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Submissions relating to the Long Term Plan 2021 - 2031

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Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Chryslar Tewake - 2021-LTP-SUB-250

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Hearing:

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Your feedback:

Key issue - How will we pay for what we need - Rates Options (see page 17)	OPTION 2: Limit the rates increase to LGCI plus 2% only in years one to three
Why?	

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 2: Put budget towards only ONE of the following: Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hīhīaua Cultural Centre, and existing facilities at Forum North.
Why?	

Key issue - Climate change and sustainability (see page 28)	OPTION 1: Put \$3.7m of new funding towards climate change mitigation and adaptation and waste minimisation.
Why?	

Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	OPTION 2: Spend \$21m to make improvements to James and John St as well as either Robert St or Cameron Street.
Why?	

Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points

raised in the Consultation document:

WDC 2021 Submission: New bylaws needed for mandatory de-sexing and microchipping of cats in the Whangarei area.

RECEIVED - COUNCIL
4 March 2021
WHANGAREI DISTRICT COUNCIL

There is a huge problem with stray, lost and abandoned cats in the Whangarei area. Many of our clients in both rural and urban domiciles report the presence of unowned and unwanted cats that appear and fight for food and territory, biting and injuring their own domestic pets in the process of day-to-day survival. Sometimes these cats are not seen, so this is the first evidence of their presence.

These unowned cats breed rapidly so the problem is an increasing one. A female cat can produce 2-4 litters a year with no particular breeding seasons. Each litter can number an average of 3-5 kittens that are sexually mature from 4 months old. De-sexing would stop this population growth. The local SPCA de-sexes many cats, but are becoming overwhelmed by the sheer numbers of unowned and unwanted cats.

Stray, lost and abandoned cats and those not adequately fed decimate wild bird populations. With the aims for a predator-free New Zealand by 2050 it is essential to have some effective programs in place to control the populations of these very efficient hunters in our extensive bush and native flora areas.

Microchipping gives each cat a unique number. It is the size of a grain of rice implanted under the skin, like a vaccination, usually during the de-sexing procedure by a vet or vet nurse. Vet practice and SPCA staff use a microchip reader that scans the chips radio signal and detects the unique 16 digit number. The number is registered on a database that links the cat to the owner's details. Without the registration, the animal cannot be reunited with an owner. When a stray, lost or abandoned, sick or injured cat is presented to the vet, the lack of a microchip means that there are delays in diagnosis and treatment for the patient due to a lack of owner permission.

There is a worldwide movement towards the mandatory microchipping of cats: the UK and Japan are currently considering new guidelines and it is compulsory in France, Belgium, Greece and some parts of Spain and Australia.

I would like to suggest the following solutions to the above problems:

1. Financially contribute to a Whangarei "Chip and snip" programme involving local vet practices. This would provide subsidized de-sexing, microchipping and registering of companion cats for people on benefits/pensions and low incomes.

Name.....

Street name and suburb..... 53 The Centre Waypa

Vet Practice..... (The Vet Centre, Waipa)

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(ph. 432 0693)

LONG TERM PLAN 2021-31 FEEDBACK FORM

THE CLOSING DATE FOR FEEDBACK IS
THURSDAY 1 APRIL 2021



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MAR 2021

WHANGAREI
DISTRICT COUNCIL

We would love your feedback on some key issues for our District.

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- All feedback is considered public under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act, so it may be published and made available to elected members and the public.
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- You can also attend a hearing, scheduled for 13-14 April, to speak to your submission.

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YOUR DETAILS

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Do you wish to be heard in support of your submission at a traditional hearing on 13-14 April?

☐ Yes ☒ No

YOUR FEEDBACK

Please give us your feedback on the key issues raised in the Consultation Document.

KEY ISSUE – HOW WILL WE PAY FOR WHAT WE NEED – RATES OPTIONS (SEE PAGE 17)

☒ **OPTION 1:** Rates increase in year one (2021-22) of 2% + 2.5% Local Government Cost Index (LGCI) + 2% 'catch up'.

Rates increase in years two to ten (2022-31) of 2% + 2.5% LGCI.

☒ **OPTION 2:** Limit the rates increase to LGCI plus 2% only across ten years of the Plan

WHY?

There should be no rates increase.

Council is inefficient and mismanaging rate payers affairs.

Operating costs are excessive and have to be reduced.

KEY ISSUE – SPACES FOR GATHERING (SEE PAGE 24)

☒ **OPTION 1:** Allocate budget across three sites (Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hihiaua Cultural Centre, and existing facilities at Forum North).

☒ **OPTION 2:** Put budget towards only ONE of the following: Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hihiaua Cultural Centre, or existing facilities at Forum North. Please state which site in your comments.

☒ **OPTION 3:** Build a Whangarei District Council-owned theatre on the current Forum North site.

WHY?

The developments are unwarranted and waste of rate payers funds

KEY ISSUE – CLIMATE CHANGE AND SUSTAINABILITY (SEE PAGE 28)

- ☐ **OPTION 1:** Put \$3.7m of new funding towards climate change mitigation and adaptation and waste minimisation.
- ☐ **OPTION 2:** Put \$7.4 of new funding towards climate change mitigation and adaptation and waste minimisation.
- ☒ **OPTION 3:** No new funding towards climate change or waste minimisation.

WHY?

KEY ISSUE – REVITALISING OUR CITY CENTRE (SEE PAGE 32)

- ☐ **OPTION 1:** Spend \$13m to make improvements to James Street and John Street.
- ☐ **OPTION 2:** Spend \$21m to make improvements to James Street and John Street as well as either Robert Street or Cameron Street.
- ☒ **OPTION 3:** No additional funding for the City Centre.

WHY?

Council throughout the years has gotten generous rates from James & John Streets yet, has blown it elsewhere. Vehicle access should not be reduced

TELL US WHAT YOU THINK – ANY FURTHER COMMENTS ON THE KEY ISSUES OR OTHER POINTS RAISED IN THE CONSULTATION DOCUMENT

The proposed debt increase is excessive and unnecessary. \$195m to \$361m.

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Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Kieran Thomas - 2021-LTP-SUB-68

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Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard at the hearing?	No
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Your feedback:

Key issue - How will we pay for what we need - Rates Options (see page 17)	OPTION 2: Limit the rates increase to LGCI plus 2% only in years one to three
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Why?	For years there has been little in the way of spending in the Bream Bay area. Why should our rates increase to cover services not able to be used by the majority of the population in the area. Also given the dramatic increases in property values and the review of the GV coming up this is much like double dipping, you reap the reward of increased property prices across the country as well as the increased taxation rate. The council has done little to increase the property value so seems excessive.
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Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 1: Allocate budget across three sites (Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hihiaua Cultural Centre, and existing facilities at Forum North).
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Why?	By spreading the spending we create three dramatically different venues that cater to multiple cultures, budgets and requirements from clients. We will reduce clashes in a single venue and be able to hold more events and hopefully attract more people to the area.
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Key issue - Climate change and sustainability	OPTION 3: No new funding towards climate change or waste minimisation.
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(see page 28)	
Why?	<p>Detailed breakdown of spending and actual outcomes would need to be established before waste minimization is looked at.</p> <p>Also, many better outcomes could be gained from reducing our impact on the environment by promoting public transport, cycling or walking or even promoting local markets to reduce food mile and give access to cheaper healthier food. These options all have a wider impact then a small focus on waste. We all know that of the 3.7 or 7.4mil budgets most of it will be wasted on consultants or flashy ad campaigns which in itself is simply a waste.</p>

Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	OPTION 1: Spend \$13m to make improvements to James and John St.
Why?	Spend a moderate amount and see how it goes. Recent spending has not improved much and most of the center city is still dead, unless you count the bored teenagers or the beggars.

Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points raised in the Consultation document:

Spend some money on the outskirts of town. Bream Bay could be like the mount is to Tauranga if just a bit more was spent. Whangarei Heads could be a massive tourist hotspot if it was promoted. We live in a great part of the country but sadly our councilors cannot see outside of the central city.

From: Whangarei District Council
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Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Luke Gavin Thomas - 2021-LTP-SUB-1

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Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard	Yes
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at the hearing?	
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Your feedback:

Key issue - How will we pay for what we need - Rates Options (see page 17)	OPTION 2: Limit the rates increase to LGCI plus 2% only in years one to three
Why?	Allow home owners to plan with council and prepare for the 4th year onwards.

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 2: Put budget towards only ONE of the following: Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hihihua Cultural Centre, and existing facilities at Forum North.
Why?	Although budget is available for multiple projects, the economy requires strong foundations before venues requiring maintenance for unnecessary events that may be prevented through covid.

Key issue - Climate change and sustainability (see page 28)	OPTION 2: Put \$7.4m of new funding towards climate change mitigation and adaptation and waste minimisation.
Why?	Whangarei requires a stronger environmental maintenance service, as council hopefully now recognise, the state of our local environment is quite mortifying. Sweeping it under the mat of the Hundertwasser (?) and other small areas that are maintained in public view is now acceptable.

Key issue - Revitalising	OPTION 3: No additional funding for the city centre.
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our city centre (see page 32)	
Why?	Okara is a better example of Whangarei's economic retail centre. Whangarei Nightlife has been demolished by bylaws, removing any potential for private business to revitalise the central.

Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points raised in the Consultation document:

Our rivers are dieing.

From: Whangarei District Council
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Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Ben Tomason - 2021-LTP-SUB-201

Receipt Number: 2021-LTP-SUB-201

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Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard	No
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at the hearing?	
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Your feedback:

Key issue - How will we pay for what we need - Rates Options (see page 17)	OPTION 1: Rates increase in year one (2021) of 2% + 2.5% Local Government Cost Index (LGCI) + 2% 'catch up'. Rates increase in years two and three (2022-23) of 2% + 2.5% LGCI.
Why?	Our rates are too low, not enough is happening. To recover, plan, prepare and protect against COVID and other environmental & growth challenges we need to invest, not shy away and continue to see our region, cities and environments degrade. Currently aspirations are suppressed (where ever there are any) and our people continue to accept mediocre, we need a mind shift and we deserve more. Standing in the same rate bucket and pulling on the handle with a hope of lifting ourselves is daft.

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 1: Allocate budget across three sites (Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hihiaua Cultural Centre, and existing facilities at Forum North).
Why?	Oruku Landing consists of much needed infrastructure in many ways and is desperately needed. To reject the governments \$60m offer will put the region back massively, we will be the laughing stock of NZ. It will not be available again and at some point rate payers will have to wear the full burden. This is a project that has been discussed for 10+ years and taken 3 years work all funded by private investors and the central government. If not now when? And if not this how will be pay for it? We deserve a world class waterfront, our River and

	<p>Maunga is our cities biggest natural asset and it is underutilized. The jobs and economic stimulus it will create are un-paralleled to anything else planned. We loose all our events to other regions and dont attract the myriad of events Oruku multi purpose centre can accommodate including high yielding conferences.</p> <p>Hihiaua is a great facility and can continue to expand sustainably, what it offers is complementary to Oruku Landing and vica versa. The sum of these two facilities combined with Hundertwasser will make our waterfront world class.</p> <p>Forum North is in a dire and dilapidated state. The theatre capacity and capability is limited. This venue needs a significant amount of work done to it/ a rebuild and careful consideration for its future purpose when council moves out. No doubt a dedicated lyrical Theatre is needed, and even if not possible straight away, certainly in the future as the city grows. Any project of this scale takes a long time to plan and design properly, this needs to happen and be done properly. The \$12m will allow council and theatre supporters to ensure the future of this building/ the existing theatre is maintained. A major portion of the \$12m should be specifically for investigating the merits of a new full lyrical theatre and the future of the Capitan Bougainville.</p>
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Key issue - Climate change and sustainability (see page 28)	OPTION 1: Put \$3.7m of new funding towards climate change mitigation and adaptation and waste minimisation.
Why?	Whilst I don't fully support the notion of man made climate change through carbon emissions/global warming and the

	<p>fear/scare mongering attached. We need to progressively make our city and environments resilient for all natural events and to support a growing population. Reducing pollution is smart regardless of climate change. We need to prevent other environment issues such as erosion/ sediment in our rivers, this is man made undeniably. We also need to consider our fishing stocks and marine environment (introduction of invasive pests), its a key part of why we love it here. There is no point bashing farmers, fishers or forestry, its a case of working together as we all need food and we all need trees. Humans will never have zero environmental impact and neither will moths. Keep the extremism out of the room and focus on progressive small changes, nothing of scale happens over night. There is not point sending people broke to save them from something they wont experience in their life time, this needs to be balanced against more pressing issues such as housing effecting our people now.</p>
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Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	OPTION 1: Spend \$13m to make improvements to James and John St.
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Why?	<p>Something needs to be done, but the answer is not council land locking/ holding or becoming a developer. Provide the infrastructure and incentives for developers and let them do it. Upgrading the street scape, infrastructure and providing carparking is a massive step in the right direction, well done. Also consider short term rate relief, development contribution abatements and other incentives to support start up businesses/ developers to get into the CBD. The short term pain will be recovered by long term gains for many years to come and in exchange community get much more amenity.</p>
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Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points raised in the Consultation document:

Our region needs to be bold as focus shifts North, our city and infrastructure is already lacking and would be more so if the PGF hadn't come to town. We need to invest heavily now to have any chance of being ready for the future. Mediocre is not acceptable, we need to strive to be the best region. Less hui more doi

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Customer Feedback - Gaylene Thompson - FEEDBACK-30

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Feedback

Category:	Website Feedback
Response required?	No
Feedback details: I was on Neighbourly where your fancy advertisement inviting submissions on the District	

Plan so I decided to make one. Guess what? I could not find where to do this on your website! What a debacle - I spent hours looking for it. Not good Council!

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Customer Feedback - Gaylene Thompson - FEEDBACK-31

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Feedback

Category:	Complaint
Response required?	Yes
Feedback details: I have been considering subdividing a section in Hikurangi and am appalled at the cost - no	

wonder there is a housing shortage. Council you need to stop these grandiose spending schemes, building new offices, etc. and get back to basics. We simply cannot afford to fund your irresponsible spending of the income that ratepayers provide - we can barely afford to pay the rates as it is and this should not be the case. I put it to you that a beneficiary - and this will be the majority when the current economic situation really begins to bite - cannot afford to own their own home because of rates. It is a ridiculous, ongoing cost to be able to 'own' your home - you are rating people irresponsibly; all to finance your glorious edifices. This is all very nice when the economy is flourishing and you can 'bleed' people this way, in the interests of appealing to the minority who can afford their rates. But you need to take a good hard look at the distress you are inflicting on your citizens/ratepayers.

I wanted to make a submission to Council but could not find where to do this on your website.

I would like to see Council encourage/finance people to install water tanks, instead of having to cut back on water use when the dry season is on us. This would help to alleviate storm-water damage too - just common sense. This is obviously the only way you can guarantee households have good water - it would only take insisting on incorporating flush options at the start of rainfall and installation of treatment options before the water enters the household lines. All it takes is a little common sense and initiative. Why don't you become a 'really' innovative leader in NZ and start the ball rolling? We already pay for water and these payments could be directed towards the cost of installing tanks, etc. Also, follow Sydney's (and many other Australian cities) example in encouraging/financing solar panels for your ratepayers too. All these things require a really forward-thinking council. Also continue to build a real network of cycle/walkways throughout the city and suburbs.

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Do you wish to be heard in support of your submission at a traditional hearing on 13-14 April? ☐ No

YOUR FEEDBACK

Please give us your feedback on the key issues raised in the Consultation Document.

KEY ISSUE – HOW WILL WE PAY FOR WHAT WE NEED – RATES OPTIONS (SEE PAGE 17)

- ☐ **OPTION 2: Limit the rates increase to LGCI plus 2% only across ten years of the Plan**

Option 2

Rate increases and spending on large capital projects to revitalise the City Centre need to be kept to a minimum. Spending in this LTP should be targeted to investing in and improving existing facilities, services, upgrading of infrastructure and increasing funding for community-led initiatives and projects that will provide greater benefits to communities throughout the District.

KEY ISSUE – SPACES FOR GATHERING (SEE PAGE 24)

- ☐ **OPTION 2: Put budget towards only ONE of the following: Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hīhīāua Cultural Centre, or existing facilities at Forum North. Please state which site in your comments.**

Option 2 – Hihiaua Cultural Centre

There are a number of major capital projects currently underway in the City Centre including \$48m Civic Centre, Town Basin Park \$6.6m, Hundertwasser Wairau Maori Art Centre \$30m (it is unclear what Council funding support from rates remission, community grants, has or will be allocated toward this project for 2021 – 2031) let's complete these projects first, assess their success and long term financial liabilities before increasing debt and long-term risk to ratepayers.

The amount of debt outlined in the 2021 –31 LTP is forecast to increase \$119m to reach a projected peak of \$361m compared to a peak of \$242m in the 2018-28 LTP which is of concern.

Hihiaua Cultural Centre has the least risk and financial impact on ratepayers and as outline in the LTP this grant would be spread over years 2 and 3 of the LTP. The cost would be spread to allow council to minimise the impact on ratepayers in any given year.

- ☐ **OPTION 2: Put \$7.4m of new funding towards climate change mitigation and adaptation and waste minimisation.**

Option 2

The declaration of a Climate Emergency by Council in July 2019 recognised the extreme risk that climate change poses to our District and acknowledged the scale and pace of change needed to respond. We must do what we can to reduce our emissions and make sure we adapt to future climate impacts and waste to landfill. Council has an important role in planning for and managing the impacts of climate change on the things we value, and to help local communities to become more resilient. To do this effectively requires sufficient funding and a plan of action.

Waste Minimisation

Today's economy is massively wasteful. Most of the materials we use, we lose, the things we make are consistently under-utilised, and our efforts to fix it treat the symptoms, not the cause. Councils have a key role to play in transitioning to a circular economy and reducing waste to landfill. Community led and operated initiatives like Community Resource Recovery Centres have proven to be very successful in achieving waste minimization and funding of such initiatives will result in positive outcomes for both the community and environment. Consultation with community on these key issues are important.

- ☐ **OPTION 3: No additional funding for the City Centre.**

Option 3

With significant growth in the Whangarei Heads area that is predicted to continue investing in the revitalising our rural and coastal communities to improve infrastructure, the safety of our roads, upgrade existing assets and facilities, develop much needed cycleways, shared foot paths, pull over bays is a priority. Option 3 will reduce planned debt by \$13m.

TELL US WHAT YOU THINK – ANY FURTHER COMMENTS ON THE KEY ISSUES OR OTHER POINTS RAISED IN THE CONSULTATION DOCUMENT

- 1. Upgrading Riverside Drive and Onerahi Road - in order to meet the traffic increase from growth in the Whangārei Heads/Parua Bay/Onerahi areas.**

No decisions should be made on this major issue until there has been in-depth public consultation with community.

2. Extended Cycleways, Shared Paths and Pullover Bays

All are key priorities for the Whangarei Heads area that require significantly more resources. Growth in the Whangarei Heads area has seen a significant increase in road users, families to the area, visitors, etc and there is now some urgency for safe, efficient, alternative transport options such as cycleways and shared paths. Pull over bays are required to address increase in road users and number of larger vehicles/ campervans on the roads.

3. Funding for Community

Funding for Community initiatives and projects needs to be increased throughout the District not just the City Centre.

Increased investment and funding to enable and support Community-led projects and initiatives will result in significant social, environmental and economic benefits.

4. There is a need to create greater transparency, increase civic participation and using new technologies to make Council more open, effective, and accountable.

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(Providing for the Promotion of Wellness in the Tikipunga Community)

31st March 2021

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Alongside the Long Term Plan 2021-2031

Whangarei District Council
Private Bag
Whangarei

Submission

To whom it may concern

As a member of Tikipunga Community Trust, and a long term resident of Tikipunga (56years in Otuhawai Crescent), I have a concern with all the new subdivisions and building taking place.

We have two established Retirement Villages (The Palms and The Falls), a Buppa complex being constructed at present and a Somerset Complex being prepared to be ready for occupation later in the year.

The Totara Park subdivision off Corks Road , as well as the subdivision on the corner of Corks Road and Vinegar Hill Road have generated a great amount of traffic which makes for congestion in the early morning and evening quite hazardous on our roads.

We also have a greater number of vehicles travelling from the Tutukaka Coast passing through Tikipunga into the city.

My question; Is there a plan to have the flow of traffic moving quicker and safer?

One of the ways that may encourage residents to not use their vehicles is to have a bus system that circulates the suburb at a regular basis.

I do realise that we, as the general public need to be educated to use the bus system.

Helen McGregor
Treasurer

On behalf of Tikipunga Community Trust

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Re: Summer Safe Ambassador Programme

For 10years John and myself have been involved with co-ordinating the Summer Safe Programme at the Whangarei Falls.

We have enjoyed the experience and see it as a very worthwhile Programme not only for the Whangarei Falls, but also for all the Carparks/ Areas where the scheme operates.

We have had a very loyal team who have volunteered to be a part of the Summer Safe Project, but have found it difficult to 'enthuse' younger folk to be involved.

As the volunteers who help with this project are mostly in the more mature age bracket, what happens when they are no longer able to be on duty?

Is there a contingency plan to enable this project to operate into the future?

Does the Council see the project as worthwhile?

Do the Police see the project as worthwhile?

Helen McGregor
Treasurer

On behalf of Tikipunga Community Trust



Submission - Whangarei District Council LTP

This is a submission from the Tikipunga Football Club. We part of the Northland Football Hub which is supporting football for the whole of Whangarei.

The Tikipunga Football Club understands that the following funding has been allocated for works at Tikipunga Sports Park:

- Years 1-2: \$500k for sports field lighting
- Years 7-9: \$780k for a new car park

The Tikipunga Football Club appreciates this funding for the continued development of the Tikipunga Sports Park - a key park for local football and the location for the "Northland Football Hub" (the regional 'home' for football).

However, we are disappointed that the funding for the new car park is 7-9 years away. The previous LTP had allocated the same funding in years 4-6 - equivalent to years 1-3 in this LTP. The new car park would serve two purposes - an overflow for Whangarei Falls visitor parking and to supplement the existing Tikipunga Sports Field Parking. There is a definite need for more car parking in the area. The sports park parking is often at capacity over the weekends, especially in Winter.

We would also like to thank the council for its support to date for the development of the Northland Football Hub, which has included the upgrade of two fields and associated lighting, and a \$295k contribution to the over \$3 million building upgrade (including new clubrooms, offices and changing rooms). This contribution is enabling us to do the preparatory design and regulatory work. We have just applied for resource consent.

The Northland Football Hub is a partnership of the Tikipunga Association Football Club, Northern Football Federation and the Northland Football Club. It will provide:

1. A regional facility for player, coach and referee development
2. A local home (e.g. office space) for Northern Region Football (the agency responsible for administering football competitions and delivers player, coach and referee development in Northland)
3. A home for the Northland Football Club (the vehicle for junior and senior representative football in Northland).
4. Improved facilities to meet growing player numbers
5. The ability to host large football tournaments

We would like to speak at the hearing about this submission and request that we be heard at the same time as the Northland Football Club's submission.

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission.

Don McDonald-Spice

Club Manager

From: Serena Tilialo
Sent: 1 Apr 2021 17:00:18 +1300
To: Mail Room
Subject: Policy Consultations alongside the Long Term Plan 2021-2031

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As part of the Raumanga Community Roopu we have discussed some of the following issues that involve us specifically. With regards to the long term plan options these have been answered in a separate email.

1. As ratepayers of Whangarei we want to know how our rates are being spent in our suburb. We believe there should be a way to easily see how much of our actual rates are being spent in our own community.

We should be able to physically see what has been done in our suburbs in comparison to the rates we pay and to other suburbs.

2. Raumanga has a long history of flooding. While this last flood was supposedly once in a hundred years, houses along Raumanga valley and Lower Raumanga Heights have been regularly flooded due to overflowing stormwater and the drain that comes down the hill and all the way along Raumanga Valley, backing onto residents property. Ratepayers are facing some hefty insurance premiums. Not to mention loss of property and possessions, time and loss of security. Everytime it rains my own children think we are going to flood.

We have personally flooded 3 times in the last 8 years that we have moved back, but prior to that my parents and neighbours have flooded at least 2 other times.

This a real issue for some homes in our community.

I have not seen that drain cleared in some time along the valley or along the backs of our property and neighbouring properties.

My elderly father and his grandchildren clean it out before heavy rain.

3. At a recent community meeting there were issues brought up around speed along Murdoch Crescent in particular, facilities at the Raumanga reserve, lack of parking for our kindy, Smeatons road area feeling like they have been left out of anything that is being done in Raumanga because they are quite physically separate. They want to know specifically if anything is being done in their area?

There was also some discussion around Raumanga being the first suburb people see as they arrive in Whangarei. Surely we want that to be a good first impression.

Raumanga is a suburb full of people who love living here and want to see more good things happen. Help us to help the community we love living in.

Serena Tilialo

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Organisation name _____

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☐ Yes ☒ No

YOUR FEEDBACK

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ONERAHI (ONERAHI RAHI)

WHANGAREI

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Email

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WHANGAREI AMAZING

From: Whangarei District Council
Sent: 21 Mar 2021 23:00:12 +0000
To: Mail Room
Subject: Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Heather Tomason - 2021-LTP-SUB-115

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Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Heather Tomason - 2021-LTP-SUB-115

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Your details:

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Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard at the hearing?	No
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Your feedback:

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Why?	I would prefer the 'catch up' happens in the current rates year.

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 1: Allocate budget across three sites (Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hīhīaua Cultural Centre, and existing facilities at Forum North).
Why?	<p>Whangarei has been overlooked previously by Government and the rest of NZ. Government recognised the potential for job creation, apprenticeships, hospitality training and work for many local businesses. The provision of a much needed multipurpose facility for events, conferences, concerts, exhibitions and more to encourage visitors and international quality events to Whangarei, will hugely benefit all Northlanders. The flow on effect will be far reaching.</p> <p>The \$60.0m funding is a ONE OFF and will be taken away from Whangarei if The Oruku Conference and Events Centre is not built. It is clear that the 4 star quality hotel will be sited next to the Centre and will only come to Whangarei if this Conference and Events Centre is constructed. Whangarei needs more and particularly better quality accommodation to encourage visitors to stay and not head north to the Bay of Islands and bypass what's on offer here.</p>

	<p>The site is currently a real eyesore on our otherwise beautiful Town Basin Loop. It is the perfect spot for a facility for EVERYONE to use and enjoy.</p> <p>The rates split over a period of years will also enable the Hihiaua Cultural Centre to expand on their great cultural facility which I don't believe will be compromised but enhanced by development across the river. An upgrade to Forum North for the betterment of our citizens is also covered in this option.</p> <p>I choose Option 1 to benefit all 3 facilities as already provided for in the proposed rates increase.</p>
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Key issue - Climate change and sustainability (see page 28)	OPTION 1: Put \$3.7m of new funding towards climate change mitigation and adaptation and waste minimisation.
Why?	To give time to assess how best to mitigate and adapt the effects of climate change. Government has the facility and funding for this purpose. Whangarei can learn from their learnings and then apply it here

Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	OPTION 1: Spend \$13m to make improvements to James and John St.
Why?	The connection from the upgraded Town Basin areas is best through John and James Streets. Re-assess after that with the evidence of usage and requirements once the Hundertwasser and Oruku Landing and hotel effect is known.

Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points raised in the Consultation document:

Better facilities and bringing international visitors and New Zealanders from other regions in to Whangarei is key to growing our economy, growing the rates spread to more businesses and households and ultimately retaining our youth and opportunities for them to be educated and work here in a thriving environment.

Retaining investment by way of the \$60.0m grant from government is of such benefit to Northland as a whole. How would it look if Whangarei rejects that funding...

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Your details:

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Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard at the hearing?	No
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Your feedback:

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Why?	<p>I am happy to pay extra to catch up - Whangarei is severely lacking in many facilities and I want to see Whangarei move Forward.</p> <p>-Whangarei is growing so fast yet whangarei district council is 10plus year behind,</p> <p>-More money is get spent on your new building then the whole of whangarei has probably been spent in the last 5yrs.</p> <p>-Tax goes up yet we still get zero as business owners, why not put the rates up so we can get more business and grow and pay for the extra taxes we face.</p>
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Key issue - Climate change and sustainability (see page 28)	OPTION 2: Put \$7.4m of new funding towards climate change mitigation and adaptation and waste minimisation.
Why?	As a resident of Pataua South I am greatly affected by

	<p>both sea water level rises and flooding. Currently I don't believe the district nor government are doing enough to mitigate the effects of climate change on our country. This is a major issue for our district and we need to do far more than currently.</p> <p>The road to my house is washing out and will not be their in a few years,</p>
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Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	OPTION 1: Spend \$13m to make improvements to James and John St.
Why?	<p>The city centre has benefited from recent improvements however has a long way to go. The centre has been ignored far too long and people have been going elsewhere, in particular Okara. The centre needs developing and beautifying to bring more life into our city. I do believe however the issue of parking needs to be addressed. The town is severely lacking in parking, by bringing more people back in we need more parking.so mean empty buildings what about car parks mite make town not look like a ghost town. Okara free parking makes it so easy, look at the big picture make few \$\$ on parking or bring life to the city before its gone!</p>

Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points raised in the Consultation document:

<p>Our city and region needs and deserves to prosper through creation of jobs, training, apprenticeships and the flow on effect that investment in the construction and</p>

operation of The Oruku Conference and Events Centre will provide. Whangarei will be able to host a myriad of events, conferences, exhibitions and concerts for all tastes for visitors and our own population that currently by-pass us.

The Government has recognised the potential for Whangarei and Northland and given a grant of \$60.0m, which our community will lose forever if this opportunity isn't taken up. I don't believe we can afford to be seen as a backwater of NZ any longer. The 4 star quality hotel will only be built if there's a conference and event facility to support it. We need quality accommodation to attract investment in Whangarei.

The site on the Hatea River looks awful as it currently is when the rest of the Loop walk is so attractive. A bridge over the river from there to the Hihiaua Peninsula opens up the opportunity for visitors so much more.

Funding for the Hihiaua Cultural Centre and Forum North in a staged approach allows for all projects to benefit.

open your eyes Whangarei get on with it! so we can love it here!

From: Whangarei District Council
Sent: 28 Mar 2021 04:30:49 +0000
To: Mail Room
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Hearing:

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Why?	

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Why?	Complete the loop, with more nice places to eat, nice cafes and restaurants. Decent accommodation for when people come to town. Nice venue for concerts, Disney on ice, performing arts etc

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Why?	

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Why?	Beautifying james and John street will help connect the town and town basin so that it is nice to simply wonder to and from

	the town basin ...if its a nice experience or nice enough to want to do so anyway.
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Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points raised in the Consultation document:

The council should not allow the 60m for Oruku landing to be lost, our city really needs something like this. Why should rate payers have to pay for something like this outright when we have this amazing opportunity created by Northland Development Corporation on behalf of our community. We should go for it.

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Name Manny Brooks

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Organisation name Traditional Kiwi kai

Postal address Unit 3.

CORNER CAMERON JOHN STS

WHANGAREI

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☐ Yes ☒ No

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WHY?

Council over the years has received substantial rates from James & John streets but has been blown elsewhere. Vehicle access should not be reduced

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The proposed increase in debt from \$195 to \$361m is grossly excessive

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Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard at the hearing?	No
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Your feedback:

Key issue - How will we pay for what we need - Rates Options (see page 17)	OPTION 1: Rates increase in year one (2021) of 2% + 2.5% Local Government Cost Index (LGCI) + 2% 'catch up'. Rates increase in years two and three (2022-23) of 2% + 2.5% LGCI.
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Why?	By comparison to other regions, our rates are reasonably low. If we keep them low we won't be able to provide the level of amenities that a developing city like ours needs, and in fact deserves.
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Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 2: Put budget towards only ONE of the following: Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hihītaua Cultural Centre, and existing facilities at Forum North.
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Why?	Given the fact we have a large sum of money allocated from Government for Oruku landing, it would be wise to allocate council's budget towards this project. If we don't the money from Government will be lost, and our ability to fund a facility such as this on our own would be impossible. We don't want to lose this opportunity as it's a catalyst for the four-star hotel alongside many more development opportunities that benefits our local community now and into the foreseeable future.
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Key issue - Climate	OPTION 1: Put \$3.7m of new funding towards climate change
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change and sustainability (see page 28)	mitigation and adaptation and waste minimisation.
Why?	I think this is a reasonable figure considering budget constraints at this time.

Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	OPTION 1: Spend \$13m to make improvements to James and John St.
Why?	Good to put focus on one area at a time, and then review once this is completed.

Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points raised in the Consultation document:

Now is the time to spend money in our region given that we have Government support, affordable funding, an urgent need to revitalise our local economy, and opportunities to keep local contractors in work during these uncertain times. The economy will get improve, and if we undertake these projects now, we'll be ready and waiting for the influx of visitors when they come, as well as making it a desirable place to live for our own residents.

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☒ An individual

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Do you wish to be heard in support of your submission at a traditional hearing on 13-14 April?

NO

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WHY?

Need the money to pay for excellent service

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WHY?

My preference would be for WDC to Option 3 and also to update the planned refurbishment of Forum North at the same time as the new theatre is built. Would like the new theatre build to start immediately after Council staff move out of Forum North to their new purpose built building.

The type of theater that Whangarei needs is a 'lyric theatre' with a fly tower as shown on the Forum North Trust website. Such a theatre will have exceptional acoustics and a fly tower above the stage so that scenery can be dropped on to the stage – this is stock standard for modern theatres. The current Capitaine Bougainville theatre does not have good acoustics or a fly tower.

The lyric theatre would also need an orchestra pit, dressing rooms and rehearsal areas with state of the art lighting and sound system. Such a theatre will attract larger performances to Whangarei – both national and international. Currently Whangarei is missing out on such shows, our people have to travel to Auckland to see them and the money they would bring to the local economy is lost.

The population in Whangarei is rapidly growing and there is increasing the need for a better, larger theatre.

Many sporting facilities have been supported by the Council over the years. However, there has been little significant arts infrastructure built by WDC. Sports facilities have been put ahead of the arts for many years.

The current office areas at Forum North do not meet the current earthquake regulations and therefore (with Council staff moving out of Forum North) this is a good time to pull down the office block and build the lyric theatre on the site of the demolished offices.

The combination of a larger lyric theatre, along with the refurbished Capitaine Bougainville theatre and the other cultural facilities at Forum North will generate increased usage and expand community access. Our children will have access to watch big performances and recognise that a future in the arts could be an option for them – while still living local. Currently most of our young people interested in making a career in the arts have to leave Whangarei for training and do not return as the cities with better facilities allow them to develop their skills and provide good future career options. Having a viable arts center in Whangarei will encourage young people to consider Whangarei as a realistic option to build a cultural career. Local training institutions could design an appropriate degree level course – utilising the new theatre and forum north facilities.

I believe that building a lyric theatre will lead to more community engagement and participation in the arts.

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WHY?

Climate change is important and we need to do as much as we can something sooner rather than later. WDC need to be leaders rather than followers.

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Nothing else

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☐ Yes ☒ No

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WHY? Do not delay problem. Keep momentum with progress.

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Well done with consultation document – very clear and helpful for decision making.

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We thank the Whangarei District Council for the opportunity to comment on the Long Term Plan for the district, and the opportunity to speak with you at the consultation meeting held in Ngunguru on the 3rd March 2021.

This submission reflects the views of the Association's Executive Committee rather than those of the Association's membership or the wider community on the Tutukaka Coast. While we have spoken to some members of our community we have not broadly canvassed the community on the matters contained in the draft LTP.

This submission begins with some opening comments. We then outline key issues experienced by the Tutukaka Coast community, make comment and recommendations on the proposed Long Term Plan in relation to these.

1) Opening comments

The LTP consultation document and the supporting documents are extensive. However, the level of detail and its presentation make it difficult to offer a considered response to the proposed activities and projects.

We are also concerned that the plan, in the way it is expressed, lacks strategic cohesiveness

We are very disappointed to find minimal reference in the proposed LTP to the District's coastal and rural communities and the issues they face. Rather, the plan is City Centric, and provides little detail about plans and investment for the rest of the District. Many of the choices that we are offered are not supported by relevant information in the documentation. For example, while revitalisation of the City Centre has been chosen as a priority, the documents do not provide a concept plan for this. Instead we are asked to support the "revitalisation" of two streets in the CDB or four streets without knowing what is proposed, or where this fits within a wider plan.

Therefore, we have structured our submission to highlight the issues facing the Tutukaka Coast now, and opportunities for these to be addressed, not only through the LTP, but also through improved communication with our Association.

WDC has proposed a significant rates rise and increase in debt to pay for the proposed plan. This will be felt by everyone across the District. We acknowledge that we have to catch-up on prior lower rate rises, and that there are some opportunities in the proposed LTP that coastal and rural communities may be able to take advantage of. However, we believe the LTP needs to show more clearly demonstrate better value and benefit for the wider community, particularly those in coastal and rural areas.

In 2010 the Tutukaka Coast was voted second equal best Coastline in the world by panellists for National Geographic Traveller. Our coastline is a national and international taonga/treasure. It deserves to have a special place in the WDC planning. At present it is invisible in the LTP.

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2) Key issues for the Tutukaka Coast

The following issues are not expressed with any particular level of priority. Rather, they all are important. While they all have some level of urgency they also present tangible opportunities for investment and community development.

2.1 Impact of rising sea levels and climate change

Climate change is a global challenge and emergency. It is of particular concern to low lying and coastal areas.

To plan effectively we are going to need to collaborate, and ensure everyone works together in a co-ordinated way. We cannot afford to waste time or resources. Rather it is important that we do the right things in a timely manner and take everyone on the journey.

Like other parts of New Zealand, and the world, The Tutukaka Coast is already experiencing rising sea levels, and more extreme weather conditions.

The heavy rains in 2020 washed out significant parts of our road network, cutting or making access to a number of areas.

What follows highlights a number of recent examples of poor planning and engagement that could serve as learning opportunities to improve planning and outcomes for the Tutukaka Coast and other coastal communities.

a) Ngunguru seawall

The previous Tutukaka Coast Ratepayers and Residents Association Executive Committee began planning for the restoration and development of the Ngunguru seawall and foreshore over 15 years ago. Considerable time and resource was spent developing plans and consulting with the community on these plans. We understand that this was well understood by the WDC.

Rather than bring the community together and enhance its partnership with local councils, this issue has instead created deep divisions within the community and in 2019, threatened the very existence of the Association.

We understand that aspects of the WDC proposed plans for the seawall did not gain resource consent, and that these require redesign as they don't comply with Regional Coastal Policy Statement on the matter.

While we understand through Councillor Murphy that the work is now planned to start within the next two years, there is no clear link shown in the LTP to how such works contribute to the wider planning objectives for the Tutukaka Coast and the District.

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We also note that previous remedial work by WDC on the seawall in front of the Ngunguru school, and near the shopping precinct are failing.

b) Sandy Bay

Recent work to redirect stream flow and protect the beach and foreshore at Sandy Bay is another example of inappropriate design and inadequate consultation.

The work completed on the beach was washed away almost straightaway, representing a complete waste of money and resource.

Members of the surfing community and other users of the beach have raised issues relating to the surface/paving of the parking areas. For example the small stones are difficult to walk on, and stick to feet and other items when people are changing or accessing their vehicles.

These examples illustrate obvious communication gaps between WDC and the local community. It also highlights issues of timeliness, inappropriate design and unsustainable practice.

The WDC notes in its supporting documentation that detailed sanitary assessments have not been undertaken in Ngunguru, Tutukaka or Matapouri, and that these are required by the Local Government Act. The proposed LTP includes plans to undertake “basic” sanitary assessments, and to consider these assessments in the 2024 – 2034 LTP. It also notes that WDC has little knowledge of the quality of private water supplies. Our coastal community is largely reliant on bore or tank water.

It would seem from the proposed LTP, that the Tutukaka Coast is somewhat on WDC’s back burner. We don’t find this acceptable.

We recommend that WDC improve communication with the Tutukaka Coast Community in order for planning solutions to be fit for purpose and of lasting benefit.

We recommend that current or already planned works are made easier for ratepayers to see/find in relation to planning processes and timelines.

We recommend that WDC makes more visible, and prioritises at least some investments in the Tutukaka Coast across the 10 years of the LTP.

The LTP makes \$3.7 million available for responding to Climate Change (compared to \$47 million to boost transport, and \$3m of rates and \$23 million of debt towards the Oruku Landing Conference Centre). This, even when looked at in conjunction with the NRC 10 year plan, seems grossly insufficient.

We are also concerned about the potential policy and planning issues presented by the requirements of the Regional Coastal Policy Statement (RCPS) in relation to responding to

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climate change in appropriate ways. For example, in the case of the Tutukaka Marina what does a “retreat” policy mean? That the marina is abandoned? That it is modified to cope with higher water levels? What if the latter requires reclamation which is virtually banned by the RCPS? We are aware that background work is being done by the WDC, but it doesn’t yet seem to involve any directly affected parties.

We recommend that WDC reprioritise funding to considerably boost the funding available over the next 10 years to respond to climate change.

The LTP doesn’t identify how it intends to collaborate and co-ordinate with the NRC and other agencies on this and other matters of significance. The fact that the two councils are consulting on their long term plans at the same time across the same community without any apparent co-ordination is worth questioning. Additionally, we note that neither Council provides any clarity as to the mechanisms for the essential collaboration and co-ordination of planning.

We recommend that WDC make clear its plans the mechanisms for the necessary collaboration and co-ordination to address significant issues facing the District and Region, such as climate change.

2.2 Civil Defence and emergency planning and co-ordination

COVID-19 and the recent tsunami warnings are very real examples of the need to be prepared for the worst.

We are aware of issues of food access and security during the Covid lockdown affecting families/whanau on the Tutukaka Coast. Volunteer groups were providing food to some affected.

Other groups were also active. However, it was not clear who was doing what, whether needs were being met, and how long activity could be sustained.

We also note that evacuation is only the first part of any emergency. What happens then? What happens to the people who have sheltered on higher ground but no longer have access to food, water and shelter, toilet facilities? What is needed if people are required to be evacuated for longer periods, over night, in inclement weather?

It is clear to us that a greater level of co-ordination between agencies, and better communication is required. It is also clear better resourcing of local communities is needed to ensure preparedness.

While the WDC doesn’t play the lead role in this regard, it does seem necessary for WDC to be an active partner and co-ordinate with others given the obvious overlap with planning matters.

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2.3 Community Safety

A number of issues concerning community safety are ongoing for our community. Many of these are exacerbated during the summer months, and can be related to excessive drinking/drug use.

Damage of public and private property, theft, noise, broken bottles, syringes, nitric oxide canisters and other litter, damage to the beaches and to the environment are just a few of the concerns that we hear about from our community.

While we are happy to share our beautiful coast with others, we also need to ensure a safe and clean environment for those who live here.

Community safety is an issue that we believe lends itself to co-operative local planning.

The proposed LTP does not identify how the WDC intends to support/contribute to communities outside of the CBD in regards to community safety.

Liaison with the Police will be an important part of the solution. It would help if WDC played a supportive role in assisting local communities to get the best from this monitoring and enforcement resource.

There is a willingness of people on the Coast to do our bit to protect our community and property. Helping people do this effectively and efficiently is a role WDC could play for example through sharing knowledge, information and technology.

We recommend that WDC includes and allocates a budget to support local community safety efforts.

We recommend that the WDC consider how they could support local communities with improved technology.

2.4 Road safety

Speed on the roads throughout the Coast has been a vexing issue for many years. Coastal roads are narrow, bendy and are often used by slow vehicles especially during the summer. As such they don't lend themselves to faster speeds, and are very unforgiving for those who do not obey the speed limits or drive to the conditions.

As noted above much of our roading network was damaged by heavy rains in 2020, leaving roads narrower and road edges vulnerable to further slips. We also have a large number of side roads with short and often limited visibility for turning vehicles.

A recent petition to WDC resulted in a report and a commitment to a pedestrian crossing in Ngunguru by the shopping area, and consideration of a Kea crossing near Te Maika Road. We are not aware of any community consultation on this matter, yet we understand that

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designs are already being drawn up. How do the affected business owners or those living nearby feel about the loss of parking that will result from the proposed zebra crossing?

There have been other discussions concerning the installation of speed warning signage near Te Maika Road, and concerns have been raised about speed through Tutukaka village and Marina road.

We recommend that WDC work with the community and other agencies to come up with a more systematic and strategic approach to dealing with speed and other road safety issues on the Tutukaka Coast.

2.5 Public transport, walk and cycle ways.

The Tutukaka Coast is not served by ratepayer funded public transport. Nor do we have a safe cycle route from the Coast to the City.

Improving access to public transport, and access to park and ride, or cycle options could assist the Tutukaka Coast community in a vast number of ways. It could improve access to education and employment options, particularly for our young people. It could improve access to social and entertainment options especially for those less able or unable to drive. It could reduce the use of vehicles on our roads.

There is a lot of investment planned to revitalise and develop the CBD. Improving transport options for coastal and rural communities like ours would help to ensure that residents and ratepayers of these communities have a meaningful benefit from this.

2.6 Environment

A shared love and appreciation of our beautiful but fragile coastal environment is one of the things that bring us together as a community.

There are numerous community projects and initiatives that illustrate this. Groups such as Ngunguru Sandspit Protection Society, Puke Kopipi Community Restoration project and regular rubbish pickups, planting and weed/pest control groups are just a few examples.

Our active community has raised concerns regarding toxic run-off, aerial spraying of pesticides, weeds, waste, impacts of climate change and animal pests.

Many among us are conscious, mobilised and passionate about our environment and willing to support efforts to protect our environment, regenerate native bush and rid the area of pests so that native flora and fauna can flourish.

We are aware that some of these issues can bring out strong emotions and views, and this can test relationships. However, it is these are also issues that can galvanise communities.

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We wish to develop a structured relationship with the WDC and NRC to enable us to work together to plan for the care and protection our coastal environment.

We recommend that WDC allocate specific funding and resource in the LTP to work with the Tutukaka Coast community to protect this treasure/taonga that we are privileged to call home.

2.7 Impact of tourism and coastal leisure activities

Tourism and coastal leisure plays an important part of the economy of the Tutukaka Coast, providing employment and income for a significant segment of the community and the wider District.

However, there are a number of negative impacts on the community and the environment especially during the summer months. It places significant pressure on community assets and resources. Parking, especially in Tutukaka has been critical for many years, with vehicles and trailers parked along Matapouri Road at significant risk to road users and pedestrians.

We believe there are opportunities for greater collaboration with WDC and other agencies to develop our tourism activities to address the issues and grow the value and benefit of tourism for the area.

We recommend that WDC support the Tutukaka Coast Community to plan its tourism activity with a view to a) recover from COVID-19, b) develop sustainable business practices, and c) exploring and developing eco-tourism opportunities.

2.8 Cultural protection and promotion

While the Tutukaka Coast gained second equal placing on the World's Best Coastlines, one aspect was found wanting - the protection of our cultural heritage.

The Tutukaka Coast enjoys a rich Māori history. However this is at risk of being lost to current and future generations.

We are saddened to see so little in the LTP for investment in culture and heritage preservation and promotion.

Local tangata whenua representatives present at the LTP consultation meeting in Ngunguru on the 3rd March expressed concerns about the lack of engagement prior to the drafting of the LTP.

We recommend that WDC consult more proactively and progressively with local hapu on the Tutukaka Coast to develop and implement a plan to preserve and protect local cultural sites and history; and

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We recommend that WDC identify specific funds and resources to support this activity.

2.9 Health and well-being

While the LTP makes reference to the 'Four Well-beings' unfortunately that is about it. It is important that the LTP does more than make reference to well-being. It needs to show meaningful endeavour to promote and realise them.

It also needs to identify how it will work with others with an interest in health and wellbeing to ensure co-ordination and best use of resources.

A word search of the LTP shows one reference to "families" (in relation to the Four Well-beings mentioned above). Similarly children and youth are only mentioned in broad terms, as factors of population change, or modelling.

The proposed LTP has a significant focus on 'spaces for gathering', these are large somewhat commercial ventures. These venues will be redundant during any future lock-downs, and it would be wise to think about how people might "gather" safely in the future.

Local communities need support to come together as well, to talk, plan, eat, celebrate, play, create, laugh, share..... We don't see anything in the proposed plan to contribute to local community gathering spaces – creating these or maintaining existing spaces. While this might be "business as usual" it needs to be given a space in the LTP and resourced appropriately.

Like all New Zealand communities we have felt, and continue to feel the impact of COVID-19. Our community has responded in a number of positive ways, for example Ngunguru Marae provided food parcels during the lockdown, and a group has started a mahinga kai/community garden. We acknowledge WDC for their support for the garden through allowing use of Council owned land.

TCR&RA are working in collaboration with local hapu to undertake a community survey. This is funded by Ministry of Social Development through their Community Capability and Resilience fund.

This research aims to identify:

- What is important to the Tutukaka Coast Community,
- What impact COVID-19 had, and what lessons can be learnt from our COVID-19 experience in preparing for the future including emergency planning,
- What needs to be done to improve life/well-being, and raising the awareness of the needs of our community.
- What needs to be done to support the environmental sustainability of the Coast,
- What are the priorities for action.

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The research will be conducted by independent researchers, and we aim to have it completed within the next 5 months.

We will commit to sharing the findings our research with WDC.

We recommend that WDC commit to supporting the Tutukaka Coast Residents and Ratepayers Association, and wider Tutukaka Coast community in planning and implementing projects and initiatives in response to the priorities identified through our community survey. This includes setting aside a budget and internal resources.

Conclusion:

We acknowledge all the work that has gone into preparing the proposed Long Term Plan and supporting documentation. We also appreciate the opportunity to discuss the plan with WDC representatives at a public meeting in Ngunguru on the 3 March 2021.

There are aspects of the proposed LTP that concern us. In summary, the plan and its supporting documentation do not provide the information we would like to see in order to make informed decisions on the options presented. It does not provide the necessary strategic context for many of the proposals.

Most concerning for us is the lack of visibility of a strategic vision and plan for the Tutukaka Coast and its community.

Our comments and recommendations are made with a view to begin a strategic and structured dialogue with WDC to ensure that the needs of the Tutukaka Coast are better addressed in planning and policy making going forward.

Correspondence

Rebecca Williams

Secretary

Tutukaka Coast Residents and Ratepayers Association

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31 March 2021



From: Rebecca Williams
Sent: 31 Mar 2021 16:27:06 +1300
To: Mail Room
Cc: Lester Sherman; Gay and Ron Ford
Subject: TCR&RA Submission on Long Term Plan
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To Whangarei District Council,
Please find attached our submission on the proposed Long Term Plan.

Yours sincerely
Rebecca Williams
Secretary
Tutukaka Coast Residents and Ratepayers Association.
021 862 250

From: Whangarei District Council
Sent: 30 Mar 2021 01:02:37 +0000
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Subject: Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Andrew Tyler - 2021-LTP-SUB-281

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Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Andrew Tyler - 2021-LTP-SUB-281

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Your details:

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Organisation name:	
Postal address:	19 Weir Crescent
Best phone number:	021412911
Email:	andy@digitalmasters.co.nz

Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard	Yes
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at the hearing?	
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Your feedback:

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Why?	

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 3: Build a Whangarei District Council-owned theatre on the current Forum North site.
Why?	<p>The Oruku landing Conference and Events centre is an obsolete concept in the current Covid 19 environment. Most council and privately owned event and conference centres, both in New Zealand and overseas, have become expensive burdens to taxpayers and shareholders.</p> <p>Forced to find alternatives in the pandemic environment, organisations and businesses have developed sophisticated communication tools that exclude conference centres. These alternatives make it unlikely the traditional event and conference centre will have a long term future.</p> <p>The temptation of a 60 million dollar government grant should not cloud the council's decision making process as to the viability of this project. It is not a theatre, and never will be.</p> <p>As much as I applaud the Hundertwasser and town basin development, it's time the council focussed on bringing life back</p>

	to the city centre. The Oruku landing site is effectively an extension of the town basin development. Anything that contributes to revitalising the moribund city centre, such as a new theatre at Forum North, is a far better investment in my view.
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Key issue - Climate change and sustainability (see page 28)	OPTION 3: No new funding towards climate change or waste minimisation.
Why?	

Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	OPTION 2: Spend \$21m to make improvements to James and John St as well as either Robert St or Cameron Street.
Why?	<p>Anything we can do to revitalise the city is money well spent. I challenge anybody on the council to walk through the city at 1030 at night.</p> <p>There are two issues, one is the lack of inner city living, the second is the disconnect between the city and the town basin area.</p> <p>The first will not be addressed by new trees. The city needs people living in it. This could be addressed by incentives for property owners to convert existing commercial buildings into residential.</p> <p>The second needs some serious urban planning. The town basin and the city are divided by one of the busiest roads in Whangarei.</p>

Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points

raised in the Consultation document:

Given the opportunity, I would like to submit in person on the city revitalisation and the Oruku landing development.

From: Whangarei District Council
Sent: 17 Mar 2021 01:50:18 +0000
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Subject: Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Daniel Unkel - 2021-LTP-SUB-74

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Receipt Number: 2021-LTP-SUB-74

Your details:

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Best phone number:	
Email:	daniel@unkel.biz

Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard at the hearing?	No
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Your feedback:

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Why?	if necessary

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 2: Put budget towards only ONE of the following: Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hīhītaua Cultural Centre, and existing facilities at Forum North.
Why?	

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Why?	

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Why?	

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26 MAR 2021

WHANGAREI
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WHY?

Since the planned rates rise was decreased due to covid we need to make up for it through the 2%. Theoretically shouldn't be too hard since the 2% is only 2021-2022. We aren't increasing rates for no reason, it is to make up for the deficit accumulated during Covid 19.

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WHY?

The Oruku landing conference and Events Theatre seems to be the best site due to its many purposes. Option 3 currently seems too much despite Whangarei's growing population and the potential rate increase might be too much alongside the 2% 'catch up' increase. Option 1 accumulates about 23.7m in debt. Because we are still wary of Covid it might be best to keep debt to a minimum.

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WHY? I believe this is a very important issue to be attentive to. Option 3 is definitely a no due to the risks. The potential rates increase of 0.4% is definitely worth the acceleration of reduction of emissions. Since the recent tsunami warnings people are wary assurance of the completion of risk assessment of risks is vital for safety and peace of mind.

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WHY? The potential 0.4% increase isn't worth it, for option 2. The 13 mil is just right and the reduced vehicle access will allow for more shops / activities. This opens the way for new things which help keep Whangarei a great place to be. Also 21 mil debt is simply too much and will cause us to reach debt limit unnecessarily early.

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I think the sustainability issue is one of the biggest ones. I think its worth sacrificing spaces for gathering a little bit. Sustainability humps the gathering space because it is not yet an issue.

Re: Long Term Plan



We went to the family fun day to have a talk, however were not sure of what stall to go to.

Unfortunately a lot of signs and t-shirts people were wearing did not appear to be written in English, so to save embarrassing ourselves in public we will do a letter instead.

We don't know if these fall under the council district plan, however we will share our thoughts.

The hospital parking is awful.

Further up the road is some land which is overgrown and looks like it has old glasshouses on it. Can that land be bought and turned into a car park and a shuttle bus travel between there and the hospital. Hopefully the neighbours would not get upset, but it could be done tastefully

Also the road to the Uretiti Beach and transfer station is awful too. We don't get out there often, but the potholes are very hard on the car and people - even when driven over slowly. Driving around them sometimes means driving in to other potholes. And a sign showing who gets right of way at the beach and dump corner, could be of help. We have seen people coming from the beach and going straight, stop for people going to the transfer station who effectively are turning right, but also appear to be on the 'main' road, so possibly should get right of way. Have also seen other bouts of confused driving, so help might be handy.

Not happy with rate increases. Do we really need to improve Forum North. Save that money. Help not rich people find good quality mobility parking.

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YOUR DETAILS

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KAMA 0112

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Email

SUPART@OUTLOOK.COM

Do you wish to be heard in support of your submission at a traditional hearing on 13-14 April?

☐ Yes ☒ No



HAVE YOUR SAY KŌREROTIA!

This Consultation Document outlines what we are proposing for the next 10 years.

We want you to tell us what you think of this Plan, the options we have outlined, and what we are proposing. We are also consulting on changes to our fees and charges and various policies. All of the supporting documents are available on our website. If you do not have access to the internet or would prefer a hard copy, please call us to request them.

CONCURRENT CONSULTATIONS

Alongside this Consultation Document we are also consulting on our:

- Revenue and Financing Policy
- Rates, Remissions and Postponement Policy
- Development Contributions Policy
- Fees and Charges 2021-22

Consultation on these policies and fees and charges will be publicly notified on Council's website. People interested in the proposals will be able to present their views during a formal submission period from 1 March to 1 April 2021. This will be followed by formal hearings where any submitter may choose to speak to their submission.

GIVING US YOUR FEEDBACK

You can tell us:

- through the online submission form on our website www.wdc.govt.nz/HaveYourSay
- via email to mailroom@wdc.govt.nz
- in person, by dropping off a completed feedback form at any Council Service Centre, or by calling our contact centre on +64 9 430 4200 (0800 932 463)
- by post, by sending your feedback to our mailing address as shown on the feedback form

You may also like to support your formal submission by posting or messaging on Facebook, www.facebook.com/WhangareiDC.

How to make your feedback as effective as possible

- Use the feedback form and attach extra information, if required. This means we have all the information we need to process your feedback.
- Provide us with your contact details so we can email you, write to you or call you to keep you informed.
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WHY? WE'RE ALL SUFFERING FINANCIALLY FROM COVID -
FAMILIES EVEN MORE. BE KIND.

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WHY? CONFERENCE & EVENTS CENTRE BEEN NEEDED
FOR YEARS. WE MISS OUT ON SO MANY SHOWS & HAVE TO
TRAVEL TO AKLD OR K/KERI.
IF YOU BUILD A WDC THEATRE AT FORUM NORTH, WHAT
HAPPENS TO THE EXISTING EVENTS THEATRE?

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WHY?

TO MUCH SPENDING NEEDED ON OTHER THINGS.

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WHY?

MORE PARKING NEEDED & MORE MOBILITY PARKS NEEDED. ESPECIALLY AT THE AQUATIC CENTRE. PLEASE USE UP SOME OF THE GRASS AREA OUTSIDE THE ENTRY. ONLY 3 PARKS & SO MANY DISABLED PEOPLE. THERE'S PLENTY OF ROOM FOR MORE PARKS AS THE LAWN AREA - WHILE IT LOOKS NICE - ISN'T UTILISED. PARKING IS A REAL PROBLEM FOR DISABLED PEOPLE.

TELL US WHAT YOU THINK - ANY FURTHER COMMENTS ON THE KEY ISSUES OR OTHER POINTS RAISED IN THE CONSULTATION DOCUMENT

WHERE'S THE EXTRA PARKING FOR THE HUNDERWASSER? PEOPLE WILL USE P'N SAVE & THAT'S ALREADY CONTESTED. BIG PROBLEMS AHEAD.

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Do you wish to be heard in support of your submission at a traditional hearing on 13-14 April?

☐ Yes ☒ No

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No

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No

WHY?

There should be no rates increase.

Council is inefficient and mismanaging rate payers affairs.

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WHY?

The improvements are ridiculous and misuse of rate payers reserves.

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WHY?

Council over the years has received substantial rates from James and John Streets. but has been spent elsewhere. Vehicle access should not be reduced.

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The proposed increase in debt from \$195m to \$361m is grossly excessive.

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YOUR DETAILS

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☐ Yes ☒ No

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WHY?

All 3 are important for different things. Lets diversify & modernise Whangarei

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WHY?

Too important not to put money into. Very keen to have a way to have compost separated from rubbish & still taken away (like in Takapuna). Also a way to recycle soft plastics more easily.

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WHY?

What ever it takes to keep our city centre alive and keeps shops from having to close.

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I just want to thank this council for
having a focus on benefitting the life
(in terms of family time & recreation) of it's
community. I look forward to seeing
what other exciting things the next 10 years
will bring.

From: Whangarei District Council
Sent: 24 Mar 2021 03:23:26 +0000
To: Mail Room
Subject: Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Jodie Vaughan - 2021-LTP-SUB-157

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Your details:

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Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard at the hearing?	No
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Why?	More money upfront means faster progress.
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Why?	Already pre existing and less work to be done. Support the businesses already in place.
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Key issue - Climate change and sustainability (see page 28)	OPTION 2: Put \$7.4m of new funding towards climate change mitigation and adaptation and waste minimisation.
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Why?	This is a priority and all funds possible should be used efficiently. Involve local universities to source innovative and cost effective ideas.
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Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	OPTION 3: No additional funding for the city centre.
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Why?	Why do these need improving? Money better spent on climate
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	change and better public transport!
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Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points raised in the Consultation document:

In order to prepare for growing population, plan for better public transport (trains, buses, ferries) and find ways to better use the facilities we have instead of wasting money building new ones!

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YOUR DETAILS

Name MARIO J. A. VULETICH

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Organisation name _____

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WHANGAREI 0148

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Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard	No
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Your feedback:

Key issue - How will we pay for what we need - Rates Options (see page 17)	OPTION 2: Limit the rates increase to LGCI plus 2% only in years one to three
Why?	Not happy with a catch up increase

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Why?	Not in support of large investment into Forum North. I do support the Conference Center.

Key issue - Climate change and sustainability (see page 28)	OPTION 2: Put \$7.4m of new funding towards climate change mitigation and adaptation and waste minimisation.
Why?	

Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	OPTION 3: No additional funding for the city centre.
Why?	

Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points raised in the Consultation document:

Pleased with improvements for alternatives for travel, particularly bike lanes/paths and improvements to beach and park trails.

Please add more shade options (trees!) along the loop track.

Would like to see safer (perhaps designated) bike lanes on busy roads

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Why?	I'm not supporting an large investment associated with Forum North. I support the conference centre.

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Why?	

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Pleased with improvements to alternatives for travel - is. Bike lanes/paths and improvements to park trails and beach access. Please keep that up. Please also consider more shade options for open paths such as the loop.

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Why?	If as the Council says there are 100,000 residents in the WDC now with an increase of 40,000 additional residence by 2050 then I understand the need for the extra funding HOWEVER these extra funds should be grossly proportioned to infrastructure i.e. Water, Power and Sewage/Storm water collection and treatment and Roads. We must put into place NOW what we see coming 30 years from now. Don't let what happened with the water in Auckland happen here. Plan and act now.

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 1: Allocate budget across three sites (Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hihiaua Cultural Centre, and existing facilities at Forum North).
Why?	With the way the world is changing there is no need to add any funding to Forum North. In fact removing the building all together and putting the site to a better use such as High Density Housing should be done. The Oruku Landing C and E center would be able to integrate what Forum North now does and of course the Hihiaua Cultural center would be an excellent facility to have as well.

Key issue - Climate	OPTION 3: No new funding towards climate change or waste
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change and sustainability (see page 28)	minimisation.
Why?	The funding we have now will suffice. We need to place as much of our resources towards our infrastructure as we can.

Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	OPTION 3: No additional funding for the city centre.
Why?	Changes to these areas should be done by the private sector not the tax payer. The Council facilitate activities such as Zoning changes and reducing the red tape that Investors, Developers and new business now face

Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points raised in the Consultation document:

Infrastructure, Infrastructure, Infrastructure.....That is what we need to concentrate on. Yes of course we need to make nice schools and parks for the kids to learn and play and we need Cycle ways for cyclist to cycle and well run Waste Management Departments but if we do not go hard now with our Infrastructure the wonderful style of life we now enjoy will turn bitter sweet.....Great views but substandard Infrastructure to enjoy it.

Submission to the Whangarei District Council Long Term Plan 2021 -2031 from the Waipu Cycle and Walkway Trust

The Waipu Cycle and Walkway group asks Council to prioritise funding for the completion of the last 3km of the Waipu to Waipu Cove cycle/walkway community project within the first 12 months of the new Long Term Plan.

We have been working on this project for over ten years and have built seven of the ten kilometre long route.

We are grateful for the support we have received to date from the Whangarei District Council. We have also been successful in gaining funding from a number of other sources including: Transpower, The Alex McLean Trust, and Pub Charities. We have a hard -working fundraising committee. which has sold raffle tickets, held fun runs and beach carnivals and we maintain a Give-a-Little page through which we have received donations. Local contractors have given substantial discounts for work undertaken and landowners have generously allowed easements across their property.

We are already at work talking to landowners along the next two-kilometre section of the route from McLean Rd to the Waipu Cemetery and are applying for funding to help with the build. We estimate this section will cost \$200,000 to complete, including laying the trail and installing fencing.

