

Kāpiti Coast District Council Proposed District Plan

Te Ohu Taiao Workshop Notes & Actions

Topic:	Workshop #5A Chapter 4 Coastal
Meeting Date:	13 October 2015
Venue:	Kohekohe Room, Council Offices, Rimu Road, Paraparaumu

Attendees

Name	Title/Role
Carolyn Wratt	Consultant Planner – Chapter Lead
Janeen Kydd-Smith	Consultant Planner – Chapter Lead
Mahinarangi Hakaraia	Nga Hapū o Ōtaki Representative
Ann-Maree Ellison	Te Āti Awa ki Whakarongotai Representative
Hohepa Potini	Ngāti Toa Rangatira Representative
Michelle Conland	Planning Support for Te Ohu Taiao

Matters discussed¹

Item
<p>1 Objectives</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Obj 2.9 - ‘Special’ amenity landscapes vs ‘significant’ amenity landscapes. Significant was in the notified version of the plan. Special is the wording that GWRC requested to be consistent with the RPS.
<p>2 Background to Coastal Chapter</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Withdrawals has meant the deletion of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Management of coastal hazards – Restrictions on buildings within close proximity to the coast – Management of coastal protection structures • SEV version continues to delineate the Coastal Environment (NZCPS), and management of natural character (NZCPS and RPS requirement). • Identification of coastal environment by a mapped line. • Coastal environment in the district plan is new as NZCPS wasn’t previously around.
<p>3 Rules</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Earthworks and removal of indigenous vegetation on dunes undertaken for the purpose of dune restoration. • Subdivision of land adjacent to the coast or a coastal esplanade.
<p>4 Submissions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Frank and Vicki Boffa, DOC, Joan Allin & Rob Crozier • Seawalls – issue with jurisdiction – mean high water springs

¹ Te Ohu Taiao (TOT) comments are italicised.

5 Coastal Environment – Key changes in SEV

- Narrowing of the extent of the Coastal Environment. Now the area of coastal dominance – sea spray, coastal processes. Three approaches – to the first ridgeline, landforms, urban areas – first few lines of houses. Landscape perspective – DOC would like an ecological perspective.
- Nonsensical application of the NZCPS in areas some distance from the coast.
- Changing of the wording of the rule regarding removal of vegetation on dunes to only pertain to indigenous vegetation (Rule 4.1.2) Wording is not great but there is not much scope to change. Targeting dune restoration rather than earthworks.
- Reintroduction of coastal amenity lines. Unclear why these were removed. Much submitter support to have them reinstated.

6 Discussions since the SEV

- Prehearing meeting – some submitters who had an interest were not invited due to the way the submissions were summarised. One on one meeting was had with Joan Allin.
- Department of Conservation – coastal dominance area and coastal influence (to edge of escarpment). Issue with inland coastal lakes. Boundary may have bubbles to include these lakes.

7 Natural Character in the PDP

- Matter of national importance. Natural character, high natural character, outstanding natural character.
- PDP - Focus on High Natural Character
- Policies to identify areas of High Natural Character, to protect areas of High Natural Character, to restore natural character where there is subdivision and development
- Mapped High Natural Character
- Rules relating to buildings and structures, earthworks, subdivision

8 Natural Character Submissions

- Frank and Vicki Boffa
 - Considered the Kapiti Island & Waikanae River Mouth to be Outstanding Natural Character

9 Natural Character – Key Changes in SEV

- Inclusion of Outstanding Natural Character – Waikanae Beach Mouth (and likely Kāpiti Island)
 - Mapping
 - New policy
 - Assessment sheets
 - Including Outstanding with High in terms of rules
- Amendments to policies to better align with NZCPS
- Kāpiti Island changes not shown in SEV as there hadn't been dialogue with iwi. A lot is reserve land. No conservation management plan – once that comes in the PDP is irrelevant as the conservation management plan trumps it. The co-management committee is working on this management plan.
- Outstanding natural character – King Salmon said that it's a no-go zone. So rules list features that are outstanding so any development must not affect those values. Allows for tracks etc. Also a gap on the north of the island which is not classified as outstanding. Carolyn to look at exactly which bit of Kāpiti Island isn't classified as outstanding and why **(Action 1)**.
- *Were cultural values are included in the High and Outstanding assessment sheets for natural character? (Action 5).* Cultural values were not included in the High and Outstanding assessment sheets for natural character. *Disappointing that no cultural values were included as this would have provided further evidence of the outstanding natural character of these areas. There is an assumption that there was no iwi engagement with the ONC assessment and if so, we consider it remiss to be talking about landscapes which are significant to iwi without iwi engagement.* Carolyn offered for Lisa to come to a Te Ohu Taiao meeting and talk you through the assessment – *TOT would like this to happen.*
- Discussions since SEV – DOC concerned about orphaning of High Natural Character. Joan Allin – concerned about river training works by GWRC.

