

MINUTES	MEETING	TIME
KĀPITI COAST DISTRICT COUNCIL	MONDAY 15 MAY 2017	10.00 AM

Minutes of a meeting of the Kāpiti Coast District Council on Monday 15 May 2017 commencing at 10.07 am in Council Chambers, Ground Floor, Kapiti Coast District Council, 175 Rimu Road, Paraparaumu.

PRESENT	Mayor	K	Gurunathan	Chair
	Cr	A	Buswell	
	Cr	M	Cardiff	
	Cr	J	Cootes	
	Cr	J	Holborow	
	Cr	J	Howson	
	Cr	F	Vining	
ATTENDING	Mr	P	Dougherty	Chief Executive
	Ms	C	Papps	Chair Ōtaki Community Board
	Ms	S	Stevenson	Group Manager Strategy and Planning
	Mr	M	Pedersen	Group Manager Community Services
	Mr	W	Maxwell	Group Manager Corporate Services
	Mr	M	de Haast	Chief Financial Officer
	Mr	K	Black	
	Ms	D	Nattrass	
	Mrs	J	Nock	Minute Secretary (10.00am - 3.30pm)
	Miss	A	McLaughlin	Minute Secretary (4.00pm – 6.45pm)
LEAVE OF ABSENCE:	Cr	M	Scott	
	Cr	M	Benton	
APOLOGIES	Cr	D	Scott	
	Cr	J	Elliott	

The Mayor welcomed everyone to the meeting and read the Council blessing.

KCDC 17/05/099

APOLOGIES

MOVED (Holborow/Cootes)

That apologies be accepted from Cr J Elliott and Cr D Scott.

CARRIED

It was noted that Cr M Scott and Cr M Benton were on leave of absence.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were none.

KCDC 17/05/100
MEMBERS' BUSINESS

- (a) Leave of Absence – none was requested.
- (b) Matters of an Urgent Nature – there were none.

KCDC 17/05/101
HEARING OF SUBMITTERS TO THE 2017-18 Annual Plan (AP)

17AP-100 – Leigh Ramsay spoke on behalf of Energise Ōtaki about the Draft Wellington Regional Waste Management and Minimisation Plan 2017 and commented that:

- The price for landfilling of waste was too low
- Energise Otaki fully supported user-pays for waste collection provided that all urban communities have a kerb-side recycling service and, if viable, other centralised recycling drop-off points, and
- There needed to be more education on biowaste/greenwaste management to encourage home based composting. Council need to take a more active role in monitoring the presence of green waste in general collections and take action to properly enforce requirements that ban greenwaste from general waste collections

Summary of Discussion Points Raised by Elected Members:

- If landfill costs were higher, people would dump their rubbish illegally
- Taking rubbish in-house would be unaffordable and the overall community already say the costs of getting rid of rubbish is too high. Don't believe increasing the landfill cost would alleviate the problem of leaving rubbish at the side of the road

The Submitter commented as follows:

- Overall cost relatively minimal and dumping rubbish is breaking the law
- No one likes to pay to get rid of something they don't want. We don't support the Council taking back the rubbish and it is (globally) far too cheap to dump
- Shouldn't use wheelie bins for greenwaste. There is a bylaw and people should take ownership and enforcement should take place. More education is needed

17AP-90 – Hamish Sisson spoke on behalf of Interwaste and supported the Wellington Region Waste Management and Minimisation Plan 2017-2023. Issues that were not adequately addressed in the Plan were the correct disposal of:

- Household medical waste
- Sharps/syringes
- Pharmaceuticals
- Mercury, particularly mercury contained in fluorescent tubes and dental amalgam, and
- Sanitary waste

Incorrect disposal of these can have serious implications and staff and contractors were at risk and specific focus should be on hazardous products.

There should be an aspirational waste reduction target of 0 by 2035. Waste prevention delivers the biggest environmental benefits and significant larger benefits than recycling.

The biggest problem was packaging. Changing package behaviour would need to come from the Central Government but local councils can incorporate into the Plan actions which can change the behaviour of packaging. One easy step would be to promote Producer Stewardship Programmes leading to an aspirational target of a circular economy by 2040.

At the very least the region's councils should be implementing a requirement that by 2020 all its supplies have whole-of-life cycles in place and this would have an impact on producers' behaviours.