The final section involves rounding a difficult corner at Riverview Place to join both ends of the trail and complete the route. This could cost between \$300,000 and \$700,000, dependent on the route option taken.

The Waipu to Waipu Cove Cycle and Walkway is very well used by Waipu residents and visitors to our town alike and we believe that once the trail is completed it will be even more popular, providing an all year round recreational activity for local people and another reason for people to come and holiday in Waipu.

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YOUR DETAILS

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Organisation name Waipu Cycle and Walkway Trust

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Do you wish to be heard in support of your submission at a traditional hearing on 13-14 April? ☒ Yes ☐ No

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Attachments: Feedback form WDC LTP .pdf, Submission to the Whangarei District Council from the Waipu Cycle and Walkway Trust.docx

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1. The completion of the Waipu to Waipu Cove cycleway should be a priority. With Whangarei District Council help and assistance from various funding sources the Waipu Community has built seven kilometres of this shared cycle and walking path and now needs help to complete the last three kilometres, from McLean Rd to the Waipu Cemetery, which will cost an estimated \$200,000 in fencing and trail establishment. Getting around this last corner to get the trail to meet up with the existing Waipu to Riverview Place section has been estimated to cost between \$300,000 to \$700,000, depending on the route decided on.

The Waipu to Waipu Cove trail is very well used by both local residents and visitors and we predict it will become even more popular when it is completed.

2. We are pleased with the allocation of an extra \$47,000,000 for road sealing in the proposed plan. There has been a lot of subdivision along Waipu's rural roads in the past decade and these roads need to be sealed to cope with the extra volumes of traffic.

Massey Rd is currently getting one and a half kilometres of seal but with almost 50 households now established along this road the seal really needs to be extended for several more kilometres.

Helmsdale Rd. is another rural road, which is now getting a lot more traffic due to more residential properties. The road is sealed for around 4 kilometres but this needs to be extended.

The still unsealed sections of Glenmohr Rd. and McLean Rd. need to be sealed.

The residents of Brooks Rd. are very happy about the three kilometres of seal, which is currently being laid at the highway end of the road. This is now a heavily populated road and in the not too distant future we hope that the seal can be continued for several more kilometres to reach the majority of the homes.

3. We ask that the maintenance programme for roads that remain unsealed be improved. Many of these roads fall into a bad state of disrepair before they receive any attention. The residents of Harwood Rd. say that road had not had any attention since mid December and they are asking why they pay rates.

4. We would like to see a review of traffic management and parking in Waipu Township. The angle parking in the Waipu Town Centre needs to be sorted out, particularly outside the Waipu Four Square where people tend to walk behind angle parked vehicles rather than turn at right angles onto the footpath. Alexander Rozema, who is a transport project manager for the Southward Council in London, suggested the parking (outside the Four Square and the dairy) be moved out onto the road and the forecourt outside the Four Square be extended – see attached diagram. Mr. Rozema also suggested that making the road narrower and removing the centre line would slow traffic through the town.

One WRRRA member commented. "The mixture of different types of parking on opposite sides of the road and the various driving manoeuvres around here and close to pedestrian crossing makes life exciting for pedestrians."

A number of local people think a roundabout should be built at the intersection of Cove, Nova Scotia and South Roads and sometimes (in line with Waipu's *do it ourselves* tradition, erect makeshift roundabouts here overnight to make this point. It

would be good if the Whangarei District Council's traffic experts could explore this proposal.

A comment from a Waipu Residents and Ratepayer Association member: "A roundabout might help to slow traffic and if it were not too high, trucks might still be able to get around by putting their wheels up on the edge."



- Parallel Parking – to match parking arrangement outside Hammer Hardware etc.
- Note: This shows a general depiction of the type of layout that could be created to reduce the risk of personal injury, resulting from vehicles, reversing out of the car parking spaces over the footpath.
- Further investigation will be required to determine the full extent of loss and gain in car parking spaces, including a full road safety review.

- A – Potential loss of 3-4 parking spaces
- B – Potential gain of 2-3 parking spaces
- C – Remove road centreline along the length of The Centre, within the 30km speed zone

Scheme Outcomes Summary

- Reduce perceived and actual risk of pedestrian collisions resulting from vehicles reversing out of car parking spaces in front of Four Square.
- Road narrowing, to support the road safety / speed reduction measure to be introduced, through to introduction of parallel car parking on either side The Centre and removing the road centreline.
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Why?	Option 2 is still no way near enough to mitigate/ adapt to climate change. Council really needs to look at its stance on sustainability. There is a huge budget for roading. This should be greatly reduced and the money put towards sustainable transport/public transport and supporting a cultural shift away from reliance on cars/private transport.

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Why?	

Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points raised in the Consultation document:

I do not support the possibility of a bypass for Onerahi. The proposed route would ruin a beautiful valley and wildlife that live there. If road improvements need to be implemented it should be along the existing route. Green spaces need to be preserved. Land should not be degraded for the development of roads.

Money budgeted for this project should be used to support/implement more sustainable transport options park and ride/ busses.

I also feel that council should encourage more people to bike to work from Onerahi now there is a shared cycleway. They could provide financial incentive? This would reduce traffic and reduce need for a new road. From my observation the cycleway is used for recreation and not as a commuter option. Would it not be nice if Whangarei saw and marketed its self as somewhere you could live without the need to own a car?

Section of Beach Road, Onerahi, is dangerous for pedestrians

The section of Beach Road, from the Onerahi Yacht Club to Hill St is extremely dangerous. The road is narrow and barely wide enough for two vehicles to pass each other, especially for large trucks and cars towing boats. It is potentially dangerous for pedestrians because this road finishes at the sea wall and there is no footpath for people and their families.

The WDC has created a well-used, safe, shared path from Beach Road, along the Waimahanga Track and Riverside Drive, to the Town Basin. Many more people are using Beach Road because there is now a safe pathway. It is great to see people of all ages enjoying the area every day - walking, running, cycling and taking their dogs for a walk, families with babies in prams and young children riding their bikes. Many people like to complete a circuit of Beach Rd and have to use a dangerous, narrow road with no footpath to do this.

Frequently reckless drivers choose to use Beach Road to drive as fast as they can, sometimes with groups of cars. It is frightening when cars speed past and are dangerously close to you. These drivers have a complete disregard for the safety of people and their families who enjoy walking along this scenic part of our harbour.

Many species of birds live in this area. I regularly walk around Beach Road and I frequently witness cruel drivers deliberately mowing down flocks of birds, killing and maiming them. Many people do not realise that some species like the Red-billed Gull is native to NZ and their numbers are in decline. Caring people do not like to witness this deliberate cruelty. This creates additional work for the Native Bird Recovery Centre volunteers. Traffic calming measures would slow drivers down and make Beach Road safer for all bird life too.

The WDC has encouraged people to use this beautiful area and now needs to complete the circuit of Beach Road and make it safer for people and birdlife.

Suggestions - make Beach Road:

- a one way street from the Onerahi Yacht Club to Hill St
- continue the concreted shared path to Hill St
- put in traffic calming measures from the Raurimu Road intersection to Hill St

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Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard at the hearing?	No
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Your feedback:

Key issue - How will we pay for what we need - Rates Options (see page 17)	OPTION 2: Limit the rates increase to LGCI plus 2% only in years one to three
Why?	keep costs down over a longer time

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 1: Allocate budget across three sites (Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hīhīāua Cultural Centre, and existing facilities at Forum North).
Why?	more venues in the end for choice and possibility of bringing events and activities to Whangarei

Key issue - Climate change and sustainability (see page 28)	OPTION 3: No new funding towards climate change or waste minimisation.
Why?	because so far you have done NOTHING but meetings and forming new groups to have more meetings towards climate change, instead get people OUT DOING THE WORK to save the climate that is free

Key issue - Revitalising	OPTION 2: Spend \$21m to make improvements to James and
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our city centre (see page 32)	John St as well as either Robert St or Cameron Street.
Why?	because Whangarei needs a boost in looks and feel in the whole town center

Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points raised in the Consultation document:

o I'd like WDC to provide funding and support/expertise to help us establish a cycleway/shared path in Maungatāpere. We have almost nowhere for people to walk for recreation, and cannot use the main roads because they are all now state highways with endless logging trucks. Our nearest park is Barge Park. We need something here. There are several paper roads within the area that could be suitable for a cycleway, and perhaps also access for horse-riders, dog-walkers and other leisure users. There is one between Clendon Drive and SH14, another off Pukeatua Rd, and perhaps a walkway to join up Corsair Drive and Clendon Drive. The Community-Led Project team have put aside \$45,000 for a feasibility study for the Clendon Drive/Corsair Drive option, since a very kind landowner is willing to donate land, but they'd need more funding to cover the costs of establishing the walkway.

o I want the council to start insisting that all subdivisions donate some land for public use. Otherwise we will end up with a lot of places like Maungatāpere that keep expanding but have no land for playgrounds, public toilets etc. Other councils around NZ insist on this; ours currently just requests politely, so it doesn't happen – for example the subdivision in Corsair Drive where the bush is no longer accessible to the general public -only to residents of the new subdivision.

o I'd like WDC to help identify a possible route and funding source for a cycleway access between Maungatāpere and Whangārei.

o I'd like WDC to look at establishing a horse-riding trail on the council land at the end of Pukeatua Rd.

o I'd like WDC to look at establishing a mountain bike trail on the council land at the end of Pukeatua Rd.

o I'd like WDC to look at establishing walking trails on Maungatāpere Mountain, in consultation with local iwi.

From: Whangarei District Council
Sent: 23 Mar 2021 08:58:18 +0000
To: Mail Room
Subject: Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Avis Warren - 2021-LTP-SUB-145

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Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Avis Warren - 2021-LTP-SUB-145

Receipt Number: 2021-LTP-SUB-145

Your details:

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Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard	No
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at the hearing?	
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Your feedback:

Key issue - How will we pay for what we need - Rates Options (see page 17)	OPTION 1: Rates increase in year one (2021) of 2% + 2.5% Local Government Cost Index (LGCI) + 2% 'catch up'. Rates increase in years two and three (2022-23) of 2% + 2.5% LGCI.
Why?	

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 1: Allocate budget across three sites (Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hīhīāua Cultural Centre, and existing facilities at Forum North).
Why?	

Key issue - Climate change and sustainability (see page 28)	OPTION 2: Put \$7.4m of new funding towards climate change mitigation and adaptation and waste minimisation.
Why?	

Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	OPTION 2: Spend \$21m to make improvements to James and John St as well as either Robert St or Cameron Street.
Why?	

Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points raised in the Consultation document:

It should be mandatory that any new subdivisions allocate some public land so we don't end up with suburbs that have no public land for playgrounds, toilets and community spaces.

From: Warren
Sent: 1 Apr 2021 15:51:45 +1300
To: Mail Room
Subject: Long Term Plan

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As I read the plan I was thinking that now was a good time to start thinking about and pushing for passenger rail from Auckland or Auckland airport to Whangarei. The roads are crowded and rail would tick several boxes, many people enjoy rail travel when I lived in Marlborough and used the coastal pacific it was usually full of a mix of tourists both international and New Zealanders and locals. It tends to be a more environmentally friendly option.

As we get older and are driving less rail travel will be an attractive option for many like myself, I am 66 and assume I will have to stop driving in my 80s if not before.

Rail allows for a larger number of people to travel together in a group and I think is usually more enjoyable than a bus. And our airport does have restrictions.....

Johanna Warren, 6 Banff St Whangarei

LONG TERM PLAN 2021-31 FEEDBACK FORM

THE CLOSING DATE FOR FEEDBACK IS **29 MAR 2021**
THURSDAY 1 APRIL 2021

RECEIVED - CUSTOMER SERVICES



WHANGAREI
DISTRICT COUNCIL

We would love your feedback on some key issues for our District.

POINTS TO REMEMBER WHEN SUBMITTING YOUR FEEDBACK

- Please print clearly. Make sure it can be easily photocopied, read and understood.
- All feedback is considered public under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act, so it may be published and made available to elected members and the public.
- Your feedback will not be returned to you once lodged with Council. Please keep a copy for your reference.
- You can also attend a hearing, scheduled for 13-14 April, to speak to your submission.

HOW TO GET THIS FORM TO US

Mail to: Long Term Plan feedback, Whangarei District Council, Private Bag 9023, Whangārei 0148

Email to: mailroom@wdc.govt.nz

Deliver to: Customer Services, Forum North, Rust Ave, Whangārei or Ruakākā Service Centre, Takutai Place, Ruakākā

YOUR DETAILS

Name

Isaac Watts

I am making this submission as:



An individual



On behalf of an organisation

Organisation name

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Maungatapere

Best number to contact you on

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Do you wish to be heard in support of your submission at a traditional hearing on 13-14 April?



Yes



No

YOUR FEEDBACK

Please give us your feedback on the key issues raised in the Consultation Document.

KEY ISSUE – HOW WILL WE PAY FOR WHAT WE NEED – RATES OPTIONS (SEE PAGE 17)

- ☒ **OPTION 1:** Rates increase in year one (2021-22) of 2% + 2.5% Local Government Cost Index (LGCI) + 2% 'catch up'.
Rates increase in years two to ten (2022-31) of 2% + 2.5% LGCI.
- ☐ **OPTION 2:** Limit the rates increase to LGCI plus 2% only across ten years of the Plan

WHY?

Because I beleive in paying to make
thing better- Development!

KEY ISSUE – SPACES FOR GATHERING (SEE PAGE 24)

- ☐ **OPTION 1:** Allocate budget across three sites (Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hihiaua Cultural Centre, and existing facilities at Forum North).
- ☒ **OPTION 2:** Put budget towards only ONE of the following: Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hihiaua Cultural Centre, or existing facilities at Forum North. Please state which site in your comments.
- ☐ **OPTION 3:** Build a Whangarei District Council-owned theatre on the current Forum North site.

WHY?

KEY ISSUE - CLIMATE CHANGE AND SUSTAINABILITY (SEE PAGE 28)

- ☐ **OPTION 1:** Put \$3.7m of new funding towards climate change mitigation and adaptation and waste minimisation.
- ☒ **OPTION 2:** Put \$7.4 of new funding towards climate change mitigation and adaptation and waste minimisation.
- ☐ **OPTION 3:** No new funding towards climate change or waste minimisation.

WHY?

KEY ISSUE - REVITALISING OUR CITY CENTRE (SEE PAGE 32)

- ☐ **OPTION 1:** Spend \$13m to make improvements to James Street and John Street.
- ☒ **OPTION 2:** Spend \$20m to make improvements to James Street and John Street as well as either Robert Street or Cameron Street.
- ☐ **OPTION 3:** No additional funding for the City Centre.

WHY?

Because a transformation of the area between Cameron st & Townbasin is essential. Ultimately I'd love to see all of the buildings on John/James street block bowled and converted to an epic apartment block.

TELL US WHAT YOU THINK – ANY FURTHER COMMENTS ON THE KEY ISSUES OR OTHER POINTS
RAISED IN THE CONSULTATION DOCUMENT

In regard to the theme of the Destination
Playground it would perhaps be appropriate
to use a design theme that reflects
maori culture and native flora and
fauna.

From: Whangarei District Council
Sent: 8 Mar 2021 22:55:21 +0000
To: Mail Room
Subject: Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Tom WEBB - 2021-LTP-SUB-29

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Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Tom WEBB - 2021-LTP-SUB-29

Receipt Number: 2021-LTP-SUB-29

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Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard	No
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at the hearing?	
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Your feedback:

Key issue - How will we pay for what we need - Rates Options (see page 17)	OPTION 1: Rates increase in year one (2021) of 2% + 2.5% Local Government Cost Index (LGCI) + 2% 'catch up'. Rates increase in years two and three (2022-23) of 2% + 2.5% LGCI.
Why?	

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 1: Allocate budget across three sites (Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hihihua Cultural Centre, and existing facilities at Forum North).
Why?	

Key issue - Climate change and sustainability (see page 28)	OPTION 2: Put \$7.4m of new funding towards climate change mitigation and adaptation and waste minimisation.
Why?	

Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	OPTION 3: No additional funding for the city centre.
Why?	

Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points raised in the Consultation document:

In regards to the use of imported hardwood in future Council projects, i believe a review of the "sustainability" of the products is needed.

I sight the following

My thoughts are that locally sourced timber, like totara, would be a more sustainable option. I wonder if they took into consideration felling , transporting, milling, exporting, more transporting into the equation. And all the carbon miles that are associated with that. I personally think it is hypocritical to preach the climate change rhetoric and then use a material that's source is the lungs of the earth (Amazon Basin) and that has to be moved half way around the world...

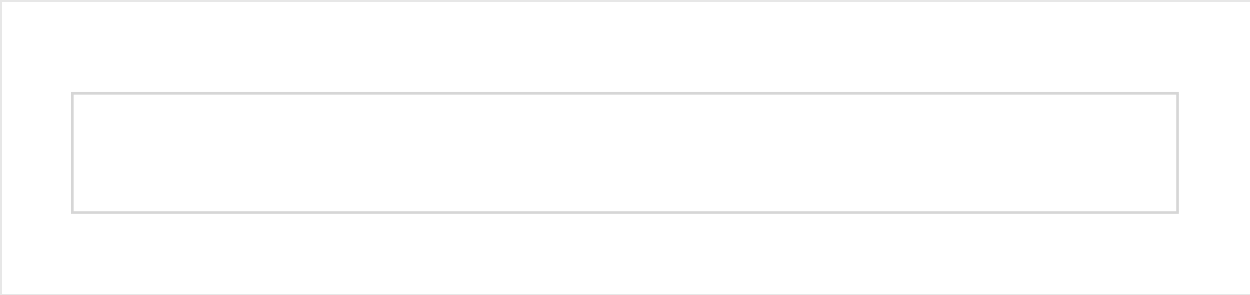
Furthermore, the term sustainable is subjective.

By using local timber sources you get the added bonus of providing jobs to rural communities.

I note the following from Wikipedia regarding Peltogyne, commonly known as purpleheart. "The species of the genus range from southeastern Brazil through northern South America, Panama, Costa Rica, and Trinidad, with the majority of species in the Amazon Basin. P. mexicana is a geographic outlier, native to the Mexican state of Guerrero.[3] Overharvesting has caused several species to become endangered in areas where they were once abundant.[4]"

My personal belief is that, if the Council wants to invest 7.4 million dollars into climate change and waste minimisation they should look at where they source their materials for projects. If the climate change theories are to be believed, then reducing CO2 emissions wherever possible should be the Councils overall goal, whether these CO2 are emitted in NZ or not. The import of South American native timber, like that of purple heart, does not align with this overall goal of reducing CO2 emissions.

It is also my opinion that, if the Council want the general public to be onboard with mitigating CO2 levels wherever possible the Council needs to lead from the front.



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Date 2-3-21

RECEIVED - CUSTOMER SERVICES

10 MAR 2021

WHANGAREI
DISTRICT COUNCIL

(☒ one) ☐ Request for Service ☐ Complaint ☐ Compliment ☒ Suggestion ☐ Other

Customer Name _____

Contact phone no 0210788496 PID No. (If applicable) _____

Email luva@xtra.co.nz

Event place (specific, e.g. directions if rural) One Tree Point Road, Marsden
Bint Road, Port Marsden Highway, Marsden Bay Drive (important
entrance to Marsden Marina), McCathie Road (either end to avoid
power lines), Peter Snell Rd (race course end)

For a Request for Service please ☒ one

- | Water | Waste | Parks | Roading | Misc. | Compliance |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---|---|------------------------------------|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Leak | <input type="checkbox"/> Sewerage | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trees | <input type="checkbox"/> Potholes | <input type="checkbox"/> Graffiti | <input type="checkbox"/> Building Issue |
| <input type="checkbox"/> No Water | <input type="checkbox"/> Stormwater | <input type="checkbox"/> Reserves | <input type="checkbox"/> Grading/Metal | <input type="checkbox"/> Vandalism | <input type="checkbox"/> Pool/Spa/Fencing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Quality | <input type="checkbox"/> Rubbish | <input type="checkbox"/> Mowing | <input type="checkbox"/> Footpaths | <input type="checkbox"/> Other | <input type="checkbox"/> RMA/DP Issue |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pressure | <input type="checkbox"/> Recycling | <input type="checkbox"/> Sports Parks | <input type="checkbox"/> Missing Grates | | <input type="checkbox"/> Post 224C |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other | <input type="checkbox"/> Other | <input type="checkbox"/> Playgrounds | <input type="checkbox"/> Signs | | <input type="checkbox"/> Other |
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| | | | <input type="checkbox"/> Street Lights | | |
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Comments

See attached

Taken by (Please print name if different from the customer name) _____

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WHANGAREI DISTRICT COUNCIL

BREAM BAY (i.e., Ruakaka, One Tree Point) is falling behind other small towns in the area as far as beautification and very necessary wind breaks are concerned.

A drive through Mangawhai with its beautiful plantings proves that it can be done. They have used Norfolk Island Pine trees, which look stunning.

As a newcomer to Ruakaka and now living at Bream Bay Retirement Village, I see many approach roads where tall trees and shrubs can be planted. Marsden City has remained barren for many years and is continually whipped by relentless wind. Trees along the One Tree Point Road would help to reduce the wind battering the Village.

Roads in question are:

One Tree Point Road. Port Marsden Highway. Marsden Bay Drive (important entrance to Marsden Marina). Marsden Point Road

McCathie Road (either end to avoid power lines). Peter Snell Road (race course end).

I also notice gorse is flourishing in many roadside areas as well as in paddocks, plus many other noxious weeds.

The final stretch of metal road to the Ruakaka Race course is beyond description. Residents of Ruakaka should have the right to feel proud of the exceptional assets to offer here.

Trees could be:

Poplar – deciduous, deep rooted, quick growing. Norfolk Island Pine – evergreen, conifer

Californian Pine also.

Pohutakawa - evergreen, quick growing.

Given the years needed to grow mature trees, this should not be considered as a 10 year plan, but a NOW plan with trees purchased now, ready for planting in April 2021.

Luanne Wedgwood, Bream Bay Village, 31/35 Waiwarawara Drive, Ruakaka

From: Whangarei District Council
Sent: 1 Apr 2021 00:57:28 +0000
To: Mail Room
Subject: Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Kelly Maxwell - 2021-LTP-SUB-446

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Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Kelly Maxwell - 2021-LTP-SUB-446

Receipt Number: 2021-LTP-SUB-446

Your details:

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Email:	info@weedaction.org.nz

Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard at the hearing?	Yes
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Your feedback:

Key issue - How will we pay for what we need - Rates Options (see page 17)	
Why?	

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	
Why?	

Key issue - Climate change and sustainability (see page 28)	OPTION 2: Put \$7.4m of new funding towards climate change mitigation and adaptation and waste minimisation.
Why?	Weed Action Native Habitat Restoration Trust is an established community group that operates within the Manaia Ecological District or 'High Value Area' of Whangarei Heads. The Northern Regional Council partially fund us annually from what used to be the Target Rate funds which we use to; oversee pest plant control, provide advice and support weed awareness in the community. Other areas of funding enable us to engage contractors to manage the Parua Bay Privet Buffer alongside some funding for Public Conservation Land, managing NRC Bio-funds and Wilding Pine control projects.

	<p>Weed Action has grown recently and with increased expertise, our team is able to operate at a landscape level to remove more barriers to action. Our team set out to assist private landowners with advice and resources, work with government agencies on public land and setup Weed Action groups on Reserves and Public Conservation Land. The funding received by the NRC allows us to employ a Coordinator and other small contracts have enabled us to setup the Parua Bay Privet Buffer to prevent the spread of tree privet however, many hours are carried out by motivated locals in a voluntary capacity. In the financial year of 2019 - 2020, Weed Action contributed 1376.5 of a total 3962 hours to control serious environmental weeds on Whangarei District Council Reserves and roadsides.</p> <p>One issue we face with increasing frequency is the level of invasion and risk of some serious environmental weeds on WDC land which is beyond the capacity of volunteers.</p> <p>For example:</p> <p>Ritchie Road Reserve</p> <p>Large phoenix palms have invaded this important coastal reserve at Parua Bay. While volunteers are able to control seedlings, larger ones have toxic spines that are very risky to handle.</p> <p>Reotahi Reserve</p> <p>A large area of wild ginger grows on the SE flank on a steep slope that is unsuitable for volunteers to access. We have already had a contractor carry out 20 hours of cut & stump control here, but it needs at least another 20 hours more plus a dedicated commitment of follow-up for the next 6 years.</p> <p>Multiple stands of elaeagnus form a monoculture in a large area and out-compete native trees. Over a short period of time,</p>
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elaeanthus will dominate this reserve if not controlled now and will cost significantly more to control in the future. This weed is high risk for volunteers and beyond their capacity to control in situations where it has formed pure stands. Weed Action can however do any follow up control of seedlings and saplings in the future if we are to work more as a team with WDC.

The Nook

This reserve is in a direct pathway to Bream Head, Reotahi and Mount Manaia. Moth plant, banana passion fruit, taiwan cherry and privet are invading this area. Weed Action has done small amounts of work in an attempt to hold weeds at bay and aim this year to engage the community. To make a meaningful impact on the larger infestations, initial knockdown by WDC contractors will facilitate the follow-up work of volunteers.

Funding:

The funding that we have received from the WDC in the past to support our work has been gratefully accepted and has been put to good use supporting and training volunteers, coordinating working bees and organising contractor weed control for tasks beyond volunteer capabilities; however the funding is not consistent nor regular or adequate for the extent of the problem we face. The guaranteed funding we receive from the NRC provides (part-time) stability for our Coordinator role, which is necessary to make the role attractive to the right person. Guaranteed funding also allows us to plan for subsequent years, something that is crucial for successful weed control.

Weed Action Native Habitat Restoration Trust would like to request that:

	<p>A: In line with WDC's LTP goals to support community initiatives, we request a dedicated sum of \$15,000 pa over the next 3 years is allocated to us to cover our work on WDC reserves and roadsides. This would cover:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continued resourcing for volunteers including; coaching, tools, safety equipment and training courses (Growsafe and First Aid) • Coordination of current groups with a growing volunteer base • Engaging the community and establishing new Weed Action groups on WDC reserves <p>B: Restoring the Native Habitat and improving biodiversity through weed eradication supports WDC's LTP goal to mitigate against Climate Change. Our focus is to halt biodiversity loss on a local level, which reported by the Inter-Governmental Panel of Climate Change (IPCC) is at risk, especially for species that are already classed as 'vulnerable'.</p> <p>We would like to request that WDC dedicate 200 hours to WDC reserves within the Onerahi/Whangarei Heads region. Specialist contractor hours are required so that knockdown of large and difficult environmental weeds can be achieved. Weed Action has gained over the years an in-depth knowledge of the weed issues on WDC reserves and partnering with WDC and having available to us dedicated hours will support Weed Action's work on reserves and ongoing development of a strong community volunteer base. Allocating dedicated hours to environmental weed control would tip the balance of weed invasion in these reserves and greatly enhance mitigation against climate change through improved biodiversity.</p>
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Key issue - Revitalising	
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our city centre (see page 32)	
Why?	

Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points raised in the Consultation document:

From: Whangarei District Council
Sent: 30 Mar 2021 23:08:56 +0000
To: Mail Room
Subject: Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Robyn Bigelow - 2021-LTP-SUB-324

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Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Robyn Bigelow - 2021-LTP-SUB-324

Receipt Number: 2021-LTP-SUB-324

Your details:

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Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard	Yes
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at the hearing?	
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Your feedback:

Key issue - How will we pay for what we need - Rates Options (see page 17)	OPTION 1: Rates increase in year one (2021) of 2% + 2.5% Local Government Cost Index (LGCI) + 2% 'catch up'. Rates increase in years two and three (2022-23) of 2% + 2.5% LGCI.
Why?	

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 1: Allocate budget across three sites (Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hihiaua Cultural Centre, and existing facilities at Forum North).
Why?	

Key issue - Climate change and sustainability (see page 28)	OPTION 2: Put \$7.4m of new funding towards climate change mitigation and adaptation and waste minimisation.
Why?	<p>Whangarei Heads Community Resource Recovery Centre provides WDC with the first pilot opportunity of a community led waste minimization and resource recovery project. Significant community work has gone into developing this center from; design, resource consents, iwi liaison and fundraising. MfE have provided setup funding and the center is ready to operate.</p> <p>Weed Action Native Habitat Restoration Trust will be utilizing the WHCRRC facility to operate from which further aligns with Climate change and sustainability. Weed Action will be providing the community with information about disposing of</p>

	<p>environmental weeds and green waste alongside their work of improving biodiversity through the removal of pest plants that invade and destroy our ecosystems.</p> <p>To achieve WHCRRC and Weed Actions community led objectives we require WDC to commit funding to this project for the next 3 years with a reducing level of funding over 10 years.</p> <p>Alongside the above, Weed Action and the WHCRRC do not support combining the Uniform Annual General Charge and District- Wide Refuse Rate. It is important to maintain transparency and for ratepayers to be able to see in their rate notices what they are being charged for Refuse.</p>
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Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	OPTION 1: Spend \$13m to make improvements to James and John St.
Why?	

Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points raised in the Consultation document:

<p>Weed Action Native Habitat Restoration Trust would like to appeal to council to emphasize mitigations against climate change within the LTP and to support community funding towards organisation and community initiatives that align with this objective.</p>
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From: Whangarei District Council
Sent: 18 Mar 2021 22:48:36 +0000
To: Mail Room
Subject: Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Darin Welford - 2021-LTP-SUB-99

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Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Darin Welford - 2021-LTP-SUB-99

Receipt Number: 2021-LTP-SUB-99

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Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard	No
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at the hearing?	
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Your feedback:

Key issue - How will we pay for what we need - Rates Options (see page 17)	OPTION 1: Rates increase in year one (2021) of 2% + 2.5% Local Government Cost Index (LGCI) + 2% 'catch up'. Rates increase in years two and three (2022-23) of 2% + 2.5% LGCI.
Why?	

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 2: Put budget towards only ONE of the following: Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hīhīāua Cultural Centre, and existing facilities at Forum North.
Why?	I believe to build on what has started on the western side of the Hatea. Other investment could fund Oruku if that proceeds, however I'm concerned that could lead to further detriment of the CBD

Key issue - Climate change and sustainability (see page 28)	OPTION 1: Put \$3.7m of new funding towards climate change mitigation and adaptation and waste minimisation.
Why?	

Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	OPTION 2: Spend \$21m to make improvements to James and John St as well as either Robert St or Cameron Street.
Why?	I've lived here 5yrs now and there has been great progress around the basin, however the CBD remains a talking point.

	<p>I believe a multi storey car park is required on the corner of James and Dent St with over bridge to the basin area. Recent and current developments are stripping the basin of car parking which will be hopefully required when the new centre is opened. Those visitors need to be attracted to the CBD not a passing visit as a detour on the way to BOI.</p> <p>A walkway down into James St from a multi storey could provide that. I'm in support of pedestrianising James St and definitely a shift of markets there, even under cover. James could be the link/thorough fare between the basin and CBD. It would be great if disused office space with potentially great marina views could be converted to hotels (top floor only with reception desk at ground and a lift).</p> <p>Revitalisation of the CBD is a priority and an opportunity exists to provide ease of movement with boutique type accommodation. Rate holidays or other incentives could encourage investment for hotels as well as other businesses which have proven to struggle. Long term to see historic buildings facades refurbished and more uniform facades would benefit the area. Also central city re zoning and living.</p> <p>I believe any successful city has a heart to the city and retains a historical or "old town" precinct.</p> <p>I tried to view the CityCore information but was unable.</p> <p>Hopefully some of the above is covered in that plan.</p> <p>So to summarise, a multi storey car park with over bridge to the basin, walkway down to James St being pedestrianised, CBD boutique hotels making use of empty space and views. That may attract visitors to stay in the CBD and aid its regeneration.</p>
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Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points

raised in the Consultation document:

My main points have been raised in regards to CBD revitalisation. The completed and current projects are making great changes for Whangarei.

On a separate note I believe freedom campers need to be encouraged to visit the area. They bring some culture, seasonal staff, and spend in the area. Bans on overnight camping may not reduce crowding at peak season in coastal car parks. It would be great for designated areas to exist with amenities. Since the holiday season has finished there have been a reduced number of campers noticeable here on the coast. Parking is only ever a slight issue in peak season and a short walk to the beach should not be a problem. A cleanup occurred at the lookout area approx 4wks ago. Since then the verges are starting to show discarded waste again which I believe is a locals issue, as are coastal bins scattered with rubbish. If these last comments are not related to this form please extract and forward to the relevant office.

