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DISTRICT COUNCIL
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Notice of Meeting

and

AGENDA

of the

Waihemo Community Board

Waihemo Service Centre, Palmerston

6.30pm

Monday 1 July 2019

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- Cr Colin Wollstein
- Group Manager Bill Chou

Waitaki District Council**Waihemo Community Board**

**UNCONFIRMED MINUTES of a Meeting of the
Waihemo Community Board
held in the Hampden Community Hall, Hampden
on Monday 6 May 2019 at 6.30pm**

Present	Kathy Dennison (Chairperson), Heather McGregor, Paul Roy, and Cr Jan Wheeler
Apologies	Board Members Carol Watson and Ken Brown, Mayor Gary Kircher
In Attendance	Cr Jim Hopkins (rostered Councillor) Lisa Baillie (People and Culture Group Manager) Carole Hansen (Executive Assistant – minute-taker) Bill Campbell (Media – East Otago Review and ODT)

The Chair opened the meeting at 6.30pm and welcomed everyone present.

1. Apologies

RESOLVED
WCB 2019/011

Cr Jan Wheeler / Heather McGregor
That the Waihemo Community Board accepts apologies for
absence from Board Members Carol Watson, Ken Brown, and
Mayor Gary Kircher.

CARRIED

2. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

3. Public Forum

Speaker 1 – Dugald MacTavish (community project):

Mr MacTavish spoke about a proposed creativity workshop and garden space in Hampden for school and community use. A local group visited various organisations in Dunedin (eg Menz Shed, Tinker School, Woodstock show room, Community workshop, Polytechnic and a recycled clothing shop) to learn about and develop a broad vision and concept for this Hampden community project. The project will involve investing in a lease of Council land on a minimum of four sections adjacent to the Hampden School on which to put an attractive community building workshop where there is equipment and expertise for residents of all ages to undertake projects of their own choice – big or small. It will also have a garden area set out for food production and teaching purposes.

Some of the benefits the facility might bring to the community include:

- Place to up-cycle or repurpose materials from the recycling centre
- Transferring life skills to younger people
- Home for community hire equipment (eg trailer, log splitter, scaffolding etc)
- Practical teaching/club facility for school children
- Reducing boredom/isolation for older people in the community or those with disabilities.

School Principal Matt Boxer explained that local children attend a multiple choice of clubs on Friday afternoons, including bees and bee-keeping, fishing, music, Japanese, create cars, and the like. Community members also like to attend to participate in the activities. The strategic goal for the project is for these activities to become a bigger part of the community, and a place where knowledge can be shared between young and old. There

are many benefits to be gained for the school, and also from creating a supportive community as a whole.

Speaker 2 – Mr Jim Moffat (a Waihemo resident)

Mr Moffat spoke about the following matters:

- Blocked drain in Tiverton Street, Palmerston; the crossing drain appears to be too small for its job.
- Town signage needs to be addressed, by modernising it and clearing vegetation growth (from the sign to the south of the town on the main highway). The Lion's Club sign on State Highway 85 is in poor condition, and this does not reflect well on the town. Members of the public have also commented that pedestrians could easily trip over and motorists may miss entirely the new skateboard sign in Ronaldsay Street.
- Mr Moffat advised that some members of his association did not like the title of "CRM" as a means for the public to report issues to Council because they did not view themselves as "customers" of Council.
- Mr Moffat spoke about the history of the original unveiling of the Palmerston Town Clock on 18 October 1982. A large crowd had turned out; 50 floats took part in the procession which were followed by speeches. The clock is now operating again after repairs but no celebration has yet been mentioned.

Speaker 3 – Mr Taranaki Smith, Chair of the Palmerston Gateway to Gold Trust

Mr Smith spoke about the following matters:

- There is a lack of safety for pedestrians using the Ronaldsay Street crossing, because the white road markings have faded and it lacks visibility. Improved road markings were suggested as a way to amend this dangerous situation.
ACTION: The Board undertook to make representations to the appropriate agency to request that the cross lines are repainted.
- Regarding Palmerston's future development, there was a request to see stronger advocacy from the Board back to the Council. Following a visit to Ranfurly, members of the Trust had realised that Ranfurly is in a better shape than Palmerston because the Central Otago District Council has recognised the value of its outlying townships and is willing to allocate resources for promoting and developing small towns in the region. Meanwhile, in Palmerston, the i-Site is only available during the opening hours of the Service Centre, which is not ideal for the travelling public hoping to obtain local information outside of those hours.
- Mr Smith suggested that Palmerston needed some town planning – a conscious, intelligent and planned approach to its development that would require analysis of all relevant factors (eg location, topography, assets, demographics, infrastructure, architecture, transport, industries, housing etc). Without such an enlightened approach, Mr Smith suggested that Palmerston would continue its slide into decline and be a lost opportunity for all. The Board and the Council needed to be proactive rather than reactive in regard to the small towns of the district. The proposed geopark is seen to be a step in the right direction.

Speaker 4 – John Dimelow

Mr Dimelow advised that there has been increased demand for properties in Hampden recently as it becomes a desirable place to live and recognised for its great school and 'energised kids'. There was a need to get the basics right, however, and there were some problems. Sewerage is a problem for Hampden, with holding tanks not being an option. Feasibility studies have been completed and revisited three times. The issue needs to be put back on the table, and it was hoped that the ten year plan would get things moving again so that the township could evolve.

Speaker 5 – Alison MacTavish (Hampden Library):

A short tour of the Hampden Library took place to explain the planned extension of the Library to Board members. The Chair thanked Mrs MacTavish for the "great job that her and her team of volunteers do".

4. Confirmation of Previous Meeting Minutes

RESOLVED
WCB 2019/012

Paul Roy / Heather McGregor
That the Waihemo Community Board confirms the minutes of its previous meeting held on 4 March 2019, as circulated, as a true and correct record of that meeting.

CARRIED

5. Assets Update

The memorandum, as circulated, updated the Board on issues, operations and projects Managed by the Assets Group, occurring in the Waihemo ward area since the last Board meeting.

The following matters were raised during discussion on the report:

- Township maintenance – mowing was currently on hold due to budget constraints, the report said. What areas does this affect and how long will it be on hold?
- Board members were very complimentary/appreciative of the SouthRoads report and images.
- The public forum speaker who referred to the dangerous crossing on State Highway 1 was encouraged to submit a CRM to Council to facilitate follow up action.

ACTION: Group Manager Lisa Baillie to refer questions on to officers for appropriate responses and circulation back to the Board.

RESOLVED
WCB 2019/013

Heather McGregor / Paul Roy
That the Waihemo Community Board receives and notes the information.

CARRIED

6. Recreation Update

The memorandum, as circulated, updated the Waihemo Community Board on routine work, maintenance issues and progress on minor projects for the period 19 February to 16 April 2019.

RESOLVED
WCB 2019/014

Paul Roy / Cr Jan Wheeler
That the Waihemo Community Board receives and notes the information.

CARRIED

7. Building Consents Issues in Waihemo Ward for February and March 2019

The memorandum, as circulated, provided the Waihemo Community Board with a list of building consents issued in Waihemo Ward for February and March 2019.

The Chair noted how pleasing it was to see the value of work being done in the district.

RESOLVED
WCB 2019/015

Heather McGregor / Jan Wheeler
That the Waihemo Community Board receives and notes the information.

CARRIED

8. Waihemo Community Board Financial Update – May 2019

The memorandum, as circulated, updated the Waihemo Community Board on financial transactions and balances of rate accounts and funds available for distribution to community projects within the Waihemo ward.

There was a request for a correction to be made in future reports – that, under the Separate Rate Accounts in the Appendix (a) table, under Halls, the second item should read simply “Hampden” (not Hampden / Moeraki, as Moeraki was mentioned further down.

ACTION: Group Manager Lisa Baillie to refer to officers for correction

RESOLVED
WCB 2019/016

Heather McGregor / Paul Roy
That the Waihemo Community Board:
1. receives and notes the balances of separate rate accounts within the Waihemo ward; and
2. receives and notes the report detailing movements and the balance of funds available for distribution to community projects within the Board's ward.

CARRIED

9. Representation Review 2018 – Local Government Commission's Determination

The report, as circulated, provided Board members with a copy of the Local Government Commission's Determination on the Representation Review 2018.

Group Manager Lisa Baillie spoke to the report, and highlighted the key points in the Determination – that the Commission had upheld Council's decision to allow Ahuriri Ward to not comply with the section 19(V)(2) fair representation rule (the “+/- 10% rule”) requirement; that the Ahuriri and Waihemo wards will both continue to have community boards; and that each community board will comprise of five elected members and one member representing each ward appointed to the respective community board by Council.

RESOLVED
WCB 2019/017

Paul Roy / Heather McGregor
That the Waihemo Community Board receives and notes the information.

CARRIED

10. Chairperson's Report

Chairperson Kathy Dennison presented her report verbally at the meeting. The key points were as follows:

- Attended the Palmerston ANZAC Day service and laid the wreath. Cr Jan Wheeler attended the Hampden and Heather McGregor, the Dunback Services.
- Met with the Roading Officer regarding Amenity Rate projects in Hampden and Palmerston. More information will come back to a future meeting.
- The Palmerston Bike Park will open on 26 May 2019.
- Attended the District Plan Review workshop in Palmerston. There were DPR meetings at Hampden and Moeraki also, and they were well attended.
- Attended the Community Grants Awards selection committee meeting.
- Happy Days Radio talkback – good suggestions are being received from the community.

RESOLVED
WCB 2019/018

Kathy Dennison / Heather McGregor
That the Waihemo Community Board receives and notes the Chairperson's report.

CARRIED

11. Community Board Members' Reports

Paul Roy

Meeting with Recreation Manager and Officer

Heather McGregor

Meetings attended: Puketapu Radio, RSA Charitable Trust, Palmerston Bowling Club

Auskerry Street Water Leak: It is pleasing that this problematic water leak has been sorted, with new a new pipe being installed for the residents in that area.

Palmerston Bike Park: **Attended an onsite** meeting with the Chair, Council officers, and representatives from M3 Contracting Limited and East Otago High School, along with students from the "Ignite" programme. The asphalt track will be started in March.

Gardens: Concerns from members of the public have been passed on to the Recreation unit regarding the gardens and the height of some plants from the perspective of a motorist, particularly on the approach to Tiverton Street pedestrian crossing and the garden beside the public toilets. The Recreation team has also been made aware of the piece of broken playground equipment beside the Community Centre and the Palmerston creek running beside Centennial Park.

Board's 10 Year Community Plan: The Board met informally last week to hold initial discussions on the priority work for the Community Plan which will be the focus of the Board's workshop in early April.

Department of Internal Affairs Funding Workshop: This workshop was held on 7 March. It is an excellent opportunity for groups to find out about the availability of DIA funding and how to access it. A good number of people registered from local community groups.

Cr Jan Wheeler

5 March – Council Workshops

12 March – Council Committees Day Meetings and Workshops

21 March – 10 year District Plan Meeting, Moeraki Hall – Good attendance and input

22 March – 10 year District Plan Meeting, Hampden Hall – Good attendance and input

26 March – Council Meeting and Workshops

1 April – Oamaru Harbour Masterplan Facilitated Workshop

1 April – Waihemo Community Board 10 Year Vision Planning Workshop

2 April – Oamaru Harbour Masterplan Facilitated Workshop

9 April – Council Workshops

11 April – Moeraki Millennium Walkway Group Meeting – Listing 'Priority Work needed'

16 April – Council Committees Day Meetings and Workshops

25 April – Anzac Day Service, Hampden Hall. 180 locals attended. Guest Speaker Digger McCulloch of Glenavy spoke of the part his father played in liberating the people of Le Quesnoy, France, after four years of siege at the end of WW1. The New Zealand Government purchased the Mayor's house inside the old town ramparts in 2018 to open New Zealand's first permanent War Memorial Museum in Europe.

28 April – Moeraki Millennium Walkway Group Meeting – 'Priority Work needed'

30 April – Council Meeting and Workshops

RESOLVED

WCB 2019/019

Paul Roy / Cr Jan Wheeler

That the Waihemo Community Board receives the update reports from the Community Board Members and Councillor.

CARRIED

12. Waihemo Community Board Workshop 2019 – Forward Planning Schedule

The report, as circulated, provided the Board with the latest version of its Workshops Forward Planning Schedule, for confirmation / amendment as required at this meeting.

Following discussion, it was AGREED that the additional topics stated below would be included in the workshops schedule for the 4 June workshop session, in addition to the two items already listed.

It was discussed that the Water and Stormwater Matters workshop would now be held on Monday 5 August 2019 due to the Water team presenting to Council on 4 June 2019.

Proposed Waihemo Community Board workshops for Monday 4 June, to be held at the Hampden Community Hall (subject to final confirmation):

- Tourism Waitaki – District signage
- Code of Conduct (commencing at 7.00pm)
- Puketapu Creek

RESOLVED

WCB 2019/020

Cr Jan Wheeler / Paul Roy

That the Waihemo Community Board receives the information and confirms the dates, topics and venues for forward workshops during 2019.

CARRIED

13. Council Reports to Community Boards – May 2019

The Council Information Report containing updates as set out below had been circulated with the agenda and was taken as read:

- Mayor's and Chief Executive Report to the 30 April 2019 Council meeting.
- Health and Safety Update to the Finance, Audit and Risk Committee Meeting, 16 April 2019.

Board members noted that the new format for the Chief Executive's report was "great and easy to read".

RESOLVED

WCB 2019/022

Cr Jan Wheeler / Paul Roy

That the Waihemo Community Board receives and notes the Council Information Report.

CARRIED

14. Contributions from Rostered Councillor and Executive Management (verbal at meeting)

Rostered Councillor Jim Hopkins

- Attended the dawn Oamaru ANZAC Day service as the Master of Ceremonies
- Attended the Maheno ANZAC Day service – This was an interesting experience in regard to the history of the hospital ship *Maheno* which ran aground on Fraser Island in 1935. The *Maheno* arrived at the naval base of the Gallipoli campaign on 25 August 1915, and the next day was off ANZAC Cove loading casualties from the Battle of Hill 60. Over the next three months, she carried casualties from Gallipoli to Malta. *Maheno* arrived back in New Zealand on 1 January 1916 for a refit, and then returned to Egypt in February to collect patients for transport back to New Zealand.
- Geopark – Moeraki Boulders, Shag Point, and OceanaGold are contributors to the Geopark, along with many more sites in the area. The business plan and proposals are being developed for the revised application in November 2019. As this is the first Geopark application for the country, the New Zealand Commission is also learning about the UNESCO application process.
- Cr Hopkins also summarised the District Plan Review process thus far.

RESOLVED

WCB 2019/022

Cr Jan Wheeler / Kathy Dennison

That the Waihemo Community Board receives and notes the additional comments from rostered participants at this meeting.

CARRIED

There being no further business, the Chair thanked everyone for attending, and declared the meeting closed, at 8:29pm.

TO BE CONFIRMED at the Waihemo Community Board meeting to be held on the 1st day of July 2019 at the Waihemo Service Centre, Palmerston.

Chairperson

UNCONFIRMED

Waihemo Community Board Report

From Kathy Dennison, Board Chairperson

Date 1 July 2019

Waihemo Community Board 10 Year Plan 2018-28

Recommendation

That the Waihemo Community Board approves the Waihemo Community Board 10 Year Plan 2018-28.

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to approve the Waihemo Community Board 10 Year Plan 2018-28 as attached in Appendix One.

Background

In January 2018, Waihemo Community Board ("the Board") members and Waitaki District Council staff held a workshop to discuss an approach for the Board to engage with the community as part of preparing a submission to the 2018-28 Long Term Plan, completing a community board plan and improving the Board's role in supporting the Council and community. Two key steps were agreed:

Step 1 was for the Board to undertake a community engagement exercise with the aim of providing information about community needs and aspirations through a workshop process. Community visioning workshops were held in Palmerston, Dunback and Moeraki in February 2018. The information gathered from these workshops was used to inform the Board's submission to the Waitaki District Council Long Term Plan 2018-28.

Step 2 was to develop a community board plan, building on information obtained throughout the community visioning workshops and setting out priorities for the Board.

The purpose of the community board plan is to set out actions for the Board based on priorities and to specify the role of the Board for each action. It will provide an important mechanism for the Board to have input into the Waitaki District Council's planning processes – the Long Term Plan, Annual Plan, 30 Year Infrastructure Strategy and the Waitaki District Plan.

The Community Board Plan includes Board member contact details, the role of the Board, the Waitaki District Council community outcomes, and importantly a list of actions the Board will focus on.

The Community Board Plan includes the information gathered from the community visioning meetings and incorporates feedback gained from the community engagement sessions undertaken as part of the District Plan review. Drop-in sessions were held in Palmerston, Moeraki and Hampden in March 2019 and an online survey was developed for each of the townships.

It has been agreed that the community plan is a 10 year plan, with the timeframe aligned to the Waitaki District Council's Long Term Plan and to be updated by the Board every year after the Waitaki District Council Annual Plan is adopted.

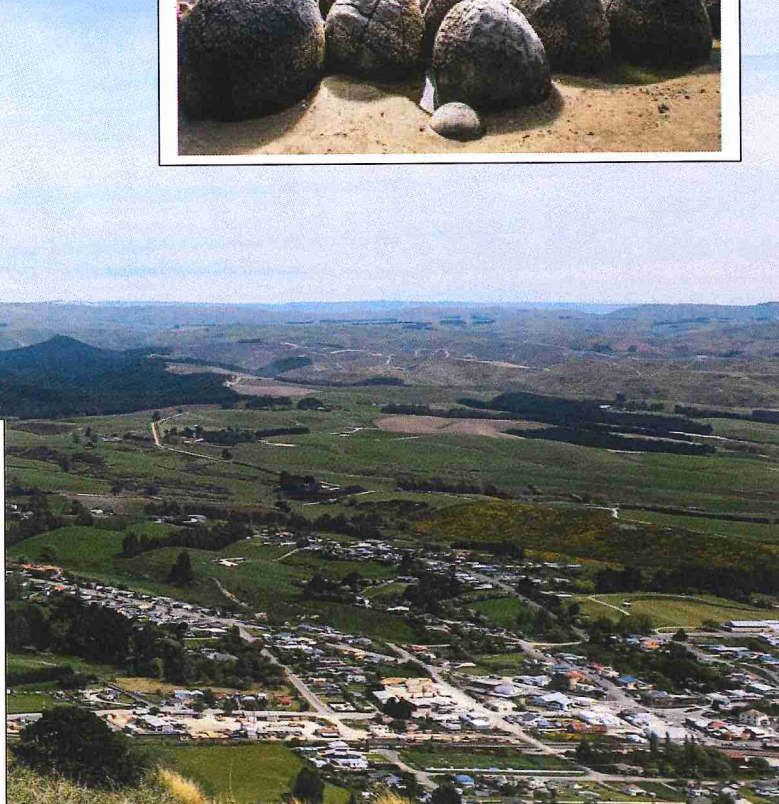
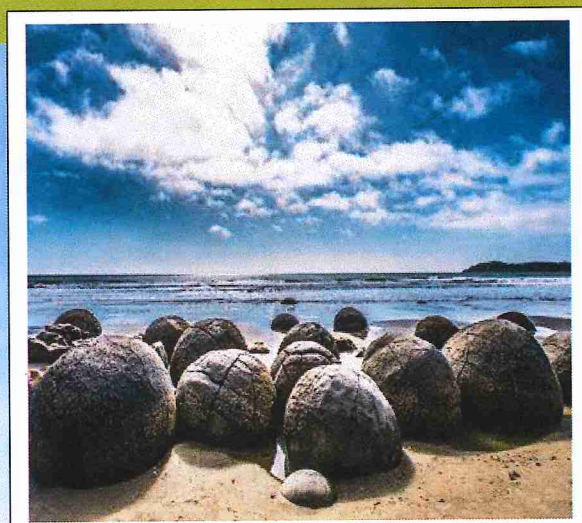


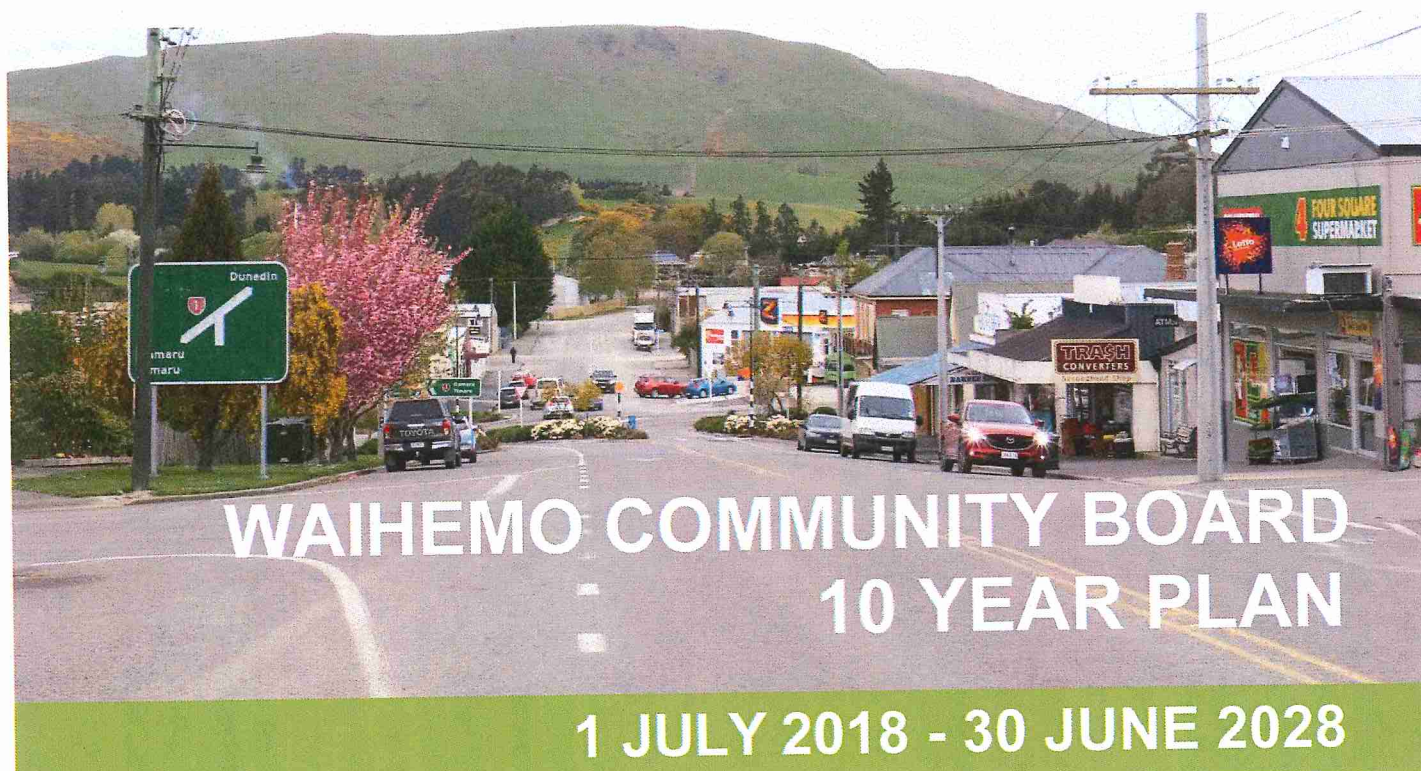
Ainslee Hooper
Waihemo Community Board Secretary
on behalf of the Chairperson

Appendix One – Waihemo Community Board 10 Year Plan 2018-28

WAIHEMO COMMUNITY BOARD 10 YEAR PLAN

1 JULY 2018 - 30 JUNE 2028





INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this community board plan is to provide a vision for the Waiheke Community Board over the next ten years. It will help guide Community Board decisions, action and future engagement with the community and Council.

The timeframe of 10 years, 1 July 2018 to 30 June 2028, has been used to align with the Waitaki District Council's 2018-28 Long Term Plan. This plan will be updated following Waitaki District Council's adoption of its annual budget in June of each year.

BACKGROUND

Community workshops were held in Palmerston, Moeraki and Dunback in February 2018. Approximately 60 people attended the workshops which were run by an external facilitator. The purpose of the workshops was to give the community the chance to tell us their needs and aspirations and the findings have been used to develop this ten year plan.

Community drop-in sessions were also held at Moeraki, Palmerston and Hampden during March 2019 as part of the Waitaki District Plan Review. Feedback from these sessions was also used to develop this Community Board Plan.

BOARD PROFILES



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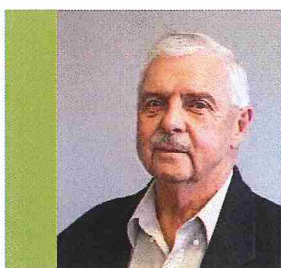
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ROLE OF COMMUNITY BOARD

The role of the Community Board includes:

- Representing and acting as an advocate for the interests of its community
- Considering and reporting on matters referred to it by the Council, or of any matter of interest or concern to the Community Board
- Maintaining an overview of services provided by the Council within the community
- Preparing an annual submission to the Council for expenditure within the community
- Communicating with community organisations and special interest groups
- Undertaking any other responsibilities that are delegated to it by the council

Elected at the same time as Council, the Community Board consists of five members (including one councillor). Voters living in the Waihemo Ward are able to vote for their Community Board members.

