy Holding / Deputy Mayor Melanie Tavendale That the Assets Committee receives and notes the information.

CARRIED

There being no further business, the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 10.05am.

TO BE CONFIRMED at the Assets Committee Meeting to be held on the 2nd day of July 2019 in the Council Chamber, Office of the Waitaki District Council, 20 Thames Street, Oamaru.

Assets Committee Memorandum

From: Network Infrastructure Engineer

Date 2 July 2019

Waitaki District Speed Limit Review 2019

Recommendation

That the Assets Committee receives and notes the information.

Summary

The initial round of public consultation on the Speed Limit Review 2019 has been completed. Council received 134 submissions on the proposal and has tabulated the results regarding retaining speed limits, changing speed limits, and suggesting new sites. These will be submitted to Stantec to assess, with a final round of public consultation planned for October-November 2019.

Purpose

The purpose of this memorandum is to present information on the outcomes of the first round of public consultation of the Speed Limit Review 2019 and update the Committee on timeframes for the remaining process.

Background

Council has received requests to review and set speed limits via CRM since 2013 and tabled them in a database for future review. Council engaged Stantec (formally MWH) of Dunedin to complete a district-wide review of each requested site in December 2018 and to supply a technical report with recommendations for consideration.

An initial round of public consultation commenced on 8 April 2019 and closed on 3 May 2019 and focused on the 37 sites reviewed by Stantec. Written submissions were received during this period including submissions made via an online Council survey. This feedback has now been collated and put into a table (refer below), with comments on the proposal and requests for a review of new sites to be considered.

Comment

Council received 134 submissions on the proposal which is an excellent response rate. The results show that the majority supported both the proposal to retain existing speed limits as well as the proposed changes. The exception was extending the 80km/h limit along Thousand Acre Road. The consultation also resulted in 15 new sites to be reviewed. These are a mixture of residential, rural and school zone sites.

The excellent response to the initial consultation has meant that the timeline has been updated:

- July 2019: Sites issued to Stantec for speed limit assessment (including engineering design)
- August-September 2019: Site reviews and assessments completed with a technical report received.
- October-November 2019: Formal round of public consultation is carried out on the entire proposal following Council consideration and approval of the final sites and speed limits.
- December 2019: Adoption of proposed speed limits by Council.

Retain Speed Limits				Con	sultation Round	First
Road	Location	Existing Speed Limit	Recommendation	Total	Yes %	No %
Goodwood - Brooklands Road	Goodwood Road to end	100km/h	100km/h	5	Round Yes % 80 79 69 76 90 83 83 89 76 81 84 67 73 82 55	20
Moeraki - Tenby Street & Haverford Street	Haven Street (west end) to Haven Street (east end)	50km/h	50km/h	14	79	21
Herbert - Breakneck Road	SH1 to Reid Road	70km/h	70km/h	13	69	31
Oamaru - Awamoa Road	No. 139 to Stonewall Road	80km/h	80km/h	46	76	24
Weston - Whiterocks Road	SH1 to West View Drive	80km/h	80km/h	41	90	10
Oamaru - Beach Road	No. 105 to Golf Course Walkbridge	80km/h	80km/h	44	89	11
Alma - Robins Road	SH1 to Thousand Acre Road	80km/h	80km/h	41	85	15
Alma - Alma Road & Richard Road	SH1 to Thousand Acre Road	80km/h	80km/h	41	83	17
Oamaru - Solway Street	Saleyards Road to Railway	50km/h	50km/h	44	89	11
Weston - Tutu Hill Road	Parsons Road to Essex Street	80km/h	80km/h	42	76	24
Weston - Homestead Road	Charles Street to Ardgowan Road	80km/h	80km/h	42	81	19
Oamaru - Parsons Road	Homestead Road to Saleyards Road	80km/h	80km/h	44	84	16
Oamaru - Old Mill Road	Saleyards Road to Eden Street	80km/h	80km/h	45	67	33
Oamaru - Saleyards Road	Chelmer Street to Weston Road	70km/h	70km/h	45	73	27
Weston - West View Drive	Weston Road to Whiterocks Road	50km/h	50km/h	39	82	18
Oamaru - Ardgowan Road	Redcastle Road to Eden Street	80km/h	80km/h	55	55	45
Oamaru - Reservoir Road	Redcastle Road to Water Treatment Plant	80km/h	80km/h	44	75	25
Weston-Ngapara Road	Limeworks to Enfield, Enfield to Ngapara	100km/h	100km/h	40	88	13
Kurow - Cattle Valley Road	No. 11 to end of seal	100km/h	100km/h	4	50	50

