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For our District

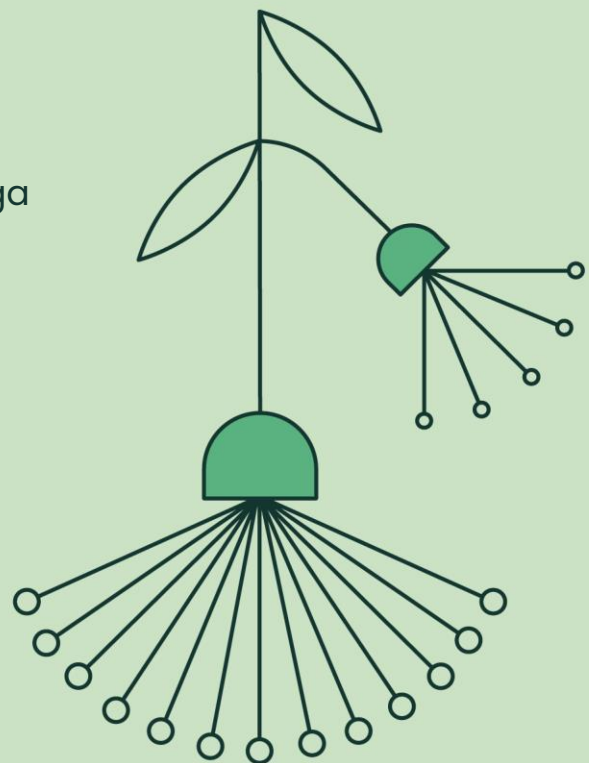
Performance and Monitoring Committee

Komiti Whakahaere

PM22-3

Thursday, 5 May 2022, 9.30am

Council Chambers, Barkes Corner, Tauranga



Performance and Monitoring Committee

Membership:

Chairperson	Cr Don Thwaites
Deputy Chairperson	Cr Murray Grainger
Members	Cr Grant Dally Cr Mark Dean Cr James Denyer Cr Monique Gray Cr Anne Henry Cr Kevin Marsh Cr Margaret Murray-Benge Deputy Mayor John Scrimgeour Cr Allan Sole Mayor Garry Webber
Quorum	6
Frequency	Six weekly

Role:

- To monitor and review the progress of the Council's activities, projects and services.

Scope:

- To monitor the operational performance of Council's activities and services against approved levels of service.
- To monitor the effectiveness of Council, community and agency service agreements / contracts.
- To monitor the implementation of Council's strategies, plans, policies and projects as contained in the Long-Term Plan or Annual Plan.
- To monitor Community Service Contract performance, set service delivery requirements and receive annual reports from service delivery contractors.
- To review and monitor agreements between Tauranga City Council and Western Bay of Plenty District Council and recommend to the respective Councils any changes to agreements, as appropriate.
- To monitor performance against the Priority One approved contract.
- To monitor performance of Council Controlled Organisations (CCO's) against their Statement of Intent, including Tourism Bay of Plenty's Statement of Intent and make recommendations to Council on matters relating to CCO's.

- To monitor the on-going effectiveness of implemented joint projects, plans, strategies and policies with Tauranga City Council.
- To monitor performance against any Council approved joint contracts with Tauranga City Council and/or other entities.
- To monitor performance and outcomes relating to:
 - seal extensions and unsealed road maintenance
 - community halls and facilities.
- To report to Council financial outcomes and recommend any changes or variations to allocated budgets.

Power to Act:

- Subject to agreed budgets and approved levels of service, to make decisions to enable and enhance service delivery performance.

Power to Recommend:

- To make recommendations to Council and/or any Committee as it deems appropriate.

Power to sub-delegate:

- The Committee may delegate any of its functions, duties or powers to a subcommittee, working group or other subordinate decision-making body, subject to the restrictions on its delegations and provided that any sub-delegation includes a statement of purpose and specification of task.

Notice is hereby given that an Performance and Monitoring Meeting will be held in the Council Chambers, Barks Corner, Tauranga on:
 Thursday, 5 May 2022 at 9.30am

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1 PRESENT**2 IN ATTENDANCE****3 APOLOGIES****4 CONSIDERATION OF LATE ITEMS****5 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Members are reminded of the need to be vigilant and to stand aside from decision making when a conflict arises between their role as an elected representative and any private or other external interest that they may have.

6 PUBLIC EXCLUDED ITEMS**7 PUBLIC FORUM**

A period of up to 30 minutes is set aside for a public forum. Members of the public may attend to address the Board for up to five minutes on items that fall within the delegations of the Board provided the matters are not subject to legal proceedings, or to a process providing for the hearing of submissions. Speakers may be questioned through the Chairperson by members, but questions must be confined to obtaining information or clarification on matters raised by the speaker. The Chairperson has discretion in regard to time extensions.

Such presentations do not form part of the formal business of the meeting, a brief record will be kept of matters raised during any public forum section of the meeting with matters for action to be referred through the customer contact centre request system, while those requiring further investigation will be referred to the Chief Executive.

8 PRESENTATIONS

8.1 WAKA KOTAHI (NZTA) TAKITIMU NORTHERN LINK STAGES 1 & 2 AND STATE HIGHWAY 2 SAFETY WORKS UPDATE AND PRESENTATION

File Number: A4522272

Author: Tracy Harris, Executive Assistant

Authoriser: Gary Allis, Deputy Chief Executive & Group Manager Infrastructure Services

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Waka Kotahi will present to the Performance and Monitoring Committee an overview of the details for Takitimu North Stages 1 & 2 and the State Highway 2 Safety Works.

- Takitimu North Link Stage 1 & 2 Update; and
- State Highway 2 Safety Works Update.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Executive Assistant's report dated 5 May 2022 titled 'Waka Kotahi (NZTA) Takitimu North Stages 1 & 2 and State Highway 2 Safety Works Update and Presentation' be received.

9 REPORTS

9.1 YEOMAN WALKWAY TO PARK ROAD RESERVE PATHWAY

File Number: A4552246

Author: Peter Watson, Reserves and Facilities Manager

Authoriser: Gary Allis, Deputy Chief Executive & Group Manager Infrastructure Services

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Council has recently completed a community engagement programme for a proposal to construct a concrete shared pathway between the Yeoman Walkway and Park Road Reserve in Katikati as per the Katikati/Waihi Beach Reserve Management Plan direction.

Analysis of the feedback received through the engagement process is included in **Attachment 1**.

Whilst appreciating that there are mixed viewpoints from the community on the proposal, the analysis concludes that there is a majority preference for a concrete pathway to be constructed along the reserve.

On this basis, it is intended that the project proceeds.

RECOMMENDATION

1. That the Reserves and Facilities Manager's report dated 5 May 2022 titled 'Yeoman Walkway to Park Road Reserve Pathway' be received.
2. That the report relates to an issue that is considered to be of low significance in terms of Council's Significance and Engagement Policy.
3. That, having considered the feedback received through the community engagement programme, the Performance and Monitoring Committee confirms that the concrete shared pathway between the Yeoman Walkway and Park Road Reserve project proceeds.
4. That a decision story be prepared and made available to the public.

BACKGROUND

Council adopted the Katikati/Waihi Beach Ward Reserve Management Plan (KKWBWRMP) on 13 December 2018.

The Reserve Management Plan included the following Reserve Specific Policy.

6.82.5 *Develop a walkway/cycleway between the Yeoman Walkway, Riverlea Drive Reserve, Levley Lane Reserve, Francis Drive Reserve and Park Road Reserve next to the retirement village.*

In December 2018 commissioned a scoping report on the feasibility of forming the section of pathway identified in section 6.82.5 above.

The feasibility study was considered by the Operations and Monitoring Committee at its meeting held on 11 April 2019.

The Feasibility Report identified the work required to form a walkway/cycleway, including environmental considerations; consenting requirements; assessment of construction material and methodology; and an estimate of costs for the project including the options of concrete or gravel surfacing.