WAITAKI DISTRICT COUNCIL VISION

The projects identified in our community plan contribute to the District's vision to make 'WAITAKI – THE BEST PLACE TO LIVE, WORK AND PLAY'.

They support the district's community outcomes of:

- We enable opportunities for new and existing businesses
- We provide and enable services and facilities so people want to stay and move here
- We maintain the safest community we can
- We keep our district affordable
- We understand the diverse needs of our community

WAIHEMO COMMUNITY BOARD KEY FOCUS AREAS

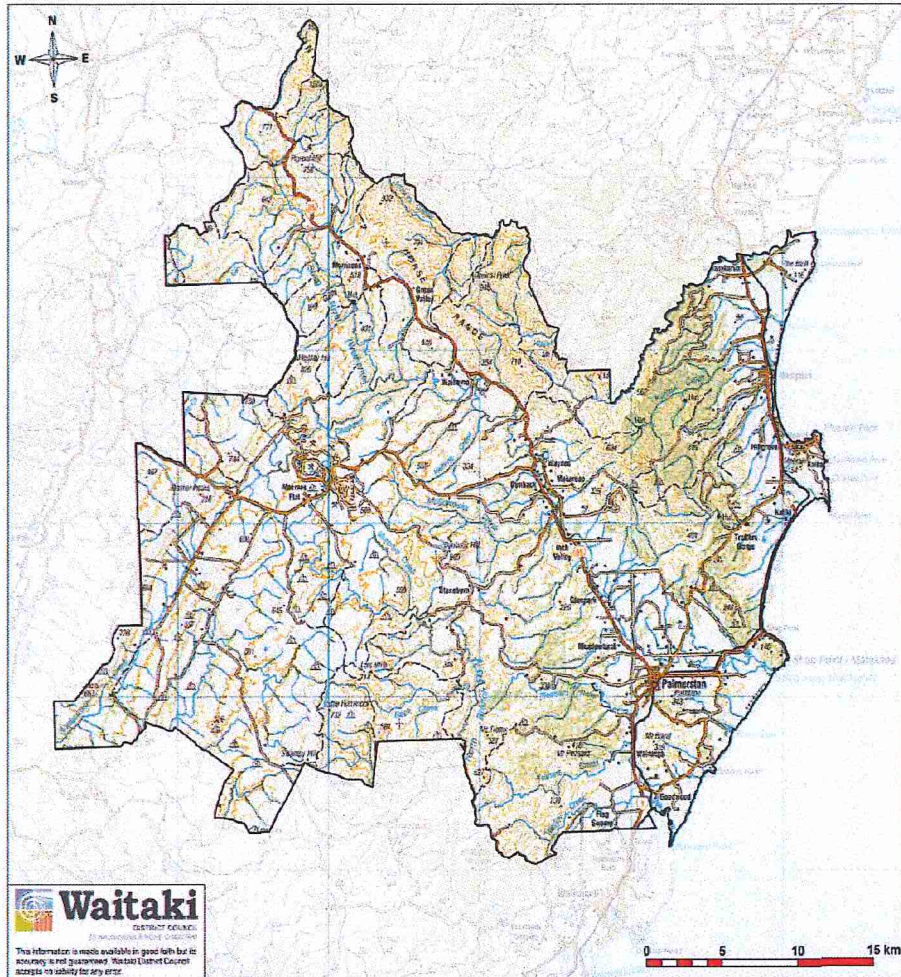
Area of focus	What do we want to achieve?	What will the Board do?	Timeframe
Recreational facilities	Improving and developing recreational facilities	Lodge a submission to the Waitaki District Council's 2018-28 Long Term Plan requesting that Council undertakes a recreation survey and develops a plan for the future of recreation facilities in Waihemo (including the use of existing facilities and development of walking/biking tracks).	2018-2028 Long Term Plan submission lodged 30 April 2018
Museum future development/ use of the museum	Valuing environment and heritage	Continue existing funding.	On-going
Maintain walking tracks (Millers Bay and Millennium track) - Moeraki	Improving and developing recreational facilities	Work with Councils Recreation team on the plan for amenity maintenance and improvement for Millers Bay and the Millennium track	Reviewed annually
Develop walking and biking tracks (Palmerston) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Walking track up Puketapu Oamaru to Palmerston cycleway Hampden to Dunback walkway "The Plank" – Mill Road 	Improving and developing recreational facilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Work with Council on the Coastal cycleway feasibility study to ensure community views are taken into consideration. Work with Council on walkway realignment options at Puketapu. 	Lodge a submission to the 2019/20 Annual Plan before 30 April 2019.
Freedom camping – toilets at north end of Katiki Beach	Improving infrastructure	Advocate on behalf of community to Council about this issue	Toilets due for completion before May 2019.
Heritage protection - Historic and geological heritage	Protect and showcase environment	Work with Waitaki District Council to ensure that heritage and geological items worthy of protection are included in the Waitaki District Plan review for consideration.	Waitaki District Plan is due to be notified for public consultation in 2020
Environmental Amenity: Remove advertising signs north and south of Hampden that are no longer current	Improved environmental amenity	Write to Waitaki District Council requesting the removal of non-current signage	Letter lodged with Waitaki District Council by 30 June 2019
Waterways – flooding issues (Hampden and Palmerston townships)	Environmental and private property protection	Talk to Council staff about developing a fact sheet outlining responsibilities for care of waterways to be provided to landowners with waterways running through their property	Request a workshop with Waitaki District Council staff to discuss the issues and options before 30 September 2019.
Waterways: – flooding avoidance (Dunback)	Avoid flood damage	Advocate for riparian planting for Dunback Domain and highlight community concern regarding the effect on flooding of willows along Shag River.	Write to Otago Regional Council before 30 June 2019

Area of focus	What do we want to achieve?	What will the Board do?	Timeframe
Waterways – native plantings at Waianakarua River mouth	Weed growth is kept under control	Write to Waitaki District Council's Parks & Recreation manager requesting weed control at Waianakarua River mouth is added to the programme of work	Lodge a letter with Waitaki District Council before 30 June 2019
Adequate land available for both residential and business development in all Waihemo townships	Stimulating growth and economic development	Work with Waitaki District Council to ensure that the Waitaki District Plan provides adequate and appropriately zoned land for development	The Waitaki District Plan is under review with formal public consultation timed for late 2020
Electric car charging station (Palmerston, Dunback-Macraes Flat)	Improving infrastructure	Approach OtagoNet (electricity provider) to investigate the possibility of charging stations in the Waihemo District (specifically Palmerston and Macraes Flat).	Write to OtagoNet before 30 June 2019
Road Safety, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Better parking for big trucks in Hampden • Reviewing speed limits in Waihemo townships (especially Hampden, Palmerston, Moeraki and Dunback) • Moeraki- Boulders intersection • Street lights in Moeraki • Intersection improvements in Palmerston • Road signs in foreign languages 	Safer roads	Write to Waitaki District Council's Roading manager requesting a joint workshop with New Zealand Transport Agency to discuss road safety issues.	Lodge a letter with Waitaki District Council before 30 June 2019
Improve Roading, footpaths and drainage <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kerb and channel – • More and better maintained footpaths 	Improving infrastructure	Advocate on behalf of the community to Waitaki District Council to ensure continued expenditure on existing and new infrastructure in Waihemo	Continue to raise relevant issues through the Annual Plan and Long Term Plan submission process.
Seal Lighthouse Road	Improving infrastructure	Advocate on behalf of community to have Lighthouse Road added to the Council's seal extension programme.	Raise with Waitaki District Council through the Annual Plan and Long Term Plan submission process.

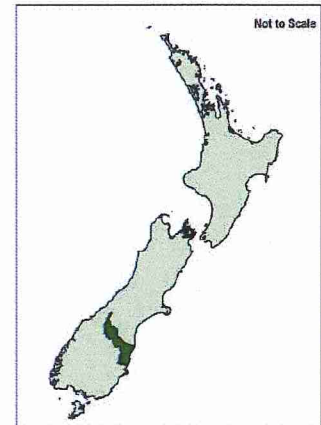
Area of focus	What do we want to achieve?	What will the Board do?	Timeframe
More rubbish bins (Palmerston)	Improving infrastructure and township amenity	Advocate on behalf of community to Waitaki District Council	Include a request for more rubbish bins in Palmerston as part of the 2019/20 Annual Plan submission.
Hampden – Stormwater & Sewerage system	Improving infrastructure	Write to Waitaki District Council's Water manager requesting a review of the Stormwater and Sewerage systems in Hampden	Include a request that the Council reviews the Stormwater and Sewerage systems in Hampden as part of the 2019/20 Annual Plan submission.
Oxidation ponds - Moeraki	Improving infrastructure	Write to Waitaki District Council's Water manager requesting that the Oxidation Ponds are assessed to determine their ability to cope with increasing housing demand	Include a request that the Council reviews the lifespan of the Oxidation Ponds in Moeraki as part of the 2019/20 Annual Plan submission.
Targeted marketing of Waihemo Ward	Raise profile of Waihemo	<p>1. Lodge a submission to the Waitaki District Council's 2018-28 Long Term Plan requesting the development of a targeted marketing plan for the Waihemo area.</p> <p>2. Write to Tourism Waitaki and the Waitaki District Council economic development manager requesting a targeted marketing campaign of Waihemo including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A renewal of entrance signs for the Waihemo townships • The promotion of walkways and cycleways • Developing natural and cultural heritage themes and • Signage associated with the Puketapu Reserve. 	<p>2018-28 Long Term Plan submission lodged 30 April 2018</p> <p>Before 30 June 2019</p>
Improved internet access in Waihemo (Palmerston, Dunback-Macraes Flat)	Improving infrastructure	Write a letter to Spark New Zealand (internet provider) requesting that internet access and cell phone coverage in the Waihemo Ward is investigated to see what improvements could be made.	Letter to be sent by 30 June 2019
Communication between Council, Community Board and Community	Improve the communication channels for two-way communication	<p>Maintain a Community Board Plan that will set out priority actions for the Waihemo Community Board based on the aspirations of the Waihemo Community.</p> <p>Request the Waitaki District Council to carry more information about the actions and decisions made by the Waihemo Community Board on the Waitaki District Council website (including a "have your say" page).</p>	<p>The 10 year plan will be updated annually.</p> <p>Changes made to the Waitaki District Council website by 30 June 2019</p>

Community profile

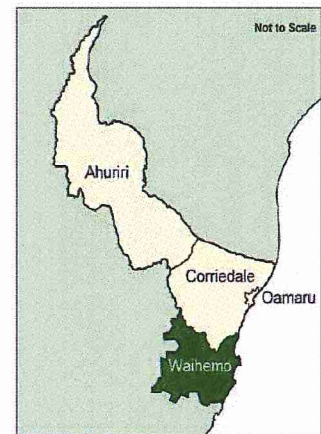
Waihemo ward has a population of 2,250 people.¹ In Waihemo 25% of the population is aged over 65 years which is higher than the national average (at 15%).



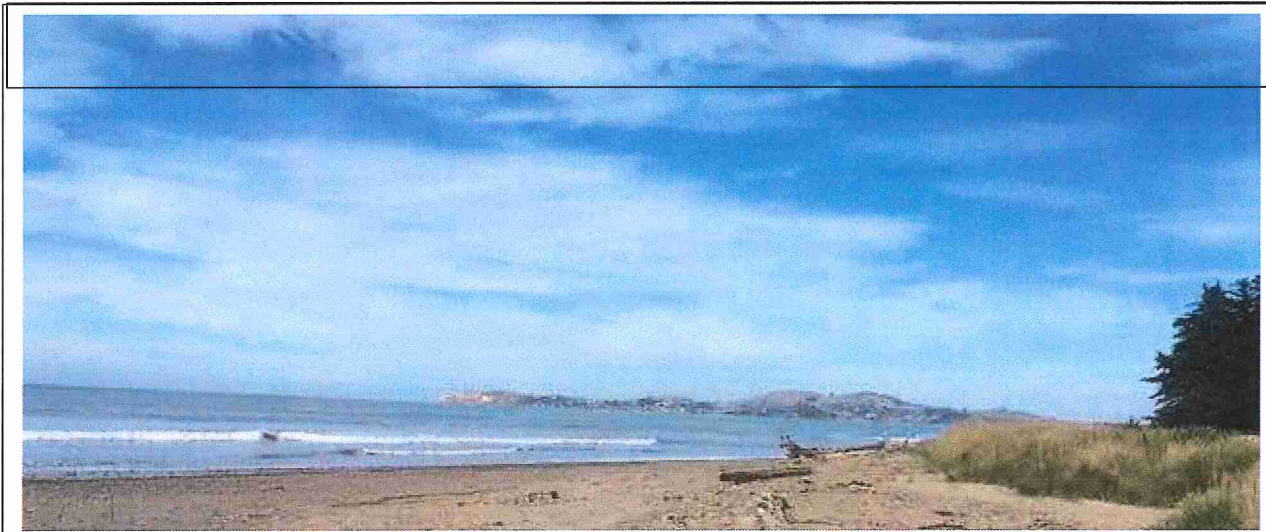
**Waihemo Ward
Waitaki District**



Waitaki District, New Zealand



Waihemo Ward, Waitaki District



¹ Stats NZ Dataset: Subnational population estimates (TA, ward), by age and sex, at 30 June 2013-17 (2017 boundaries).

- Develop walkway/ cycleways (Moeraki-Hampden, Dunback-Macraes Flat)
- Walking and bike tracks – Waianakarua, Hampden-Katiki-Shag Point, Millennium track
- Cycle trail Moeraki to Beach Road
- Cycleway Palmerston to Dunback
- Walking tracks Dunback-Wadestown
- Improve town centre amenity (Palmerston)
- Private/ Council collaboration to tidy town centre
- Encourage shop owners to take pride in the look of their shops
- Sunflowers in centre gardens
- Community events Palmerston:
 - Men's shed to allow knowledge to be passed down to youth – partnership with Macraes
 - Sports coach for young and old
 - Senior computing
 - Community barn dance e.g. for Matariki
 - Develop community events and opportunities (Palmerston)
- Flooding damage - Need plan for riparian planting along the river through the Domain.
- Deal with environmental damage and improve amenity (Hampden):
- Millers Bay - road erosion, surface water
- Hampden beach – coastal erosion, car parking, playground improvement, fencing off
- Wilding pines management
- Develop recreation dam at Macraes post-mining
- Dunback Domain – add showers, fix tennis courts, add picnic tables, swing-bridge.
- Dog park (Dunback)

Infrastructure:

Palmerston:

- The clock needs to be fixed
- Vandalism of statues – who is responsible? The statues are on private land
- Derelict buildings need tidying up
- Waterwheel needs fixing
- Assets - Fantastic land-based business sector
- Need better parking and bike stands

Moeraki-Hampden:

- Recognise Moeraki is a significant drawcard for visitors to district
- The sea is an asset
- Make sure Hampden school and library are retained
- Dunback Domain is a good asset, and the new signage is good.

Improve existing facilities (Palmerston)

- Tidy up of public grounds
- Development of Ross Park (e.g. cycle track; tree identification)
- Finish sports hall to allow for more use
- Develop skate park

Develop new facilities (Palmerston)

- Community gardens
- BBQ area
- Water supply – water metering for businesses (Moeraki-Hampden)
- Stormwater drainage
- Direction of stormwater disposal (Moeraki-Hampden)

- Improved internet access and cell phone coverage in the Waihemo Ward

Infrastructure – roads/footpaths:

Palmerston - Improve road safety:

- Town centre intersection improvement – roundabout?
- Make speed limits 50 km/h throughout town – 70 km/h limit on Dunback Rd is unsafe for children

Moeraki-Hampden - Improve road safety:

- Having 3 speed limits in Hampden is confusing
- Safety at Boulders turn-off and Moeraki turn-off
- Road safety between Hampden and Waianakarua
- Better parking for big trucks in Hampden

Palmerston – footpaths and drainage:

- Maintenance of culverts and creeks, and rubbish removal
 - Flooding is occurring from clogging of systems by gravel and rubbish
 - The creek is used as a dumping ground
- Not enough paths, or well-maintained paths
 - Loose gravel on paths is a hazard

Dunback – reduce the speed limit through Dunback

Infrastructure - Waste Management:

- Palmerston - Green waste free to dump
- Hampden – Development in Hampden is restricted by a lack of a sewerage system

Growth and Development

- Encourage residential and business development (Palmerston)
- Retirement village
- Expedite residential subdivision and lifestyle blocks
- Make land available for housing
- Residential subdivision at Dunback
- Make land available for light industry
- Make it easy to start up business - assist new businesses to set up
- Planning for future growth (Dunback-Macraes-Flat):
- Encourage more families
- Promote Waynes and Dunback: - Signage at entrance and exit of towns
- Signage at Dunback about the church and Wellingtonia pine
- Dunback should be on Council maps

Tourism development (Palmerston)

- Palmerston junction town – encourage motorhomes to stop and stay (but no dump station)
- Proposal for motorhome park at A&P grounds
- Communities to work together for an overall tourist experience, not singularly – the cobweb effect

Develop new visitor attractions in Moeraki:

- Fish shop at port
- Coffee house at lighthouse, with glass viewing area

Other:

- Communication has become one-way – plenty of reports but nobody listens to local opinion.
- Nothing done about 10 year complaint about locked gates on road (Macraes).

Waihemo Community Board Report

From Economic Development Manager

Date 1 July 2019

Amenity improvements – Tiverton Street fence

Recommendation

That the Waihemo Community Board agrees to 50:50 co-fund, in conjunction with the Mayoral Fund, the repair of a fence in Tiverton Street, Palmerston.

Purpose

The purpose of this information is to outline a case for joint funding of a repair to a fence in Tiverton Street, Palmerston.

Summary

- Two Palmerston property owners contacted the Waitaki District Council (WDC) to request that WDC make repairs to a fence on Tiverton Street.
- The fence sits on road reserve which is the responsibility of the New Zealand Transport Agency (NZTA).
- According to New Zealand legislation, the fence is deemed to be the responsibility of the adjoining property owner. WDC is not obliged or funded to maintain the fence.
- The fence does protect pedestrians, mobility scooter traffic etc from the steep bank down into the properties.
- Half of the fence is deteriorating.
- The EDM recommends that the Waihemo Community Board restores the fence in the interests of maintaining the safe utilisation and visual amenity of the street. It will also maintain the utility of the footpath which would reduce should the fence further deteriorate.
- The Mayor has agreed to fund 50% of the repairs from the Mayor's discretionary fund.

Background

Two property owners of Palmerston contacted the Roading and Recreation departments of WDC to request that WDC make repairs to a fence on Tiverton Street. The fence sits between the old Post Office and Old Court House properties and Tiverton Street. WDC has advised the property owners that this fence is not the responsibility of WDC.

The fence is not on the boundary of the properties; it sits on road reserve which is the responsibility of the New Zealand Transport Agency (NZTA). It may well have been built there rather than on the boundary because it was most practicable to do so in order to provide some protection against the bank which slopes down into the properties. According to New Zealand legislation, the fence is deemed to be the responsibility of the adjoining property owner. WDC is not obliged or funded to maintain the fence.

The WDC Economic Development Manager (EDM) was speaking with the property owners on an unrelated matter, when the fence came up in conversation. The EDM inspected the fence and observed:

- The fence sits 2.5m from the boundary peg of the properties.
- The half of the fence which has concrete is in acceptable condition; the rest of the fence is deteriorating. Without attention it will deteriorate further, and will look unattractive to residents and visitors alike.
- The fence does protect pedestrians, mobility scooter traffic, etc from the steep bank down into the properties.
- While the property owners and other residents enjoy the benefit of some additional land to use, they maintain that land and trim plants and maintain various other sections of berms in return.

There has also been separate discussions, including with the Chair of the Waihemo Community Board. That has resulted in:

- Agreement between the Mayor and Chair to help enable the work to be done as it was affecting the amenity values in the area, and it was a very real safety issue.
- That a quote would be sought; this subsequently occurred, with the costs quoted at \$2000 + GST.
- That, subject to agreement with the Waihemo Community Board, the cost be split 50:50 between the Board's delegated funds, and the Mayoral Discretionary Fund.

Options to resolve

A number of parties could repair the fence:

1. The property owners could demolish the existing fence and erect a fence on their boundary – this will leave a steep bank between the footpath and the fence which might present a hazard to pedestrians.
2. The property owners could negotiate with NZTA to repair the fence which sits on NZTA land – given the legislation and the fact that the fence is not impacting on their road asset (kerb channel to kerb channel), they may not be inclined to stand the cost.
3. WDC could repair the fence – but it is not obliged or funded to do so, and would need to ensure that the repairs did not create a precedent that may lead to unknown costs.
4. The WCB could repair the fence to restore the public amenity of a serviceable protective fence and restore the visual amenity of a pleasing street-scape.

A quote of \$2,000 + GST has been provided for the repairs (attached).

Recommended solution

The EDM recommends that the WCB restores the fence in the interests of maintaining the safe utilisation and visual amenity of the street. It will also maintain the utility of the footpath which would reduce should the fence further deteriorate.

In accepting that the basis of the repairs is the preservation of the amenity value of that section of Tiverton Street, it should also be accepted that this action does not create a precedent for WDC to generally maintain structures for which it has no obligation to do so.

The Mayor has agreed to fund 50% of the repairs from the Mayor's discretionary fund.



Gerard Quinn
Economic Development Manager



Fergus Power
Chief Executive

Attachment 1 – Palmerston fence quote



Jeffrey Dennison Builders Ltd

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www.jdbuilders.nz

027 354 1754

Date: 13th May 2019

To: Gary Kircher @ Waitaki District Council

Quotation for the following: Fence repairs

- Minor repairs to Tiverton Street fence
- Post repairs only to post that are non existent.
- Replace railings that are completely rotten only.
- To use existing pailings to fill gaps where required.
- New palings where existing palings have been removed.

Price \$2000.00 + GST

Any questions or queries, Please contact me on the numbers listed above.

Regards

Jeffrey Dennison

Waihemo Community Board

Memorandum

From Assets Group Manager

Date 1 July 2019

Assets Update

Recommendation

That the Waihemo Community Board receives and notes the information.

Summary and Purpose

To update the Board on issues, operations and projects managed by the Assets Group, occurring within the Waihemo Ward since the last Board meeting.

Roading

Road maintenance activities in the Ward focused on sealed pavement repairs in preparation for the 2019-20 reseal programme along with resurfacing of footpaths.

The Waihemo amenity maintenance budget was \$93K for the year and has a deficit of \$20K as at 30 May, with claims to date totalling \$113K. It is expected that there will be a deficit of around \$30k by 30 June, which will need to be funded from other unsubsidised budgets. Increased call-out responses to customer requests, mowing, and drainage maintenance in townships contributed to the deficit. The budget for 2019/20 is set at \$92K and includes \$12K for litter bin clearance, effectively leaving \$80k for mowing, footpath cleaning and customer responses. This will require tight supervision going forward and may need to be increased in future years should this trend continue.

OceanaGold is planning to realign Macraes Road and is in discussion with the Roding team regarding the proposal and road design. The new alignment shifts the road west and will include a new bridge, a new viewing platform, and an intersection upgrade of Golden Point Road. The work will be staged from September 2019.

Customer Request Management (CRM)	Sixteen (16) CRMs were received and responded to during the period from 1 May to 14 June 2019.
Road Maintenance (up to 31 May 2019)	<p>Stabilisation repairs of 1760m² were completed on Macraes Road and Gilligan Street.</p> <p>Uneven surfaces (28m²) have been levelled.</p> <p>In total, 122.6km of grading has been completed across various roads.</p> <p>659m of high shoulder was removed on Gilligan Street.</p> <p>540 m² of dig-outs were finished on Limekiln Road.</p> <p>3642m of storm water cleaning carried out on Duncan Road, Chelmsford Street East, and Other Road in Waihemo.</p> <p>25m of culvert has been replaced on Duncan Road.</p> <p>72m³ of Baghdad Road was spot metalled.</p> <p>The Headwall on Macraes was repaired.</p>
Township Maintenance	<p>Mowing of sites will commence in July where required after the activity was rested due to insufficient budget available.</p> <p>Litter bins have been emptied in accordance with the contract requirements.</p>

Road Rehabilitation	<p>Tenby Street, Moeraki is 95% completed. Guard rails will be installed around the David Street and Lighthouse Road intersection shortly. Whitestone Contracting Limited (WCL) just received the guard rail driver and will be programming the works shortly.</p> <p>The footpaths on Ronaldsay street were resealed between Start Street and the southern town boundary by WCL as part of the annual Footpath Resurfacing Contract works.</p>
Bridges and Structures	<p>The approaches to the Craig Road bridge were extended and sealed during June by SouthRoads.</p>
Road Markings and Signage	<p>Two signs have been replaced along with 20 edge marker pegs mainly on Horse Range and Goodwood Roads.</p> <p>Road Markings have been completed for the season.</p>
Road Resurfacing	<p>This programme for Waihemo has now been completed for the next season and SouthRoads has completed a lot of the pre-reseal repairs on Horse Range Road and Macraes Road.</p> <p>498m² of second-coat maintenance sealing was completed on Limekiln and Macraes Roads.</p>
Street Lighting	<p>Maintenance as required and works on the LED upgrade in Palmerston and Dunback have been completed.</p>
Other	<p>The slips on Goodwood Road and Horse Range Road are constantly moving (similar to Haven Street). The slip sites are under temporary traffic control with Goodwood being a single lane. Engineering consultant TERRA MDC has been asked to complete a geo-tech investigation and provide a recommendation on how to repair the sites.</p> <p>Gilligan Street by SH1 – repairs have been completed to the site rail and ramp for mobility users.</p> <p>At Mile Flat Road, the large hedge was removed by the property owner. Council assisted by funding the traffic management required during the removal.</p>

Water

Water Supply

Contractors are replacing a number of water mains in the Dunback area, including those in Murphy Street, Palmerston-Dunback Road, Ritchie Road and McLew Road. The work is being undertaken by Specialised Services Group.