A summary of the consultation feedback is presented in the table below:

Change of Speed Limits					Consultation First Round		
Road	Location	Existing Speed Limit	Recommendation	Total	Yes %	No %	
Palmerston - Horse Range Road	School to 500m north of Blue Bridge	100km/h	80km/h	10	90	10	
Palmerston - Factory Road	Burraness Street to Horse Range Road	100km/h	80km/h	10	90	10	
Palmerston - Switchback Road	SH85 to Craig Road	100km/h	80km/h	9	89	11	
Kakanui - Waianakarua Road	Kakanui Bridge to Magdala Street	70km/h	60km/h	16	81	19	
Kakanui - Beach Road	Realignment site to Tyson Street	70km/h	60km/h	15	80	20	
Totara - Fortification Road	Cormacks-Kia Ora Road to Beach Road	100km/h	80km/h	14	79	21	
Alma - Thousand Acre Road	North of Richard Road to South of Stonewall Road	100km/h	80km/h	42	48	52	
Oamaru - Stonewall Road	Awamoa Central Road to Thousand Acre Road	100km/h	80km/h	45	56	44	
Weston - Weston Road	Maudes Road to West View Drive	70km/h	60km/h	44	64	36	
Weston - Airedale Road	Parklane Place to No. 213 Airedale Road	70km/h & 100km/h	80km/h	40	73	28	
Weston - Devils Bridge Road	Homestead Road to Oamaru Creek Road	100km/h	80km/h	44	61	39	
Oamaru - Redcastle Road	Railway to Shortland Road	100km/h	50km/h	42	62	38	
Enfield - Weston-Ngapara Road (Village)	Twaddle Road to Slaughter Yard Road	70km/h	60km/h	14	71	29	
Windsor - Windsor Road (Village)	Bridge to Victoria Hill Road, including side roads	70km/h	60km/h	13	69	31	
Windsor - Peaks Road	Near Finlays Road to near Fire Station	100km/h	60km/h	13	85	15	
Tokarahi (Village)	Approximately 300m in advance of each approach	100km/h	80km/h	15 87		13	
Waitaki Bridge - Kaik Road (Holiday Speed Limit)	Approximately 700m in advance of the Holiday Park	100km/h	80km/h (HSL)	13	92	8	
Lake Ohau - Lake Ohau Road	A2O trail near lakefront to Ohau Station	100km/h	80km/h	·17	76	24	

A list of the new sites to be reviewed are:

New sites identified for review (April 2019)							
Road	Location	ation Existing Custo Speed Limit S					
Weston - District Road	Weston Road to Whiterocks Road	70km/h	50km/h				
Oamaru - Harbour Street, Tyne Street, Wansbeck Street	Approximately 100m in advance of approaches to Precinct	50km/h	30km/h				
Manse Road	Ferguson Street to Cattle Valley Road	70km/h	50km/h				
Parsons Road	Saleyards Road to Tutu Hill Road	80km/h	60km/h				
Parsons Road	Tutu Hill Road to Homestead Road	80km/h	80km/h				
Old Mill Road	Saleyards Road to Eden Street	80km/h	60km/h				
Kakanui Valley Road	Outside Five Forks School	100km/h	60km/h				
Weston Road	SH1 to Avoca Dr (Waiareka Park Subdivision)	70km/h	60km/h				

