

Notice is hereby given that an ordinary meeting of the Horowhenua District Council will be held on:

Date: Wednesday 11 September 2019
Time: 4.00 pm
Meeting Room: Council Chambers
Venue: 126-148 Oxford St
Levin

Council

OPEN AGENDA

MEMBERSHIP

Mayor	Mr Michael Feyen	
Deputy Mayor	Mr Wayne Bishop	
Councillors	Mr Ross Brannigan	
	Mr Ross Campbell	
	Mr Neville Gimblett	
	Mr Barry Judd	
	Mrs Victoria Kaye-Simmons	
	Mrs Jo Mason	
	Mrs Christine Mitchell	
	Ms Piri-Hira Tukapua	
	Mr Bernie Wanden	
Reporting Officer	Mr David Clapperton	(Chief Executive)
Meeting Secretary	Mrs Karen Corkill	

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1 Apologies

2 Public Participation

Notification to speak is required by 12 noon on the day of the meeting. Further information is available on www.horowhenua.govt.nz or by phoning 06 366 0999.

See over the page for further information on Public Participation.

3 Late Items

To consider, and if thought fit, to pass a resolution to permit the Council to consider any further items which do not appear on the Agenda of this meeting and/or the meeting to be held with the public excluded.

Such resolution is required to be made pursuant to Section 46A(7) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987, and the Chairperson must advise:

- (i) The reason why the item was not on the Agenda, and
- (ii) The reason why the discussion of this item cannot be delayed until a subsequent meeting.

4 Declarations of Interest

Members are reminded of their obligation to declare any conflicts of interest they might have in respect of the items on this Agenda.

5 Confirmation of Minutes

5.1 Meeting minutes Council, 14 August 2019

5.2 Meeting minutes In Committee Meeting of Council, 14 August 2019

6 Announcements

Update from the Project Management Group (PMG) – Levin Landfill

The PMG was formed as part of the settlement of litigation associated with the review of resource consents for the Levin landfill. A number of community stakeholders negotiated with the Horowhenua District Council team for a six month period, finishing in March 2019. The agreement reached enabled the establishment of the PMG, which is made up of two community representatives, two council representatives and an independent project manager. The co-chair of the PMG (Jenny Rowan) will be attending, with support from other team members, to update Councillors on the key priorities for the PMG, and the work programme to support it. The PMG was formed in April 2019 and is undertaking a substantial programme of work in the lead up to formal reporting to Councillors through the end of 2019 – early 2020.

Update from the Foxton Community Board

There will be the regular update on behalf of the Foxton Community Board.

Public Participation (further information):

The ability to speak at Council and Community Board meetings provides the opportunity for members of the public to express their opinions/views to Elected Members as they relate to the agenda item to be considered by the meeting.

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Meeting protocols

1. All speakers shall address the Chair and Elected Members, not other members of the public be that in the gallery itself or via livestreaming.
2. A meeting is not a forum for complaints about Council staff or Council contractors. Those issues should be addressed direct to the CEO and not at a Council, Community Board or Committee meeting.
3. Elected members may address the speaker with questions or for clarification on an item, but when the topic is discussed Members shall address the Chair.
4. All persons present must show respect and courtesy to those who are speaking and not interrupt nor speak out of turn.
5. Any person asked more than once to be quiet will be asked to leave the meeting

Proceedings of the Hearings Committee 1 August 2019

File No.: 19/358

1. Purpose

To present to the Council the minutes of the Hearings Committee meeting held on 1 August 2019.

2. Recommendation

- 2.1 That Report 19/358 Proceedings of the Hearings Committee 1 August 2019 be received.
- 2.2 That the Council receives the minutes of the Hearings Committee meeting held on 1 August 2019.

3 Issues for Consideration

A report on the Shannon Combined Reserves Management Plan is included in this Agenda for Council's consideration.

Attachments



There are no attachments for this report.

Confirmation of statutory compliance

In accordance with section 76 of the Local Government Act 2002, this report is approved as:

- a. containing sufficient information about the options and their benefits and costs, bearing in mind the significance of the decisions; and,
- b. is based on adequate knowledge about, and adequate consideration of, the views and preferences of affected and interested parties bearing in mind the significance of the decision.

Signatories

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Hearings Committee

OPEN MINUTES

Minutes of a meeting of the Hearings Committee held in the Shannon Railway Station, Plimmer Terrace, Shannon, on Thursday 1 August 2019 at 1.00 pm.

PRESENT

Chairperson Cr J F G Mason
Members Cr R H Campbell
Cr B P Wanden

IN ATTENDANCE

Reporting Officer Mr S Hester (Parks & Property Lead – North)
Mrs R Carr (Parks & Property Officer)

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE

Mrs J Sayer (Shannon Progressive Association)

1 Apologies

There were no apologies.

2 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

3 Announcements

There were no announcements.

4. Reports

4.1 Shannon Combined Reserves Management Plan

Purpose

To provide the platform for the Hearings Committee to hear and consider submissions received on the Shannon Combined Reserves Management Plan.

MOVED by Cr Campbell, seconded Cr Wanden:

THAT the submissions on the Shannon Combined Management Plan be received and considered.

THAT this decision is recognised as not significant in terms of S76 of the Local Government Act.

CARRIED

There were seven submissions received as part of the consultation on the Shannon Combined Reserves Management Plan. There were no submitters speaking at this hearing. Two submitters originally noted that they wished to speak at the hearing, but later withdrew in writing.

Submissions were received from:

- Mr William Paul
- Shannon Playcentre (Miss Susan Conway)
- Ms Emile Bourdet
- Janice Wade
- Miles Whanau
- Shannon Progressive Association (Mr Alec R Evans)
- Heritage New Zealand

All seven submissions were reviewed, and all Hearings Committee members stated they were impressed by the quality of the ideas and comments made by written submitters to this process.

Cr Mason sought confirmation that local Iwi Ngati Whakitere had been engaged with, and officers confirmed that discussions had been held and incorporated into the final Shannon Combined Reserves Management Plan document.

In relation to the submission by Heritage New Zealand, the Chair stated an appropriate response to the request to identify the New Zealand Pouhere Taonga Act 2014 as a relevant statute, was to include reference to the requirements under this Act being covered in the Horowhenua District Plan. This has now been included in page 3 of the Shannon Combined Reserves Management Plan.

MOVED by Cr Campbell, seconded Cr Wanden:

THAT after receiving and considering submissions, the Hearings Committee recommends to the Horowhenua District Council the adoption of the on the Shannon Combined Reserves Management Plan.

CARRIED

3.15 pm

There being no further business, the Chairperson declared the meeting closed.

CONFIRMED AS A TRUE AND CORRECT RECORD
AT A MEETING OF THE HEARINGS COMMITTEE
HELD ON

DATE:.....

CHAIRPERSON:.....

Proceedings of the Community Wellbeing Committee 13 August 2019

File No.: 19/350

1. Purpose

To present to the Council the minutes of the Community Wellbeing Committee meeting held on 13 August 2019.

2. Recommendation

- 2.1 That Report 19/350 Proceedings of the Community Wellbeing Committee 13 August 2019 be received.
- 2.2 That the Council receives the minutes of the Community Wellbeing Committee meeting held on 13 August 2019.

3. Issues for Consideration

There are no items that require further consideration.

Attachments



There are no attachments for this report.

Confirmation of statutory compliance

In accordance with section 76 of the Local Government Act 2002, this report is approved as:

- a. containing sufficient information about the options and their benefits and costs, bearing in mind the significance of the decisions; and,
- b. is based on adequate knowledge about, and adequate consideration of, the views and preferences of affected and interested parties bearing in mind the significance of the decision.

Signatories

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Approved by	Nicki Brady General Manager - H2040 & Partnership Development	

Community Wellbeing Committee

OPEN MINUTES

Minutes of a meeting of the Community Wellbeing Committee held in the Council Chambers, Horowhenua District Council, 126-148 Oxford Street, Levin, on Tuesday 13 August 2019 at 1.00 pm.

PRESENT

Chairperson

Cr Barry Judd

Deputy Chairperson

Cr Jo Mason

Members

Mayor Michael Feyen

Ms Kelly Bevan

Whaioro Trust

Ms Michelle Bussey

Department of Corrections

Ms Moira Campbell

Levin North School

Ms Samantha Coromandel

Life to the Max - LTTM

Ms Eve Fone

Oranga Tamariki

Mr Richard Fry on behalf of

Ministry of Social Development - Work and Income

Katie Brosnahan

Inclusion & Access Representative

Ms Eleanor Gully

Housing NZ Corporation

Mr Keith Hilson

Raukawa Whanau-Ora Ltd

Dr Betty-Lou Iwikau

Horowhenua Abuse Liaison Team - HALT

Ms Tracy Merson

NZ Police

Sgt Beth Purcell

MidCentral DHB

Ms Angela Rainham

Horowhenua Learning Centre - HLC

Mr Patrick Rennell

Waiopahu College

Mr Mark Robinson

Horowhenua-Ōtaki Children's Team

Ms Alice Sooalo

Housing Compassion

Sister Sosefina

Youth Network Chair

Cr Piri-Hira Tukapua

Older Persons Network

Ms Margaret Williams

IN ATTENDANCE

Reporting Officer

Mrs Lacey Winiata

Community Engagement Manager

Mrs Nicki Brady

GM H2040 & Partnership Development

Mrs Cathryn Pollock

Community Development Manager

Ms Michelle Rogerson

Community Development Advisor

Mr Neil Hirini

Community Development Advisor

Ms Kim Stewart

Community Development Advisor

Mr Liam McLeavey

Pathways Horowhenua / Education Horowhenua

Miss Sharon Bowling

Meeting Secretary

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE

Mr Barry Heal

Department of Corrections

PUBLIC IN ATTENDANCE

There were six members of the public in attendance at the commencement of the meeting.

1 Apologies

Apologies were received from Katie Brosnahan, Brenda Rea, David McCorkindale, Pauline Holland, Mike Fletcher, Jim Greening and Di Rump.

MOVED by Mayor Feyen, seconded Eleanor Gully:

THAT the apologies be accepted.

CARRIED

2 Public Participation

No requests for public participation had been received.

3 Confirmation of Minutes

MOVED by Cr Barry Judd, seconded Mr Mark Robinson:

THAT the minutes of the meeting of the Community Wellbeing Committee held on Tuesday, 14 May 2019, be confirmed as a true and correct record.

CARRIED

4 Reports

4.1 Community Services Report to 13 August 2019

To present to the Community Wellbeing Committee the Community Services Report 13 August 2019.

MOVED by Jo Mason , seconded Mayor Feyen:

THAT Report 19/160 on Community Services Report to 14 May 2019 be received.

THAT this matter or decision be recognised as not significant in terms of s76 of the Local Government Act 2002.

CARRIED

Lacey Winiata requested that the report be taken as read, highlighting some of the salient points, including updates:

- Applications open for 5 community grants schemes (Horowhenua Community Development Grant, Community Consultation Grant, Shannon Community Development Trust, Rural Halls Grant and the national Creative Communities Scheme). Three community workshops were held in Foxton, Shannon and Levin to provide information to the community/potential applicants.
- HDC hosted a Refugee Resettlement Workshop facilitated by MBIE on 30 July 2019

Catherine Pollock talked to the Community Wellbeing Framework which was taken to a Council Briefing on 07 August 2019, which included YEP leaders representation. Council was supportive of the framework. The focus now will be that all action plans are up to date and meet needs; with some up for review this year. The overall goal being to develop better reciprocal connections within networks. The Committee were thanked for their continued support, and their comments/feedback welcome.

*(A copy of the one-pager framework will be **attached** to the official minutes)*

The Chair acknowledged that the challenges are around networking, with members having full time commitments outside of the committee; adding that the committee was functioning well and all input is extremely important for Council to do its job.

4.2 Chair's Report

The Chair referred to his report which gave an update on the housing forums held with the community, providing some additional comment.

Highlighted early on was the pressure on our housing stock and ability for people to gain housing/accommodation. The three forums have included community housing providers, local iwi, pasifika ministers/church leaders, land developers/builders, and local, regional, central government representatives – to develop a housing action plan.

HDC has engaged with the right government department(s) so we can go to central government with a solution, and seek assistance and change. The key message to government agencies here yesterday is that we are not Council, but representatives of our community, aware of the challenges and needs etc. with the aim to see some houses built.

Mayor Feyen agreed there were no easy answers, with Council working hard to “keep the foot on the throat”. The forums were a productive platform, with range of attendees, considering all options (e.g. council land), reiterating it was not any easy road.

The Chair added that the role of funding is a major part, that belongs to central government. However, it was not an option to doing nothing, needed to drive the issue, work out in partnership the best way /solution.

It was noted that the housing forums were separated because that was the request, and have been highly successful as a result. The CWC will be kept up to date on outcomes.

5 Presentations

- **Family Harm Team**

Tracy Merson presented on behalf on the Family Harm Team, which comprises NZ Police, Department of Corrections, Oranga Tamariki and HALT.

The power point presentation supported with video covered: family harm statistics, development of the interagency family harm team, the FHT members and what they do, intervention options (e.g. whakakotahitanga, prison pre-release meetings), cumulative harm and the new family violence legislation.

Mayor Feyen requested permission to post parts of the presentation to social media. The Family Harm Team would be consulted and Mayor Feyen advised accordingly.

Given the topic content, the Chair suggested that some questions were more appropriate to address offline.

Questioning funding sources around the Wahine Toa programme, Tracy Merson said that funding was typically received as lump sums (and sufficient to cover the programme), adding that corporate sponsorship has been considered. Overall the programme was a cost effective weekend.

- **Horowhenua Shared Pathway Project**

For clarity, Therese Barber defined her role as Shared Pathways Project Manager (cf. footpaths and walkways). The presentation gave an overview of the project (including the background and definition), network concepts, and project phases; and sought to find synergies between the work of the CWC collectively and the scope of the shared pathways project, including potential funding sources.

*(A copy of the presentation will be **attached** to the official minutes)*

Committee members were asked to participate in MentiMeter www.menti.com to answer/vote on the various questions in real time (e.g. which type of pathway users do you work with? What programmes/projects have synergies?) Members were encouraged to continue adding over the next 7 days.

The suggestions provided via MentiMeter around the synergies will go back to the shared pathway stakeholder group to consider.

The Chair suggested any questions be directed to Therese Barber offline.

Acknowledging Cr Jo Mason's involvement with the shared pathways project, Mayor Feyen commented that for him shared pathways is about "getting kids back on bikes to school", and in his opinion there were a number of ways to achieve this.

Cr Jo Mason added that shared pathways project does not sit in isolation, that e.g. safety and wellbeing were crucial aspects. She added that she is really proud that it is a relevant conversation around the Council table, and "let's do this together".

6 Reports – Focus Areas

The latest updates for each of focus areas were provided as information only at the time of the Agenda dispatch (Children's Workforce, Community of Learners, Family Harm, Health & Wellbeing, Growth, Housing).

7 Round table – brief updates

Mark Robinson – Next Education Horowhenua meeting on Thursday. Secondary school space priority is about involvement, educating children.

Patrick Rennell – Appropriate time to note Mark Robinson as the new Chair of Education Horowhenua. HLC has two new community initiatives (1) partnered with Ministry of Pacific Peoples to deliver *Tupu Aotearoa*; launch of the programme will be held in early September; (2) Computers in Homes programme, providing devices, subsidised internet and technical support for low income families, with the family retaining the device at end of the programme. It is a pilot of 30 families with additional families joining as extra funding becomes available. LTTM has a new programme supporting the transition to adulthood, with LTTM now able to work with youth up to age of 25. A positive step for our community.

Alice Mose-Tuialii – Newly appointed to Horowhenua-Ōtaki Children's Team. Noted that the 'action canvas' has been left as was last meeting due to a number of staff resource changes in Oranga Tamariki office. Confirmed that despite community rumours, the Children's Team are not closing. BAU for Children's Team, and changes with the policy stage.

Sister Sosefina – Recent situation whereby a tenant asked if she could look after his wife while tenant is in hospital, along with attending a lot of funerals, has put stress on the two Compassion Housing staff based here in Horowhenua and the services they provide.

Margaret Williams – Delighted by new bus service, Levin to Palmerston North. The first trip via Foxton carried 18 passengers; and the trip via Shannon 25 passengers. All had a Gold Card. As a 'heads up', there is another idea in play that will be presented in time.

Piri-Hira Tukapua – Youth Network meetings are hosted at HLC every 6 weeks; noting that the meeting time changed to 4pm. Network have been involved in the housing action plan, and a mapping exercise "all things youth".

Kelly Bevan – Alternative education programme is full, with schools wanting more. A new appointment has been made with Neville Hei Hei who heads the drug/alcohol rangitahi team – a very skilled, qualified team. As a community housing provider, discussions underway with Housing NZ as to how to provide respite locally. Te Runanga will have a vacant building in Keepa Street soon.

Keith Hilson – Housing NZ to be renamed Kāinga Ora—Homes and Communities nationwide. Entire role of HNZ will change; it will become NZ biggest developer, including land, consenting powers etc. while continuing to be a landlord (for state housing). It will be a social function – fully invested in communities. Huge change coming up.

Moira Campbell – Referred to Community of Learner’s (COL) report. Combined BOT meeting this week re Kāhui Ako – schools working together for combined outcomes.

Angela Rainham – New to the CWC, explained her (new) role with DHB. Recent engagement areas indicated that still forefront community wellbeing communities. Quarterly newsletter of happenings in DHB has been created – members invited to join the database if interested.

Michelle Bussey – Introduced her new role at Department of Corrections, and gave thanks to the partnership around the table. Recently held a women’s rehab programme/retreat in Horowhenua, and are looking at a programme for men also. Due to transport issues, the office is increasing hours in Shannon and Foxton areas to be more accessible.

Acknowledged the importance of pre-release meetings.

Eve Fone – Thanked the community for their support of Oranga Tamariki during the recent difficult period.

Samantha Coromandel – New contract in partnership with Oranga Tamariki.

Richard Fryer – MSD perspective, core focus is the wellbeing of NZers – housing, finances etc. Ministry looking at ways to be better connect with the community and networks (following the 2014 Ashburton incident)

Eleanor Gully – Jack Allen Community Hub reverting back to name originally given, Te Whare Mahana; to raise funds, holding a fashion show at Ballentynes Levin on 25 September, \$20; improving partnership with local iwi; need a programme coordinator; have office space to lease.

Beth Purcell – Family Harm presentation covered off most; have a new initiative at He Whare Manaaki Tangata (parenting unit at Waiopēhu College) – discussions with attendees about topics such as family harm, nutrition, etc.; Iwi liaison appointed.

Jo Mason – Expressed thanks and acknowledgement to Barry for his chairing of the CWC. (His leadership of this group being acknowledged now as the next CWC meeting is not until November). His involvement reinvigorated the CWC and gave freedom of commentary from our partners – facts, truth, reality – including real humour and humility. Personally, Jo appreciated working with Barry, including staff and the agencies around the table; he has done an exceptional job.

The Chair – in his reply Barry stated most don’t understand his humour. In his opinion, the CWC is the most important forum/committee of Council because it has most of the community around it. Staff team has changed over the last 3 years, but Nicki has built a strong team to take the committee forward, particularly around reporting and communicating. Adding, the challenge is for you all to get out in the community and connect and know what’s going on.

Thanked all for participation and contribution around the table – all beneficial to the community. Continue to come to the table and work with the Council team, and the new chair.

3.10 pm

The Chairperson thanked Members for their attendance and attention to business and declared the meeting closed.

CONFIRMED AS A TRUE AND CORRECT RECORD
AT A MEETING OF COMMUNITY WELLBEING
COMMITTEE HELD ON

DATE:.....

CHAIRPERSON:.....

Proceedings of the Finance, Audit & Risk Subcommittee 28 August 2019

File No.: 19/351

1. Purpose

To present to the Council the minutes of the Finance, Audit & Risk Subcommittee meeting held on 28 August 2019.

2. Recommendation

- 2.1 That Report 19/351 Proceedings of the Finance, Audit & Risk Subcommittee 28 August 2019 be received.
- 2.2 That the Council receives the minutes of the Finance, Audit & Risk Subcommittee meeting held on 28 August 2019.

3. Issues for Consideration

There are no items considered by the FAR Subcommittee that require further consideration.

Attachments


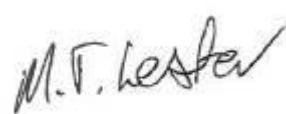
There are no attachments for this report.

Confirmation of statutory compliance

In accordance with section 76 of the Local Government Act 2002, this report is approved as:

- a. containing sufficient information about the options and their benefits and costs, bearing in mind the significance of the decisions; and,
- b. is based on adequate knowledge about, and adequate consideration of, the views and preferences of affected and interested parties bearing in mind the significance of the decision.

Signatories

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Finance, Audit & Risk Subcommittee

OPEN MINUTES

Minutes of a meeting of the Finance, Audit & Risk Subcommittee held in the Council Chambers, Horowhenua District Council, Levin, on Wednesday 28 August 2019 at 4.00 pm.

PRESENT

Chairperson Mr P Jones
Members Deputy Mayor W E R Bishop
Cr R J Brannigan (from 4.30 pm)
Cr R H Campbell
Mayor M Feyen
Cr N G Gimblett
Cr V M Kaye-Simmons
Cr J F G Mason
Cr C B Mitchell
Cr P Tukapua
Cr B P Wanden

IN ATTENDANCE

Reporting Officer Mr D Law (Chief Financial Officer)
Mr D M Clapperton (Chief Executive)
Mr M J Lester (Group Manager – Corporate Services)
Mr D McCorkindale (Group Manager – Strategy & Development)
Mr I McLachlan (Group Manager – Customer & Regulatory Services)
Mr K Peel (Acting Group Manager – Infrastructure Services)
Mr J Paulin (Finance Manager)
Mr A Chamberlain (Financial Accountant)
Mr P Gaydon (Special Projects Engineer – Infrastructure Services)
Mr D O’Regan (Executive Assistant)
Ms S Hori Te Pa (Governance & Executive Team Leader)
Ms A Parker (Executive Assistant to the Mayor)
Mrs K J Corkill (Meeting Secretary)

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE

Mr P Landmark (Stantec NZ)

MEDIA IN ATTENDANCE

Ms A Loo (“Manawatū Standard”)

PUBLIC IN ATTENDANCE

There were thirteen members of the public in attendance at the commencement of the meeting.

Having received the sad news of the passing of an esteemed Council colleague, Mr Clapperton requested Cr Tukapua to open the meeting with a prayer.

1 Apologies

Apologies were recorded for Cr Judd and for lateness from Cr Brannigan.

MOVED by Cr Bishop, seconded Cr Wanden:

THAT the apologies from Cr Judd and for lateness from Cr Brannigan be accepted..

CARRIED

2 Public Participation

7.1 Projects Update

Speaking in relation the Levin Wastewater Treatment Plant and the Levin Stormwater Consent reports, Mr Philip Taueki said he thought the risks had been underestimated and some of the assumptions made were also not correct, providing in detail his reasons for that viewpoint which included the fact that there had been no provision for the possibility that the consents might not be granted. He stressed the importance of Lake Horowhenua to himself and his ancestors and the need for it to be treated with sensitivity. He said the Lake needed investment to restore and protect it, noting that there was no provision in the LTP for another cemetery or landfill site if the consents applied for were denied.