A Water Safety Plan (WSP) is currently being written for the Stoneburn water supply. The WSP will include source water quality and risks to the current supply, and will guide the eventual treatment upgrade requirements and options.




Neil Jorgensen
Assets Group Manager

Attachment

SouthRoads Summary Report for May 2019

WDC 642 Summary Report May 2019

Note: This report is prepared and created by the SouthRoads Team for the purposes of reporting against the maintenance contract, primarily for the road team. It is provided as an "FYI" attachment to the Community Board.

Welcome to the May report. Winter has finally arrived with a noticeable drop in temperature in the second half of the month and the first closure of Dansey's Pass for the season.

Westview Drive was sealed, line marked and opened to Traffic at the end of the month Temporary traffic management was installed at the Essex St intersection to help road users adjust to the road being opened, in case any bad habits had formed.

The siteworks crews have been working on the new kerb layouts at the Tyne/Wansbeck Street roundabout.

The K&C replacement is well under way on Robertson and Farnham Streets

The drainage crew has been busy completing some programmed drainage maintenance in the Duncan Road. The second digger crew has completed all of the programmed dig-outs on Limekiln Road.

The Maintenance Metalling truck has been completing metalling work in the Corridale area.

The premix crew has been assisting the routine trucks, completing township work including potholes and pre-levels along with completing reseal repairs.

Our graders have been busy working on their monthly beats-. The North grader has been working in the Livingstone area and then shifting into Danseys. The South grader has been in the Waihemo Ward.

Delta are currently in the Oamaru township, they have been completing Lichen control on the South Hill and spraying in the Carpark and CBD.

The stabilisation crew have finished sealed pavement repairs for the season completing the last of the pre reseal sites on Macraes Road. They have now moved on to Craig Road to prepare the pavement for a traction seal before setting up to carry out filling low shoulders in the Corriedale area.

PERFORMANCE

			Last month	May
CRM's	Structures	Monthly	3	1
	Culverts/Side drains	Monthly	18	16
	Fallen Trees	Monthly	1	2
	Flooding Roads/Footpaths	Monthly	-	3
	Frost and Ice Response	Monthly	-	-
	Grading/Metalling	Monthly	7	20
	Kerb and Channel	Monthly	3	3
	Road Litter	Monthly	10	7
	Signs Missing/Damaged	Monthly	6	12
	Roadside Vegetation	Monthly	7	9
	Safety Road Condition	Monthly	2	6
	Sealed Road Failures	Monthly	2	5
	Potholes	Monthly	4	13
	Snow Clearing Monthly	Monthly	-	-

			Month	YTD
TEAM SAFETY	Medical Treatment Intervention - #	Monthly	0	1
	Lost Time Injury - #	Monthly	0	0
	Near Miss/IOF	Monthly	17	248
	Incidents	Monthly	2	50
	Safety Audits/Tours completed	Monthly	23	139

PROGRESS

Item	Completed	Comments
Stabilisations	1,899m ²	15,885m ² YTD
Maintenance Metaling (20,000m ³)	1,673m ³	26,674m ³ YTD
Grading (250km target)	267km (MTD)	3,208km (YTD)
Road Sweeping	66 (MTD)	214 (YTD)
Signs	Cleaned 14 (MTD) Straightened 16 (MTD)	477 (YTD) 190 (YTD)
Roadside Litter Collection	18 (MTD)	156 (YTD)
Seedlings	5 (MTD)	55 (YTD)
Traffic Counts (300 per year)	25 (MTD)	293 (YTD)

Inspection Table

Activity	Completed MTD	Completed YTD	Remaining Quantity
Culvert Inspections (240/month)	225	2,455	425 (14.7%)
Bridge Inspections (15/month)	76	175	5 (3.0%)

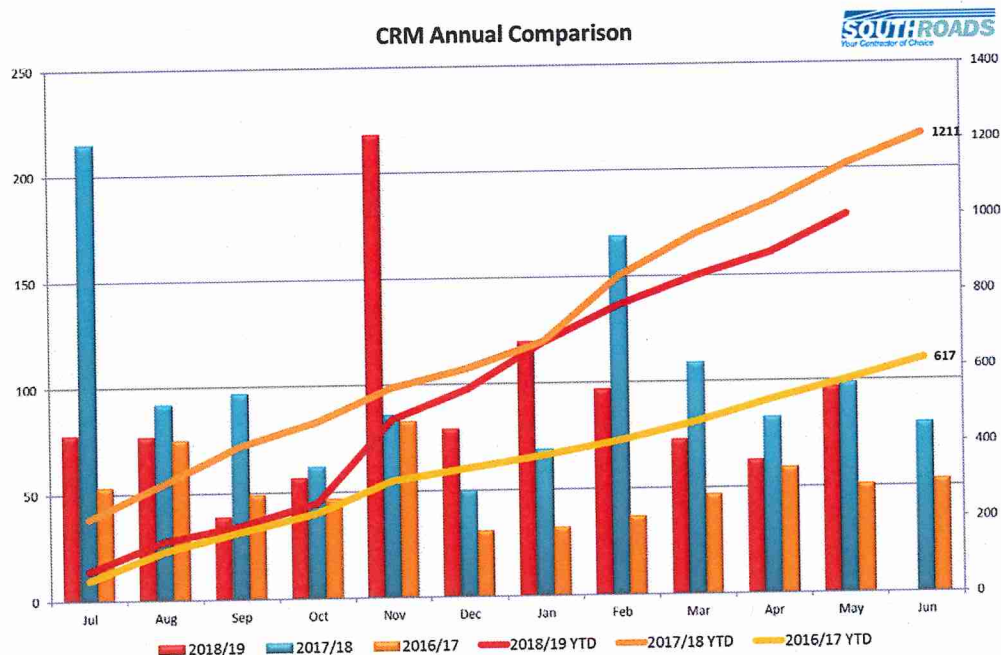
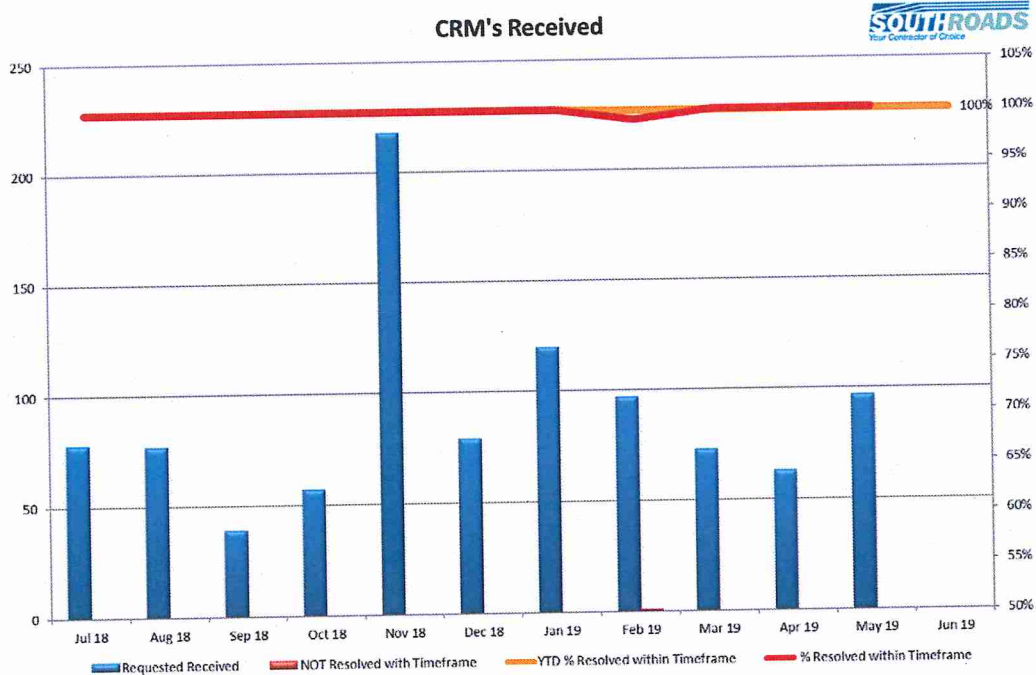
RISK & STRATEGY UPDATES

Identified Risks		Update
Roads	Henburn Road	This road has been metalled in June 2018. We will monitor this over the winter to see how it holds up with the increased traffic volumes.
	Coal Pit Road	Road is holding up still. Would pay to remove the hedge blocking the road from sunlight over the winter
	Waianakarua Rd	Coastal erosion work has been completed in 2016. This section of road will be monitored for any other movements.
	Horse Range Rd	More movement was detected at the slip sites in May 18, Sep 18 and Dec 18. Levelling work has taken place in July & May to remove the immediate lip this has caused
Slips	Haven Street - Moeraki	Continually moving. This will continue to be monitored.
Strategic	RAMM Data	Pocket RAMM devices are being used to capture data in the field and programme repairs while onsite.
	Reseal sites	Reseal sites have been released for the 2019/20 season. These sites will then be inspected, and repairs programmed to get repairs underway before next season.

CUSTOMER SERVICE MANAGER REPORT

We received 97 CRM's for the month of May. This is up 34 on last month, majority of the difference is 13 more grading/metaling requests and 6 more missing signs and 9 more potholes. This is likely due to a colder wetter month highlighting any sealed/unsealed pavement failures.

CRM GRAPHS



PERFORMANCE MEASURE RESULTS

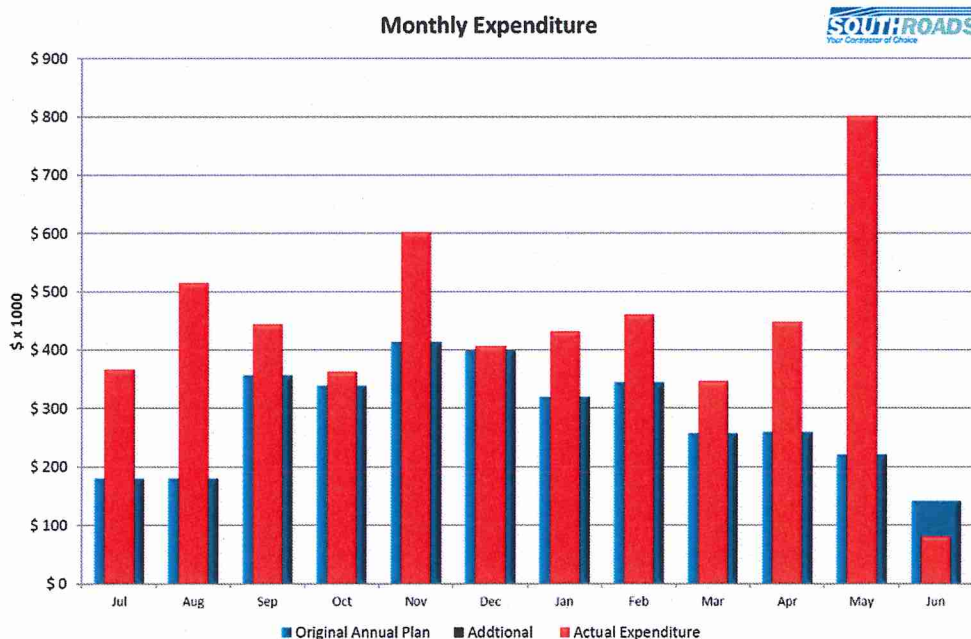
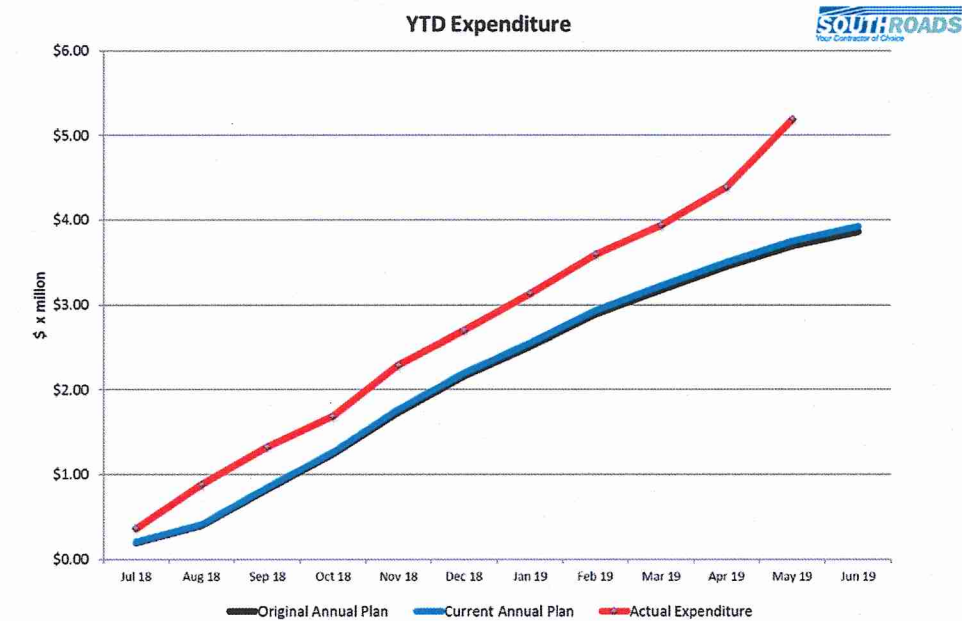
For May the Management Performance Measures we have scored 90% compliance. Focus will be put into improving traffic count data and sending it to the WDC monthly.

The Operational Performance results are at 77% compliance. Focus will be put into street sweeping after the leaf drop and clearing K&C. Also, we scored ourselves down on unsealed road maintenance, focus will be put into spot metaling of clay patches.

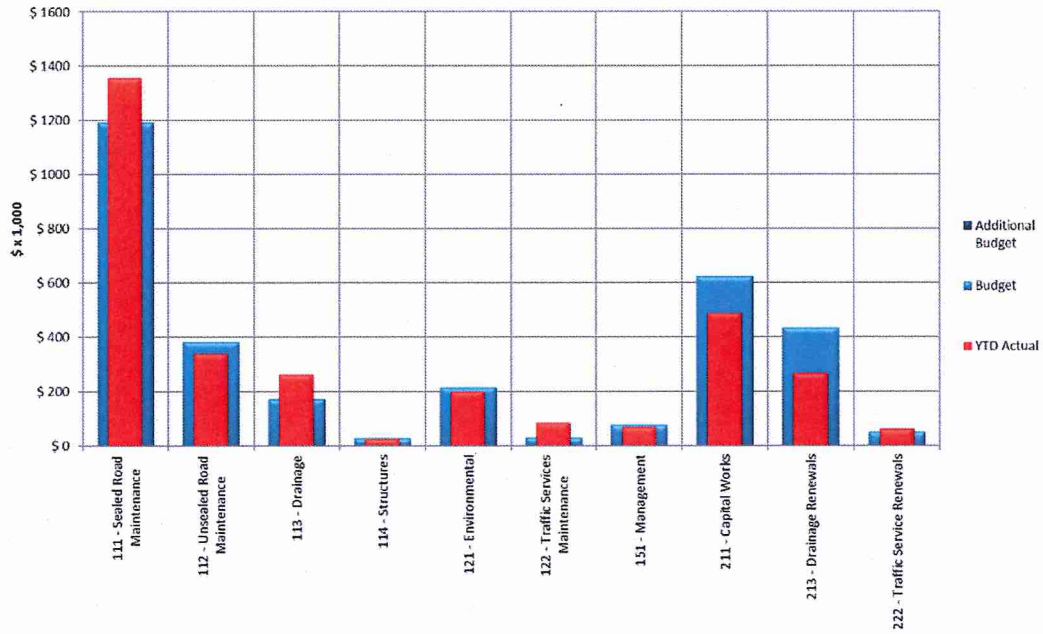
GOLD STAR INITIATIVES

We have implemented the Mobile Roads phone app to complete sump inspections, recording the location of these and providing photos of the asset.

FINANCIAL GRAPHS

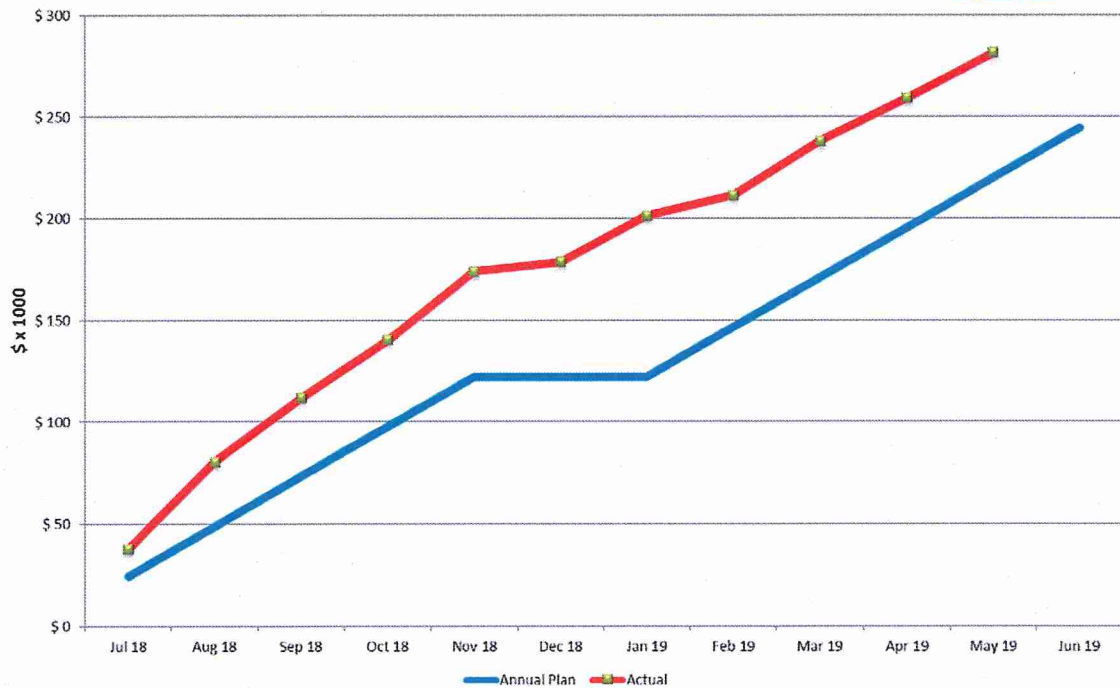


Expenditure by Category

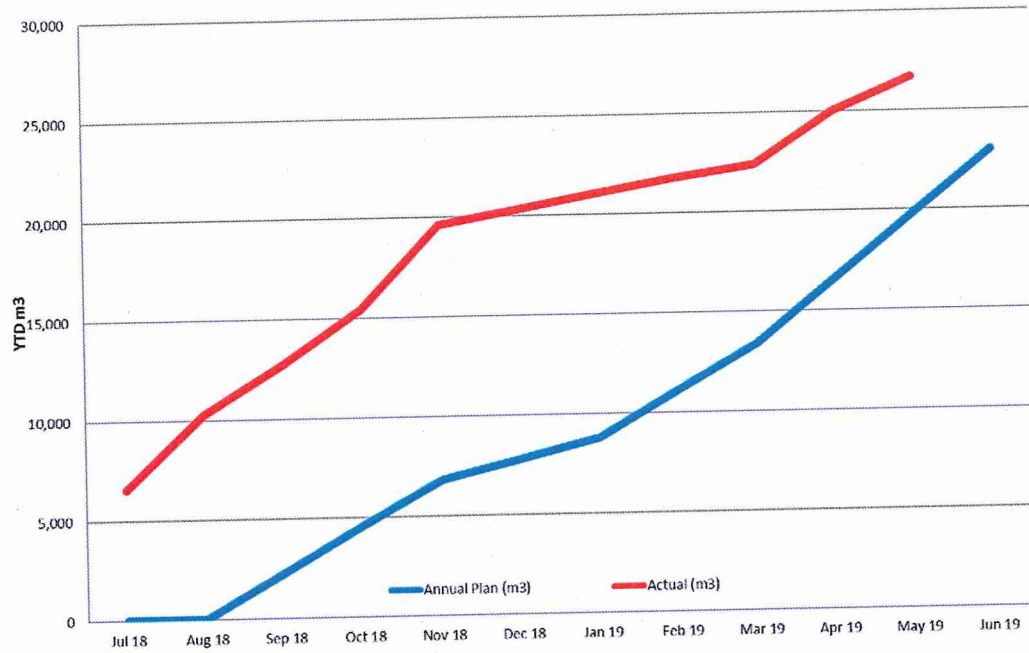


KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATOR GRAPHS

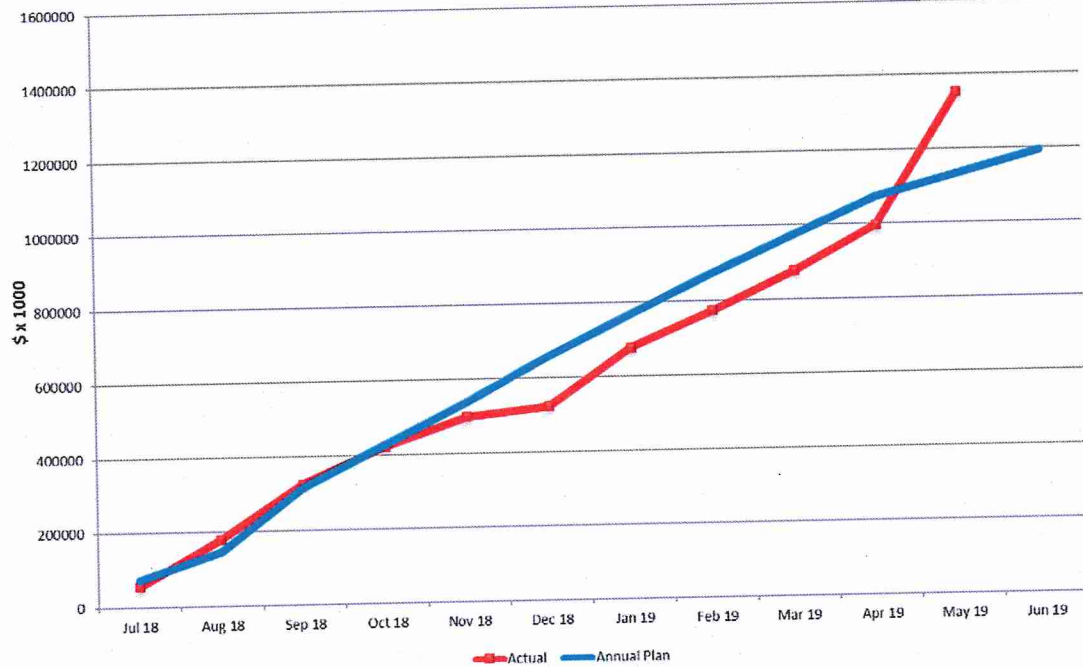
Grading



Metalling



Cat 111 - Sealed Road Maintenance



FINANCIAL SUMMARY

All Works Summary	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Total	Under(-ve)/ Over (+ve)	%age Under(-ve)/ Over (+ve)
Original Annual Plan	201406	201406	426285	415316	493249	427571	348888	372498	286177	281161	242007	163310	3859273		
Additional	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Current Annual Plan	206211	206211	431091	420121	498055	432377	353694	377303	290982	285966	246812	168115	3916936		
YTD Revised Annual Plan	206211	206211	431091	420121	498055	432377	353694	377303	290982	285966	246812	0	3748821		
Actual Expenditure	366757	515086	444043	362494	602189	407226	431704	461772	347020	448639	801421	81417	5269767	1352831	35%
Remaining Cyclic	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Tasked Forward Work	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	282283	282283		
Projected Expenditure	366757	515086	444043	362494	602189	407226	431704	461772	347020	448639	801421	363700	5552050	1635114	42%

FINANCIAL COMMENTARY

The year completed expenditure is \$5,188,350.00. The claim for the month was \$801,420.75 (including township works) and consisted of mainly programmed works and maintenance activities.