Regards, Darin

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Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Theresa Wells - 2021-LTP-SUB-357

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Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard	No
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Your feedback:

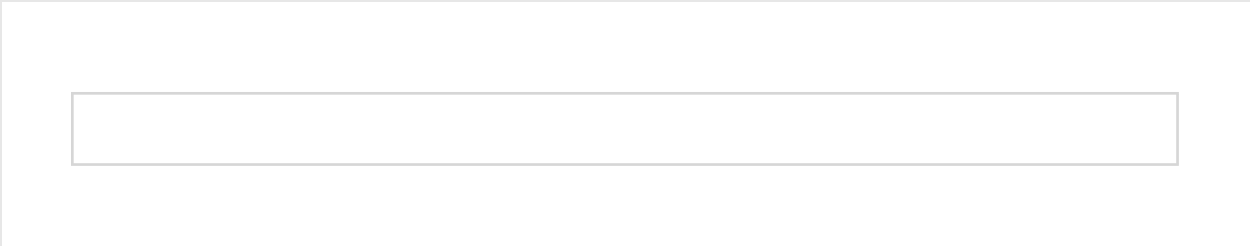
Key issue - How will we pay for what we need - Rates Options (see page 17)	OPTION 2: Limit the rates increase to LGCI plus 2% only in years one to three
Why?	

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 3: Build a Whangarei District Council-owned theatre on the current Forum North site.
Why?	Then our local performers have a place to share their talent and travelling shows can visit the north.

Key issue - Climate change and sustainability (see page 28)	OPTION 1: Put \$3.7m of new funding towards climate change mitigation and adaptation and waste minimisation.
Why?	

Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	OPTION 1: Spend \$13m to make improvements to James and John St.
Why?	

Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points raised in the Consultation document:



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Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard	Yes
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Your feedback:

Key issue - How will we pay for what we need - Rates Options (see page 17)	
Why?	

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 2: Put budget towards only ONE of the following: Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hihiaua Cultural Centre, and existing facilities at Forum North.
Why?	<p>Albeit I have ticked option 2 my focus is on Hihiaua. I would like to see Hihiaua be allocated more funds than currently. the rationale for this is as follow:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1.Stage 1 Hihiaua has proved its relevance to the community and a robust sustainability model. 2.Stage 1 has had outstanding recognitional success in winning national architectural awards and business awards. In addition the community of Region have given it the tick of acceptance by the frequency of use demanded. 3.Stage 2 of Hihiaua is the right demographic fit for the Whangarei/ Northland Region. Whangarei, and indeed the Northland region, is not wealthy and has a substantial Maori and youth demographic. 4.Oruku should not need the financial input of public money and certainly not be underwritten by Public money. WDC should not be involved in the set up of a hotel.

	<p>5.Hihiaua's focus has been a centric focus of community first without a reliance upon the pre-covid model of the offshore market. No dependency on the now uncertain offshore market.</p> <p>6.Any building of an events center that does not focus strongly on youth, is nibble to changes in demand and what is relevant to youth will end up a monument to historical use. Hihiaua will not be this.</p>
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Key issue - Climate change and sustainability (see page 28)	
Why?	

Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	
Why?	

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Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard at the hearing?	No
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Your feedback:

Key issue - How will we pay for what we need - Rates Options (see page 17)	
Why?	

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 1: Allocate budget across three sites (Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hihiaua Cultural Centre, and existing facilities at Forum North).
Why?	

Key issue - Climate change and sustainability (see page 28)	
Why?	

Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	
Why?	

Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points raised in the Consultation document:



Whananaki Beach Residents & Ratepayers Association Inc.

30th March 2021

Submission to Whangarei District Council LTP

Whananaki's population is rising due to becoming a favourable place for people to reside permanently as well as a very popular holiday destination, so the Whananaki Beach Residents and Ratepayers Association Inc. (WBRRRA) wish to be considered for the following submissions in the Long Term Plan 2021 -31.

Walkway from the Whananaki School/Hall to the beginning of Rockell Road

Previous LTP submissions have been about **WALKING** between The Whananaki Hall/School areas on the Whananaki North Rd to the beginning of Rockell Rd and includes walking access to the historic Whananaki Wharf.

This submission draws attention to the following:

PEDISTRIAN SAFETY and the absence of **safe and accessible** walking pathways in particular on Whananaki North road extending onto Rockell Road beginning at the Whananaki Hall/School area. At present in most areas on this section people are left with no option but to walk on the road presenting a danger to themselves and a hazard to motorists.

Whananaki is an extremely popular holiday destination and is well known for its stunning Beach's and Estuary. Is there a better way to really appreciate this stunning environment than walking? [Not to mention the well promoted health benefits of course.]

In this submission we have four specific areas defined under "LOCATION" that need attention.

Images showing section of road between the Whananaki Emergency services Centre and the Whananaki Hall/School



LOCATION:

Approximately 400 metres of road as indicated finishing at Wharf Road.

Very difficult section of road for pedestrians. Road verge interspersed with driveways, culverts, deep water channels and general obstructions.

Forces people to walk on the road as the only option.

SOLUTION: Dedicated pedestrian footpath on the estuary side of the road



	<u>Location</u>	Issue		Solutions	Pros and Cons
1	Rockell Rd Beginning at Wharf Road for 300mtrs up the hill past the Bachs	Very narrow, parked cars, blind spots. One accident recently involving a child on a bicycle.	1 2 3 4	<p>1 Create footpath on roadway</p> <p>2 Create footpath on road reserve bank</p> <p>3 Speed Restrictions (seasonal) combined with traffic calming measures such as chicane and road humps.</p> <p>4 Use adjacent private land above the road to construct a safe pathway</p>	<p>1. Lack of space</p> <p>2. Would separate pedestrians from traffic</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Lack of space -Very difficult to construct -Would people use path? <p>3. Low Cost</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -All pedestrians would benefit -How effective? <p>4. Possibly the only solution.</p> <p>Do-able but expensive = purchase of land and topography</p>





LOCATION:

Whananaki Wharf Road – access to the Historic Whananaki Wharf.

The Wharf is a popular destination for fishing and general recreation, but the access is tidal and treacherous due to erosion and past quarry workings.

The proposal is for an approximately 200 metre all tide pathway that could be constructed to blend in with the existing marine landscape. Rock to match the existing would be used as the outer wall to counter the action of the tide and back filled for the path/walking surface with appropriate material.

The native bush would provide a beautiful canopy and back drop to this path.



Sealing of Rockell Road

Rockell Road has been a submission several times, requesting that it is consider for an extension of the seal from Otamure Bay to Rockell Shores. Whananaki has more and more people becoming permanent residents due to changing times and people leaving the cities. Rockell Road has bad corrugation and is constantly in need of repair, especially after the summer season, hence making the journey for the permanent resident dangerous. A few points to consider,

- Public safety
- The road is seriously dangerous and below the minimum standard required on a popular public road, which in the past has been the cause of many accidents.
- The road is too narrow, in places too narrow to accommodate two vehicles.
- There are many blind corners and poor visibility.
- Serious corrugation impacting on people's ability to control their vehicles and driving on the wrong side of the road.
- Inadequate maintenance, and clearing of gutters and culverts, which causes road erosion and rutting.
- Dust pollution
- Ludicrous speed limit – 100km !!
- Inadequate road safety signage.
- Bigger vehicles travelling on the road due to recreational sports, whether it be day trippers or local residents/bach owners.

Further consultation with the WBRRA would be appreciated.

Sea Wall – From the Corner of Wharf Road to – 2318 Whananaki North Road.

WBRRA have written to WDC re: the repair of the sea wall and have been advised that it should be included in the LTP 2021 – 31. Please refer to the attached photos showing the state of the wall and how urgent work is required to retain and protect this area from further erosion towards the road. This area is used by locals and day trippers to sit and enjoy the wonderful view and access to the estuary. Unfortunately, the previous work of retaining and stopping the erosion has either been washed away or undermined, hence we have the situation of old tyres being washed into the estuary and the ocean which is not environmentally friendly.

Below are photos of the state of the area.



Wharf Restoration

The Whananaki Wharf was erected in 1926, and a well know icon and a recreational destination for many, whether it is fishing or jumping off the wharf at full tide.

WDC have employed Freyssinet to complete an assessment on the wharf and it is understood that the WDC will have a direction for the repairs of the Wharf on the 22nd April 2021. I am including this in the LTP, so the repairs are not overlooked. Shaun Dixon of WDC is our contact for the Wharf repairs. The community have raised a small amount of money to help with the repairs or beautifying the surrounding area.

Recreation Reserve – Due to two subdivisions being established and more people residing in Whananaki permanently, this would ensure the area would have a green area for sports in the future.

Submission to

Whangārei District Council's Long Term Plan



Whangārei Art Museum

Te Manawa Toi

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Introduction

"A constantly innovative, creative community based on our unique cultural heritage and landscape, makes Whangārei a vibrant, attractive and thriving district."

- Whangārei Culture & Heritage Strategy 2019 – 2029

As Whangārei evolves its sense of identity during a period of unprecedented growth and development, clever positioning of its cultural assets will provide powerful communication of the city's uniqueness and desirability, enabling it to compete with other cities for new residents and visitor attention. Whangārei Art Museum plays a key role in **revitalising our city centre**, encouraging residents from diverse backgrounds to feel **proud to be local** and **positive about the future**. Every day, Whangārei Art Museum connects the people of our region to the uplifting experience of art.

Whangārei Art Museum

Te Manawa Toi

An art collection worth \$8.2Million

Whangārei Art Museum *Te Manawa Toi* (WAM) is a vital part of the cluster of attractions at the Town Basin. As Northland's public art gallery, it plays a pivotal role in supporting Whangārei District Council's delivery of art and culture. On behalf of the city, WAM cares for an art collection which has recently been valued at **\$8.2Million** (*Art & Antique Valuation Service*, 23 November 2020). The art collection is more than 80% owned by WDC.

Art Museums offer cultural and economic benefits

Art Museums are an exciting and dynamic area of growth in provincial hubs. Nelson, Palmerston North, New Plymouth and Wanganui Councils have all made significant investments in this sector - delivering benefits in return. A year after it opened, the Len Lye Centre pumped \$7.4million into the New Plymouth economy. [rnz.co.nz/news/national/343574/controversial-gallery-contributes-7-point-4m-to-new-plymouth](https://www.rnz.co.nz/news/national/343574/controversial-gallery-contributes-7-point-4m-to-new-plymouth)

History of WAM's Location

In preparation for the 2011 Rugby World Cup, as part of a legacy project to beautify the city, WAM was shifted from the Rose Gardens to its current location. With little budget available and only months to complete the task, WDC's Governance and Management teams initiated and oversaw the shift, using recycled facilities from the previous location, including the air conditioning. In its new location, WAM had no lobby, and was placed behind an iSite which sells bus tickets and promotes local attractions.

The iSite is relocating

We understand that our neighbours, the iSite team, will be relocating to Clapham Clocks by the end of 2021. This means that WAM will become the sole occupant of the Hub premises. We need to prepare for that moment with museum-standard facilities and an attractive, visible entry. With your help, we can deliver an asset which will catalyse benefits for the city, helping people feel positive about the future and proud about a core community asset.

Visitor Numbers are Increasing

Every day, WAM connects the people of our region to the experience of art. WAM is open seven days a week, and despite the lack of funding and visibility, has determinedly built visitor numbers by 44% from 12,630 to 19,250 over the last four years. If not for the Covid lockdown, we would have reached 20,000+.

Greater numbers will unlock funding from public charities, which is predicated on visitation.

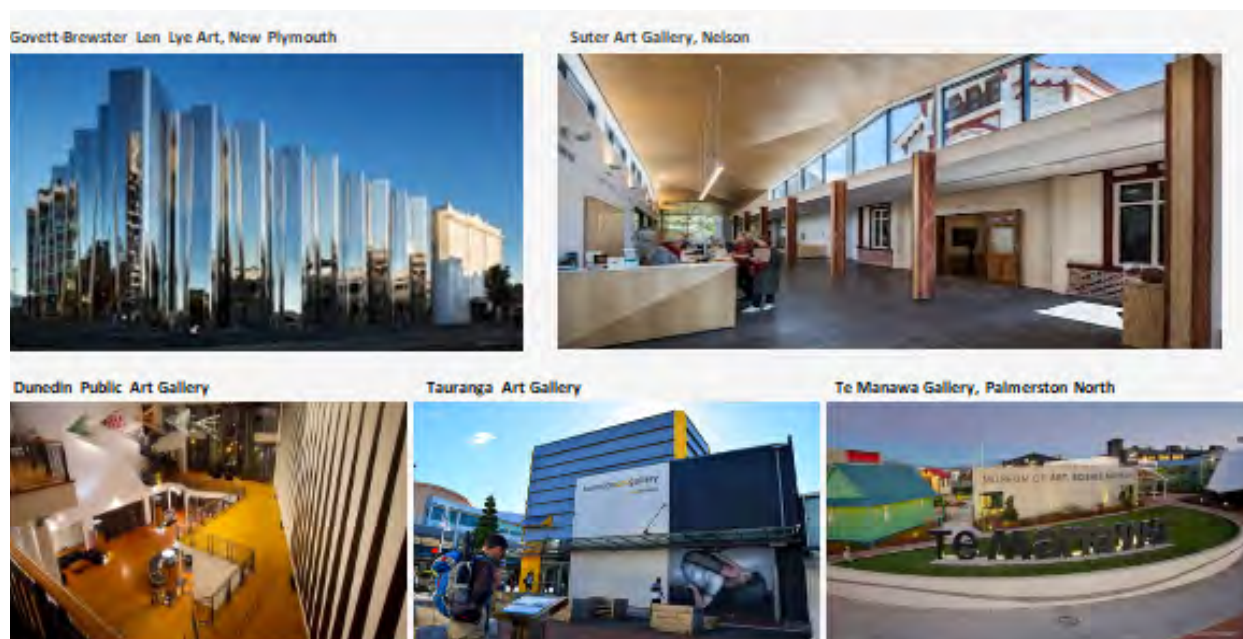
Lowest-funded regional art gallery in NZ

"Whangārei Art Museum is the lowest funded regional art gallery in New Zealand" noted the 2016 Report by Martin Jenkins, commissioned by Council. WAM receives \$579k (\$408K plus \$171k in rent

subsidy) annually from WDC and is struggling to deliver its remit. The average operating expenditure of New Zealand museums and galleries is \$3.2Million (Museums Aotearoa statistics).

OPEX	Gallery	Council annual OPEX	Council contribution
\$5.3M	Govett-Brewster Len Lye	\$166M New Plymouth	\$5.3M
\$1.5M	Tauranga Art Gallery	\$261M Tauranga	\$997K
\$3.7M	Te Manawa Museum	\$141M Palmerston North	\$3.1M
\$1.46M*	Suter Art Gallery	\$111M Nelson	\$573K
\$4.1M	Dunedin Public Art Gallery	\$277M Dunedin	\$3.9M
\$623K	Whangārei Art Museum	\$149M Whangārei	\$408K + \$171K rent subsidy

*Suter also earns revenue from shop, cinema, classes, venue hire



Imperiled by lack of visibility and dilapidated facilities

WAM has no direct interface with the public, no external visibility, almost no staff workspace, limited storage for a growing, valuable art collection, and **a failing air-conditioning system which this year has caused the cancellation by Te Papa of a significant international exhibition (Auguste Rodin)**. Once the Hundertwasser Art Centre opens, WAM's problems will be more evident when compared to the facilities of its brand-new, purpose-built neighbour.

Facilities - WAM desperately needs to upgrade and provide regular maintenance for our facilities to future-proof our operation. Our HVAC system has failed and must be replaced. Without a functioning system, WAM is unable to operate as the custodian of the Council's art collection. By not having adequate climate control, **we are jeopardizing the conservation and preservation of the city's art collection** for future generations. *See Appendix below for why WAM's system must urgently be upgraded.*

Visibility - Visitors to the Town Basin who have the specific goal of visiting WAM, routinely struggle to find it - even when they are standing in the foyer of the building. When the iSite moves out of the building, we will need to make modifications to retrofit the space, to produce signage, to properly promote our activity and to boost our exhibitions.



WAM's entrance



WAM's exterior

Our request

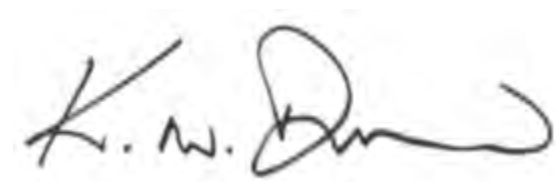
Replace the air conditioning, enable visibility and support the ongoing sustainability of a significant community asset via:

1. **\$200,000 (estimate from Kensington Refrigeration) one off grant to fix the air conditioning, so we may safeguard the future of the Council's \$8.2Million art collection**
2. **\$100,000 p.a. increase to our annual grant from 2021/22 FY** to improve our visibility, and to upgrade and maintain basic facilities. We will be able to deliver an education programme. A more visible gallery will increase engagement by locals and visitors, as well as positive word-of-mouth for the region's attractions. Please enable us to adequately care for the collection and present exhibitions that match the quality of other NZ Public Art Museums.

If we do not fix the basics, WAM will be unable to deliver on its purpose.

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission. We request assistance to future-proof the success of Whangārei Art Museum, and to preserve the city's valuable art collection.

Yours sincerely



Kathleen Drumm

Chief Executive

Hātea Art Precinct

Hundertwasser Art Centre – Wairau Māori Art Gallery – Whangārei Art Museum

Appendix

Status of Whangārei Art Museum's air conditioning

Relative Humidity (RH) Parameters for Artworks

In order to both prevent permanent damage to Whangārei Art Museum's art collection and adequately care for loaned artworks, WAM must demonstrate that the galleries and the collection store maintain a humidity level which meets international requirements. For example, touring exhibitions from places like Te Papa stipulate specific RH requirements in line with industry standards. This ensures that (like the artwork in our own collection) the art that they lend us is protected from permanent damage while on display. **Te Papa recently cancelled a scheduled Rodin exhibition at WAM for this very reason.**

WAM's art collection was recently valued at \$8.2Million (*Antique & Art*, November 2020), which is an increase of approximately \$5Million since its previous valuation. In order to adequately care for this appreciating asset, we are required to have industry-standard climate control. Not having this will significantly impact our ability to insure the collection against damage.

Following the implementation of more-regular measuring methods, we have identified that the climate control system (designed for WAM in 2011 out of recycled materials), does not comply with industry standards for either the storage or the exhibiting of artworks. The implications for the City's art collection, for which we are charged with caring, are concerning. By not having adequate climate control, we are jeopardizing the conservation and preservation of the City's collection for future generations. The result of not providing adequate climate control is that we cannot store artworks at WAM. **Effectively, we are not able to operate.**

Background

In 2011, as part of a legacy project to beautify the city ahead of the Rugby World Cup and bring arts to the Town Basin, WAM was shifted from the Rose Gardens to the waterfront. At the time, there were no independent Trustees on the Board, and decisions were made by Council to maximise budgetary efficiencies within a very tight timeframe. The result was WAM having no direct interface with the public, no external visibility, no staff area, limited storage for a valuable art collection, and an air conditioning system (HVAC) constructed from recycled materials.

WAM galleries were designed for a 60% RH +/- 5%. These should be 55% RH +/- 5%. These parameters were mistakenly implemented when the Museum was established at the Town Basin in 2011.

The climate control system is not performing *even to the setting designed for WAM* (60% +/-5%). WAM's current readings fail to comply with institutional requirements for climate control when loaning art works. In the last three months, relative humidity readings exceeded these parameters, reaching as high as 75.9% and as low as 41.3%. The same is true for the Collections Store with readings as high as 80%, which is the same as storing the Collection outside of the building.

What this means for WAM, WDC and the people of Northland

1. WAM will not be able to borrow and exhibit artworks from NZ institutions or international providers in the foreseeable future.
2. Most upcoming exhibitions will have to be cancelled.
3. We will suffer reputational damage due to the condition of our galleries.
4. WAM's \$8.2 Million collection is not being adequately cared for and will deteriorate over time.

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Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard at the hearing?	Yes
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Your feedback:

Key issue - How will we pay for what we need - Rates Options (see page 17)	
Why?	

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	
Why?	

Key issue - Climate change and sustainability (see page 28)	
Why?	

Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	
Why?	

Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points raised in the Consultation document:

Thanks for the opportunity to make a submission. A detailed proposal will be emailed to Council via: mailroom@wdc.govt.nz

LONG TERM PLAN 2021-31 FEEDBACK FORM

**THE CLOSING DATE FOR FEEDBACK IS
THURSDAY 1 APRIL 2021**



Details

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Wish to be Heard? Yes

TELL US WHAT YOU THINK – FURTHER COMMENTS ON THE KEY ISSUES OR OTHER POINTS RAISED IN THE CONSULTATION DOCUMENT

We request that the Whangarei District Council include funding within its LTP (Stormwater) to pipe a council owned and operated open drain that flows through the Whangarei Boys' High school property.

The drain receives water from residential properties along Manse Street and Kent Rd, the cycleway, and commercial properties around Hall Ave and Mansfield Terrace.

The drain:

- directly impacts the ability of the school to fully utilise its property, with the drain dividing the school fields practically in half;
- Poses a hazard to the 1,250 students at the school in the form of open stagnant water and steep sided banks;
- Compromises the use of school facilities due to set back distances from the drain and width of the channel;
- Poses a drowning risk, particularly when in flood.
- Limit's student sporting opportunities due to its impact on the sports fields.

The school has served the township of Whangarei for over 100 years and continues to support the district, with a current roll of over 1,250 students, and as an employer with over 60 staff.

The Ministry of Education is currently funding a major upgrade to the school, in excess of \$50m, generating employment for Whangarei residents and providing for the future education of children within the district.

The Ministry has also made commitments to address impacts of council stormwater on the schools property, putting in infrastructure to collect a piped discharge from Hall Ave that currently flows onto the rugby fields.

We understand that the budgets for Council are limited however its current LTP budget for stormwater level of service improvements of \$0.3m in year 2022 stands out as insufficient for a total stormwater asset value of \$220m and a rapidly growing community. This low investment is in contrast with other general rate funded activities such as Transport (\$15m), and community facilities (\$23m).

Council has provided for stormwater improvements in the past to address problems of a similar nature, such as \$546k allocated in its 2018 LTP to install pipes in Teal Bay. We anticipate this project to be of a lesser quantum.

We look forward to presenting to you.

Yours faithfully

Don Robertson

Chair, Whangarei Boys' High School Board of Trustees

Figure 1 The Council drain dividing the sports fields.



Figure 2

The council drain looking upstream from Whangarei Intermediate School



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Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard at the hearing?	Yes
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Your feedback:

Key issue - How will we pay for what we need - Rates Options (see page 17)	
Why?	

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 3: Build a Whangarei District Council-owned theatre on the current Forum North site.
Why?	We have an auditorium that seats 1300. We don't need an auditorium

Key issue - Climate change and sustainability (see page 28)	OPTION 2: Put \$7.4m of new funding towards climate change mitigation and adaptation and waste minimisation.
Why?	

Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	OPTION 3: No additional funding for the city centre.
Why?	

Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points raised in the Consultation document:

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Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard	Yes
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at the hearing?	
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Your feedback:

Key issue - How will we pay for what we need - Rates Options (see page 17)	
Why?	

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 3: Build a Whangarei District Council-owned theatre on the current Forum North site.
Why?	<p>Whangarei still does not have a fit-for-purpose theatre complex suitable for larger-sized audiences, or a venue that suits a wider range of entertainment options. The current venues - Capitaine Bougainville Theatre and Kotahitanga Exhibition Hall - are suitable only for smaller sized productions, and particular community events. The Whangarei Film Society are fully supportive of the theatre project developed by the Forum North Trust 2013, as it will provide Whangarei with a theatre venue that will attract a wide range of events - theatrical productions, visits from national and international arts groups eg: the NZ Ballet, NZ Symphony orchestra, kapa haka performances/competitions, conference facilities etc - that a city with an estimated 100,000 people needs for cultural purposes and to support local businesses. We believe that a new theatre complex and a refurbishment of the existing Forum North venues for smaller sized community events (like the weekly film nights held by the Whangarei Film Society) will position this area as a vital cultural hub due to its location and proximity to</p>

the CBD. A revitalisation of this area in central Whangarei is long overdue and the addition of a theatre complex with associated cafe/restaurants etc would bring people into the city centre, particularly at nighttimes and at weekends, that would add buzz and colour to our city. A theatre would be another opportunity to showcase our unique setting and existing structures eg: the Camera Obscura, Hihiaua Cultural Centre and Te Matau a Pohe.

The Whangarei Film Society (WFS) were disappointed that the WDC chose to overlook funding of a theatre in July 2020, opting to assist a private property organisation in constructing a hotel/conference and events centre. In building a multi-purpose events centre (as is proposed), it is unlikely that it will be able to offer raked seating, rehearsal rooms, stage lighting rigs, a trap and other requirements that a theatre would offer the people of the Whangarei region.

The WFS are fully supportive of Forum North being developed into a distinctive entertainment centre / theatre complex and we are happy to speak for this option in the upcoming submissions.

Parking is already available and is a revenue stream that could support any development at the existing Forum North site.

Key issue - Climate change and sustainability (see page 28)	
Why?	

Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	OPTION 2: Spend \$21m to make improvements to James and John St as well as either Robert St or Cameron Street.
Why?	To support businesses in the central business district and to integrate the central streets with other central city streets - eg: Rust Ave, Bank St (city area).

Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points raised in the Consultation document:

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Submission to Whangarei District Council's – LTP (2021 – 2031)

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We wish to be heard in support of this submission at the traditional hearing **but** are only available on Tuesday 13th April and would appreciate if we could be given time on that day.

The Whangarei Head Citizens Association (WHCA) welcomes the opportunity to work with the Whangarei District Council to building a long-term plan that enables us to create a more inclusive, resilient and sustainable Whangārei.

The last 10 years has seen significant growth in the Whangārei Heads area. More people and businesses have moved to the area, new houses have been built and new jobs have been created. It is a popular tourist destination both with local, national and international visitors. Locations such as Parua Bay have seen some of the highest population increases over the past 5 years and modelling forecasts show this sustained growth will likely continue. As we look towards the next ten years it is important that the Whangarei Heads community are part of the process, kept well informed and involved in decisions to guide sustainable growth to meet current and future needs of the community.

The Whangārei District Growth Model sets out a forecast for population change over the next 30 years. It forecasts the change in the number of dwellings and other demographic and household trends and is used to inform the 2021-31 Long Term Plan, its supporting documents and planning decision making.

The forecast for Parua Bay / Pataua-Whareora-Bream Head predicts an increase of 564 residents and 303 dwellings over the next 10 years (2021-2031).

Despite significant and continued growth within the Whangarei Heads area, the draft LTP does not identify what funding support will be made in infrastructure, facilities, services and community-led projects to manage and cater for the current and future growth within our community. Revitalising our rural and coastal communities is equally important as revitalising our City Centre.

As stated in the LTP, Council can only fund so much. It needs to work within its financial constraints to deliver the facilities, services and infrastructure that bring the most benefit to the most people for the greatest length of time.

Therefore, the WHCA would ask that priority is given to investing in and improving existing assets, infrastructure and services within the Whangarei Heads area that would enable and include:

- safer roads including the repair, sealing and upgrading of a number of roads
- development of much needed pull over bays
- development of cycle ways and footpaths
- better transport options

- increased funding for community-led initiatives and projects including the Whangarei Heads Community Resource Recovery Charitable Trust's Community Resource Recovery Centre in Parua Bay
- improved wastewater management to accommodate increase in growth and demands and protect natural environments, communities and waterways especially in low lying coastal areas.
- more emphasis and priority placed on preserving and enhancing the Whangarei Heads community sense of place
- significant upgrades of local community halls and facilities
- further development and maintaining of parks and reserves including upgrading walkways and additional support for weed and pest control in these areas
- increase recreational and/or play areas for children

In response to key questions in the LTP Consultation Document our response is as follows:

1. Rates Options

We support option 2: Limit the rates increase to LGCI plus 2% only across ten years of the plan.

Council's preferred option is to increase:

- general rates +6.5% (year 1), +4.5% year (each year from year 2 – 10)
- removing early payment discount of 2% (for some residents this will result in an 8.5% increase)
- wastewater rates 6.5% (year 1), + 4.5% (year 2 and 3), +2.5% (year 4 – 10)
- water rates +2.5% each year
- rubbish collection \$.20 per 65 ltr bag (year 1) (it is unclear if increases year 2 – 10 due to removal of refuse targeted rate)

Combined, the above increases will result in significant increases for ratepayers, with the highest increase occurring in year one. As the LTP is reviewed and can be revised in year 3 additional increases to be reviewed in year 3 in conjunction with community consultation.

2. Borrowing More

The amount of debt outlined in the 2021 –31 LTP is forecast to increase 119m to reach a projected peak of \$361m compared to a peak of \$242m in the 2018-28 LTP. We support keeping debt to a minimum.

3. Spaces for Gathering

We support option 2 and to only provide \$5m, starting in Year 2 of the LTP, to Hihiaua Cultural Centre to support its continued development as a community landing space and a unique centre of Māori arts and cultural excellence.

This is an ambitious LTP plan with significant capital projects. Due to high levels of uncertainties around the impacts of Covid-19, Climate Change, predicted growth in the District and capacity of local contractors we support a more cautious approach with a focus on investing in existing assets, improving infrastructure and not increasing debt.

4. **Climate Change and Waste Minimisation**
We support option 2 to provide funding \$740K per annum over 10 years towards climate change and waste minimisation. As outlined in the LTP, sea level rise, drought and flooding are all important issues that could have significant social, economic and environmental impacts on the Whangarei Heads residents, community and District. It is important to outline of the \$740K what percentage of these funds will be spent on Climate Change and what will be spent on Waste Minimisation.
5. **Revitalising city centre**
Option 3 – no additional funding for city centre. Because this is proposed to funded by increase in debt of \$13M
6. **Cycleways and Shared Pathways**
The LTP includes allocation of \$37m to improving cycleways and shared paths for Kamo, Raumanga, City Centre and Bream Bay dependent on subsidies from Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency. The development of cycleways and shared paths within the Whangarei Heads area is important and requires allocation of funding in this LTP. Enabling the safe walking and cycling for children, community and visitors will have significant health, environment and economic benefits and help reduce the growing demands on existing roads due to increase in population and visitors and assist council meet their climate change commitments and obligations.
7. **Riverside Drive/Onerahi Road**
Council has budgeted in the LTP to upgrade the existing road or the alternative of a bypass could also be considered. We have not been involved in or are unaware of any community consultation regarding either of these options and would request that this is done prior to any decisions and/or work commencing.
8. **Northland Events Centre**
We support Council's preferred option to move to a full trust model for the Northland Events Centre and increase Council's annual financial contributions from \$305k to \$670K. The Northland Events Centre is a great asset and we should continue to invest in and upgrade existing infrastructure vs borrowing for new projects at this time. However, we would like additional information on the proposed new Trust/structure including projected revenue and/or expenses relating to this facility.
9. **Combining the Uniform Annual General Charge and District-Wide Refuse Rate**
We do not support combining the Uniform Annual General Charge and District- Wide Refuse Rate. It is important to maintain transparency and for ratepayers to be able to see in their rate notices what they are being charged for both refuse and general charges.

Whangarei Heads Community Resource Recovery Charitable Trust Submission to WDC Long Term Plan (2021 – 2031)

Background

The proposal to establish Whangarei's first Community Resource Recovery Centre (CRRC) in response to the closure of the Parua Bay Transfer Station was initiated in August 2018. The aim of the CRRC is to provide resource recovery solutions and education on waste minimisation for the Whangarei Heads Community. General waste will continue to be provided for by kerbside collections and will not be accepted at the CRRC. The CRRC's focus is to provide services to support the reduction, re-purposing, re-using and recycling of a range of materials including appliances, electronic waste and building materials. The CRRC will also be used as a base of operations for the Weed Action Whangarei Heads group and will provide information and educational workshops for community regarding sustainable resource use, responsible means of managing green and food waste, weed eradication and waste minimisation initiatives.

The last 2 ½ years has involved a substantial amount of community in-kind contributions and support from a wide range of organisations, individuals and includes funding support from the Whangarei District Council of which the Trust is very grateful.