A point of order was raised, which was upheld by the Chair, when a question to Mr Taueki was not relevant to the reports being addressed.

Ms Vivienne Taueki raised issues in relation to the POT and the urban stormwater consent application, which included her awaiting formal confirmation with regard to the preparation of a cultural impact report, and issues for the Hokio A block which she said had about 30 acres under water.

Saying she was also addressing the risk side of things, Mrs Vivienne Bold commented on a number of matters in a way that suggested that Council had been less than successful in progressing many of the projects, particularly in relation to water, stormwater and wastewater management.

Joined at the table by Messrs Robert Ketu, Lindsay Poutama and Quinton McGregor, Mr Heemi Te Peeti introduced himself as the Chairman of the Ngati Whakatere Trust Board and also the Chairman of the Governance Board for matters relating to Matararapa Island. Initially he said he wanted to advise, as Chair of Ngati Whakatere, that they did not agree to anything that was happening on Matararapa in terms of the sewerage system; the reason being that some of the sites were of significance to Ngati Whakatere and had been recorded not only in written but also in oral history. He commented on the site visit that had been held at Matararapa Island yesterday which had included a group of people who represented families who had actually lived on the island. The visit was part of a process to find a way forward and find solutions not only at a Council level but also at an iwi level as initially sites of significance to Ngati Whakatere had not been discussed with them. This was an issue as Maori had a different perspective when it came to boundaries. He thanked CE, David Clapperton and those who had taken the opportunity to meet with them yesterday to try and bridge the gap between both sides.

Mr Clapperton supported Mr Te Peeti's comments saying that the journey in relation to the discharge on Matararapa Island was at its early stages and there was a long way to go to discuss, address/resolve some of the outstanding issues. It was important to

hear the issues directly and to promote understanding and a willingness to work together. The model that has been developed in Foxton for Matararapa Island would hopefully provide a way forward and it was an opportunity for Council staff, contractors and subcontractors to hear and understand some of the challenges to achieve a positive outcome going forward.

Responding to a query, Mr Te Peeti confirmed that Ngati Whakatere had not signed the Matararapa Agreement. It had been signed in relationship to the whole of Raukawa; hence the reason Ngati Whakatere was still saying they were not happy. In terms of finding a way through the issues, whilst Ngati Whakatere had a strong stance, the meeting yesterday had helped build some bridges in terms of the gaps in the relationship at iwi level and also with landowners.

Mrs Christina Paton queried if Elected Members were satisfied that all the reported consultation was going to be matched and compared with Horizons Regional Council up-to-date data, referring Members to an item that appeared on Stuff in November 2018 "Critical shortage of good data on use of precious water resource". Contained in that document were reports on several Regional Councils, with the comment for Horizons reading: "The Horizons region, which stretches from Ruapehu to Horowhenua and west to Whanganui, only supplied recorded annual volumes for half its metered consents. Based on the data provided, pasture irrigators are the biggest water users, followed by town supplies and meat processing. About half its water comes from aquifers." With there being no timelines provided in that article, Mrs Paton said there was no way of knowing whether the reporting was current or out of date and she also queried its relevance to the information contained in the Project reports and whether Council was paying out for consultants to do the work that Horizons was legally required to do.

In relation to "Communication and Key Stakeholders" in the Levin Stormwater Consent report, Mr Charles Rudd queried who decided who was a key stakeholder when it related to Māori. He gave an outline of his ancestry, his interest in this area, and his historical involvement in environmental matters. He said as an individual he knew "from the mountains to the sea" and having been involved in a number of committees over a long period of time, he queried why an individual with his knowledge was left out in terms of consultation.

3 Late Items

There were no late items.

4 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

5 Confirmation of Minutes

MOVED by Cr Campbell, seconded Mayor Feyen:

THAT the minutes of the meeting of the Finance, Audit & Risk Subcommittee held on Wednesday, 31 July 2019, be confirmed as a true and correct record.

CARRIED

6 Announcements

It was with regret that Cr Wanden acknowledged the passing of Roger Halliwell. Roger had been a Councillor for a term and had made a huge contribution to the district over many years, becoming better known when he had started RJ's Licorice. He had made a huge contribution to other parts of the district as well and would be known as someone who contributed behind the scenes. His memory would live on in the naming of the Halliwell Turf at Donnelly Park.

Mr Clapperton advised that after the Agenda had been prepared and distributed confirmation had been received from Standard and Poors Global that Council had retained its A+ credit rating, reading out the supporting information from S&P Global which he would circulate to Elected Members. He acknowledged the work that Council had undertaken in preparing the 20 year Long Term Plan and all the supporting information which had enabled Standard and Poors to reconfirm Council's credit rating.

On the basis of risk, Mr Clapperton announced that he had been approached today by the media asking him to confirm whether or not the Council building was earthquake-prone because of a video that had been posted on Facebook. Mr Clapperton confirmed publicly that this building was not an earthquake-prone building citing, if it was deemed earthquake-prone, the many actions he would have to undertake in terms of deploying staff, processes, and ensuring public availability and legislative compliance if the building had to be vacated. To dismiss the talk that had arisen from the Facebook post, he reiterated that the Council building was not earthquake-prone: there was no risk to this building.

Mayor Feyen acknowledged that the post had been on his Facebook page and said that the CE would not have to do anything if there was no Civil Defence or emergency services in the building.

Cr Brannigan raised a point of order, saying it was irresponsible to say that and the Mayor needed to get his head around that particular part of the Earthquake-prone Building legislation. The Chair concurred that the Mayor's comment was not appropriate.

As it was the last Finance, Audit & Risk meeting he would be attending as Chair as he would not be in the country for the next meeting, Mr Jones expressed his thanks to the current Elected Members for their indulgence to him as the Mayor's Chair; for those who were retiring, he said to have well deserved rest, for those who were seeking re-election, he wished them all the best. He also thanked the public for their participation and patience .

Mayor Feyen thanked Mr Jones for his contribution saying that as Chair he had made some positive changes and had highlighted a number of things that could be done better, which was always good in a financial team.

7. Reports

7.1 Projects Update

Purpose

To provide the Finance, Audit and Risk Subcommittee with an update of the projects being undertaken by the Infrastructure Projects Team.

Speaking to the report, Mr Clapperton responded to some of the queries raised by those who had spoken during public participation.

Focusing on the data issue raised by Mrs Paton, Mr Clapperton said in terms of the data required when applying for consents there could be gaps in the information available and these needed to be filled to have the consent applications considered. Most of these were around stormwater and Regional Council was cognisant of that. As a tla, Council was happy to work with HRC on an on-going basis to provide data that Council had to support Horizons' data.

He thanked Mayor Feyen for his observations which had corrected some of the comments made by Mrs Bold.

Responding to the query raised by Mr Rudd about consultation, Mr Clapperton said the decision on consultation was based on the information provided by the consenting regulatory authority. It may not always be 100% correct. The decision did need to be with Council officers because the process was an operational matter; it was robust and identified not only affected parties but iwi, individuals and groups.

Raising the comments made by the CE on his Facebook page about the Council building and the fact that Council was not supposed to make comments on candidates, Mayor Feyen queried of Mr Clapperton if that was, in effect, out of order.

Mr Clapperton responded that in view of the publicly identified risk of an earthquake-prone building, he had to respond in a risk context.

The Projects Report was then worked through, page by page, with Mr Clapperton responding to questions from Elected Members.

MOVED by Cr Kaye-Simmons, seconded Cr Campbell:

THAT Report 19/313 Projects Update be received.

THAT this matter or decision be recognised as not significant in terms of s76 of the Local Government Act 2002.

CARRIED

At the Chair's suggestion, the next two reports were considered concurrently.

Mr Law spoke to the report, particularly drawing attention to:

- the increase in the landfill aftercare provision (\$2.703m) which had impacted on the deficit (being a variance from the budgeted surplus), further information on which would be provided by Mr Phil Landmark of Stantec NZ.
- the special dividend from Civic Financial Services on the sale of its Wellington building which required further consideration as to how it would be dealt with in Council's books.
- the Statement of Loans and Interest by Activity (Agenda page 55) and the inclusion of an additional LTP budget column (as requested by the Chair) which showed the variance between actual and budgeted loans.

Commenting on the significant movement in the landfill provision, Mr Jones said it was important for both Elected Members and the public to understand that this was non-cash. Council did not have to incur the cost, but due to a change in circumstances there was an unbudgeted cost of \$2.7m that needed to be recognised in the financial statements.

Mr Phil Landmark from Stantec NZ joined the table. He explained that his brief had been to estimate, if the landfill should close at 30 June of this year, what Council's liabilities would be going forward and how those liabilities related to its obligations to meet the Resource Consent environmental monitoring requirements and other obligations that there may be, such as operational, to ensure that the landfill was environmentally sound. Stantec had produced such a report for the landfill for the past 12 or so years. Last year Audit NZ chose to change the methodology slightly (he was not aware of what prompted the change) and that new methodology was what was adopted for this year's report. The 2018 report was then compared directly with the 2019 report, with Mr Landmark explaining how the difference in the figures had been arrived at, where the main costs lay, and the potential future costs.

Following Mr Landmark responding to questions from Elected Members, the meeting returned to considering the financial statements, with the Chair noting the 2.3 recommendation in the Twelve Month Report regarding the loan funding of the growth projects that had been referenced in both the Agenda and the Annual Report.

Mr Law was requested to clarify Council's position in terms of its debt and loan funding to address some misunderstanding in the public arena about Council's financial position. He confirmed that Council's gross borrowing was \$96m, (not over \$100m) with cash reserves of \$8.48m bringing Council's net debt to below \$90m. He noted that net debt was what Council was judged on by agencies such as Standard and Poors, LGFA, etc. Whilst this information was provided regularly in the FARS Agenda, to enable the public to better understand the position it was requested that an easy to

understand version be published in the newspaper or “Community Connection”.

Mr Clapperton noted that as CE he did have a responsibility to provide information to the community via Pre-election Reports and one of the issues coming up was around debt.

Raised in discussion:

- rates debtors for Manakau (Agenda page 41), showing as 20% was corrected to 7%.
- loss on derivatives, how this was calculated and how they were repaid was explained.
- the increased level of rates debt: some, but not all, of this was because the six year rates debt on Māori land had not been written off. Rates debt was being monitored by staff.

In his closing comments, Mr Jones noted:

- the non-current assets Council held for sale (Annual Report page 14) to the tune of \$6m which it was intended to sell and realise within the next six months.
- the Reserve Funds (page 20) saying that Council needed to have a plan on how these were spent. They needed to be spent within a certain time frame, otherwise they need to be refunded.
- the various benchmarks in the Annual Report, particularly the Balanced Budget, Debt Control and Operations Control, and the reasons why these benchmarks had not been met.
- the Annual Report was not finalised. The FAR Subcommittee would see the finalised report on 26 September before it going to Council on 2 October for adoption.

With it noted in the two reports that Audit New Zealand was currently undertaking the audit for the year ended 30 June 2019, Mr Law confirmed that the Auditors had indicated that they were satisfied they had got everything they needed to complete the audit and had not brought to his attention the need to do any additional work other than what was required for a normal Council audit across the country.

7.2 Twelve Month Report 1 July 2018 - 30 June 2019

Purpose

To present to the Finance, Audit & Risk Subcommittee the financial report for the twelve months to 30 June 2019.

MOVED by Cr Wanden, seconded Cr Mason:

THAT Report 19/314 Twelve Month Report 1 July 2018 - 30 June 2019 be received.

THAT this matter or decision be recognised as not significant in terms of s76 of the Local Government Act 2002.

THAT the Finance, Audit and Risk Subcommittee recommends to the Horowhenua District Council the ratification of the loan funding of sustainable growth and recycling activities.

CARRIED

6.3 Annual Report for the year ended 30 June 2019

Purpose

The Chair clarified that Council was not recommending the adoption of the Annual Report and with the inclusion of the word “Draft” in the recommendation to receive the report, it was:

MOVED by Cr Campbell, seconded Deputy Mayor Bishop:

THAT Report 19/315 Draft Annual Report for the year ended 30 June 2019 is received.

THAT this matter or decision be recognised as not significant in terms of s76 of the Local Government Act 2002.

CARRIED

6.31 pm

There being no further business, the Chairperson declared the meeting closed.

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SUBCOMMITTEE HELD ON

DATE:.....

CHAIRPERSON:.....

Proceedings of the Community Funding & Recognition Committee 28 August 2019

File No.: 19/354

1. Purpose

To present to the Council the minutes of the Community Funding and Recognition Committee meeting held on 28 August 2019.

2. Recommendation

- 2.1 That Report 19/354 Proceedings of the Community Funding & Recognition Committee 28 August 2019 be received.
- 2.2 That the Horowhenua District Council receives the minutes of the Community Funding and Recognition Committee meeting held on 28 August 2019.
- 2.3 That this matter or decision is recognised as not significant in terms of s76 of the Local Government Act 2002.
- 2.4 That the Horowhenua District Council ratifies the grants (and any associated conditions) from the Heritage Fund as follows:

Alfred Memelink	\$9,575.07
Edward Osborne	\$6,785.00
Foodstuffs North Island Ltd (Foxton New World)	\$10,463.40
Foxton Little Theatre	\$3,176.53

3. Issues for Consideration

Council's ratification of the above grants from the Heritage Fund is sought.

Attachments


There are no attachments for this report.

Confirmation of statutory compliance

In accordance with section 76 of the Local Government Act 2002, this report is approved as:

- a. containing sufficient information about the options and their benefits and costs, bearing in mind the significance of the decisions; and,
- b. is based on adequate knowledge about, and adequate consideration of, the views and preferences of affected and interested parties bearing in mind the significance of the decision.

Signatories

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Community Funding and Recognition Committee

OPEN MINUTES

Minutes of a meeting of Community Funding and Recognition Committee held in the Ante Room, 126-148 Oxford St, Levin on Wednesday 28 August 2019 at 2.00 pm.

PRESENT

Chair Cr N G Gimblett
Members Cr R H Campbell
Cr J F G Mason
Cr B P Wanden

IN ATTENDANCE

Reporting Officer Mrs A Huria (Projects Coordinator – Strategy & Development)
Mrs T Gower (Strategic Planner)

1 Apologies

Cr P Tukapua

2 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interests

3 Confirmation of Minutes

MOVED by Cr Wanden, seconded Cr Campbell:

THAT the minutes of the meeting of the Community Funding and Recognition Committee held on Tuesday, 26 March 2019, be confirmed as a true and correct record.

CARRIED

4 Reports

4.1 Heritage Fund Allocation

Purpose

To present to the Community Funding & Recognition Committee the applications received for grants from the Heritage Fund.

MOVED by Cr Campbell, seconded Cr Mason:

THAT the Report and supporting information for grants from the Heritage Fund be received.

THAT this matter or decision be recognised as not significant in terms of s76 of the Local Government Act 2002.

CARRIED

The application from Alfred Memelink was considered.

MOVED by Cr Mason, seconded Cr Wanden:

THAT the final allocation of funds to Alfred Memelink be: \$9,575.07.

CARRIED

The application from Edward Osborne was considered.

MOVED by Cr Campbell, seconded Cr Wanden:

THAT the final allocation of funds to Edward Osborne be: \$6,785.00.

CARRIED

The application from Foodstuffs North Island Ltd (Foxton New World) was considered.

A discussion was had around the importance of recognising this local business for the following reasons. Foodstuffs Limited elected to retain a large portion of the historic façade of the former hotel when they developed the New World on the site in 2002. The former hotel building was not listed as a heritage building at the time but Foodstuffs Limited had taken on board comments from Council and the local community about the historical importance of the former hotel and its prominence in the streetscape of Main Street. Foodstuffs Limited made the decision to incorporate as much of the historic façade in its building design as possible. This business is locally owned and operated, it provides employment to many locals. This building is large and very recognisable, adding to the heritage character of Main Street.

MOVED by Cr Wanden, seconded Cr Campbell:

THAT the final allocation of funds to Foodstuffs North Island Ltd be: \$10,463.40.

CARRIED

The application from Foxton Little Theatre was considered.

MOVED by Cr Wanden, seconded Cr Mason:

THAT the final allocation of funds to Foxton Little Theatre be: \$3,176.53.

CARRIED

The application from Laurence Smaling was considered.

MOVED by Cr Gimblett, seconded Cr Wanden:

THAT the final allocation of funds to Laurence Smaling be: \$0.00.

CARRIED

The application from Arthur (Neville) Booth was considered.

MOVED by Cr Campbell, seconded Cr Wanden:

THAT the final allocation of funds to Arthur (Neville) Booth be: \$0.00

CARRIED

A general discussion was had around creating a Heritage Fund video showing work that has been completed with the funds allocated.

2.45 pm

There being no further business, the Chairperson declared the meeting closed.

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AND RECOGNITION COMMITTEE HELD ON

DATE:.....

CHAIRPERSON:.....

Monitoring Report to 11 September 2019

File No.: 19/345

1. Purpose

To present to Council the updated monitoring report covering requested actions from previous meetings of Council.

2. Recommendation

- 2.1 That Report 19/345 Monitoring Report to 11 September 2019 be received.
- 2.2 That this matter or decision be recognised as not significant in terms of s76 of the Local Government Act 2002.

Attachments



No.	Title	Page
A	Horowhenua District Council Monitoring Report	30

Confirmation of statutory compliance

In accordance with section 76 of the Local Government Act 2002, this report is approved as:

- a. containing sufficient information about the options and their benefits and costs, bearing in mind the significance of the decisions; and,
- b. is based on adequate knowledge about, and adequate consideration of, the views and preferences of affected and interested parties bearing in mind the significance of the decision.

Signatories

Author(s)	David Clapperton Chief Executive	
Approved by	David Clapperton Chief Executive	

MONITORING REPORT
HOROWHENUA DISTRICT COUNCIL

Item No.	Meeting Date	Item Description	Resolved / Action	Responsible Officer	Date to Action by	Completed	Officer Comment
17/534	27 November 2017	Provisional Local Alcohol Policy – Appeals	<i>THAT Council resolves that the Hearings Committee of Council be directed to act on behalf of Council on this matter as may be required following notification by the Licensing Authority.</i>	V Miller			ARLA directed HDC to reconsider 5 elements of the PLAP. Next step is to re-confirm the negotiated changes to the PLAP with Foodstuffs / Woolworths and resubmit to ARLA for acceptance.
18/171	18 April 2018	CE's Report to 18 April 2018 – Electric Vehicle Charging Stations	<i>THAT the Chief Executive be requested to investigate a commercial rental or other revenue source from the placement of Electric Vehicle charging stations on Council-owned land.</i>	D McCorkindale			Information responding to the proposed contract has been received from Charge Net on 26 March 2019. This has led to a positive meeting between the parties to establish a way forward. An updated contract was prepared on the basis of that meeting and provided to Charge Net for signing. Charge Net have indicated that they would like to seek some further changes to the contract before signing. A meeting and teleconference between the parties took place at

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							the end of August 2019 to work through the points of difference in the contract. Changes to the contract will be made in early September. Electra will commence some of the planning work associated with the project. An extension for the EECA funding has been provided through to October.
18/575	10 October 2018	Options for Potential Disposal – Court House Museum	<i>THAT Council resolves not to retain the Court House Museum as per the original Officer recommendation. THAT Horowhenua District Council disposes of the Foxton Court House Museum using an Expression of Interest process that requires proponents to complete seismic strengthening whilst preserving the heritage and character</i>	A Nelson 26 February 2019 A Nelson 28.03.2019 27.06.2019			A draft EOI has been produced Officers are currently undertaking due diligence and researching any encumbrances upon the title. Due diligence has identified some encumbrances relating to the property and these are still being assessed. Parks & Property are talking to the Foxton Historic Society in respect of a potential proposal to

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	14 August 2019		<i>of the building. THAT the Chief Executive be delegated the authority to execute the disposal of Foxton Court House Museum.</i>				take over the building as one option for disposal. The CE confirmed that engagement
18/484	21 November 2018	Review of Draft Shannon Reserves Management Plan	<i>THAT the Horowhenua District Council approves the Draft Shannon Reserves Management Plan for further public consultation.</i>	A Nelson		11 Sept 2019	Hearing held 1 August 2019. Report to go to the Council meeting 11 September for adoption of the Shannon Reserve Management Plan.
19/27	13 March 2019	CE's Report – Foxton Beach Freeholding Account Strategy & Policy Review	<i>THAT the Horowhenua District Council gives approval for the Foxton Beach Freeholding Account Strategy and Policy to be reviewed with feedback to be sought from the Foxton Beach Community.</i>	M Lester			Project Plan being developed for the review process; however due to the proximity of triennial elections, this matter to be held over to be dealt with by the new Council and Foxton Community Board
19/199	12 June 2019	Proceedings of the Foxton Community Board 27 May 2019	<i>THAT as recommended by the Foxton Community Board, the Horowhenua District Council supports the</i>	A Nelson			A Request for Proposals document is currently being drafted, with a view to seeking detailed design proposals from suitably

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			<i>development of a detailed design for a wetland at Holben Reserve and requests officers to progress to a detailed design through an RFP process.</i>		27.08.2019		qualified companies in the next two months. Officers have received a proposal for a detailed design and are currently evaluating it.
19/273	14 August 2019	Land Transport Bylaw 2017 Update	The changes from 80 km/h to 60 km/h on four rural residential roads and eighteen rural roads as required be notified and brought back to the September 2019 Council meeting for ratification.	K Peel	11 Sept 2019		Council meeting of 11 September for final ratification of rural speed limits.

Chief Executive's Report to 11 September 2019

File No.: 19/346

1. Purpose

For the Chief Executive to update Councillors, or seek endorsement on, a number of matters being dealt with.

2. Recommendation

- 2.1 That Report 19/346 Chief Executive's Report to 11 September 2019 be received.
- 2.2 That these matters or decisions be recognised as not significant in terms of s76 of the Local Government Act 2002.

3. Chief Executive Updates

3.1 Otaki to North Levin (O2NL)

The Council is continuing to advocate to Government Ministers, NZ Transport Agency (NZTA) officials and Members of Parliament in our region for better roading and safety outcomes in our District. A crucial milestone for our community was the recent and long awaited public acknowledgement from the NZTA (Emma Speight) that the Agency does not currently have funding to further progress the designation work or construct the expressway. This announcement puts the ball firmly into our court to get some action and progress. One option which is being investigated is whether Council, acting in its capacity as a Requiring Authority, should progress the designation for the route corridor, or at least critical sections of the route. This will enable Council to advance plans and designs for new growth areas. We believe that the Build Our Road campaign initiated by the Horowhenua NZ Trust played a cornerstone role in helping the Agency to front up to our community about what was going on.

Council officers are actively working to communicate the crucial importance of building O2NL to NZTA and MoT officials. A submission was lodged to the Minister of Transport on the Road 2 Zero Strategy and the Safe Network Programme. Officers have been engaging with NZTA officials to get funding approval for Council's work on the Horowhenua Integrated Transport Strategy. Last month Council finally received a positive response to its Point of Entry Document after an eight month delay. The preparation of the Strategic Business case is well underway.