Waihemo Community Board

Memorandum

From Recreation Manager

Date 1 July 2019

Recreation Update

Recommendation

That the Waihemo Community Board receives and notes the information.

Purpose

The purpose of this memorandum is to update the Waihemo Community Board on routine work, maintenance issues and progress on minor projects for the period 19 April 2019 to 18 June 2019.

Toilets

Tourism Infrastructure Fund (TIF)

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.

Moeraki

Council is currently seeking community views on the preferred location for the replacement Moeraki toilets.

Responsible Camping

An application has been made to MBIE 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.

Palmerston Dump Station

Officers have invited five local contractors to submit prices for construction of the Palmerston Dump station at Mill Domain. Tenders close on 27 June 2019.

Hampden Town Toilet

The wastewater disposal system has been turned off. Officers continue to record volumes to aid in planning future improvements to the disposal field.

Parks

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.

Palmerston showgrounds

The Palmerston A&P Society had previously requested that it be allowed to permanently install yards on Council's area of the showgrounds and that management of the land be handed to the Society. A request for further information so that officers could present this to the Waihemo Community Board and Council has gone unanswered.

SouthRoads price to complete the drainage work was higher than expected. Further prices are being sought.

Moeraki

Reinforcing the eroded outlet for stormwater at the western end of the Millennium walkway has commenced. The contractor is waiting on additional rock to complete this work.

Macraes Domain

Macraes Domain has dried out considerably. Council has agreed to supply materials for installation of a new field drain to local contractors who are being engaged by the community. Officers have not been advised when this might occur.

A draft lease agreement has been prepared for the Macraes Pavilion.

Streetscape Improvements

Dunback's streetscape – a meeting was held with local residents who have since carried out further planting.

Hampden streetscape – there is a need to replace some trees that have failed.

Palmerston Walking Improvements

The Cruise family has advised that they are happy with the wording of the sale and purchase and easement agreement.

Palmerston Bike Park

The asphalt areas of the Bike Park in Palmerston has been formally opened. The clay track in Palmerston has been completed and is ready for use.



Palmerston Bike Park opening

Waihemo Reserve Improvements Budget

The improvement budget for this year is \$112,000, of which \$50,000 is allocated to the bike park, \$50,000 allocated to walkway connections, \$7,000 allocated to Hampden Beach Bollards along with rubbish bins and picnic tables (carried forward from last year), \$ 2,000 for Macraes drainage, which leaves \$3,000 to be allocated.

Erik van der Spek
Recreation Manager


Neil Jorgensen
Assets Group Manager

Waihemo Community Board

Memorandum

From Acting Heritage, Environment and Regulatory Group Manager **Date** 1 July 2019

Building Consents Issued in Waihemo Ward for April and May 2019

Recommendation

That the Waihemo Community Board receives and notes the information.

Purpose

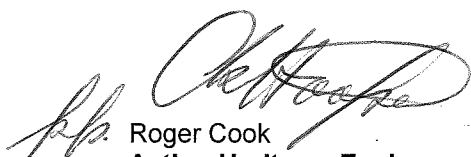
To provide the Board members with a list of building consents issued in Waihemo Ward during April and May 2019.

April 2019

Project Address	Project Description	Value of Work (\$)
Easons Road Hampden	Wastewater system	20,000
Blaikie Road Dunback	Heater	6,000

May 2019

Project Address	Project Description	Value of Work (\$)
Easons Road Hampden	Amendment to existing consent	20,000
Tiverton Street, Palmerston	Garage	38,200
Chalmers Road Palmerston	Woolshed	211,000
Mull Street Palmerston	Versatile Garage	25,000
Macraes Road Moonlight	Workshop extension	72,778
Pringles Road Palmerston	Farm accessory shed	55,000
Burraness Street Palmerston	Heater	3,500
Shrewsbury Street Hampden	Heater	3,500
Dunback-Morrisons Road Dunback	Heater	6,000
London Street Hampden	Heater	4,500
Goodwood Road Palmerston	Heater	5,000



Roger Cook
Acting Heritage, Environment and Regulatory Group Manager

Waihemo Community Board Memorandum

From Accounting Manager

Date 1 July 2019

Waihemo Community Board Financial Update – July 2019

Recommendations

That the Waihemo Community Board:

1. receives and notes the balances of separate rate accounts within the Waihemo ward; and
2. receives and notes the report detailing movements and the balance of funds available for distribution to community projects within the Board's ward.

Background

Separate Rate Accounts

These are maintained where Council levies a targeted rate for specific purposes, such as water and sewer systems, township amenities (including stormwater systems if applicable), community halls and Ward Services generally (including the operations of the Community Board itself, parks and reserves, etc).

Several targeted rates relate directly to communities within the Community Board's oversight, so it is appropriate that the Board is kept informed of their status. This information is updated quarterly, at 30 September, 31 December, 31 March and 30 June in each financial year. The information attached is current at 31 March 2019. The position at 30 June 2019 will be available for the Board's meeting on 2 September 2019.

Community Funding

The annual budget for the Community Board includes amounts intended to enable it to provide a degree of additional financial support within its local community.

- **Discretionary Fund**

At the request of the Community Board, Council made no allocation in the first year of the 2018-28 Long Term Plan, so the Board has only unspent funds brought forward from the 2017/18 and prior periods with which to fund small community projects. As usual, any balance remaining unspent at year end may be carried forward and combined with the budget for the 2019/20 financial year. Current year's expenditure is detailed in the report.

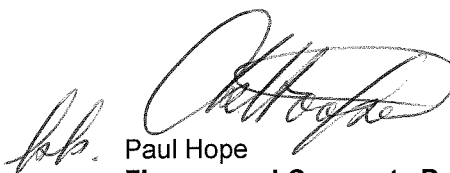
- **Community Grants**

The Community Board has an annual budget for "Community Grants", including \$5,000 "tagged" for the Palmerston Museum and a further sum for general community groups. As with the Discretionary Fund, any unspent balances can be carried forward until spent.

Conclusion

Any questions related to the information provided in these reports should be directed to Council's Financial Services unit via the Board's Chair.

Ian Wells
Accounting Manager



Paul Hope
Finance and Corporate Development Group Manager

Attachments

Appendix (a) Separate Rate Accounts, balances at 31 March 2019

Appendix (b) Funds Available for Distribution at 30 June 2019

Appendix (a) – Separate Rate Accounts at 31 March 2019

Waihemo Community Board

Separate Rate Accounts 1 July 2018 - 31 March 2019

	Rate Account		Depreciation Reserve		Internal Loans	
	Balance	Balance	Balance	Balance	Balance	Balance
	01-Jul-18	31-Mar-19	30-Jun-18	31-Mar-19	30-Jun-18	31-Mar-19
Ward Services						
Waihemo Ward Services	439,936	393,289	148,918	178,817	(155,556)	(131,323)
Specific projects to fund						
Streetscape - Hampden		20,000				
Ward discretionary fund		20,000				
Waihemo reserve improvements		8,000				
Discretionary fund		7,176				
Community grants		25,854				
Total committed		81,030				
Township Amenity						
Hampden	66,310	37,474				
Specific projects to fund						
Septic Tank cleaning		29,804				
Moeraki	35,403	39,228	331	430	-	-
Palmerston	131,543	112,932	90,363	95,866	-	-
Shag Point	(1,795)	(670)	-	-	-	-
Hall						
Dunback	7,000	8,134	-	-	-	-
Hampden	40,548	40,844	-	-	-	-
Macraes	457	1,262	-	-	-	-
Moeraki	24,427	24,024	-	-	-	-
Palmerston	10,646	13,178	66,901	41,537	-	-
Waianakarua	6,064	6,634	-	-	-	-
Water						
Hampden - now with Oamaru	-	-	-	-	-	-
Stoneburn	68,739	43,782	179,447	199,606	-	-
Waihemo	(148,265)	(215,470)	(456,392)	(435,521)	(854,390)	(773,007)
Sewerage						
Moeraki	(3,306)	(39,571)	97,728	115,614	(37,771)	(44,007)
Moeraki Reticulation Loan	-	(155)	-	-	(26,896)	(6,299)
Moeraki Treatment Loan	-	(206)	-	-	(16,088)	(3,775)
Palmerston	89,935	72,860	512,591	562,732	(135,820)	(129,037)

Note - Council has commenced the programme of septic tank cleaning in Hampden

Note - Hampden Water is now a zone of Oamaru Water, and will no longer be reported separately to the Board

Note - the two Moeraki Sewer loans finish at 30 June 2019

Waihemo Community Board Memorandum

From Board Chairperson

Date 1 July 2019

Chairperson's Report

Recommendation

That the Waihemo Community Board receives and notes the information.

Discussion

The Chairperson's report will be presented verbally at the meeting. Topics covered will subsequently be included in the meeting minutes under the relevant agenda item.

The Chairperson wishes to highlight the following topics for discussion at the meeting as part of her Chairperson's Report.

1. **The 10-Year Waihemo Community Board Plan** – This important document is part of our agenda for this Board meeting.
2. **Extension of bus service to Palmerston**



Kathy Dennison
Waihemo Community Board Chairperson

Waihemo Community Board Memorandum

From Waihemo Community Board Members

Date 1 July 2019

Community Board Members' and Councillor's Reports

Recommendation

That the Waihemo Community Board receives the Community Board Members' and Councillor's reports.

- **Community Board Members' and Councillor's Reports (verbal reports at meeting)**

Waihemo Community Board Report

From Governance and Policy Advisor

Date

1 July 2019

Waihemo Community Board Workshops 2019 – Forward Planning Schedule

Recommendation

That the Waihemo Community Board receives the information and confirms where possible dates and timeframes, topics, and venues for its workshops during 2019.

Purpose

The purpose of this information is to provide the Waihemo Community Board with the latest version of its Workshops Forward Planning Schedule, for confirmation / amendment as required at this meeting.

Attachment

The updated Workshops Forward Planning Schedule for July 2019 is attached for the Board's information and discussion at this meeting.



Ainslee Hooper,

Governance and Policy Advisor

Attachment: Waihemo Community Board Workshops 2019 – Forward Planning Schedule

Waihemo Community Board Workshops 2019

Forward Planning Schedule (as at 21 June 2019)

Date/Time/Venue	Workshop Topic/s and time required	Action Manager
Monday 1 April 2019 6.30pm – 8.00pm Waihemo Service Centre COMPLETED	1. 10 Year Community Plan (1.5 hours)	Mike Searle
Tuesday 4 June 2019 6.00pm – 7.30pm Hampden Community Hall, Hampden COMPLETED	1. Water and Stormwater Matters DEFERRED to August workshop date 2. Recreation Priorities 2019/20 3. Code of Conduct DEFERRED until all Board members are able to be present	Erik van der Spek Jane Matchett
Monday 5 August 2019 6.30pm – 8.00pm (Venue TBC)	1. Water and Stormwater Matters 2.	
Monday 7 October 2019 6.30pm – 8.00pm Venue TBC		
Monday 9 December + 6.00pm – 6.30pm+ Waihemo Service Centre		

Key: + date or times vary from usual scheduling pattern (eg due to a public holiday or a variation in the meeting schedule for the final meeting of the year)

Potential Waihemo Community Board Workshops – to be discussed and confirmed for scheduling into the table above at a formal Board meeting following receipt of the proposal

Proposed Day / Time / Venue	Proposed Workshop Topics	Proposed by Board Chair / Officers

Waihemo Community Board Memorandum

From Governance and Policy Advisor

Date 1 July 2019

Council Reports to Community Boards – July 2019

Recommendation

That the Waihemo Community Board receives and notes the information.

Summary

The following pages contain copies of reports prepared by the Mayor and Chief Executive, and the Finance and Corporate Development Group Manager which were tabled at previous Council Meetings and which are now being referred to Community Board Meetings, for the information of Board members and members of their communities.

- Mayor's and Chief Executive's reports to the 11 June 2019 Council Meeting
- Health and Safety Update to the Finance, Audit and Risk Committee Meeting, 28 May 2019.

Purpose

The purpose of this information is to bring Community Boards up to speed with matters considered by Council over the preceding period.

Community Board Chairs and members may have already received this information.



Ainslee Hooper
Governance and Policy Advisor

Waitaki District Council Memorandum

From Mayor Gary Kircher

Date 11 June 2019

Mayor's Report

Recommendation

That Council receives and notes the information.

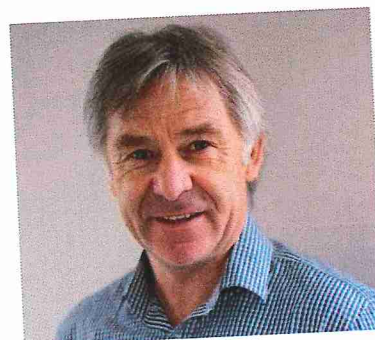
Purpose

The following comments are provided to bring Councillors and the public up-to-date with a number of issues and happenings that have arisen since the last Council meeting on 30 April 2019.

Oamaru Hospital Update

From Council's shareholder perspective, a couple of things have progressed since my last update – the company's board has a new Chair-elect, and I have had a meeting with the Hospital Action Group Committee (WCHAG).

Firstly, I wish to officially pass on my congratulations to Paul Allison who was elected by his fellow directors to take over as Chair when Chris Swann vacates his role on the 30th of June. Paul has been a director of the company for approximately 18 months and intends to bring to the role a new level of public communication. With the amended proposal for change being implemented, and the new model of care continuing to be rolled out, it continues to be a time of change but also of consolidation. I look forward to working with Paul as that progresses.



Paul Allison

He was quoted as saying, "The health sector is very challenging. It is vital that the provision of healthcare services in the region meets the needs of the Waitaki community."

"Together with the board members, I am fully committed to ensuring the organisation is financially sound, provides a very safe environment for staff and patients, and has a strong working relationship with the Waitaki District Council and other key stakeholders. We have made some decisions recently to help ensure the quality of services remains high and are sustainable into the future."

"There has been some very good progress made in recent weeks in relation to staff recruitment, with a strong number of high-quality candidates applying for vacant positions. This is an encouraging sign for the future."

Secondly, my 90 minute meeting with the committee of WCHAG was helpful, including in smoothing some of the tension that has been played out publically. It confirmed what I have said in the past – we actually all want the same thing: a hospital which provides the best possible health care for the people of Waitaki. Our meeting has not solved the issues that exist, but it has helped find common ground, and allowed both parties to voice their concerns in a more appropriate environment.

In a situation where there has been a shortage of information coming from those best able to give it, a vacuum of information has allowed speculation and rumour to take over, and that has been helpful to no one. I will continue to do what I can to ensure that vacuum is eliminated, and I welcome the support of Councillors to do so. If all goes to plan, we will get to the stage where we will have those health services that we all deserve.

NZAA/AirAsia contract

Supporting our community and celebrating success are important parts of my role, and to do both with our local New Zealand Airline Academy (NZAA) was a special privilege. The deal they have signed with AirAsia India was significant and will lead to growth for the community and our economy. There will be flow-on benefits as the training provider increases the number of students from the current 24, through to about 80 in twelve months' time!

Our Council has played an important role, and one that has been unusually 'hands-on' for some of our staff. Part of that is due to their use of our strategically important Oamaru Airport, and part of it has been due to us having the key staff with skills to contribute to the establishment of the company in Waitaki.

There is no doubt that other Councils are envious of this success, but it has been hard earned by us, and especially by the principals of the company. There is going to be a need for more investment at our airport, and the development plan for that facility is needed more than ever to ensure any development and expansion happens in a coordinated way.

Thank you to our members of staff who have helped support this success. My presence as Mayor of Waitaki at the launch of the Cadet Programme in India was appreciated, and I was able to talk about how we have supported NZAA so far, and the excellent work that our staff have done. This was picked up by AirAsia India, and by the numerous media representatives present. Great job!



Captain Manish Uppal presents me with a model of AirAsia India's signature aircraft



Representatives of AirAsia India, NZAA, New Zealand Trade and Enterprise, Foreign Affairs, and NZAA's consultants.

TRENZ

Tourism Waitaki utilised the Waitaki Whitestone Geopark branding to good effect, to market what we had to offer in our district. It showed just how well this can be utilised to unite our numerous offerings, so instead of promoting a number of things separately, they were able to be packaged but still be handled as separate attractions. I was able to see this in action during my visit there on the last day, and the response had been very good!

Following the expo, there were visits to Waitaki from a good number of attendees. There were not as many as last year when TRENZ had been held in Dunedin, but Tourism Waitaki staff were happy with the strong response they did get. Next year promises to be a big year as TRENZ returns to Christchurch for the first time, I believe, since the 2010/11 earthquakes.



Tourism Waitaki staff busy with another set of appointments





Approximately one quarter of the TRENZ exhibitors

Waitaki Whitestone Geopark Trust (WWG Trust)

Recently the trust advertised for expressions of interest from potential trustees. The current trustees, including myself, were all very pleased with the calibre and enthusiasm of the respondents! We will be interviewing a number of them shortly and hope to make an announcement soon. From my own perspective, it will soon be time for me to take a back seat from the trust. The intention for a Geopark to become accredited as a UNESCO Global Geopark is that it is community-led but supported by local and/or central government. With the addition of some great quality trustees, I will be resigning from the role of Chair, and possibly as a trustee, to allow the community to take more ownership.

I fully expect that Council will continue to support the WWG, but with clarity for both Council and the trust of exactly what that support will entail. The unqualified commitment given to date has caused issues on both sides, and not the least within our staff who have had to balance the Geopark workload along with their regular work. The Geopark has the potential to create a brand and umbrella for so much of the great things that we have to offer in Waitaki, and I want our people to make the most of that.

New Zealand Motor Caravan Association (NZMCA) National Rally, Oamaru 2020

The Otago Branch of the NZMCA held a rally at Teschemakers recently, and as they often do for rallies in Waitaki, invited me along to meet with attendees and say a few words. There was a decent number of vans and buses at the site, and there was plenty of interest in the history of Teschemakers.

I talked about the national rally being held next year in Oamaru at the racecourse, and what we were doing to make sure it is as successful as possible. So far, we have helped organise a temporary dump station to aid in the logistics of emptying effluent tanks for the huge number of attending vehicles. We have also liaised with Tourism Waitaki to provide the information and mementos for all attendees, and we are working on entertainment in town, and on locations for attendees to stay for the days leading up to the rally and for immediately afterwards. We want to make sure that they all have the best possible time, so that they stay on and spend their money as much as humanly possible! For those who cannot stay on, we want to give them reasons to return and spend their money in future... Every single one of the attendees can be an ambassador for us.

Other subjects discussed included the ongoing issue of the fees for Dunback Domain, dump stations across the district, and locations to stay around Waitaki. It was a positive meeting, and aside from the ongoing niggles about Dunback Domain, the NZMCA members were generally happy with Waitaki.



Vehicles on site at Teschemakers

District Kids' Bike Parks

Kids' bike parks in our district have tripled in recent weeks! The sealed tracks designed for younger kids have proven popular in their new locations of Kurow and Palmerston, when they were opened on the 3rd and 9th of June, respectively.

Despite the chilly winter weather, good numbers of children and their families turned out to celebrate their communities' new, family-friendly facilities. Special events were held for both, organised by our event coordinator Hayley Cuisal, and the free sausage sizzles, free face painting, and lots of prizes for decorated bikes went down very well!

Thanks to both community boards for their efforts and support, to our wonderful Parks and Recreation team for their excellent work, to the contractor, and to the sponsors and donors who have helped make the Parks much bigger than they would otherwise have been. Special mention to Calum Reid in Kurow for his leadership in fundraising and overseeing the project there for his community! To the Community Board Chairs, Graeme and Kathy – these bike parks will be wonderful legacies to add to all the things you have both been involved in over the years of your involvement as elected members of the Waitaki District.

Now... where next....?



Waianakarua/Waiareka Valley Lions Winter Crop fundraiser

Kerry and I attended the annual fundraiser run by the Lions Clubs of Waianakarua and Waiareka Valley. This year was a record, with approximately \$64,000 raised. The funds went to the Otago Rescue Helicopter Trust, St John, Oamaru Hospice, and Oamaru Hospital. Much of the proceeds came from the auction, with the donated goods receiving well over their face value! It was a generous crowd!! The winners of each auction item could nominate which of the causes their money went to, though I suspect many would have nominated it to be split between all four. Congratulations to the

winners of the different crop categories, though the whole event and our community were the winners on the night! Thanks also (once again) to the inimitable Sally Anne Donnelly for again donating so much of the food and drink on the night to the fundraiser.



Master of Ceremonies Murray Linwood

Rural and Provincial Meeting

The Rural and Provincial Sector Meeting held on the 6th and 7th of June had a number of very good presentations. The following is just two of those.

➤ The One Billion Trees Project

The Mayors of Wairoa and Whakatane joined forces to give a presentation on the ambitious tree-planting programme being implemented by Central Government. In an effort to combat climate change, the project is having some seriously adverse effects on some districts, and Mayor Craig Little and Mayor Don Cameron informed the meeting of their experiences.

They spoke of the sales of farms to international investors, who were buying them to not only take advantage of the financial benefits, but to also offset their carbon footprints elsewhere on the planet. The unintended consequences of this free-for-all had, in some cases, been predicted, but others had not. Some of these include:

- Very good farmland being planted out in less productive tree crops.
- Incredible increases in farmland prices, which results in less opportunities for young Kiwis to buy their own farms (Overseas Investment Office permission has been waived for these properties).
- Jobs are disappearing from the affected rural areas, as trees need much less ongoing care than annual crops or livestock.
- Skills are being lost in rural areas as partners of the people employed on farms also leave the area. Schools are losing teachers, medical practices are losing nurses, etc.
- Councils are losing part of their rating base, as farms being converted are having the buildings and other fixed capital assets removed, reducing rates to essentially just the land value of the properties.

It is clear that this is ripping the guts out of some communities, and with another 8 or 9 years to come, one has to wonder exactly where we will all end up... Local government needs to stand up and speak out in these issues, before greater damage is done. There are undoubtedly areas where trees can be planted which do not cause these effects, and the rules need to be tightened as soon as possible.

➤ The 3 Waters – The Size Of The Challenge!

I was relieved to see just how seriously LGNZ is taking the 3 Waters discussion which has been swirling around both local and central government for some time now. The organisation has undertaken some very good research which puts to bed some of the claims around water supplies that have been coming from Water New Zealand and government ministries. The concern now is whether it is too late to turn around the ship, and to change the direction of the government's focus on water scheme aggregation across the country....

What the images below (refer next page) show, is that the belief that water has to be aggregated and best managed by large entities, is false. The evidence shows that smaller schemes across Councils are being run on average as efficiently as large schemes. In my estimation, that would hold true for Waitaki. We have been innovative and lateral in our thinking when it comes to solutions for our

numerous schemes across the district. We have done well in achieving the drinking water standards for almost all the schemes that we actively manage, and we are well on the way to gaining that status on all our schemes. The following slides give some of the evidence presented at our Rural and Provincial meeting by LGNZ. (Apologies if the text is not legible in the final copy of this report.)

Will aggregation of service providers reduce costs?

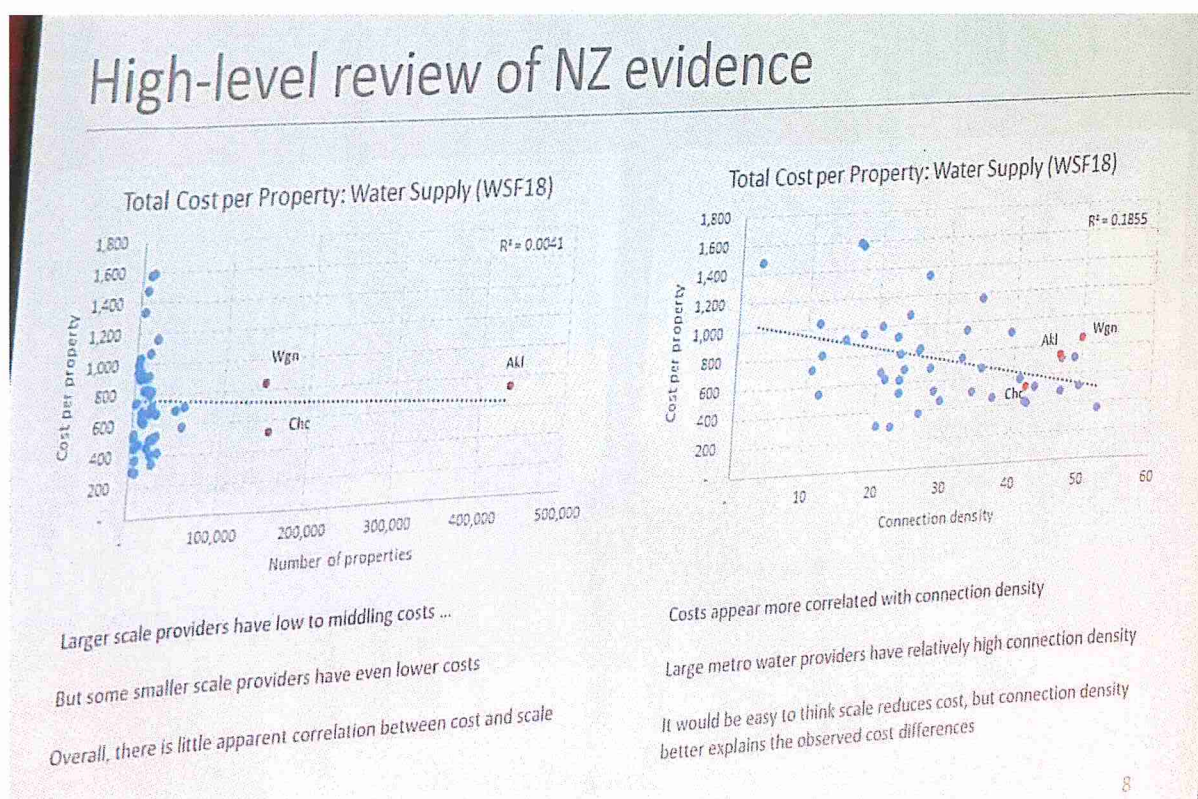
> Government papers say domestic and international experience shows aggregated providers have lower costs

> Claim is not supported by clear evidence

We are LGNZ.