The Council should:

- Educate the community and businesses on how to dispose of items correctly, and
- Implement suitable bylaws and enforce those bylaws

Summary of Discussion Points Raised by Elected Members:

- What do the DHB do about the disposal of medical waste
- Retirement homes waste
- Packaging – polystyrene

The Submitter commented as follows:

- Due to the cost impact, DHBs do not deal with the disposal of medical waste
- Retirement villages have medical, sanitary and general waste. There was good medical disposal but sanitary not good as there was a cost for collection. Sanitary waste normally goes with general waste and to the landfill
- Polystyrene was a huge issue but no solution was out there

17AP-35 – Deidre Kent spoke about her concerns with the Wellington Regional Waste Management and Minimisation Plan including:

- Production of greenhouse gases by the Council through its waste management processes
- Tonnage of waste has increased by 36% - out of control
- Council should stop licensing companies to use the very large 240 litre bins for refuse, and
- Encourage people to do their own composting. The skill of composting is declining, there needs to be some incentive

Summary of Discussion Points Raised by Elected Members:

- Educational role of the Council
- Would it be a preference for Council to take rubbish back in-house – operators could still stay in the market – encouraging recycling worked well until we went to bins

The Submitter commented as follows:

- Teach people to compost
- Yes, definitely back in-house – 36% in four years is not acceptable – bags did work for recycling but bins, although easier, did not work so well

17AP-24 – Diane Livingston spoke on behalf of Wellington Free Ambulance requesting an increase in funding; has been 59c per person and asked for the levy to be increased to \$1 per person.

Summary of Discussion Points Raised by Elected Members:

- How many 'Free Ambulance' in the country – where do you get funding from?
- The Free Ambulance Services does not extend to Otaki so would not expect ratepayers of Otaki to pay for a service they do not receive

The Submitter commented as follows:

- Only one in the Wellington area that is free and funds were received from Trusts and the community
- Free ambulance only goes as far as Peka Peka

17AP-22 – Bede Laracy spoke about his concerns with the lack of investment being put into Raumati Beach Village. Council need to support the Village to ensure we can provide the level of environment that people expect and consultation was required to ensure that work done is desirable, necessary and carried out at the best time to reduce business disruption.

Summary of Discussion Points Raised by Elected Members:

- What do you really want to see?
- Has there been any notable effect with the Expressway?
- Signage and parking timeframes

The Submitter commented as follows:

- One issue would be parking – the Village was becoming a popular destination and 1 hour parking was not enough – would be nice to present a nice tidy village
- The Expressway was not destroying the Village but signage would help so people can find us
- Yes, parking time restrictions needed to be reviewed

17AP-68 - Dana Carter and Amanda Dobson on behalf of Enviroschools spoke about the Waste Management Plan and acknowledged Council for their ongoing support for the Enviroschools Programme in Kāpiti. It was requested that Council:

- Notes the positive progress made in the delivery of the Enviroschools programme in Kapiti so far during 2016/17
- Continues to fund \$17,400 for the Enviroschools Programme in 2017/18 plus a CPI increase to account for inflation to a total of approximately \$17,700
- Commits to a long term funding approach that accounts for increasing hourly rates and expense costs over time in line with inflation
- Works with Enviroschools to develop a long term partnership agreement to continue the delivery of the Enviroschools programme in Kāpiti for at least 6 years, and
- Set a more ambitious overall target for reduction in waste to landfill that takes a step change in waste management that would enhance Wellington's reputation and show leadership nationally

Summary of Discussion Points Raised by Elected Members:

- Do all schools have the same process on waste disposal?

The Submitter commented as follows:

- All have different processes and were always looking at ways to improve

17AP-18 – Julene Hope and Heather Hutchings spoke on behalf of Kapiti Chamber of Commerce in support of the funding set aside to focus on Economic Development. The spending was essential to maintain the focus in economic development in the region.

We need overseas visitors to know the Kapiti area is close to Wellington and a stunning place to stay. A crucial clear visitor brand was needed with a strong integrated response to Paraparaumu Beach.

Summary of Discussion Points Raised by Elected Members:

- How many members?
- What are you doing, do you communicate with other Chamber of Commerce Groups?