To operate the CRRC at 35 Pataua Road alongside the commercial operation of Whangarei Heads Landscaping Supply Ltd requires a resource consent. An application was lodged on 30th April 2020 and publicly notified on 21st August. A total of 94 submissions were received and the majority, 81 were in support of the application including the Onerahi Residents Association, Pataua Ratepayers & Residents Association, Ocean Beach Residents Association, Urquharts Bay Residents Association and the Whangarei Heads Citizens Association.

The hearing was held in Council Chambers on 13th November. The Trust as part of the hearing process provided an array of technical evidence from six professional people and experienced experts and the evidence, which was unchallenged, showed without exception that the adverse effects of the proposed activities are, or can be mitigated to be, minor or less than minor.

Trustees and supporters were pleased to receive the decision by Independent Commissioner Alan Withy on the 24th November that 'positive effects' arising from operation of the proposal are relevant and the proposal is sound and should be consented.

On the 10th December the Trust received notification that one party opposing the application lodged an appeal with the Environment Court to have the resource consent overturned. Following Court facilitated mediation; the parties have reached agreement on a proposal to resolve the appeal.

Funding

WHCRRCT has been successful with an application for funding support of \$189,000 from the Ministry for Environment Waste Minimisation Fund, \$46,411 from WDC Community Emergency Recovery Fund and \$5,000 from the Glass Packaging Forum. These funds will enable the Trust to establish the new site, purchase all buildings and equipment required, employ staff, recruit and train volunteers and operate the centre to July 2021 as outlined in our business plan.

Our submission to the LTP is to secure funding of \$135,000 per annum to ensure the efficient and effective operation of the CRRC to deliver community benefits and assist Council to achieve its goals and targets outlined in the Waste Minimisation and Management Plan (2017).

The Trust would like to acknowledge the significant contributions with over \$150,000 of in-kind contributions (including Henderson Reeves in providing pro bono services of consultant Colleen Prendergast in assisting us with our resource consent application), input and support received from community, mana whenua, local organisations and funding support of \$48,000 from Council, \$189,000 from the Ministry for the Environment and \$5,000 from the Glass Packaging Forum that has enabled the Trust to get to this stage. Many challenges have been overcome to date, and Council's ongoing support is essential and very much appreciated.

Waste is not just a council issue - it is a community issue and we need to work collectively to find practical and cost-effective solutions.

Please find attached the WHCRRCT Business Plan.

WHCRRCT Trustees
Melissa Arseneault
Robyn Bigelow
Emma Owles

Business plan for Whangarei Heads Community Resource Recovery Charitable Trust (WHCRRCT)

Date: February 2020

Revised: August 2020

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Executive summary

New Zealanders are rightly concerned about the waste produced in our country. The Ministry for the Environment is aware of the major impact of waste; it contributes five percent of New Zealand's greenhouse gas emissions and pollution is impacting on our land, lakes, rivers, coasts and oceans.

Products also have significant impacts on climate, ecosystems, water, air and communities. These impacts are not visible when we purchase a product and they often happen in other countries. However when we use products for short periods of time and dispose of them to landfill we are putting pressure on our planet's systems. We are also wasting valuable resources that could be recovered and reused.

The Government has recently signalled a number of steps to move towards a circular economy including a review of the waste levy, the introduction of mandatory product stewardship (including packaging) and the implementation of a container deposit scheme.

Locally, within Whangarei Heads, there is a predicted increase in population and tourist/visitor numbers. With the closure of the Parua Bay Transfer Station, (April 2019) the setting up of Whangarei's first Community-led and operated Resource Recovery Centre (CRRC) is well timed to deliver a new approach to waste minimisation with a focus on zero waste to landfill.

To achieve this goal will require a coordinated approach from Council, community and local businesses and most importantly a change in how our community thinks about waste and the consequences if we do not reduce waste. Waste is more than a council issue - it is a community issue. A CRRC will engage, inform and inspire the Whangarei Heads community to work collectively and find practical and cost-effective solutions to reduce waste to landfill.

A focus on the reduction, repair, re-use and recycling of waste and responsible management of green waste as well as educating the community on sustainable resource use, will provide significant benefits to community and the environment and assist council to achieve their goals and targets outlined in the Waste Minimisation and Management Plan (2017).

The CRRC would be developed alongside Whangarei Heads Landscape and Supplies aggregate and landscaping business at 35 Pataua South Road, Parua Bay. This is an ideal site that is easily accessible by rural communities, local schools, businesses and a short distance to Whangarei City. A CRRC is considered a commercial activity in the district plan rules and with funding support from Whangarei District Council waste levies fund a resource consent application and business plan has been prepared.

Consultation with local community and mana whenua was a priority for this project. After an initial consultation Hui the Trustees have been working with Te Waiariki/Ngāti Korora/Ngāti Taka Hapū Iwi Trust and have developed a Memorandum of Understanding. Extensive consultation with local community, businesses and organisations resulted in overwhelming support for this proposal.

Securing adequate funding to ensure the efficient and effective operation of the centre to meet the needs of community and requirements of council is essential. It is envisaged that the majority of funding will be obtained through WDC community grants and waste levy fund, Ministry for the Environment and Glass Packaging Forum. Community contributions through volunteering of time, providing services, advice and ongoing support are equally important.

This plan outlines how the WHCRRCT will set up, fund and operate a CRRC that will deliver community benefits, work towards zero waste to landfill and provide a base for Weed Action Whangarei Heads to provide environmental weed eradication education and promote responsible means of managing green waste.

Overview Timelines

October 2018	Scoping Report submitted to Council for proposed Community-led Resource Recovery Centre (to be located at 35 Pataua Road, Parua Bay) as alternative to Parua Bay Refuse Transfer Station and as a new approach to increase diversion of waste to landfill.
12 April 2019	Trust Deed establishing Whangarei Heads Community Resource Recovery Centre Trust finalised
23 April 2019	Parua Bay Refuse Transfer Station is closed
30 May 2019	Infrastructure Committee grants Whangarei Heads Resources Recovery Trust up to \$20,000 from the Waste Levy towards a resource consent and business plan for the community-led resource recovery centre
21 June 2019	Mana Whenua Engagement Hui
30 October 2019	Memorandum of Understanding signed between WHCRRCT and Te Waiariki/Ngati Korora/Ngati Take Hapu Iwi Trust
January 2020	Community Consultation completed
4 February 2020	Application by trustees for incorporation as a charitable trust board
24 February 2020	Business Plan submitted to Council and all resource consent technical documents completed
2 March 2020	Trustees submit final draft of the Resource Recovery Centre business plan to Council for inclusion in the agenda of the WDC Infrastructure Committee meeting of 9 April.
24 March 2020	Approval given by WDC to lodge resource consent due to COVID-19 there were a number of changes to the Governance arrangements including cancelling the April Infrastructure Committee meeting.
28 April 2020	Resource Consent application lodged. Decision to publicly notify
May 2020	Review potential funding applications to MfE Waste Minimisation Fund, Glass Packaging Forum and WDC Waste Levies & Community/Partnership Fund.
August 2020	Application to MfE Waste Minimisation Fund
13 th November 2020	Resource Consent hearing. Notification of decision by 4 th December 2020.

Business details

Business name	Whangarei Heads Community Resource Recovery Charitable Trust
Trading name	Whangarei Heads Community Resource Recovery Centre
Established	February 2019
Structure	Charitable Trust
Date registered	February 2020

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What we do and how we do it

Establishing a CRRC at Parua Bay will enable local community, businesses, organisations and visitors to:

- turn waste into resources by establishing, coordinating and developing community waste minimisation initiatives with the goal of reducing waste to landfill
- focus on the reduction, repair, re-use and recycling of waste such as appliances, electronic waste and building materials
- build community awareness and engagement on sustainable resource use, the value of resources and practical ways to reduce waste
- to provide environmental weed eradication education and promote responsible means of managing green-waste and food waste

This will be achieved by offering services in the collection, repurposing, dismantling, reprocessing and/or on selling of the following materials:

- appliances (including toasters, kettles, fridges, dishwashers, dryers, washing machines, others)
- batteries (including car, household & lithium)
- beverage & food containers (including glass bottles, aluminium & steel cans and certain plastic containers)
- building materials (including timber offcuts, pipes/plumbing, hardware, tapware, carpet, roofing material, etc)

- electronic waste (including computers, tablets, printers, mobile phones)
- household paint (in original plastic or steel containers)
- scrap metal (including steel, aluminium, copper, brass & lead)
- soft plastic & clear plastic film
- paper and cardboard
- tyres (including car & truck)
- 2nd good selected items

Green waste will initially continue to be collected (onsite) to be composted (offsite) and a small worm farm will be established to demonstrate how food waste can be turned into liquid fertilizer and compost and to produce worms for sale. The aim long term will be to investigate alternative cost-effective solutions in the management of green and food waste.

Where appropriate charges will be applied to users of the CRRC to cover some or all of the costs for green waste and in the recovery and reprocessing of some materials. Second hand building materials and targeted items such as surf boards, boogie boards, wet suits, fishing gear, beach towels will be leased and/or sold on site

No household or commercial waste will be able to be dropped off at the centre due to concerns of mana whenua and local neighbours. Instead we will use the facility to focus on the value of composting and inform, educate, and enable the recovery of resources to reduce waste to landfill.

Weed Action Whangarei Heads, a local community organisation will establish their base on site. They will provide advice, demonstrations, tools and/or herbicide to support the local community to tackle weed issues on the Whangarei Heads peninsula. WAWH will continue to operate as an independent organisation responsible for their own funding and related costs.

Background

“New Zealanders are rightly concerned about the waste we’re producing as a country, and it’s one of the big areas of focus for the Ministry for the Environment. Waste is polluting our land, our lakes and rivers, and our coasts and oceans, and it contributes 5 per cent of New Zealand’s greenhouse gas emissions.

Tackling waste is a growing challenge here in New Zealand and around the world, with major implications for our environment, economy and how we live our lives. We can solve our waste problem by becoming more efficient with the resources we use.” (www.mfe.govt.nz/waste)

To achieve this requires a coordinated approach involving Council, community and local businesses and a change in how we think about waste and the consequences and impacts within our communities. Waste is not just a council issue - it is a community issue. There is a need to engage, inform and inspire communities to work collectively to find practical and cost-effective solutions.

Recently the Hon Eugenie Sage (Minister of Conservation) announced the next phase of the Government's plan to tackle New Zealand's mounting waste challenges. www.beehive.govt.nz/release/government-steps-work-tackling-waste

This announcement is timely highlighting the need to increase funding support for councils, community organisations and businesses for projects to recover and recycle more materials and reduce the amount of waste going to landfill.

It has been shown repeatedly that small communities given access to their full waste stream achieve higher recovery rates because they care about their community and environment and have the outcome of waste minimisation firmly in mind and are not just there to perform a contract.

There are now over fifty community enterprises across Aotearoa New Zealand working to reduce waste to landfill. The Zero Waste Network is an organisation comprising of various groups around the country all working with their local community towards the goal of zero waste. The Zero Waste Network mission is to connect, educate, enable and inspire their members to reach their goals and to be a unifying voice at local, regional and central government levels www.zerowaste.co.nz. The Whangarei Head Resource Recovery Trust recently joined the Zero Waste Network.

As well as community enterprises Councils play an important role. A growing number of Councils support and fund a number of community resource recovery centres throughout Aotearoa. Auckland City Council currently have eight centres operating and are aiming to build a network of 12 community resource recovery centres across the district to contribute to the goal of zero waste Auckland by 2040. <https://www.makethemostofwaste.co.nz/recycling/community-recycling-centres/>

Councils also have legal requirements to manage and minimise waste in New Zealand. The Waste Minimisation Act 2008 (WMA) gives councils the responsibility to promote effective and efficient waste management and minimisation within their district. The WMA requires councils to adopt a waste management and minimisation plan, which must be reviewed every six years.

Whangarei District Council's Waste Minimisation and Management Plan (2017) sets out how to achieve efficient and effective waste management and minimisation in the Whangarei District. It considers current policy and the legal framework and Whangarei District vision, with an overarching suite of guiding goals and objectives. <http://www.wdc.govt.nz/WaterandWaste/Rubbish/Documents/Waste-Management-and-Minimisation-Plan-2017.pdf>

The vision for waste minimisation and management in the Whangarei District is:

To deliver community benefits and work towards zero waste to landfill. Whangarei businesses and households will be provided with efficient and effective waste minimisation and management services that recognise waste as a resource.

The goals for waste minimisation and management in the Whangarei District are:

1. to avoid creating waste and assist community to recognise their consumption and impact
2. to make it easy to recycle
3. to ensure households and businesses have access to safe disposal of residual waste
4. to create opportunities for Whangarei District - jobs, new products, more efficient businesses
5. to reduce illegal dumping
6. to improve community understanding of issues and opportunities for waste minimisation and management in the Whangarei District.
7. to have a wealthier, healthier District through waste reduction initiatives and behavioural change

The targets for waste minimisation and management in the Whangarei District WMMP are to:

- increase recycling at kerbside > 35% by 2020
- increase recycling, composting and reuse at refuse transfer stations > 50% by 2020

The WMMP options for the future (5.3, page 23) include; optimising rural transfer station network, sorting of commercial and construction waste, focus on increasing the recovery of materials and maintaining a high

level of service for rural communities, providing grant funding of waste minimisation activities and regular reporting on waste minimisation and management.

Locally, within the Whangarei Heads area the Parua Bay Refuse Transfer Station provided community with a drop-off point for rubbish bags, small volumes of loose rubbish, recycling (of materials collected via kerbside collections) and some electronic items.

However, the Whangarei District Council closed the Parua Bay's refuse transfer station on 23 April 2019 because it didn't have a resource consent to operate and it was unlikely to be granted one due to local opposition to its location. Council heard that there has been a clear call from the Whangarei Heads community for a replacement facility to be operational as soon as possible. www.wdc.govt.nz/NewsRoom/Latest-News/Pages/Trust-Parua-Bay-Transfer-Station.aspx

In response to the closure of the Parua Bay refuse transfer station and need to further reduce waste to landfill, local resident Melissa Arseneault submitted a scoping report to Council to set up Whangarei's first Community-led and operated Resource Recovery Centre (CRRC) to be developed alongside Whangarei Heads Landscape and Supplies Limited business at 35 Pataua South Road, Parua Bay.

A group of locals formed and have now registered the Whangarei Heads Community Resource Recovery Charitable Trust.

Funding support from Whangarei District Council waste levies fund has enabled the Trustees to prepare and a resource consent application and business plan.

Our goal/mission

To deliver community benefits and work towards zero waste to landfill.

Our guiding principles

The following principles are proposed to guide our way forward:

1. To work with local hapu/iwi and embrace principles of kaitiakitanga and sustainability.
2. Address all legislative requirements.
3. Address all health & safety requirements.
4. Align with the NZ Waste Strategy and works towards zero waste.
5. Work with local community, businesses and council to achieve the vision, goals and objectives of the Whangarei District Council Waste Minimisation and Management Plan (2017).
6. To engage, inform, educate and enable community to work collectively to find practical and cost-effective solutions to reduce waste to landfill and compost green and food waste.
7. To establish relationships with other 'like-minded' organisations in working to reduce waste to landfill.
8. Acknowledge that behavior change is required to minimise waste, and convenience, accessibility, and affordability influence behavior.

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9. Sustainably increase resource recovery to maximise the value of recovered materials and associated commercial opportunities.
 10. Advocate for increased producer responsibility for key waste streams such as agricultural & construction waste, tyres, packaging, green & food waste.
 11. Encourage efficiency and innovation in the recovery, reuse and reprocessing of resources.
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Our strategy

1. To apply, obtain and meet all resource consent requirements to operate a CRRC.
 2. To obtain funding support to enable the Trust to meet all resource consent and operational requirements.
 3. To lease and develop the site and effectively operate the CRRC.
 4. To appoint staff and recruit and train volunteers to enable the efficient operation of the CRRC.
 5. To complete all work to upgrade the site to effectively manage storm-water in accordance with best practise/low impact design and enable the dropping off of materials and green waste. The traffic area (metal surface) will be graded to discharge to a constructed wetland/settling pond.
 6. To meet all health & safety requirements.
 7. To promote the CRRC through community education and engagement.
 8. To work with local community and to develop partnerships with various organisations to ensure the delivery of the project objectives as stated in the Trust Deed and Business Plan.
 9. To continue to work to improve the site, processes, services of the CRRC.
 10. To continue to investigate opportunities to reduce costs and increase revenue.
 11. To assess and report to WDC, funders and community (bi-annually) the social, economic and environmental outcomes of the CRRC operations.
 12. To develop a long term plan including funding requirements following the initial 2 year period.
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Current and planned team

Current team

Name	Melissa Arseneault
Role title	Trustee
Qualifications/Experience	<p>25 years' experience working in waste minimisation and recycling.</p> <p>Director Grassroots Limited (25 years) Provided consultancy services on waste minimisation and recycling that involved working with not-for-profit organisations, local and central government and commercial businesses.</p> <p>Operations Manager for Reclaim Limited (4 years) Reclaim operated a commercial recycling business and was responsible for managing the public recycling drop off at the ReSort Centre on Kioreroa Road, Whangarei. Melissa was responsible for the overall management of the facility.</p> <p>Recycling Operators of New Zealand (8 years) Positions Chair, Marketing and Communication Manager, Editor of The Recycler Newsletter and New Zealand Packaging Accord Sector Leader. Managed the development of national recycling symbols, coordinated a national 'Keep it in the Loop' workshop on recycling and worked on a joint 'Buy it Back – Buy Recycled initiative with Auckland Regional Council.</p> <p>Manager Environmental Choice New Zealand (3 years) Environmental Choice is New Zealand's official environmental label, initiated and endorsed by the New Zealand Government, although independently operated, and recognises the increasing effort of manufacturers to reduce the environmental impact of their products.</p> <p>Board of Director of the Globally Ecolabelling Network (2 years) The Global Ecolabelling Network is a non-profit association of third-party, environmental performance recognition, certification and labelling organisations founded in 1994 to improve, promote, and develop the ecolabelling of products and services.</p> <p>Committee Member - Whangarei Heads Citizen Association (2018) Volunteer Coordinator – Bream Head Conservation Trust (2015) Established Ocean Beach Landcare Group (2016)</p>

Name	Robyn Bigelow
Role title	Trustee
Qualifications/Experience	<p>37 years' experience working in community development within the social services sector, conservation and small business.</p> <p>Founder and Chairperson of Weed Action Whangarei Heads (4 years) Robyn and her partner started WAWH in response to the need for a community wide approach to the significant environmental weeds that were burdening our forests and reserves. WAWH currently employs 3 contractors.</p>

	<p>A registered Psychotherapist in Private Practice in Auckland and Whangarei (20 years).</p> <p>Received the New Zealand Order of Merit for services to the community (2001).</p> <p>Founder and Director of West Auckland Trauma Centre Charitable Trust Co-founder of Man Alive and Violence Free Waitakere Helped create and establish the Child, Youth and Family Effective Practice model (10 years)</p> <p>Co-owner and Director of small business (6 years)</p>
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Name	Emma Owles
Role title	Trustee
Qualifications/Experience	<p>23 years' experience in business management, property asset management and involved in a number of community initiatives and organisations.</p> <p>Director Owles Grocery (2 years) Owner Operator of Otaika Four Square, Whangarei.</p> <p>Director Bay Tavern Ltd (13 years) Owner Operator of Parua Bay Tavern in Parua Bay.</p> <p>Property Asset Manager (7 years) Worked as Property Asset Manager in Auckland for Trust Investments and Colliers International managing their commercial property portfolios. Worked as a Property Asset Manager in London for Chesterton International.</p> <p>Waikato Racing Club (1 year) Office Administrator</p> <p>Massey University (3 years) Gained a degree in valuation and property management.</p> <p>Committee Member – Discover Whangarei Heads Committee Member – Pataua Association Ratepayers and Rates Association Volunteer – Civil Defence Emergency Management</p>

Mentors, consultants, advisors and other outside help

Name	Role/Job title
Pereri Mahanga	Trust Advisor – Trustee Te Waiariki/Ngati Korora/Ngati Taka Hapu Iwi Trust
Matthew Luxon	Trust Advisor - Director, Zero Waste Consultancy Envision NZ
Bev Bowling	Trust Advisor - Manager, Bowling Infrastructure Group Ltd
Cliff Colquhoun	Trust Advisor – Director CBEC (Kaitia)
Nicola Hartwell	Senior Lawyer WRMK Lawyers
Zero Waste Network	As members WHCRRCT has access to a range of resources including training courses in the management of resource recovery centres, H&S best practice guidelines, etc

Planned team structure

Planned roles

Role title	Key responsibilities
Operations Manager	Site compliance with resource consent and health & safety requirements, fundraising, manage building consents, finalise all contracts, appointment of contractors, recruitment of volunteer coordinator, development and implementation of marketing and communication plan, ensure all systems/contracts in place to enable easy access by public to drop off a range of materials, negotiate and secure markets for materials, report to Trustees, oversee management of site, other tasks as required.
Site Staff	Assist with the day to day management and operations of site, supervision of volunteers, liaise with users, public and contractors, and report to Operations Manager.
Volunteer Coordinator	Responsible for the setting up and implementation of volunteer programme. Volunteers will greet and assist visitors to site as required, assist with sorting, dismantling and/or baling of materials, financial transactions, education, and other tasks as required.

Contractor & employees

It is important for the Trust to recruit and retain employees and volunteers to ensure the CRRC is well run, maintained and meets the objectives of this plan. Therefore sufficient resources need to be allocated to recruit, train and retain both contractors and volunteers.

We will achieve this by:

- ensuring all paid positions are awarded at the minimum the living wage (\$21.15 per hour)
- providing adequate training, support and resources for contractors/employees and volunteers
- setting performance and health & safety goals/targets
- conducting regular reviews and feedback as required

The trust will be looking to fill the following positions:

Operations Manager

To be appointed by Trustees

12 month contract @ 20 hours per week for 50 weeks @ \$38 per hour

Contract agreement use by Weed Action will be adopted for use by WHCRRCT

Year 1

As a new organisation the first year of operation will require a significant amount of time to set up the site and operations, to develop and implement all policies and procedures, financial system, appoint a volunteer coordinator, etc. It will require someone with a range of skills, knowledge and experience to fulfil this position. The initial contract will be for a period of 12 months (\$38,000)

Year 2

With the setting up of the site, operations and systems completed in year 1 it is envisaged that the hours for this position will be able to be reduced to 12 hours per week for 49 weeks @ \$38.50 per hour (\$22,638).

Site Staff x 2

To be appointed by Operations Manager approved by Trustees

Fixed term employment contract @ 25 hours per week for 50 weeks @ \$21.15 per hour

Year 1

The first year of operation will require sufficient resourcing to ensure the proper set up and operation of site. As the centre will be open 50 hours per week it is imperative to have 2 part time employees to cover hours of operation, sick leave, etc. Sufficient time is also required in the first year to recruit and train volunteers to assist with various tasks and to assess opportunities to resource new initiatives or projects (\$60,806)

Year 2

At this time there are too many variable to effectively assess an increase or decrease in site staff hours so they have remained the same as the first year of operation (\$60,806).

Management of Volunteers

Aim is to set up, implement and manage a structured volunteer programme to assist with the day to day and ongoing operations of the CRRC.

A Volunteer Coordinator will be appointed and will be responsible for the recruitment, selection, training, scheduling and recognition of volunteers involved in the CRRC.

The Volunteer Coordinator will report to the Operations Manager and liaise with Site Staff and Trustees (as required). Quarterly reports will be submitted to the Trustees and Operations Manager

Responsibilities:

- determine and prioritise where volunteers are needed
- write job/role descriptions (including dates and time lines)
- formalise and organise training requirements for volunteer positions
- plan and implement a volunteer recruitment strategy
- interview and meet with volunteers (as required)
- recruit and assign specific jobs to volunteers
- prepare information for website, social media networks, and newsletters
- organise orientation/induction programmes for volunteers
- keep up-to-date volunteer records
- motivate and recognise volunteers
- revise/update volunteer roles when required

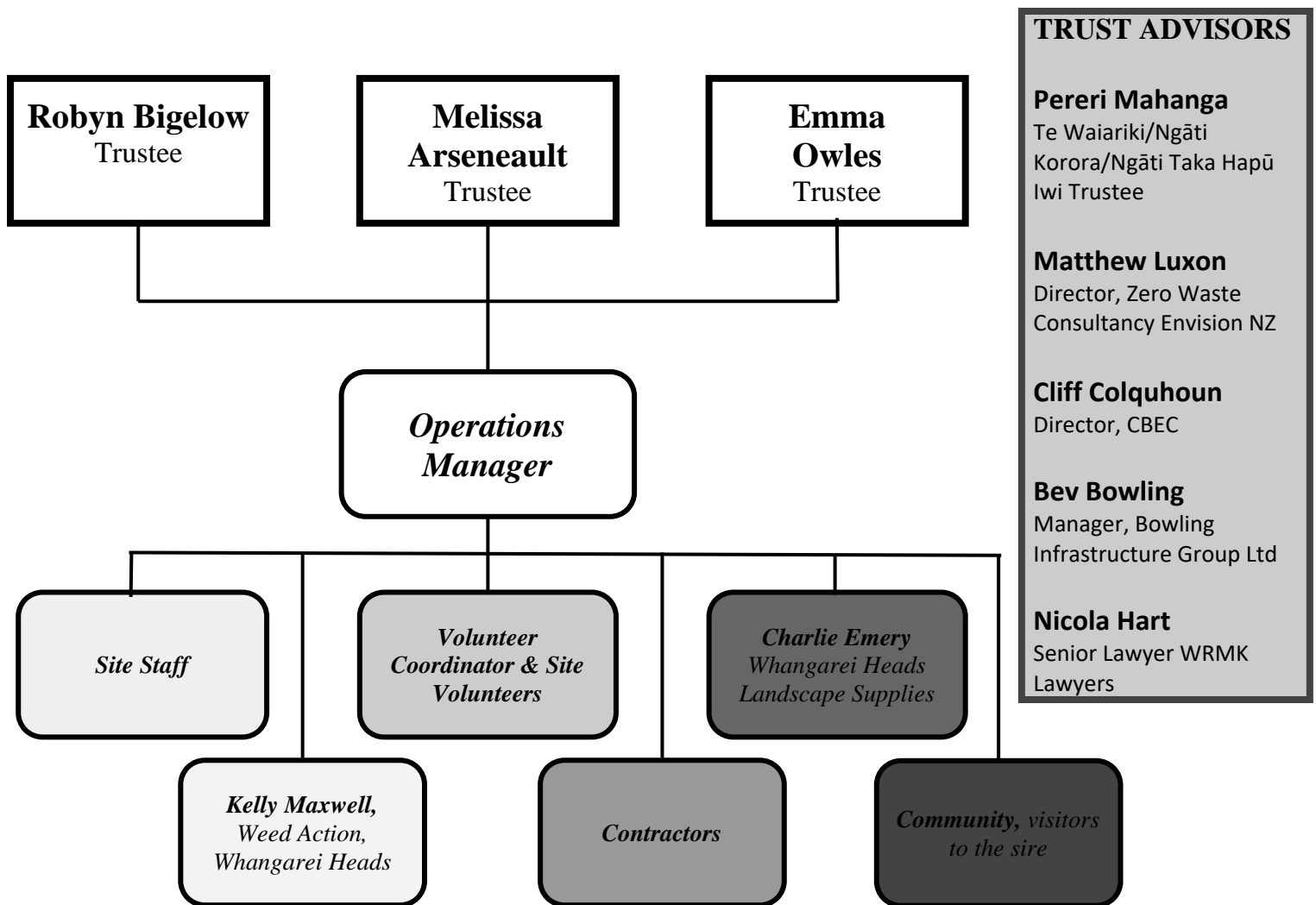
First task is to determine and prioritise where and when we need volunteers and then draft role/job descriptions.

Developing role descriptions means volunteers know exactly what they're signing up for so they can plan accordingly and be confident they can meet expectations. It also assists with the management and recruitment of volunteers.

The role/job description should include:

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| • role name | • knowledge and skills required |
| • purpose of the role | • training provided |
| • responsibilities and duties | • time commitment required, including |
| • who the volunteer reports to | the term of the role if applicable |

Organisational Chart



Launch strategy and budget

It will be important to effectively communicate the goal of and guiding principles of the Whangarei Heads Resource Recovery Charitable Trust especially being the first operational community resource recovery centre in Whangarei.

This will be achieved through a promotional campaign targeting the local community, organisations, schools and businesses. This campaign will include posters, flyers, media releases, articles, presentations (as required) and a well-publicised public opening of the centre.

Building community awareness and engagement on sustainable resource use, the value of resources and practical ways to reduce waste is also important. This will be achieved by providing practical information on site, social media, good signage, direct contact and communication with users and potential users and networking with various local organisations.

Area of spend	Cost (\$)
Design of logo, signs, promotional material	\$1,000
Printing and production of signs, publishing of promotional educational material	\$1,950
Launch of CRRC	\$1,500
Total	\$5,450

SWOT – strength, weaknesses, opportunities and threats

Strengths	What we will do
Community initiative run by community for community	Ensure centre and services are well publicised, continue to engage, seek input, feedback from community, maintain good community support
Location of site, hours of operation and working alongside existing commercial business	Good signage and promotion of site and hours of operation, continue to improve site and working relationship with WHE
A contact for community to educate, inform and encourage reduction of waste to landfill	Provide good information, make information easily accessible, liaise with various groups, host workshops
Weaknesses	What we'll do
Sufficient external funding required to set up and operate effectively (short term)	Systems in place to ensure efficient and effective operation, secure funding, investigate opportunities to increase income
Services offered limited to resourcing	Investigate new opportunities and funding to meet demands of community. Prioritise products and services offered.
Lease of site	Negotiate lease agreement to ensure a long term operation of centre for 2 year + 5 year + 5 year and right of renewal.

Opportunities	What we'll do
Open Sunday mornings	Work in conjunction with WHLS to determine the costs and benefits of operating on Sundays.
Collect, refurbish, reuse, repurpose and recycle more products, potentially can be venue for new container deposit scheme	Keep informed of new initiatives in the recovery of new materials. Assess cost/benefits and community support.
Develop long term sustainable solutions for the recovery and composting of green waste	Investigate cost effective alternatives and opportunities to process green waste locally
Threats	What we'll do
Product variables and market fluctuations	Keep informed, develop good relationship with suppliers and manufactures, investigate new markets, operate efficiently
Significant growth, increased local development, district plan rules change from rural to residential	Good communication with Council keeping informed of future changes and developments. Work with community and council to develop a long term strategy.
Reduction in funding and support from local and central government	Continue to work towards reducing costs and increasing revenue, investigate new commercial opportunities

Monitoring and Reporting

As a charitable trust we aim to be transparent about our activities and to effectively communicate the overall performance, achievements and outcomes of the CRRC. To achieve this we will publish bi-annual reports of the CRRC operations including the amount of resources and green waste diverted from landfill (by volume or weight), how these resources were processed, 2nd hand goods distributed and/or sold on site, highlights and challenges, community input and feedback and summary of income and expenditures.

After the first year of operation these reports will provide the necessary data to guide strategic planning and set specific targets.

Memorandum's of Understanding

The trust has progressed and signed three memorandum of understanding with:

1. Te Waiariki/Ngāti Korora/Ngāti Taka Hapū Iwi Trust
 2. Weed Action Whangarei Heads
 3. Whangarei Heads Landscape and Supplies Limited
- (See Appendix A)

Legal and compliance requirements

With the granting of a resource consent to operate the CRRC additional charges for development contributions, roading, compliance, monitoring and recording have been identified. An estimate for development contributions (roading) was obtained by Lynne Dahl, Development Contributions Coordinator using figures from NCC Consulting Engineers report for WDC for traffic movements for the Parua Bay Refuse Transfer Station. Any application will be the subject of a formal assessment.

Legal & Compliance Requirements (one off costs)	
Legal costs lease and other agreements	\$1,000
WDC development contributions – roading North Coastal (estimate)	\$38,489
WDC resource consent compliance, monitoring, recording	\$3,000
Total	\$42,489

Site requirements and operational costs

Site Benefits & Requirements

The Trust has negotiated to lease a large, versatile site, approximately 2,300 square metres from Whangarei Heads Landscape and Supplies Limited. The site is located at 35 Pataua South Road, Parua Bay, is conveniently located to service the community from Pataua South, Ocean Beach and Parua Bay, 20km from Whangarei City and just down the road from the Parua Bay Village and Parua Bay Primary School.

