

Mayor and Councillors  
**KĀPITI COAST DISTRICT COUNCIL**

**17 MARCH 2011**

Meeting Status: Public

Purpose of Report: For Decision

## **SUBMISSION ON NZTA EXPRESSWAY PROPOSAL**

### **PURPOSE OF REPORT**

- 1 This report presents a draft submission based on discussion to date for consideration and approval.

### **SIGNIFICANCE OF DECISION**

- 2 The Council's significance policy is not triggered.

### **BACKGROUND**

- 3 On 20 September 2009 the Minister of Transport announced a proposal for the development of an expressway through the Kāpiti Coast District as part of the wider Routes of National Significance (RoNS) initiative. The NZTA identified one proposal for Ōtaki, on the basis that extensive consultation had occurred back in 2002/03 and a preferred route had been approved by the then Transit NZ Board. NZTA called for comments on the proposal from the community.
- 4 The NZTA is now calling for submissions on key issues such as interchange design. The submission period closes on 18 March 2011.

### **CONSIDERATIONS**

- 5 The draft submission for the Council's consideration is attached at Appendix 1. It focuses on the following areas:
  - the need for certainty;
  - local road connection across the Expressway;
  - left-off access to Te Horo;
  - other comments on interchanges and alignment;
  - the rail station;
  - Pare-o-Matangi Park;
  - design quality;
  - economic impacts;
  - cost

### Financial Considerations

6 There are no financial considerations.

### Legal Considerations

7 There are no legal considerations.

### Delegation

8 The Council has the authority to to review and approve this submission.

### Consultation

9 In the course of the NZTA process, members of the Council have attended community meetings and after listening to the community's feedback to the NZTA and information provided to the Council, the Council has developed its submission to the NZTA. A major aspect in developing the Council's submission has been its consideration of the Greater Ōtaki Vision which has been developed as part of the Greater Ōtaki Project.

### Policy Implications

10 Should the NZTA's proposals proceed unchanged, there will be major adverse impacts on the Greater Ōtaki Project vision and wider Council policies.

### Publicity Considerations

11 The Ōtaki Community Board submission will be made available via the Kāpiti Coast District Council website.

## **RECOMMENDATIONS**

12 That the Council approves the submission as set out in SP-11-169 Appendix 1, with any modifications.

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### **Appendix One – Submission on NZTA Proposal**