The Submitter commented as follows:

- Representing 300 members
- All voluntary – talking to businesses all the time and networking with other Commerce areas

Cr Cootes left the meeting at 11.30am and returned at 11.55am.

17AP-131 – Jeremy Seamark spoke on behalf of the Waikanae Community on the following issues:

- Allocation of funds to complete the Futures Waikanae Beach Programme and character assessment
- Waikanae Beach Hall
- Waikanae Playground
- Continued upgrade and development of other open spaces in Waikanae
- Waikanae Town Centre/Mahara Gallery and Waikanae Library
- Reikorangi Communities Outcome Plan
- undergrounding of Power Pylons
- Waikanae Town Centre Signage
- Kapiti Economic Development Strategy and Visitor Attraction Strategy, and
- Emergency Exit Alternative to Elizabeth Street

Summary of Discussion Points Raised by Elected Members:

- Signage on motorway with NZTA - was this progressing?

The Submitter commented as follows:

- Teams were working on the improvement of signage

The meeting adjourned at 11.40am and reconvened at 11.55am.

17AP-96 – Ms Jamie Bull spoke on behalf of Transition Town Ōtaki and concerns on the Wellington Regional Waste Management and Minimisation Plan and encouraged Council to implement all possible policies that minimise greenhouse gas production and to take all possible steps to minimise plastic waste in landfills. Recommendations were that Council:

- Stops licensing companies to use the very large 240 litre bins
- Places focus on separation of organics at source so that green waste can go to the composting facility
- Shifts the emphasis to refuse, reduce and reuse and to educate on consumer choices in these area
- Actively pursues options for disposal of green waste, and
- Lifts the price of accepting rubbish in landfills and lowers the price of accepting green waste at transfer stations

Summary of Discussion Points Raised by Elected Members:

- Price for green waste at transfer station – would it make a difference if companies provide separate green waste bins
- Reducing the cost of disposing of green waste. There would have to be some charge

The Submitter commented as follows:

- People are confused what to do with their green waste
- Reduce the cost of green waste, even make it free – huge cost factor from emissions – composted material also gives back money

17AP-30 – Kris Ericksen and Grant Perth spoke on behalf of Wellington Hang Gliding and Paragliding Club and requested that Council investigate and report on the costs, risk and benefits of purchasing a portion of the Perkins property for a recreational reserve. The Club would be happy to help with fundraising.

Kapiti is an aviation mecca and the land, as a recreational reserve, would be invaluable for the community and help keep the Club in this area.

Summary of Discussion Points Raised by Elected Members:

- How many members and do they come from other areas
- Staff time to investigate and report on the cost of purchasing that portion of land and the economic benefits and tourism opportunities
- Where were you with NZTA and could you take-off from the old site at the look-out

The Submitter commented as follows:

- About 40-45 members and visiting pilots. Nationally approximately 1,000 members
- Permission was given by NZTA to use a minimum area. Working with NZTA on a licence to occupy. The old site is no longer practical due to wind direction and safety fencing

17AP-34 – John Hayes spoke on behalf of the Old Persons' Council and their concerns with the average 5.9% rate increase and suggested Council seriously explore the other sources of funding suggested in its submission last year. Main concerns were:

- Town Centre - money being spent unwisely
- Economic development
- Housing – support the initiative of setting up a Housing Taskforce
- Parks – supports the proposed enhancements of Haruatai Park and requests that any upgrades include the required Disabled Persons adjustments i.e. disability toilets and disability designated car parking
- Regional Waste Management and Minimisation Plan, and
- Rate increases – concern on the affordability gap increasing and not being sustainable

Summary of Discussion Points Raised by Elected Members:

- Do you support looking at increasing the rating base on the commercial side of things and less percentage on residential? To increase the amount of businesses we have to relieve the burden on residential
- Do we build this district for people on fixed income and ignore those that are working and earning?
- Depreciation money and part of that is actually spreading the cost so it's not just the children of the future paying
- Older People's Council and Greypower incorporate representatives on fixed incomes and had representation at Annual Plan workshops. How useful is attendance at these workshops?
- Rates Remission for Financial Hardship (RRFH) is available from the Council to help people in need. Would it help if it was called something else rather than 'hardship'?
- Cr Cootes and Cr Buswell would be happy to meet with the Older Persons' Council to give more detail on the Economic Development Programme

The Submitter commented as follows:

- Good alternative would be to look at a commercial rate and look at a differential, it could raise more money
- Should be money well spent – evaluate the effectiveness
- Have to be fair to all generations
- Enthusiasm is waning, more cynicism. Didn't receive a response from last year's submission. Nothing seems to happen when submissions are put through. Not as much effort as there should be
- RRFH – people of the older generation have this staunch attitude and don't like to ask for help and it's also a little intimidating. It would help if it was not called 'hardship'

17AP-42 – Nicky Sherriff spoke on behalf of Sport Wellington and supported the following proposals:

- New link walkway in Paekākāriki
- Further enhancements at Haruatai Park, Ōtaki, and
- Swimming pool fees

Commented about statistics on the Kāpiti area that the most popular sports are walking, gardening, cycling, jogging and running (in that order). Regional and nationally people remain healthy.

The development of the Wellington Region Sport and Active Recreation Strategy has come to fruition for councils across the region and will become a foundation document.

Will continue its partnership with Council and acknowledges its support.

Summary of Discussion Points Raised by Elected Members:

- Maclean Park upgrade – have you been part of that process
- Why is Ōtaki a priority community

The Submitter commented as follows:

- No direct involvement or influence
- Sport Wellington started to understand a pocket of non-participants and prioritising opportunities and Ōtaki low in participation

Cr Vining left the meeting at 1.05pm.

Christine Papps left the meeting at 1.04pm and returned at 1.06pm.

17AP-23 – Jill Stansfield spoke on behalf of Kapiti Older Persons' Council requesting:

- Council develops an Age Friendly Strategy document in line with proposals put forward by the World Health Organisation's Age friendly Communities Projects
- Kāpiti needs An Accessible Action Plan in line with that presented by Wellington City's document of the same name, and
- Age Friendly Outcomes should be part of all future planning undertaken by the Council

Summary of Discussion Points Raised by Elected Members:

- Age Friendly Outcomes would be an added cost to Council
- Age Friendly Strategy – how much can we take from existing policies from other councils

The Submitter commented as follows:

- The planning could be done with minimal or no costs at all and it must be 'age friendly' and include disability car parking; no one wants to see huge costs
- Policies that relate to community facilities would be one area where it would be possible to make minor changes that would have a major positive impact. It's a matter of education. Knowledge and education could reduce the costs

17AP-81 – Trevor Daniell spoke on behalf of Greypower and their concerns on the average 5.9% rate increase and affordability. Greypower requests that Council:

- Reduces the rate increase to an affordable level below that set in the current LTP
- Defers some expenditure on the Town Centres Projects
- Seeks an evaluation of the town centre projects by an appropriate consultant
- Reduces the allocation for depreciation
- Institutes a review of staffing requirements
- Approves the option for funding the NPS work but none of the other options

- Negotiates cost sharing benefits where expenditure on the seawall benefits both the council and the land owner, and
- Negotiates rentals for encroachments

Summary of Discussion Points Raised by Elected Members:

- We usually get criticism for using consultants
- Encroachment - would we have the support of Greypower if we charged
- Economic Development programmes try to get more businesses into the district, would Greypower support this
- How well has Greypower used the Annual Plan workshops? We look forward to a robust discussion during the Long Term Plan
- Cr Cootes would be happy to meet with Greypower to detail the Economic Development Programme

The Submitter commented as follows:

- Council would save money using consultants rather than people in-house
- People should pay their rightful share when encroaching
- Not sure that bringing more businesses into the district would help unless you turn to commercial rates
- Workshops aren't used as much as they could have been

The meeting adjourned at 1.31pm and resumed at 2.05pm.

17AP-01 – Else Thompson requested a jetty or jumping platform near the Raumati Beach.

Summary of Discussion Points Raised by Elected Members:

- How high should it be? and
- Can you swim?