First Round Consultation Suggestions (June 2019)						
Road	Location	Existing Speed Limit	Customer-suggested Speed Limit			
Main Street (Weston)	Westview Dr, around corner to Weston-Ngapara Road	50km/h	30km/h			
Clyde Street	Don St to Orwell Street	50km/h	30km/h			
Salisbury Crescent (including Loval Place)	SH1 to private roads	50km/h	30km/h			
Redcastle Road (Buckley's Hill)	St Kevin's College to Reservoir Road	80km/h	50km/h			
Orwell Street, Humber Street	Ayr St to Ouse St	50km/h	30km/h			
Thames Street	Coquet St to Itchen St	50km/h	30km/h			
Hillgrove-Moeraki Road	SH1 to Coronation Street	70km/h	50km/h			
Lighthouse Road	Tenby Street to End	100km/h	60km/h			
Round Hill Road	SH1 to Woolshed Road	100km/h	80km/h			
Kakaunui Bay Road (Newly renamed road)	Kakanui Road to end	50km/h	30km/h			
Ohau Drive (including side roads)	Lake Ohau Road to end	50km/h	30km/h			
Kaik Road (at railway level crossing)	SH1 to 200m east	100km/h	60km/h			
Weston-Ngapara Road	Pine Hill Road to Tussocky Road	100km/h	60km/h			
Coalpit Road	Oamaru Creek Road to Weston- Ngapara Road	100km/h	60km/h			
Maraeweka Road	Serpentine Road to end	100km/h	50km/h			

The sites below have been added as new roads which need their speed limits formally set. These will be included in the final document.

New sites identified for review (April 2019)						
Road	Location	Existing Speed Limit	Customer-suggested Speed Limit			
Avoca Drive (including Stringer Cres)	Weston Road to end	70km/h	50km/h			
Loch Laird Road/Benmore Dam Road	Meridian Visitors Centre to District Boundary	70km/h	70km/h			
McAughtries Road (including Falstone Road)	SH8 to end	70km/h	70km/h			
Aviemore Dam Road	SH8 to District Boundary	70km/h	70km/h			
Pukeko Development (within new subdivision)	Tutu Hill Road to end	80km/h	50km/h			
Avoca Drive (including Stringer Cres)	Weston Road to end	70km/h	50km/h			

Rodger McGaw Network Infrastructure Engineer Neil Jorgensen Assets Group Manager

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Assets Committee Memorandum

From Assets Group Manager

Date 2 July 2019

Assets Group Activity Report July 2019

Recommendation

That the Assets Committee receives and notes the information.

Summary and Purpose

The purpose of this memorandum is to inform the Assets Committee about strategic matters and outcomes.

Assets Group Focus Areas

Water Services and Waste

Maintaining or improving service levels

Customer Service

As of 17 June 2019, 2331 CRMs had been resolved by officers and SouthRoads, with 93% being resolved within the required timeframes.

3 Waters

A reduction in day-to-day reactive asset repairs is allowing SouthRoads to focus on planned works such as the renewal of small diameter water lines and poor condition water pipelines in the rural networks.

Increased efforts have been put in over the last few months to nurturing the relationship officers have with the water and wastewater facility operators and ensuring the operators have the support and knowledge they need to effectively carry out their important roles.

There is a backlog of asset data and GIS system updates following the departure of the Data Asset Support Cadet (Joel Hodge) which is currently being worked through in time for the end of financial year. Advertising of a GIS Analyst position within the 3 Waters and Waste team, which will carry out these tasks (and others) going forward, will commence shortly.

Protecting people, places and the environment

Water

Officers are preparing a Water Safety Plan for the Stoneburn Water Supply to ensure any risks are identified, well understood and able to be managed appropriately.

A number of drinking water supply upgrade projects have been placed on hold pending the release of revised Drinking Water Standards in the near future.

Wastewater

A survey of sludge levels within all oxidation ponds is underway. This information will form the basis of a sludge removal contract to be released later in the year.

Negotiations with the Omarama Airfield regarding the easement for a new wastewater disposal system from the Omarama Wastewater Treatment Plant is nearing completion, allowing a detailed design to be finalised and construction to commence.

Solid Waste

Stormwater and cap reinstatement works at the Oamaru Closed Landfill are ongoing to improve management and maintenance of the site long-term. Once the works are complete, officers will investigate options for grazing the site.

Supporting economic development and growth

Stormwater

Realignment of a stormwater main adjacent to Scott's Brewery is complete.

Community Outcome Focus

'We maintain the safest community we can't'

Following a very productive workshop with Council regarding the current and future pressures facing the 3 Waters and Waste team, work is underway to identify key risk areas, prioritise those risks, and then develop options for managing the risks.