- 1 International evidence is mixed – some studies find economies of scale and scope and others find little or no evidence of such effects. International studies also typically caution that results in one jurisdiction cannot be automatically applied elsewhere.
- 2 Studies vary in their robustness – some claimed scale efficiencies may actually be due to customer density effects (i.e. connections per km) which is a key cost driver for most network businesses.
- 3 Where scale or scope benefits do exist, they may sometimes be achievable without aggregation (as noted in a recent World Bank report).
- 4 Important to consider whether forced change could lead to higher costs - for example loss of scope benefits between water functions and other council services such as stormwater or roading – and to consider transition costs.
- 5 Simplistic adoption of international studies is not sensible - a recent Australian study implies the need to:
 - merge drinking water operations across many smaller NZ councils;
 - break-up water operations within Watercare Services, Wellington Water and Christchurch City Council since they are all above the most efficient scale.

High level review of NZ data does not show clear-cut scale benefits (see next page)



Recommended approach



Drinking
water

- Tighten drinking water regulation
- Apply new standard to council networks
- Consider application to private networks (would need careful transition)



Wastewater

- Targeted strengthening of wastewater regulation
- Prioritise upgrades with greatest benefits
- Increase transparency



Structures

- Create dedicated regulator for drinking water
- Regulator should support, monitor, and enforce compliance
- Establish water fund to co-fund and support change (akin to land transport fund)

**We are.
LGNZ.**

Central government should use regulation and funding to drive desired change – and let councils determine which service delivery models best achieve the goals

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Meetings Attended by Mayor Gary Kircher:

1 May	East Otago High School – discussion on environmental issues
1 May	Corporate Planning Meeting
1 May	Interview re Ruth Kibble – professional development
2 May	Annual Plan Design Meeting
2 May	Shareholders' Meeting – Whitestone Contracting Limited
2 May	Meeting with Gerard Quinn, Economic Development Manager
2 May	Meeting re movie theatre
2 May	Meeting with Allan Dick
2 May	Public Meeting – St John Ambulance proposal for new base
3 May	New Zealand Motor Caravan Association (NZMCA) Rally – Teschemakers
6 May	Waitaki Whitestone Geopark Trust Meeting
6 May	Meeting with Malcolm Alexander – Local Government New Zealand (LGNZ)
7 May	Meeting with Mayors' Task Force for Jobs
7 May	Governance training
9 May	Meeting re District Plan review
9 May	Meeting with Iconz4girls re community work
10 May	Catch-up with Iri Parker-Davis, Tuia Programme
10 May	45 South Interview
12 May	House of Breakthrough Launch Service, Columba Church
13 May	Real Radio Interview
13 May	Mayor and Chief Executive meeting
13 May	Community HUB Meeting
13 May	Ahuriri Community Board Meeting
14 May	Council Deliberations on Annual Plan
14 May	District Plan Review # 6 Discussion Document Workshop
14 May	District Plan Review # 7 Masterplans Otematata and Omarama
14 May	Councillor briefing
14 May	Youthline Otago Network Meeting
16 May	TRENZ - Rotorua
17 May	St John North Otago District Awards, Kurow
17 May	Oamaru Performing Arts Society (Mayoress)
18 May	Waitaki Whitestone Geopark business case validation with Visitor Solutions
18 May	Waianakarua/Waiareka Valley Lions Winter Crop Competition
20 May	Mayor and Chief Executive meeting
20 May	Draft Agenda Meeting – Committees Day
20 May	Briefing for Mayor and Chairs
20 May	Communications Portfolio Members' Meeting
20 May	Meeting re potential Coastal passenger rail service (PGF application)
21 May	Workshop – Building Laws reform
21 May	Workshop – Delegations Register
21 May	Workshop – Update on Forrester Gallery/North Otago Museum Stage 1
21 May	Workshop – Waitaha and WDC Relationship agreement
22 May	Mayor's Strategic Workshop
23-24 May	Travel to India
27-29 May	NZAA Event with AirAsia India
1-2 June	Travel to New Zealand
2 June	Steampunk Festival Gaslight Fantasies of Steam and Stitches Fashion Show
2 June	'Breaking the fast' event, Oamaru Prayer Centre
3 June	Opening of the Kurow Bike Park
4 June	Waitaki Whitestone Geopark meeting re expressions of interest for new trustees
4 June	Mayor and Chief Executive meeting
4 June	3 Waters Council workshop
4 June	Citizenship Ceremony
4 June	Chamber of Commerce BA5 – Whitestone Funerals
4 June	Meeting with the Hospital Action Group Committee
5 June	Heritage Radio interview
5 June	Discussion re Otematata and Omarama Masterplans
5 June	Phoenix Mill Water Wheel Trust Meeting
5 June	Meeting re possible New Year's Eve event
6-7 June	Rural and Provincial Meeting, Wellington
7 June	Meeting with Chief Executive of Tourism Industry Aotearoa (Wellington)
7 June	Meeting with Deputy Chief Executive of LINZ re various Waitaki property matters
9 June	Opening of Palmerston bike park

10 June	Real Radio interview
10 June	Mayor and Chief Executive meeting
10 June	Waitaki Whitestone Geopark Trust Meeting
10 June	45 South TV interview
10 June	Waitaki Whitestone Geopark Geogastronomy Workshop
10 June	Catch-up with Iri Hapeta-Davies, Tuia Programme



Mayor Gary Kircher



CHIEF EXECUTIVE REPORT

**COUNCIL ACTIVITIES FOR THE
PERIOD ENDING
11 JUNE 2019**

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1 INTRODUCTION FROM THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE



Hello, Kia ora koutou, Mālō e lelei, ofa lava, Kia orana, Ni sa bula vinaka, Fakatalofa atu, Malo Ni, Fakaalofa sahi atu, Mabuhay, Hola, Nǎ hǎo.

The Chief Executive Officer's regular reporting to Council provides an opportunity for elected members and the community to be aware of significant policy and strategic initiatives at international, national, regional and local level.

Preparations are underway for the local government triennial elections later this year. It is hoped that this regular update will help inform potential candidates for these local body elections.

Of particular note in this regards is the Royal Assent granted on 20 March 2019 to the Local government Regulatory Systems Amendment Act 2019. This Act came into force on 21 March 2019. Section 15 of this Act amends Section 42 of the Local Government Act 2002, inserting a new provision in the form of Section 42(2)(da) which adds the following duty as Chief Executive Officer:

(da) facilitating and fostering representative and substantial elector participation in elections and polls held under the Local Electoral Act 2001.

Speaking to the Bill upon its introduction for its Third Reading, the Hon Willie Jackson stated "One amendment that has garnered interest in the House is the principle to foster substantial and representative participation in local elections. We have inserted the principle into the Local Electoral Act 2001. Local authority Chief Executives will now be responsible for ensuring this principle is supported leading up to and throughout the electoral cycle. Substantial representation means that the level of participation in a local election is significant enough to be considered reflective of the public will.

Representative participation means that the electoral participation should reflect that diversity and make-up of the electorate in characteristics such as age, cultural background, ethnicity, and economic status. Achieving substantial and representative participation in local elections is a worthy goal, given the impact of local government on everyday life for New Zealanders".

The timeline for the 2019 local body elections is displayed below.

From 17 October



ELECTIONS 2019 - THE TIMELINE

DATE	DESCRIPTION
From 17 July 2019	Elections will be advertised and nominations called.
19 July 2019	Nominations open.
16 August 2019	Nominations close at midday.
20 September 2019	Voter packs mailed to electors. Voting opens.
12 October 2019	Voting closes at midday. Progress result asap thereafter.
By 17 October 2019	Official result released.

2 CENTRAL GOVERNMENT UPDATES



UPCOMING CENTRAL GOVERNMENT CONSULTATION ON RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

Central government is planning public consultation on a range of resource management topics this year, including several new and existing National Policy Statements (NPS).

This is in addition to early engagement with local government and other stakeholders on these topics and other matters.

The current schedule (which is subject to change) includes consultation on:

- Review of the Walking Access Act 2008 (May to July 2019)
- NPS Urban Development Capacity (May to July 2019)
- NPS on Highly Productive Soils (May to August 2019)
- Amendments to the Hazardous Substances and New Organisms (HSNO) regulations (June to September 2019)
- Emission Trading Scheme regulations (July – September 2019)
- NPS Biodiversity (July to September 2019)
- Waste Disposal Levy (July to September 2019)
- Essential Freshwater Programme -
NPS Freshwater and National Environment Standards (July to September 2019)
- Freshwater allocation options (July to October 2019)



KĀINGA ORA - HOMES AND COMMUNITIES BILL

The introduction of the Kāinga Ora-Homes and Communities Bill on 29 May 2019 signals the creation of a powerful new Crown agency that will be responsible for implementing much of the Government's housing and urban development agenda. The Kāinga Ora - Homes and Communities Bill disestablishes the Housing New Zealand Corporation (Housing New Zealand) and HLC (2017) Limited (HLC) and assigns their roles to a new agency, Kāinga Ora - Homes and Communities (Kāinga Ora). The KiwiBuild Unit, which is currently part of the Ministry for Housing and Urban Development, will also become a part of Kāinga Ora. The Bill intends for the new Crown entity to be up and running by 1 October 2019.

The new Bill is also more specific in terms of the Government's expectations of Kāinga Ora, which are expressed numerous operating principles, compared to its expectations of Housing New Zealand as set out in the Housing Corporation Act 1974. Specifically, in performing its functions the Bill requires Kāinga Ora to provide good quality rental housing, to support tenants to be connected to their communities, to support tenants to live independent lives, and to be a fair and reasonable landlord.

The Bill also requires Ministers to issue a Government Policy Statement (GPS) before 1 October 2020 and then requires Ministers to review that GPS every three years. The GPS must set out the Government's directions and priorities as to housing and urban development, and how the Government expects Kāinga Ora to manage its functions and operations in relation to those directions and priorities.



REVIEW OF THE WALKING ACCESS ACT 2008

The Act, including the role of the Walking Access Commission it established, is being reviewed to see if changes are needed. The review aims to make sure the Act and the Commission are fit for the future providing free and practical access to the outdoors for all sorts of activities, not just walking. To find out more about the review and how to have your say, please go to: www.mpi.govt.nz/walkingaccessreview



DOG CONTROL (CATEGORY 1 OFFENCES) AMENDMENT BILL

This Bill seeks to reduce the time it takes for charges under the Dog Control Act 1996 to be heard by allowing category 1 offences to be heard by Justices of the Peace and Community Magistrates.



HEALTH (DRINKING WATER) AMENDMENT BILL

While the stated policy objectives of this bill are to improve the effectiveness and efficiency of Part 2A of the Health Act 1956 without materially affecting any party or imposing new or additional costs, Section 69S of the existing Act sets out the duty of suppliers in relation to the provision of drinking water, and section 69V specifies the duty of a water supplier to comply with drinking-water standards.

Both these sections qualify the duties by referring to "all practicable steps". The Select Committee (09 May 2019) recommend inserting clauses 6A and 7A to amend these sections by removing the words "all practicable steps to".

It was felt by the Select Committee that this would make the responsibilities of water suppliers clearer.

These changes would not affect the entitlement of suppliers to the defence provided for in the existing section 69ZZS (Liability of Principal for Acts of Agents - defence).



RMA REFORM

The Government plans to introduce an amendment Bill to Parliament in 2019. The Bill will address particular issues with resource consenting, enforcement and Environment Court provisions within the RMA. It may also include some other policy proposals currently under development. The aim of the bill is to make the RMA less complex, give people more certainty on RMA issues and to increase public participation.

Public submissions will be called for when the bill is referred to a select committee.

The following documents have information on the policy proposals that will be in the proposed bill.

- [Cabinet paper – Proposed Resource Management Amendment Bill: Stage 1 of a resource management system review](#)
- [Appendix to the Cabinet paper: Proposed bill to amend the RMA – further policy detail on proposals](#) (on Cabinet paper web page)
- [Regulatory impact statement – Impact Summary: Proposed bill to amend the Resource Management Act 1991](#)



DEVELOPING A DRAFT NATIONAL POLICY STATEMENT (NPS) ON INDIGENOUS BIODIVERSITY

The NPS will only focus on terrestrial ecosystems (not freshwater and coast). Other aspects may be added later. This leaves a question mark around the management of biodiversity in wetlands. The timing for consultation is mid-2019, with the aim of having the new NPS in force by February 2020.



NATIONAL PLANNING STANDARDS 2019

Purpose of the national planning standards

The purpose of the national planning standards (planning standards) is to improve consistency in plan and policy statement structure, format and content.

The planning standards were introduced as part of the 2017 amendments to the Resource Management Act 1991 (RMA).

Their development is enabled by sections 58B–58J of the RMA.

They support implementation of other national direction such as national policy statements and help people to comply with the procedural principles of the RMA.

They are issued by the Minister for the Environment. To the extent that a matter relates to the coastal marine area, the Minister of Conservation approves a planning standard.

Why they are needed

Currently, plans and policy statements prepared under the RMA are inconsistent with each other and slow and costly to prepare. They can be hard to understand, compare and comply with. This is because councils have generally developed their plans and policy statements independently of each other and without a common structure and format as a reference point.

The wide variation in the structure and format of plans has also meant that other national direction such as national policy statements are often interpreted and implemented in different ways, reducing the effectiveness of these instruments.

The Rules Reduction Taskforce found that plans and policy statements are complex to the extent that people at all levels need specialist knowledge and experience to understand their provisions.

The planning standards are an opportunity to standardise the basic elements of RMA plans and policy statements. They enable councils and plan users to focus their resources on the matters that directly influence resource management outcomes.

Scope and contents of planning standards

Under section 58C of the RMA, planning standards can specify different elements of plans and policy statements including:

- ☒ objectives
- ☒ policies
- ☒ methods (including rules)
- ☒ other provisions
- ☒ structure and form
- ☒ requirements that relate to electronic accessibility and functionality.

They can also be applied generally, to specific regions or districts or to other parts of New Zealand. The RMA specifies default timeframes for the implementation of 'mandatory' directions (which do not follow an RMA Schedule One process) though alternative timeframes can also be set in the planning standards. Timeframes for 'discretionary' directions can be specified in the planning standard and must be applied to the local context using an RMA Schedule One process.

To learn more about the new Ministry for the Environment National Planning Standards, please refer to:

<https://www.mfe.govt.nz/sites/default/files/media/RMA/national-planning-standards.pdf>

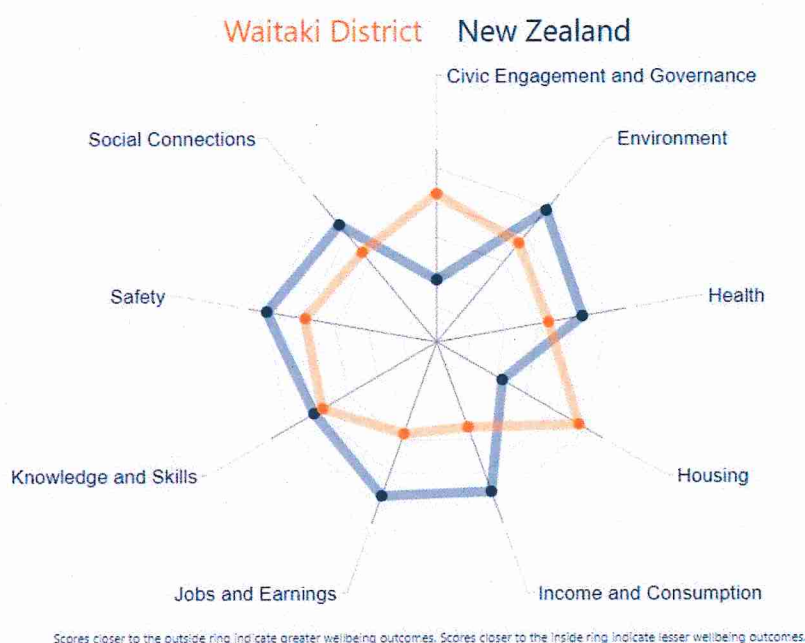


INFOMETRICS REGIONAL WELLBEING FRAMEWORK, AND SOLGM WELL-BEINGS PROJECT

A month ago, and in anticipation of the government's 30 May 2019 Budget, Infometrics launched the 'Infometrics Regional Wellbeing Framework'.

The Framework provides a local view of how wellbeing outcomes occur, across 30 indicators listed under nine domains of wellbeing – all at a territorial authority level (see Figure below).

The Regional Wellbeing Framework is intended to allow Infometrics to reliably assess and consistently measure wellbeing across all of New Zealand's mainland territorial authorities and regional council/unitary authority areas. The Framework presents the information in an easily accessible format, designed to allow users to understand how wellbeing in a local area compares with elsewhere in New Zealand.



SOLGM has also produced a highly-impressive well-beings analytical tool. This was introduced to New Zealand local authority Chief Executives at the SOLGM Chief Executives Forum in Auckland on 12 April 2019. This system is significantly less expensive than the Infometrics option, and officers are currently evaluating its usefulness.



THE WELL-BEING BUDGET 2019

When answering the question: 'What is well-being?' government articulated wellbeing in the 2019 Budget as:

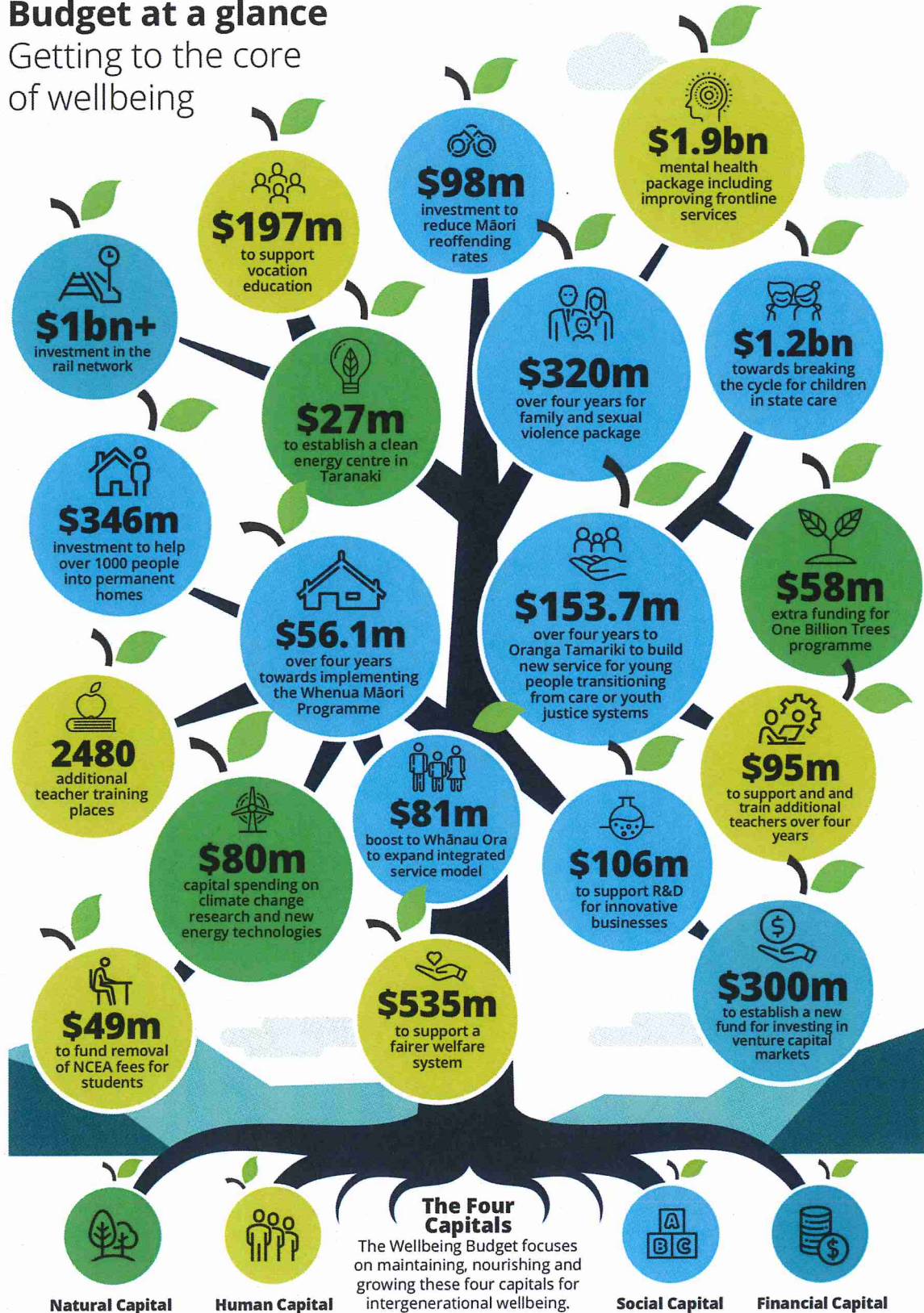
"when people are able to lead fulfilling lives with purpose, balance and meaning to them. Giving more New Zealanders capabilities to enjoy good wellbeing requires tackling the long-term challenges we face as a country, like the mental health crisis, child poverty and domestic violence. It means improving the state of our environment, the strength of our communities and the performance of our economy".

Deloitte¹ has produced two helpful infographics that summarise the 2019 Budget, and these are shown on the following two pages.