Whangarei Heads Enterprises in partnership with Weed Action Whangarei Heads with funding support from Whangarei District Council have been managing the collection of green waste at this site since 2018. Green waste is collected in 9 metre gantry bins and delivered to the ReSort Centre and then to Purewa landfill to be composted. There are no buildings, structures or services on this part of the site. To establish and operate the proposed CRRC will require adequate funding to prepare the site to meet all legislative, consent, health & safety requirements, address all potential environmental concerns and to provide a safe and efficient site to be used by community and visitors.

A good working relationship has been established with Whangarei Heads Enterprises and Whangarei Heads Landscape and Supplies that has enabled this proposal to proceed to this stage.

A commercial business operating on these premises provides a number of cost benefits that include:

- easy connection to existing services (water & power)
- sharing in the use of existing facilities (toilet)
- contracting WHLSL to provide services requiring a fork lift, digger, loader, truck or trailer alleviating need to purchase large equipment
- sharing costs associated with security and monitoring of site
- assisting with the promotion of the CRRC to existing customers
- one stop shop for visitors to drop off resources and obtain landscaping supplies
- ability to expand services

Whangarei Heads Enterprises have contributed a significant amount of their own time and resources to improve the existing site including levelling the area to make access easier for green waste bins, installed a

fence on the north boundary of the site and currently upgrading and sealing the main entrance to comply with council requirements that will benefit the CRRC. The Trust has negotiated lease of site at a significant discount. A MOU between WHLSL and WHCRRCT has been developed and signed.

Whangarei Heads Enterprises Limited is the registered owner of property at 35 Pataua South Road and previously operated the landscape and supplies business on this site.

Whangarei Heads Landscape and Supplies Limited recently purchased the landscape and aggregate business from Whangarei Heads Enterprises.

To progress this proposal the site requires the following:

Site Requirements (one off costs)	Dec 20 to July 21
building consent (preparation, fee, CCC, levies)	\$5,700
engineer/geo tech report	\$2,500
landscaping work to reform site to capture all surface water into wetland settlement drop out to protect the Waitangata Stream	\$12,000
excising bank to include rip rap	\$2,500
trench connection water and power to site	\$350
connection power to site (switch board, check meter, power outlets, lighting shed)	\$6,000
connection of water to site plus 2 outside taps	\$750
safety barrier across area where green waste bins located (based on building a concrete nib wall 300mm high)	\$4,860
acoustically rated fence (25 metres x 2 metres)	\$6,000
native trees (as per indicative landscape plan and stream planting plan)	\$4,500
installation security camera	\$1,725
signage (roadside)	\$1,500
contingency (8%)	\$3,390
TOTAL (including GST)	\$51,775

Site Buildings & Equipment (one off costs)	Dec 20 to July 21
small container office (supplied by WDC) cost to insulate, line, relocate and tidy up	\$1,000
small table, chair, shelves (2nd hand)	\$500
lap top	\$1,200
shed (72m2) with concrete pad	\$42,000
water tank (5,000 ltr) and connections	\$1,537
roofed public drop-off zone (approximately 15 meters long)	\$8,000
signage on site x 12	\$2,000
fadges with frame/stand x 30	\$1,000
wooden crates x 8	\$800
rack for storing building items (ie timber, pipe, other items)	\$500
solid plastic containers with secure lid (for car & lithieum batteries)	\$750
steel bin with secure/lockable lid for copper/brass	\$1,500
240 ltr wheelie bins x 6	\$588
framing worm bin	\$500
pest control (2 x steve allen traps & bait)	\$200
launch strategy (design, printing, launch)	\$5,450
small chipper	\$3,000
Contingency (8%)	\$5,402
Total (including GST)	\$75,927

To enable the efficient collection, dismantling, repurposing and processing of resources dropped off will require various bins, containers, bags, covers, tools and office & safety equipment

In the first year it is proposed that the CRRC will accept the following:

- appliances & electronic waste, tyres, paint
- building materials (including timber, drainage/plumbing, hardware, fixtures, carpet)
- scrap metal & batteries
- plastic packaging, film & containers
- steel and aluminium containers

- glass bottles & jars, paper & cardboard
- selection of 2nd hand 'beach' goods (surf & boogie boards, wet suits, towels, snorkel gear)
- green waste and small amount of food waste for worm farm

Operational requirements and costs associated with the different resources accepted will vary depending on how they are stored, dismantled and processed and if the bins/containers are purchased or leased. (See *Appendix C for detailed information for the collection and processing of glass, cardboard and plastic containers/film*).

Operational Requirements	Dec 20 to July 21	July 21/22
lease (\$230 pw)	\$6,000	\$13,156
Power	\$600	\$1,400
insurance	\$700	\$1,400
operations manager – contractor	\$14,000	\$22,638
site staff x 2 (part-time employees)	\$35,000	\$60,802
contractors (recruitment & training)	-	\$500
volunteer costs (recruitment, training, recognition)	\$750	\$1,000
marketing & promotion	\$1,500	\$1,000
health & safety plan, implementation, equipment, signage	\$2,000	\$500
contract WHE forklift/loader (2 hrs pw @ \$40.25 per hr)	\$2,500	\$6,000
governance/accountancy/legal	\$500	\$1,200
broadband/mobile phone	\$800	\$1,656
eftpos	\$250	\$500
baler set up/service	\$780	\$500
baler consumables (3 boxes strapping @ \$379.50 per box)	\$600	\$1,518
green waste bin rental/collection (\$175.37 per collection 9m3 bin x 17)	\$1,440	\$2,981
disposal refuse from site operation (taken to ReSort Centre)	\$500	\$1,100
rental gantry bins (x3) and collection (x 12) glass bottles and jars	\$5,000	\$5,106
freight	\$500	\$1,500
Maintenance	\$300	\$500
contingency (8%)	\$2,500	\$10,202
TOTAL (including GST)	\$76,220	\$135,159

Quotes obtained for costs listed

Projected Income, Donations, Contributions

Community involvement and support for this proposal is important and the Trust would like to acknowledge the significant contributions, input, advice and support we have already received from individuals and organisations in assisting with the preparation of scoping report, resource consent application and business plan. This support is equally important in the setting up and ongoing operation of site and we are grateful for the offers of support we have already received including loan of small baler for 12 months, donation of wooden crates, discount on equipment, shed, and skilled labor such as electricians and builders and from individuals to help on site once up and running.

Projected Income	Dec 20 to July 21	Year Two
weed action whangarei heads (contribution towards lease (\$115) per month	\$700	\$1,656
green waste (225 per collection 9m3 bin x 17)	\$1,500	\$3,825
scrap metal (\$50 per week)	\$300	\$2,500
electronic waste	\$500	\$1,113
building materials (timber, fixtures, electrical, plumbing)	\$400	\$2,700
glass (40 tonne @ 23 per tonne)	\$450	\$1,081
plastic containers (12 tonne @ \$300 per tonne)	\$700	\$3,000
plastic film (2 tonne @\$50 per tonne)	\$50	\$150
second hand goods (focus surf boards, boogie boards, beach/fishing gear)	\$450	\$1,800
tiger worms for food composting bins	\$200	\$600
workshop composting/worm farms/reducing waste	\$-	\$500
onsite advertising/sponsorship (5 signs x \$200 per annum)	\$750	\$1,000
TOTAL (including GST)	\$6,000	\$19,925

Financial Plan – Revised

Cost forecast – money out

Area of spend	Dec/20 to July/21	July/21 to July/22
Legal & compliance requirements	\$42,489	
Site Set Up (one off cost)	\$51,775	
Site Building & Equipment	\$75,927	\$10,000
Operational	\$76,220	\$149,989
Total	\$246,411	\$159,989

Revenue forecast – money in

Type of revenue	Dec/20 to July/21	July/21 to July/22
Income/Donations (operation)	\$6,000	\$19,925
Grant from MfE Waste Minimisation Fund (to be confirmed Sept 2020, monies available Dec 2020)	\$189,000	
Grant from Glass Packaging Forum (GPF) (to be confirmed)	\$5,000	\$5,000
Grant from WDC CERF (to be confirmed)	\$46,411	
Grant from WDC Waste Levies Fund/Refuse Targeted Rate (to be confirmed LTP)		\$135,064
Total	\$246,411	\$159,989

Volunteer – In kind contribution	Dec/20 to July/21	July/21 to July/22
Volunteer 30/40 hrs per week @ \$25 per hour	\$22,500	\$50,000
Volunteer (governance) 250/500 hrs @ \$35 per hour	\$8,750	\$17,500
Total	\$31,250	\$67,500

Funding Options

The following funding options are available to assist with the set up and operation of the CRRC:

Whangarei District Council - Concession Fund (compliance & resource consent requirements)

Applications can be made anytime.

Year one apply to waive payment to Council for development contributions and compliance and monitoring (resource consent).

<http://www.wdc.govt.nz/CommunitySafetyandSupport/FundingandGrants/Documents/Funding-Guide.pdf>

Ministry for the Environment - Waste Minimisation Fund

Funds a variety of projects that promote or achieve waste minimisation by reduction of waste and the reuse, recycling and recovery of waste and diverted materials. Projects must promote or achieve new waste minimisation activity by implementing new initiatives or a significant expansion in scope or coverage of existing activities.

Whangarei District Council - Partnership Fund

Funding round 1st July 2020 decision end August 2020

Applications can be made for actual construction costs, consent fees, or leverage funding (seed capital). Need to have at least 30% contribution (\$33,960) to the project build costs (which can come from other funders). Applicants can also request leverage funding to help them approach other funders.

<http://www.wdc.govt.nz/CommunitySafetyandSupport/FundingandGrants/Documents/Funding-Guide.pdf>

Whangarei District Council - Waste Levies Fund

Purpose of waste levy is to support new initiatives that reduce waste to landfill and help to achieve the aims/targets outlined in WMMP (2017)

<http://www.wdc.govt.nz/NewsRoom/PublicNotices/Documents/Draft-Waste-Minimisation-Plan.pdf>

Glass Packaging Forum

Three funding rounds each year February, May & September

The Forum considers applications for projects that meet its aims for zero glass to landfill, and include infrastructure, plant and equipment, technology, research and events.

<https://www.glassforum.org.nz/grants-and-funding/>

Legal and regulatory compliance

In the setting up and operation of the CRRC the WHCRRCT will develop and implement policies to adhere to and comply with the following:

Charities Act 2005

The purpose of this Act is

1. to promote public trust and confidence in the charitable sector;
2. to encourage and promote the effective use of charitable resources;
3. to provide for the registration of societies, institutions, and trustees of trusts as charitable entities;
4. to require charitable entities and certain other persons to comply with certain obligations;
5. to provide for the Board to make decisions about the registration and deregistration of charitable entities and to meet requirements imposed in relation to those functions;
6. to provide for the chief executive to carry out functions under this Act and to meet requirements imposed in relation to those functions.

Resource Management Act 1991

Compliance with requirements under the RMA for the land on which the centre is located is required. As a discretionary activity under the District Plan rules a resource consent to operate a CRRC is required for the site.

The current business on this site, Whangarei Heads Enterprises Limited obtained resource consent to establish and operate an aggregate and landscape supplies centre within the Countryside Environment at 35 Pataua South Road, being Lot 3 DP 423887 in March 2011 (WDC Notice of Decision LU1000196). Compliance issues associated with the existing consent have been identified and are in the process of being rectified as part of the process to establish a CRRC on this site. A resource consent application has been prepared and is ready to be submitted. Part of this process involved extensive community consultation (see attached *Appendix A*).

Building Act 2004

The Building Act requires a building consent to be held for most construction, alteration, demolition, or other modification of buildings. A building consent is required and relevant costs have been included in financial projections.

Hazardous Substances and New Organisms Act 2006

The purpose of this Act is to protect the environment, and the health and safety of people and communities, by preventing or managing the adverse effects of hazardous substances and new organisms.

(See attached *Appendix C- Chemical Shed Storage and Handling Policy*)

Health & Safety at Work Act 2016

This Act (the HSE) requires that any employees, visitors, volunteers or other users of a reuse centre are provided with a healthy and safe environment. The 'employer' (the ultimate governing body of a reuse centre) must have a health and safety plan, and to develop health and safety policies and procedures.

Healthy and Safety Management systems will be developed to include:

- Health and Safety Manual
- Risk Assessment - Risk / Hazard Register
- Contractor management
- Hazardous Substances Management – Hazardous Substances Inventory
Protection to public
- Emergency preparedness – Emergency Procedures
- Safe Operating Procedures (SOP's)

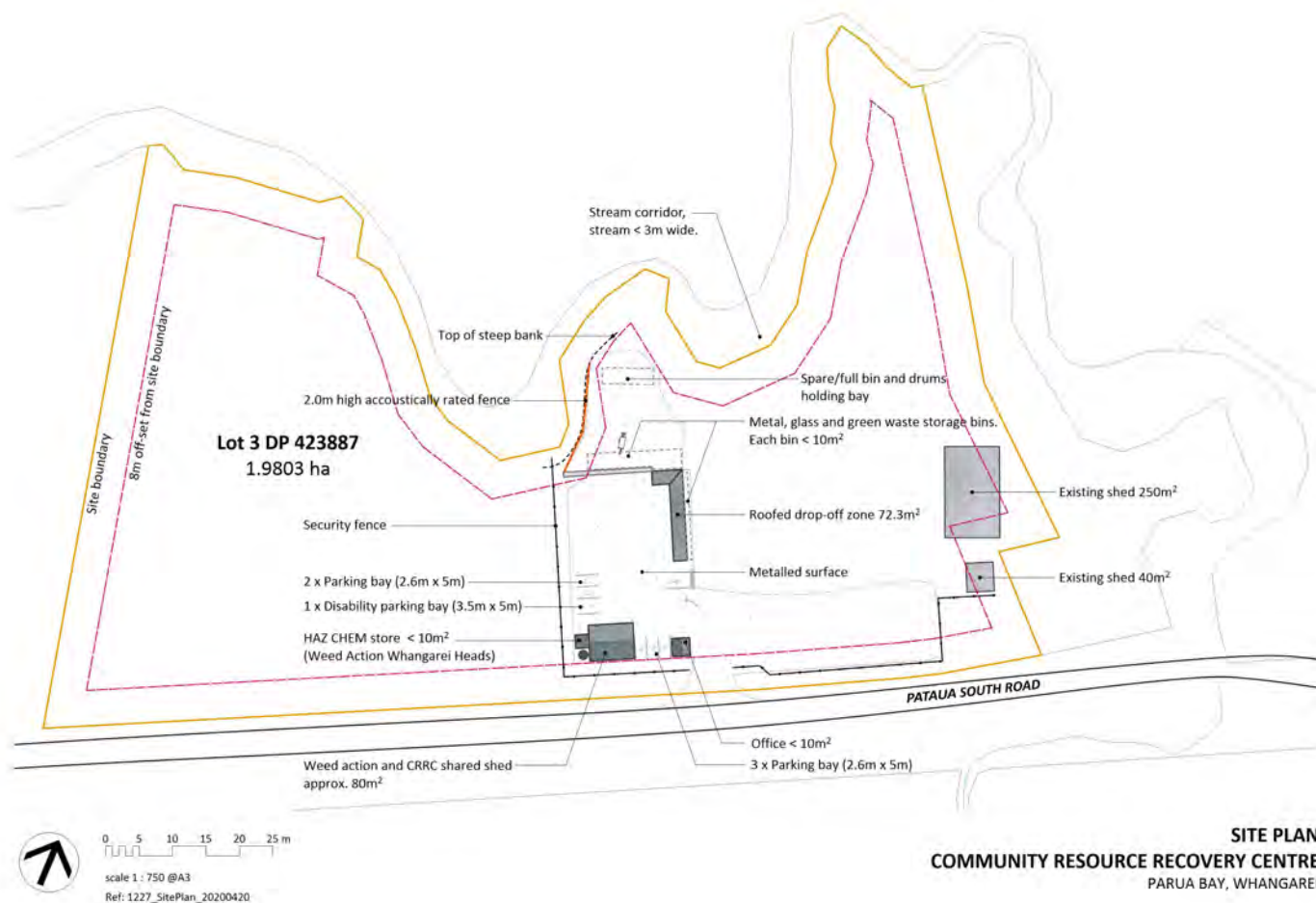
Second-hand Dealers and Pawnbrokers Act 2004

This Act requires all professional dealers to be licensed. However, this is not required for a charitable or non-profit organisation for donated items, as outlined in Section 6, clause 4b: 10 (4) For the purposes of this Act, the following are not engaged in business as second-hand dealers when selling second-hand articles or scrap metal:

- (a) an auctioneer who is licensed under the Auctioneers Act 1928 and is selling the second-hand articles or scrap metal at auction under that Act:
- (b) a charitable or non-profit organisation that sells second-hand articles or scrap metal, but only if:
 - no article, and none of the scrap metal sold is acquired by the organisation by purchase or for valuable consideration; and
 - any proceeds of sale are used solely for the purposes of the organisation:
- (c) an internet auction provider:
- (d) an agent of the Crown:
- (e) any other prescribed person



Proposed Site Plan for Community Resource Recovery Centre



Appendix A

Memorandum's of Understanding

Memorandum of Understanding
Between Whangarei Heads Resource
Recovery Trust and Te Waiariki/Ngāti
Korora/Ngāti Taka Hapū Iwi Trust



1. Purpose of this Agreement

This document formalises the agreement between the Whangarei Heads Resource Recovery Trust and Te Waiariki/Ngāti Kororā/Ngāti Taka Hapū Iwi Trust.

The purpose of this Agreement is to define the responsibilities of each of the Parties and to ensure that the Parties work together in an effective and positive manner.

The Whangarei Heads Resource Recovery Trust is responsible for the delivery of the project objectives as stated in the Trust Deed and Business Plan.

2. Relationship Principles

The Parties to this Agreement agree to the following relationship principles:

2.1 To recognise and take into account the cultural understandings and tikanga relating to the Whangarei Heads Resource Recovery Centre (WHRRRC) site and Waitangata, Waikare Stream.

2.2 To co-operate in a fair, transparent and honest way at all times

2.3 To establishing (or maintaining) an interactive and positive relationship;

2.4 To provide sound advice and information wherever possible to assist each other;

2.5 To work together in good faith to achieve the purpose of this Agreement; and

3. Terms of the Agreement

The Whangarei Heads Resource Recovery Trust will:

3.1 Liaise and consult with the appointed Te Waiariki/Ngāti Kororā/Ngāti Taka Hapū Iwi Trust cultural advisor on all matters pertaining to changes to the business plan and planting and restoration work on the Waitangata, Waikare Stream.

3.2 Provide the appointed Te Waiariki/Ngāti Kororā/Ngāti Taka Hapū Iwi Trust cultural advisor minutes of Trust meetings and newsletters.

3.3 Offer (or provide) advice and support regarding waste minimisation opportunities for local hapū or marae activities.

3.4 Provide opportunities for Te Waiariki/Ngāti Kororā/Ngāti Taka Hapū Iwi Trust to be involved in volunteer and employment possibilities that result from flow-on community enterprises associated with the operation of the WHRRC.

3.5 Undertake relationship building with Te Waiariki/Ngāti Kororā/Ngāti Taka Hapū Iwi Trust whenever possible.

Te Waiariki/Ngāti Kororā/Ngāti Taka Hapū Iwi Trust will

4.1 Support the Whangarei Heads Resource Recovery Trust, staff and volunteers with its understanding of the tikanga of Whangarei Head's site and the Waitangata, Waikare streams

4.2 Liaise with the Trust where areas of concern arise about the practice of the Whangarei Heads Resource Recovery Centre.

4.3 Support the restoration of the Waitangata, Waikare stream and local catchment by providing (where appropriate) volunteers and groups doing restoration work with knowledge of **Mana Whenua** and the tikanga and cultural significance of the area.

5 Disputes

Each party will enter into negotiation in good faith to resolve any disputes.

Date: 30.10.19

Signed: 

Name: Te Waiariki/Ngāti Kororā/Ngāti Taka Hapū Iwi Trust

Date: 30.10.19

Signed: 

Name: Community Resource Recovery Centre

Memorandum of Understanding between Whangarei Heads Community Resource Recovery Charitable Trust and Weed Action Whangarei Heads



1. Purpose of this Agreement

This document formalises the agreement between the Whangarei Heads Resource Recovery Charitable Trust (WHCRRCT) and Weed Action Whangarei Heads (WAWH).

The purpose of this Agreement is to define the relationship and responsibilities of each of the Parties and to ensure that the Parties work together in an effective and positive manner.

2. Background

The WHRRCT was established to set up and operate a Community Resource Recovery Centre (CRRC) to be developed alongside Whangarei Heads Enterprises business at 35 Pataua South Road, Parua Bay. WHCRRCT aims to deliver community benefits and work towards zero waste to landfill that will include the collection and processing of green waste and support the work of WAWH.

3. Key agreements

- WAWH's will be allocated space on the site (as outlined in landscape drawings) for a chemical storage shed, community store, equipment storage shed, small office and space to display educational information.
- A member of WAWH will be responsible for liaising with WHCRRCT Operations Manager to ensure the two organisations work to support and enhance each service.
- The WHCRRCT will manage and operate the green-waste facility with WAWH providing weed information and education to the public utilising the green-waste facility.
- WAWH will not be responsible for or involved in the overall day-to-day or financial operations of the CRRC.
- WAWH has an overarching interest in the green waste facility and will have an ongoing opportunity to contribute and provide expertise to the management of environmental weed disposal - treatment and methods.
- The WHCRRCT will liaise with WAWH's in all matters relating to the management of the green waste facility.

- WAWH's will continue in consultation with WHCRRCT to hold community weed amnesties and will seek additional funding to cover associated costs.

4. Management of Facility

- The CRRC will be the base for WAWH's operations with an office, chemical storage shed, and community store and equipment storage and will maintain and keep tidy the areas directly around the WAWH's buildings.
- WHCRRCT will be responsible for the overall management of the physical site and may call on WAWH's for support in the maintenance of the site i.e. 6monthly clean-up of grounds, planting trees and road verge.
- WAWH will be responsible for all costs relating to the purchase, installation, maintenance and operation of the chemical storage shed including the handling, storage and disposal of chemicals.
- Commencing in the first year WAWH will make a contribution to WHCRRCT of \$100 +GST per month to assist with costs associated with the CRRC site. WAWH will aim to increase this contribution and a review of contribution will be conducted after 1 year.
- To provide security of tenure for WAWH and support funding applications, a sub-lease that mirrors the CRRC's lease with WHLSL will be entered into.
- WAWH will have access to the site and their building outside of opening hours as required.
- WAWH will ensure their operations and services comply with all health & safety requirements including the handling and storage of hazardous chemicals on site.
- WAWH may provide additional support to WHCRRCT when applicable and able to do so.

5. Relationship Principles

The Parties to this Agreement agree to the following relationship principles:

- To co-operate in a fair, transparent and honest way at all times
- To establish (or maintain) an interactive and positive relationship
- To provide sound advice and information wherever possible to assist each other
- To work together in good faith to achieve the purpose of this Agreement

6. Disputes

Each party will enter into negotiation in good faith to resolve any disputes and will call on a 3rd party to assist if disputes cannot be resolved.

Memorandum of Understanding Between

Whangarei Heads Community Resource Recovery Charitable Trust and Whangarei Heads Landscape Supplies Limited



1. Purpose of this Agreement

This document formalises the agreement between the Whangarei Heads Community Resource Recovery Charitable Trust (WHCRRCT) and Whangarei Heads Landscape and Supplies Limited (WHLSL).

The purpose of this Agreement is to define the relationship and responsibilities of each of the Parties and to ensure that the Parties work together in an effective and positive manner.

The WHCRRCT aims to lease a site located at 35 Pataua South Road, Parua Bay , approximately 2,300 square metres (as per diagram A) from Whangarei Heads Landscapes and Supplies Ltd for the amount of \$200 + GST per week for a period of two years. It is agreed that the lease will be reviewed at the end of the first year and may increase slightly in line with the rate of inflation.

Following the two year lease and on securing long term funding, WHCRRCT will be given the opportunity to lease the site for an additional consecutive five year period with right of renewal for an additional five years.

The WHCRRCT will lease the site to operate a Community Resource Recovery Centre that will focus on the reduction, repair, re-use, dismantling and recycling of a range of items and materials and to enable the collection and processing of green waste, food waste, to contain and distribute chemicals involved in weed action work and support the overall work of Weed Action Whangarei Heads (WAWH).

2. Key agreements

1. WHCRRCT agree to operate the same hours of operation as WHLSL being Monday to Friday from 7:30am to 4:00pm and Saturday 7:30am to 12:00pm.
2. WHCRRCT and WHLSL agree to develop, manage and maintain a Health and Safety Management System for their respective sites and operations including:
 - Health and Safety Manual
 - Risk Assessment - Risk / Hazard Register
 - Contractor management

- Hazardous Substances Management – Hazardous Substances Inventory
 - Protection to public
 - Emergency preparedness – Emergency Procedures
 - Safe Operating Procedures (SOP's)
3. WHCRRCT and WHLSL will be responsible for any compliance and/or monitoring requirements and/or monitoring relating to their respective sites and resource consents.
 4. WHCRRCT and WHLSL will be responsible for the day-to-day operation and any maintenance of their respective sites as a result of their operations.
 5. WHCRRCT will install a check metre and be responsible for all electricity costs for the operation of centre.
 6. WHCRRCT and WHLSL agree to work collectively and share in associated costs (where possible) in the overall security of the site and roadside signage.
 7. WHCRRCT and WHLSL will ensure they comply with all requirements in securing, opening and locking up of site
 8. WHCRRCT to contract the services of WHLSL (when required) at a rate of \$40 per hour (including GST) for packing of green waste bin, loading of materials and other jobs that maybe require the use of a forklift and/or small loader.
 9. WHLSL agree WHCRRCT contractors and volunteers can share in the use of their toilet and lunch area.

3. Relationship Principles

The Parties to this Agreement agree to the following relationship principles:

- To co-operate in a fair, transparent and honest way at all times
- To establish (or maintain) an interactive and positive relationship
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Appendix B

Public Consultation

Summary - Public Consultation for Proposed Resource Recovery Centre

WHCRRCT received 735 signed letters of support during the public consultation process.

- Individual members of the community (320)
- Northland Regional Council
- Manaia Kindergarten
- Bream Head Conservation Trust
- Discover Whangarei Heads (35 members)
- Local Resident & Ratepayers Associations (Whangarei Heads Citizen Association, Pataua Area Residents and Ratepayers Association and Parua Bay Resident and Ratepayers Associations – (combine total of 370 members)
- Local Businesses

Mana Whenua Engagement Hui

21 June 2019

Pārua Bay Community Centre

The Whangārei Heads Community Resource Recovery Centre Trust trustees called, a Hui to initiate formal consultation with mana whenua on the proposed Community Resource Recovery Centre (CRRCT) site at 35 Pātaua South Road, Whangārei. This followed a number of earlier public meetings attended by local Hapū members relating to the CRRCT developing its proposal over the preceding months. A number of mana whenua groupings had registered interest in the proposal and the proposed site, with Riki Solomon of Ngāti Tū supporting the project as an advisory trustee.

This Hui was arranged upon advice from Nicki Wakefield from Ngāti Kahu o Torongare who offered to circulate a pānui through the wider Hapū networks associated with mana whenua in the Pārua Bay area. Nicki has worked extensively with hapu/iwi in the Whangarei District as a Treaty Claims Administrator and as an Environmental Educator Consultant. The purpose of the meeting was to; initiate authentic and long lasting relationships, establish a consultation pathway and identify concerns or mitigations for the site and the next steps. A secondary goal was for Weed Action Whangarei Heads to form relationships between mana whenua groupings in the Pārua Bay area.

At this meeting members of the Te Waiāriki Hapū stated their mana whenua interest in the Waitangata stream area. Members of Ngāti Kahu o Torongare were also in attendance with interests in the wider Pārua Bay and Whangarei Heads area. The attendees at this Hui agreed that the CRRCT have ongoing discussions with the Te Waiāriki / Ngāti Kororā / Ngāti Taka Hapū Iwi Trust and that the Chairperson Pereri Mahanga represent this group to explore whether mitigations could be found to address concerns for the site.

After this Hui, meetings on site with Pereri Mahanga, CRRCT, Mike Farrow Landscape Architect and Weed Action staff occurred. Weed Action Coordinator, Kelly Maxwell met with Pereri and discussed restoration issues regarding the Waitangata Stream and the cultural values and concerns local hapu felt about the degradation of the area. With support from hapu, Weed Action called together local people interested in the restoration of the stream and a number of Weed Action events ensued where weeds were removed and native plants planted. Pereri Mahanga organised a blessing of the area which kaumatua Te Ratahi Mahanga conducted. Meetings with Mike Farrow and Pereri Mahanga addressed storm water and

protection of the Waitangata Stream. These mitigations were included in the plans being submitted for resource consent.

Consultation Mana Whenua

May 2019	Meeting Trustee Melissa Arseneault, Waimarie Bruce-Kingi Te Waiāriki, Te Waiāriki Ngāti Takapari Ngāti Kororā Trust Board and Riki Solomon Ngāti Tū Chairman at Whangarei Heads Enterprises site to discuss proposal.
3 June 2019	Meeting Trustees Robyn Bigelow, Melissa Arsenault and Riki Solomon at Parua Bay Marine Reserve to discuss proposal and consultation Hui.
7 June 2019	Meeting organised with Maia Honetana Ngāti Tū at the Whangarei Heads Enterprise. Maia was unable to attend and the meeting was rescheduled to 13 th June.
13 June 2019	Rescheduled meeting with Maia Honetana. Maia unable to attend.
19 June 2019	Robyn Bigelow emailed Maia Honetana an update on proposed CRRCT.
21 June 2019	Consultation Hui – see pānui and photos of site visit.
26 July 2019	Meeting Trustees, Kim Tito, Te Parawhau and Pereri Mahanga, Te Waiāriki to discuss the project and explore possible mitigations and protection of the Waitangata Stream.
26 July 2019	Pereri Mahanga, Te Waiāriki appointed as Trust Advisor to the WHCRRCT (see organisational chart below).
7 Sept 2019	Meeting Pereri Mahanga, Te Waiāriki and Mike Farrow, Littoralis Landscape Architect at Whangarei Heads Enterprises site to discuss storm water from site and protection of Waitangata stream.
7 Sept 2019	Pereri Mahanga and Te Ratahi Mahanga – blessing of the Waitangata Stream prior to Waitangata Stream restoration work beginning (organised by Weed Action)
20 Sept 2019	Meeting with Te Waiāriki Ngāti Takapari Ngāti Kororā Hapū Iwi Trust Board. Four Trustees were present including Waimarie Bruce Kingi and Pereri Mahanga. Robyn Bigelow and Melissa Arseneault provided a presentation on the CRRCT.
13 Sept 2019	Meeting Robyn Bigelow and Pereri Mahanga regarding the pros and cons of a Cultural Impact/Values Assessment or developing an MOU. It was decided an MOU would be suitable. Once the MOU was developed, Pereri Mahanga circulated the document within the Hapū and made suggestions/adjustments.
30 Oct 2019	Meeting Robyn Bigelow and Pereri Mahanga to sign MOU (see below copy) alongside a number of phone calls and discussions between Pereri Mahanga, Robyn Bigelow and Mike Farrow.
3 Mar 2020	Copy of WHCRRCT Business Plan emailed to Pereri Mahanga.

Photos of Hui Attendees on Site Visit



Kelly Maxwell and Ana Kake during site visit.



(From left) Sue Hodge, Pereri Mahanga, Robyn Bigelow and Melissa Arseneault during site visit.



Kaumatua Richard Shepherd and Melissa Arseneault during site visit



Hui attendees during presentation at Pārua Bay Community Centre

Community Consultation

14th March 2019

Whangarei Heads Citizen Association AGM

McLeod Bay Hall

Attendees 45

Presentation by Matthew Luxon & Melissa Arseneault

Matthew talked about community led resource recovery initiatives where the people have taken responsibility for their waste through community enterprises and in doing so are making a big impact on reducing waste to landfill and increasing the recovery, reprocessing and recycling of valuable resources.