The Submitter commented as follows:

- Quite high so adults and children can use it
- Yes - I can swim

17AP-103 – Josephine Mclean spoke about Council's rate increases being higher than other areas, specifically:

- Waste; - a review of kerbside collections was needed
- Property value sales and increases in Ōtaki – people should object if they are not happy with their rateable value figures
- Subdivisions – Council need to monitor what was being built, sold and bought in Ōtaki
- Social housing – too expensive
- Zoning anomaly – Rahui Road is rated as 'urban-rural' and zoned 'rural'. Currently charges do not reflect the services being offered so no increase can be supported, and
- Stormwater – none at this site so a refund will be sought from 2007

Summary of Discussion Points Raised by Elected Members:

- Ms Mclean's questions would be responded to and a copy of the Social Housing document would be forwarded

17AP-101 – Kevin Ramshaw, Janet Bayly and Gordon Sharp spoke on behalf of Mahara Gallery on the following issues:

- Redevelopment of Mahara Gallery, to accommodate and display the nationally-significant Field Collection of art works and improve its capacity to serve as the Kāpiti Coast District Gallery, and
- A review of the Gallery's Core Operational Funding with a view to increasing it by 20%

Summary of Discussion Points Raised by Elected Members:

- Clarify the increase of 20% would equate to \$26k, is this additional?
- As a tenant, were there reasonable numbers visiting Mahara Place?
- Operational funding – no longer receiving the grant from GWRC Wellington Amenities Fund, what's the impact of this
- Request for an update on the redevelopment
- What would happen if we were unable to provide the additional funds?

The Submitter commented as follows:

- Yes - it would be an additional \$26,000
- Attendance at the Gallery was healthy and continued to increase. Around midday there was a problem with parking
- The loss of the Wellington Amenities Fund would be missed. We have administrative support for redevelopment projects and looking at other avenues to raise money
- Re-development update - there was a steering group working on the library/gallery plan and other businesses in the Mahara/Waikanae town centre area
- We would scrape by but there would be risks. Measures had been put in place but it would have cumulative risks if relevant funds were not available

17AP-112 – John le Harivel spoke about Council's:

- Rates increases – Council's failure to operate within its means
- Town Centre project of \$40m+ – waste of money
- Debt levels – too high
- Use of derivatives – gambling with ratepayers money, and
- Approach to the housing crisis - supported the Housing Trust and pensioner housing could be transferred to this Trust so additional funding could be leveraged

Summary of Discussion Points Raised by Elected Members:

- Given Expressway emphasis must be on Economic Development to offset by-pass of traffic – what's your position on economic development?
- Were you aware that this Council has been the 4th most efficient council in the country in the 2014 Taxpayers Union Survey?
- Have you read the LTP and its projected debt levels (available for public viewing)?
- Staff levels and operating costs – monitoring housing was all extra work on Council workloads
- With all the subdivision activity around the area, what's your take on affordable housing?

The Submitter commented as follows:

- Should lever off the benefits of the expressway – but live within your means and cut back
- If Council was efficient that did not mean it was living within its means
- Question was how we would subsidise housing and make it more affordable – changes could be made with relative ease. There were a lot of solutions that can be effective, i.e. allow people to subdivide their houses, allow tiny housing

17AP-118 – Elizabeth Cornford spoke about toilet, showering and changing facilities at Ōtaki Beach. Need substantial improvement, including an outside tap and better positioned drinking fountain.

Summary of Discussion Points Raised by Elected Members:

- Councillors were aware and would look at it through the beach development plan. It was a benchmark that councillors were considering

The Submitter commented as follows:

- We need to spend a little bit of money to enhance these facilities

Cr Cardiff left the meeting at 3.07pm and returned at 3.09pm.

The meeting adjourned for lack of a quorum during this time.

17AP-75 – David Roil spoke on behalf of Abbeyfield Kapiti Steering Committee and requested that Council assist Abbeyfield to establish themselves on the Kāpiti Coast.

Summary of Discussion Points Raised by Elected Members:

- Do you work with property developers?
- Cost of an Abbeyfield unit - does this include rent, rates and maintenance?
- Do you have financial supporters?
- How many Abbeyfield Committees supported by other councils?
- House with 10-14 tenants – were these individual units?

The Submitter commented as follows:

- Generally property developers were not as generous at donating pieces of land
- \$2-3m including land, rent, rates and maintenance as an investment (housing 10-14 people) and money was raised by the Abbeyfield Steering Committee
- Required 10-14 tenants for the house to be self-sufficient . Rental had to be affordable
- Tenants had to be compatible to live with each other and had to be able people. There was a selection criteria
- No financial supporters, they fundraise. Will always depend on volunteers/church organisation
- Not sure how many, but there were some Councils that supported Abbeyfield
- Individual units with communal kitchen and living room

17AP-129 – Allie Webber spoke on behalf of the Kapiti Marines Trust requesting \$5,000 to help develop and show 5 x 1-2 minute mini documentaries on the Marines and how they lived in the camps and related to the local community. The documentaries would be accessed through a viewing slot on the side of the Hut that the public can view and the Hut would be positioned in Queen Elizabeth Park.