The report identified the practical aspects and options associated with upgrading and forming an all-weather multi-use pathway and went into some detail as this was required to ensure firstly, that the route was feasible to establish an all-weather pathway and secondly, to have a clear understanding of cost estimates.

<https://www.westernbay.govt.nz/repository/libraries/id:25p4fe6mo17q9stw0v5w/hierarchy/Council/agendas-and-minutes/operations-and-monitoring-committee/documents/OP18/OP18-Agenda.pdf>

Council has recently undertaken a community engagement programme with adjoining property owners and the wider community to seek their feed back. This multi use pathway is well documented in numerous Council publications for the development of walk and cycleways across the District.

Below are a few excerpts from Council's policies.

Walking And Cycling Action Plan

An example of the vision statements for walking and cycling from the Katikati/Waihi Beach Reserve Management Plan is outlined below:

- Continuous pedestrian access around the Katikati Peninsula foreshore is promoted and supported by a number of vehicular access/activity nodes.
- Green open space linkages are promoted to link through the urban area providing walkways/cycleways separate from the street network.

Accessibility and connectivity (walking and cycling) are identified as important to every community, through providing connections to natural areas like rivers, reserves and the coast, and access to community destinations like commercial areas, community facilities and schools.

Reserve Management Plan

In relation to the categories of reserve classifications within the Katikati Waihi Beach Ward the following generic objectives apply to the management of any reserve within the specified classification.

Recreation Reserves: Generic Objectives:

- To provide for recreation and sporting activities and the physical welfare and enjoyment of the public.

- To protect the natural environment and beauty of the locality and, in particular, to retain open spaces and outdoor recreational activities, including recreational walkways.
- To maintain the public's freedom of entry and access to the reserve.
- To protect those scenic, historic, archaeological, biological, geological or other scientific features or indigenous flora or fauna or wildlife present on the reserve, to the extent compatible with the principal (recreational) purpose of the reserve.
- To conserve those qualities of the reserve which contribute to the pleasantness, harmony, and cohesion of the natural environment, and to the better use and enjoyment of the reserve.
- To maintain the reserve's value as a soil, water, and vegetation conservation area, to the extent compatible with the principal (recreation) purpose of the reserve.

Reserve Management Policy

6.82.3 Manage the coastal esplanade for the protection of the natural character and wildlife values of the Tauranga Harbour.

6.82.4 Consistent with the protection of the above values provide for continuous pedestrian/cycleway linkage around the Katikati Peninsula.

6.82.5 Develop a walkway/cycleway between the Yeoman Walkway, Riverlea Drive Reserve, Levley Lane Reserve, Francis Drive Reserve and Park Road Reserve next to the retirement village.

Recreation and Open Space – Building Communities

To provide a safe and connected walking and cycling network that leads to improved transport choices and provides a variety of recreational experiences through and beyond our District.

To continue to provide quality experiences that meet the needs of our community through ongoing planning, development and management of the recreation and open space network. Increasing resident satisfaction with the accessibility to recreation and open space opportunities locally and across the District.

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Building Communities – Transportation

Transport networks help people access and participate in a wide range of activities and services. Lack of access and impaired mobility can reduce a person's ability to

participate in the community and take advantage of social, cultural and economic opportunities. This goal reflects our role in ensuring that transport networks support community linkages and social networks.

A number of factors can inhibit or prevent people using the transport network, for example age, physical disability, affordability.

We will implement the following approaches to improve opportunities for mobility impaired people to use our District's transport network:

- All new local network-related construction and maintenance activities, including walkways and cycleways, will be undertaken in accordance with best practice mobility guidelines.

OTHER CONSIDERATIONS

- There are a number of reserves in Katikati such as Haiku Park, Vesey Stewart Reserve that have concrete pathways through them as there are other reserves across the wider District.
- There is a large portion of the proposed pathway that would not be seen from adjoining properties.
- When considering the whole of life cost for a pathway, concrete is considered the better surface versus other surfaces as it is more durable and suitable for a wider range of users. Consultation on surface types would have been equally subjective and divisive within the community.
- People saying, they don't want to run or walk on concrete have the option of using the grass either side of the pathway.
- The worn trail along the reserve suggests that there is high usage of the area currently and this will only increase over time.

SIGNIFICANCE AND ENGAGEMENT

In terms of the Significance and Engagement Policy this decision is considered to be of low significance because the pathway is proposed for a small part of the reserve network and will provide benefits for users of the reserve along this section of the trail network.

ENGAGEMENT, CONSULTATION AND COMMUNICATION

Interested/Affected Parties	Completed/Planned Engagement/Consultation/Communication		
Name of interested parties/groups	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The recent community engagement programme involved a letter drop (postcard) targeting properties adjoining the reserve 		Complete

Tangata Whenua	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consultation was done through the Katikati/Waihi Beach Reserve Management Plan review process. • An archaeological assessment for the proposal will involve consultation with Tangata Whenua 		
General Public	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A community engagement programme was undertaken between 21 March 2022 and 4 April 2022 through a number of engagement platforms, e.g., postcard, online 'have your say' • Consultation was undertaken on Council's Walking and Cycling Strategy in 2009 and more recently in 2018, consultation was undertaken during the review of the Katikati/Waihi Beach Reserve Management Plan. 		

ISSUES AND OPTIONS ASSESSMENT

<p>Option A</p> <p>That having considered the feedback received through the community engagement programme, the Performance and Monitoring Committee confirms that the concrete shared pathway between the Yeoman Walkway and Park Road Reserve project proceeds.</p> <p>That a decision story be prepared and made available to the public.</p>	
<p>Assessment of advantages and disadvantages including impact on each of the four well-beings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Economic • Social • Cultural • Environmental 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There is a majority of reserve users who support a tinted concrete pathway. • The pathway aligns with the Reserve Management Policy in the Katikati/Waihi Beach Reserve Management Plan. • The pathway aligns with the Walking and Cycleway Strategy. • The pathway aligns with the Recreation and Open Space Strategy outcomes and objectives. • There is the ability to add colour to the concrete thereby lessening any visual impact of the pathway. • Submitters supporting a concrete pathway will be satisfied, however, those submitters opposing a concrete pathway will be dissatisfied. • Provides a hard surfaced off-road route.
<p>Costs (including present and future costs, direct,</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If pavement construction is done with concrete there will be overall less operational lifecycle costs, along

indirect and contingent costs).	with a better level of service provided to the various users of the pathway.
Option B	
That the Park Road concrete shared pathway does not proceed.	
Assessment of advantages and disadvantages including impact on each of the four well-beings:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is inconsistent with the adopted strategies and would require them to be reviewed to remove the pathway. • Retention of the grass path disadvantages the mobility impaired. • Use by general users in winter and wet periods will be lower due to the surface. • Consistent with the view of some of the adjoining residents. • Feedback shows community support for the concrete pathway.
Costs (including present and future costs, direct, indirect and contingent costs).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The capital cost does not occur in this location and the funds will be shifted to other projects in the District.

STATUTORY COMPLIANCE

The construction of a concrete pathway along the esplanade reserve is deemed a permitted activity under the District Plan provisions. On this basis, there is no requirement for a resource consent for the work to proceed.

The need for an Archaeological Authority will be assessed.