Roading

Maintaining or improving service levels

Customer Service

Customer service requests have been steady, with 72 received during May.

The activity around the Kurow-Duntroon Irrigation Company installation of irrigation piping has created requests for extra maintenance of rural roads that are affected.

Maintenance Contract

The maintenance contractor is progressing well towards the end of this financial year. The remaining budget of approximately \$400k is programmed to be expended by 30 June. Larger works completed during May and June included re-seals, mill and fills, sealed pavement works and culvert renewals.

SouthRoads have local contractors Ambler Contracting and Andy Reid Contracting assisting with drainage maintenance and culvert renewals works. Whitestone Contracting Ltd had agreed to complete culvert renewal works from 24 June but has now indicated it is unable to assist.

Projects

The Tyne/Wansbeck Street roundabout has been installed featuring Blue Stone cobbles in the centre. Heritage Bollards, which are currently being manufactured by Gillies Metaltech, are to be installed around each corner, thereby completing the heritage features of the site.



Tyne/Wansbeck Street roundabout

Springfield Road works were completed by Whitestone Contracting Ltd, with SouthRoads completing the Robbs Crossing Road resilience works during June.



Westview Drive works have been completed, with the road opening on 31 May. The Recreation team will landscape this area during spring.

The developers of the Pukeko sub-division on Tutu Hill Road have agreed to fund the private share to seal from the sub-division out to Parsons Road. Whitestone Contracting Ltd will complete the works.

Procurement and tenders for the Low Cost Low Risk projects 2019-20 are currently being developed for release in July. The first projects to be tendered are seal widenings of Island Cliff Road and a section of Weston-Ngapara Road from Battersby to Finlays Road.

Protecting people, places and the environment

Staff have completed the installation of Submitica software, an e-service programme for utility contractors to apply for Carriageway Access Requests (CaRs). Submitica provides online communication between contractors and Council via the portal, includes reminder notices and removes the manual handling and input of data by staff. A workshop is planned at the Opera House in late July to introduce the programme and fees to local utilities and contractors.

The team is also busy with stock-droving permits. An overlay has been created on Council web maps which allow a stock-droving route to be drawn and the applicant's information to be added along with an expiry date. This allows the team to follow up on any road damage that may occur and to notify farmers if there is a clash of droving on the same roads at the same time.

Supporting economic development and growth

Staff have been liaising with Oceana Gold consultants regarding the proposed new alignment for Macraes Road. The new proposed road alignment allows for continued growth of mining operations. Construction is planned to start later this year.

Sub-division consents applications received during May and June have been for smaller two to three lots in rural areas.

Community Outcome Focus

'We maintain the safest Community we can'

Staff have teamed up with Opus to conduct safety audits on road projects completed during the past four years. Twelve (12) sites required audits and visits were completed during June, with reports and any recommendations due by the end of the month. Safety audits are an NZTA requirement.

Property

Maintaining or improving service levels

Customer Service

As of 7 June 2019, 227 CRMs had been resolved by officers, with 94% being resolved within the required timeframes.

Reception Area at 20 Thames St

The refurbishment at Council headquarters' reception area has commenced and is going well. The painters have completed one of the interview rooms and will be moving on to the next one shortly. Painting has also commenced in the reception area. As the area still needs to remain operational throughout, officers are working closely with contractors and headquarters staff to find the best times in which to carry out the work.



The "tech hub" area in the process of getting painted

Protecting people, places and the environment

North Otago Museum

The refurbishment of the North Otago Museum is progressing well. Building work is planned to be completed in July. All walls and ceilings have now been stopped ready for painting and final fit-out of electrical, data, HVAC and security services.



Gib-stopping completed at North Otago Museum



North Otago Museum

Harbour Dredging

The second stage of dredging utilising the suction hopper dredge from Port of Otago is anticipated to commence on 10 August, weather and tide permitting. It is expected to take 10 working days to complete the dredging. This follows the first stage which required the use of a 40 tonne long-reach digger to excavate a big enough channel for the "New Era" dredge to be able to enter the harbour.