The meeting adjourned at 3.34pm and reconvened at 4.00pm.

Jonny Best arrived at 4.00pm.

MOVED (Cootes/Howson)

That Standing Order 4.2 is suspended to allow the meeting to continue.

CARRIED

17AP-106 – Chantel Jones and other representatives spoke on behalf of the Kāpiti Coast Youth Council. The following points were made:

- Youth Council would like to be included more fully in the following consultations: Paraparaumu and Waikanae Town Centres upgrade, Mahara Gallery, Waikanae Library upgrades, Raumatī Pool, development of Otauraua park, and the Ōtaki Beach development, and
- Youth Council was concerned about climate change, global warming and rising sea levels and would like Council to invest more in another electric car and invest in reinforcing sea walls

Summary of Discussion Points Raised by Elected Members:

- Have you put your name forward for the Peka Peka to Ōtaki consultation process and the Ōtaki beach development
- Are you involved in the Maclean Park upgrade? And your involvement in the Long Term Plan and how we engage youth in that process?

The Submitter commented as follows:

- Had attended a very brief session on the Maclean Park upgrade and would like more inclusion
- Hadn't talked about the Long Term Plan in depth yet

17AP-48 – Neville Watkin spoke about the current economic environment and that the 5.9% rates rise was unacceptable.

Summary of Discussion Points Raised by Elected Members:

- What level would be an acceptable rating increase in the current economic situation?
- Are you concerned about our debt level? Would you be happy for Council to increase our debt ceiling or cutting services?
- Council officers would be open for groups to meet the Finance team to discuss the rates issue and the key drivers

The Submitter commented as follows:

- Would be happy to be invited to meet with the finance team

17AP-64 – Brett Waite spoke about the opportunity to turn the existing beach volleyball court in Tutere Street, Waikanae into a beach football court.

Summary of Discussion Points Raised by Elected Members:

- Have you spoken to the football club about being involved? Is one court enough? Have you been involved in the Waikanae Beach community outcome process?
- What is the size of the court you use and is it bigger than volleyball court? How do you see spectators being protected within small space? How do you see it being controlled? What surface will you play on?

The Submitter commented as follows:

- Needs to be a Kapiti beach environment to try and stay away from clubs and to run leagues over the summer. Ideally it would be great to get more courts, but the reality is you can run a competition with one court. Not involved in Waikanae Beach outcome consultation
- Space would be smaller than international beach football court. Designed for youth to use it
- Plenty of options depending on budgets – can do portable nets or tennis court style nets

17AP-86 – Paul Dunmore spoke about the rates increase and budget and what can be cut or added. Rates, fees and the operating deficit have all been allowed to increase. The operating costs need to be reduced by 3.3% to keep on track with the LTP.

Summary of Discussion Points Raised by Elected Members:

- What are your thoughts on self-insurance? If the rating for self-insurance was used, would that make a difference to your view? Do you think it is better to spread the risk among the future generations?
- Do you think it is better to spread the risk now or for the next generation?
- Would expect to see your involvement with the LTP

The Submitter commented as follows:

- It is not insurance at all. Am a big fan of contingency item in the budget – see no case for a self-insurance fund. The self-insurance fund means simply charging a bit more than rates
- We don't know what the risk is - cannot know what cost an earthquake would have on the district

17AP-87 – Alex Metcalfe spoke about the Town Centres project being deferred, specifically the Coastlands shopping complex. The business model of online business would be a problem for Coastlands. High street retailers selling branded products will not be able to compete with the rise of distribution-only retailers selling exactly the same goods but out of warehouses via internet shopping and courier-only delivery. Local chains will be under pressure and will reduce the high street presence.

Summary of Discussion Points Raised by Elected Members:

- What is the best practice globally in terms of Town Centres?
- If you order online, do shops like Noel Leeming deliver through their shops?