FUNDING/BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

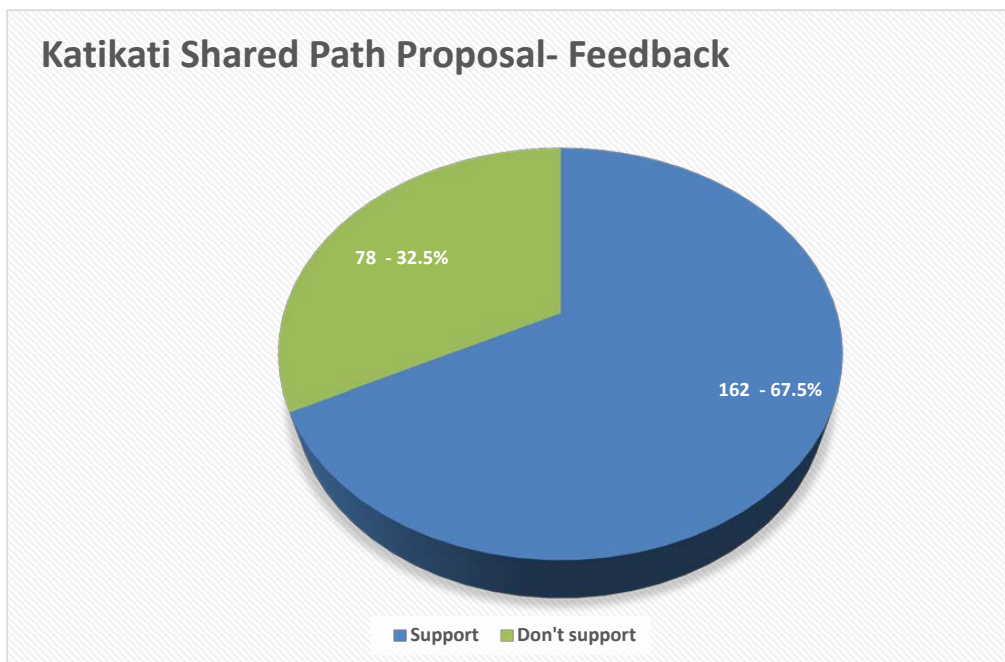
Budget Funding Information	Relevant Detail
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Funded from the District Walking And Cycling Budget and the Reserves Walking And Cycling Budget.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Katikati Shared Path Proposal – Feedback Analysis

Katikati Shared Path Proposal

PROS- Reasons for support:	CONS- Reasons for not supporting:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Great for all users (including mobility scooters) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Eye sore to the environment
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Perfect for all seasons (Won't get muddy in winter) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Will encourage cyclists to speed creating a safety risk
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Easy access will encourage more people to get out and about 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Waste of ratepayer's money
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A real asset for the community 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Concrete is bad for the environment
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Encourages people to connect to this part of town 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lack of consultation with the community



Total Feedback Received: 240
Support: 162
Does Not Support: 78

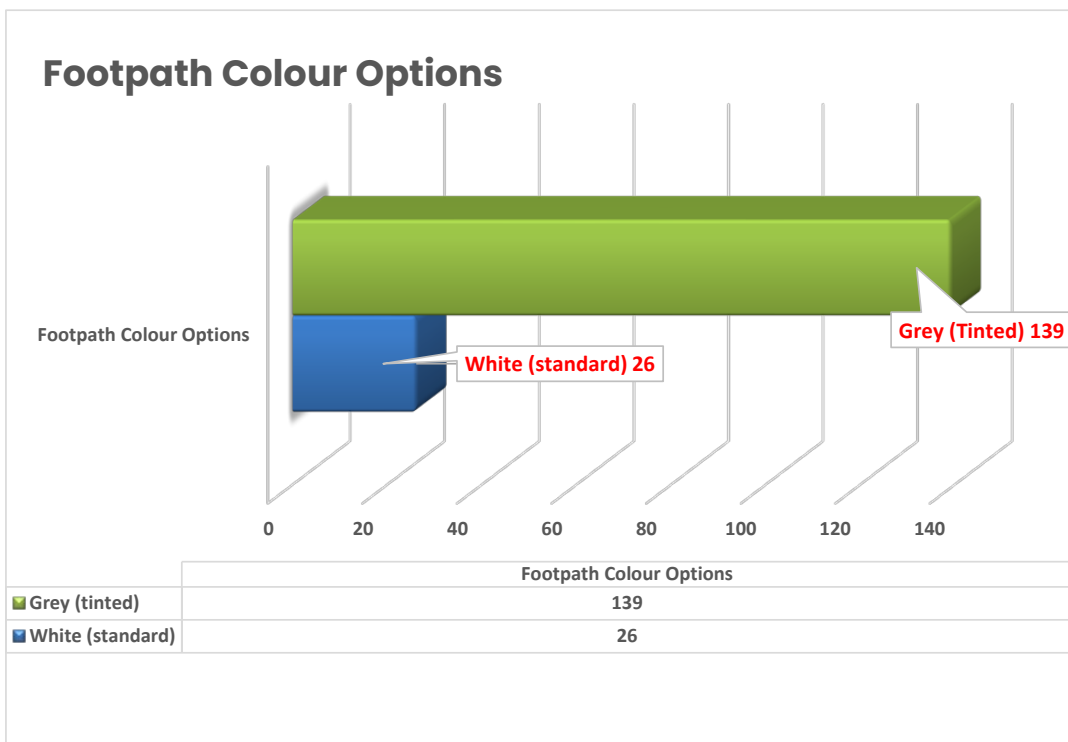
BREAKDOWN AS BELOW

Postcard Response:

Total Response: 96
 Support: 61
 Does Not Support: 35

Email Response:

Total Response: 8
 Support: 1
 Does Not Support: 7 (total 8 including one duplicate contact)

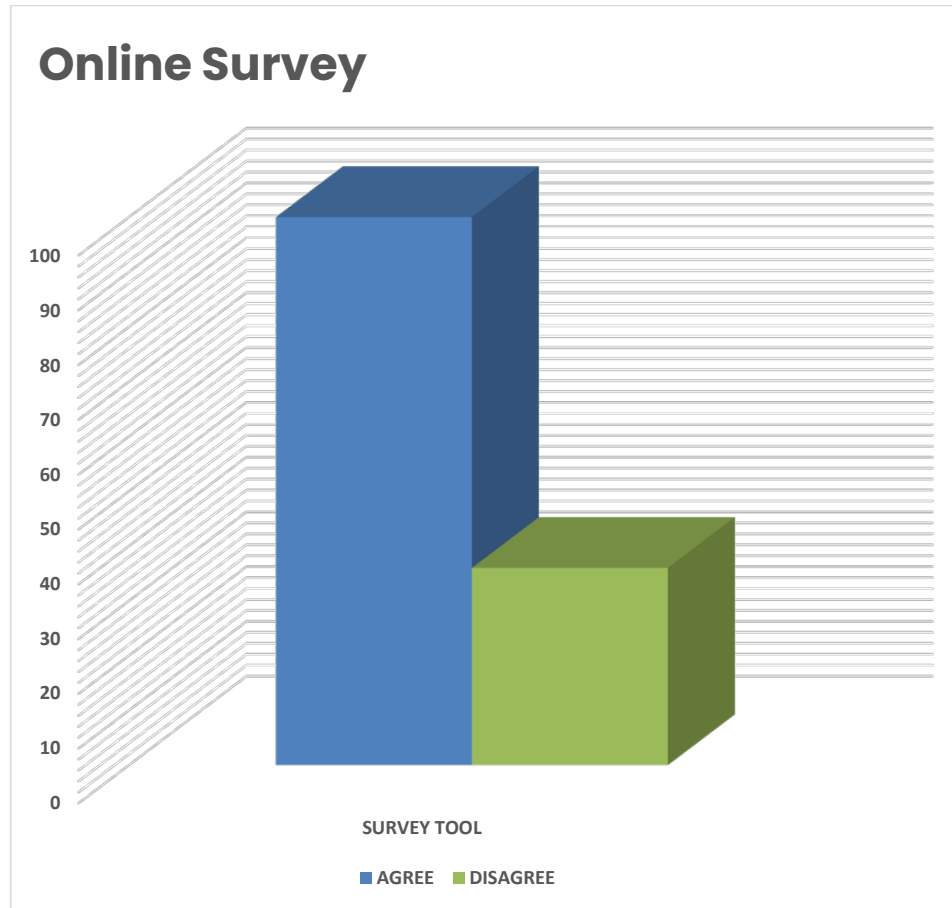


ONLINE SURVEY:

Total submissions: 136

Support: 100

Does Not Support: 36



9.2 FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE AND MONITORING COMMITTEE UPDATE AS AT 31 MARCH 2022

File Number: A4562095

Author: David Jensen, Chief Financial Officer

Authoriser: James Graham, Acting Group Manager Corporate Services

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to inform Elected Members on important issues relating to Council's finances and operational performance.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Chief Financial Officer's report dated 5 May 2022 titled 'Financial Performance and Monitoring Committee Update as at 31 March 2022' be received.

1. FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE & POSITION

1.1 Operating Income

Total income for the nine months ended 31 March was \$94.15m. This was \$279k higher than the year-to-date budget of \$93.87m. This is primarily driven by subsidy revenue relating to CIP-funded projects, user fee revenue and other income, being above year-to-date budget. This is offset by lower than budgeted financial contributions and water rate revenue.

The major variances were:

- Subsidies and Grants of \$14.73m being \$1.69m ahead of the year-to-date budget of \$13.04m, due to the recognition of revenue relating to CIP-funded projects. In 2020/2021 Council received grants from Central Government which was tied to the completion of certain projects. As the work had not been completed at the time the subsidies were received, Council was not able to book the revenue and had been holding the revenue in the balance sheet pending completion of the capital works. A number of the CIP-funded projects have now reached the stage where Council can recognise the revenue received from Central Government.
- Rate Income of \$51.50m, being \$0.70m lower than year-to-date budget of \$52.19m due to lower than budgeted water-by-meter revenue, particularly in the western supply zone.

- User Fees of \$6.90m being \$0.85m ahead of year-to-date budget of \$6.05m. This variance is primarily driven by additional animal service fees and building service fees.
- Other Income of \$3.17m being \$1.29m higher than the year-to-date budget of \$1.88m driven primarily by forestry harvesting proceeds of \$685k, which are unbudgeted.

1.2 Financial Contribution Revenue

Financial Contributions are tracking below budget with \$6.92m received against year-to-date budget of \$8.20m. A full table of revenue received is shown in Figure 2, **Attachment 1**. Council is likely to be under budget at year end.

Staff have noted that the pipeline for future developments is beginning to plateau, with developers citing increased construction costs and resource constraints. This is expected to delay applications for s224, which will in turn lead to lower future financial contributions.

1.3 Operating Expenditure

Total expenditure of \$76.77m was \$3.68m lower than year to date budget of \$80.45m. Council is likely to be underspent against budget at year end.

The major variances were:

- Additional Level of Service projects of \$4.99m were \$2.36m lower than year to date budget of \$7.35m.
- Personnel costs of \$18.30m being \$2.23m lower than year to date budget of \$20.54m. This is largely due to the timing of when open vacancies have been filled throughout the year.

1.4 Capital Expenditure

Total capital expenditure of \$26.90m was \$13.19m lower than year to date budget of \$40.08m.

The major variances were:

- Transport capital expenditure across the district being \$6.55m lower than budget year-to-date.
- Water Supply capital expenditure across the district being \$1.75m lower than budget year-to-date.
- Stormwater capital expenditure across the district being \$1.95m lower than budget year-to-date.

- Recreation & Leisure capital expenditure across the district being \$1.58m lower than budget year-to-date.

2. CASH FLOW FORECAST

2.1 Projected Cash Balances

At 31 March 2022, Council had a positive cash position of \$51.94m. This was comprised of \$19.04m cash and \$32.90m in short term deposits.

3. TREASURY UPDATE

3.1 Key Financial Ratios

Council was in compliance with all of its key financial ratios for the month ending 31 March 2022.

3.2 Interest Expense

Council's weighted cost of finance at 31 March 2022 was 3.84%, unchanged from February 2022.

Interest expense on external debt for the nine months ended 31 March 2022 of \$3.16m was \$0.39m higher than year-to-date budget of \$2.76m. This is due to the timing of interest payment cashflows year to date.

3.3 External Debt

Total external debt was \$90.0m as at 31 March 2022. This is consistent with the balances of 28 February 2022. Council has a \$10.0m loan maturity due for repayment in May 2022, which will lower Council's cost of capital moving into the new financial year.

Net debt (being external debt of \$90.0m less cash on hand of \$51.94m) was \$38.06m as at 31 March 2022. This was \$1.12m lower than the 28 February balance of \$39.18m. It is noted that the current cash balance includes rates collected on behalf of the Bay of Plenty Regional Council, which was paid in early April 2022.

3.4 Internal Loan and Current Account Balances

Internal loan balances at 31 March 2022 totalled \$99.79m, with current account balances totalled \$3.73m. These are both consistent with the balances of 28 February 2022.

3.5 Interest Rate Swaps

The valuation of Council's interest rate swaps at 31 March 2022 was a net liability of \$1.10m. This is \$1.03m lower than the 28 February 2022 balance of \$2.13m, reflecting the increases in market rates through March.

At 31 March 2022 Council held interest rate swaps totalling \$86.5m. Of these, \$31m were forward start interest rate swaps. Council had 62% of total debt covered by current interest rate swaps, no change from February 2022.

The current swaps to 12-month net debt ratio as at 31 March 2022 sits within the recommended policy bands.

4. GROWTH MONITORING STATISTICS

Ward and Development Trend Statistics

The Ward and Development Trends Statistics report highlights the level of subdivision activity and dwelling consents issued within the District for the March 2022 quarter. The report also tables each statistical area and zone, the comparison of the last three financial years and a comparison of the January 2022 to March 2022 quarter for dwelling consents issued, additional lots created, and additional lots proposed.

The total number of residential and rural dwelling consents issued as at 31 March 2022 for the last 3 months was 92, compared to 128 consents issued for the same period in 2021.

There were 31 new lots created for the three months to 31 March 2022 (2021:44).

The table below lists the areas where the actual new lots created have either met or exceeded the 2021/2022 annual projection target. The full growth monitoring statistics report has been incorporated into the Scorecard update (**Attachment 2, Part 2**).

Statistical Area	Actual New lots created as at 31 March 2022	New lots created projected for the full 2022 year
Waihī Beach - Bowentown	22	15
Katikati	49	40
Pongakawa	7	3

5. KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS AND MONITORING

Project Year End Forecast



There is a total of 448 reporting items of which 319 are projects. At the end of the third quarter the year end projection is that 80% of projects will be on time and 69% on cost. There are 15% where it is too early to project year end costs. There are 23 (7%) projects projected to be over cost, \$4.4m, and 29 (9%) under cost, \$3.5m.

Work Programme Summary

The summary below provides a high-level summary of the work programme status for period ending March 2022 and the year end forecast. The work programme is compiled of 448 reporting items of which 319 are projects and 129 are processes.

The full report is contained in **Attachment 3**.

ATTACHMENTS

1. **Financial Tables and Reports – 31 March 2022**  
2. **Growth Monitoring Statistics – 31 March 2022**  
3. **Quarterly Financials and Performance Scorecard Report – 31 March 2022**  

9.3 CONNECTION OF TE PUNA SPRINGS BUSINESS PARK TO OMOKOROA WASTEWATER TRANSFER PIPELINE

File Number: A4551039

Author: Coral-Lee Ertel, Asset and Capital Manager

Authoriser: Gary Allis, Deputy Chief Executive & Group Manager Infrastructure Services

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to request a connection to the Ōmokoroa wastewater transfer pipeline for the Te Puna Village Te Puna Springs Business Park.

Council is currently processing Plan Change 93, which includes the expansion of the Te Puna Commercial Zone (Te Puna Springs). Bay of Plenty Regional Council (BOPRC) have indicated they would not support an Onsite Effluent Treatment System (OSET) in this location. Te Puna Springs has therefore requested connection into the new Te Puna Village wastewater scheme, which discharges into the Ōmokoroa wastewater transfer pipeline. Council requires all connections into the pipeline to be approved by Elected Members.

A Te Puna Springs Business Park representative wishes to speak to the Committee in support of the application.

RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL

1. That the Asset and Capital Manager's report dated 5 May 2022 titled 'Connection of Te Puna Springs Business Park to Omokoroa Wastewater Transfer Pipeline' be received.
2. That the report relates to an issue that is considered to be of low significance in terms of Council's Significance and Engagement Policy.
3. That, subject to Plan Change 93 – Te Puna Springs Commercial Zone proceeding, Council **approves** the connection of the Te Puna Springs Commercial Zone into the Ōmokoroa transfer pipeline.

And

4. That Te Puna Springs Business Park be charged a volumetric capital connection charge of \$3,658 per household equivalent, and this be built into the FINCO schedule for the park.

Or

5. That Council **does not approve** the connection of the Te Puna Springs Business Park into the Ōmokoroa transfer pipeline.

BACKGROUND

The Ōmokoroa wastewater transfer pipeline has been installed to service the Ōmokoroa community. Western Bay of Plenty District Council's (WBOPDC) agreement with Tauranga City Council (TCC) limits the total daily volume of wastewater that can be discharged to their wastewater treatment plant. Connections into the pipeline should be limited to ensure additional flows do not restrict growth at Ōmokoroa.

Council has recently approved the connection of the existing Te Puna Village commercial area, Tūtereinga Marae and Ōmokoroa No.1 School, to the transfer pipeline due to existing space constraints and health and safety risks posed by poor performing systems in these communities. Council has subsequently declined an application from the Newham Road Business Park and 58 Te Puna Road to connect to the pipeline, as they had sufficient onsite space to manage their wastewater.

Attachment 1 includes an application letter from Te Puna Springs for connection into the pipeline.

The applicant indicates the expansion to the commercial zone will add a total of 9.5m³/day into the pipeline (the capacity limit is 2,200m³/day). There is sufficient capacity for Council to approve connection of Te Puna Springs into the pipeline. Additional connections to the pipeline require specific Council approval. **Attachment 2** shows the proposed area to be included within the reticulated zone.

The below provides a summary of past resolutions made relevant to this application.

https://westernbayofplenty.infocouncil.biz/Open/2021/04/PM_20210427_AGN_2449_AT_WEB.htm

9.6 TE PUNA MARAE CONNECTION TO ŌMOKOROA PIPELINE

The Committee considered a report dated 27 April 2021 from the Asset and Capital Manager who spoke to the report and a power point presentation on the following key points:

- *Background;*
- *Te Puna Marae Location map;*
- *Paparoa Marae;*
- *Proposed OSET System & Disposal Field for Tūtereinga Marae; and*
- *Proposed Disposal Field Location for Poutūterangi Marae.*

Staff responded to questions as follows:

- *The area in front of a Marae was considered highly Tapu for Māori and nothing of this nature could be built in this area.*

RESOLUTION PM21-3.9

Moved: Cr M Grainger

Seconded: Cr M Dean

RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL

1. That the Asset and Capital Manager's report dated 27 April 2021 titled 'Te Puna Marae Connection to Ōmokoroa Pipeline' be received.
2. That the report relates to an issue that is considered to be of low significance in terms of Council's Significance and Engagement Policy.
3. That Council approve the connection of Tūtereinga and Poutūterangi Marae to the Ōmokoroa transfer pipeline.

CARRIED

https://westernbayofplenty.infocouncil.biz/Open/2020/09/C_20200924_AGN_2224_AT_WEB.htm

9.9 PROPOSAL TO APPROVE CONNECTION OF THE TE PUNA VILLAGE COMMERCIAL AREA TO THE WASTEWATER TRANSFER PIPELINE

The Council considered a report from the Asset and Capital Manager dated 24 September 2020. The report was taken as read.

The Deputy CEO/Group Manager Infrastructure Services responded to a question, noting that the pipeline could accommodate Omokoroa population growth to 12,000. In relation to whether the pipeline could accommodate above that quantum, if improvements were further water reduction in terms of the amount that went into the system through businesses and households and secondly, through improvements to the network itself, if taking those two factors into account, there was capacity in the future for a small quantum beyond what had been allowed for in Omokoroa.

RESOLUTION C20-12.12

Moved: Cr D Thwaites

Seconded: Cr M Murray-Benge

1. That the Asset and Capital Manager's report dated 24 September 2020 titled 'Proposal to approve connection of the Te Puna Village Commercial area to the Wastewater Transfer Pipeline' be received.
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2. *That Council approves the connection of the Te Puna Village Commercial area properties, as marked on Attachment 1 of the report, into the Omokoroa transfer pipeline.*

CARRIED

Te Puna Springs Business Park – Application to Connect

The application has been assessed on a technical basis, being capacity in the wastewater network and the opposition by BOPRC and Toi Te Ora Public Health to on site disposal. The risk with onsite disposal is that it could lead to a repeat of the previous situation where the onsite systems failed.

This decision is separate to any decision on Plan Change 93 but would enable the wastewater component of the Plan Change.

Plan Change 93 – Commentary

‘Plan Change 93 – Te Puna Springs’ has now been notified and submissions received. The notified application proposed for wastewater to be treated and disposed of using Onsite Effluent Treatment System (OSETs) or alternatively, a new reticulated system connecting to the existing Ōmokoroa wastewater transfer pipeline. Several submissions were received raising concerns with options for disposal of wastewater from the new commercial area at Te Puna Springs.

The submissions from BOPRC and Toi Te Ora Public Health raised concerns around the suitability of OSET for a commercial/urban type environment, especially given Te Puna’s history of OSET failures. A number of wastewater issues have already been identified due to the failing systems and wastewater overflow in the area. It is considered that OSET systems are not suitable for this growing community and the submissions request that the Te Puna Springs area be serviced with appropriate wastewater disposal to a reticulated scheme.

Due to the submissions raised, the Plan Change applicant now wishes to formally apply for connection of the Te Puna Springs structure plan area to the Ōmokoroa wastewater transfer pipeline. This will provide certainty to the submitters and the applicant that the structure plan area can be adequately reticulated through the plan change process and to ensure human and trade waste will be safely disposed of to minimise risk to public health.

The applicant would be required to fully fund all the reticulation and onsite pump stations for the development on the same basis as was required for the existing commercial area.

SIGNIFICANCE AND ENGAGEMENT

In terms of the Significance and Engagement Policy this decision is considered to be of low significance because it has no impact on the wider community or the long-term viability of the wastewater scheme and has no additional costs to Council.

ENGAGEMENT, CONSULTATION AND COMMUNICATION

Interested/Affected Parties	Completed/Planned Engagement/Consultation/Communication		
Name of interested parties/groups	Te Puna Springs Bay of Plenty Regional Council	Planned	Completed
Tangata Whenua	N/A		
General Public	N/A		

ISSUES AND OPTIONS ASSESSMENT

Option A	
<p>1. That subject to Plan Change 93 – Te Puna Springs Commercial Zone proceeding Council approves the connection of the Te Puna Springs Commercial Zone into the Ōmokoroa transfer pipeline.</p> <p>And</p> <p>2. That Te Puna Springs Business Park be charged a volumetric capital connection charge of \$3,658 per household equivalent and this be built into the FINCO schedule for the park.</p>	
<p>Assessment of advantages and disadvantages including impact on each of the four well-beings</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Economic • Social • Cultural • Environmental 	<p>Advantages:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Best public health outcome (removes potential for interaction of wastewater with the community). • Best environmental outcome. <p>Disadvantages:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Takes capacity from the Ōmokoroa wastewater transfer pipeline, however modelling has indicated there is sufficient capacity in the network to accept the waste from the Te Puna Springs.
<p>Costs (including present and future costs, direct, indirect and contingent costs).</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Costs for connection to be funded by the Te Puna Springs. • Te Puna Springs to pay a capital contribution for connection. • Specifically calculated Uniform Targeted Rate to be charged to the new lots per annum. Charge may include Tradewaste costs or Multiple Pan charges.