¹ Deloitte 2019. Unwrapping the Wellbeing Budget. Getting to the Core of What's Different. Budget 2019: Deloitte's Perspective. 30 May 2019 (<https://www2.deloitte.com/content/dam/Deloitte/nz/Documents/budget/nz-en-Budget-2019.pdf>)

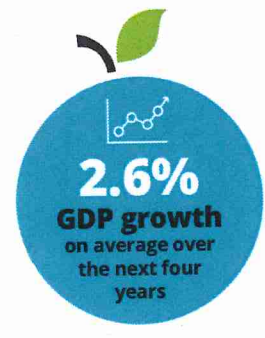
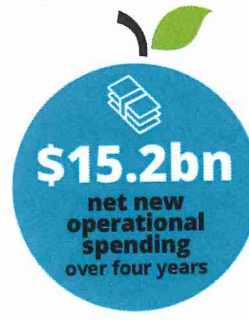
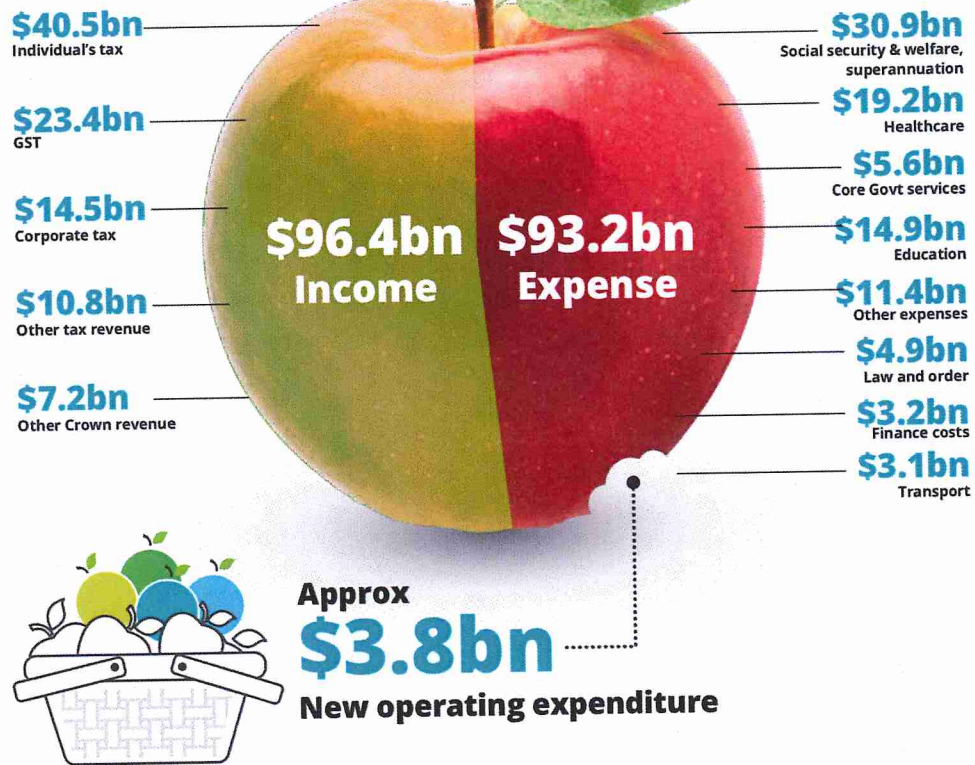
Budget at a glance

Getting to the core of wellbeing

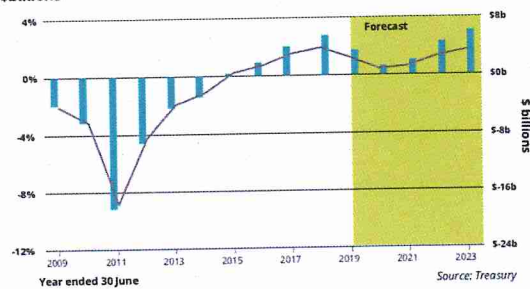


What we spend vs what we earn

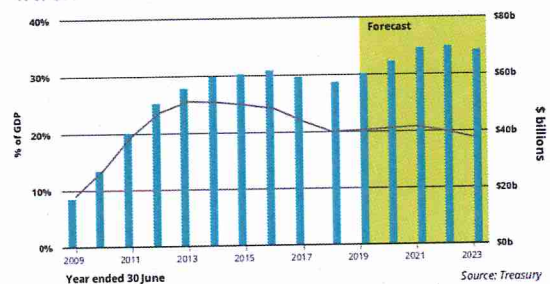
Core Crown revenue and expenditure



Operating balance before gains and losses
\$billions



Net core Crown debt
% of GDP



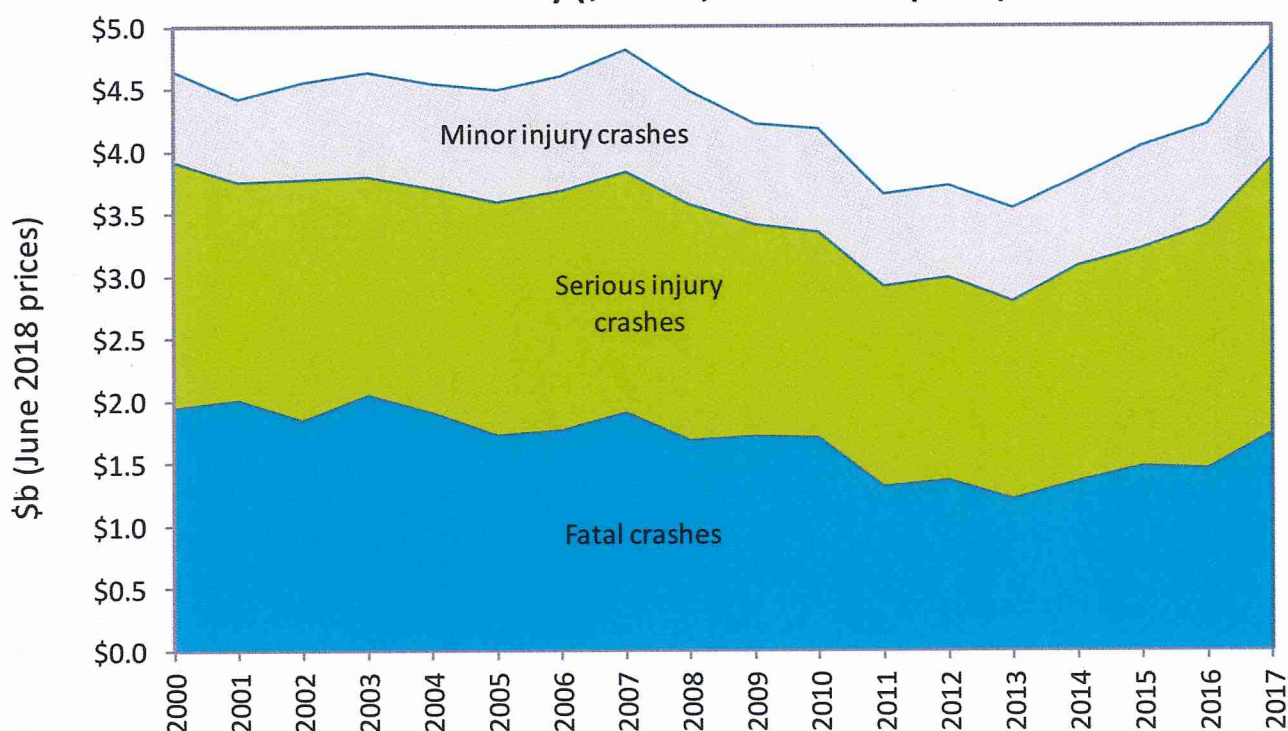


COUNTING THE SOCIAL COST OF CRASHES

This report outlines how the estimated social cost of motor vehicle fatal and injury crashes in 2017 increased \$0.6 billion on the previous year to \$4.8 Billion.

This report identifies the 378 fatalities of 2017 as having a social cost of \$4.4 million each. A serious injury was \$458,400 each, while each minor injury was \$24,700. The social costs comprise a range of factors including; loss of life or quality of life, loss of earnings potential due to death, permanent injury or temporary disability, emergency, hospital and rehabilitation costs, legal and court costs and vehicle damage. However, it's impossible to fully account for the personal price families and communities face with lives lost, or changed forever.

Estimated annual total social cost of fatal and injury crashes, by crash severity (\$ billion, at June 2018 prices)



Note: This chart includes allowances for non-reported cases.

The report can be found at <https://www.transport.govt.nz/mot-resources/road-safety-resources/roadcrashstatistics/social-cost-of-road-crashes-and-injuries/>



NEW ZEALAND INFRASTRUCTURE COMMISSION/ TE WAIHANGA BILL

This Bill establishes the New Zealand Infrastructure Commission/Te Waihanga as an autonomous Crown entity, with the purpose of co-ordinating, developing, and promoting an approach to infrastructure that encourages infrastructure, and services that result from the infrastructure, that improve the well-being of New Zealanders.

Law firm Simpson Grierson considers that the Commission will take an approach to infrastructure planning that focuses on achieving outcomes and considering how those outcomes can best be achieved. This should result in more strategic decision-making as the Commission will have the technical expertise to consider different ways of solving problems. So, for example, in the transport sector the focus should be on the best mode, rather than the mode available to the proponent of the project.

The Bill has a broad definition of infrastructure, being “physical infrastructure in New Zealand or that results in services in New Zealand.” Although not explicitly stated, it is understood that the intent is for this to include the ‘classic’ types of infrastructure; transport, the three waters, energy transmission at least in bulk and perhaps generation and items such as flood control.

Should the Commission be successful in delivering on its functions its role could potentially be extended to other sectors, eg education, health or defence. Whatever “infrastructure” may be, the Government intends spending a net \$42 billion on it over the next few years.

In addition to the broad function of the Commission, the Bill provides additional functions separated into two groups:

Strategy and planning functions:

- ☒ to develop broad public agreement on the strategic approach developed by the Commission and the strategy reports that the Commission must provide;
- ☒ to provide advice in relation to infrastructure; and
- ☒ to provide regular strategy reports and to provide further specific reports when directed to do so by the responsible Minister.

Support functions:

- ☒ to promote a strategic and co-ordinated approach to the delivery of infrastructure projects;
- ☒ to provide and co-ordinate information in relation to infrastructure projects; and
- ☒ to provide support services to those projects.

Strategy and planning functions

In delivering on the strategy and planning function, the Bill requires the Commission to develop a strategy report, on a two year then a 4.5 year cycle. The report will comment on the ability of existing infrastructure to meet community expectations for the next 30 years, and identify priorities for infrastructure for the next 30 years.

This signals an intention for a more strategic approach to be taken to infrastructure planning, and has the potential to identify shortcomings in existing infrastructure before assets come under stress.

Significantly, the Minister can direct that the Commission provide a report “on any matter relating to infrastructure”.

To enable the Commission to undertake its functions, the Bill proposes giving it powers to require specified classes of entities to provide it with information to enable it to perform its functions. The “entities” are all government entities. However, the Commission’s reporting function relates to “infrastructure” generally, so it might potentially want information on privately owned and local government infrastructure and plans for their creation or expansion.

As Simpson Grierson has pointed out - it will be a brave local authority that wants Government assistance but refuses to co-operate with the Commission.

Support functions

Beyond the identification of a support function for the Commission, the Bill does not delve into detail as to how these functions will work. Presumably, this will be determined over time, with reference to the needs of infrastructure owners and builders.

The Bill provides some guidance to what is intended to be included in the support function through the definition of "support services" which is:

support services are services that support the delivery of an infrastructure project (or a proposed project), and include—

- (a) providing advice in relation to a proposed project; and
- (b) providing services or staff to assist with the delivery of a project

For entities that own and provide infrastructure, but do not regularly undertake significant projects (eg smaller local authorities), the proposed support services have the potential to provide a significant and helpful resource. One that enables access to high quality information and project resourcing that is not required to be held within the entity on a day to day basis.

Skills and expertise supporting the Commission

While the Bill itself is relatively short, its objectives are broad and the operation of the Commission will be developed over time in response to New Zealand's infrastructure needs, and the support required by those procuring infrastructure.

Treasury will have the responsibility of establishing the new entity. A panel of private and public sector experts have been appointed to support the establishment of the Commission, and will guide the shaping of advice on key issues.

The Commission will be an Autonomous Crown Entity. Not as free as an Independent Crown Entity, but nevertheless with the right people on its Board, the Commission should be well placed to speak truth to power (or at least to vested sector interests).

The Commission is intended to undertake some functions that are currently undertaken by Treasury's Infrastructure Transactions Unit and the National Infrastructure Advisory Board. Minister Jones has already signalled the likely appointment of NIAB chair John Rae and SPV specialist and investment banker Simon Allen to the Board of the Commission.

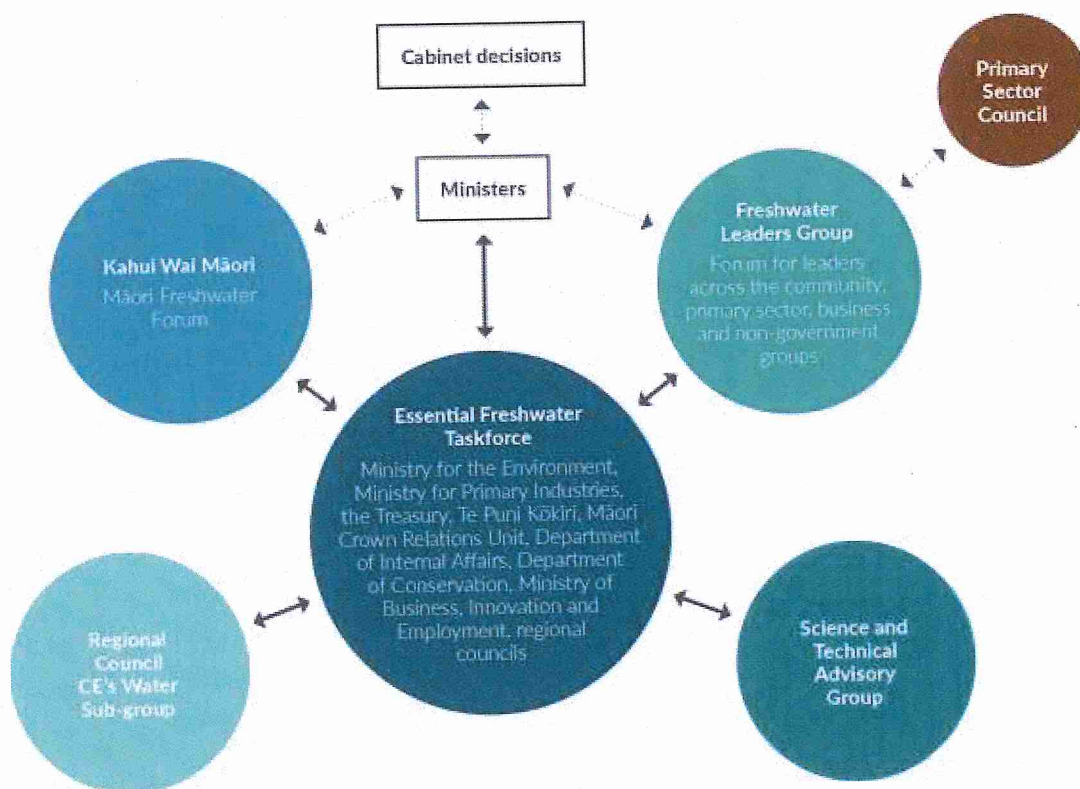
The New Zealand Infrastructure Commission/Te Waihanganga Bill is currently before the Finance and Expenditure Select Committee. It went there unanimously, with National and Green Party support.

The Select Committee is to report back to the House by 26 August 2019.



ESSENTIAL FRESHWATER WORK PROGRAMME

There have been no further announcements from Government on the content for Freshwater reform. The Ministry for the Environment is working with a range of experts to test policy options as shown in the diagram below. Public engagement has commenced.



A link to the Work Programme for Essential Freshwater can be found here: <http://www.mfe.govt.nz/sites/default/files/media/Fresh%20water/essential-freshwater-diagram.pdf>



ZERO CARBON BILL

Public submissions are now being called for the Climate Change Response (Zero Carbon) Amendment Bill. The closing date for submissions is Tuesday, 16 July 2019.

The purpose of the Zero Carbon Bill is to establish a framework which New Zealand can use to develop clear, stable climate change policies in accord with the Paris Agreement.

The Paris Agreement is a global effort to combat the effects of climate change by limiting the global average temperature increase to 1.5 degrees Celsius above pre-industrial levels.

The Bill would set greenhouse gas reduction targets into law and require that future governments continue these efforts into the future. It also seeks to:

- ☑ Set up the Climate Change Commission, an independent body that will advise and support the government to reach the targets
- ☑ Create a requirement that the government sets emission budgets every five years that will act as 'stepping stones' towards the ultimate goal of zero greenhouse gases by 2050
- ☑ Create a requirement that the government understands the risk of climate change (for example, rising sea levels) and produces plans to address these

This Bill would be an amendment to the existing Climate Change Response Act 2002, meaning that all of the key climate-related legislation is covered under one Act.



PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CLIMATE CHANGE RESPONSE ACT

On 18 April 2019 the Hon James Shaw announced the government's intention to combine a number of climate change initiatives together to form a single Bill amending the Climate Change Response Act.



TOURISM INFRASTRUCTURE FUND

Local government has gained greater representation on the Tourism Infrastructure Fund (TIF) Panel, with the recent appointment of LGNZ's nominated members, Jenni Giblin and Penny Webster.

The TIF Panel is made up of independent advisors, tourism sector and government representatives, whose job it is to review TIF applications and make recommendations to the Minister of Tourism.

Jenni Giblin is the founder and director of Giblin Group, a consultancy company that assists local and central government, iwi and hapu to develop and deliver their plans and projects.

Penny Webster is the Chair of Matakana Coast Tourism, that promotes tourism in the Matakana area. Penny has over 20 years of experience in local and central government, as Auckland Councillor for Rodney Ward from 2010 – 2016, and Mayor of Rodney District from 2007 – 2010.



THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL SCIENCE-POLICY PLATFORM ON BIODIVERSITY AND ECOSYSTEM SERVICES (IPBES)

The Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services (IPBES), has released their report on the most comprehensive global assessment of the state of the planet's biodiversity since 2005. The authors conducted a thorough analysis of the available evidence and ranked five key threats to nature. In descending order of impact, they are:

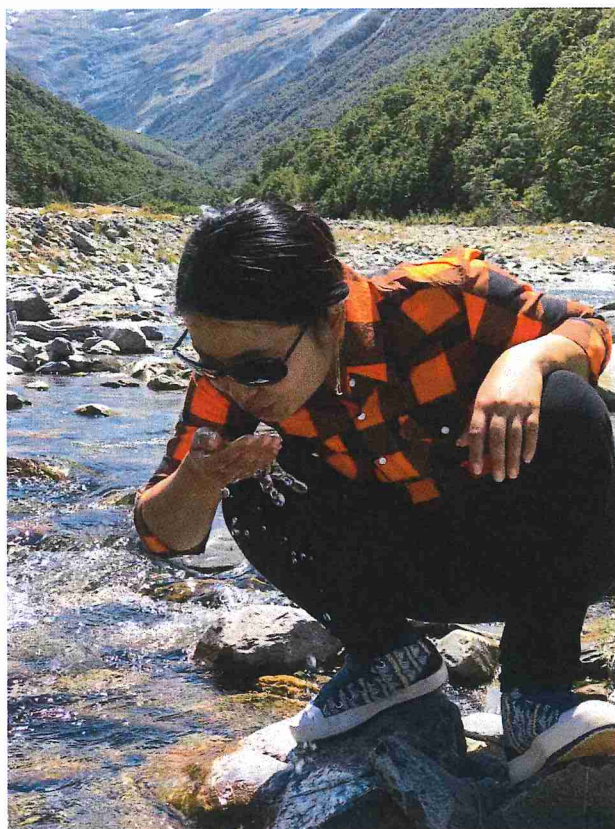
- ☒ Changes in land and sea use
- ☒ Direct exploitation of organisms
- ☒ Climate change
- ☒ Pollution
- ☒ Invasive alien species.

Their conclusion is that nature is declining globally at rates unprecedented in human history, over 1,000,000 species are threatened with extinction — and the rate of species extinctions is accelerating. A summary for policymakers is available here:

https://www.ipbes.net/news/ipbes-global-assessment-summary-policymakers-pdf?utm_source=Policy+Signals&utm_campaign=db62a9a8ce-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2019_05_16_12_22&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_4adbea08a2-db62a9a8ce-215996253



ENVIRONMENT AOTEAROA 2019



Environment Aotearoa 2019 was released on 18 April 2019. This synthesis report on the state of New Zealand's environment is released every three years. The report provides an overview of the state of our environment using five broad themes and presenting nine priority environmental issues. Each issue includes information about why it matters, what has changed, and the consequences. The nine priority issues the reports identifies are:

- Our native plants, animals and ecosystems are under threat
- Changes to the vegetation on our land are degrading the soil and water
- Urban growth is reducing versatile land and native biodiversity
- Our waterways are polluted in farming areas
- Our environment is polluted in urban areas
- Taking water changes flows which affects our freshwater ecosystems
- The way we fish is affecting the health of our ocean environment
- New Zealand has high greenhouse gas

Environment Aotearoa 2019 includes a number of indicators that summarise technical information. National and international expert peer review of the proposed indicators for New Zealand's Environmental Reporting Series: Environment Aotearoa 2019 has been completed. Find out more about the new indicators, merged and disaggregated indicators, revised indicators, supplementary information, remaining data gaps, how the indicators were selected, quality assurance and a [table of indicators for Environment Aotearoa 2019 here](https://www.stats.govt.nz/methods/outline-of-upcoming-indicators-for-environment-).

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AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION STATISTICS

The agricultural production statistics June 2018 (final) contains results for key livestock, forestry, and arable crops from the Agricultural Production Survey. Key facts (at 30 June 2018) include:

- ✓ dairy cattle numbers were 6.4 million, down 144,000 from 30 June 2017. Waikato remains the region with the most dairy cattle (1.8 million, down 3% from 2017), followed by Canterbury (1.3 million, up 1%).
- ✓ sheep numbers were 27.3 million, 1% fewer than in 2017. The regions with the most sheep were Manawatu-Wanganui (5.1 million, unchanged from 2017) and Otago (4.9 million, up 8%) – helped offset a slight dip in Canterbury (4.4 million, down 1%).
- ✓ beef cattle numbers were 3.7 million, up 105,000 from 30 June 2017. Manawatu-Wanganui has the most beef cattle (554,000, down 2%), closely followed by Waikato (517,000, up 6%), and Canterbury (512,000, up 10%).
- ✓ deer numbers increased 2%, to 851,000.

Canterbury has seen a 42% increase in livestock per hectare in the past 15 years, though Waikato and Taranaki are the most intensively farmed regions, both had 13.7 stock units per hectare in 2018. The rise in livestock intensity reflects both an increase in stock units in the Canterbury region, and a significant fall in the amount of land used for livestock in Canterbury since 2003.

For the Otago region:

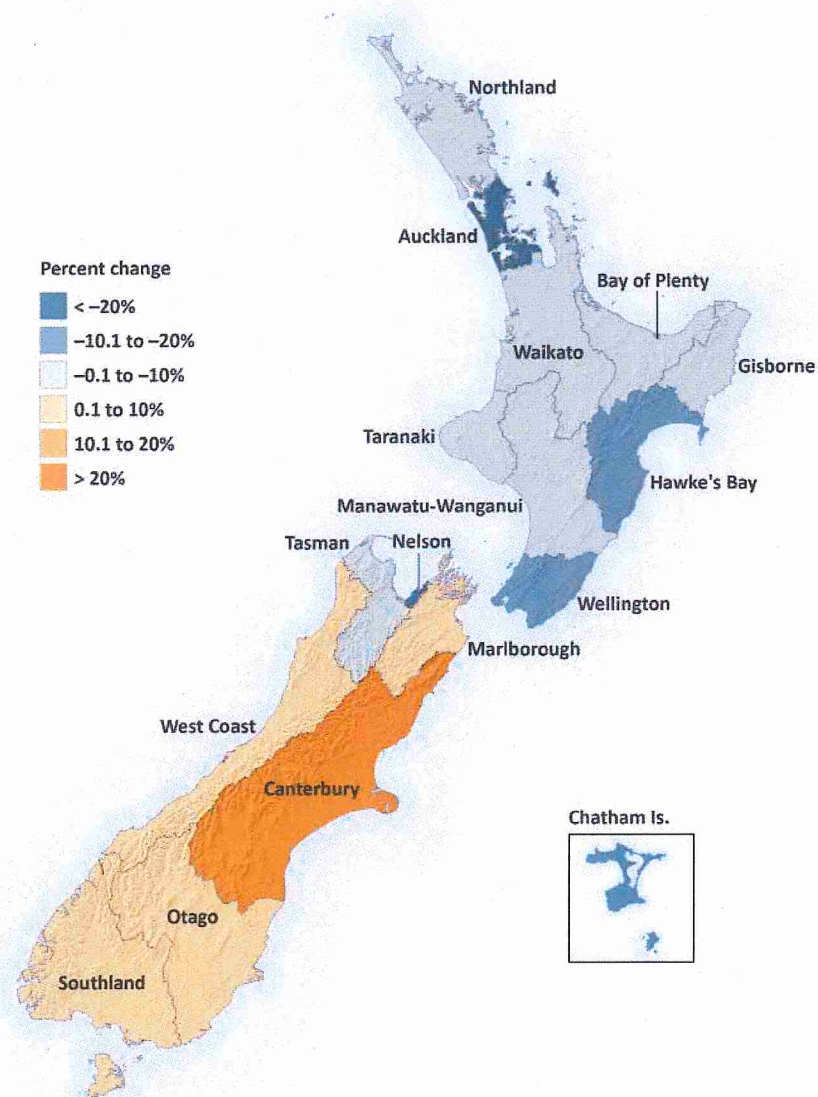
- ☑ dairy cattle numbers were 331,000, down 0.8% from 30 June 2017.
- ☑ sheep numbers were 4.94 million, 7.6% higher than in 2017.
- ☑ beef cattle numbers were 296,000, up 12.8% from 30 June 2017.
- ☑ deer numbers increased 2.9%, to 119,000.

The map of New Zealand shows the regions' percent changes in stock density between 2003 and 2018.

For further detail, please refer to:

https://www.stats.govt.nz/information-releases/agricultural-production-statistics-june-2018-final?utm_source=Policy+Signals&utm_campaign=db62a9a8ce-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2019_05_16_12_22&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_4adbea08a2-db62a9a8ce-215996253

Change in stock density per hectare between 2003 and 2018, by regional council



Footnotes:

1. The stock unit is based on the annual feed needed for a 55kg ewe rearing a single lamb.
2. Includes farmland that is either in grassland or tussock.