10 Other Coastal Provisions

- Policies:
 - Natural coastal processes and natural shoreline movement
 - Protecting and enhancing natural dunes
- No associated specific rules apart from the vegetation removal on dunes
- Change from natural shoreline being accommodated to “addressed” (large number of submissions on this point)
- Policy enabled natural dunes to migrate inland in response to shoreline retreat but this was deleted (large number of submission on this point too)
- Relates to SEV version Policies 3.33 and 3.34

11 Interim management of coastal hazards

- Yard setbacks – reintroduced into living chapter. Waikanae, Te Horo Beach - 7.5m from the seaward title boundary. Peka Peka – 70m from the seaward edge of the existing Esplanade Reserve. Paraparaumu, Raumati, Paekakariki – 20m. Excludes Otaki – discuss with Sherilyn provisions in Living Zone. **(Action 2)**.
- Section D1 standards for residential buildings to be relocatable in areas identified on the planning maps in Paraparaumu Urban Zone and Paekakariki Urban Zone. Carolyn to check whether this includes Raumati Beach also **(Action 3)**.

12 Timeline

- Consultation – tying up loose ends of technical input – Prior to Christmas.
- S42A reports – March to mid 2016. First up are Definitions, Objectives and Overall approach of plan
- Hearings 1st week of April – 1st week of October 2016

Actions

#	Action Description	Responsibility	Timeframe (if applicable)
1	Which part of Kāpiti Island isn't classified as outstanding and why.	Carolyn	
2	Discuss why Otaki is not included in yard setback provisions. Are there other provisions that mean it's not necessary – discuss with Sherilyn provisions in Living Zone.	TOT, Sherilyn	
3	Check whether D1 standards for relocatable buildings includes Raumati Beach	Carolyn	
4	Read sections 1 and 13 of the NZCPS	TOT	
5	Check whether cultural values are included in the High and Outstanding assessment sheets for natural character – TOT would like a meeting arranged with Lisa to discuss.	Carolyn	

#	Action Description	Responsibility	Response
1	Which part of Kāpiti Island isn't classified as outstanding and why.	Carolyn	<p>Please see attached map – Lisa from Isthmus has provided this hand-drawn map as Kāpiti Island's change to Outstanding Natural Character was not included in the SEV and hence has not yet been mapped by Council's GIS. The reason it was not included in the SEV was the need to discuss the issue with the Kāpiti Island co-management partners first.</p> <p>From Lisa's hand drawing it looks like only the white bit at the top of the island is Outstanding Natural Character, however this applies to the deep green more southern parts of the island as well.</p>
2	Discuss why Otaki is not included in yard setback provisions. Are there other provisions that mean it's not necessary – discuss with Sherilyn provisions in Living Zone.	TOT, Sherilyn	<p>Otaki did not have a coastal amenity line in the Operative District Plan and there were no submissions requesting the introduction of one (and therefore no scope).</p> <p>The zoning of Otaki in the Proposed District Plan is Beach Residential closest to the shore; landward of Moana Street is zoned Residential.</p>
3	Check whether D1 standards for relocatable buildings includes Raumati Beach	Carolyn	In the Operative District Plan Raumati does have a relocatable line on the maps and this line and provisions will endure while coastal hazards work is being progressed.
4	Read sections 1 and 13 of the NZCPS	TOT	
5	Check whether cultural values are included in the High and Outstanding assessment sheets for natural character.	Carolyn	<p>I have attached the assessment sheets for the two proposed Outstanding Natural Character Areas as provided by Isthmus (Waikanae River Mouth and Kapiti Islands).</p> <p>If you would like further information on how Lisa undertook this assessment, we can arrange for Lisa to come to a Te Ohu Taiao meeting and talk you through it. TOT would like this to happen.</p>

Meeting Close Out

Date notes issued to parties	28 October 2015
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