<p>Other implications and any assumptions that relate to this option (Optional – if you want to include any information not covered above).</p>	<p>Each individual lot will be required to build their own pump onsite for connection into Council’s scheme. The pumps will be privately owned and maintained similar to the requirements for the wider commercial zone.</p>
<p>Option B</p> <p>That Council does not approve the connection of the Te Puna Springs Business Park into the Ōmokoroa transfer pipeline.</p>	
<p>Assessment of advantages and disadvantages including impact on each of the four well-beings</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Economic • Social • Cultural • Environmental 	<p>Advantages:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Te Puna Springs to manage own wastewater onsite. • Retains capacity within the pipeline for further growth at Ōmokoroa. <p>Disadvantages:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Poor public health outcome (potential for interaction of wastewater with the community) with onsite disposal. • Poor environmental outcome.
<p>Costs (including present and future costs, direct, indirect and contingent costs).</p>	<p>Costs to install onsite system to be managed by Te Puna Springs. No cost implications to Council.</p>
<p>Other implications and any assumptions that relate to this option (Optional – if you want to include any information not covered above).</p>	<p>N/A</p>

STATUTORY COMPLIANCE

The recommendation(s) meets:

- Legislative requirements/legal requirements;
- Current council plans/policies/bylaws; and
- Regional/national policies/plans.

FUNDING/BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

Budget Funding Information	Relevant Detail
N/A	<p>There are no funding or budget implications for Council.</p> <p>The estimated flows for Te Puna Business Park are 9.5m³ per day therefore their connection charge would be \$69,502.</p> <p>These flows are estimates only and would need to be further refined. It is recommended these charges be built into the FINCO schedule for the park.</p>

ATTACHMENTS

1. **Application Letter from Te Puna Springs for Connection to Omokoroa Wastewater Pipeline**  
2. **Proposed Area to be Included in Wastewater Reticulation Zone**  

9.4 THREE WATERS CROWN INFRASTRUCTURE PARTNERS FUNDING SUMMARY

File Number: A4554953

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Council received \$6.92M of Three Waters shovel ready funding administered by Crown Infrastructure Partners (CIP), 50% of which was focused on funding infrastructure to support wastewater and water supply to Marae and Papakāinga housing. The rationale was to make a significant and lasting difference in our community with this funding, a difference that would have been unlikely to occur with normal rates or central government funding.

The remaining expenditure has been used to improve our drinking water compliance, provide wastewater reticulation extensions to support reserves, construct a new stormwater bund at Ōmokoroa golf course (in conjunction with the new cycleway) and improve our overall asset data.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Asset and Capital Manager's report dated 5 May 2022 titled 'Three Waters Crown Infrastructure Partners Funding Summary' be received.

BACKGROUND

In October 2020, Council received approval for funding of \$6.92M from Crown Infrastructure Partners to invest in 'shovel ready' Three Waters infrastructure projects. The requirement of the funding was to be completed by end of March 2022 and meet the reform objectives which are:

1. Significantly improving safety and quality of drinking water services and the environmental performance of wastewater and stormwater systems.
2. Increasing the resilience of three waters service provision to both short and long-term risks and events, particularly climate change and natural hazards.
3. Moving the supply of three waters services to a more financially sustainable footing and addressing the affordability and capability challenges faced across the sector and particularly by some small suppliers and Councils.
4. Undertaking the reform in a manner that enables local government to further enhance the way in which it can deliver on its broader 'wellbeing mandates', as set out in the Local Government Act 2002.

5. Ensuring all New Zealanders have equitable access to affordable three waters services.
6. Improving the coordination of resources and unlocking strategic opportunities to consider New Zealand's infrastructure needs at a larger scale.
7. Improving transparency about, and accountability for, the delivery and costs of three waters services, including the ability to benchmark the performance of service suppliers.

Due to impacts the of COVID-19, an extension to end of June 2022 was provided to all local authorities to complete projects.

To ensure all funding was spent, Council staff worked through several projects at the same time enabling a fluid work program. This meant that, as projects were delayed or unable to be completed within the specified timeframe, other projects could be brought forward. As a result, Council's CIP delivery plan included a total expenditure higher than available funding. The budgets were closely monitored and managed throughout the work programme to ensure works were completed without overspending the budget.

Attachment 1 provides a breakdown of all projects that were approved through the delivery plan and their final outcome.

The following section of this report provides an overview of the key highlights from delivery the CIP funded projects and the overall benefit to our communities.

Connection to Council Wastewater Infrastructure

In approximately 2018 the Bay of Plenty Regional Council (BOPRC) undertook a project that looked at the state of septic tanks at Marae in their Tauranga Moana catchment. This work identified that many of these septic tanks were in a bad state and were unfit to service the Marae they were connected to. While the Regional Council project identified a clear need to address poor septic tank systems at these Marae, fixing the problem was not within the scope of the project.

A number of Marae that BOPRC visited were located in the Western Bay of Plenty district. Through the project 'Wai Ora', our Council had already been working to resolve similar issues at Ōtaawhiwhi Marae and Showgrounds Road Te Puke. When our staff became aware of the work Regional Council was doing, we insisted on being involved in finding a solution for the Marae in our district. It became clear very early that resolving the problems identified by the Regional Council project would come at a significant financial cost – the CIP shovel ready projects funding was the perfect opportunity to meet that cost.

It was also acknowledged that, if we were to look at solutions to the problem, we would need to include all the Marae in our district, not just those in the Tauranga Moana area. There was extensive engagement with Marae on what could occur, and it was their decision as to whether the individual upgrades proceeded.

Four Marae have been connected to Council's wastewater infrastructure: Te Rereatukāhia, Makahae, Whakaue and Tūtereinga.

Council has previously found that connection costs and ongoing multiple pan charges has prevented Marae from connecting to its network. Council reviewed its multiple pans policy and reduced the charge to both Marae and halls to one standard Uniform Targeted Rate (UTR). This review, along with CIP funding, has been instrumental in enabling Marae to better manage their wastewater.

In addition, the funding supported the connection of Papakāinga housing around Te Rereatukāhia Marae to Council's wastewater network, ensuring compliant sanitary conditions for 36 dwelling properties (22 properties). It will also enable the future connection of Papakāinga housing at Tūtereinga Marae to Council's reticulated wastewater system.

Marae's Onsite Effluent Treatment Systems (OSET)

Where wastewater connections to a reticulated network was not available, funding was used to upgrade 11 Marae OSET systems. This has made a significant impact for these Marae and involved working closely with a wide range of key team members to ensure the projects would be delivered.

BOPRC and Western Bay of Plenty District Council (WBOPDC) had previously undertaken an audit of Marae OSET systems, and a significant number were shown to be non-compliant or undersized, resulting in poor water quality. This was having a negative public health and environmental impact.

A number of Marae were restricted in their ability to expand and/or operate due to their undersized system. The financial impact of upgrading their systems was cost prohibitive, resulting in the Marae restricting their on-site activities. Council support also meant that Marae could leverage other funding opportunities to further improve their buildings and amenities, one Marae used the new OSET system to leverage funding for a new block of toilets, another Marae was able to secure funding to rebuild their entire Marae complex in the knowledge that their OSET system was now suitable to service the new buildings. Of the 13 Marae in the District that were identified to have failing systems, 11 agreed to an upgrade. The upgrade was offered to all 13. **Attachment 2** and **Attachment 3** provide an overview of the Maraes in the Western Bay District and their current status. Where a Marae is referred to 'consented' on the plan, it received an OSET upgrade.

BOPRC and WBOPDC worked together to deliver this project. BOPRC waived Resource Consent fees and streamlined the Resource Consent process for this CIP project to ensure projects could be delivered on time.

Watermain Connections for Papakāinga Housing

Papakāinga housing at Te Rereatukāhia Marae had no water supply, with 46 houses only having access to untreated rain or river water and no access to potable drinking water. Council's watermain, located relatively close to the Marae, needed to be extended to enable these houses to connect.