Breakwater

Over the past seven months, approximately 8,500 tonnes of rock armouring have been supplied and placed on the seaside of the breakwater, which has provided adequate protection for the worst deteriorated areas of the breakwater. Concrete repair work has also been undertaken over this period, within the top surface of the northern portion of the breakwater where significant deterioration had occurred. At the beginning of the rock armouring campaign, the breakwater was considered to have 16% of adequate rock armouring. At the current time, the breakwater has 66% of adequate rock armouring.



Photograph of breakwater showing concrete deterioration, prior to the latest rock armouring campaign



Breakwater rock armouring looking south towards penguin colony



Breakwater rock armouring looking north towards Ramsay's Extension

Supporting economic development and growth

Enquiries

The team has been responding to various enquiries for leases and development in the Waitaki area.

Community Outcome Focus

We maintain the safest community we can

Alternative finishing trials at 24 Thames Street (Gold Fox)

The southern and western external Oamaru Stone walls are currently being prepared for the application of a breathable Porters paint trial.

In conjunction with Heritage New Zealand, various trials have been completed within the upper portion of the end two bays on the southern side of the building.

These trials have included various paint removal techniques, lime rendering, lime repointing, lime wash, breathable paint, and sealing. The reason for these trials is to finetune the best practice methodology and monitor the durability and aesthetic qualities of various products, used for the repair and maintenance of heritage Oamaru Stone buildings. This will in turn assist Council, Heritage New Zealand (NZ) and private landlords in the future restoration and conservation of the district's historic heritage buildings.



External maintenance work and trials underway at 24 Thames Street

Demolition of Humber Street building

On 13 June, work commenced to deconstruct the rear section of the McCallum and Co building. The roof had partially collapsed, and a structural engineer's report confirmed it was beyond repair. Officers worked closely with Heritage NZ and the contractors to manage the deconstruction. The historic front building and furnace was successfully retained.



McCallum and Co building



McCallum and Co building

Recreation

Maintaining or improving service levels

Aquatics

Staff recruitment continues to be problematic. Officers have managed to maintain business as usual but, combined with staff absences due to winter illness, have had difficulties achieving this. Discussions with other facilities around the country indicates that Council's Recreation department is not alone. A pool in Australia has recently had to reduce hours due to similar issues.

Tracks and Trails

Alps to Ocean

A positive meeting and field trip were held with MBIE officers. MBIE officers are preparing a report for their Minister for a variation in funding that will enable the section between Sailors Cutting and Benmore Dam to be completed.

Two-thirds of repair and resilience work funded by MBIE following the November storm damage will be completed by the end of June, with the remaining work scheduled to be completed by end of September.

The possibility of working with Lincoln University on an assessment of the local economic benefit of the trail is looking slim as there is a shortage of students to undertake this work. Other options, such as an intern or Otago University student, are being considered.

Bike Parks

The asphalt areas of the Bike Parks in Palmerston and Kurow have been formally opened. The clay track in Palmerston has been completed and is ready for use. The completion of the Kurow clay tracks is expected in early July.



Kurow Bike Park opening



Palmerston Bike Park opening

Oamaru to Dunedin Cycle Trail Feasibility

Three proposals were submitted to carry out this work. The proposal accepted was from Martin Jenkins and Roam consultants who have a history of economic assessments associated with cycle trails, experience in trail development in the central North Island, and an established relationship with MBIE and the New Zealand Cycle Trails Trust.

Parks

Omarama 'Scout Den'

Officers have been unable to establish any legal entities that can prove Council inherited ownership of this building. This has been mentioned at a meeting of the residents' association. When capacity permits, officers will formally advertise that a request to use the building and land has been received and that Council is interested in hearing from anyone who can prove ownership or who wishes to use the building for recreation purposes (a requirement of the Reserves Act). Known parties which are interested in the building use are the current lessee and the Aorangi Hang Gliding Club.

Palmerston showgrounds

The Palmerston A&P society had previously requested approval to permanently install yards on Council's area of the showgrounds and also that management of the land be handed to them. A request for further information in order that officers could present this to Council has gone unanswered.

Otematata wetlands

Officers are providing advice to the Otematata Residents' Association Incorporated (ORAI) on safety plans for the work undertaken in the Otematata wetlands. This is required as part of Council's obligation to Land Information New Zealand (LINZ) (the landowner) under the licence agreement.