The current work on the HITS has been to be invaluable in supporting and communicating the case for O2NL and safety improvements, particularly with getting support from the other Councils in the Manawatu-Whanganui region. Officers provided a briefing on the HITS to Elected Members on 4 September. This briefing provided an update on the findings from the community and stakeholder engagement. The briefing also identified the vision and key themes that the Strategy is being drafted around. Officers are looking forward to engaging with the community on the draft Strategy in the coming months.

I would like to acknowledge your ongoing support through what has been a time of significant uncertainty for our community particularly those who own land within or alongside the proposed O2NL corridor. The achievements so far have been hard fought and your supportive efforts make a positive difference in our community in these uncertain times.

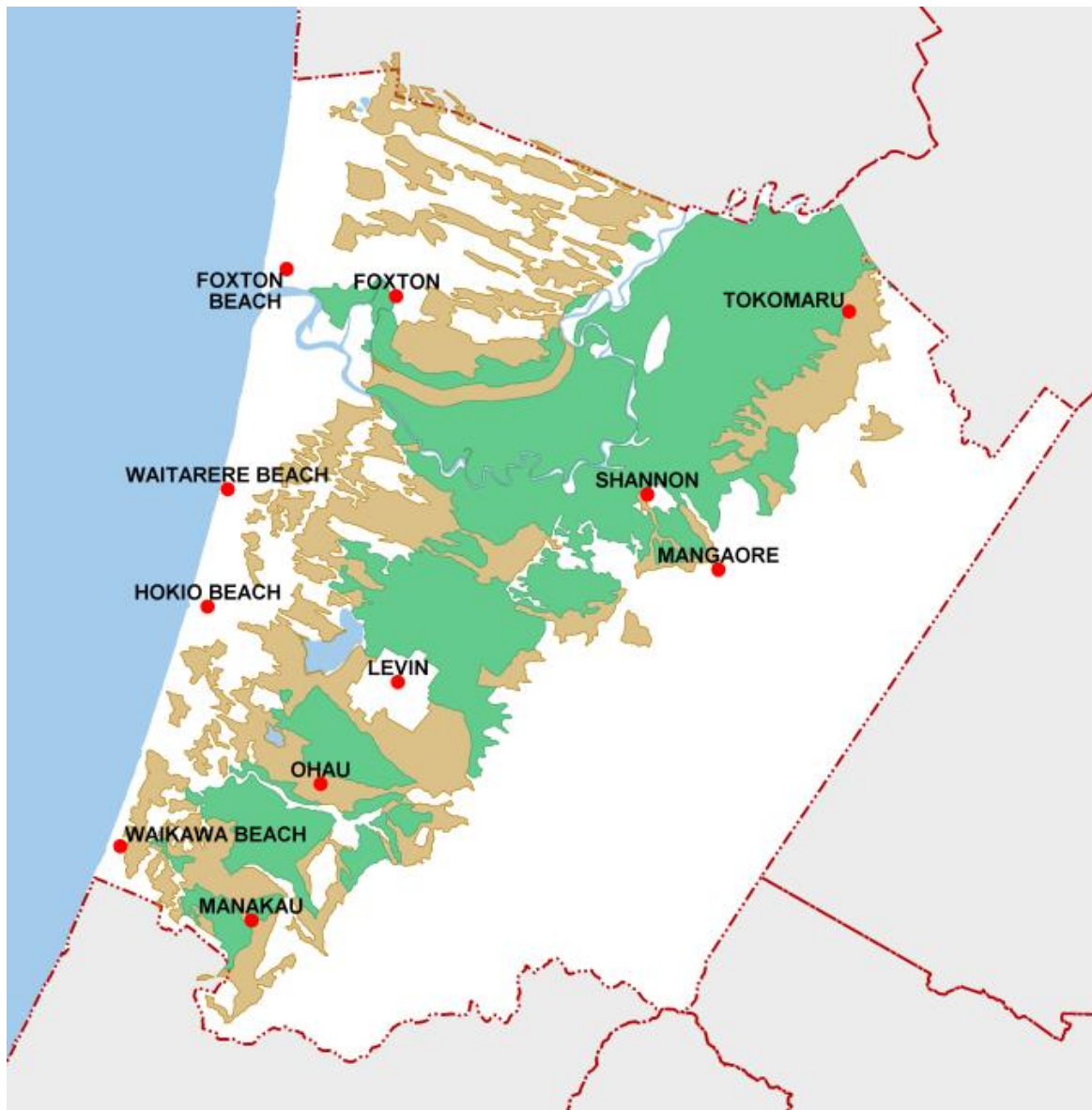
3.2 Proposed National Policy Statements

During August 2019 Central Government released two proposed national policy statements (NPS) for public feedback that have potential implications on the Horowhenua District. The

Resource Management Act 1991 requires Council to give effect to NPS through both its District Plan and through resource consent processing. Both of proposed NPS are of critical importance to Horowhenua District and have the potential to significantly impact on Council's planning work (particularly growth planning) and how the Council manages the future provision of housing in our district.

Proposed National Policy Statement – Highly Productive Land

The first of the two NPS seeks to protect highly productive land from urban expansion and subdivision. At present, the proposed NPS seeks to protect class 1-3 soils, which cover 41% of the Horowhenua District. The extent of this area is indicated by the map below. As can be seen, areas not containing class 1-3 soils are largely limited to hill country and the coast and coastal dunefields. Since the 1990's the Horowhenua District Plan has protected Class 1 and 2 soils, so the additional inclusion of Class 3 land has potential to significantly constrain the district.



Soil class 1-2 indicated in green, soil class 3 indicated in brown.

Proposed National Policy Statement – Urban Development

The second proposed NPS will replace the existing NPS for Urban Development Capacity. This proposed NPS directs Council to enable urban areas to grow both up and out.

There are some obvious tensions between these two proposed NPS, particularly for the Horowhenua District given we are expecting significant growth over the next 20 years, yet have class 1-3 soils surrounding most of our towns and settlements, therefore limiting opportunities to grow out.

Given the potential impact of these proposed NPS on Horowhenua, Council officers are working on preparing submissions for both documents. This will include officers exploring how they can support or collaborate with local iwi, where there is an interest in iwi making a submission on these NPS. To also help inform the Council submission Council officers will look to utilise existing networks and connections to gain insight from affected community groups. The level of engagement with elected members, iwi and stakeholder groups will be limited due to the tight timeframes set by Central Government to provide feedback (submissions close 10 October 2019). Officers will be briefing elected members on these two NPS documents following the Council meeting 11 September, with the intention being to provide draft submissions for Council approval at the 2 October 2019 meeting.

3.3 Te Takeretanga o Kura-hau-pō – Café

The café at Te Takeretanga o Kura-hau-pō was reopened on Monday, 9 September, with a local business, Sponge Kitchen, taking over as the new operator. Sponge Kitchen is an established part of our local community with proven experience operating a high quality café service. Customers can expect a range of savouries, sweet treats, light meals, accompanied by hot and cold drinks including barrista made coffee. The café has been rebranded as the Library Café.

3.4 Foxton Pools

Foxton Heated Pools opened for the extended summer season on Sunday 1 September. This is the second year the Pools have been opened from September until the end of April. The season was extended in 2018 following consultation on Council's Long Term Plan 2018-2038. Over 350 people attended the opening day which was held on a sunny first day of Spring. Customers enjoyed over 250 sausages prepared by staff on the barbecue.

3.5 Eastern & Central Community Trust

The ECCT Board toured Te Awahou Nieuwe Stroom and Te Takeretanga o Kura-hau-po on Wednesday. All members were impressed by what the Horowhenua has to offer its community. Special attention was shown to exhibition spaces, the children's area, Education Suite and the Youth Space. Of particular interest to some was the comprehensive consultation with the community to incorporate the community's needs in the development of both the main TTOKHP space and Youth Space

3.6 Customer & Regulatory Services Update

- (i) HDC Officers are working with Infrastructure Cook Islands (ICI) to improve building consent practices and processes in the Cook Islands following a request for support by Local Government New Zealand (LGNZ). In March this year, Council staff hosted two building inspectors from the Cook Islands to review building consent processes and applications used in Horowhenua, and they attended on-site building inspections to observe how our systems work in practice. As a result of this visit a Building Advisory Officer visited the ICI and provided recommendations for improvement in the local consenting processes. Both visits were sponsored by LGNZ.

- (ii) The Compliance Team is trialling a Mobility device and applications to support the work of Council Officers in the field. This will allow Officers to do electronic reporting on site back to HDC.
- (iii) The Consents Team has noted a 36% increase on Resource Consents lodged in July and August compared with 2018/19:

Consents Lodged - Trends		
	July	August
2019/20	36	36
2018/19	24	26
2017/18	14	18
2016/17	28	11
2015/16	13	14

3.7 Climate Change Response – Memorandum of Understanding

The Horowhenua District Council, along with the other councils in the Manawatu-Wanganui region, have recently signed a Climate Change Response Memorandum of Understanding. The purpose of this Memorandum of Understanding is to enshrine a collaborative approach across the Horizons region with a focus on how the region's councils will work to adapt to a changing climate.

The memorandum recognises the urgent need to address the challenge presented by climate change. Local government is acknowledged as having an important role to play. The memorandum identifies that action is needed now to avoid its worst effects and achieve a just transition to a resilient, sustainable future.

The memorandum sets out that the group of councils working together on climate change will undertake to:

- collaborate across our organisations on action to build organisational, community and regional resilience;
- communicate openly, sharing what we know about likely effects and response options;
- engage and involve our communities in decisions that affect them;
- give effect to our engagement obligations under Treaty of Waitangi Settlements and arrangements with iwi and hapū in our areas of responsibility;
- report regularly on work going on to address climate change adaptation across the region;
- support each other with skills and knowledge from our respective organisations;
- work collectively as a region to engage with central government.

The memorandum was first suggested by Horizons Chief Executive Michael McCartney and received support from the chief executives of the councils in the region for the memorandum to be presented to the region's mayors for signing. Going forward the memorandum is anticipated to be part of the agreement that Horizons signs with the other Councils after each election.

3.8 Queen Street / State Highway 57 Intersection

The public confirmation by NZTA in late August that there is currently no funding to advance any work on the Otaki to North Levin (O2NL) expressway has heightened concerns that a potential solution to the Queen Street / State Highway 57 intersection is further away. The recent letter from the Council demanding action within four weeks has not resulted in any positive action.

While officers have been made aware of the safe network programme's (SNP) objectives and funding model for Horowhenua, it has been a concern of Council officers that the SNP's project list may not reflect the current pinch points on our network. Council has carried out extensive investigations and have identified several high risk areas that need urgent treatment but are at risk of being disconnected from the SNP.

The combination of the above lead me to urgently request a meeting with NZTA officials. This meeting took place early September. The focus of the meeting was to investigate opportunities to work together to better focus on wider outcomes for Council and NZTA and our most pressing need being an engineered solution at the Queen Street intersection with State Highway 57.

During this meeting the following matters were raised highlighting the issues and compelling evidence associated with the Queen Street / SH57 intersection.

The Queen Street / SH57 intersection is one of our District's most dangerous intersections and is in the top 100 nationwide. In 2013 NZTA concluded that a roundabout option was the best solution for this intersection but at the time it did not meet funding criteria. Since then traffic growth has made this intersection increasingly dangerous. Council has earmarked the area immediately to the east of the intersection for a 2,500 lot residential subdivision. With O2NL not proceeding in the foreseeable future, we must now consider what is best for safe and efficient connectivity for our residents and commuters.

Traffic Data

SH57 is a national route with a 100km/h speed limit and carries about 10,000 vehicles per day (vpd) with 10% heavy vehicles. Queen Street is key arterial with a 50km/h speed limit and carries 5,500 vpd with 5% heavy vehicles. The two roads cross at a priority controlled intersection. Traffic on these routes is growing by 2.4% per annum. This will only increase with the completion of the Peka Peka to Otaki expressway and neighbouring residential developments.

Crash History

NZTA's crash analysis system reports 43 serious crashes at this intersection since 2000. A further 18 crashes have been reported on SH57 between 200m north of the intersection and Meadowvale Drive. The Horowhenua community is experiencing dangerous near misses and minor accidents on a daily basis. The vast majority go unreported. Indeed, NZTA's economic evaluation manual suggests "expansion factors" are used to allow for non-reported crashes. At this intersection the expansion factor would be as much as seven times the reported figure. That equates to up to 300 crashes.

Intersection Performance

The current intersection is problematic. The speed differentials make for dangerous entry and exit manoeuvres. Council's recent analysis showed that almost all vehicles made a 'kink' in their route to swerve around the traffic islands and get a better setup to enter the State Highway. We identified that trucks needed the entire intersection to make the right hand turn off the highway. There is no dedicated pedestrian crossing facility, despite there being a popular walkway in the hills to the east.

There are current peak delays of up to 40 seconds on the Queen Street east approach. Just with traffic growth alone by 2040 the delays will be 160 seconds per vehicle. The addition of 2,500 new homes rolled out over the next 20 years will add another layer of delay and make the intersection untenable in its current form.

We have calculated that a single lane roundabout built within the existing road corridor reduces delays to less than 12 seconds for any approach, or any time period. A single lane roundabout can accommodate up to 750 new homes on Queen Street with no reduction in the level of service at the intersection.

Preliminary Benefit Cost Ratio (BCR)

To demonstrate a roundabout's return on investment we have calculated a preliminary BCR, using a construction cost estimate of \$3.7M. The BCR for a single lane roundabout, calculated in accordance with the standard NZTA Economic Evaluation Model worksheets with a 40 year analysis is 3.7. The corresponding 10-year period BCR is 1.8 (if for example O2NL were to open 10 years from now).

Even with a conservative estimate of 40 new houses per annum, the BCR for a roundabout (and that O2NL will be constructed in 2030) is 4.4. Without O2NL the long term BCR gets to double figures.

Funding Solutions

During the meeting we discussed several options regarding funding this project, including the option of treating the roundabout as a local road project. Such is the importance of this project, an option that I have suggested is that Council fund the detailed business case in order to accelerate delivery and that a funding plan by NZTA for the project be developed.

I have confirmed these messages and our request for action in a letter to NZTA 5 September 2019 and await their response.

3.9 Quarterly Economic Update – June 2019

Horowhenua's economy continues to grow faster than the national economy. Infometrics' provisional estimates show that the local economy expanded by 2.8% in the 12 months to June 2019. Growth in traffic flows of 2.3% in Horowhenua support our view of strong underlying economic activity.

Over the past few years Horowhenua's population growth has jumped to record levels. Health enrolments, a broad indicator of population growth, increased by 2.7% in the 12 months to June 2019, which suggests that the population continues to grow strongly.

Population growth is driving demand for housing and pushing up house prices in Horowhenua. Average house values increased by 15% over the year, reducing affordability to a level below the trough experienced prior to the global financial crisis.

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The value of non-residential consents jumped to above \$12m in the year to June, almost 20% higher than the previous year. Business confidence will have been boosted by the announcement that a 13-hectare plot of unused industrial land is set to become a business park.

Dairy farmers in Horowhenua are expected to earn \$108m for the 2018/19 season, a small drop of \$3m from the season prior due to downward revisions of the farmgate milk price throughout the season. Fonterra has indicated a broad range for the 2019/20 season pay-out, and current conditions point towards the pay-out being closer to the top of the \$6.25-\$7.25/kgms range.

Horowhenua's unemployment rate has dropped to 6.8% which is close to the 10-year low. Despite the strength of the job market the number of Jobseeker Support recipients in Horowhenua grew by 2.4% in the June year. The increase is largely due to softening of benefit eligibility and sanction policies rather than actual labour market conditions. Significantly, the rate of increase in Horowhenua was much lower than growth in the national economy (9.6%).

3.10 Housing Forum

As previously reported, Cr Barry Judd (Chair of the Community Wellbeing Committee) led an initiative following the Horowhenua 2040 conversation with the Community Wellbeing Committee to launch a community response to housing challenges and opportunities in Horowhenua.

During March – August 2019, Cr Judd chaired three multi-sector housing forums and three working group meetings. Participants included representatives from local iwi authorities, Fale Pasifika Horowhenua, local Pasifika church leaders, regional and central government officials, community housing providers, NGOs including Age Concern, local land developers and builders; together with the Community Wellbeing Committee, Mayor and elected representatives and Council staff.

The outcomes of the multi-sector conversations and collaboration outlined above, is the development of “A Community Driven Housing Action Plan”. The draft has been prepared by Ree Anderson (Director, Ree Anderson Consulting Ltd) following her facilitation of the Housing Forums and Working Groups alongside Cr Judd. The draft plan framework is based on the Community Housing Aotearoa’s ‘Guidance on Developing a Housing Strategy’ (May 2018) and on international research such as that by the McKinsey Global Institute ‘A blueprint for addressing the global affordable housing challenge’ (October 2014).

In brief, housing for residents in Horowhenua is severely unaffordable, based on the affordable housing measures of the median multiple. So, while relatively speaking housing in Horowhenua is affordable compared to other places in New Zealand, such as the nearby city of Wellington, it is not affordable for many residents currently living in Horowhenua based on median household incomes and median house prices. Hence, the Council is tackling these housing challenges with developing a plan focused on meeting the needs of residents as expressed by them.

The development of the plan acknowledges that we need everyone in our community, together with central government and community housing providers, to play their part to build local relationships, connect with each other and help get homes on the ground. Council leadership and advocacy in the forums and workshops is a step towards achieving that. Council has been briefed on the outcomes of the multi-sector engagement and drafting of the plan. Council officers are now working towards the tabling the report to Council for adoption on 02 October 2019.

Attachments



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Confirmation of statutory compliance

In accordance with section 76 of the Local Government Act 2002, this report is approved as:

- a. containing sufficient information about the options and their benefits and costs, bearing in mind the significance of the decisions; and,
- b. is based on adequate knowledge about, and adequate consideration of, the views and preferences of affected and interested parties bearing in mind the significance of the decision.

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Quarterly Economic Monitor

Horowhenua District June 2019

Overview of Horowhenua District

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Annual average % change			
Gross domestic product	↑ 2.8%	↑ 2.7%	↑ 2.5%
Traffic flow	↑ 2.3%	↑ 1.5%	↑ 1.5%
Health Enrolments	↑ 2.7%	↑ 2.8%	↑ 1.8%
Consumer spending	↑ 8.3%	↑ 6.3%	↑ 4.0%
Residential consents	↑ 25.6%	↑ 11.1%	↑ 5.8%
Non-residential consents	↑ 19.8%	↓ -10.3%	↑ 7.9%
House prices*	↑ 14.8%	↑ 15.0%	↑ 1.4%
House sales	↓ -5.5%	↓ -3.6%	↓ -0.9%
Guest nights	↑ 17.3%	↑ 5.8%	↑ 1.3%
Tourism expenditure	↑ 2.2%	↑ 4.2%	↑ 3.2%
Car registrations	↓ -0.4%	↓ -1.8%	↓ -8.6%
Commercial vehicle registrations	↓ -2.3%	↑ 13.5%	↑ 0.3%
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Level			
Unemployment rate	6.8%	5.2%	4.1%

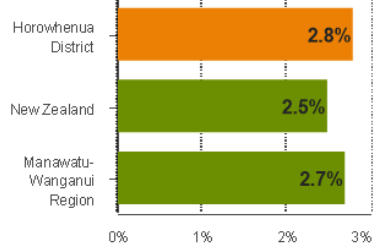
* Annual percentage change (latest quarter compared to a year earlier)

Overview of national economy

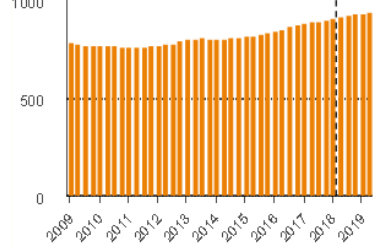
The New Zealand economy continues to perform well, but concerns are growing about the future, with a long, slow, slowdown expected over the next few years. The Reserve Bank's aggressive cut to the official cash rate (OCR) to 1.00% reflects a deteriorating economic outlook as both business and government investment remains poor, inflation remains low, and the employment outlook softens. With slowing population growth expected to eventuate before the end of the year, the focus turns to consumer spending and whether it can prop up economic growth, or if it too succumbs to global and domestic uncertainty.

Gross domestic product (provisional)

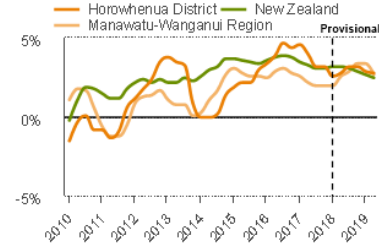
Gross domestic product growth (provisional)
Annual average % change Jun 18 - Jun 19



Gross domestic product (provisional, \$m)
Annual level, Horowhenua District



Gross domestic product growth (provisional)
Annual average % change



Highlights for Horowhenua District

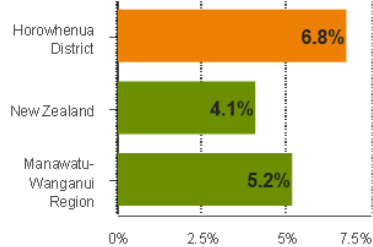
- GDP (provisional) in Horowhenua District was up 2.8% for the year to June 2019 compared to a year earlier. Growth was higher than in New Zealand (2.5%) and higher than in Manawatu-Wanganui Region (2.7%).
- GDP (provisional) was \$942 million in Horowhenua District for the year to June 2019 (2010 prices).
- Annual GDP growth in Horowhenua District peaked at 4.7% in the year to September 2016.

National overview

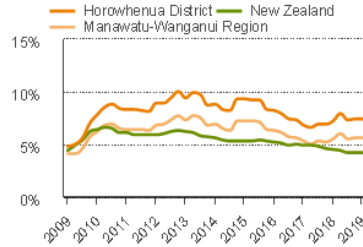
Provisional estimates from Infometrics show economic growth was steady in June, with the economy expanding by 2.5%pa over the 12 months to June 2019, although the future looks less positive. Growth expectations continue to soften as businesses and consumers show signs of lower spending and investment as global and domestic concerns increase. Increasingly sour global headlines highlight trade tensions in North America, Asia, and Europe, with global demand expected to soften, hitting New Zealand exports. Domestically, weak business investment remains of concern for future growth prospects, and government spending and investment remains slow to progress, with capital investment \$0.9b below forecast for the 11 months to May 2019.