WHCA committee member, Melissa Arseneault provided an overview of a proposal to set up and operate the first community led and operated resource recovery centre in Whangarei.

Matthew Luxon is on the board of the Zero Waste Network Aotearoa, has a master's degree in social work, and currently lives in Auckland. Matthew is a director of zero waste consultancy Envision New Zealand; an agency responsible for conceiving of, advocating for, and supporting the development of Auckland's internationally acclaimed Resource Recovery Network.

15th September 2019

Discover Whangarei Heads – AGM

Parua Bay Tavern

Attendees 25

Presentation by Melissa on proposal to set up and operate the first community led and operated resource recovery centre in Whangarei. All participants received hand out of proposal and illustration of site and centre and sign individual letters of support.

20th October – 22nd November 2019

Whangarei Heads Enterprises

Information including handouts was made available in the office of Whangarei Heads Enterprises.

7th November 2019

Whangarei Heads School Snorkelling Day

Reotahi

Attendees 35+

A local parent who attended snorkelling day provided handouts of proposal and obtained 28 signatures from other parents of children who attend the Whangarei Heads School.

8th – 24th November 2019

Gas Parua Bay (petrol and service station)

Information was available at the counter on proposal to set up and operate community resource recovery centre and to sign group letter of support.

13th November 2019
Local Walking Group

Walking group coordinator provided information to walking group about proposal and obtained 12 signatures.

16th November 2019
Artisan Market – McLeod Bay Hall

Attendees 100+

Melissa set up a table with information and handouts outside entrance to markets. This provided opportunity to speak to over 60 local residents about proposal, hand out information and obtain signatures.

17th November 2019
Parua Bay Farmers Market

Attendees 50+

Melissa set up a table with information and handouts at market. This provided opportunity to speak to over 40 local residents about proposal, hand out information and obtain signatures.

19th November 2019
Pines Golf Club – Twilight Golf

Attendees 80+

Short presentation by Melissa Arseneault on proposal to set up and operate the first community led and operated resource recovery centre in Whangarei.

Table with information was set up for evening and opportunity to discuss proposal in more detail and sign letter of support.

21st November 2019
Manaia Tennis Club Day

Attendees 10+

A local tennis player provided information to the Manaia tennis group about proposal and obtained 10 signatures.

29th November 2019
Parua Bay Residents & Ratepayers Association AGM

Attendees 10

Information was made available to all attendees most who had already signed letter of support.

29th November 2019
Conservation Christmas Party & End of Year Celebrations
McLeod Bay Hall

Attendees 65+

Short presentation by Melissa Arseneault on proposal to set up and operate the first community led and operated resource recovery centre in Whangarei.

Table with information was set up for evening and opportunity to discuss proposal in more detail and sign letter of support.

Articles

Three articles were published in the Whangarei Heads Newsletter, the official newsletter of the Whangarei Heads Citizen Association. This newsletter is well read and distributed to 870 residents in the Whangarei Heads area including Parua Bay, Pataua South and Ocean Beach areas.

- June/July 2019
- August/September 2019
- December 2019/January 2020
(this issue also included an A5 full colour insert encouraging community input and comment)

Please find attached copies of each article and the A5 insert.

Related Articles

28th March 2019

https://www.nzherald.co.nz/northern-advocate/news/article.cfm?c_id=1503450&objectid=12216923 (+ video clip Melissa Arseneault on proposed new community resource recovery centre)

15th April 2019

<https://www.pressreader.com/new-zealand/the-northern-advocate/20190415/281479277803177>

17th April 2019

https://www.nzherald.co.nz/northern-advocate/news/article.cfm?c_id=1503450&objectid=12222920

Public Consultation Summary

There has been extensive publicity and community consultation for the proposed Community Resource Recovery Centre to be located at 35 Pataua South Road, Parua Bay.

Community consultation was initiated following the submission of a detailed scoping report from Melissa Arseneault to the Whangarei District Council on the 26th October 2018.

A group of locals then formed and registered the Whangarei Heads Community Resource Recovery Charitable Trust.

A presentation by Trustees was made to Councillors at a Whangarei District Council meeting on the 30th May 2019. This resulted in the granting of funding support up to \$20,000 from the Waste Levy towards a resource consent and business plan for the community-led resource recovery centre, on Whangarei Heads site.

Upon receipt of this grant the Trustees have put in a considerable amount of volunteer time and effort engaging and consulting with local mana whenua, organisations, businesses and individuals via meetings, discussions, presentations and the publishing of articles on the proposal to establish Whangarei's first community-led and operated resource recovery centre.

Copies of the Whangarei Heads Resource Recovery Trust deed and Scoping Report were made available to community and repeated requests made encouraging community input and feedback regarding proposal.

The signing of a MOU with Te Waiariki/Ngati Korora/Ngati Taka Hapū Iwi Trust on the 30th October 2019 was significant to enable the CRRC Trustees to further progress the resource consent application.

The overall response from community has been overwhelming in support of the proposal for a new community led and operated resource recovery centre that will focus on engaging, informing, inspiring and enabling community to work collectively to find practical and cost-effective solutions to reduce waste to landfill.

However it is important to note that some residents with properties adjacent to the Whangarei Heads Enterprises site have indicated they do not support the setting up of a CRRC. One of the main concerns is that the new centre will be like a 'dump' or transfer station with rubbish being accepted or handled on site and as a result will devalue their properties. All comments and input received were appreciated and important to enable the Trustees to address concerns raised.

Proposed Whangarei Heads Community - Led Resource Recovery Centre

WHY

To reduce waste to landfill requires a coordinated approach involving Council, community and local businesses and a change in how we think about waste and the consequences and impacts within our communities. Waste is not just a council issue - it is a community issue. There is a need to engage, inform and inspire communities to work collectively to find practical and cost-effective solutions.



STRUCTURE

A group of locals have formed the Whangarei Heads Resource Recovery Charitable Trust. The Trust will register with the Charitable Trust Register when funding support to progress this proposal is obtained.

PURPOSE

- ✓ to turn waste into resources by establishing, coordinating and developing community waste minimisation initiatives with the goal of reducing waste to landfill
- ✓ to focus on the reduction, repair, re-use and recycling of waste such as appliances, electronic waste and building materials
- ✓ to enable the collection and processing of green waste, food waste and support the work of Weed Action Whangarei Heads
- ✓ to build community awareness and engagement on sustainable resource use, the value of resources and practical ways to reduce waste



SITE

The proposed Resource Recovery Centre is proposed to be developed alongside Whangarei Heads Enterprises aggregate and landscaping business at 35 Pataua South Road, Parua Bay.

The site is zoned Rural Production Environment in the Whangarei Operative District Plan and requires a discretionary activity resource consent under Rule RPE 2.3.1 as a Resource Recovery Centre is considered a commercial activity.



RESOURCE CONSENT

Funding support from Whangarei District Council has enabled the Trust to apply for a resource consent and develop a business plan. As a community operated and led initiative, it is important that the community is involved in and supports the development of the first Resource Recovery Centre in Whangarei.

CONSULTATION

As part of the resource consent application we are seeking input and support from local mana whenua, residents and businesses.

YOU'RE INPUT AND SUPPORT IS IMPORTANT:

1. For additional information or to discuss any aspect of this proposal further or;
2. To **ADD** your **NAME** to a letter in support of this proposal to be included in our resource consent application;

Please contact:

Melissa Arseneault

Whangarei Heads Resource Recovery Trust

Mob 021 550 249

Email grassroots63@outlook.com

29 November 2019

Whangārei Heads Resource Recovery Trust
c/- Melissa Arseneault
via email: grassroots63@outlook.com

Dear Melissa,

Re: Proposed Whangārei Heads Community-led Resource Recovery Centre

Thank you for your email of 19 November 2019 to Councillor Amy MacDonald advising of the proposal for a community-led Resource Recovery Centre.

The Northland Regional Council wishes to convey its support in principle, via this letter, for this community-led initiative.

The overall proposal is inspiring, and the Northland Regional Council commends the initiatives to minimise waste and support the work of Weed Action Whangārei Heads.

Should any advice be required regarding this proposal please do not hesitate to contact staff.

Yours sincerely



Penny Smart
CHAIR, NORTHLAND REGIONAL COUNCIL

17 May 2019

Simon Weston
General Manager
Infrastructure
Whangarei District Council

Sue Hodge
Acting Manager
Solid Waste
Whangarei District Council

Re: **Community Consensus for Support of the Community Based Recycling Centre**

The Whangarei Heads community represented by the WHCA, PBRRA, and the PARRA as the main formally constituted community bodies, and supported by those campaigning to have the transfer station re-opened for a limited period, are in agreement that the community-led and operated resource recovery centre be established as soon as consent can be obtained and the site prepared for the requisite operation and done so with the full support of Council.

In the meantime the Council is encouraged to provide a facility as a temporary measure with the same service level as that which existed at the Transfer Station, which has been closed since 23 April.

Sincerely,

Marnie Muirhead
Parua Bay Resident and Ratepayers Association Inc.

Jan Boyes
Whangarei Heads Citizen Association Inc.

Kerry Hannam
Pataua Area Residents and Ratepayers Association

John Nicole
Representing Residents Campaigning to have Transfer Station Re-open

cc Greg Innes

June 2020

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To whom it may concern

Support for Whangarei Heads Community Resource Recovery Centre

I am writing in support of the Whangarei Heads Community Resource Recovery Centre.

Whangarei District Council supported the Whangarei Heads Resource Recovery Trust to carry out a scoping report and develop a business plan for a Community Resource Recovery Centre. Their plan involves the provision of a community facility that will enable recycling, composting of organic waste, diversion of building and construction waste, reuse and repurposing.

This project supports Council's vision waste minimisation and management in the Whangarei District; *To deliver community benefits and work towards zero waste to landfill. Whangarei businesses and households will be provided with efficient and effective waste minimisation and management services that recognise waste as a resource.*

Demand from the community for improvements in the way that solid waste is managed continue to grow. Meeting these demands will require a coordinated approach involving council, community and local businesses and a change in how we think about waste and the consequences and impacts within our communities. Waste is not just a council issue is it a community issue. Community Resource Recovery Centres offer an opportunity to engage, inform and inspire community to work collectively to find practical and cost-effective solutions to reuse and reduce waste.

Yours faithfully



Sue Hodge
Parks and Recreation Manager

To: Whangarei District Council

We understand that reducing waste is a growing challenge locally, nationally and globally, with major implications for our environment, economy and how we live our lives.

The Whangarei District Council's Waste Minimisation and Management Plan includes a recycling target to increase recycling, composting and reuse at refuse transfer stations to greater than 50% by 2020.

We believe to meet this target will require a new coordinated approach involving Council, community and local businesses and a change in how we think about waste and the consequences and impacts within our communities. Waste is not just a Council issue - it is a community issue. We need to engage, inform and inspire communities to work collectively to find practical and cost-effective solutions to reduce waste to landfill.

A community-led and operated Resource Recovery Centre located at the Whangarei Heads Enterprises site will:

- turn waste into resources by establishing, coordinating and developing community waste minimisation initiatives with the goal of reducing waste to landfill
- focus on the reduction, repair, re-use and recycling of waste such as appliances, electronic waste and building materials
- enable the collection and processing of green waste, food waste and support the work of Weed Action Whangarei Heads
- build community awareness and engagement on sustainable resource use, the value of resources and practical ways to reduce waste

We believe this proposal would result in community, local businesses and Council working together to achieve greater diversion of waste to landfill to meet the objectives and targets outlined in the Whangarei Waste Minimisation and Management Plan.

We therefore support the Whangarei Heads Resource Recovery Trust application for a resource consent to operate a Community Resource Recovery Centre to be located at the Whangarei Heads Enterprises site. We understand that the environmental effects resulting from the operation of this facility will be less than minor.

Patea Area Ratepayers and Residents Association

Parua Bay Residents and Ratepayers Association

Yvonne Ingham, President
Whangarei Heads Citizen Association

Changin
Stamman President
Patea Residents & Ratepayers Association
Whangarei Heads Citizens Association
JB Hayes



14 December 2019

Mel Arseneault
Whangarei Heads Resource Recovery Trust
Email: grassroots63@outlook.com

Dear Mel

PROPOSED WHANGAREI HEADS COMMUNITY-LED RESOURCE RECOVERY CENTRE

Thank you for providing the Bream Head Conservation Trust information regarding a proposal for a community-led Resource Recovery Centre to be located at 35 Pataua South Road, Parua Bay.

The Bream Head Conservation Trust wishes to convey its support in principle for this community-led initiative.

A community-led initiative to raise awareness of opportunities to reuse, reduce, recover and recycle valuable resources that otherwise would be sent to landfill is important and would support a number of conservation proposals within the Whangarei Heads area.

The Trust would be interested in working with the Whangarei Heads Resource Recovery Trust to enable a cost effective and safe disposal of toxin from trapping efforts in the area.

The Trust also acknowledges all the work you have carried out regarding the organising of volunteers and everything linked with it. This undertaking has been appreciated and we thank you most sincerely. Furthermore, we also thank you for donating a barbeque for HQ and the supply of guttering for the roof. This is such a generous gesture and of benefit to HQ.

Kind regards.

Yours sincerely

Greg Innes
Chair Bream Head Conservation Trust

1 March 2019

Mr Simon Weston
General Manager – Infrastructure
Whangarei District Council

Dear Simon

On behalf of the members of Discover Whangarei Heads Tourism Group Inc we would like to acknowledge our support for the proposed Community – Led Resource Recovery Centre to be located at the Whangarei Heads Enterprises site at 35 Pataua South Road.

This proposal with a focus on reuse, repurposing, recycling and diverting previously landfilled waste and its location is preferred to further operating and extending the current Parua Bay Transfer Station in a well-used recreational and marine area.

The predicted increase in population and visitors to the area highlights the importance to prioritise and deliver effective waste minimisation initiatives to be able to manage this growth and meet the objectives and targets of the Waste Minimisation and Management Plan (2017).

A Community-led and operated Resource Recovery Centre funded by Whangarei District Council would be a great asset to our local community.

Sincerely



Hannah Ffrost
Chairperson
Discover Whangarei Heads Tourism Group Inc



Manaia Kindergarten
8 Kiteone Road
Parua Bay
Whangarei 0174

10th December 2019

Whangarei Heads Resource Recovery Trust
35 Pataua South Road
Parua Bay
Whangarei 0174

To whom it may concern,

The Manaia Kindergarten team are keen to support the Whangarei Heads Resource Recovery Centre. Manaia Kindergarten joined the Enviro-Schools programme in 2018 and would welcome involvement in this local initiative as it fits into our kindergarten kaupapa of reducing, Reusing and recycling our waste.

Kind Regards

The Manaia Kindergarten Team

Kindergarten: Giving our children an excellent start for life long learning

Phone 09 09 436 1262 • Email manaia@nka.org.nz



19 January 2020

Whangarei Heads Resource Recovery Centre Trustee

Dear Trustees of the Whangarei Heads Resource Recovery Centre

RE: Letter Of Support for the Proposed Whangarei Heads Resource Recovery Centre

I would like to register my support for the proposed resource recovery centre in Parua Bay.

I have worked in my business here in Parua Bay for 15 years and have had close involvement with the community in all aspects. The Parua Bay and Whangarei Heads is a highly treasured environment to all who live and work here and we need to protect it.

With the increase in growth in both population and visitors to the area, and with the closure of the Parua Bay transfer station the opening of a community operated resource recovery centre will be a great asset for our community.

As a business we support any new initiatives that will encourage and enable more recovery and recycling of resources.

Yours sincerely

Tom Donelley
Owner Operator Parua Bay Tavern

Appendix C

Materials Overview

- Cardboard
- Plastic Containers & Film
- Glass Bottles & Jars

Cardboard Overview (estimate first year collection 30 tonne)

Option A

Cardboard is collected loose in fadges and delivered weekly or fortnightly to The ReSort Centre, Kioreroa Road

Minimal costs to deliver cardboard to The ReSort Centre as can utilise volunteers and vehicles going to town.

No payment is expected to be received for cardboard due to recent decline in market demand and value.

With the initial set up and operation of centre the Trust recommends to trial option A for the first 12 months as it is the most cost effective option. Loose cardboard is easy to handle, store and deliver to The ReSort Centre. No equipment except fadges required, no commercial vehicles or collections required. This trial will enable the Trust to assess the effectiveness, benefits and/or issues of collection method, gain a better understanding and accurate record of volume of cardboard that will be received.

Option B

Cardboard is collected in fadges, baled on site and delivered to The ReSort Centre, Kioreroa Road.

Baling, equipment, power, strapping	\$5,000
Delivery to The Resort Centre (no cost as can utilise vehicles going to town)	
Payment \$11.50 per tonne (to be confirmed)	<u>\$ 390</u>
Total cost	\$4,610

No large cages on site, no front load trucks accessing site, less H&S issues, fadges easy to use and handle. Requires contractor/volunteer time and baling equipment/supplies but will be baling plastic on site and easy to incorporate cardboard.

Option C

Cardboard is collected in 2 x 3 metre frontload cages on a scheduled weekly collection (in conjunction with other local collections to minimise vehicle movements)

Cages will contain approximately 120 kilograms of cardboard that would require 240 empties.

Bin rental x 2 (\$21.85 rental per bin per month)	\$ 524
Empty (\$23 per empty per bin) x 240 empties	\$5,520
Total cost	\$6,144

No payment due to recent significant drop in market demand and prices.

Convenient, less time, no processing or deliveries required. Cages require more space and manoeuvrability on site, increase H&S issues with front load vehicle collections, will result in higher operational costs and more vehicle movements on site.

Plastic Containers & Film (estimated 15 tonnes first year)

Option A

Plastic containers to be put loose into designated fadges by plastic resin, grade and/or colour. A one metre fadge holds approximately 20 kg of plastic and it will take 3 – 5 fadges to make a bale. Plastic will be baled on site, stored on pallets and then delivered to Auckland for reprocessing.

Minimal freight costs will be incurred as we have local residents who are able to deliver baled material to Auckland.

The following plastic containers and film will be collected in year one. Polystyrene is able to be recovered for reprocessing and we will investigate opportunities to offer this service on the centre is operational.

PET

HDPE

LDPE (plastic film and others)

PP (specific containers)



There are a number of local manufactures who are able to reprocess the majority of plastic that will be collected. No charges will be applied to receive plastic containers or film and some plastics such as PET, HDPE and film will receive a payment.

Baling, equipment, power, strapping	\$5,000
Minimal freight costs to Auckland	\$1,000
Payment (as per spreadsheet)	\$3,700
Total cost	\$2,300

With the initial set up and operation of centre the Trust recommends to trial option A for the first 12 months as it is the most cost effective option. Loose plastic is easy to handle, bale, store and we can delivery to Auckland at minimal cost. No equipment except fadges required, no commercial vehicles or collections required. This trial will enable the Trust to assess the effectiveness, benefits and/or issues of collection method, gain a better understanding and accurate record of volume of plastic recovered and investigate opportunities to recover and process more plastic.

Option B

Plastic containers and film to be put loose into designated fadges by plastic resin, grade and/or colour to be collected (flat deck) by commercial operator approximately one collection every 10 days.

Collection (\$240 per 20 full fadges (400kg) x 37 collections)	\$9,338
No payment for material	

Use of fadges enables easy collection and quality control of product. This service does not enable the collection of polypropylene. Fadges collected will result in more vehicle movements/trucks on site. No payment received for product.

Option C

Plastic containers and film to be put (by type) into 2 individual 9 metre gantry bins. Individual gantry bin will contain approximately 200kg of plastic. Seventy five collections per year required. Individual bins would be collected via gantry truck when full and delivered to The ReSort Transfer Station, Kioreroa Road to be processed with other material.

Rental 2 x 9m3 gantry bins (\$69 per month)	\$ 936
Safety barriers & signage	\$ 2,000
Scheduled or "ring in" collection (\$276 per collection x 74)	\$20,700
Processing fee (\$414 per tonne x 15 tonne)	<u>\$ 6,210</u>
Total	\$36,056

This option is not viable due to cost.

Glass Bottles & Jars (estimate first year collection 40 tonne of glass per annum)

Option A

Bulk storage of glass in three –bay hook bin separate into 3 colours to contain approximately 10 tonnes of glass. Four collections per year required. Bin collected via hook truck with glass being delivered directly to OI-NZ Auckland.

Users would put glass into wheelie bins (per colour) on site and when required wheelie bins would be tipped into bulk bin at a time that would have the least noise impact.

Better quality control of glass, less noise placing glass into wheelie bins and can control times when bins tipped into bulk bin, reduction in handling of glass, vehicle movements and trucks on site.

Purchase 30m3 three-bay hook bin	\$29,934
Solar powered bin tipper	\$14,500
240 ltrs wheelie bins (x 12)	\$ 1,176
Collection charges (\$460 per 10 tonne)	\$ 1,840
Payment glass (40 tonne x \$74.75 per tonne)	\$ 2,900

If funding support was able to be obtained for the purchase of a 3 stage bin and solar powered bin tipper this option would provide a long term cost effective solution in the collection and processing of larger volumes (40 tonne +) of glass bottles and jars

Option B

Users would put glass (by colour) into 3 individual 9 metre gantry bins. Individual gantry bin contain approximately 3.5 tonne of glass. Twelve collections per year required. Individual bins would be collected via gantry truck when full and delivered to The ReSort Transfer Station, Kioreroa Road tipped into glass bays and then later reloaded into trucks to be delivered to OI-NZ.

Safety barrier will be required on platform where users stand to put glass. If the wrong glass or other material is placed in bins unable to remove. No tipping of wheelie bins required.

Quality control of glass more difficult and extra time required to ensure users put correct colours into bins, more noise placing glass into gantry bin vs wheelie bin and uncontrolled throughout the day, increase handling of glass, vehicle movements and trucks on site. Additional issues of storage if full bins not collected within 48 hour of pick up request.

Rental 3 x 9m3 gantry bins (\$103.50 per month)	\$1,242
Safety barriers & signage	\$2,000
Scheduled or “ring in” collection (\$276 per collection x 12)	\$3,312
Payment glass (40 tonne x \$23 per tonne- to be confirmed)	\$ 920

With the initial set up and operation of centre the Trust recommends the best option is to submit an application to the Glass Packaging Forum (and if approved) funding would assist with costs associated with rental and collection of gantry bins as part of a 12 month trial. This trial will enable the Trust to assess the effectiveness, benefits and/or issues of collection method, gain a better understanding and accurate record of glass able to be recovered and opportunities to increase tonnages.

Appendix D

Weed Action Whangarei Heads Chemical Shed Storage and Handling Policy

Weed Action Whangarei Heads Chemical Shed Storage and Handling Policy

Introduction

Weed Action Whangārei Heads (WA) uses herbicides in its day to day activities to control pest plants that threaten the values of the natural systems within the Whangārei Heads landscape. WA requires a chemical store to safely store and secure hazardous chemicals (Hazchems) and a site has been designated in the CRRC facility. WA will follow all relevant industry standards and government guidelines and regulations to ensure the Hazchems are secured safely at this site and compliant within relevant legislation. This legislation includes:

- Health and Safety at Work Act 2016
- Hazardous Substances and New Organisms Act 2006
- NZ Standard 8409:2004 Management of Agrichemicals

Store Construction

Store to be locked and soundly built with ventilation and lighting, with no direct sunlight on stored products.

All compulsory signage in place

- HAZCHEM 2WE AGRICHEMICALS sign
- A NO SMOKING sign
- HSNO-regulated signage if the quantities of agrichemicals exceed specified levels (currently not required)

Spill containment

Spill containment requirements to be met through the use of drip trays

Secondary containment (e.g. bunding) is not required as quantities and specific herbicides stored do not trigger the threshold (bundage required when the volume of liquid substances exceed certain levels. This requirement also depends on the size of the container – up to 60 litres, 60-450 litres, and greater than 450 litres – See HASNO legislation). WA will be handling containers of herbicide up to a total of 300 litres

In recognition of concerns of the local community, however, WA will opt for a Hazchem shed that has built-in bundage to further eliminate risk of any ground contamination. Any spill will be contained and cleaned up using dry media such as vermiculite or kitty litter as per good practice.

A spill kit will be maintained in the store including

- kitty litter (non-flammable absorbent material)
- a broom and shovel & heavy-duty plastic bags
- a drum into which contaminated material or leaking containers can be placed

Store Management – Record keeping

- A list of all stored products (recording the product's trade name and quantity stored) maintained
- A copy of a Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS) or Haznote kept for each agrichemical stored.
- This information will be, kept up to date, stored away from the store, in a known place (coordinators residence), and accessible to emergency services within 10 minutes.

Store Management – Segregation

- Herbicides kept away from fungicides and insecticides (no fungicides/ insecticides stored)
- No fumigants stored
- Powder, liquid, (and any aerosol) formulations will be kept separate
- Powder stored above liquids
- Any highly toxic and dangerous products that are tracked substances (eg. 6.1A,B,C) kept together under lock and key (currently not required).
- Protective personal equipment (PPE) will be stored separately from agrichemicals

Store Management – Storage

- Every product in the store must be in a proper container and every container in the store should have a correct and legible label
- Use the oldest products first ('first in/first out'). New product dated on the container as it enters the store.
- Large (20-60 litre) liquid containers stored on or near floor level. Products stored so that their label can be clearly seen
- No fertilisers, fuels or lubricants, pool chemicals, seeds or feedstuffs stored in the same store as agrichemicals
- Store to be kept tidy and free of rubbish at all times.
- Agrecovery, an industry initiative to dispose of unwanted herbicides will dispose of any unwanted herbicide or herbicide containers.
- PPE stored separately from agrichemicals, and respirator canisters stored in air tight containers with PPE.
- Agrichemical store PPE for mixing and handling store chemicals will include:
- Nitrile gloves suitable for mixing chemicals
- Mixing apron and,
- Eye protection

Emergency Preparedness

The Agrichemical store will have:

- A spill kit (see above for contents)
- An accessible 4.5 kg dry powder fire extinguisher
- A clearly visible sign that tells people what to do and who to call if something goes wrong (e.g. doctor, hospital, Poisons Centre)
- A First Aid kit kept outside of the store
- An eyebath kept outside of the store

Rinsing of containers, mixing of herbicides and disposal of unused herbicides

Herbicides will be mixed with water for use in spray application OFF SITE from the CRRC. This procedure will eliminate the risk of spilling mixed spray liquids within the CRRC.

After spray operations all unused mixed herbicides will be dispensed outside the CRRC site on pest plants or waste ground prior to returning to the CRRC. Knapsacks or empty Hazchem containers will be TRIPLE RINSED before returning to the CRRC for storage outside of the Hazchem shed.

LONG TERM PLAN 2021-31 FEEDBACK FORM



**THE CLOSING DATE FOR FEEDBACK IS
THURSDAY 1 APRIL 2021**

We would love your feedback on some key issues for our District.

POINTS TO REMEMBER WHEN SUBMITTING YOUR FEEDBACK

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- All feedback is considered public under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act, so it may be published and made available to elected members and the public.
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- You can also attend a hearing, scheduled for 13-14 April, to speak to your submission.

HOW TO GET THIS FORM TO US

Mail to: Long Term Plan feedback, Whangarei District Council, Private Bag 9023, Whangārei 0148

Email to: mailroom@wdc.govt.nz

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YOUR DETAILS

Name WALTER MICK GEORGE YOVICH

I am making this submission as: ☐ An individual ☒ On behalf of an organisation

Organisation name WHANGAREI INDUSTRIAL PARK LTD

Postal address PO Box 925
WHANGAREI

Best number to contact you on 4700400

Email _____

Do you wish to be heard in support of your submission at a traditional hearing on 13-14 April? ☐ Yes ☒ No

YOUR FEEDBACK

Please give us your feedback on the key issues raised in the Consultation Document.

KEY ISSUE – HOW WILL WE PAY FOR WHAT WE NEED – RATES OPTIONS (SEE PAGE 17)

☒ **OPTION 1:** Rates increase in year one (2021-22) of 2% + 2.5% Local Government Cost Index (LGCI) + 2% 'catch up'.

Rates increase in years two to ten (2022-31) of 2% + 2.5% LGCI.

☒ **OPTION 2:** Limit the rates increase to LGCI plus 2% only across ten years of the Plan

WHY?

There should be no rates increase.

Council is inefficient and mismanaging rate payers affairs.

Operating costs are excessive and have to be reduced.

KEY ISSUE – SPACES FOR GATHERING (SEE PAGE 24)

☒ **OPTION 1:** Allocate budget across three sites (Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hihiaua Cultural Centre, and existing facilities at Forum North).

☒ **OPTION 2:** Put budget towards only ONE of the following: Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hihiaua Cultural Centre, or existing facilities at Forum North. Please state which site in your comments.

☒ **OPTION 3:** Build a Whangarei District Council-owned theatre on the current Forum North site.

WHY? THE DEVELOPMENTS ARE UNWARRANTED AND A WASTE OF RATEPAYERS FUNDS

KEY ISSUE – CLIMATE CHANGE AND SUSTAINABILITY (SEE PAGE 28)

- ☐ **OPTION 1:** Put \$3.7m of new funding towards climate change mitigation and adaptation and waste minimisation.
- ☐ **OPTION 2:** Put \$7.4 of new funding towards climate change mitigation and adaptation and waste minimisation.
- ☒ **OPTION 3:** No new funding towards climate change or waste minimisation.

WHY?

KEY ISSUE – REVITALISING OUR CITY CENTRE (SEE PAGE 32)

- ☐ **OPTION 1:** Spend \$13m to make improvements to James Street and John Street.
- ☐ **OPTION 2:** Spend \$21m to make improvements to James Street and John Street as well as either Robert Street or Cameron Street.
- ☒ **OPTION 3:** No additional funding for the City Centre.

WHY? Council over the years has received substantial rates from James & John St but has blown it elsewhere. Vehicle access should not be reduced

TELL US WHAT YOU THINK – ANY FURTHER COMMENTS ON THE KEY ISSUES OR OTHER POINTS RAISED IN THE CONSULTATION DOCUMENT

The proposed increase in debt from \$195m to \$361m is grossly excessive

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Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Chris Williams - 2021-LTP-SUB-336

Receipt Number: 2021-LTP-SUB-336

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Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard at the hearing?	No
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Your feedback:

Key issue - How will we pay for what we need - Rates Options (see page 17)	OPTION 1: Rates increase in year one (2021) of 2% + 2.5% Local Government Cost Index (LGCI) + 2% 'catch up'. Rates increase in years two and three (2022-23) of 2% + 2.5% LGCI.
Why?	

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 1: Allocate budget across three sites (Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hihiaua Cultural Centre, and existing facilities at Forum North).
Why?	

Key issue - Climate change and sustainability (see page 28)	OPTION 2: Put \$7.4m of new funding towards climate change mitigation and adaptation and waste minimisation.
Why?	

Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	OPTION 2: Spend \$21m to make improvements to James and John St as well as either Robert St or Cameron Street.
Why?	

Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points raised in the Consultation document:

Whangarei Rowing Club supports the WDC vision for a Marine hub on Pohe Island. We are seeing a big uplift in interest in the sport across youth and older new-starters. The club is committed to introduce people safely into the sport and is gearing up to cater for a broader cross-section of people from community groups and local organisations. The biggest barrier we now have to this goal is safe access to the water, at all tides. We currently lose access to the water for around 5 hours every low tide meaning we can never have fixed training times and some weeks cannot get on the water at all. Getting the timing wrong results in costly equipment damage and injuries (cut feet, slips, back strains) from thick mud, rocks and oysters. Our peers from other clubs / regions find it remarkable that we can operate at all and be competitive at regattas given this constraint. The club recently took over 30 local school children to represent their schools and compete at Maadi cup (NZ schools champs) at Karapiro.

Whangarei Rowing club would like the plans to develop the Pohe Marine hub and specifically the all-tide floating pontoons be given some priority in the long terms plan. This asset will give a broad group of active water users (not just Rowers - Scouts, Kayakers, SUPs, Waka ama ++) great access to the Hatea at all tides and allow more members of the community to safely get out on the water and engaged in quality physical activities.

