

# **Whangarei District Council**

Tuesday 13 and Wednesday 14 April 2021

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## **Bulk Cat Submissions relating to the Long Term Plan 2021 - 2031**

**Volume Five**

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- **breeding under our homes and damaging insulation** - when female cats use under floor insulation as a safe place to raise young kittens
- **breeding in our garages and garden sheds**
- **dying under our homes in inaccessible places** - creating a revolting smell which can last months
- **spraying inside our homes** - damaging carpets and furniture and causing a disgusting smell that is very difficult to remove
- **spraying on fences and outside walls** - creating a gross smell all year round



- **leaving faeces in our gardens – a health hazard where young children often play**
- **causing some frustrated residents to get rid of them in cruel ways** in their attempt to clear their homes and properties of unwanted and unowned cats and kittens
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## 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
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Street name BEACH ROAD

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First name: *Elasina*

Street name: *Western Hills drive*

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Personal contact details email/phone (optional):



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 Street name: *Kayle Street*  
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 Street name: State Highway 14  
 Suburb: Maungatapere

Personal contact details email/phone (optional):



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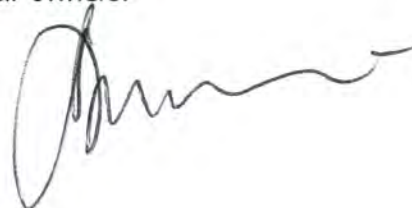
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- getting into fights and causing injuries to pets - creating unnecessary and expensive vet bills
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The WDC has created a well-used, safe, shared path from Beach Road, along the Waimahanga Track and 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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Street name: *Awaroa River Road*

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Suburb: *Ongarua*

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*Elaine*

Street name:

*Grandview Rd*

Suburb:

*Kamo*

Personal contact details email/phone (optional):

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