Unemployment rate

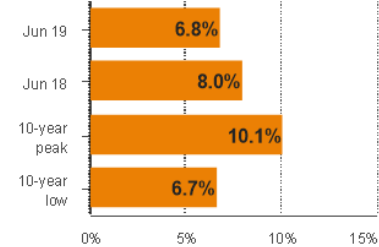
Unemployment rate
Average annual rate, year to June 2019



Unemployment rate
Average annual rate



Unemployment rate
Annual average, Horowhenua District



Highlights for Horowhenua District

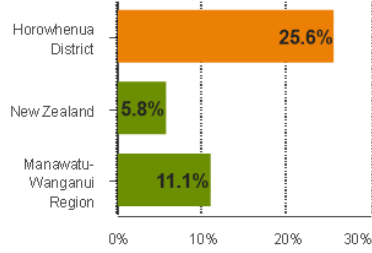
- The annual average unemployment rate in Horowhenua District was 6.8% in June 2019, down from 8.0% a year earlier.
- The unemployment rate in Horowhenua District was higher than in New Zealand, where the unemployment rate averaged 4.1% over the year to June 2019.
- Over the last ten years the unemployment rate reached a peak of 10.1% in December 2012;

National overview

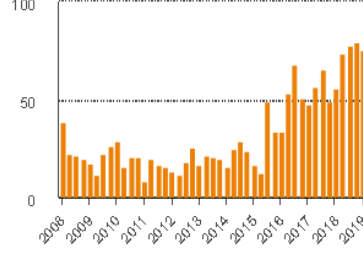
The unemployment rate dropped again in June, taking the annual average rate to 4.1% – the lowest since the GFC. The labour market remains tight, with competition for workers expected to remain strong over the next year. Employment growth was faster than expected in the June quarter as part-time employment recovered some of its losses from the previous six months. Labour cost inflation reached 2.1%pa, the fastest growth rate since December 2011 as a tighter labour market gives employees more bargaining power and the effects of the April 1 minimum wage increase showed through in lower-skilled wage growth.

Residential consents

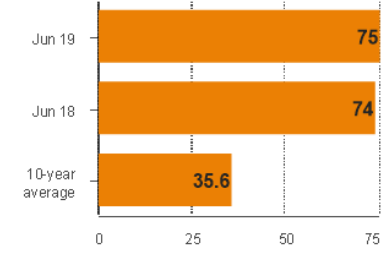
Growth in no. of new dwelling consents
Annual average % change Jun 18 - Jun 19



Residential consents
Quarterly number, Horowhenua District



Number of new dwelling consents
Quarterly number, Horowhenua District



Highlights for Horowhenua District

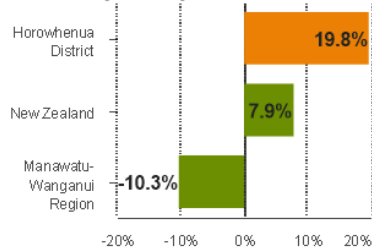
- A total of 75 new residential building consents were issued in Horowhenua District in the June 2019 quarter, compared with 74 in the same quarter last year.
- On an annual basis the number of consents in Horowhenua District increased by 25.6% compared with the same 12-month period a year ago. The number of consents in New Zealand increased by 5.8% over the same period.

National overview

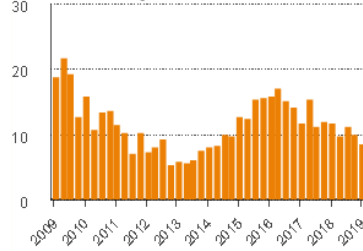
Residential building consents inched higher in the year to June 2019, up 5.8% to reach 34,700. Consents continue to grow on the back of strong housing demand and buoyant housing market (outside of Auckland). However, as the industry approaches capacity constraints across the country, the rate of growth is easing, down from a peak of 24.1% in the year to June 2014. Growth in standalone dwellings is minimal, with multi-unit dwellings leading the charge.

Non-residential consents

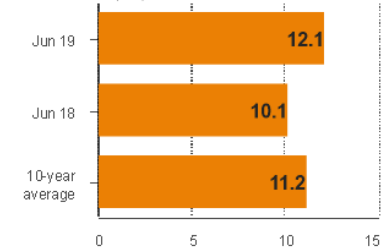
Growth in value of consents
Annual average % change Jun 18 - Jun 19



Non-residential consents, Horowhenua District
\$m, annual running total, Horowhenua District



Value of non-residential consents
Annual value (\$m), Horowhenua District



Highlights for Horowhenua District

- Non-residential building consents to the value of \$12 million were issued in Horowhenua District during the year to June 2019.
- The value of consents increased by 19.8% over the year to June 2019. By comparison the value of consents in New Zealand increased by 7.9% over the same period.
- Over the last 10 years, consents in Horowhenua District reached a peak of \$17 million in the year to June 2016.

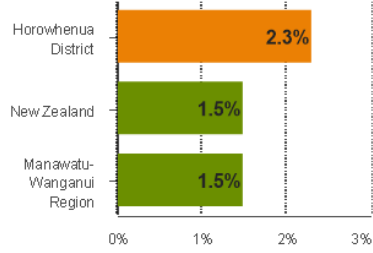
National overview

Non-residential consents grew strongly in the year to June 2019, up 7.9% to \$7.4 billion. However, further strong growth seems unlikely. Weak business confidence and low investment intentions are sapping strength from private sector consents, and we predict that declines in private sector work will be the dominant trend in overall activity during 2020 and 2021. Putting demand aside, the subsector has done well to grow its capacity to date, but growth beyond this seems unlikely.

Traffic flow

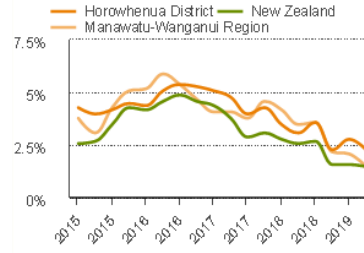
Annual change in traffic flows

Annual average % change Jun 18 - Jun 19



Traffic volume growth

Annual average % change



Highlights for Horowhenua District

- Traffic flows in Horowhenua District increased by 2.3% over the year to June 2019. This compares with an increase of 1.5% in New Zealand.

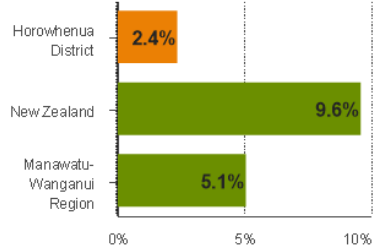
National overview

The growth in vehicle volumes on New Zealand's roads continue to soften, with traffic growth slowing back to 1.5%pa over the 12 months to June 2019. Slowing growth in vehicle activity on the roads highlights softer general activity in the economy, consistent with our expectations for slower economic growth. Gisborne saw strong growth over the past year, up 4.4%pa, while growth in traffic flows in Auckland remained constant at 0.8%pa. Traffic flows are also being held back by higher fuel prices, which have increased over 10c/l on average in the June 2019 quarter compared to March, due to oil supply concerns in the Middle East.

Jobseekers

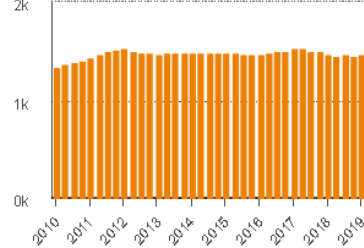
Annual change in Jobseekers

Annual average % change Jun 18 - Jun 19



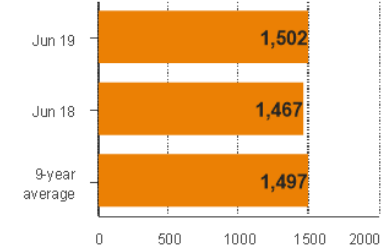
Jobseekers

Annual average, Horowhenua District



Jobseekers

Annual average, Horowhenua District



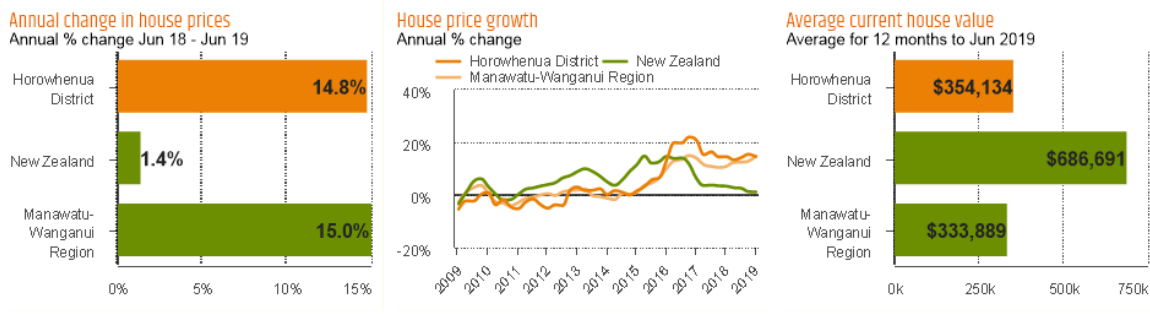
Highlights for Horowhenua District

- Working age Jobseeker Support recipients in Horowhenua District in the year to June 2019 increased by 2.4% compared with the previous year. Growth was lower relative to New Zealand, where the number of Jobseeker Support recipients increased by 9.6%.
- An average of 1,502 people were receiving a Jobseeker Support benefit in Horowhenua District in the 12 months ended June 2019. This compares with an average of 1,497 since the start of the series in 2010.

National overview

The number of Jobseeker Support recipients continues to increase, up 9.6%pa over the 12 months to June 2019. Strong growth in Jobseeker Support recipients is in stark contrast to the declining unemployment rate, which fell to 4.1% (annual average) in the June quarter. Government policy remains part of the reason for this divergence, with less stringent welfare policies increasing the number of people accessing Jobseeker Support. Part of the growth may also be attributed to more people not being actively engaging in the job market, or who are not work-ready, but are able to access support, with the number of people not in the labour force rising 3.8%pa in the June quarter.

House prices



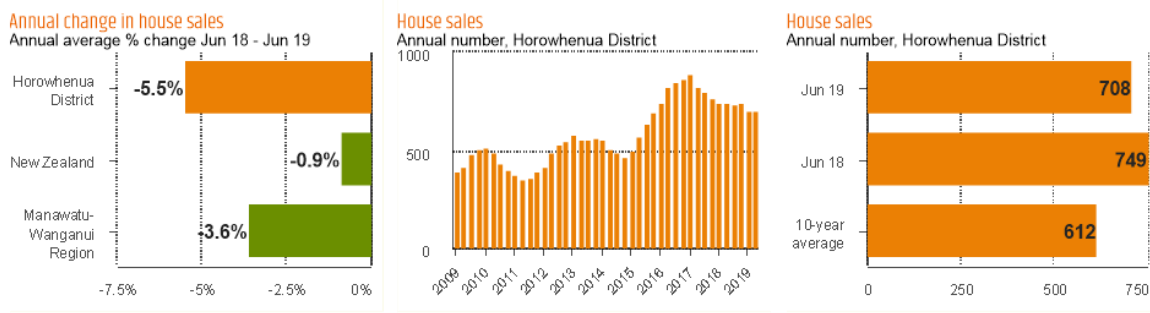
Highlights for Horowhenua District

- The average current house value in Horowhenua District was up 14.8% in June 2019 compared with a year earlier. Growth outperformed relative to New Zealand, where prices increased by 1.4%.
- The average current house value was \$354,134 in Horowhenua District over the June 2019 year. This compares with \$686,691 in New Zealand.

National overview

The dichotomy between the housing market in Auckland and the rest of the country continues. In the year to June 2019, values grew 1.4% nationally, but this was dragged down by a negative result in the supercity. Growth was solid across the rest of the country, with many regions into double-digit growth territory. Demand for housing seems to be constrained by its relative unaffordability, hence we haven't seen a dramatic effect from the abandonment of the plans for a capital gains tax and reduction in interest rates.

House sales



Highlights for Horowhenua District

- House sales in Horowhenua District in the year to June 2019 decreased by 5.5% compared with the previous year. Growth underperformed relative to New Zealand, where sales decreased by 0.9%.
- A total of 708 houses were sold in Horowhenua District in the 12 months ended June 2019. This compares with the ten year average of 612.

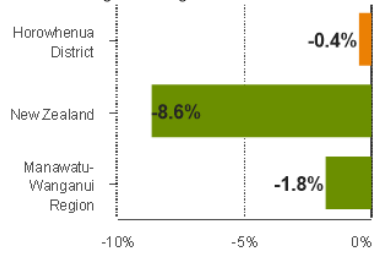
National overview

The number of houses sold has started to ease across the country, down by 0.9% nationally in the year to June 2019. Sales were down in most regions, with only weak growth in the remainder. Property investors have been discouraged by policy changes, such as the extended bright-line test, foreign buyer ban, healthy homes standards and ringfencing of rental losses. The abandonment of plans for a capital gains tax doesn't seem to have affected demand. For current and potential owner occupiers, continued unaffordability limits their participation in the market. Interest rate cuts earlier in the year don't seem to have affected sales, so we aren't holding our breath for an upswing after the August official cash rate cut.

Car registrations

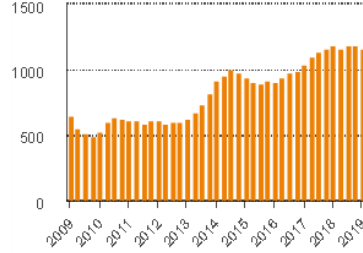
Car registrations

Annual average % change Jun 18 - Jun 19



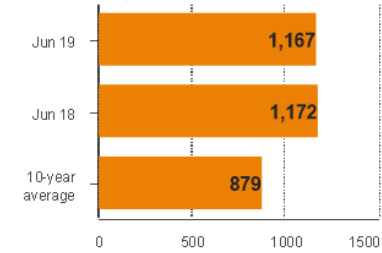
Car registrations

Annual number, Horowhenua District



Car registrations

Annual number, Horowhenua District



Highlights for Horowhenua District

- The number of cars registered in Horowhenua District decreased by -0.4% in the year to June 2019 compared with the previous 12 months. Growth was higher than in New Zealand, where car sales decreased by -8.6%.
- A total of 1,167 cars were registered in Horowhenua District in the year to June 2019. This compares with the ten year average of 879.

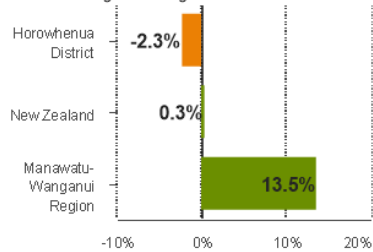
National overview

The decline in car registrations accelerated in the year to June 2019, down 8.6%. Used car registrations, especially for large used cars, are falling faster than new car registrations. Weak consumer confidence, softening employment prospects, and higher fuel prices are all combining to make consumers more cautious about making big purchases.

Commercial vehicle registrations

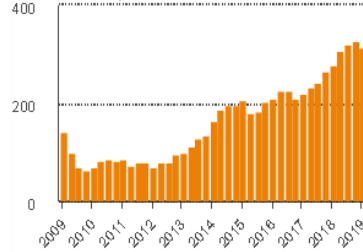
Commercial vehicle registrations

Annual average % change Jun 18 - Jun 19



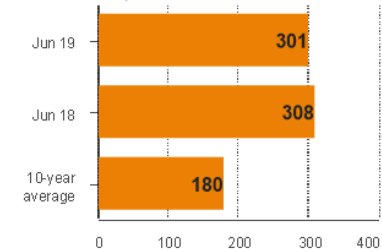
Commercial vehicle registrations

Annual number, Horowhenua District



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Annual number, Horowhenua District



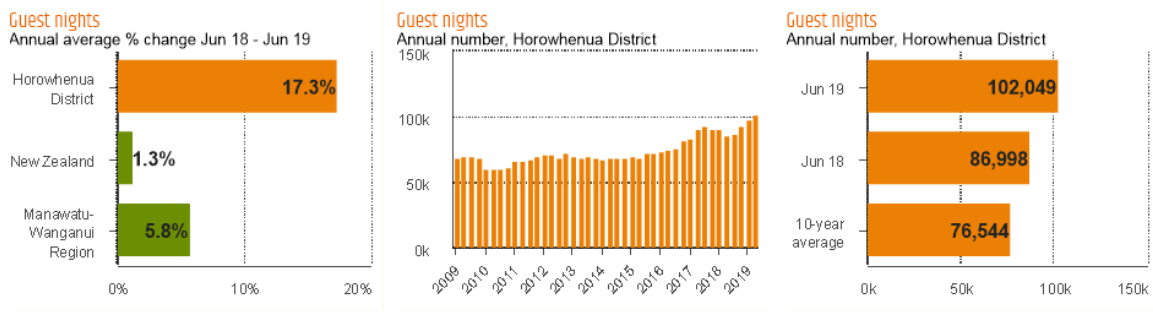
Highlights for Horowhenua District

- The number of commercial vehicles registered in Horowhenua District decreased by -2.3% in the year to June 2019 compared with the previous 12 months. Growth was lower than in New Zealand, where commercial vehicle sales increased by 0.3%.
- A total of 301 commercial vehicles were registered in Horowhenua District in the year to June 2019. This is higher than the ten year annual average of 180.

National overview

Commercial vehicle registrations edged up 0.3% in the year to June 2019. Registrations are at historically high levels and the strong domestic construction industry is maintaining demand for the movement of aggregates, timber and other construction products. However, poor business confidence and investment intentions continue to sap momentum out of the commercial vehicle market amid rising cost pressures and concern about export prospects in a weakening global economy beset by fears of a trade war.

Guest nights



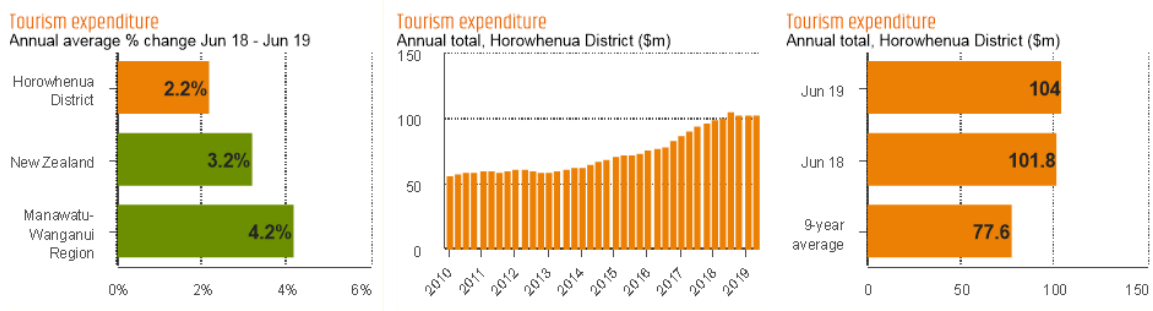
Highlights for Horowhenua District

- Total guest nights in Horowhenua District increased by 17.3% in the year to June 2019. This compares with an increase of 1.3% in New Zealand.
- Visitors stayed a total of 102,049 nights in Horowhenua District during the year to June 2019, which was up from 86,998 a year ago.

National overview

Guest nights have recovered some of their momentum, growing 1.3% over the 12 months to June 2019. Domestic guest nights remain strong, rising 4.0%. This growth is a little out of step with this year's weaker consumer confidence and consumer spending, and lukewarm domestic visitor spending growth, and suggests that Kiwis are still willing to go on vacation, albeit with tighter budgets. In contrast, international guest nights fell 2.1% over the 12 months to June 2019, the second consecutive period of negative growth since April 2013. A key driver of this fall in international guest nights was a decline in Chinese tourist arrivals of 6.2%pa in the 12 months to June 2019.

Tourism Spending



Highlights for Horowhenua District

- Total tourism expenditure in Horowhenua District increased by 2.2% in the year to June 2019. This compares with an increase of 3.2% in New Zealand.
- Total tourism expenditure was approximately \$104m in Horowhenua District during the year to June 2019, which was up from \$102m a year ago.

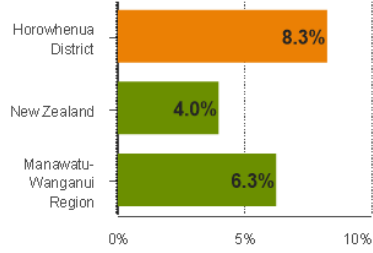
National overview

Visitor spending rose 3.2% in the June 2019 year, continuing 2019's tepid performance. Domestic visitor spending grew 2.3%, reflecting weak domestic consumer spending amid the prospect of a slowing domestic economy. International visitor spending rose 4.6%, led by 5.2% growth in spending by Australian tourists – our biggest market – and a 14% rise in spending by tourists from the US. Falling Chinese tourist arrivals continues to flow through to declines in spending by Chinese tourists, which fell 1.1% in the June 2019 year.

Consumer Spending

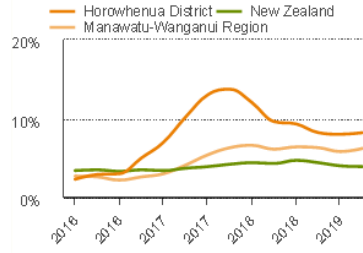
Growth in consumer spending

Annual average % change Jun 18 - Jun 19



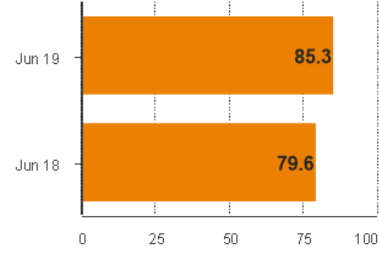
Consumer spending (\$m)

Annual average % change, Horowhenua District



Consumer spending

Quarterly value (\$m), Horowhenua District



Highlights for Horowhenua District

- Electronic card consumer spending in Horowhenua District, as measured by Marketview, increased by 8.3% over the year to June 2019 compared to the previous year. This compares with an increase of 4.0% in New Zealand.

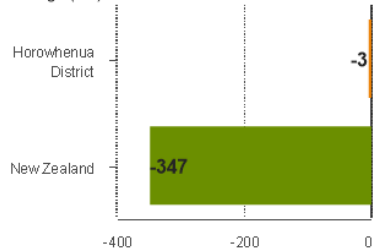
National overview

Consumers are continuing to increase their spending, but the underlying trend in growth appears to be softening. A slight easing in retail spending growth is not particularly concerning and had been expected as population growth is a key driver, and this has been slowing too. Spending growth is likely to continue easing as households keep a closer eye on their spending in the light of a softening economic outlook. Further easing of consumer spending is likely to weigh heavily on the outlook for GDP growth.