Source: Stats NZ



PRODUCTIVITY COMMISSION ISSUES PAPER ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT FUNDING AND FINANCING

135 submissions have been received pre-draft report. Next steps:

July 2019 - Draft report will be released in the first week of July and invitation for submissions

August 2019 - Submissions due on draft report

30 November 2019 - Final report due to the Government



BUILDING SYSTEM LEGISLATIVE REFORM PROGRAMME PUBLIC CONSULTATION

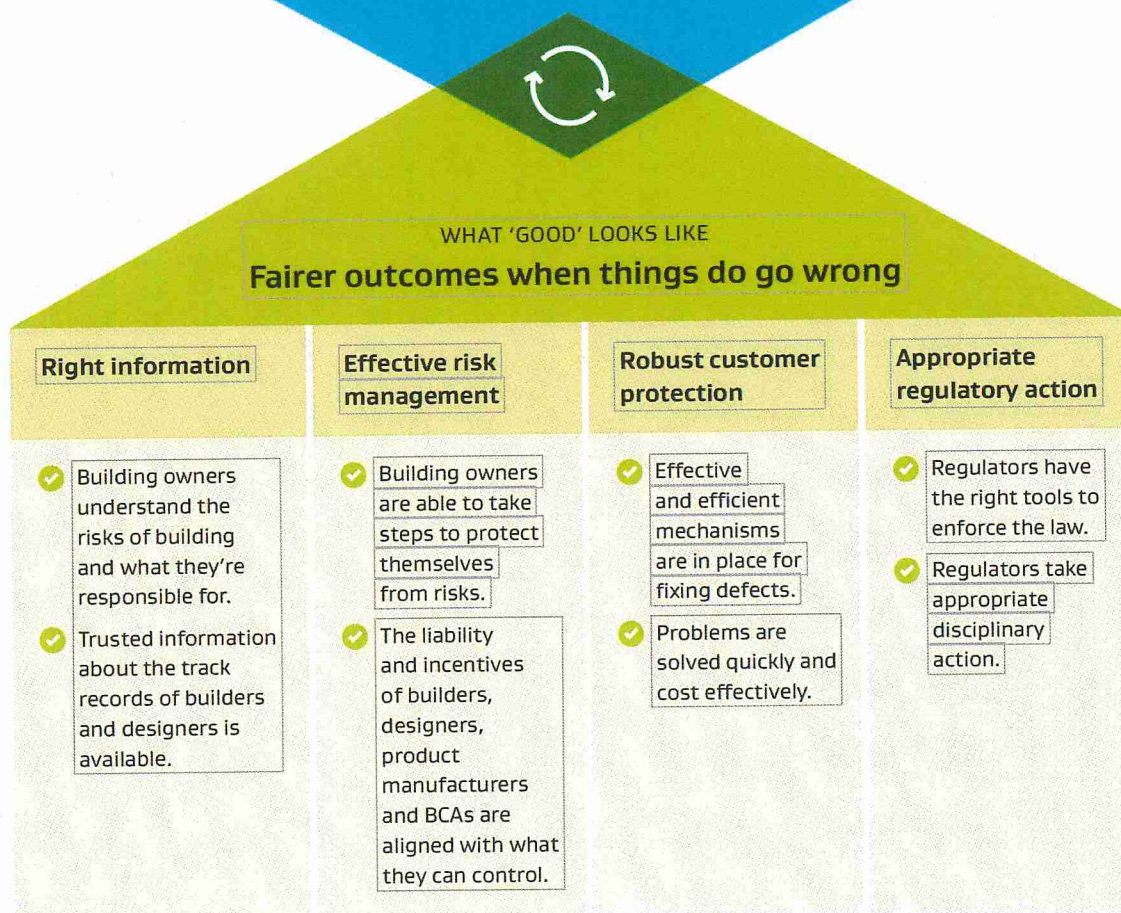
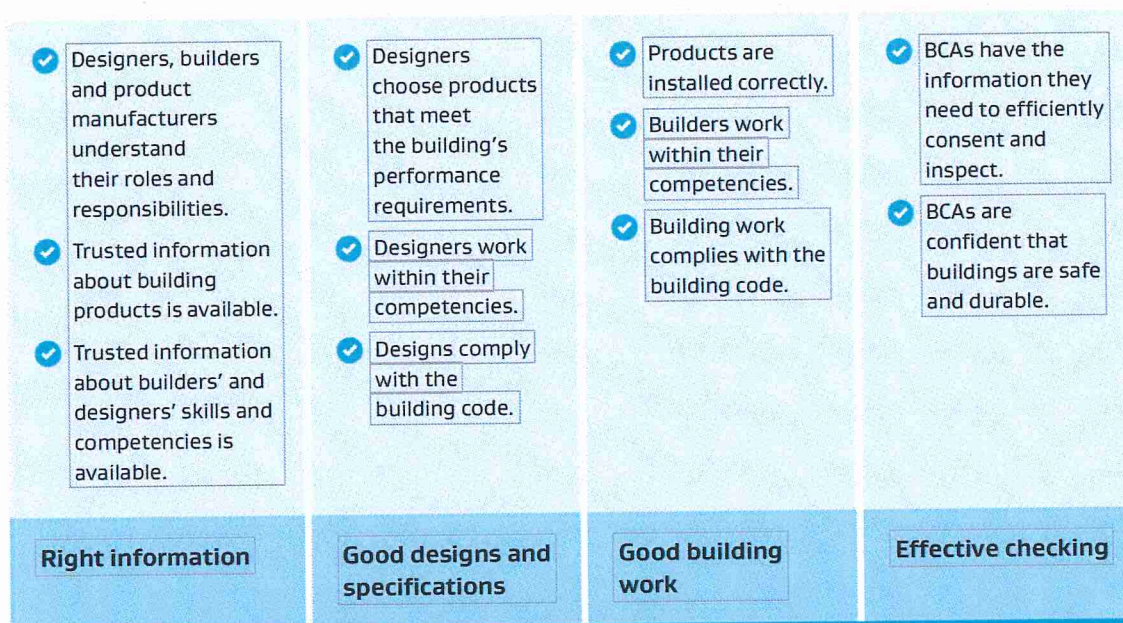
Minister for Building and Construction, the Hon Jenny Salesa, has indicated that to achieve its potential, the building sector needs an efficient building regulatory system that encourages innovation, while ensuring buildings are safe, healthy and durable.

As a result, government has decided that significant legislative change is required to achieve these goals. The proposed reforms will be the most far-reaching changes since the current Building Act was introduced in 2004. The reform package covers five key areas: building products and methods, occupational regulation, risk and liability, the building levy and penalties.

The Minister expects these reforms to deliver:

- ☒ Safe and durable buildings
- ☒ A high performing building sector
- ☒ An efficient regulatory system.

Submissions close on 16 June 2019.



Note: By 'builders' we mean 'any person who carries out building work, whether in trade or not', as defined in the *Building Act*. This includes carpenters, plumbers and other tradespeople.

BUILDING SYSTEM LEGISLATIVE REFORM

Building law reforms: Raising the bar across the sector

The building sector is vital to our social and economic success

The building sector builds and maintains the places New Zealanders work and live. The sector helps deliver on government priorities like KiwiBuild, public housing and infrastructure. The building sector needs to deliver safe and durable buildings while being able to innovate as methods and practices evolve.

What we can achieve together

An efficient building regulatory system isn't the sole responsibility of government. Everyone in the sector must work together to lift quality so things go right the first time and, if they do go wrong, there are fairer outcomes.

Why reforms are needed

The building sector faces a number of long-standing problems. These problems range from low productivity and inefficient practices and processes, to skills and labour shortages, to poor health and safety.

We've talked to people across the sector about problems with how the regulatory system functions. Our conversations revealed three common themes:

- ✗ Roles and responsibilities are not clear.
- ✗ Information isn't available when it's needed.
- ✗ It's difficult to hold people to account for the quality of their work.



Have your say

We welcome your feedback on some or all of our proposals. Tell us what you think at:

www.MBIE.govt.nz/building-reform



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What's in the reform package?



These are the most significant reforms since the current *Building Act* was introduced in 2004. They affect people, products and practices across the sector. The proposals are summarised below. There are more details about these proposals in the full discussion paper and summaries of each part.

PART 2

Building products and methods

- clarify roles and responsibilities for building products and methods
- require manufacturers and suppliers to provide information about building products
- strengthen the framework for product certification
- make consenting easier for modern methods of construction including off-site manufacturing.

PART 3

Occupational regulation

- change the licensed building practitioners scheme to raise the competence standards and broaden the definition of restricted building work
- introduce a new licensing scheme for engineers and restrict who can carry out safety-critical engineering work
- remove exemptions that allow unlicensed people to carry out plumbing, gasfitting and drainlaying work.

PART 4

Risk and liability

- require a guarantee and insurance product for residential new builds and significant alterations, and allow homeowners to actively opt out of it
- leave the liability settings for building consent authorities unchanged.

PART 5

Building levy

- reduce the building levy from \$2.01 including GST to \$1.50 including GST (per \$1,000)
- standardise the building levy threshold at \$20,444 including GST
- allow MBIE to spend funds raised by the building levy on broader stewardship of the building sector.

PART 6

Offences, penalties and public notification

- increase the maximum financial penalties
- set different maximum penalties for individuals and organisations
- extend the time enforcement agencies can lay a charge from six months to 12 months
- modify the definition of 'publicly notify' in section 7 of the *Building Act*.



**Submissions close
on 16 June 2019**

Next steps

We will use the information from the submissions to refine our proposals. The Minister for Building and Construction will then decide what changes to recommend to Cabinet.



DEVELOPMENT OF NATIONAL POLICY STATEMENT FOR VERSATILE LAND AND HIGH-CLASS SOILS

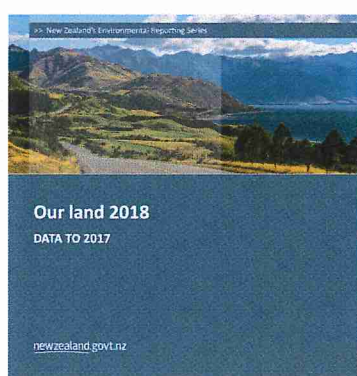
The Minister for the Environment, the Hon David Parker has asked officials to work on a National Policy Statement (NPS) for Versatile Land and High-Class Soils.

This move follows a report ---“Our Land 2018” --- prepared by the Ministry for the Environment and Statistics New Zealand.

Overall the report found that there had been a ten percent increase in the total size of towns and cities (between 1996 and 2012) while between 2002 and 2016 there had been a seven per cent decrease in the area of land in agricultural production.



OUR LAND 2018



The first report focused solely on land in the environmental reporting series commenced in 2015, amongst several findings, the authors noted that there have been significant shifts in land use in the past two decades.

These include: – expansion in urban areas (a 10 percent increase between 1996 and 2012), and accompanying loss of some of our most versatile land – reduction in the area of land in agricultural production (7 percent decrease between 2002 and 2012) – increase in the proportion of farmland used for dairy (42 percent increase in area between 2002 and 2016), and a decrease in the area in sheep and beef (20 percent reduction between 2002 and 2016) – continued intensification of farming, including a shift in the past 15 years to higher stocking rates, especially for dairy. The report can be viewed here: (<http://www.mfe.govt.nz/sites/default/files/media/RMA/Our-land-201-final.pdf>)

3 LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND POLICY UPDATES



PRODUCTIVITY COMMISSION ISSUES PAPER ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT FUNDING AND FINANCING

135 submissions have been received pre-draft report. Next steps:

July 2019 - Draft report will be released in the first week of July and invitation for submissions

August 2019 - Submissions due on draft report

30 November 2019 - Final report due to the Government



LOCAL GOVERNMENT (COMMUNITY WELL-BEING) ACT 2019

The Local Government (Community Well-being) Amendment Act 2019 became law on 14 May 2019 following Royal Assent on 13 May 2019. This Act restores the well-beings to the Local Government Act 2002. The main objectives of this Act are to restore the purpose of local government to "promote the social, economic, environmental, and cultural well-being of communities"; to restore territorial authorities' power to collect development contributions for any public amenities needed as a consequence of development, and to make a minor modification to the development contributions power.

For many people in local government, the re-instatement of the four well-beings is a welcome and logical move. Minister for Local Government Nanaia Mahuta first announced her intention to bring back the four well-beings soon after she took up her ministerial role in October 2017. The Act reinstates social, economic, environmental and cultural wellbeing to the purpose of local government. It confirms the role local government plays in promoting community well-being and gives councils more flexibility to respond to the needs of their communities.

It also restores the ability of councils to collect development contributions to fund the full range of public infrastructure that growing communities need and want. This includes libraries, swimming pools and changing rooms at sports grounds.

For SOLGM, the changes to the Act have meant months of painstaking work.

It has worked with the sector, through an expert advisory panel, with Victoria University of Wellington and with a wide range of government departments. These include Treasury, StatsNZ, the Department of Internal Affairs, the ministries of social development; business, innovation and employment; the environment; health; and justice; and the Social Investment Agency (SIA).

SOLGM has picked its way through well-being reports from across our country, the UK and Australia. and it has boiled down the 1,200 or so indicators of well-being in those reports to a more workable 100 possible ways to measure the social, economic, environmental and cultural health of a Kiwi community.

SOLGM believes that:

Community well-beings and these indicators will help communities work together and build a common purpose with a common language.

While government has articulated a definition of 'well-being' in the 2019 Budget, the manner in which the well-beings are measured and reported on by specific communities such as the Waitaki is also a matter for our community to say. The SOLGM Well-being Indicator Framework tool can assist our community in identifying and articulating what their sense of well-being is.

The potential value of the SOLGM Well-being Indicator Framework reports is that each community will be able to see where they are now. More importantly (as the President of SOLG, Karen Thomas has noted, these reports can be used to stimulate a real conversation with the community about where they want to be, and what the aspirations of the community could be going forward.

This is fundamental to what local democracy is all about. It means also that we now have an opportunity to develop new ways of practice for Council staff to engage with our community as we go into our next Long Term Plan (LTP) round. SOLGM is referring to the next LTP as the Well-being LTP.

Councils must now play a fundamental role in helping our community to identify and then articulate what its aspirations for its future are in terms of all four well-beings. We can then work to come up with plans and financing to work on projects, infrastructure and investment that work towards realising those aspirations.

LGNZ President Dave Cull has commented that the reinstatement of the four well-beings is formal recognition that councils have a significant role to play in lifting the quality of life of our people, and the health of our environment, and that as an operational arm of government, councils deliver infrastructure vital to our economy, such as roads, three waters and housing infrastructure, cultural and social amenities such as events, parks, libraries, pools and balance the built environment with the natural environment through the RMA.

“The reinstatement of the four well-beings acknowledges that through all these services, and more, local government has a broader role in fostering liveable communities, than simply providing ‘core services’.



CLIMATE CHANGE

Environment Canterbury, Christchurch City, and Nelson have recently declared Climate Change Emergencies.

Ratepayers may face significant legal costs due to a lack of government action on adaptation policy, according to a leading legal opinion obtained for Local Government New Zealand by Jack Hodder QC.

4 CIVIL DEFENCE & EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT



OTAGO DRAFT GROUP PLAN CONSULTATION

The Draft Group Plan sets out in detail our intended approach over the next 10 years to reduce the community's exposure to hazards, increase preparedness for adverse events, provide an effective response to emergencies, and support communities to recover afterwards. The draft plan can be viewed here: <http://www.otagocdem.govt.nz/otago-cdem/otago-draft-group-plan-consultation>

Submissions have closed, and these have been loaded onto the Otago CDEM web site. The Otago CDEM Joint Committee will hear submissions on 17 June 2019.



COMMUNITY RESPONSE PLANS

We are working with communities across the district to develop emergency response plans. These are an important part of helping people understand how to prepare for emergencies, how they can support each other in time of need, and where they can expect to find help. Here are the plans that have been completed so far:

Kakanui Response Plan

<http://www.otagocdem.govt.nz/media/1170/kakanui-community-response-plan.pdf>

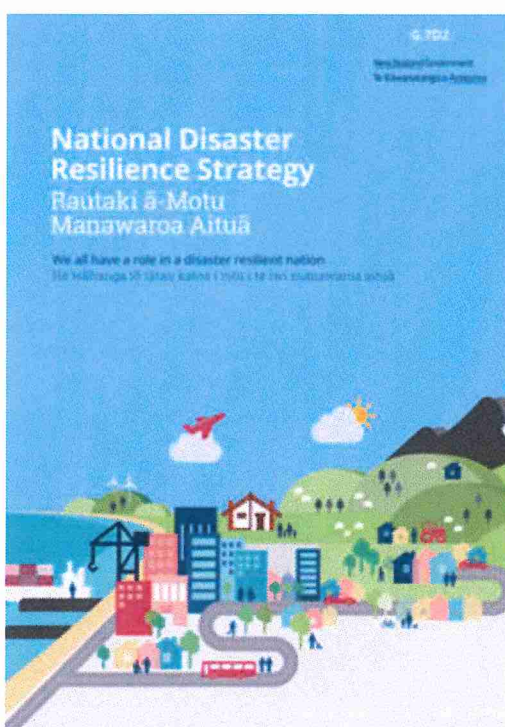
Kurow Response Plan

<http://www.otagocdem.govt.nz/media/1171/kurow-community-response-plan.pdf>

Waitaki Bridge Response Plan

<http://www.otagocdem.govt.nz/media/1172/waitaki-community-response-plan.pdf>

NATIONAL DISASTER RESILIENCE STRATEGY



The National Disaster Resilience Strategy outlines the vision and long-term goals for civil defence emergency management in New Zealand

The National Disaster Resilience Strategy outlines the vision and long-term goals for civil defence emergency management (CDEM) in New Zealand, and the objectives to be pursued to meet those goals. It sets out what we expect in respect of a resilient New Zealand, and what we want to achieve over the next 10 years.

This Strategy is for all New Zealanders, and all those who live, work or visit here. It is intended to provide a common agenda for resilience that individual organisations, agencies, and groups can align with for collective impact.

The Strategy came into effect on 10 April 2019 and replaces the previous National Civil Defence Emergency Management Strategy. It will last for 10 years, although it can be reviewed before then if necessary. The strategy can be access [here](https://www.civildefence.govt.nz/assets/Uploads/publications/National-Disaster-Resilience-Strategy/National-Disaster-Resilience-Strategy-10-April-2019.pdf): <https://www.civildefence.govt.nz/assets/Uploads/publications/National-Disaster-Resilience-Strategy/National-Disaster-Resilience-Strategy-10-April-2019.pdf>



INTRODUCTION OF D4H REAL TIME INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SOFTWARE

Following the approval of the Chief Executive's Group (CEG), Otago CDEM has purchased and is in the process of configuring the D4H, the new region-wide readiness and response software system. Once the D4H is fully configured and operable, it will be the cornerstone of operational capability and will provide Otago CDEM and its partner agencies with a greatly increased situational awareness capability when needed the most.

Training is now being scheduled for Council officers involved in CDEM activities.



WAITAKI DISTRICT CDEM TRAINING

During the past month, Emergency Operations Centre (EOC) training has been provided to approximately 80 Council staff and multi-agency support personnel (eg Police and FENZ), and this has provided a substantial lift to Council's CDEM response capability.

5 RELATIONSHIPS



NGĀI TAHU AND WAITAHA

Agreements with both of these parties are due for renewal, and discussions are underway with their respective representatives to initiate discussions surrounding the relationship between them and Council.



CENTRE OF EXCELLENCE FOR SUSTAINABLE TOURISM IN THE REGIONS

Over the past year, a strong has been developed with Lincoln University's new Centre of Excellence for Sustainable Tourism in the Regions.

In addition to now sitting on the Waitaki Whitestone Geopark's Advisory Group, the Centre is bringing researchers into the Waitaki district with the objective of contributing knowledge to the task of ensuring sensitive, environmentally sustainable development of our tourism industry.



GNS SCIENCE



A critically important partner in our journey to successfully achieving UNESCO Global Geopark status, negotiations are soon to be concluded regarding a Memorandum of Understanding between GNS Science and the Waitaki Whitestone Geopark.



NEW ZEALAND NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR UNESCO



United Nations
Educational, Scientific and
Cultural Organization



UNESCO
Global
Geoparks

Council continues to develop its relationship with the New Zealand National Commission for UNESCO as we progress the Waitaki Whitestone Geopark application for UNESCO Global Geopark status.

6 GENERAL MANAGEMENT



PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT

I am pleased to be able to report the following appointments:

Arrivals:

Amelia Marchionda - Information Management Officer, 20 May 2019

Internal Transfers:

Then: Tracey Marshall (IT Customer Support Officer); Now: RAMM Data and Systems Support

Departures:

Jason Evered - 17 May 2019

Dot Leggett - 24 May 2019



HEALTH AND SAFETY

Staff attended Resilience and De-escalation training with Lance Burdett, WARN International on 17 and 18 May 2019. The objective of the training is to understand how the brain processes information and introduction of practical techniques on managing stress.

Health & Safety incidents are shown in the table below:



Incident Type	May 2019	Fiscal YTD 31 May 2019	Rolling 12 months
Near Miss	1	12	10
Injury - Clients (pool)	8	109	106
Injury - Staff (All)	1	12	26
Incident	1	22	18
Notifiable Incident	0	0	0
Illness	0	0	0
Total	11	155	160



FINANCIAL REPORTING

A summary of the main key financial indicators for the period ending 31 March 2019 Year to Date (YTD) is shown in the tables below, and show a favourable operating surplus of \$254,000 against a projected budget deficit for the same period of (\$586,000).

Revenue exceeds budget by \$1.993m, while expenditure exceeds budget by \$1.153m. Overall capital expenditure is 99% that of budget.

Statement of Comprehensive Revenue and Expense

for the nine months ended 31 March 2019

	2019 9 Months Actual \$000	2019 9 Months Budget \$000	2019 Annual Budget \$000	2018 12 Months Actual \$000	Variance from YTD Budget		Commentary	\$000
					\$000	%		
Revenue								
Rates Revenue	24,091	23,819	31,835	30,779	272	1.1%	Waterbilling/Tradewaste penalties charged	+ 60
							Waterbilling charges	+ 93
							Penalty interest	+ 85
User Charges	3,609	3,377	4,327	5,116	232	6.9%	Camping fees timing ahead of budget	+ 29
							Rental income	+ 56
							Waste disposal	+ 31
Regulatory Charges	1,304	1,370	1,782	1,573	(66)	-4.8%		
Development and RMA Contributions	1,142	517	690	1,351	625	120.9%	Roading	+ 139
							Water	+ 214
							Sewer	+ 95
							RMA financial contributions	+ 177
Government Grants and Subsidies	6,876	6,400	8,496	8,160	476	7.4%	NZTA subsidy - Nov 2018 floods	+ 542
							Courthouse - recover MOJ internal fitout cost	+ 495
							MBIE funding - A2O construction	+ 112
							Oranag Tamariki - SKIP Literacy	+ 34
							NZTA subsidy - operational (Southroads)	- 693
							NZTA subsidy - capital (Southroads)	- 29
Other Grants and Donations	275	201	636	422	74	36.8%		
Finance Revenue	813	902	1,299	1,220	(89)	-9.9%		
Petrol Tax	160	154	205	206	6	3.9%		
Infringements and Fines	39	57	79	88	(18)	-31.6%	Freedom camping infringements	- 18
Dividend and Subvention Payments	-	-	500	504	-	0.0%		
Assets vested in Council	-	-	-	976	-			
Other gains and Losses	47	-	-	-	47	100.0%	Surplus on sale 22 Lune Street	+ 120
							Adjust GST, 2 x Cirrus Place sales	+ 26
							Adjustments following Water revaluation	- 99
Total Revenue	38,356	36,797	49,849	50,395	1,559	4.2%		

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					\$000	%		
Expenses								
Personnel costs	9,489	9,849	12,529	10,822	(360)	-3.7%	Wages & salaries - unfilled vacancies	- 320
							Backfill	- 47
							Kiwisaver - Council contributions	+ 7
Depreciation and amortisation	10,540	10,285	13,714	13,396	255	2.5%		
Finance Costs	-	-	2	-	-			
Other expenses	18,095	16,553	22,547	25,264	1,542	9.3%	ACC annual levy under budget	- 20
							Dredging - budget timing issue	- 269
							Roading - November flood repairs YTD	+ 993
							Water/Sewer connection costs (= income)	+ 150
							Insurance premiums	+ 110
							Electricity	+ 106
							Telephone charges	+ 102
							Training & travel	+ 86
							Recruitment costs	+ 84
							Computer license costs	+ 39
Other gains and Losses	-	-	-	724	-	0.0%		
Total Expenses	38,124	36,687	48,792	49,482	1,437	3.9%		
Surplus / (Deficit) before Tax	232	110	1,057	913	122			
Other Comprehensive Revenue and Expense								
Gain/(Loss) on revaluation of Infrastructural Assets	22,690	6,621	6,621	46,519	16,069			
Gain/(Loss) on revaluation of Properties	-	-	-	-				
Other Comprehensive Revenue	-	-	-	-				
Total Other Comprehensive Revenue and Expense	22,690	6,621	6,621	46,519				
Total Comprehensive Revenue and Expense	\$22,922	\$6,731	\$7,678	\$47,432				

7 FOCUS PROJECTS

PROJECT STATUS KEY:



PROPOSE



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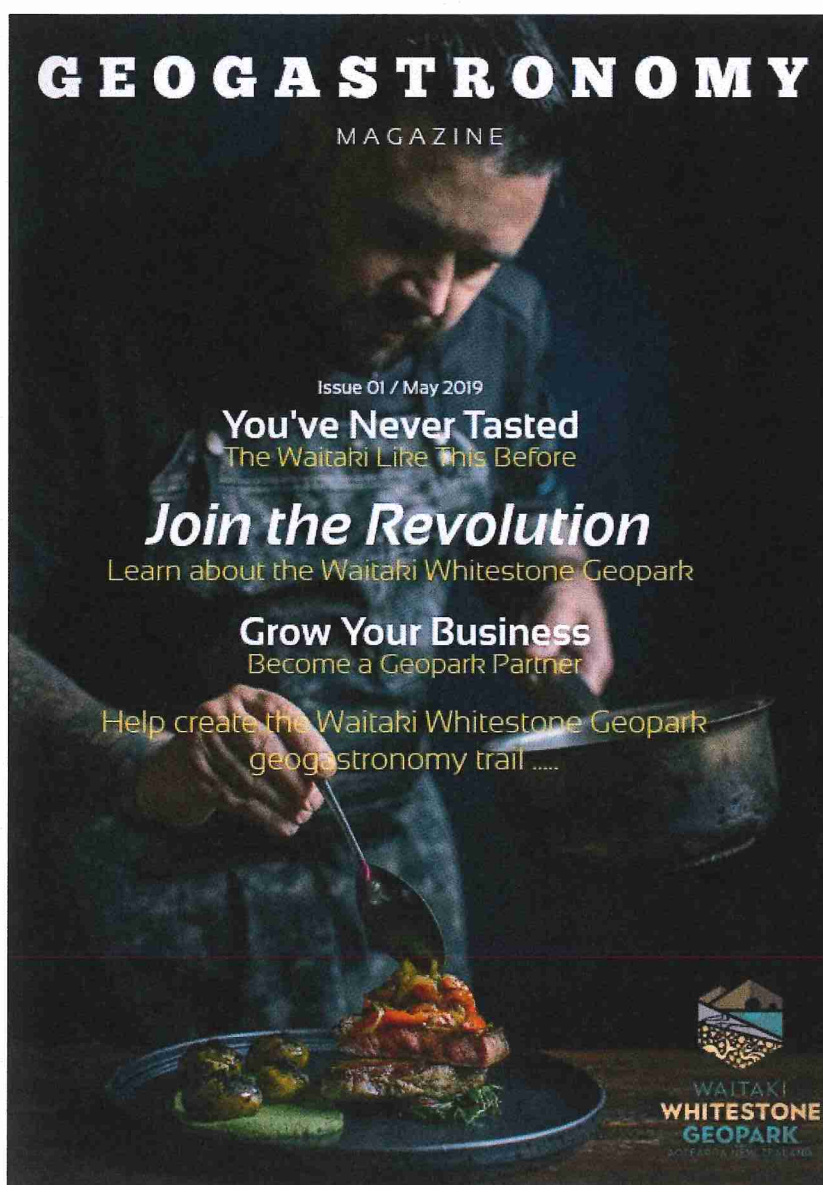
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APPLICATION FOR UNESCO GLOBAL GEOPARK ACCREDITATION

On 10 and 24 June 2019, an initial group of passionate food growers and producers, chefs and restaurateurs have been invited to the inaugural Waitaki Whitestone Geopark geogastronomy workshop, at which participants will contribute to implementing the geogastronomy element of the Waitaki Whitestone Geopark.