The Submitter commented as follows:

- I can see that the big shopping centres will suffer and not be able to compete. Shopping centres are worth preserving – Coastlands will be directly affected by online shopping
- It's the overhead of having the store for no purpose if people are not actually using them

The meeting adjourned at 5.20pm and reconvened at 5.55pm.

17AP-128 – Anna Carter and other representatives spoke about on behalf of the Reikorangi Residents' Association. Requesting that Council allocate resources and staff in this year's budget to create a Local Outcomes Statement for Reikorangi. Now requesting Council involvement to help pull together their vision with the following projects: restoration of the historic bridge on Mangaone South Road, and developing a walking track to Upper Hutt.

Summary of Discussion Points Raised by Elected Members:

- What would you like to do with the walkway?
- What would need to be done about the bridge?
- What are your views about the costs and resources of doing that process?

The Submitter commented as follows:

- To have further discussions with Upper Hutt and Council to make progress with the walkway
- The bridge is now quite dangerous. The plates are now rotten on the bridge and people dumping rubbish. An assessment has been done by an engineer. Possibly Lottery funding and other local groups could support

- We need a process to start formulating the bigger vision with the support of Council. Not looking for a shorter term solution and not expecting immediate response, but would like Council to prioritise the valley. They are prepared to do a lot of the work and could self-fund

17AP-105 – Kristy McGregor spoke on behalf of Federated Farmers. A key concern of Federated Farmers is the increasing rates burden affecting its members. Asking Council to take a leadership role in assessing and prioritising current and proposed expenditure. Federated Farmers recommends that the rates increase be kept between 2 and 3.5% including growth.

Summary of Discussion Points Raised by Elected Members:

- What sort of turnover would be happening on rural land in terms of dollar value per year?
- You are wanting a review of our rating system for our farmers?
- In terms of uniform annual charge do you see it making it harder to pay or easier to pay?
- Have you given up on rural representation?

The Submitter commented as follows:

- The rating is based on land value rather than dollar value through business
- While Federated Farmers generally have concern about rating of land for capital value, the capital value rate will recognise improvements and would like to participate in these discussions through the LTP. Federated Farmers looks forward to the participating in the rates discussion later in the year
- The Uniform Annual General Charge (UAGC) would be a fixed charge and fairer for rural ratepayers
- Federated Farmers would be happy to have further discussions with Council on funding models and rural representation

17AP-6 – Guy Burns spoke as an individual about income not matching expenditure with two options: increase rates or reduce the expenditure. The Council also needs an independent review of its organisation structure and systems. Rates must be kept below 4%.

Summary of Discussion Points Raised by Elected Members:

- What is your view on the Raumati shops given your comments on Town Centre upgrades?
- Do you have a financial strategy in mind on how we do that as a Council?
- Have you attended any of the Annual Plan workshops?

The Submitter commented as follows:

- Support Raumati shops with small amount being spent. If we are spending money it should be spent over all the village areas, not just two areas
- Need to get outside expert opinion on debt level and financial strategy
- Had not attended any Annual Plan workshops

The meeting concluded at 6.45pm and was scheduled to reconvene on Tuesday 16 May 2017 at 10.00am.

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	Mr	M	Pedersen	Group Manager Community Services
	Mr	M	de Haast	Chief Financial Officer
	Ms	D	Nattrass	
	Miss	A	McLaughlin	Minute Secretary
APOLOGIES	Cr	D	Scott	
	Ms	J	Prvanov	Chair Waikanae Community Board
LEAVE OF ABSENCE	Cr	M	Benton	
	Cr	M	Scott	

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APOLOGIES

MOVED (Howson/Elliott)

That apologies be accepted from Cr D Scott and Ms Prvanov.

CARRIED

It was noted that Cr M Scott and Cr M Benton were on leave of absence.

17AP-113 – Russell Finlay spoke about the rates increase.

Summary of Discussion Points Raised by Elected Members:

- Do you describe yourself as retired, on a fixed income or business owner?

The Submitter commented as follows:

- Will retire in six months (early retirement) and has own income

The meeting adjourned at 10.30am and reconvened at 10.40am.