Total dairy payout

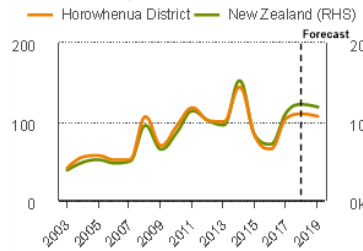
Total dairy payout

Change (\$m) between 2017/18 and 2018/19 seasons



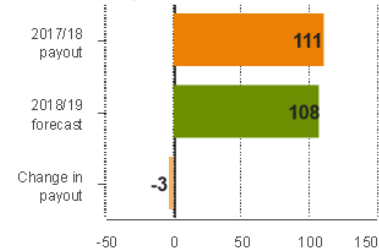
Total dairy payout

\$m each season, Horowhenua District



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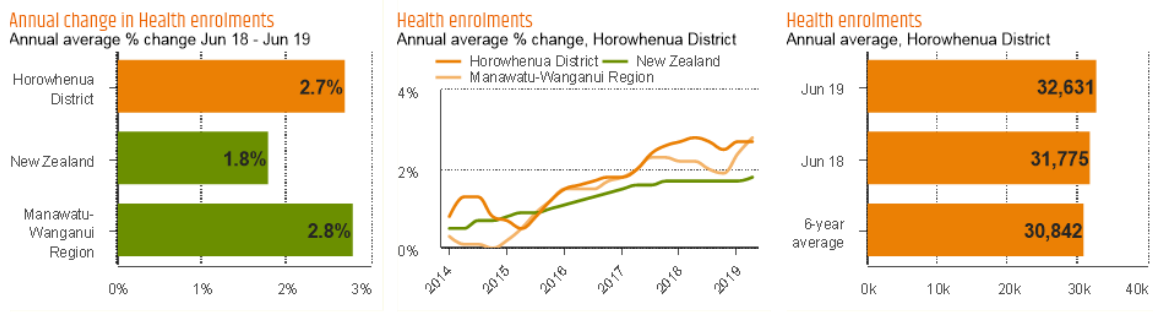
Highlights for Horowhenua District

- Horowhenua District's total dairy payout for the 2017/18 season is estimated to have been approximately \$111m.
- Horowhenua District's dairy payout for the 2018/19 season is expected to be approximately \$108m, \$3.13m lower than last season, assuming that production levels from last season are maintained.
- The total dairy payout for New Zealand is estimated to have been approximately \$12,308m in the 2017/18 season, and is expected to be \$347m lower in the 2018/19 season.

National overview

Guidance for the farmgate milk price remains unchanged from our last update, with Fonterra forecasting a pay-out between \$6.30-\$6.40/kgms. The final pay-out will be announced in September, but Fonterra has recently announced a \$590-\$675m loss for the financial year and will pay no dividend due to the poor outlook for some investments. Recent GlobalDairyTrade auctions, and analyst's forecasts, highlight that the farmgate milk price is currently expected to be closer to the top end of the \$6.25-\$7.25/kgms forecast pay-out for the 19/20 season. Although milk production volumes ended the 18/19 season up 2.2%pa we don't expect the same growth to be repeated in the current season.

Health Enrolments



Highlights for Horowhenua District

- The number of people enrolled with a primary health organisation in Horowhenua District in the year to June 2019 increased by 2.7% compared with the previous year. Growth was higher relative to New Zealand, where the number of enrolments increased by 1.8%.
- An average of 32,631 people were enrolled with primary healthcare providers in Horowhenua District in the 12 months ended June 2019. This compares with an average of 30,842 since the start of the series in 2013.

National overview

The number of health enrolments grew 1.8%pa over the 12 months to June 2019. Over the same period, the estimated national population grew by 1.6%pa according to Statistics New Zealand. The population continues to grow at a steady pace, with an increase of 83,000 people enrolled at a primary health organisation over the 12-month period. Higher population growth highlights the potential for more economic development, with more resources needed to provide goods and services for additional people. In the absence of quarterly insights to changes in local populations, health enrolments provide an accessible and easily understood metric for evaluating where the population is heading.

Technical notes

Gross Domestic Product

Gross Domestic Product is estimated by Infometrics. A top down approach breaks national industrial production (sourced from production based GDP measures published by Statistics New Zealand) is broken down to TA level by applying TA shares to the national total. Each TA's share of industry output is based on earnings data from LEED. GDP growth in recent quarters is based on a model which uses the various partial economic indicators presented in this report as inputs. Estimates of GDP for these most recent quarters are provisional until Infometrics updates its annual GDP series in the Regional Economic Profile at the beginning of each year.

Unemployment

Regional level unemployment rates are sourced from Statistics New Zealand's Household Labour Force Survey. Trends in the number of Jobseekers at TA level are used to break down regional unemployment rates to TA level. To reduce volatility the unemployment rate is presented as an average for the last four quarters.

Traffic Flow

Traffic flow growth rates are calculated from the number of vehicles passing approximately 110 sites monitored by New Zealand Transport Agency. Each of the sites has been mapped to a territorial authority.

Consumer Spending

The consumer spending data is sourced from Marketview. It measures total electronic card spending using spending through the Paymark network and adding to it an estimate of non-Paymark network spending using the pattern of BNZ card holder spending at non-Paymark retailers. For further breakdown of the data by storetype and other variables contact Marketview.

Accommodation

The number of guest nights is sourced from Statistics New Zealand's Accommodation Survey. A guest night is equivalent to one guest spending one night at an establishment. For example, a motel with 15 guests spending two nights would report that they had provided 30 guest nights.

Tourism Expenditure

Tourism expenditure data is sourced from the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment's (MBIE) Monthly Regional Tourism Estimates. These are estimated values for tourism spending that approximate values found in the International Visitor Survey (IVS) and Tourism Satellite Account (TSA), using modelling of a sample of electronic card spending throughout New Zealand from domestic and international accounts.

House Sales

The number of house sales is sourced from REINZ. The indicator measures the number of house sales at the point when the sale becomes unconditional. The unconditional date is the date when all the terms of an agreement have been satisfied and the sale and purchase can proceed to settlement.

House Values

House value (dollar value) are sourced from QVNZ. The levels quoted in the report are average current values over the past 12 months. An average current value is the average (mean) value of all developed residential properties in the area based on the latest house value index from QVNZ. It is not an average or median sales price, as both of those figures only measure what happens to have sold in the period. These average current values are affected by the underlying value of houses (including those not on the market) and are quality adjusted based on the growth in each house's price between sales.

Building Consents

Building consents data are sourced from Statistics New Zealand. Non-residential consents include the value of both new buildings and alterations.

Vehicle Sales

Car and commercial vehicle sales data are sourced from New Zealand Transport Authority. Sales are based on new registrations which include the first time registration of new vehicles and used vehicles imported from overseas.

Dairy

Dairy data has been sourced from the "New Zealand Dairy Statistics", a publication co-owned by DairyNZ and LIC, as well as calculations made by Infometrics. The data accords to dairy seasons, which run from June to May. Total dairy payouts in each territorial authority have been calculated by Infometrics by utilising milk solids production in conjunction with Fonterra's farmgate milk price (excluding dividends) from the dairy season in question. For the current season, Infometrics calculates a payout forecast using our own expectation of the farmgate milk price and the assumption that milk solids production continues running at the same level from the previous season.

Jobseekers Support

In July 2013 the New Zealand's welfare system changed to better recognise and support people's work potential. As part of this the Jobseekers Support benefit was introduced. This benefit is for people who can usually look or prepare for work but also includes people who can only work part-time or can't work at the moment, for example, because they have a health condition, injury or disability.

Data presented for the September 2013 quarter onwards is provided by the Ministry of Social Development (MSD). Data prior to September 2013 are Infometrics estimates based on re-grouping pre-July 2013 benefit categories to be consistent with the post-July 2013 benefit categories. The pre-July 2013 benefit categories used to estimate the number of Jobseekers Support recipients are: Unemployment Benefit and Unemployment Benefit Hardship; Unemployment Benefit Training and Unemployment Benefit Hardship Training; Sickness Benefit and Sickness Benefit Hardship; Domestic Purposes Benefit - Sole Parent (if youngest child is 14 or over), Women Alone and Widow's Benefit (without children or with children 14 or over)

Health Enrolments

Health enrolments are sourced from the Ministry of Health. They record the number of people in each area who are enrolled with a Primary Health Organisation (PHO). Enrolment is voluntary, but most New Zealanders enrol at a general practice for health reasons and for the benefits of enrolment, such as cheaper doctors' visits and reduced costs of prescription medicines. Changes to how the Ministry of Health recorded this data led to Infometrics revising our approach to health enrolment figures for the March 2019 Quarterly Economic Monitor onwards. Our new approach completely revises our timeseries of health enrolments, so care should be taken when comparing the March 2019 report with previously downloaded reports.

Previously, the data provided was only for those people whose addresses are able to be accurately recorded by the Ministry of Health. We have now switched to breaking down TA-level health enrolments based on trends in stated health enrolments by area, to ensure that the total number of enrolees published in the Monitor align with the national-level figures published by the Ministry of Health. A new system for classifying and recording health enrolment addresses from March 2019 onwards by the Ministry means significantly higher numbers of unallocated enrolees, resulting in the need to review our model.

File No.: 19/289

Delegations to the Chief Executive during Interim Election Period and Discharging Committees

1. Purpose

To request Council to delegate to the Chief Executive during the interim election period the responsibilities, duties and powers of the Council, except for certain powers set down in the legislation that cannot be delegated.

2. Executive Summary

- 2.1 The Council may wish to consider arrangements to ensure the effective and efficient conduct of the Council's business during the period from the day after the declaration of the electoral result until the new Council is sworn in at the Inaugural meeting. Until the new members' declarations are taken at the Inaugural meeting, neither the outgoing nor the incoming elected members can act in their capacity as members of the Council.
- 2.2 It is recommended that the Council delegate its responsibilities, duties, and powers to the Chief Executive for the period from the day after the declaration until the swearing in of the new Council, except for those set out in Schedule 7, Clause 32(1) of the LGA. It is recommended that the Council discharge all its Committees and therefore no resolution is required under Clause 30 (7) of Schedule 7 of the LGA. Two Committees continue to operate following the elections, the District Licensing Committee and the Civil Defence and Emergency Management Group and these do not require a resolution of the Council to do so.

3. Recommendation

- 3.1 That Report 19/289 Delegations to the Chief Executive during Interim Election Period and Discharging Committees be received.
- 3.2 That this decision is recognised as not significant in terms of S76 of the Local Government Act.
- 3.3 That subject to the limitations set out in clause 32(1) of the Seventh Schedule to the Local Government Act 2002, the Council delegates all of its responsibilities, duties, and powers to the Chief Executive for the period from the day after the declaration of the election results until the swearing in of the new Council, subject to a requirement that the Chief Executive may only exercise this delegation after the following:
 - (a) consultation with the person elected to the position of Mayor,
 - (b) may only attend to those matters that cannot reasonably wait until the first meeting of the new Council and;
 - (c) shall be reported to the first meeting of the new Council.
- 3.3 That subject to the limitations set out in clause 32(1) of the Seventh Schedule to the Local Government Act 2002.

4. Background / Previous Council Decisions

Members Coming in and Out of Office

- 4.1 It is prudent for Council to consider arrangements to ensure the effective and efficient conduct of the Council's business during the period from the day after the declaration of the

electoral result (17 October or as soon as practicable thereafter), until the new Council is sworn in at the Inaugural meeting, scheduled for Thursday, 31 October 2019.

- 4.2 Clause 14 of Schedule 7 of the Local Government Act 2002 (refer to Appendix 1) provides that a person newly elected to Council may not act until they have made the necessary declaration at the Inaugural meeting. This provision combines with sections 86, 115 and 116 of the Local Electoral Act 2001 (refer to Appendix 1) to the effect that, from the day after the declaration of election results, until the new members' declarations are taken at the Inaugural Council meeting, neither the outgoing nor the incoming elected members can act in their capacity as members of the Council.
- 4.3 While the official results will likely be known on Thursday, 17 October 2019 (or as soon as practicable thereafter), and placed on the Council's website, in terms of the LEA sections 86 and 115, the public notice is deemed to be by way of a public notice in a local newspaper.

5. Discussion

- 5.1 To ensure the effective and efficient conduct of Council's affairs during the interim election period, Council may wish to consider delegating to the Chief Executive all of its responsibilities, duties, and powers for the period in question except those set out in paragraphs (a) to (h) of clause 32(1) of Schedule 7 of the Local Government Act 2002 (refer to Appendix 1).
- 5.2 This delegation would be for the limited time period between the declaration of the election result and the first meeting of the new Council. This is anticipated to be thirteen days as the public notice of the declaration of the result is expected on 18 October 2019 and the Inaugural Council meeting is expected to be held on 31 October 2019.

The delegation period is therefore between the 19 October and the 31 October 2019. However, these dates may be subject to change, depending on the timing of the declaration and whether there is a challenge to the election result.

- 5.3 It is also recommended that the delegation is subject to a number of requirements. Firstly that the Chief Executive may only act after consultation with the Mayor Elect. Secondly that the Chief Executive may only attend to those matters that cannot reasonably wait until the first meeting of the new Council and thirdly that the Chief Executive is required to report any decisions to the first meeting of the new Council.

Discharging Committees

- 5.4 It is recommended that all the Council's Committees be discharged and therefore no resolution under Clause 30 (7) is required.
- 5.5 There are two Committees which continue to operate following the election in October 2019 and do not require a Council resolution to do so:
- The District Licensing Committee set up under the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012 to make decisions on all licences and managers certificates. There are Commissioners and List Members who have been appointed for a five year period to 1 December 2018. A report is included in this Agenda in respect of the appointment of temporary Commissioners for the interim period.
 - The Civil Defence and Emergency Management Group (CDEMG). Amendments to section 12(2) of the Civil Defence Emergency Management Act 2002 provide that the CDEMG is not deemed to be discharged following a triennial election.

6. Options

Option 1 – Grant Delegated Authority to the Chief Executive during the Interim Election Period

The Council has the option of delegating to the Chief Executive all of its responsibilities, duties, and powers for the period in question except those set out in paragraphs (a) to (h) of

clause 32(1) of Schedule 7 of the Local Government Act 2002, subject to the three requirements set out in section 3.

The risks involved in delegating to the Chief Executive include the Council not agreeing with the decisions made and overturning decisions at a later date. However, the limited time period and the fact that any decision by the Chief Executive is required to be made in consultation with the Mayor elect and that it would only be pressing matters that must be attended to and reported on at the first meeting of the incoming Council, does provide a degree of comfort to elected members that decisions will not be made unless required for the smooth running of the Council.

Option 2 – Not delegate to the Chief Executive during the Interim Election Period

The Council has the option of not delegating to the Chief Executive all of its responsibilities, duties, and powers for the period in question except those powers that cannot be delegated out (these are set out in paragraphs (a) to (h) of clause 32(1) of Schedule 7 of the Local Government Act 2002 in Appendix 1), which are the powers of the Council subject to the three requirements set out in section 3.

The risks of not delegating would be the risk of the Council not being able to undertake its business during the period from the declaration of the election result until the first meeting of the new Council.

It is a relatively low risk involved in this option.

Option 3 – Grant delegated authority to a Council Committee

A further alternative available is that the Council may now, under Clause 30 (7) of Schedule 7 of the Local Government Act 2002, (see Appendix 1) resolve before the election that its committees or some of them are not discharged and continue following that election.

If the Council did pass a resolution under Clause 30 (7) not to discharge some or all of its committees then the membership of its committees may continue after the election because of Clause 31 (5) (see Appendix 1) which states that the Council can replace the members of the committee that are not discharged after the election.

The Council is not required to replace the membership and if the Council takes no action members already appointed to the Council committees will continue to be members of those committees. The effect of this clause is that those members who have not been re-elected would seem to continue to be members of the committees (until they go out of office) as well as those members who have been re-elected. If all the members cease to be members, the Committee will cease to be able to comply with clause 31(4) (a) which requires that at least 1 member of a committee must be an elected member of the local authority. Members who have been re-elected will not be able to act as members until they have taken their declarations.

These provisions are confusing and untested and there is some doubt about how they would work out in practice. Accordingly it is not recommended that the Council follow this option.

6.1 Cost

There are no cost implications.

6.1.1 Rate Impact

There will be no rating impact.

6.2 Community Wellbeing

There will be no adverse impact on community wellbeing.

6.3 Consenting Issues

There are no consenting issues.

6.4 LTP Integration

There is no LTP implications.

7. Consultation

Consultation is not required.

8. Legal Considerations

Council has the authority to make this decision.

9. Financial Considerations

There are no financial implications.

10. Other Considerations

This decision is not inconsistent with the provisions of the Local Government Act 2002.

Confirmation of statutory compliance

In accordance with section 76 of the Local Government Act 2002, this report is approved as:

- a. containing sufficient information about the options and their benefits and costs, bearing in mind the significance of the decisions; and,
- b. is based on adequate knowledge about, and adequate consideration of, the views and preferences of affected and interested parties bearing in mind the significance of the decision.

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Appendix 1 – Relevant Legislation under Local Government Act 2002 and Local Electoral Act 2001

1 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 2002

1.1 Clause 14 of Schedule 7 - Declaration by member

1. A person may not act as a member of a local authority until—
 - (a) that person has, at a meeting of the local authority following the election of that person, made an oral declaration in the form set out in subclause (3); and
 - (b) a written version of the declaration has been attested as provided under subclause (2).
2. The written declaration must be signed by the member and witnessed by—
 - (a) the chairperson; or
 - (b) the mayor; or
 - (c) a member of the local authority; or
 - (d) the chief executive of the local authority; or
 - (e) in the absence of the chief executive, some other officer appointed by the chief executive.
3. The form of the declaration must consist of the following elements:
 - **“Declaration by mayor or chairperson or member**
 - “I, AB, declare that I will faithfully and impartially, and according to the best of my skill and judgment, execute and perform, in the best interests of [*region or district*], the powers, authorities, and duties vested in, or imposed upon, me as [*mayor or chairperson or member*] of the [*local authority*] by virtue of the Local Government Act 2002, the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987, or any other Act
 - “Dated at [*place, date*]
 - “Signature:
 - “Signed in the presence of:
 - “CD, [*mayor or chairperson or member or chief executive of local authority*]”.

1.2 Clause 30 (7) of Schedule 7

- A committee, subcommittee, or other subordinate decision-making body is, unless the local authority resolves otherwise, deemed to be discharged on the coming into office of the members of the local authority elected or appointed at, or following, the triennial general election of members next after the appointment of the committee, subcommittee, or other subordinate decision-making body.

1.3 Clauses 31 of Schedule 7

- **Clause 31 (4)**
- (4) Despite subclause (3),—
 - (a) at least 1 member of a committee must be an elected member of the local authority; and

- (b) an employee of a local authority acting in the course of his or her employment may not act as a member of any committee unless that committee is a subcommittee.

- **Clause 31 (5)**

- If a local authority resolves that a committee, subcommittee, or other decision-making body is not to be discharged under clause 30 (7), the local authority may replace the members of that committee, subcommittee, or other subordinate decision-making body after the next triennial general election of members.

1.4 **Clause 32(1) of Schedule 7**

- Unless expressly provided otherwise in this Act, or in any other Act, for the purposes of efficiency and effectiveness in the conduct of a local authority's business, a local authority may delegate to a committee or other subordinate decision-making body, community board, or member or officer of the local authority any of its responsibilities, duties, or powers except—

- (a) the power to make a rate; or
- (b) the power to make a bylaw; or
- (c) the power to borrow money, or purchase or dispose of assets, other than in accordance with the long-term plan; or
- (d) the power to adopt a long-term plan, annual plan, or annual report; or
- (e) the power to appoint a chief executive; or
- (f) the power to adopt policies required to be adopted and consulted on under this Act in association with the long-term plan or developed for the purpose of the local governance statement.
- (g) Repealed
- (h) the power to adopt a remuneration and employment policy.

2 **LOCAL ELECTORAL ACT 2001**

2.1 **Section 86 – Declaration of Result**

- The electoral officer conducting an election or poll must give public notice declaring the official result of the election or poll in the prescribed manner as soon as practicable after—

- (a) Repealed.
- (b) the validity of all special votes has been determined; and
- (c) all valid votes have been counted.

2.2 **Section 115 - When members come into office**

- Candidates at a triennial general election who are declared to be elected come into office on the day after the day on which the official result of the election is declared by public notice under section 86.

2.3 **Section 116 - When members leave office**

- 4. Every member of a local authority or community board, unless vacating office sooner, vacates office,—

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- (a) in a case where the member's office is the subject of an election, when the members elected at the next election come into office:
 - (b) in a case where provision is made by any enactment to fill a vacancy by appointment, when the member's successor comes into office.
 5. Despite subsection (1) (a), if a member's office is the subject of an election, and neither the member nor any other person is elected at the election to that office, the member vacates office at the same time as any other member of the local authority who is not re-elected at the election]

Documents Executed and Electronic Transactions Authorities Signed

File No.: 19/347

1. Purpose

To present to Council, **for information**, the documents that have been executed, Electronic Transactions Authorities and Contracts that have been signed by two elected Councillors, which now need ratification.

2. Recommendation

- 2.1 That Report 19/347 Documents Executed and Electronic Transactions Authorities Signed be received.
- 2.2 That this matter or decision be recognised as not significant in terms of s76 of the Local Government Act 2002.
- 2.3 That the Horowhenua District Council hereby ratifies the signing of documents and Electronic Transaction Authorities as scheduled:
 - (a) Electronic Transaction Authority relating to the sale of 199-201 Oxford Street, Levin. Leasehold Record of Title 796986 will merge with the Freehold Record of Title WN55B/888 and the LandonLine instrument to be registered shall be a Transfer and Merger of Lease.
 - (b) Electronic Transaction Authority relating to the sale of 209-211 Oxford Street, Levin. Leasehold Record of Title 774956 will merge with the Freehold Record of Title WN26C/113 and the LandonLine instrument to be registered shall be a Transfer and Merger of Lease.
 - (c) Electronic Transaction Authority relating to the sale of 187 Oxford Street, Levin. Leasehold Record of Title 233556 will merge with the Freehold Record of Title WN32A/723 and the LandonLine instrument to be registered shall be a Transfer and Merger of Lease.
 - (d) Electronic Transaction Authority relating to the sale of 183-185 Oxford Street, Levin. Leasehold Record of Title 785247 will merge with the Freehold Record of Title WN16A/602 and the LandonLine instrument to be registered shall be a Transfer and Merger of Lease.

3. Issues for Consideration

This report provides a mechanism for notifying the execution of formal documents by two elected Councillors and signing of Electronic Transactions Authorities.

Attachments



There are no attachments for this report.

Confirmation of statutory compliance

In accordance with section 76 of the Local Government Act 2002, this report is approved as:

- a. containing sufficient information about the options and their benefits and costs, bearing in mind the significance of the decisions; and,
- b. is based on adequate knowledge about, and adequate consideration of, the views and preferences of affected and interested parties bearing in mind the significance of the decision.

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Dog Control Policy and Practices Annual Report 2018/19

File No.: 19/344

1. Purpose

To report to Council on Dog Control Policy and Practice matters for the 2018/19 financial year as required by Section 10A of the Dog Control Act 1996.

2. Recommendation

- 2.1 That Report 19/344 on Dog Control Policy and Practices Annual Report 2018/19 be received.
- 2.2 That this matter or decision be recognised as not significant in terms of s76 of the Local Government Act 2002.
- 2.3 That the Horowhenua District Council adopts the report at Attachment A, Dog Control Policy and Practices Annual Report 2018/19, and that public notice then be given to the report and a copy be forwarded to the Secretary of Local Government as required by legislation.

3. Background/Previous Council Decisions

- 3.1 Section 10A of the Dog Control Act 1996 requires Territorial Authorities to report on dog control matters each year.
- 3.2 Council is required to formally adopt a report; public notice must be given on the report; and a copy of the report is required to be sent to the Secretary of Local Government. The recommendations of this report cover off these requirements.

4. Issues for Consideration

There are no issues or matters that warrant the attention of Council in relation to this matter.