The capital cost of extending the watermain had previously prevented these properties from connecting, however, the CIP funding with the Council prioritisation, removed that barrier.

Since the watermain was extended, two house fires have been able to be extinguished due to the fire hydrants that were installed.

Council recognises that a number of Marae and Papakāinga housing in our District would benefit from having improved access to reticulated water. Further CIP funding would enable additional improvements in the water supply to Marae and should funding be available in the future, Council will make an application.

Ōmokoroa Stormwater Bund

Stage Two of the Ōmokoroa Stormwater Bund was delivered in partnership between WBOPDC reserves and the Three Waters CIP team. The bund provides protection of Council's reserves assets and the Ōmokoroa golf course from harbour inundation.

Overall, the 420m of stormwater bund and cycleway was delivered ahead of schedule with joint funding from CIP, Council and TECT.

Wastewater Extensions to Reserves

Wastewater reticulation extensions were undertaken as one project within the CIP funding. All extensions were designed in-house, and staff built on strong relationships with existing contractors. As a result, all projects identified within the wastewater reticulation extension funding were implemented, with the exception of the connection of Ōtaawhiwhi Marae.

These projects were delivered under budget and costs savings were able to be used to implement additional wastewater reticulation extensions to service reserves and future facilities. Overall, the reticulation extension projects were delivered under budget, which freed further CIP funding to support the Marae OSET upgrades.

A number of extensions of Councils wastewater network across the District were undertaken and the full breakdown is included in **Attachment I**.

Muttons Water Treatment Plant (WTP) UV Upgrade

Muttons WTP is a significant asset supplying water to the Eastern Supply Zone. New drinking water standards encourage and, in some cases, require water supplies to be treated by UV.

The UV system will kill or de-activate bacteria and viruses that cannot be treated with the current disinfection system. It will add another layer of protection in our processes to ensure we provide safe water, in-line with current best practice. Upgrade work is almost complete, with the civil works for the container and connecting pipework due to begin shortly. It is anticipated that the new system will be commissioned during winter to be ready for the next summer season.

Water Quality Monitoring Equipment

New drinking water standards, coming into effect in June 2022, are requiring improved drinking water quality monitoring. The new standards are requiring Council to have continuous monitoring on our water supplies at both the bores and water treatment plants. CIP funding was spent to purchase and install monitoring equipment at seven water treatment plants. Some funding remains, which will be used to purchase monitoring equipment for Council's bores.

Improved Asset Data and Other Operational Matters

A small portion of the CIP funding was spent on improving our asset data for plant assets. This will ensure our asset valuations and future forecasting for renewals will be more accurate. In addition, funding was put towards the new Tauranga City Council/WBOPDC maintenance contract and WBOPDC shared costs in preparing for the Three Waters Reform.

A full breakdown of these projects is included in **Attachment 1**.

ATTACHMENTS

1. **WBOPDC 3 Waters Funding Plan Final Works Delivered PDF** 
2. **Marae Connections Western Central Wastewater Status** 
3. **Marae Connections Eastern Wastewater Status** 

9.5 WAIHĪ BEACH SEASONAL COMPLIANCE MONITORING REPORT 2021-2022

File Number: A4558951

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1. The purpose of this paper is to provide feedback to the Waihī Beach Community Board on the compliance monitoring service for freedom camping and the seasonal monitoring activity provided to the Waihī Beach community during the 2021/2022 monitoring period.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Acting Group Manager Regulatory Service's report dated 5 May 2022 titled 'Waihī Beach Seasonal Compliance Monitoring Report 2021-2022' be received.

BACKGROUND

2. Council's response to freedom camping issues and deliver of a seasonal monitoring service has changed progressively since Council started a trial service in December 2015 for the Waihī Beach community.
3. Seasonal monitoring of freedom camping was introduced in 2015 following a review of the Freedom Camping Bylaw. The focus of the monitoring was to monitor compliance of freedom campers associated with the influx of holidaymakers to Waihī Beach over the Christmas/New Year period.
4. The service also provides for management of parking in the main shopping area and patrols for dogs on Waihī Beach. Dogs on beach patrols have been an area that has had an increased focus based on feedback from the community about the numbers of dogs in the prohibited area of the main beach.
5. Council's seasonal freedom camping monitoring service also includes freedom camping monitoring across the wider District (including Te Puke, Paengaroa, Maketu, Pukehina, Ōmokoroa, and Te Puna).
6. Freedom camping ambassadors have been included in Council's freedom camping monitoring programme since 2020- 2021.
7. The 2021-2022 service for freedom camping monitoring is funded directly from Council's compliance and monitoring operational budget, following Ministry of Business and Innovation (MBIE) discontinuing the contestable fund available for Council's for freedom camping monitoring.

SEASONAL MONITORING REQUIREMENTS

8. The freedom camping, parking and dog control activities are managed by Council's Compliance and Monitoring team. This includes warranting of contractors staff, training of contractors and seasonal ambassadors, management of infringements, waiver requests, web site information and complaint handling.
9. Council's contractor for freedom camping seasonal monitoring is Watchdog Security Limited.
10. Watchdog Security Ltd's service for the 2021-2022 season was supplemented by the Waihi Beach 'Night Patrol Service' for the duration of the peak monitoring period, due to staffing/resource constraints experienced by the contractor due to COVID-19.
11. The Council external contract for service with Watchdog Security Limited also includes after hours noise control, and after hours dog control.
12. The freedom camping and seasonal freedom camping service is currently delivered by Watchdog as follows:
 - **Freedom Camping - Complaint Response (District wide)**
24/7, throughout the year, response to freedom camping complaints (service requests).
 - **Freedom Camping Monitoring**
Weekend patrols from (and including) Labour Weekend to Easter Monday.
Daily patrols from the third Friday in December to 6 February 2022 (inclusive).
13. The monitoring of dogs on beaches and parking in the Waihi Beach town centre for the 2021-22 season was undertaken by compliance and monitoring staff, and seasonal ambassadors, not contracted to Watchdog.

MONITORING –RECORDING SYSTEM TICKETOR

14. Council uses a specialised compliance infringement system – 'Ticketor' for compliance staff and contractors. This system is managed by way of an App on the phone of staff and contractors and it records information in an easily recoverable format. Ticketor records vehicle details on site at the time of the officers monitoring visit, and is used to issue infringements for non-compliance.

DOGS ON BEACHES SERVICE FOR 2021-2022

15. 'Dogs on Beaches' patrols have been undertaken over the peak holiday period to assess compliance with the prohibited area and times for dogs being on the beach. This service was undertaken by Council's seasonal ambassadors, not enforcement officers.
16. The dog owners that were spoken to were surveyed to determine their knowledge of the Council requirements, and data was captured regarding whether they were visitors or locals. The information captured in the survey will be used to guide future changes to signage, bylaw requirements and Council's dog park work programme. The survey is included with this report as **Attachment 1**.

PARKING SERVICE FOR 2021-22

17. Parking monitoring was undertaken over the peak holiday period to ensure responsible parking in the town centre. This monitoring was undertaken by Council's seasonal ambassadors and Council's Parking Officers, to gather information on parking behaviour and identify the barriers to compliance.
18. A high level of compliance was identified during the monitoring period by ambassadors and staff.
19. Parking Infringement activities for the seasonal monitoring period were as follows:

Month	Number of infringements	Notes
December 2021	0	No infringements issued.
January 2022	9	The majority of these infringements were for unregistered and unwarranted vehicles. 2 infringements were waived under Council's parking waiver provisions for unregistered and unwarranted vehicles.
February 2022	0	No infringements issued.