17AP-25+26 – Peter Rankin spoke about Perkins Farm and was asking Council to include a small provision of money, say \$50,000. to begin preparations to maximise the opportunities that will be offered by the new Transmission Gully motorway. 350 hectares is currently owned by NZTA. The Council has the responsibility for determining acceptable changes in the use of the land through its resource consent process. **Jenny Rowan** spoke in support of Mr Rankin's submission. She would like Council to be ahead of the game, to be a part of directing and managing this piece of outstanding landscape for the future and gateway to Kāpiti. A submission proposal had recently been presented to the Paekākāriki Community Board.

Summary of Discussion Points Raised by Elected Members:

- Is the 300 hectares on the seven titles?

The Submitter commented as follows:

- A lot of little titles – NZTA bought the whole farm
- A map was circulated of the property

Jonny Best left the meeting at 10.55am.

17AP-55 – Jenny Rowan spoke on behalf of Phil Stroud, representing 23 restoration groups on the Kāpiti Coast. They are asking Council to have an advocacy role in support of the outcomes of this huge voluntary group. The 23 restoration groups are asking for \$20,000 so that work can be started on a districtwide predator management strategy with the expectation of being predator-free by 2050.

Summary of Discussion Points Raised by Elected Members:

- Are you also making a submission for funding to GWRC in their annual plan?
- Have you had any conversations with NZTA about predators in the new wetlands and open space through the Expressway project?
- Is there another factor in addition to the money requested, a signal that shows Council support in these endeavours when it comes to subsequent applications?

The Submitter commented as follows:

- They need a business case and need support to get that done, then will then to go out to agencies we are dealing with
- Haven't yet spoken with NZTA but will be doing so
- Very critical – Council brings legitimacy to this group and its proposal

17AP-99 – John Hayes (on behalf of Paul Hughes) spoke on behalf of the Kapiti Coast Community Housing Taskforce. They were asking Council to make provision in the Annual Plan for undertaking its policy responsibilities in this wide-ranging and socially important area. That provision be made for consultation going forward with the Community Housing Taskforce, Council and iwi about housing matters.

The meeting adjourned at 11.15am and reconvened at 11.28am.

17AP-69 – John Andrews spoke about his concern about the level of debt and construction cost increases and was willing to engage in ongoing discussions with Councillors and the finance team.

Summary of Discussion Points Raised by Elected Members:

- At a governance level we take advice from staff and it was noted that Ernst and Young are the Council's auditors
- What background and expertise can you offer going forward with future discussions?

The Submitter commented as follows:

- He is a chartered accountant (retired)
- He is willing to have further discussions with Councillors and the finance team

17AP-127 – John Barrett spoke on behalf of Manaaki Kapiti emphasising the group's support for the proposed 2017-18 plan, strongly supporting the economic development and visitor attraction activities. Also reminding Council of the recent central government announcement regarding tourism infrastructure funding for local authorities to participate in the growth of tourism nationally. That Manaaki Kapiti and Council maximise tourism and visitor attraction.

Summary of Discussion Points Raised by Elected Members:

- What is the risk if economic development funding was not supported by the community? The Economic Development Leadership Group would be happy to have further discussions with Manaaki Kapiti
- Over the last 12 months, have your visitor numbers to Kāpiti Island increased?
- How do you see the Expressway changing the business landscape for Manaaki Kapiti members?

The Submitter commented as follows:

- It is a community and districtwide benefit that they are advocating. Communities grow through economic development – need to demonstrate we are a vibrant community and would welcome the opportunity of the Economic Leadership Group at future meetings
- Tourist numbers to Kāpiti Island were down over the summer due to bad weather but advanced bookings are well up. They are looking at better accessibility to the island. Over the last 12 months have changed their business strategy
- Gateway Centre is a great idea
- Feels better already and all very positive - there is improved connectivity with the Expressway

The meeting concluded at 11.55am.

There was an additional submitter who could not attend the Annual Plan Hearings on 15-16 May 2017. The submitter spoke to Council on Thursday 1 June 2017:

17AP-120 – Viola Palmer spoke on behalf of the Friends of Greendale Reserve. In order to preserve and enhance the Reserve, they are requesting \$50,000 be set aside for flood control.

Summary of Discussion Points Raised by Elected Members:

- Is there any parking available in the area?

The Submitter commented as follows:

- Yes – on Greendale Drive for about three-four cars. Also on King Arthur Drive could be used for parking

Signed / / **2017**
Mayor K. Gurunathan, Chair