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Horowhenua 
DISTRICT COUNCIL

Dog Control Policy and Practices

Annual Report 2018-2019

This report is presented pursuant to section 10A of the Dog Control Act 1996 which requires territorial authorities to:

"Report on the administration of its Dog Control Policy... and its dog control practices."

The Act further requires the report to include, in respect of each financial year, statistics relating to defined listed activities and furthermore to make public notification of the report and to provide a copy of the report to the Secretary for Local Government within one (1) month of its adoption by Council.

Introduction and Overview

Council delivers its Animal Control services in-house, with funding of the dog control component being a mixture of user pays (dog registration fees) and rates, currently set as 70-80% Private Good and 20-30% Public Good.

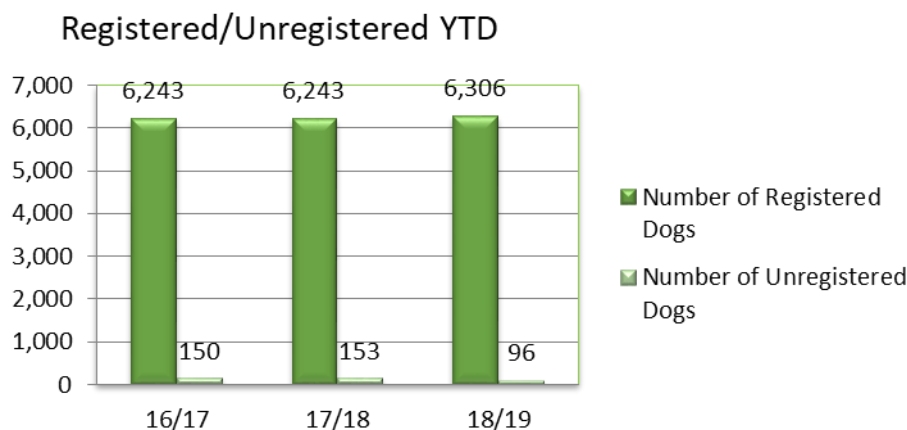
The Animal Control team is part of the Compliance team which is in the Customer and Regulatory Services Group at Council. During the 2018/19 year the Animal Control team comprised of a team leader, one full time officer and two part time officers with support provided by a Customer Support Officer completing the administration needs of the Animal Control function.

The Dog Pound is situated on Council land off Mako Mako Road, Levin. The facility has kennelling for up to 28 dogs at any one time, housed within a large exercise yard. The Pound is generally closed to the public but provides an appointment-based system for owners of impounded dogs to collect their animal.

A review of Council's Dog Control Policy and Bylaw was undertaken in June 2015 and following the public consultative process was subsequently adopted in August 2015.

Dog Numbers

The year started with a known 6,396 dogs on Council's Dog Database, increasing slightly to 6,402 known dogs by the end of the registration year. As at 30 June 2019, 6,306 dogs were registered and 96 remained unregistered, largely due to Animal Control staff visiting all properties where unregistered dogs were recorded and resulting in a success rate of 98.5%. In comparison to the previous two years, the percentage of unregistered dogs at the end of the registration period has decreased by 0.9%.



Dog Registration Fees

Council operates various categories for dog registration fee purposes. The fee structure used is designed to reflect the makeup of our community and to reward responsible ownership. The following fee structures apply:

Description

- New Zealand Kennel Club Status
- Racing Greyhound Stable
- De-sexed Pet (Urban)
- Entire Pet (Urban)
- Puppy (once only)
- Rural Pet
- Stock Dog
- Disability Assist

- Working
- Dangerous
- Superannuitant
- Selected Owner

Some dog owners, of course, did not register their dogs, and in these cases, where they came to our attention, infringement notices were issued. If the infringement notice was not paid, it was lodged with the Ministry of Justice for collection.

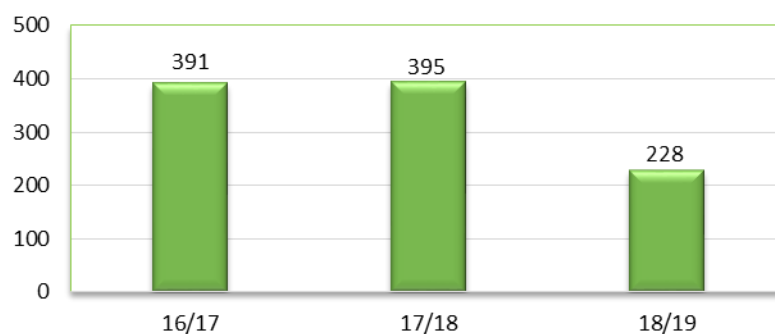
Council also offers a time payment arrangement for owners who may not be able to pay their registration fees in full immediately. Time payment arrangements are offered by direct debit only, and are to be paid in full by 31 August.

Registration Notices for 2018/19 were posted to all current dog owners in our database in the final days of June 2018.

Impounded Dogs

228 dogs were impounded during the year; a 40% decrease from the previous two years.

Dog Impoundings for the year ended 30 June

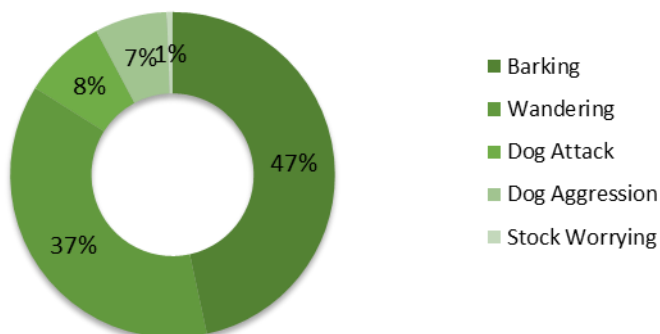


Complaints

All complaints received by Council are recorded on our Dog Database. All complaints are investigated with the outcome advised to the complainant. There were 1,221 complaints during the year including a number of serious dog attacks resulting in injury. All serious dog attacks were resolved due to the diligence and efficiencies of Animal Control staff. The complaints received comprised of:

Barking	569
Wandering	456
Attacks	101
Aggressive Behaviour	88
Stock Worrying	7

Dog Complaints YTD



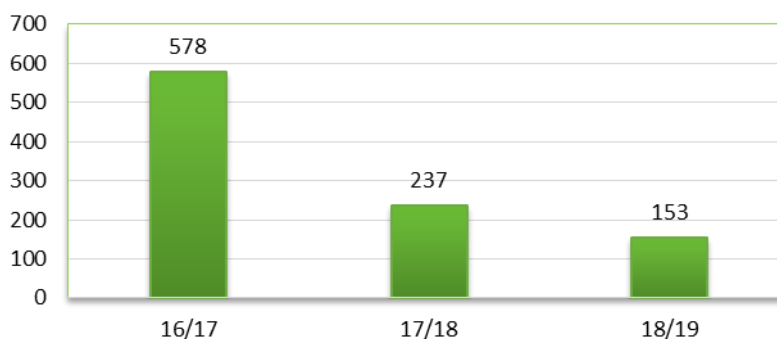
Infringements

Whilst Council Officers issue infringement notices to errant dog owners, this is normally the last resort as all else has failed.

153 infringements were issued this year, comprising:

Wilful Obstruction of Officer	2
Failure to Implant Microchip	14
Failure to Register	128
Failure to keep dog controlled/confined	1
Bylaw offence	1
Failure to comply with effects of classification of dog as dangerous dog	1
Failure to comply with effects of classification of dog as menacing dog	6

Infringement Notices Issued year ended 30 June



Prosecutions

There were no prosecutions completed during the year.

Disqualified and Probationary Owners

Disqualified:

There was one disqualified owner in the District as at 30 June 2019.

Probationary:

There were no probationary dog owners in the District as at 30 June 2019.

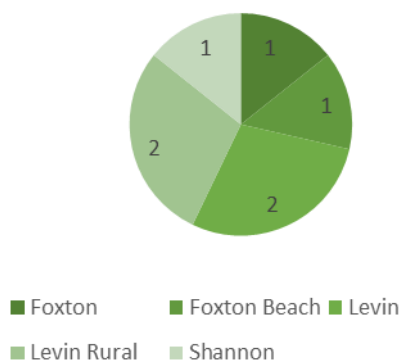
Menacing and Dangerous Dogs

All owners of menacing and dangerous dogs are recorded on Council's Dog Database. Owners are written to at the time of the Dangerous or Menacing classification being applied, advising them of their legal responsibilities as the owner.

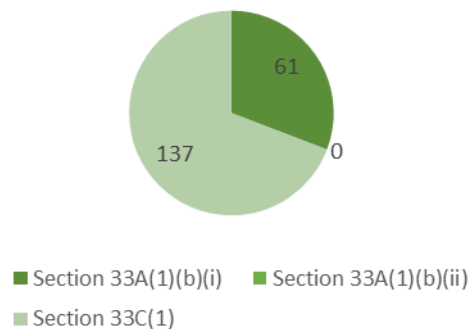
There was one appeal against a menacing classification issued under section 33A(1)(b) of the Dog Control Act 1996. Following a hearing held by Councils Hearings Committee on 4 July 2019 the classification remains.

Total Number Dangerous Dogs	7
Dangerous by Owner Conviction under s31(1)a)	0
Dangerous by Sworn Evidence s31(1)(b)	7
Dangerous by Owner Admittance s31(1)(c)	0
Total Number Menacing Dogs	198
Menacing s33A(1)(b)(i) i.e. by behaviour	61
Menacing by Breed Characteristics s33A(1)(b)(ii)	0
Menacing by Schedule 4 Breed, i.e. Pitbull s33C(1)	137

Location of Dangerous Dogs



Menacing Dogs by classification reason



Location Breakdown of Dangerous/Menacing Dogs in the District

Location	Dangerous	Menacing
Foxton	1	26
Foxton Beach	1	14
Levin	2	87
Levin Rural	2	23
Shannon	1	19
Waikawa Beach	0	4
Foxton/Himatangi Rural	0	4
Hokio Beach	0	4
Ohau Township	0	2
Manakau Township	0	1
Tokomaru Rural	0	6
Tokomaru Town	0	3
Waitarere Beach	0	6

After Hours Service

Animal Control Officers are rostered to provide an 'emergency' after hours service, 365 days of the year. Afterhour's services relate to Dog Control and Stock Control emergency needs.

File No.: 19/349

Liquor Licensing Matters from 1 July 2018 until 30 June 2019

1. Purpose

To report for information purposes, on matters relating to liquor licensing decisions for the 2018/19 financial year (1 July 2018 until 30 June 2019).

2. Executive Summary

Decisions for applications that were uncontested were made by the Chairperson of the District Licensing Committee. Contested decisions were made by the District Licensing Committee.

3. Recommendation

- 3.1 That Report 19/349 Liquor Licensing Matters from 1 July 2018 until 30 June 2019 be received.
- 3.2 That this decision is recognised as not significant in terms of S76 of the Local Government Act.

4. Discussion

- 4.1 Section 199 of the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012 (The Act) requires a territorial authority to prepare an annual report of the proceeding and operations for its District Licensing Committee during the year; and to submit the report to the Alcohol Regulatory Licensing Authority (ARLA).

Section 199(5) of The Act requires the information to be made available to the public free of charge; and published on Council's website for at least 5 years.

- 4.2 The following decisions are advised:

- a. Decisions made by the Chairperson of the District Licensing Committee under delegated authority of Council dated 4 December 2013, and in accordance with Section 191(2) of the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012 (Uncontested Applications).

New On Licences

William Clark & Son Limited
Shanti Navneet Limited
Aotearoa Consulting (1996) Limited
CH Restaurant & Bar Limited
Jaijalaram Limited T/A Whispers Cafe
Hospitality Kiwi Style Limited

Premises

Taper Eatery
Rangoli Indian Restaurant
Tonys Place
Cobb & Co and Fatboyz Bar
Whispers Cafe
The New Oxford Hotel

Location

Levin
Levin
Levin
Levin
Levin
Levin

Renewed On Licences

Lynnells Family Gig Limited
Murrayfield Clydesdales (2006) Limited
Robert Neil Hemmingson
Western House Levin Limited
Fumigador Holdings Limited

Premises

Ocean Beach Eatery
Murrayfield Clydesdales
Foxton Hotel
Western House
Lily's Ranch House

Location

Foxton
Levin Rural
Foxton
Levin
Levin Rural

PVB Investments Ltd Horowhenua Learning Centre	Deer Museum Cafe & Bar Horowhenua Learning Centre	Levin Rural Levin
Renewed Off Licences	Premises	Location
Hydra Enterprises Limited	Pak and Save Mini Levin	Levin
General Distributors Limited	Countdown Levin	Levin
Innovation Liquor Limited	Thirsty Liquor Levin	Levin
Levin Supermarkets Limited	Levin New World	Levin
Tusharkumar Parbhuhai Patel & Vanitaben Tusharkum	Playford Supermarket	Levin
Jay Mangleshwar Trading Company Limited	Foxton Food Market	Foxton
Kevin O'Malley	O'Malleys Super Liquor	Levin
Levin Cosmopolitan Club	Levin Cosmopolitan Club	Levin
Celtic Organic Winery 48240	Celtic Organic Winery	Levin Rural
Renewed Club Licence	Premises	Location
Levin Golf Club Inc	Levin Golf Club	Levin Rural
Levin College Old Boys Rugby Club	Levin College Old Boys rugby Football Club	Levin
Foxton Returned Services Assn Inc	Foxton RSA Club	Foxton
Levin Cosmopolitan Club	Levin Cosmopolitan Club	Levin
Weraroa Cricket Club	Weraroa Cricket Club	Levin
Levin Wanderers Rugby Football Club Inc	Levin Wanderers Rugby Football Club	Levin
Manawatu Marine Boating Club	Manawatu Marine Boating Club	Foxton Beach
Waitarere Beach Bowling Club	Waitarere Beach Bowling Club	Waitarere Beach
Levin Bowling Club Incorporated	Levin Bowling Club	Levin
Temporary Authorities	Premises	Location
Aotearoa Consulting (1996) Limited	Sels Place	Levin
Shanti Navneet Limited	Rangoli Indian Restaurant	Levin
Harpreet Singh & Chetan Chetan	Cobb & Co and Fatboyz	Levin
Jajalaram Limited T/A Whispers Cafe	Whispers Cafe	Levin
New Manager's Certificates		
Kimberly Brooke d'Auriol		
Renee Louise Cohen		
Raewyn Beth Robertson		
Joanna Scully		
Reon Julian Materman		
Donna Sumner		
Katrina Frances McGuinn		
Cody Travis Fifield		
Sara Jane Kauri		
Charles Albert Gribble		
Jayne Amy Davies		
Diane Margaret Leiper		
Bruce Albert Stewart		
Nikhilkumar Ghanshyambhai Patel		
Kararina Matarena Patuaka		
Prentiss Te Rito		
Brooke Ngahuia Jessie Jean Holmes		

James Alexander Callum Cook
Georgia Chrystal Phillips
Nicole Tracey Acton
Rebekah Rae Willis
Robert Lammas
Yasser Abdin Ahmed Abou Bakr
Pooja Prakash Patel
Colleen Clouston
Shanade Inez Parekawhai Tatana
Te Ao I Te Mairangi Samuels
Irene Eruera-Taiaapa
Nina Ann Hori Te Pa
Alexander William O'Malley
Donna Marie Mitchell
Colin Jayden Hanita Apiti
Julian Oliver James Hansen
Julie Burton
Carolyn Sarah Pitihira
Anja Christiane Wagner

Renewed Manager's Certificates

Ngairé Gail Hunter
Kevin O'Malley
Lara Kate Graham
Fiona Nadine Chainey-Blanche
Deborah Feary
Lisa Maree Kennedy
Maryann Nicholas
Nicole Loren Purches
Parth Taneja
John Andrew Dunlop
Sonya Huia Martin
Natalie Joy Harwood
Maria Annitta Puklowski
Katrina May Martin
Karen Camp
Charlotte Lillian Massey
Edith Lisa Barber
Penelope Jane King
Simon Yee
Lisa Marina Wilmshurst
Martin O'Malley
Noel Raymond Davies
Jodie Woodmass
Karemoana Matamua
Phoebe Rosemary Oka
Colleen Ann Te Tomo
Desh Raj
Shellie Leigh Metcalfe
Rickie Stephanie Holden French
Diane Marie Corley
Janine Marjorie Lyn Gregory
Alexandra Esme Russell
Olivia Katy-Lee Green
Sharron Jane Symons

Adelle Brunton
Michael John Brunton
Jannette Roberta Barrie
Kerry David Wano
Caitlin Grace Hirini
Naveen Saini
Shane David Parlato
Sukhjit Singh
Gagandeep Singh Bagga
Krishan Kumar Dang
Nigel Craig Lynn
Raina Jayane Coley
Chloe Rose Wilson
Jade Mark Peter Huff
Georgia Kaylee Anne Thwaites
Carmene Frances Edmonds
Gina Kristy Kauri
Ike Kurniawati
Vincent Robert Phillips
Michael Barrack
Dion Scott Havea
Lisa Marie Beddis
Shavaughn Marie Peta
Darren John Clouston
Amarjeet
Robert Neil Hemmingson
Tara Desiree Peters
Jason Craig Davy
Stephen Michael Bedford
Prakashkumar Vallabhbhai Patel
Tusharkumar Parbhubhai Patel
James Laurence Murphy
Suzanne Margaret Tate
Carol Daphne Cappie
Shane Maxwell Vazey
Victoria Louise MacDonald
Donna Marie Riley
Andrea Christine Heke
Fleur Cherie Deavin
Diane Maureen Eveleigh

Special licences	Number	Location
Levin Performing Arts Society Incorporated	2633	Levin
Levin Performing Arts Society Incorporated	2632	Levin
Levin Returned Services Assn Inc Barbara Nicholls	2631 2630	Levin Levin
Foxton Returned Services Assn Inc	2629	Foxton
Waitarere Beach Bowling Club	2628	Waitarere Beach
Levin Cosmopolitan Club	2626	Levin
Levin Cosmopolitan Club	2625	Levin
Levin Cosmopolitan Club	2624	Levin
Levin Club Inc	2623	Levin
Kathy Trevena-Brown	2622	Ohau Township

Opiki Young Farmers Club	2621	Tokomaru Rural
Foxton Returned Services Assn Inc	2620	Foxton
Horowhenua District Council	2618	Levin
Levin Returned Services Assn Inc	2617	Levin
Levin Club Inc	2616	Levin
Levin Club Inc	2615	Levin
Foxton Returned Services Assn Inc	2614	Foxton
Levin Little Theatre Society Inc.	2619	Levin
Club Waitarere Home of Waitarere Beach Bowling Clu	2613	Waitarere Beach
Levin Returned Services Assn Inc	2612	Levin
Levin Club Inc	2611	Levin
Levin Club Inc	2610	Levin
Levin Cosmopolitan Club	2609	Levin
Levin Cosmopolitan Club	2608	Levin
Foxton Returned Services Assn Inc	2607	Foxton
Foxton Returned Services Assn Inc	2606	Foxton
Maurice Hickford	2605	Foxton
Levin Cosmopolitan Club	2604	Levin
Waitarere Beach Bowling Club	2603	Waitarere Beach
Levin Contract Bridge Club Inc	2602	Levin
Levin Returned Services Assoc Inc	2601	Levin
Levin Cosmopolitan Club	2600	Levin
Levin Club Inc	2599	Levin
Levin Club Inc	2598	Levin
Levin Club Inc	2597	Levin
Manawatu Marine Boating Club	2596	Foxton Beach
Levin Cosmopolitan Club	2595	Levin
Levin Cosmopolitan Club	2594	Levin
Levin Club Inc	2593	Levin
Beverley Isobel Poulton	2592	Levin Rural
Waitarere Beach Bowling Club	2591	Waitarere Beach
Levin Returned Services Assoc Inc	2590	Levin
Tania Jessica Jade Strawbridge	2589	Levin
Levin Cosmopolitan Club	2588	Levin
Levin Performing Arts Society Inc	2587	Levin
Levin Cosmopolitan Club	2586	Levin
Wildfern NZ Limited	2585	Levin
Waitarere Beach Bowling Club	2584	Waitarere Beach
Hurricanes Rugby	2583	Levin
Levin Returned Services Assoc Inc	2581	Levin
Levin Club Inc	2580	Levin
Levin Cosmopolitan Club	2579	Levin
Levin Cosmopolitan Club	2578	Waitarere Beach
Levin Cosmopolitan Club	2577	Levin
Levin Cosmopolitan Club	2576	Levin
Levin Club Inc	2575	Levin
Levin Club Inc	2582	Levin
Levin Returned Services Assoc Inc	2574	Levin
Levin Returned Services Assoc Inc	2573	Levin
Foxton Returned Services Assn Inc	2572	Foxton
Foxton Returned Services Assn Inc	2571	Foxton
Waitarere Beach Bowling Club	2570	Waitarere Beach
Maurice Hickford	2569	Levin
Levin Club Inc	2568	Levin

Turks Poultry Farm Limited	2567	Foxton/Himatangi
Levin Contract Bridge Club Inc	2565	Levin
Levin Returned Services Assoc Inc	2566	Levin
Philippa Parkin	2564	Levin Rural
Levin Cosmopolitan Club	2563	Levin
Catherine Lewis	2562	Levin
Levin Cosmopolitan Club	2561	Levin
Levin Cosmopolitan Club	2560	Levin
Levin Cosmopolitan Club	2559	Levin
Robert Thomas Winters	2558	Levin Rural
Levin Returned Services Assoc Inc	2557	Levin
Anita Funnell	2556	Levin Rural
Levin Returned Services Assoc Inc	2555	Levin
Levin Returned Services Assoc Inc	2554	Levin
Business Kapiti Horowhenua Inc	2553	Levin
Manawatu Power Boat Club	2551	Levin
Foxton Returned Services Assn Inc	2550	Foxton
Foxton Returned Services Assn Inc	2549	Foxton
Levin Returned Services Assoc Inc	2548	Levin
Foxton Returned Services Assn Inc	2547	Foxton
Levin Club Inc	2552	Levin
Levin Cosmopolitan Club	2546	Levin
Levin Cosmopolitan Club	2545	Levin
Levin Cosmopolitan Club	2544	Levin
Levin Cosmopolitan Club	2543	Levin
Levin Cosmopolitan Club	2542	Levin
Levin Cosmopolitan Club	2541	Levin
Levin Performing Arts Society Inc	2540	Levin
Foxton and Beach Bowling Club	2539	Foxton Beach
Levin Club Inc	2538	Levin
Waitarere Beach Bowling Club	2537	Waitarere Beach
Levin Returned Services Assoc Inc	2536	Levin
Manawatu Marine Boating Club	2535	Foxton Beach
Levin Cosmopolitan Club	2534	Levin
Levin Cosmopolitan Club	2533	Levin
Levin Returned Services Assoc Inc	2532	Levin
Kristy Shannon McGregor	2531	Manakau

- b. Decisions made by the District Licensing Committee under delegated authority of Council dated 21 November 2018, and in accordance with Section 191(2) of the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012 (Contested Applications).