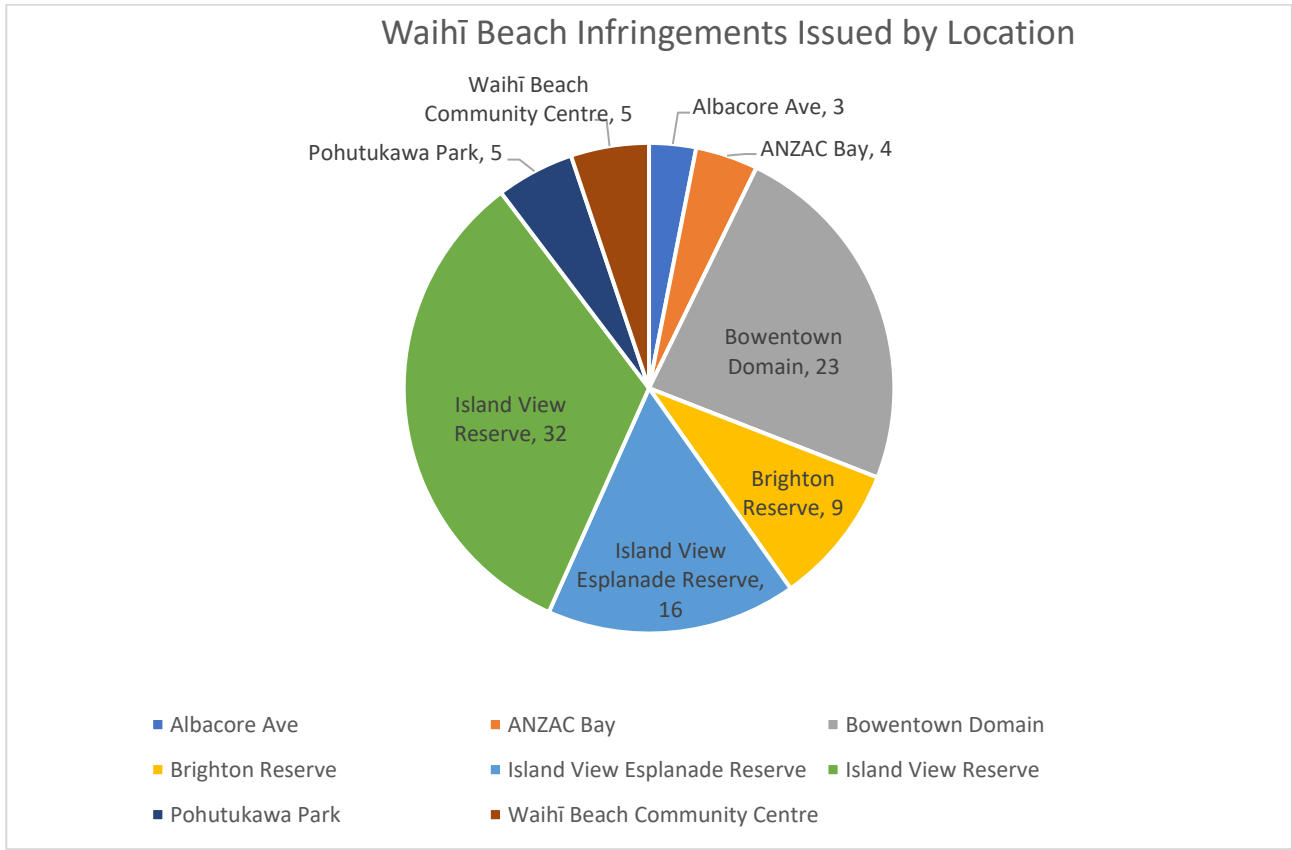
FREEDOM CAMPING SERVICE FOR 2021-22

20. The 2021-2022 service included, for the second year, seasonal ambassadors to offer education to campers during the day and survey their freedom camping behaviours and needs. The survey was undertaken through the use of Survey Monkey. Campers were surveyed at freedom camping locations across the District, with the majority of campers surveyed located at Waihi Beach.
21. 310 responses were provided by campers to the camping survey
The survey included 26 questions. **Attachment 2** shows the summary of this data. Information is available on the free field comments to Q26: 'What would enhance/improve your stay in the Western Bay', and can be provided separately via excel spreadsheet.
22. Feedback on the ambassador service from campers and visitors was again positive. Ambassadors had no compliance role other than to educate campers and gather information. Incentives (rewards) were given to campers for engaging with ambassadors, which included hand sanitiser, sunscreen and carry bags.
23. Compliance monitoring and enforcement of the freedom camping bylaw was provided by Watchdog Security over the monitoring period. Monitoring by Watchdog was Thursday to Sunday inclusive.
24. Compliance monitoring of the freedom camping bylaw was provided by the Waihi Beach Night Patrol for the remainder of the week not covered by Watchdog, being Monday to Wednesday inclusive. Compliance issues identified by the night patrol were escalated via Council's contact centre to Watchdog Security for site attendance.
25. There was an increase in the number of freedom camping infringements issued over the 2020-2021 seasonal monitoring period. The increased infringements were as a result of improved training on the use of Council's infringement system, ticketor and the assessment requirements to determine compliance.
26. Freedom camping monitoring information captured from the monitoring period is as follows (compared with previous year):

Month	Number of infringements 2020-2021	Number of infringements 2021-2022	Notes
November	11	1	Most freedom camping infringements were for failure to meet self containment requirements, and
December	21	29	
January	23	48	
February	9	19	

			for camping in an undesignated area
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27. Freedom camping infringements were issued in the following areas:



28. Island View Reserve was the site where most infringements were issued, with Bowentown Domain the second most infringed site.

29. A high number of requests are received to waive infringements, and these are approved/waived where the camper can provide evidence of compliance, e.g. that they do meet the self containment requirements, and only failed to display the certificate.

FUNDING CONSIDERATIONS

30. Infringement revenue is used to offset the operational costs of delivering the seasonal monitoring service.

FUTURE CONSIDERATIONS

31. Proposed changes to freedom camping requirements are to be introduced in 2022. These include additional requirements for self containment which provide for transition to plumbed toilets, increased infringement fines, and reduced

compliance periods. Education of campers will be required to ensure they understand these changes.

32. Information on the changes can be viewed at the following weblink. <https://www.mbie.govt.nz/immigration-and-tourism/tourism/tourism-projects/responsible-camping/freedom-camping-changes/>
33. Ambassadors have been an effective education tool to engage with freedom campers, and will be required to educate campers for the 2022-2023 season. MBIE has indicated that funding will be available to Councils to assist with the changes but no specific details are available at this time.
34. Further consideration for a combined service delivery for Waihi Beach for the 2022/2023 period will be made in the new financial year, and will be dependent on the following factors: new COVID-19 variants impacting local resources, likely impact of New Zealand borders opening to overseas visitors, legislative changes, availability of contracted staff and any ongoing interest by local providers to assist/support contracted resource.
35. The combined use of the compliance contractor and a local resource/provider ensured that a daily service was available, despite the limitations in contracted resources that was encountered, and overall was effective for the seasonal period.
36. Acknowledgement and appreciation of the service provided by the Waihi Beach Night Patrol for the 2022/2023 season will be passed directly to the team involved following this report.

ATTACHMENTS

1. **2021-22 Dogs on beach survey results Waihi Beach**  
2. **2021-22 survey data- Freedom camping - District Wide**  

10 INFORMATION FOR RECEIPT

11 RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC

RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC**RECOMMENDATION**

That the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting.

The general subject matter of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter, and the specific grounds under section 48 of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution are as follows:

General subject of each matter to be considered	Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Ground(s) under section 48 for the passing of this resolution
11.1 - Chief Executive Officer Operations Update Report	<p>s7(2)(b)(ii) - the withholding of the information is necessary to protect information where the making available of the information would be likely unreasonably to prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied or who is the subject of the information</p> <p>s7(2)(c)(ii) - the withholding of the information is necessary to protect information which is subject to an obligation of confidence or which any person has been or could be compelled to provide under the authority of any enactment, where the making available of the information would be likely otherwise to damage the public interest</p> <p>s7(2)(h) - the withholding of the information is necessary to enable Council to carry</p>	<p>s48(1)(a)(i) - the public conduct of the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist under section 6 or section 7</p>

	out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities	
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