At these workshops participants will:

- ☒ learn about UNESCO Global Geoparks
- ☒ learn about the Waitaki Whitestone Geopark
- ☒ be introduced to developments in the field of gastronomy travel
- ☒ add their input and creativity to the geogastronomy offering,
- ☒ help design/define any rules that will apply to the geogastronomy brand , and
- ☒ hear how the Waitaki Whitestone Geopark can assist with marketing and growth of their businesses.



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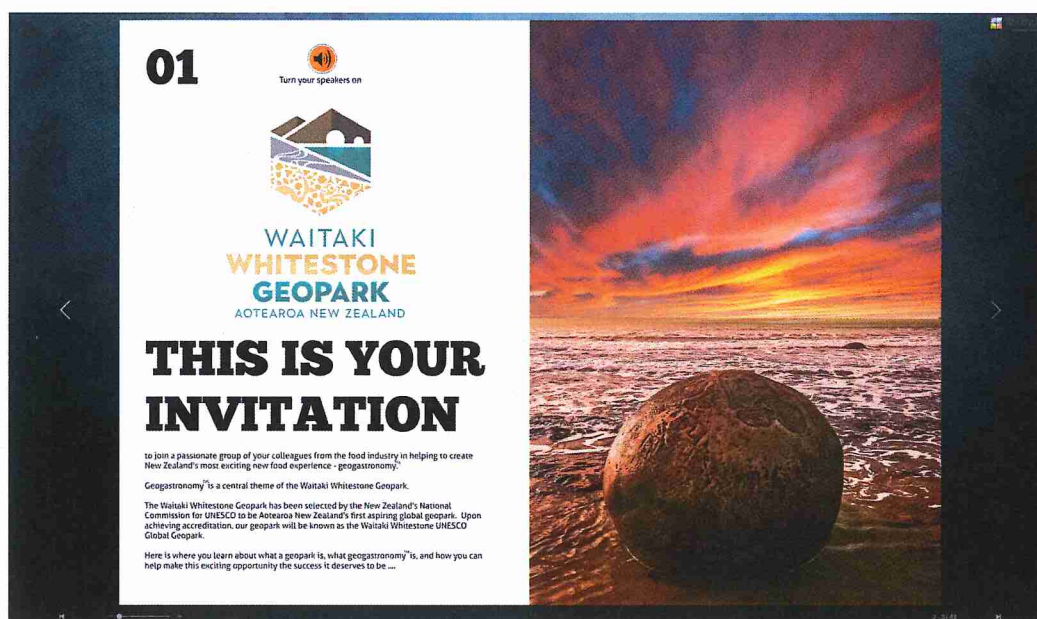
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ONGOING

The Geogastronomy Magazine (the first Issue of which is an invitation to the Waitaki food industry to participate in the scheduled June workshops) can be found here:

<https://view.joomag.com/geogastronomy-demo-version/M0004756001557258175>



Food industry partners (growers, producers, brewers, vintners, chefs, restaurateurs, and geogastronomy trail guides) are all welcome to make contact to express their interest in participating in the geogastronomy initiative.

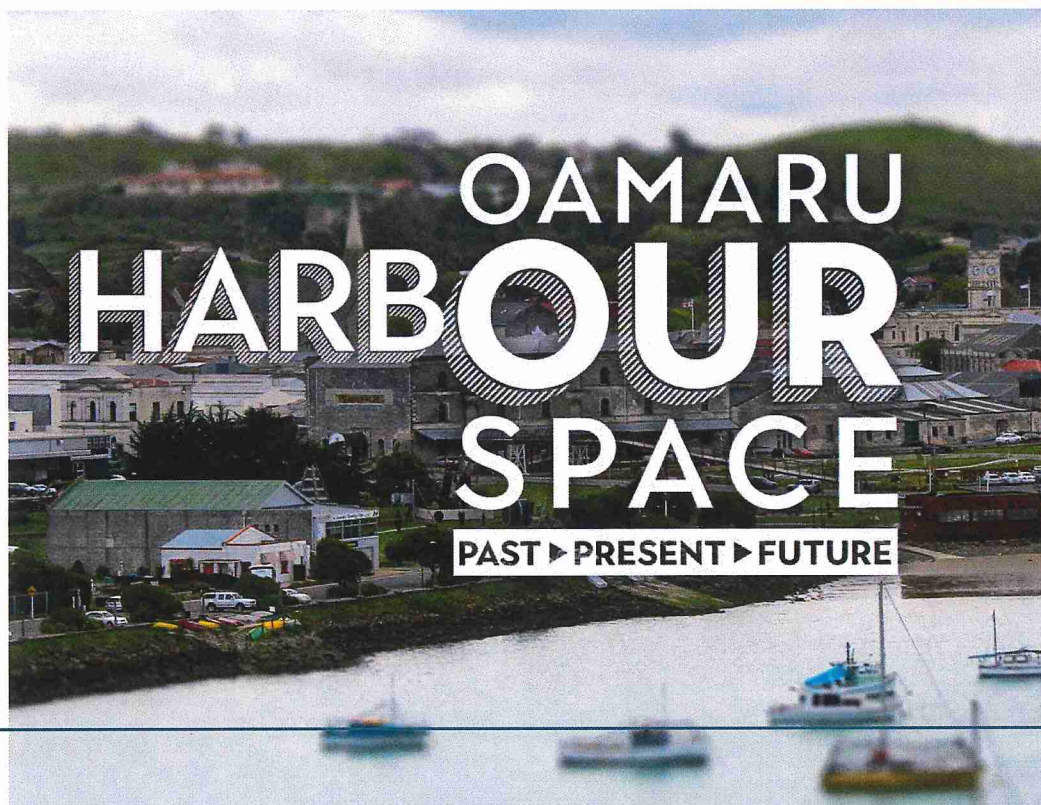
Expressions of interest can be forwarded to Glyn Duero (email: sduero@waitaki.govt.nz).



ŌAMARU HARBOUR MASTERPLAN

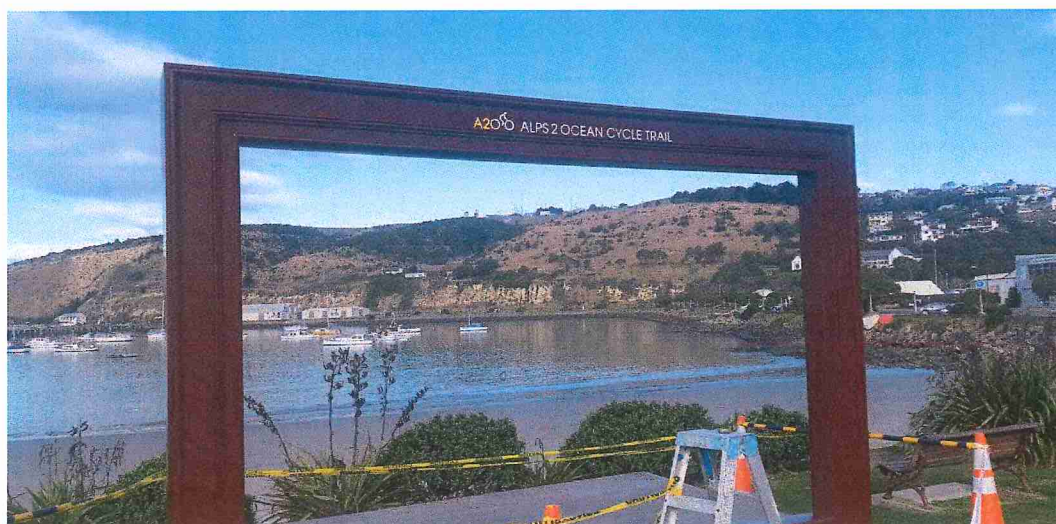
The Harbour Area Committee convened for a follow-up workshop on 27 May 2019 to discuss the options that will be consulted on with the community. The Committee was presented with options that arose from the previous consultation regarding what the Harbour Area could look like, the different land and community uses across the harbour, and the varying levels of investment required to make these happen.

On 02 July 2019 the Harbour Area Committee will consider the Oamaru HarbOUR Masterplan consultation document / draft plan and commence the process of public consultation with the community.



PUBLIC CONVENIENCES/COMMUNITY FACILITIES

A freshly re-painted A2O Painting Frame:





KING GEORGE PARK LEVELLING

A level playing field





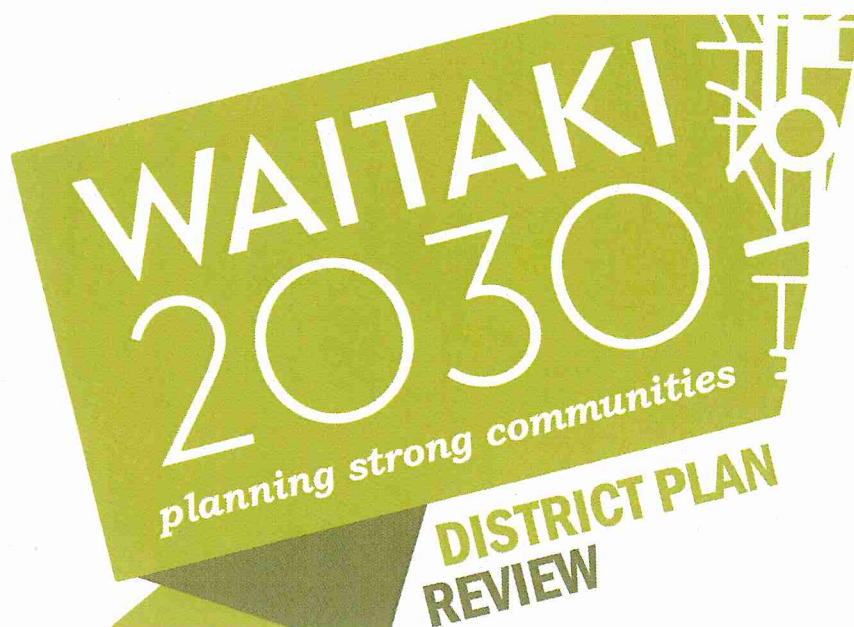
PUBLIC CONVENIENCES/COMMUNITY FACILITIES

The installation of a toilet in Otematata has commenced.



MASTERPLANS

Masterplan workshops are scheduled for Otematata and Ōmārama in July 2019.



8 DISTRICT WATER AND ROADING ACTIVITIES



TYNE AND WANSBECK STREET ROUNDABOUT

Preliminary works at the Tyne and Wansbeck Streets roundabout site have started with 3Waters replacement of underground valves and pipes below the intersection. Works required at the site include repositioning valves and pipe works, new road kerb and drainage, resurfacing of the road surface, and installation of roundabout features.



TRADE WASTE BYLAW

The ten-year review of Council's Trade Waste Bylaw is underway. Consideration will be given to the capacity of Council's Wastewater Treatment Plants and the impact and effects of commercial, industrial and tankered wastes now and in the future. The national issue of pump blockages/ failures associated with wet-wipes will also be considered.



SOLID WASTE

Global recycling markets for plastics 3 to 7 have collapsed and the Waitaki Resource Recovery Park is being forced to make changes to its operation in order to remain viable. Officers are providing assistance to the Trust by communicating upcoming changes to stakeholders and the community. This issue is being experienced nation-wide.



9 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT



NEW ZEALAND AIRLINE ACADEMY AND AIRASIA INDIA ANNOUNCEMENT



On 28 May 2019, the New Zealand Airline Academy (NZAA) and AirAsia India announced the establishment of a commercial airline pilot training relationship. Mayor Kircher was in attendance at Bengaluru, India.

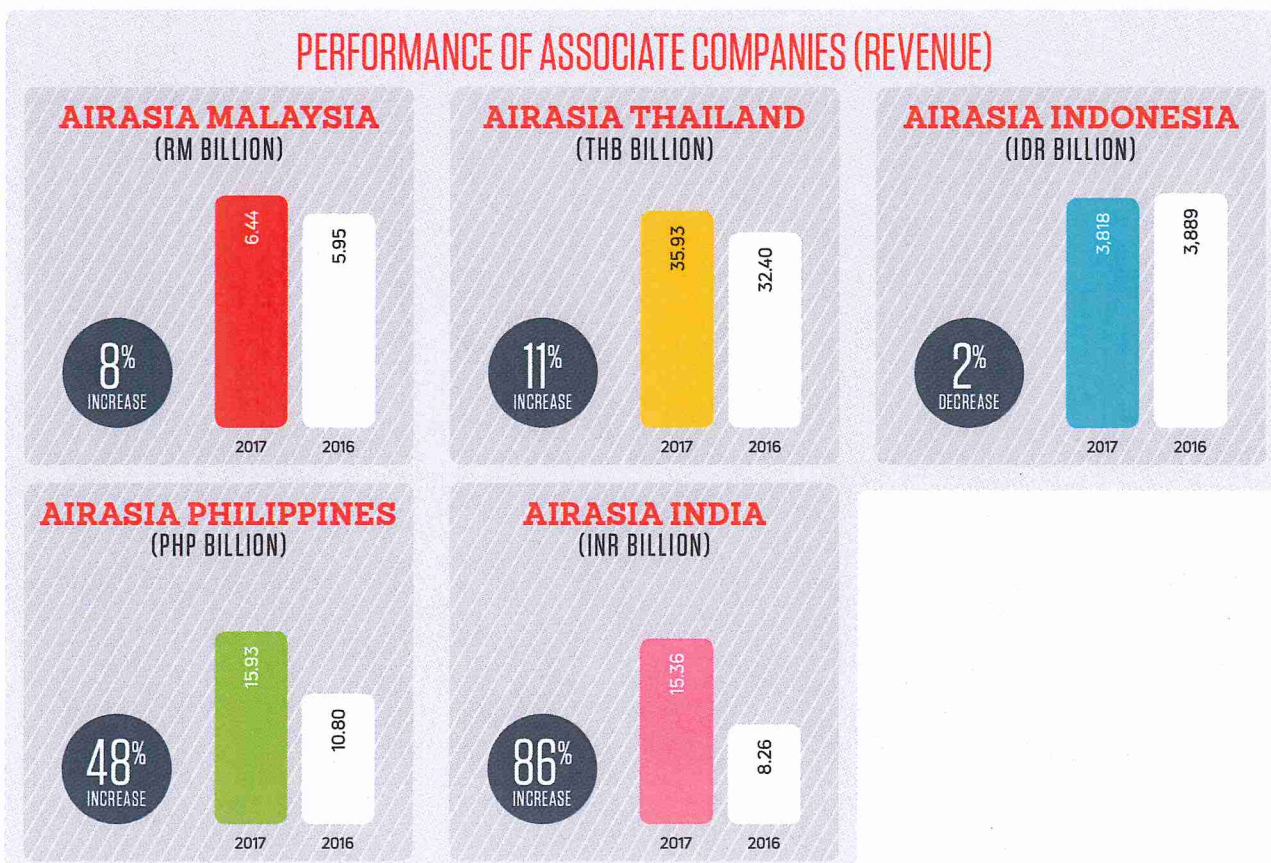
Early this year, India ranked second amongst the fastest-growing domestic markets in terms of passenger volume. With the increasing number of air travellers every year, it is expected that airlines in India will require up to 10,000 new pilots by 2030 to meet the demand.

The agreement will see up to 50 commercial pilot cadets attend training in Ōamaru, commencing in August 2019.

AirAsia is a major commercial carrier. To place the airline's operations into international perspective, the following two infographics (the first from AirAsia's 2017 Annual Report, and the second from their 2018 Annual Report) show the market share of the airline, and the capacity for growth (particularly in the Indian market).

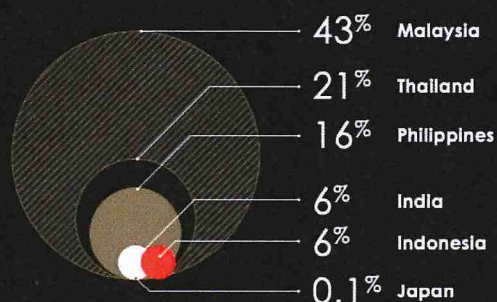
2017 ANNUAL REPORT

PERFORMANCE OF ASSOCIATE COMPANIES (REVENUE)



2018 ANNUAL REPORT

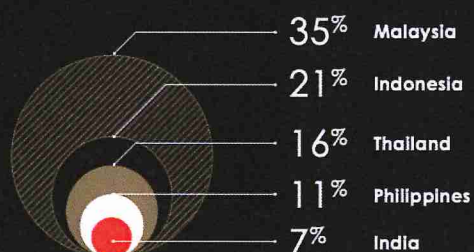
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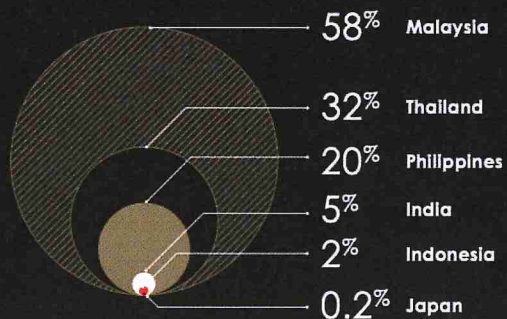
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INTERNATIONAL MARKET SHARE



DOMESTIC MARKET SHARE



RM = Malaysian Ringgit

I would like to record my appreciation for the extraordinary achievement of staff in successfully assisting NZAA to secure this international commercial airline pilot training contract (beating out Melbourne as the final other contender for this AirAsia India contract).

This success may open doors to other aerospace opportunities into the future.



DRAFT OTAGO REGIONAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK

The draft framework has been informed by Treasury's Better Business Case (BBC) methodology, involving workshops and interviews with stakeholders (including the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment and industry) across Otago. Members of the Otago Regional Economic Development (ORED) Working Group met with local rūnaka regarding the role of Ngāi Tahu in the framework on 16 April 2019. Subject to endorsement by Otago's Mayors and Chairman on 17 June, the draft ORED framework will be presented to individual Councils and stakeholders in the next few months. Related to this initiative, the ORED working group is preparing an express application to the Provincial Growth Fund (PGF), to fund the positions of two Portfolio Advisors for the PGF, to support PGF portfolio management and regional coordination.



SOUTH ISLAND DESTINATION MANAGEMENT PLAN

Stafford Strategy have been engaged by Environment Canterbury (ECan) on behalf of the Mayoral Forum for LGNZ Zones 5 and 6 (with the involvement also of MBIE, DoC and others) to develop a Destination Management Plan for the South Island which covers all of the South Island TAs.

On 28 May 2019 Gerard Quinn (Economic Development Manager), Margaret Munro (General Manager of Tourism Waitaki) and I met with Albert Stafford and Julia Papahatzis of Stafford Strategy to discuss how the Waitaki can play an important role in this plan.

A central theme of Stafford Strategy's initial view is that the South Island needs more 'new product'.

The proposed Waitaki Whitestone UNESCO Global Geopark was seen as fitting well with this key need, being unique in Australasia, and Oceania.



10 EXTERNAL MEETINGS ATTENDED

2 May	Whitestone Contracting Shareholders Meeting
6 May	Canterbury Chief Executive's Forum, Selwyn District Council
6 May	Teleconference with Sarah Gardner, Chief Executive, Otago Regional Council
7 May	New Zealand Commission for UNESCO Meeting, Wellington
8 May	Meeting with Greg Schollum, Deputy Auditor General and Jonathan Keate, Sector Manager, Office of the Auditor General
9 May	Building Law Reform Webinar
9 May	Meeting with Phillip Scott, Scott's Brewery
10 May	Meeting with Helen Dent and Roger Lee, Deloitte
10 May	Meeting with Geoff Douch, Chief Executive, Network Waitaki
15 May	Water Utilities Association Meeting, Wellington
16 May	Meeting with Dr Mark Smith and Frances McMillan, Oamaru Whitestone Civic Trust
17 May	Meeting with Julie Simpson, Archways Retreat
18 May	Waitaki Whitestone Geopark Validation Business Case Workshop
20 May	Meeting with Jonathan Salter, Simpson and Grierson
22 May	Waitaki Whitestone Geopark Project Team Meeting
23 May	Otago CDEM CEG Meeting, Dunedin
23 May	Otago Chief Executive's Forum, Dunedin
23 May	Canterbury Mayoral Forum Working Dinner, Christchurch
24 May	Canterbury Mayoral Forum, Christchurch
24 May	Meeting with Hon Aupito Tofae Su'aWilliam Sio, Minister of Pacific Peoples
24 May	Lalanga Fou Fono, The Ministry for Pacific Peoples
27 May	Meeting with Jacqui Dean, MP for Waitaki
28 May	Meeting with Albert Stafford and Julia Papahatzis, Stafford Strategy
29 May	Meeting with Ewen Graham, Otago CDEM
29 May	Waitaki Power Trust Meeting
5 June	Teleconference with Sarah Gardner, Chief Executive, Otago Regional Council
6-7 June	LGNZ Rural and Provincial Meeting, Wellington
7 June	Meeting with Chris Roberts, Chief Executive, Tourism Industry Aotearoa
10 June	Waitaki Whitestone Geopark Geogastronomy Workshop

Extract from Finance and Corporate Development Group Activity Report to Finance, Audit and Risk Committee Meeting, 25 June 2019

Health and Safety

Snapshot as at 31 May 2019 from the Health and Safety Advisor

Statistics: 1 July 2018 to 31 May 2019

No new hazards have been identified in May, so the number year-to-date stands at 12, all of which have been risk assessed and added to the Hazard Register. A review of this Register is in progress and has been extended through to July, in conjunction with a review of the Incident Register, to allow for a more detailed review with the health and safety representatives.

155 incidents have been recorded for this period. Of these, eleven (11) incidents were reported in May 2019, with nine (9) being from the Aquatic Centre (eight (8) were customers). Each incident has been investigated and corrective actions taken to mitigate future risk. All Aquatic Centre incidents and hazards are fully discussed at weekly staff meetings. All incidents are analysed by type for the year-to-date and are at the lower end of levels expected for a pool. Extra health and safety support is being given until a new Aquatics Coordinator is appointed and the acting health and safety representative comes up to speed.

The training sessions on use of the in-house health and safety software are continuing for health and safety representatives and those managers tasked with investigation and follow up. This is expected to be completed by the end of June. The membership and make-up of the Health and Safety Committee is also being reviewed to ensure that there is adequate coverage of all Council activities and locations.