Anthony Charles Leathers	New Manager's Certificate	Granted
The George Café 2018 Limited	New On Licence	Granted

5. Options

This report is for information purposes to inform Council.

5.1 Cost

There is no cost associated with this report.

5.1.1 Rate Impact

There will be no rate impacts arising.

5.2 Community Wellbeing

There are no negative impacts on community wellbeing arising.

5.3 Consenting Issues

There are no consents required or consenting issues arising.

5.4 LTP Integration

There is no LTP programme related to this report.

6. Consultation

There are no consultation requirements; however, decisions listed in 4.1 have been published on Councils website as required by Section 211(5) of the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012 which states: *“Every territorial authority must take all reasonably practicable steps to ensure that copies of all the decisions of its licensing committees are publically available”*.

7. Legal Considerations

Applications have been determined in accordance with legislative requirements.

8. Financial Considerations

There is no financial impact.

9. Other Considerations

There are no other considerations.

10. Next Steps

Not applicable to this report.

11. Supporting Information

Risk Area	Risk Identified	Consequence	Likelihood	Risk Assessment (Low to Extreme)	Managed how
Strategic					
Financial					
Service Delivery					
Legal	Failure to meet legislative requirements in submitting annual report figures.	Failure to comply with legislative requirements.	Low	Low	Report is an annual account of what has already occurred; submission to ARLA

					does not rely on Council prior approval.
Reputational					

Confirmation of statutory compliance


In accordance with section 76 of the Local Government Act 2002, this report is approved as:

- a. containing sufficient information about the options and their benefits and costs, bearing in mind the significance of the decisions; and,
- b. is based on adequate knowledge about, and adequate consideration of, the views and preferences of affected and interested parties bearing in mind the significance of the decision.

12. Appendices

There are no appendices for this report

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Resource Consenting (Planning) Matters Considered Under Delegated Authority

File No.: 19/348

1. Purpose

To present, **for information**, details of decisions made under delegated authority in respect of Resource Consenting (Planning) Matters.

2. Recommendation

- 2.1 That Report 19/348 Resource Consenting (Planning) Matters Considered Under Delegated Authority be received.
- 2.2 That this matter or decision be recognised as not significant in terms of s76 of the Local Government Act 2002.

3. Issues for Consideration

The following decisions were made under delegated authority:

- (i) Subdivision and Land Use Consents Approved:

Subdivision Resource Consents Approved – 31/07/19 – 27/08/19

Approved Date	File Ref	Applicant	Address
01/08/2019	502/195	T Su	107 Queen Street, Levin
02/08/2019	502/191	The Horowhenua Company	20-50 Roe Street, Levin
05/08/2019	502/193	J Rider	23 Old Foxton Road, Shannon
07/08/2019	502/196	G G & L Pringle	10 Dustin Street, Foxton Beach
07/08/2019	502/199	H Posthuma	148 Winchester Street, Levin
08/08/2019	502/200	J E Burgess	5 McKenzie Street, Levin
08/08/2019	502/201	P E O'Kane	14 Princes Street, Levin
12/08/2019	502/203	S J Wicks & B N T Mitchell	41 Kings Drive, Levin
13/08/2019	502/202	P J Hammond	12 Story Street, Foxton Beach
13/08/2019	502/210	M J De Vries	6 Kebbell Avenue, Levin
16/08/2019	502/205	T J Kortegast	5 Princes Street, Levin
20/08/2019	502/206	A E Radich	6 Hennessey Street East, Foxton Beach
20/08/2019	502/208	I R Jamieson	50 Parker Avenue, Levin
27/08/2019	502/209	K M Pretorious & S M Russell	24 Hokio Beach Road, Levin
27/08/2019	502/211	C G Senior	461 Arapaepa Road, Levin Rural

Land Use Resource Consents Approved – 31/07/19 – 27/08/19

Approved Date	File Ref	Applicant	Address
01/08/2019	501/120	B M Williamson	150 Bartholomew Road, Levin
07/08/2019	501/67	E J R Matangi	67 Kent Avenue, Waitarere Beach
12/08/2019	501/113	P J & T I Grimmatt	73 Waikawa Beach Road, Levin Rural

19/08/2019	501/121	A P Signal	59 Coley Street, Foxton
23/08/2019	501/122	A K Lancashire & L M Scott	169 Strathnaver Drive, Levin Rural

(ii) Road Names Approved

None during the reporting period.

Attachments



There are no attachments for this report.

Confirmation of statutory compliance

In accordance with section 76 of the Local Government Act 2002, this report is approved as:

- a. containing sufficient information about the options and their benefits and costs, bearing in mind the significance of the decisions; and,
- b. is based on adequate knowledge about, and adequate consideration of, the views and preferences of affected and interested parties bearing in mind the significance of the decision.

Signatories

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File No.: 19/275

Adoption of Shannon Combined Reserves Management Plan

1. Purpose

To seek a decision from Council to adopt the final Shannon Combined Reserves Management Plan.

2. Executive Summary

The Shannon Combined Reserves Management Plan has been finalised after an extensive process to seek the community's views on the future of these reserves. Drop-in sessions and a workshop were held with the community, and feedback from these were integrated into a draft Reserve Management Plan. This draft plan was approved by Council on 3 December 2018 to go back out to the community for further public consultation. A two month consultation period was then undertaken, to seek further community views. A total of seven submissions were received, and these were assessed at a Hearings meeting held in Shannon on 1 August 2019.

The final Shannon Combined Reserves Management Plan has taken into account those submissions, and Officers now seek for this final plan to be adopted. The plan is appended to this report.

3. Recommendation

- 3.1 That Report 19/275 Adoption of Shannon Combined Reserves Management Plan be received.
- 3.2 That this decision is recognised as not significant in terms of S76 of the Local Government Act.
- 3.3 That the Horowhenua District Council adopts the Shannon Combined Reserves Management Plan.

4. Background / Previous Council Decisions

- 4.1 Reserve Management Plans (RMP's) are a requirement under the Reserves Act 1977. Council is required to develop and review management plans for reserves under its control for the purpose of providing for the use, enjoyment, maintenance, protection, preservation and development of these reserves.
- 4.2 They contain Council's overall vision for a set of reserves as well as identifying the objectives, policies, and actions needed.
- 4.3 The Shannon Reserves Management Plan process started in February 2018. The following actions have been undertaken:
 - Two community consultation 'drop-in' sessions to seek community views on these reserves
 - A workshop at the Shannon Memorial Hall, for organisations and groups who use the parks, residents who live next to the parks, and local businesses
 - Initial submissions from the community on ideas for these reserves
 - A draft RMP document was sent to key stakeholders, for 2 month period of consultation

- Seven written submissions received as a result
- Two submitters indicated they wished to speak at a hearing meeting
- Both speakers withdrew from speaking, stating their written submissions would suffice (this was confirmed in writing)
- A hearing meeting was held on 1 August 2019 in Shannon
- The finalised RMP document based on decisions made at the hearing is now attached to this report.

5. Discussion

Now that all of the required actions in this RMP process have been completed, the final step is for Council to formally adopt this Reserve Management Plan.

6. Options

There is only one option put forward, for Council to adopt the finalised RMP document (attached as Appendix One to this report).

6.1 Cost

There are no costs to be noted as a result of this process.

6.1.1 Rate Impact

There will be no Rate impacts arising from this report.

6.2 Community Wellbeing

There are no negative impacts on Community Wellbeing arising.

6.3 Consenting Issues

There are no consents required or consenting issues arising.

6.4 LTP Integration

There is no LTP programme related to the options or proposals in this report. There are no Special Consultative Processes required.

7. Consultation

There is no consultation required to be undertaken to progress the recommendations in this report.

8. Legal Considerations

There are no legal requirements or Statutory Obligations affecting options or proposals.

9. Financial Considerations

There are no financial considerations arising.

10. Other Considerations

There are no other considerations arising from this report.

11. Next Steps

This concludes the Shannon Combined Reserves Management Plan process. It should be noted that Reserve Management Plans are subject to review to ensure they are kept up to date.

12. Supporting Information



<p>Strategic Fit/Strategic Outcome Reserve Management Plans are required under the Reserves Act, section 41(1).</p>
<p>Decision Making A resolution from Council is required for final adoption of this Reserve Management Plan.</p>
<p>Consistency with Existing Policy This Reserve Management Plan fits under Council's Open Space Strategy.</p>
<p>Funding Not applicable.</p>

Risk Area	Risk Identified	Consequence	Likelihood	Risk Assessment (Low to Extreme)	Managed how
Strategic	No risks identified				
Financial					
Service Delivery					
Legal					
Reputational					

<p><u>Confirmation of statutory compliance</u> In accordance with section 76 of the Local Government Act 2002, this report is approved as:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> containing sufficient information about the options and their benefits and costs, bearing in mind the significance of the decisions; and, is based on adequate knowledge about, and adequate consideration of, the views and preferences of affected and interested parties bearing in mind the significance of the decision.
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SHANNON COMBINED RESERVES MANAGEMENT PLAN
SHANNON DOMAIN | HYDE PARK | MOYNIHAN PARK | STAFFORD STREET
ESPLANADE | TE MAIRE PARK | 35 MARGARET STREET

SHANNON RESERVES COMBINED MANAGEMENT PLAN

This document represents the Reserve Management Plan for six parks and reserves in Shannon—Shannon Domain, Te Maire Park, Moynihan Park, Hyde Park, Stafford Street Esplanade and 35 Margaret Street.

The Shannon Combined Reserves Management Plan is an extension to Council's *Parks and Reserves General Policy* document. The General Policy document provides detailed direction for the use and management of open space throughout Horowhenua. From this, the Shannon Reserve Management Plan defines the purpose of the Shannon parks specifically and provides additional direction for matters unique to the individual parks.

This Reserve Management Plan also presents a list of actions for each reserve. These are ideas and initiatives to enhance the parks, proposed by members of the Shannon community. The actions provide direction for Council when funding is available for investment in all or any of the six parks.

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WHAT IS A RESERVE MANAGEMENT PLAN?

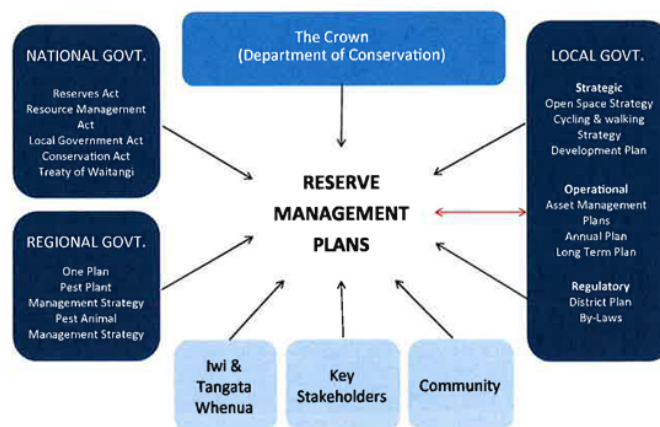
What is a Reserve Management Plan? A reserve management plan (often referred to as a RMP) is a document prepared under the Reserves Act 1977 (the Act). It contains objectives, policies and actions relating to the use, management and future development of a reserve. All reserves that have been gazetted and classified as reserves under the Act, require a reserve management plan in accordance with section 41(1) of the Act. Once prepared and adopted, reserve management plans must be kept under continuous review to address new issues and opportunities as they arise for each reserve (section 41(4)). Council's reserve management plans provide a guide for Council staff in making both day-to-day and long-term decisions about how reserves and open spaces under Council's ownership or control are to be used, managed and developed.

Statutory Context: Reserve management plans are prepared and reviewed in accordance with the requirements of the Reserves Act 1977. However, there are a number of other pieces of national legislation as well as plans, strategies and regulations at the regional and local level that need to be considered when preparing them. The diagram below identifies the key statutes, plans, strategies and regulations that Council should also consider when preparing or reviewing its reserve management plans.

Those shown in the diagram are not an exhaustive list, as there are other statutes that may also be relevant (e.g. Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga Act 2014. The Horowhenua District Plan, section 13 Historic Heritage sets out the requirements that apply.)

Further explanation about the key statutes, plans, strategies and regulations and how they are relevant to reserve management plans is provided in Council's Parks and Reserves General Policy Document.

Also highlighted by this diagram are the different roles and



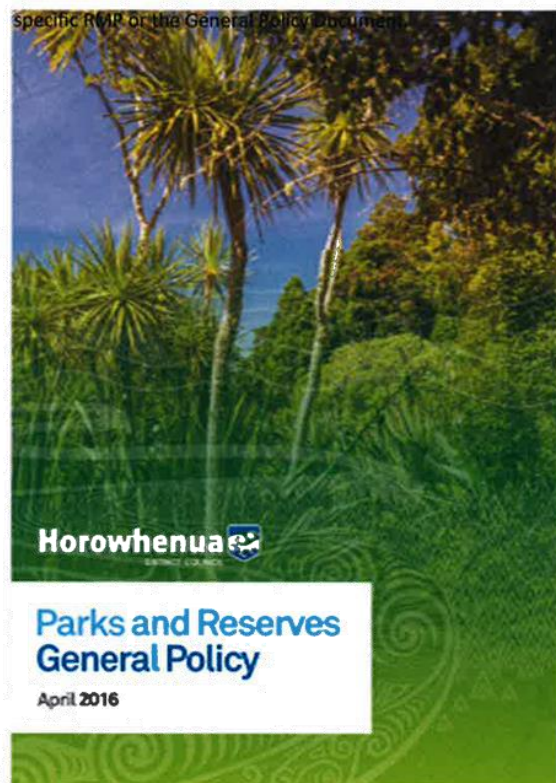
Relationship with Council's Parks and Reserves General Policy Document: The Parks and Reserves General Policy Document (adopted April 2016) applies to all parks and reserves in the Horowhenua District that are owned and/or administered by Council, and managed by Council's Parks and Property Team. The majority of these parks and reserves are gazetted as reserve and classified under the Reserves Act 1977. There is also a number of areas of open space recognised and managed by Council as reserve land that do not hold formal reserve status under the Act.

The General Policy Document provides objectives, policies and actions for management issues which are common throughout the majority of Council reserves. This allows the Council to adopt a consistent approach to the management of all reserves, in a cost and time efficient way.

The objectives, policies and actions outlined in the Shannon Combined Reserve Management Plan are specific to the six parks and reserves identified within it. The objectives, policies and actions in the Shannon RMP are tailored to the specific issues or opportunities of each reserve and take precedence over the General Policy Document's provisions where they relate to the same issue. In reverse, where the Shannon RMP is silent on an issue then the provisions of the General Policy Document apply.

The Parks and Reserves General Policy Document includes a decision making process to guide Council staff and the community when a request is made regarding a specific park or reserve and it is not covered by either the site

How was the Shannon Combined RMP developed? The Shannon Combined RMP is the outcome of a series of community discussions that identified shared aspirations for the future of the six parks and reserves it relates to. Discussions have also occurred with Ngati Whakatere to gain their view of the Shannon Reserves, and incorporate these into the final plan. Community input identified both strengths and weaknesses of the parks at present, captured information on why and what people use the parks for and recorded ideas for how the parks could be

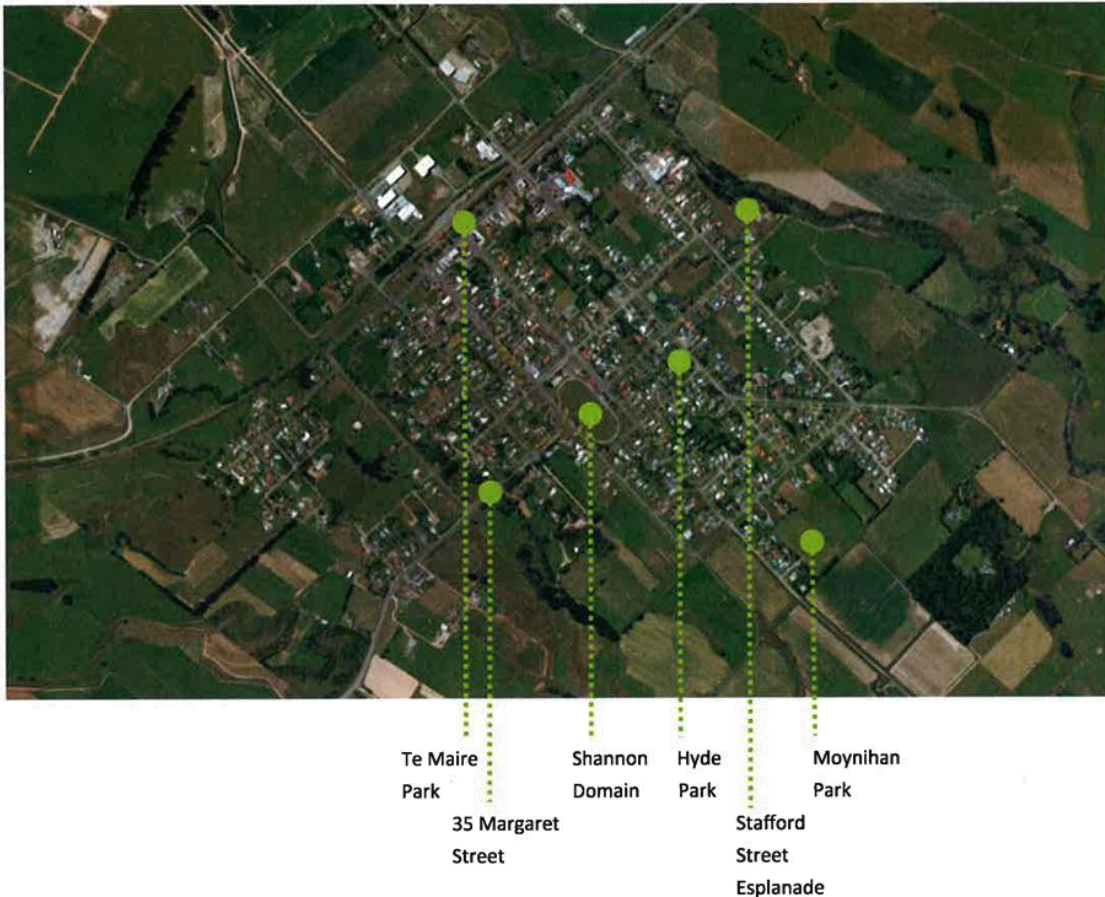


developed over time to best provide for the Shannon community and visitors to their town. This input built upon previous RMP's that existed for some of the parks and reserves and was further enhanced by input from Council staff who work with the Council owned/managed sites.

The draft RMP was presented back to the community, for review and feedback either in support or by recommending additions or amendments. A meeting of the Hearing Committee was convened at Shannon on 1st August 2019.

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WHICH PARKS ARE INCLUDED IN THIS RMP?



The town of Shannon is located in the north east of the Horowhenua district. Home to approximately 1,300 people, the small town sits on the plains near the base of the Tararua Ranges and is surrounded by agricultural land. Primarily residential in nature, the town's main Street (Plimmer Terrace) is lined by a small collection of commercial, hospitality and retail businesses. Shannon's primary school and early childhood centres provide for the towns youngest population but most residents travel elsewhere for secondary school and employment.

This Reserve Management Plan provides direction for the future use, investment and maintenance of six of the town's parks and reserves, which in combination provide for Shannon residents and visitors active and passive recreation needs — Shannon Domain, Moynihan Park, Hyde Park, Te Maire Park, 35 Margaret Street and the Stafford Street Esplanade. The map above locates the six parks and reserves in the context of the town's urban extent.

WHAT DO WE KNOW ABOUT PARKS?

OPEN SPACE TYPOLOGY

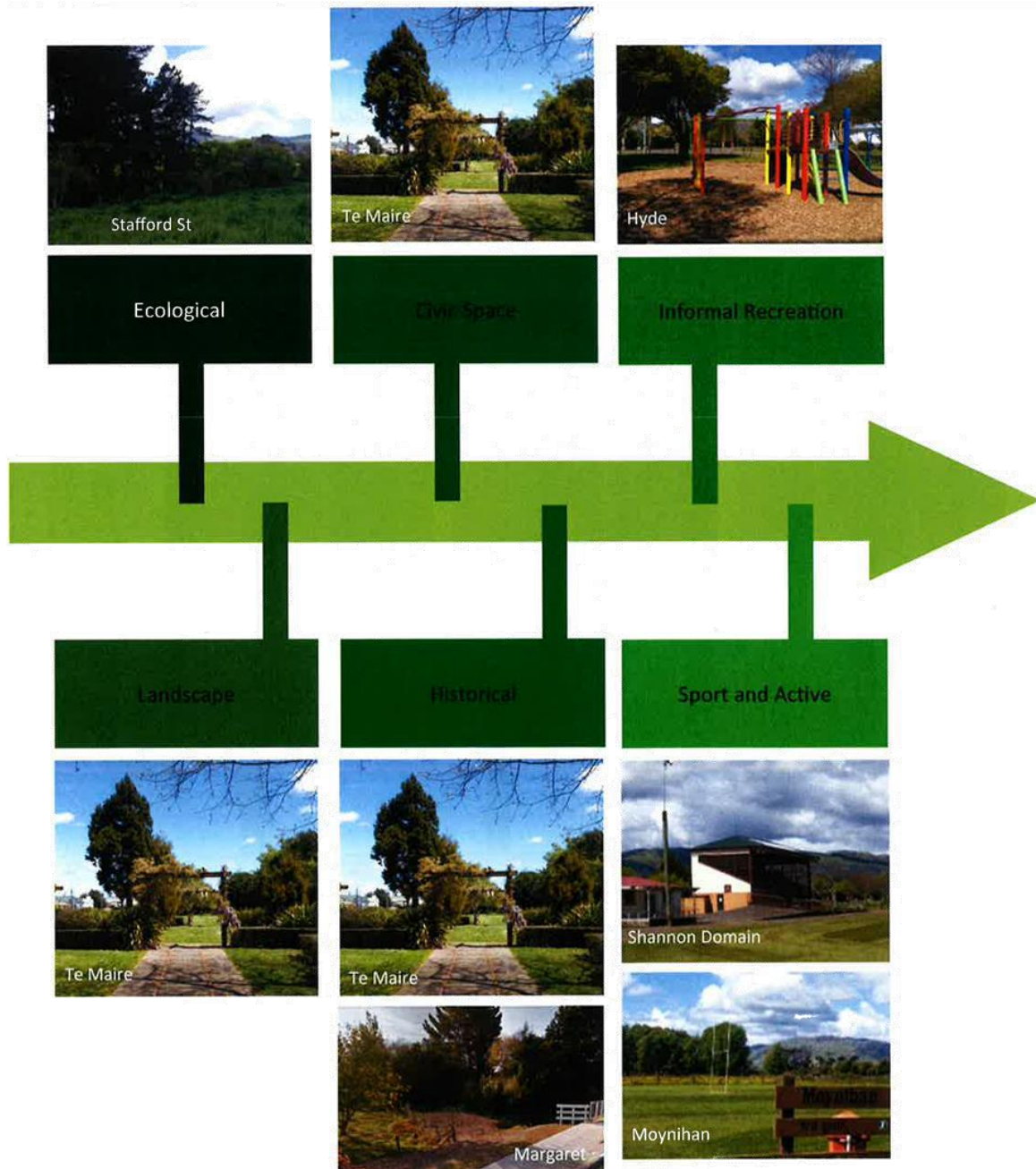
The six reserves contained within this management plan represent different typologies of open space. Typology describes a range of 'types', as a concept of multiple types placed upon a spectrum from one extreme to another. When considering open space typologies, terms such as neighbourhood park, sports field and nature reserve are familiar names often given to open spaces within our urban settlements. As a reference point, the open space typology presented below and on the following page is used to help consider the public open space provided for

the Shannon community. Looking at open space typologies help with understanding the different types of reserves and their associated facilities available and whether additional or different types are required to meet the needs of the Shannon community and its visitors.