Tree Removals

Contractor Delta is planning to clear willows from the lines where the A2O enters the Sailors Cutting Carpark. This is LINZ-managed land and it has been suggested that Delta advise local communities of their plans.

Kurow Rugby Club

The Kurow Rugby Club plans to replace/improve its existing training light on the Kurow rugby field. As the club is fundraising, the timing of this work is uncertain. Recreation officers have advised them to check regarding any planning requirements. The club has historically maintained and managed the fields, with Council's Reserves Management Plan identifying them as having an informal lease.

Consistent with this being identified in the plan, staff are taking the opportunity to formalise a lease with the Club.

Phoenix Mill waterwheel

The volunteers have completed work on this site and handed it back to Council. Volunteers have done a fantastic job on behalf of the community.

Park Lane Pruning

Three street trees on Park Lane in Weston have been heavily reduced without approval. Officers are in discussions with the persons responsible. It is anticipated that the trees will re-sprout in Spring.



Tree in 2009



Tree today

Protecting people, places and the environment

Council is yet to receive a response from its application to the Tourism Infrastructure Fund (TIF) for replacement toilets at Campbell's Bay and Moeraki, additional toilets for the A2O, and improved freedom camping signage. Community views are being sought on the preferred location for the Moeraki and Campbell's Bay toilets.

The Otematata toilets have been completed and are open for use.



New Otematata toilets

An application has been made to MBIE's responsible camping fund for support for the 2019/20 Freedom Camping season for part-time ambassador/ enforcement officers, improved educational signage and brochures, and costs associated with servicing toilets and dump stations. Whitestone Contracting Limited is expected to establish onsite at Sailors Cutting Campground in the coming month to connect the toilet blocks at Sailors Cutting to the previously installed settlement/storage tanks. This is the second stage of improvements to the wastewater system. Council officers will monitor usage over the next camping season to determine whether removal of waste offsite is a better option long-term, as an alternative to installing the new treatment/discharge field.

Contractors have been asked to submit prices for construction of the Palmerston Dump station at Mill Domain. Tenders close on 27 June 2019.

Local Government New Zealand (LGNZ) is considering a remit proposed by Hamilton City Council to lead a commitment by local government to investigate and trial environmentally friendly alternatives to chemical weed control with results shared amongst member organisations. Current practices are aligned with the 2016 assessment of Glyphosate by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) which concluded that glyphosate is unlikely to be genotoxic or carcinogenic to humans and does not require classification under HSNO as a carcinogen or mutagen.

Community Outcome Focus

'Waitaki's Distinctive environment is valued and protected'

Erosion of West Coast landfills have generated public interest in other landfills around New Zealand. The Roading team has installed a rock armour 'toe' at the base of the Beach Road historic fly-tipping sites with ORC's agreement. Council's application to the Ministry for the Environment (MfE) Contaminated Sites Remediation Fund for assistance in establishing the extent of the fly-tipping sites was declined. MfE advised that its approach to these sites is under review, and Council will continue to monitor these sites and respond as necessary in the interim.

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Attachments Tenders recently let

Tenders recently let This table shows tender let over the last few months and will be kept as a six-monthly rolling schedule.

Contract No.	Name of Contract	Date Contract Let	Tenders received	Awarded to	Tender value (ex GST)	Range of tenders received	Engineers Estimate	Start Date	Date of Completion
706	Otematata Toilets	29/03/2019	1	Tricorp Enterprises	\$34,315.60	Only tender received	\$40,000.00	29/03/2019	14/06/2019
692	Sailors Cutting	05/06/2019	4	Whitestone Contracting Ltd	\$78,824.95	Negotiated scope with lowest tender.	\$75,000.00	05/06/2019	30/08/2019
701	Springfield Road Drainage and Road Reshape Works	05/03/2019	1	Whitestone Contracting Ltd	\$84,712.99	Only tender received	\$92,546.00	03/09/2018	31/01/2019
733	Tutu Hill Road Seal Extension	12/06/2019	1	Whitestone Contracting Ltd	\$114,498.70	Direct Appointment	\$114,498.70	17/06/2019	31/12/2019