Submission to the Whangarei District Council

Draft Long Term Plan 2021-2031

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We wish to be heard in support of our submission: ☒ Yes

Introduction

1. This submission is from the Whangaruru North Residents and Ratepayers Association (hereinafter WNRRA) incorporated under the Incorporated Societies Act 1908 on the 30th day of September 1997.
2. The matters and business of the Association is managed by a Management Committee of volunteers made up of a mix of local permanent residents and part-time residents. The Association is well-established in our community being formed by our local residents and ratepayers over 20 years ago. Through a variety of activities, both community and environmentally minded, we work to enable the Whangaruru North community to thrive. At our most recent AGM there were 92 financial members representing close to 200 families. We are a community with a population in the 'very low-hundreds' which swells to nearly 4000 (est) in peak periods.
3. The objects of our Association are as follows:
Community Interests: To promote and enhance the interests of the people of Whangaruru North and the environment in which they live; to promote the interests of its Members collectively and to promote development of the community.
Representing Members opinions: To make representations on behalf of its members to any local body; authority or representative on matters affecting Members and community of Whangaruru North.
4. We are by-far the northernmost community in the Whangarei District, located over 70km north of Whangarei city and we are 'remote'. We have been a very 'hands-up' rather than 'hands-out' community, doing a lot for ourselves being so far from core services.
5. We are appreciative of the support from your Council - our elected members Cr Greg Martin and Cr Anna Murphy, other Councillors and staff. From seed funding for our community centre, to advocating on issues on importance to us, to listening to our concerns – thank you.

Community Centre

6. Construction of a multi-purpose Community and First Response Centre and Whangaruru North (Punipuni Road, Bland Bay) remains a key priority for the community. We have raised the funds for this capital project and it will soon be underway, but **we support community funding being prioritised** in the LTP, as we will be applying for funding for operational support going forward.
7. We are a member and have strong support from the wider community via the Whangaruru Coastal Community Group(WCCG), via family and community networks. The WCCG has representation from the 5 local marae, 3 Resident and Ratepayer Groups covering from Bland Bay, Oakura down to Teal/Helena Bays and Whangarei District Council (non-voting). **We fully support the WCCG submission** and the request for funding allocated in the latter years of the plan for an additional sports field and hard-court areas to be brought forward to the next 3 years, and other requests.

Request:

- 1. That Council retains community funding in the LTP.**
- 2. That Council supports the requests in the submission from the Whangaruru Coastal Community Group.**

Roading

8. Roading remains a priority. We have highlighted the issues with the state of our roads to Council over a number of years and will continue to do so in the interest of the safety of our community, and visitors.
9. A key concern is the Punaruku section of the road which during rain events floods, becoming impassable and dangerous. Our children have lost ~15 days of schooling due to that section of road. We are looking for a solution not the repetitive message that it is unlikely to be fixed or prioritised due to the cost. Our community is at risk - our most vulnerable – our children and kuia/kaumatua are at risk, our economy and visitors are at risk - we are to now promoted as “The Secret Highway’ as part of the Twin Coast experience and the Te Araroa Trail), this is also a Civil Defence risk. We ask you - what price do you put on a life? Fix our road – please!
10. We ask Council prioritise maintenance and safety works across Whangaruru North.
11. With the increase in traffic on the roads in our area, which has been exacerbated with Covid-19 driving domestic tourism, we are experiencing an exponential increase in the number of vehicles crossing the centre line, often towing trailers or boats. We would like to work with Council to explore safety initiatives which could be implemented, such as erecting some ‘keep left’ signs.

Request:

3. That Council fixes the Punaruku section of road with funds to be allocated Year 1 within the LTP 2021 – 2031.
4. That Council commits to working with the WNRRA to explore and fund safety initiatives on the Old Russell Road.

Weeds and drain clearing

12. As a proud community, we are disappointed at the lack of roadside maintenance including clearing of drains and weeds in our area. We ask that Council address this.

Request:

That Council addresses the lack of roadside maintenance and prioritises funds to clear drains and weeds in our area.

Tsunami Sirens

13. We support Council's decision to budget for an upgrade of the tsunami sirens. Being coastal and remote this is significant to us. We request that additional budget be ringfenced to address the gaps in the network to fund additional new sirens.

Request:

That Council increases the tsunami siren budget to address the gaps in the network and fund additional new sirens.

Stock on the Road

14. Stock on the road continues to be an issue of major concern. We acknowledge the work we have done with Council, in particular Cr Martin, and the contractor to date. We request some funds be allocated to re-establish fencing where it continuously floods and destroys that fencing leading to stock on roads.

Request:

That Council allocate budget to re-establish fencing where it continuously floods and destroys that fencing leading to stock on roads.

Speed Limits

15. We note you are reviewing speed limits in our coastal area in this coming financial year and look forward to early engagement. Speeding vehicles in our area is a major concern and a solution needs to be found before there is a fatality.

Thank you for the opportunity to shape our district by submitting to the LTP.

Jude Thompson
Chair – Whangaruru Residents and Ratepayers Association

Submission to the Whangarei District Council

Draft Long Term Plan 2021-2031

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Introduction and background

1. This submission is from the Whangaruru Coastal Community & Sports Association Inc which has representation as follows:
 - Nga Marae o Whangaruru
 - Whangaruru North Residents & Ratepayers Assn. Inc.
 - Teal Bay Ratepayers Assn Inc.
 - Whangaruru South Resident & Ratepayers Assn Inc.
2. In 2008 a group of community members approached established organisations in the Whangaruru to develop multipurpose facilities on council owned reserve land at the end of Wharua Road. At that time it was felt by this group, that if progress was to be made for sporting and recreational activities better facilities would be needed. The permanent population in the area was also increasing and since COVID has dramatically increased further.. (Demographics showed this to be the case particularly within the younger and older age groups.) This group felt that to develop such a facility that serviced the whole of Whangaruru could only be of benefit to the people in the area.

A meeting of all interested parties was held in the Whangarei District Council Chambers where elected representatives and officers from the WDC and Enterprise Northland were present which included Hapi Haika, Merepeka Henley, Deb Glasgow, Peter Gubb, Cr Martin and Jude Thompson who are still involved. From this meeting the Whangaruru Coastal Community Group (WCCG) was established.

The Whangaruru Coastal Community Group took on board the concept to develop a multipurpose facility at Oakura to service the whole Whangaruru community. The purpose of such a facility was to provide opportunities for sporting, recreational and cultural groups in Whangaruru as well as provide a facility that can be used as a means of building positive partnerships with the youth of Whangaruru through sporting, recreational, health and educational activities. There was no such facility for these purposes in Whangaruru at that time. There was one rugby field and an old portacom. The WCCG went to the community to gauge support for this project and at the 2010 AGM received a mandate to work towards establishing a recreational facility at Oakura.

Research showed that another group, The Whangaruru Community & Sports Trust, held the lease to WDC reserve land where it was proposed to build such facilities. Joint meetings were held between the Whangaruru Coastal Community Group and The Whangaruru Community & Sports Trust from 2010 and in 2012 the committees of both groups decided that a merged group would be advantageous in progressing the building facilities. It was also evident that at the Whangaruru Community & Sports Trust 2011 AGM, there was strong representation made to further progress on providing facilities for sport and other recreational activities. To progress this development merged committee meetings were held since May 2012 and at the 2012 AGM's of both groups the merger of the two groups was put to community members for formalisation. This occurred.

At a special general meeting held in 2013 it was formalised that the group would follow the Whangaruru Community & Sports Trust's rules. In addition, there were modifications to the membership and election of Officers to the committee to these rules. These changes were ratified by the meeting. The changes were registered with the Society of Incorporation.

At the 2013 AGM a proposal was tabled that the merged group rename itself "Whangaruru Coastal Community & Sports Association Incorporated". This motion was passed, and the new name was updated with both the Society of Incorporation and the Charities Commission.

At the 2014 AGM a motion to disestablish the Whangaruru Coastal Community Group as a separate identity and pass all assets to the Whangaruru Coastal Community & Sports Association Inc. was put to the Community and ratified.

The Group, after consultation with the Community and working closely with the Whangarei District Council developed on site plans. Community fund raising ventures were planned and implemented, along with successful funding applications for the build which is now almost complete.

It was always intended, as stated above, that the building would be the phase one of our plan, followed by future phases. Phase two is a further field and field realignment and a hard-court area.

It was also always intended that this would be the home of Whangaruru Rugby, who despite winning several championships were unable to move to the Premier grade as the requirement was to have two fields. You can imagine the disappointment of those players, coaches, management and supporters.

3. We understand we are unique in the district with membership composition and pride ourselves in uniting and collaboratively delivering projects of significance to benefit all our Whangaruru community.
4. We extend from Ngawai Bay/Teal Bay in the South to Tūparehuia/Bland Bay in the north. Whangaruru is a very 'hands-up' rather than 'hand-out' wider community, doing a lot for ourselves being so far from core services and the city.

5. We are appreciative of representation and support from Council - our elected members Cr Greg Martin and Cr Anna Murphy(at the table but non-voting), other Councillors and staff. From providing funding for our community sports hub, to advocating on issues on importance to us, to listening to our concerns – thank you.
6. Our group, meet monthly, at the Ngatiwai Trust Board facilities, to progress our projects.
7. In this draft LTP we acknowledge budget is set aside in Year 8/9 for the Oakura field development and Yr 7/8 for the Oakura hard court. We request that Council move those projects to Yr 1/2 of this plan.

Request:

That Whangarei District Council move the budget set aside in Year 8/9 for the Oakura field development and Yr 7/8 for the Oakura hard court to Yr 1/2 within the LTP 2021 – 2031.

8. The field development budget is to provide for a second grass field and any realignment required to achieve this. Currently there is one grass field. This gives provision for many sports to be played but will give home fields and be the home (the community sports centre facilities) for Whangaruru Rugby.
9. The hard-court development budget will also provide for many sports which include the multiple and highly successful Whangaruru basketball and netball teams.
10. We are also seeking funding from Council for lights for the field. You can appreciate the need for these particularly in the winter months.

Request:

That Whangarei District Council allocate budget in Year 1/2 for lighting of the Oakura fields within the LTP 2021 – 2031.

11. We have engaged with Sport Northland and provided them with our plans and shared our vision for this area as part of their strategic planning. We have also met with the Northland Rugby Union who have given their full support to our multi-code, multipurpose project.
12. We also **provide our full support to the Whangaruru South Residents and Ratepayers Association Inc submission** for additional funds to progress the necessary resource consent requirements for a community-initiated wetlands and associated infrastructure on Council owned land in Oakura. The proposed wetlands would not compete for space with our community sporting facilities, and we believe the overall area is sufficient to provide for all interests. Further, the wetlands and associated green space and infrastructure would assist with drainage and significantly enhance the sporting areas, visually, culturally and ecologically.

Ngā mihi and thank you for the opportunity to shape our district by submitting to the LTP.

Jude Thompson
Chair – Whangaruru Coastal Community Group

WHANGAREI DISTRICT COUNCIL LONG TERM PLAN 2021-31

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Assoc. Inc.
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Note: I wish to be heard in support of this submission on 13/14 April 2021

Introduction:

This submission, made on behalf of Whangaruru South Residents and Ratepayers Association Inc, with the support of Whangaruru Coastal Community Group, seeks Council's support for additional funds in an amount up to \$25,000 to progress the necessary resource consent requirements for a community initiated wetlands and associated infrastructure on Council owned land in Oakura, Whangaruru. Earlier in 2019, we were extremely grateful that the Whangarei District Council approved \$20,000 as part of the 2019-20 Annual Plan to cover the costs of consenting requirements based on a 'best guess' by WDC Parks & Recreation Manager, Sue Hodge, subject to information available to her at the time. Subsequently, in November 2020, Sue Hodge informed us that bespoke Auckland based environmental engineering company, Morpium Environmental Ltd, visited the site and had provided her with a quote for \$37,310 plus GST, leaving a shortfall of \$17,310 plus GST. According to Sue Hodge, "the final consent will cost closer to \$45,000 once all technical reports are commissioned and resource consent fees and monitoring fees paid".

Further, we acknowledge that this submission is made subject to the recommendation approved by the Infrastructure Committee at their meeting on 11 March 2021 stating that we, the Oakura community, should apply for the additional funding through the 2021-31 Long Term Plan or the Community Grant fund. The recommendation stated the Infrastructure Committee "approves up to \$25,000 in advance of the 2021-31 LTP towards assisting the Oakura community with the consenting costs for the Oakura wetland community project". In addition, it noted that "should the Oakura Community application for funding through the 2021-21 LTP or the Community Grant Fund not be approved, there will be a budget overspend of up to \$25,000". Given the availability of a budget overspend, we would expect that the additional funds, if approved in the LTP, would be available sooner, i.e. this financial year, as opposed to being set aside for a much later date, e.g. Year 8/9. This project has been a long time in gestation and members of our community have expended considerable time, effort and in some cases, financial resources, over a period of at least 20 years.

Brief Overview:

According to the National Wetland Trust of NZ Organisation, Northland once supported over 25,000 hectares of wetlands; sadly, today only around 5% of that area remains. The value of wetlands cannot be underestimated. According to the Department of Conservation's own website, "wetlands act like the kidneys of the earth, cleaning the water that flows into them. They trap sediment and soils, filter out nutrients and remove contaminants; can reduce flooding and protect coastal land from storm surge; are important for maintaining water tables and return nitrogen to the atmosphere." DoC further states "they are essential and one of the world's most productive environments. In New Zealand they support the greatest concentration of wildlife out of any other habitat." Hailed as a 'nature-based solution to climate change', wetlands are also good at capturing carbon, even more so than planting trees. As a result of better education and promotion of wetlands, we have seen, and are continuing to see, a major shift in our attitudes towards the ecosystem and social services they provide.



An example of what we hope to achieve - Dragonfly Springs Wetlands, Onerahi

Proposed Site:

The proposed wetlands are sited within a much wider area of land owned by Council that is predominately a commercial forestry block - see Fig. 1. There is also a wastewater plant, transfer station, a sports field and a recently constructed community building/sports facility. The remaining Council owned 'green space' is low-lying, swampy and frequently prone to flooding in heavy rainfall events. A network of narrow channels cross the site dispersing water from the wider catchment into an open drain that runs behind the houses on the eastern boundary of Wharua Road, then culverted under Oakura Road and fed into a stream that makes its way to the coast to discharge out to sea - see Fig. 2.

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Fig. 1 - Council owned property

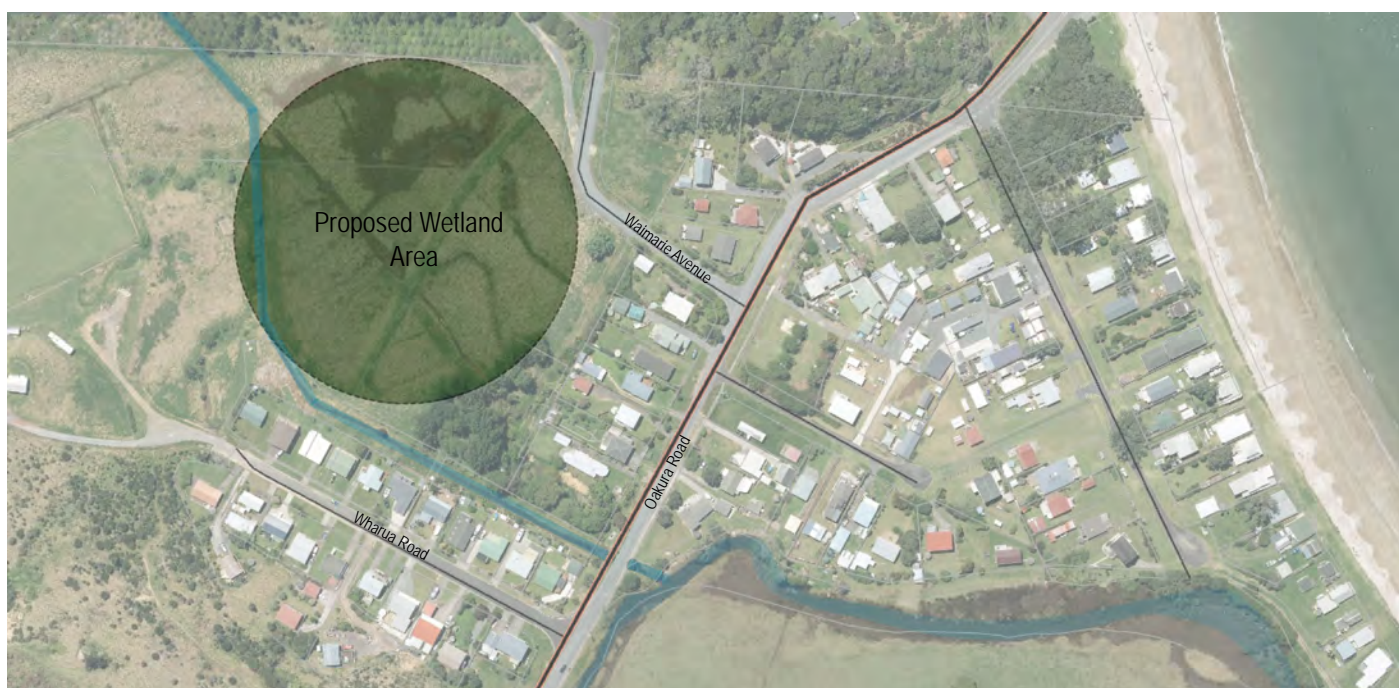


Fig. 2 - Proposed Wetland Area



Network of channels and small streams throughout the proposed wetlands site

In the unique position of offering a quiet, recreational space within close proximity to the swimming beach and amenities, the proposed wetlands area is a mere 2-3 minute walk back from the beach and is easily accessible via Waimarie Avenue. Currently, however, there exists little reason to visit the site and as a consequence, the area is under-utilised. However, with the development of the wetlands and associated infrastructure, for example a loop track, boardwalks and open grass areas for picnics, on-leash dog walking etc, opportunities to use the space would be maximised to provide a welcome social and ecological addition for the local resident community and visitors alike. The wetlands would also present a number of educational opportunities for the local community to get involved in, including children from the local Whangaruru School at nearby Punaruku. Previously, members of the community constructed a plant nursery near the proposed wetlands site, propagated and planted over 18,000 trees and shrubs to reforest an eroding hillside to the west of the sports field. We are in no doubt that the local (and wider) community will once again mobilise in support of this project.

Hydrological Context:

The site for the proposed wetlands sits within a flood plain which regularly leaves the land inundated on occasions of heavy rainfall. A network of small streams and channels, along with ground seepage, normally disperses water from within the catchment, eventually making its way to the coast. Unfortunately, in heavy and/or prolonged rainfall events, the ability to disperse water through ground seepage and into the wider stream is greatly impaired. The stream banks up, water overtops the smaller feeder streams and channels, and the surrounding area, including parts of Oakura Road and adjacent houses (in particular numbers 117-129 Oakura Road) are flooded. After a number of significant flooding events, it is regrettable that the situation remains unresolved. The constructed wetlands comprising a series of connected excavated ponds would assist in mitigating the effects of any future flooding by slowing down the flow of water over the land, diverting and capturing it in the ponds, before absorbing into the soil or being released via the stream in a more controlled manner. The wetlands will also trap sediment, filter and cleanse the water and provide a wet area that will support a natural ecosystem of plants endemic to the area. It will also provide habitat for endemic and threatened bird species such as the brown teal (pateke).

Further Funding:

Given the land for the proposed wetlands is owned by WDC and only Council can apply for the necessary resource consent(s), we believe it is reasonable that the costs of the resource consent process be borne by WDC. Once the necessary consents are obtained, we would expect funding for costs associated with construction to come from other providers. A number of central government and other funding opportunities exist for wetlands such as the Ministry for the Environment's Freshwater Improvement Fund and Jobs for Nature funding programme, and we would make every effort to pursue these opportunities. We believe this wetlands project would be looked upon favourably by funding sources, given the increasing interest in these unique ecosystems. We also have an enthusiastic and committed resident and bach-owning community willing to assist with the following:

- Planning and engagement within the wider community, including local iwi
- Plant purchasing and propagation
- Mass planting at community-led and organised planting days
- Predator control
- Ongoing maintenance and weed control of pest plants and management.

Conclusion:

As stated earlier, we are extremely grateful for the initial funds of \$20,000 that was approved by Council in the 2019-22 Annual Plan to progress consenting requirements for the wetlands. However, the project cannot be initiated without the additional funds to progress the resource consent. The community hopes Council recognises the significance and benefits of this project and finances Morphem Environmental Ltd to undertake the necessary reports, technical assessment and design. It is our understanding that Morphem Environmental Ltd, having visited the site, were very excited about the wetlands and believe it could be constructed fairly simply, and designed using data already gathered. The Whangaruru South Residents & Ratepayers Association Inc. are excited at the prospect of working in collaboration with Council and Morphem Environmental Ltd on this project and will provide assistance wherever possible to ensure the success of this project.

We also wish to acknowledge and support the realignment of the existing rugby field, provision of a second practice field and hardcourt as provided for in the draft LTP. The proposed wetlands would not compete for space with the sporting facilities and we believe the overall area is sufficient to provide for all interests. Further, the wetlands and associated green space and infrastructure would assist with drainage and significantly enhance the sporting areas, visually, culturally and ecologically.

4.

We respectfully suggest the wetlands could provide Whangarei District Council with future insight into the performance and function of a constructed wetland near a coastal margin, with the potential to provide adaptation due to rising sea levels. We see the project as an exemplar for future collaborative Council and community coastal wetland developments.

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Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Whenua - 2021-LTP-SUB-126

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Hearing:

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Your feedback:

Key issue - How will we pay for what we need - Rates Options (see page 17)	OPTION 1: Rates increase in year one (2021) of 2% + 2.5% Local Government Cost Index (LGCI) + 2% 'catch up'. Rates increase in years two and three (2022-23) of 2% + 2.5% LGCI.
Why?	

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 1: Allocate budget across three sites (Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hihiaua Cultural Centre, and existing facilities at Forum North).
Why?	

Key issue - Climate change and sustainability (see page 28)	OPTION 1: Put \$3.7m of new funding towards climate change mitigation and adaptation and waste minimisation.
Why?	

Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	OPTION 1: Spend \$13m to make improvements to James and John St.
Why?	

Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points raised in the Consultation document:

Make Oruku theatre big enough for nz symphony orchestra or nz ballet can perform. There are not enough cultural evenings events for people to attend. We are not a service town any more and there are citizens wanting to go out and spend on culture but there are no opportunities.

Increase the size of the cycling loop to be able to compete with Rotorua and attract cycling competitions. Invest in the mountain biking park at Parihaka and connect it to town.

Night life in town. Change the local rules to allow night clubs to operate. There are currently virtually no night time activities for young adults and a lot of that consumer spending is going to Auckland on weekend trips instead.

Reduce spending on library to recognise the fact that reading has largely moved online. Generate revenue from library by creating and promoting more opportunities to use as a hire venue in the evenings and on weekends.

Turn forum north into North tech student accommodation. Keep the Capt Bougainville theatre.

Do not repair sea walls. Adopt a hard approach on managed retreat.

Great work on the loop and shared cycling paths and Hundterwasswr. Continue revitalisation of city centre, invest in quality street lighting and street furniture. Ensure a connection to the waterfront. Connect to Okara.

Has any analysis been done as to what will happen to the local grid if every house on a street has an electric vehicle. Will the grid cope?

Specifically for Tikipunga, invest in better lighting, CCTV cameras, crime prevention city design. A lot of homes in Kamo East and Tiki are owned by investors. These homes have been allowed to deteriorate because subdivision is limited on mine zones. To encourage investors redeveloping in this area council must increase the value of that land and this can

only be done by investing in more thorough investigation of mine zones. At least at mine zone 3, if council did more to provide clarity around subdivision there it would stimulate property owners to redevelop and lift the quality of neighbourhood. Tiki has beautiful wide verges, why not plant an urban fruit forest there?

Provide money for targeted dog and cat control measures in otangarei and tikipunga and improve the safety of these communities.

Upgrade buses to electric.

Introduce a progressive rates approach. Why should poorer urban communities be subsidising infrastructure for rich people living out on lifestyle blocks. They choose to sprawl out so they should pay for the roads and pipes extended to them. Discourage sprawl into countryside.

Stop pumping out thr Hikurangi swamp. This is in complete contradiction to "sustainability" and "managed retreat". Allow the area to flood and return to natural state and instead spend this money on Otangarei and Tikipunga.

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Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Adam White - 2021-LTP-SUB-369

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Your feedback:

Key issue - How will we pay for what we need - Rates Options (see page 17)	OPTION 1: Rates increase in year one (2021) of 2% + 2.5% Local Government Cost Index (LGCI) + 2% 'catch up'. Rates increase in years two and three (2022-23) of 2% + 2.5% LGCI.
Why?	So the council does not go broke and have intervention by central government.

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 1: Allocate budget across three sites (Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hihiaua Cultural Centre, and existing facilities at Forum North).
Why?	<p>Actually I'm no fan of the conference center as they are in effect white elephants on many councils right across the western world. I know central government gave you money, but sheesh another conference center in another city in NZ, really are we having that many conferences?</p> <p>As for Forum North and Hiniaua Cultural center big ups for Whangarei and needs support and expansion. Happy to see rates money go on both these projects.</p>

Key issue - Climate change and sustainability (see page 28)	OPTION 3: No new funding towards climate change or waste minimisation.
Why?	Waste of time, unless we get the key polluter to actually stop,

	anything this council does is little more than window dressing. I'd prefer if the council actually put pressure on the key polluter anyway it could.
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Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	OPTION 3: No additional funding for the city centre.
Why?	Unless we start doing urban design which is fully accessible to all rate payers, why waste rate payers money doing it half assed?

Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points raised in the Consultation document:

I know council is effectively broke and desperate for new development to keep local government funded. But this loop of perpetual need for growth is going to stop working. More and more people are going to demand more of local government and the money is not there. I would like to see local government push back on central government about receiving tax dollars at the local level. The past 40 years have been a bad joke of more and more core governmental responsibility being pushed down to local government. And whilst this is a good idea, the problem is the corresponding tax that use to cover these responsibilities, is being held by central government. Time that stopped.

Council needs to start taking inclusive smart design seriously. This is a city which is not accessible, from wonky footpaths to no taxi stands at every major shopping complex it's a sad joke. Considering how many disabled and elderly live in the area it's a sad state of affairs. This will not be a simple or easy fix. And my first point about funding/tax/money to fix this issue is the real elephant in the room.

My proposal is simple, start at Kamo High School and build out. As the school has already started down the path of being accessible. Council in co-operation with central government

using inclusive design and accessibility makes the roads/footpaths/cycleways usable for all. So Wilkinson Ave is first, with big wheelchair/scooter accessible footpaths, and safe cycle ways away from cars as the starting point. Then slowly expand out - like a spiders web. Council can not do this alone, it needs to draw in the disabled community, central government, and the local community.

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Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Patrick White - 2021-LTP-SUB-224

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Your feedback:

Key issue - How will we pay for what we need - Rates Options (see page 17)	OPTION 1: Rates increase in year one (2021) of 2% + 2.5% Local Government Cost Index (LGCI) + 2% 'catch up'. Rates increase in years two and three (2022-23) of 2% + 2.5% LGCI.
Why?	

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 1: Allocate budget across three sites (Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hīhīaua Cultural Centre, and existing facilities at Forum North).
Why?	

Key issue - Climate change and sustainability (see page 28)	OPTION 1: Put \$3.7m of new funding towards climate change mitigation and adaptation and waste minimisation.
Why?	

Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	OPTION 1: Spend \$13m to make improvements to James and John St.
Why?	

Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points

raised in the Consultation document:

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Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Eve Whittaker - 2021-LTP-SUB-355

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Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard	Yes
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Your feedback:

Key issue - How will we pay for what we need - Rates Options (see page 17)	OPTION 2: Limit the rates increase to LGCI plus 2% only in years one to three
Why?	I really dont know??

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 1: Allocate budget across three sites (Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hihiaua Cultural Centre, and existing facilities at Forum North).
Why?	i fell like we need more variety and we dont really need a new theater unless its cheap, and it deepens on the cost to get in and out!

Key issue - Climate change and sustainability (see page 28)	OPTION 1: Put \$3.7m of new funding towards climate change mitigation and adaptation and waste minimisation.
Why?	I think we should start slow then if it works invest more.

Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	OPTION 2: Spend \$21m to make improvements to James and John St as well as either Robert St or Cameron Street.
Why?	those streets are dark and dodge. They need more street lights!!!

Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points raised in the Consultation document:

street lights are a BIG one. There needs to be more around town!! If we are out at night we need to feel safe and street lights help a lot

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Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Merv Williams - 2021-LTP-SUB-471

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Your feedback:

Key issue - How will we pay for what we need - Rates Options (see page 17)	OPTION 2: Limit the rates increase to LGCI plus 2% only in years one to three
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Why?	The local economy is poor and it is unfair to increase the rates portion of income expenditure above inflation. Works can be delayed
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Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 2: Put budget towards only ONE of the following: Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hihiaua Cultural Centre, and existing facilities at Forum North.
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Why?	Put the money into Hihiaua, a proven project with a full plan for the future not relying on WDC operational support.
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Key issue - Climate change and sustainability (see page 28)	OPTION 1: Put \$3.7m of new funding towards climate change mitigation and adaptation and waste minimisation.
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Why?	
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Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	OPTION 3: No additional funding for the city centre.
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Why?	I am in favour of spending some but 13m is a whole lot and for what real advantage? Minimise disruption to CBD business, rip
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	the pavements up now and businesses will fold.
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Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points raised in the Consultation document:

Pensioner housing - an open mind should be kept on this and advantage taken of any Government funding to increase our stock.
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Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Kirsty Williams - 2021-LTP-SUB-137

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Hearing:

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Your feedback:

Key issue - How will we pay for what we need - Rates Options (see page 17)	OPTION 2: Limit the rates increase to LGCI plus 2% only in years one to three
Why?	Businesses and people are still struggling. Hitting the community with a 6.5% increase is too much.

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	
Why?	

Key issue - Climate change and sustainability (see page 28)	OPTION 3: No new funding towards climate change or waste minimisation.
Why?	

Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	
Why?	

Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points raised in the Consultation document:

Can I please put a submission forward to request funding for Mclean Rd, Waipu to be

sealed. it is currently a metal road and is in such bad shape that we have clay punching through in places. the road is so rutted that people get numerous flat tyres. its unacceptable.

thanks

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Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Mary Williams - 2021-LTP-SUB-49

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Your feedback:

Key issue - How will we pay for what we need - Rates Options (see page 17)	OPTION 2: Limit the rates increase to LGCI plus 2% only in years one to three
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Why?	Because there are many of us on limited incomes or national superannuation. We cannot afford the first option as it would mean selling our homes and renting.
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Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 2: Put budget towards only ONE of the following: Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hihītaua Cultural Centre, and existing facilities at Forum North.
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Why?	
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Key issue - Climate change and sustainability (see page 28)	OPTION 1: Put \$3.7m of new funding towards climate change mitigation and adaptation and waste minimisation.
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Why?	We need to do something but it's was us a ratepayers can afford.
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Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	OPTION 3: No additional funding for the city centre.
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Why?	
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Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points raised in the Consultation document:

We need a dog park for small dogs as there's too many irresponsible owners who allow their big dogs to bully the small ones. This gives the small dogs a chance to play, socialised and run free without injury or intimidating behaviour.

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Your feedback:

Key issue - How will we pay for what we need - Rates Options (see page 17)	
Why?	Fairer for all social groups

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 2: Put budget towards only ONE of the following: Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hīhītaua Cultural Centre, and existing facilities at Forum North.
Why?	Better to concentrate on one at a time, there's time for the others later

Key issue - Climate change and sustainability (see page 28)	OPTION 1: Put \$3.7m of new funding towards climate change mitigation and adaptation and waste minimisation.
Why?	Forward planning, at a sustainable amount

Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	OPTION 3: No additional funding for the city centre.
Why?	Commerce will dictate the change. Not needed in near future

Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points

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The GE/GMOs issue

Please retain and enhance/strengthen the precautionary and prohibitive GE/GMO policy in the new/ updated Long Term Plan (2021-28).

I am making this submission because I am supporting the proposals as above that were a result of successful GE/GMO plan change #131 and current (operative Long Term Plan 2018-28).

I know these policies reflect Whangarei farmers and other ratepayers/residents wishes and they will set out the Council's policy direction which helps protect our existing valuable GE/GMO free status, as well as financial/ budgetary requirements.

In light of the risks gene edited organisms, in which GMOS are present and the necessity to address Climate Change these clauses must not be excluded in the new Long Term Plan.

Thank you for listening to your ratepayers and taking steps to sage guard us from the risks of outdoor use of GE/GMOs.

I do not wish to be heard.