The typology framework used here was sourced from design guidance produced by the Parks and Recreation Team at Auckland Council, which can be viewed at www.aucklanddesignmanual.co.nz.



OPEN SPACE TYPOLOGY: SHANNON



RESERVES CLASSIFICATIONS

The Reserves Act 1977 applies to all public land that has been vested or gazetted under the Act. If a reserve is vested under the Reserves Act 1977 it must be classified based on its primary purpose and each reserve must be managed in accordance with this purpose. Section 16 of the Reserves Act 1977 identifies that it is mandatory for reserves to be classified and gazetted based on their primary purpose. The Reserves Act 1977 provides for the following seven different reserve classifications, as defined in sections 17 to 23:

- Recreation Reserve
- Historic Reserve
- Scenic Reserve
- Nature Reserve
- Scientific Reserve
- Government Purpose Reserve
- Local Purpose Reserve

Reserves may be vested under the Reserves Act with more than one classification, particularly if the values requiring protection vary from one part of the reserve to another. To achieve a dual classification the land area needs to have been surveyed to define the boundary and provide separate land parcels between the lands requiring different classifications.



PEOPLE AND ACCESS TO PARKS

Ped Sheds – A Tool for Analysing Open Space: While the value of public open space begins simply with provision, its true value is defined by many other factors. A highly valuable reserve is one that is in the right location, is the right size, contains the right infrastructure and is accessible to all. This can be enhanced when it contributes to a wider provision of open spaces within a town, district or region, which together provide a collective offer of open space. A useful factor to analyse when looking at the value of public open space is to consider the proximity of the location of the reserve to the population it is intended to serve. To do this, a concept known as a 'ped shed' can be

used. A ped shed describes the standard walking distance from a point of interest (e.g. a reserve), measured as a radius from this point, out across the ped shed area. Ped sheds typically use a five minute or ten minute walking radius (for a standard able bodied pedestrian, with minimal impingements from geography or delays such as crossing busy roads etc). These five and ten minute walking times commonly convert to a 400m or 800m radius respectively. Therefore, a ped shed can be drawn around a point of interest to identify what area and as an extension of this, what population, is captured within the five or 10 minute walking distance radius.



Note: The focus of ped-shed maps is the relationship between the location of people and their access to outdoor space. The Margaret Street Reserve has not been included in these maps as it does not provide public access.

Shannon Ped Shed Analysis: The images below show two ped shed studies of the Shannon reserves. The first image shows a five minute (400m ped shed) from each of the parks / reserves. This quickly illustrates that the majority of Shannon's town residents (acknowledging that the town has a large hinterland) are within a five minute walk of a reserve. While each reserve offers something different in terms of the type and usability of public open space, the ped shed mapping provides an immediate summary showing that the location of public open space is primarily appropriate to the location of the majority of the town's population. However, the ped shed also shows that housing development in the south-west of the town is undersupplied regarding proximity to public open space.

This observation provides an important reminder that the provision of public open space must remain consistent with housing development as Shannon continues to expand.

The second (insert) ped shed map provides a typology based assessment of the Shannon reserve provision. As an example, this analysis looks at the provision/location of children's playgrounds, as a primary element of an 'informal recreation' open space typology. For this analysis, the ten minute / 800m ped shed has been drawn around the location of playgrounds, both at Hyde Park and at Shannon School (recognising that the playground is publicly accessible). This ped shed shows a clear weighting to the east for active play—providing useful base information for any potential future research or investment.



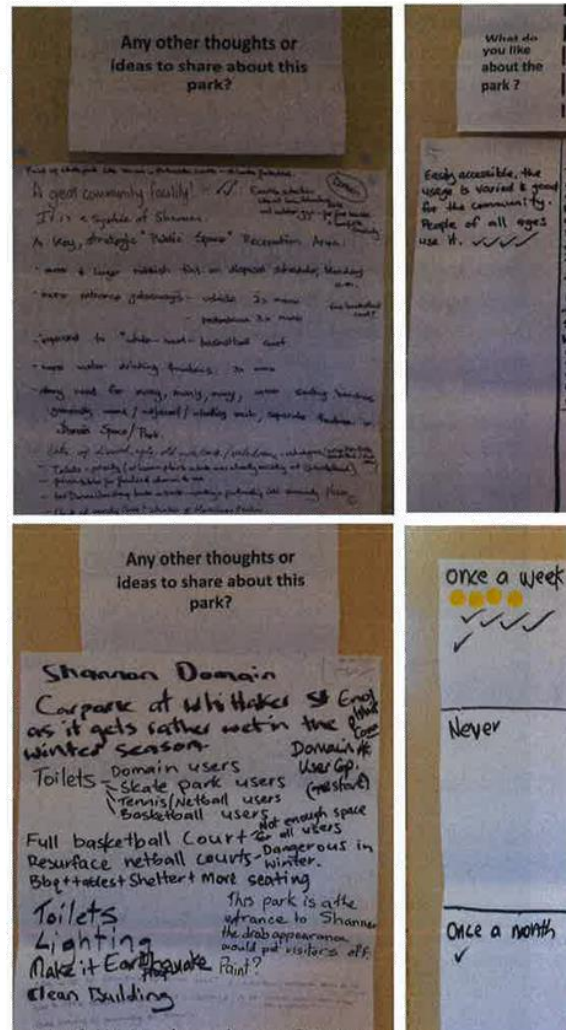
PREPARING THIS RMP

This Reserve Management Plan (RMP) for six reserves in Shannon has been prepared via the input, ideas and opinions of members of Shannon's community.

Three community drop-in sessions were held, where anyone interested in the future of Shannon's reserves was welcome to attend. The events were promoted via social media, local newspapers and posters placed around the town. An additional session was also held, specifically for people who live near the parks and community groups with interest in the parks. This session was very similar to the drop-in sessions but residents and organisations were formally invited to attend to ensure they were aware of the project and their opportunity to input.

All four sessions invited people to input their knowledge and ideas for each of the six parks. People were asked how often they visit the park, why do they go there / what do they do there, what works well at the park and what ideas do they have for what could be fixed, improved or added. People contributed their own opinions and conversations with others helped share knowledge and ideas.

The questions used at the sessions described above were also posted online, so people who were unable to attend could also input.



SHANNON'S PARKS AND RESERVES

Before exploring the reserves individually, the table on the following pages provides a useful snapshot of the six parks and reserves contained within this management plan and their comparative attributes. Presented in the table are the varying sizes of the reserves, their tenure (ownership) and the built infrastructure they contain. In addition, the table records the reserves type/typology, based on the open space typology presented previously.

Then, each park / reserve is presented. The current status of the park is summarised and a vision statement and management objectives and policies are provided. A reminder; all objectives and policies contained here are in addition to those in Council's *Parks and Reserves General Document*. Therefore the objectives and policies in this RMP are focused on additional or special characteristics of the parks that

need extra guidance.

Next a list of actions is provided for each park. This is the Council and community's collective action plan for each park—identifying projects and initiatives to be undertaken when funding for each park is available and signalling priorities amongst the varying ideas.

Not all ideas raised at the community sessions and online have been included in this RMP. Some ideas didn't fit with what an RMP covers and instead related to other Council roles and services; and some ideas were more suited to community projects, rather than Council activities.



RESERVES SNAPSHOT

	Shannon Domain	Hyde Play Park	Moynihan Park
Open Space Typology	Sport & Active	Informal Recreation	Sport & Active
Reserve Classification	Recreation Reserve	Recreation Reserve	Recreation Reserve (Not gazetted, as per previous RMP)
Location	Bound by Ballance, Whittaker, Stout and Vogel Streets	Corner of Grey and Whittaker Streets	Accessed via property between 27 and 29 Stafford Street
Size	2.5 hectares	0.4 hectares	1.2 hectares
Infrastructure	Grandstand, rugby club rooms, shared club rooms (netball, tennis, touch rugby, athletics), netball / tennis courts (with flood lights), skate park, rubbish bins, seats, mature trees	Playground equipment (multiple items, for range of ages), seats, rubbish bin, water fountain, established trees, boundary fence	Rugby goal posts, toilet cubicles, car park
Leases	Mavis Vincent Pavilion Building (Shannon Rugby Football Club)	N/A	N/A
Title	Sec 706 SO 23696 (CT D4/167) and Lot 703 DP 368 (CT 807/100)	Lots 7, 8, 9, 10 DP 368	Lot 9 DP 48849 Certificate of Title 19D/728
District Plan Zone	Open Space	Open Space	Open Space
Notes from 2000 RMP	<p><i>Action Points:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Prohibit vehicles from the oval by erecting a low post and bollard fence in location where access is gained [Complete]</i> <i>Remove the cycle track and the concrete ticket box</i> <i>Commission a Landscape Development Plan for the Domain</i> 	<p><i>Hyde Play Park is shown as a Recreation Reserve and Playground in the Horowhenua District Plan but is not designated as such. Pursuant to the Reserves Act 1977, the park should be gazetted for its primary purpose, that being recreational.</i></p> <p>---</p> <p><i>Action Points:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Improve and modernise the play equipment.</i> <i>Provide an additional light on the corner of Grey and Whittaker Streets.</i> <i>To facilitate the assistance of the Bunker Club with regard to any development of the park.</i> 	<p><i>Moynihan Park is classified as a recreation reserve in the Horowhenua District Plan 1999, though not officially gazetted as such. Pursuant to the Reserves Act 1977, the park should be gazetted as a recreation reserve as that is its primary purpose.</i></p>

RESERVE SNAPSHOT CONT.

	Te Maire Park	Stafford Street Esplanade	35 Margaret Street
Open Space Typology	Historical, Landscape and Civic	Landscape	N/A
Reserve Classification	Recreation Reserve	Not Gazetted (as per previous RMP)	Not Gazetted
Location	Plimmer Terrace	Accessway between 27 and 29 Stafford Street	35 Margaret Street
Size	1 hectare	1.1 hectares	0.1 hectares
Infrastructure	Train line (national line), historic train station building (occupied by information centre and museum), formal gardens, war memorials, flag post, open lawns, mature trees and established garden beds, seats and tables, rubbish bins, bus stop shelter, car park	N/A	N/A
Leases	Shannon Railway Station Building (Shannon Progressive Association)	N/A	N/A
Title	Lot 1 DP 71514	Lot 6 DP 30227 and Lot 28 DP 45248	Lot 2 DP 362338
District Plan Zone	Open Space	Open Space	Open Space
Notes from 2000 RMP		<p><i>Future management options could be:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <i>Develop as a recreational area</i> 2. <i>Pine plantation / recreation area</i> 3. <i>Plant in natives and use as recreation area</i> 4. <i>Gazette as a recreation reserve</i> 	



Vogel, Stout, Whittaker and Ballance Streets

Shannon Domain is the primary active recreation facility within Shannon. With the heritage grandstand building proudly displaying the town's name, the Domain is seen by all who travel through the town on State Highway One. Home to Shannon's rugby, touch, tennis, netball and athletics clubs, when combined with the informal recreation at the skate ramps and the half-court, the Domain is a central point for sport, active recreation and community groups within Shannon.

While well used, the Domain is currently overdue investment decisions regarding two of its distinguishing elements—the historic grandstand building and the cycle track bounding the outer edge of the field. The grandstand building is identified as being earthquake-prone and the cycle track is underutilised and in disrepair.

The Domain is owned and maintained by Horowhenua District Council, with input on management decisions from the Shannon Domain Users Group—a group of representatives from sports groups associated with the Domain formed to provide community input.

Vision Statement—Shannon Domain:

To be Shannon's premiere active recreation facility, providing high quality sport and recreation facilities for formal and informal use; contributing to the health and wellbeing of the Shannon community.

Policies

(To be read in addition to the HDC Parks and Reserves General Policy)

Policy SD1—To maintain Shannon Domain as the pre-eminent recreational facility in Shannon

Policy SD2—Consider appropriate infrastructure that responds to community needs and interests, via stakeholders including Shannon Domain User Group

Objective SD1.1: To provide sports and recreation physical infrastructure that supports community health and wellbeing

Objective SD1.2—Provide and maintain surfaces, structures and permanent equipment for exercise and recreation

Objective SD2.1: An active recreation facility that caters for the local community



Actions: Shannon Domain

Actions	Priority
Consider options to develop a full basketball court using existing infrastructure	Medium
Consider installing permanent freestanding exercise/gym equipment in line with the reserve policies	Medium
Consider removal of cycle track	Medium
Consider vehicle and pedestrian access to Shannon Domain	Medium
Consider opportunities to repair/upgrade skatepark	Medium
Consider options for grandstand building	Long



Corner of Grey and Whittaker Streets

Hyde Park provides for the children of Shannon and its visitors. Dedicated to children's play, Hyde Park is home to a variety of play equipment that caters for a range of ages. As the only public play space in the town, Hyde Park is also used for children and family-focused social activity, such as picnics and birthday parties.

While well used and highly valued, Hyde Park provides opportunities to improve its offering as a play park.. Adding additional seating, tables and shade structures and additional play equipment would support more and varied use of this important community facility.

Through the Horowhenua Long Term Plan 2018-2038 process, budget has been allocated to install a toilet, shade provision and a BBQ at Hyde Park in year one.

Vision Statement—Hyde Park:

Policies

(To be read in addition to the HDC Parks and Reserves General Policy)

Policy HP1: To provide a place for play for children and families of Shannon

Policy HP2: To be the primary active play park for the children of Shannon

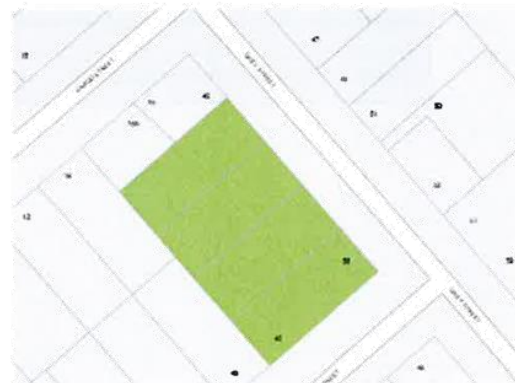
Objectives

Objective HP1.1: To support family /whanau and caregivers in active play with their children

Objective HP2.1—To provide support infrastructure (e.g. shade structures) that encourages people to visit Hyde Park for longer and to use the park for social events

Objective HP2.2—To consider investment in public play equipment within Shannon at Hyde Park

Objective HP2.3— To add, enhance and improve user experience in Hyde Park over time



Actions: Hyde Park

Actions	Priority
Assess park for seating, bins, shade, bike stands and bbq provision	Short
Install public toilets (which are locked at night for safety)	Short
Review play equipment to ensure all ages (exception teenagers) are catered for	Medium
Consider accessibility in future play provision	Long



Engles Road

Moynihan Park is a publicly -owned and maintained field located behind properties fronting Engles Road and Clapham Street in the south-east of Shannon. The park's current use is as a reserve rugby field, used when the town's primary field at the Domain is either in use or unavailable. For many Shannon residents who are not associated with local rugby, Moynihan Park is an unknown or unused public facility. The park is regularly maintained and sits in an attractive setting with views out over surrounding farmland. The value of the park to the community versus the cost of land ownership and maintenance is a pertinent question.

Vision Statement—Moynihan:

To be used as a second rugby field to support Shannon Domain, whilst other opportunities are considered that cater for informal recreation.

Policies

(To be read in addition to the HDC Parks and Reserves General Policy)

Policy MP3.1—Work with the Shannon community to explore the value of Moynihan Park as a recreation space versus alternate uses of the land and/or in balance with ongoing maintenance costs

Policy MP1.1— Ensure regular ground maintenance that enables the park to be used without notice if the Shannon Domain field becomes unusable

Objectives

Objective MP2: To increase community awareness and use of Moynihan Park as an informal recreation facility

Policy MP2.1: Consider Moynihan Park in terms of what it can offer as a complimentary leisure & recreation asset in the future



Actions: Moynihan Park

Actions	Priority
Maintain as a sports ground for interim	Medium
Develop alternative proposals for Moynihan Park use via a separate consultation process	Medium



Plimmer Terrace / SH57

Te Maire Park is home to Shannon's heritage, visitor and civic activity. The town's visitor information centre and museum operate from the town's historic train station building and current day commuters catch the daily train to Wellington from the station's platform. Towards the southern end of the park, Shannon's war memorials and gardens provide the community with a place to remember the town's men and women who went to war. At the northern end public picnic tables and garden benches are regularly used by people travelling through the town on State Highway 57.

The park edges one side of the town's main road, Plimmer Terrace, with the town's main row of shops lining the other side. While Te Maire Park provides an attractive rest stop for travellers and an important civic space for residents, aspirations are held for the park to be a catalyst for people who choose to stop in Shannon and visit the shops, cafes and other businesses on the opposite side of the street.

Through the Horowhenua Long Term Plan 2018-2038 process, Council has allocated budget for the installation of signage and benches/picnic tables in Te Maire Park in year one.

Vision Statement—Te Maire Park:

A public space that welcomes visitors to Shannon and encourages them to learn more about the town's history and explore its current offerings.

Policies

(To be read in addition to the HDC Parks and Reserves General Policy)

Policy TMP1— To be a public space that acknowledges and shares information about the town's history.

Policy TMP2— Continue to support, via maintenance and investment, Te Maire Park's focus on civic and cultural heritage

Objectives

Objective TMP1.1: For Te Maire Park to be Shannon's premier civic space and primary visitor stop

Objective TMP2.1—To ensure Te Maire Park is an attractive and pleasant public space, recognised as the 'front room' of the town

Objective TMP2.2—To use the appearance, infrastructure and activity of the park to encourage people to stop in Shannon and visit surrounding hospitality, retail and other businesses



Actions: Te Maire Park

Actions	Priority
Introduce information/interpretation boards with history of Te Maire Park, Shannon and its people	High
Develop a visitor refreshment station	Medium
Consider developing as a civic space with use of art and structures	Low



STAFFORD STREET ESPLANADE

Stafford Street

The Stafford Street Esplanade Reserve is an area of publicly owned land that borders the Mangahao River, where it passes the town of Shannon before running under the bridge on SH57. The reserve is located behind the row of properties on the north-west side of Stafford Street and is accessed via an access strip between the properties at 27 and 31 Stafford Street.

The reserve is currently maintained infrequently and therefore is often covered by high grass and vegetation, making access and use difficult. In addition, the reserve is not promoted as a public space and is unknown to the majority of the local community.

In considering this reserve among the other parks and reserves within Shannon, it presents an opportunity as a place to connect with the natural environment, with the potential to provide walks along and access to the river. However, meeting this potential would require investment and ongoing maintenance so to improve awareness, access and recreation infrastructure (such as walking paths and seating). Many comments from members of the community welcomed investment here, stating that if the reserve was promoted and maintained, it would be well used, particularly as a place to enjoy the river from.



Actions: Stafford Street Esplanade Reserve

Actions	Priority
Consider improving access to river	Medium
Develop area as a walking/informal recreation space	Medium
Highlight cultural and historical relevance	Medium
Upgrade signage	Medium
Develop communication with King Country Energy (KCE) concerning river flows	Medium



The property at 35 Margaret Street was purchased by the Council at the request of the Shannon community. The land was identified as a location for a proposal to construct an operational water wheel. The new water wheel was to act as a gateway element for travellers arriving in Shannon from the south, as a direct reference to a traditional flour mill and water wheel that previously stood in this approximate location.

To date, the water wheel gateway structure has not been built, yet there is still a large level of support for the idea.

A technical assessment on the viability of the Water Wheel will be developed by officers.



Action: 35 Margaret Street

Actions	Priority
Undertake a technical assessment on the viability of the Water Wheel	High



Image Source:

Page 7: Open Space Typology

Ecological: <https://www.tcv.org.uk/urbanecology/stave-hill-ecological-park>

Landscape: <http://www.escapehere.com/destination/10-most-beautiful-city-parks-in-the-u-s/>

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Land Transport Bylaw 2017 Further Update

File No.: 19/355

1. Purpose

To seek the Horowhenua District Council's ratification of the additional adopted changes to the Land Transport Bylaw 2017, part 10, Schedule of Speed Limits following the required Public Notification Process.

2. Recommendation

- 2.1 That Report 19/355 Land Transport Bylaw 2017 Further Update be received.
- 2.2 That this matter or decision be recognised as not significant in terms of s76 of the Local Government Act 2002.
- 2.3 That the Horowhenua District Council ratifies the following speed limit changes to 60 km/h:

Rural Residential Roads: Emma Drive

Jackson Road
Kristin Place
Twin Peaks Grove

Rural Roads: Albert Road

Buckley Road
Engles Road
Fairfield Road
Florida Road
Gladstone Road From Water treatment Plant towards Poads Road direction
Kaihinau Road
Kingston Road
Kuku East Road
Kukutauaki Road
McDonald Road
Paeroa Road
Tamatarau Road
Tangimoana Road
Vista Road
Wallace Loop Road
Wallace Road
Whakahoro Road

effective 12 September 2019.

3. Background/Previous Council Decisions

At its meeting on 14 August 2019, the Council adopted the following resolution:

"THAT the Horowhenua District Council ratifies the speed limit changes as adopted at the Council Meeting of 12 June 2019, effective from 15 August 2019, with the following changes from 80 km/h to 60 km/h as required to meet New Zealand Transport Agency requirements to be notified:

Rural Residential Roads: Emma Drive
Jackson Road
Kristin Place
Twin Peaks Grove

Rural Roads: *Albert Road*
Buckley Road
Engles Road
Fairfield Road
Florida Road
Gladstone Road From Water treatment Plant towards Poads Road direction
Kaihinau Road
Kingston Road
Kuku East Road
Kukutauaki Road
McDonald Road
Paeroa Road
Tamatarau Road
Tangimoana Road
Vista Road
Wallace Loop Road
Wallace Road
Whakahoro Road

and to come back to the September 2019 Council meeting for ratification.”

4. Issues for Consideration

Public Notification of the additional speed limit changes to 60 km/h for the four rural residential roads and eighteen rural roads has now taken place and Council’s ratification of those speed limit changes is now sought.

Attachments


There are no attachments for this report.

Confirmation of statutory compliance

In accordance with section 76 of the Local Government Act 2002, this report is approved as:

- a. containing sufficient information about the options and their benefits and costs, bearing in mind the significance of the decisions; and,
- b. is based on adequate knowledge about, and adequate consideration of, the views and preferences of affected and interested parties bearing in mind the significance of the decision.

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