

Open Meeting

To Raglan Community Board

From | Cr Lisa Thomson

Date | 13 February 2017

Chief Executive Approved Y

Reference # GOV0507

Report Title | Councillor's Report

I. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Kia ora koutou.

I hope that you have had a wonderful Christmas and New Year, and that you are ready to tackle the year ahead of us.

Summertime saw Raglan visitor numbers swell, I spoke with one business owner who told me that their turnover increased 4 times that of previous years, highlighting our small town's popularity. Our community hosted a number of large and small events, including Soundsplash and Raglan Arts Weekend, both were hugely successful and town was bursting.

The increasing popularity brings prosperity but also a number of challenges such as the proliferation of rubbish, traffic congestion and parking frustrations. It is timely that the Raglan Naturally Steering Committee have been working on updating our community plan which will hopefully see working groups tackling some of these issues to find workable solutions alongside Council.

I would like to thank all the caring locals who take it upon themselves to pick up rubbish off the beaches and around town, you make a huge difference and are much appreciated.

I have been contacted over the past months from a number of frustrated community members about their grass verges, this is a reoccurring topic, particularly for those who live on the main road, the elderly and those with steep areas the need mowing. I have encouraged people to raise a CRM via our WDC website.

At our last Raglan Coastal Reserves Advisory Committee meeting I was tasked with looking at processes/procedures for activities on our reserves and beaches. Bob MacLeod and I meet with WDC staff to discuss and we are currently working through what those could be.

Wastewater Education Programme

Tony Oosten and I meet late last year with June Penn, Liz Stanaway, Jeanette Tyrrell and Sally Frazer to brainstorm ideas for the first part of WDC Wastewater Education Programme. We then engaged local graphic designer, Leighton Davies to come up with material for Poo, Pee, Paper, he has done a great job. We are going to be putting up information in all our public toilets, cafes and asking accommodation providers to have for visitors to read, please see attached. We have also attended the last two creative markets which has been great. We will be hosting an information/education stand at Maui Dolphin Day in March.

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Jetty Seat

We have been working alongside kaumatua, family and friends of Richard Keremeta who tragically passed away last year at Raglan Jetty. We have finally unveiled the seat on Wednesday 8th February; a huge thank you to all involved and particularly to local builders Paul and Dave.

We have also been and will be contacting stakeholders for consultation on:

- Waikato District Council Boat Ramp Survey
- Easter Trading Submissions which close on 17th February
- Bus Services to and from Raglan
- Waikato District Council Halls feasibility study

Councillor Workshops:

Last week I attended:

- Zero Harm update
- Healthy Rivers Plan Change I
- Health and Safety training for elected members

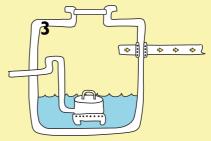
Tuesday and Wednesday this week I will be at a councillor workshop on our Annual Plan, I will keep you updated.

2. RECOMMENDATION

THAT the report from Cr Thomson be received.

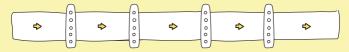
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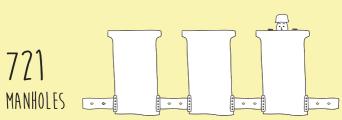


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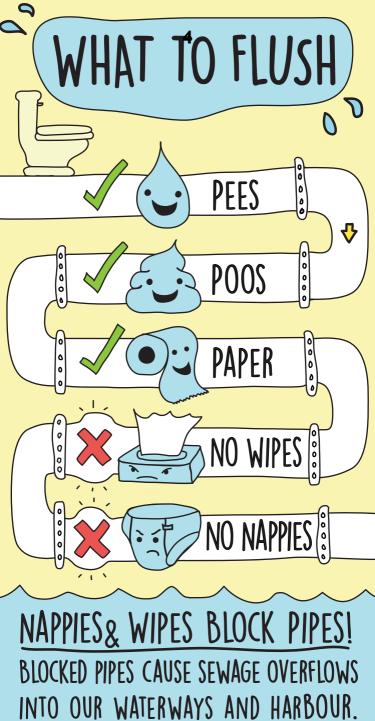
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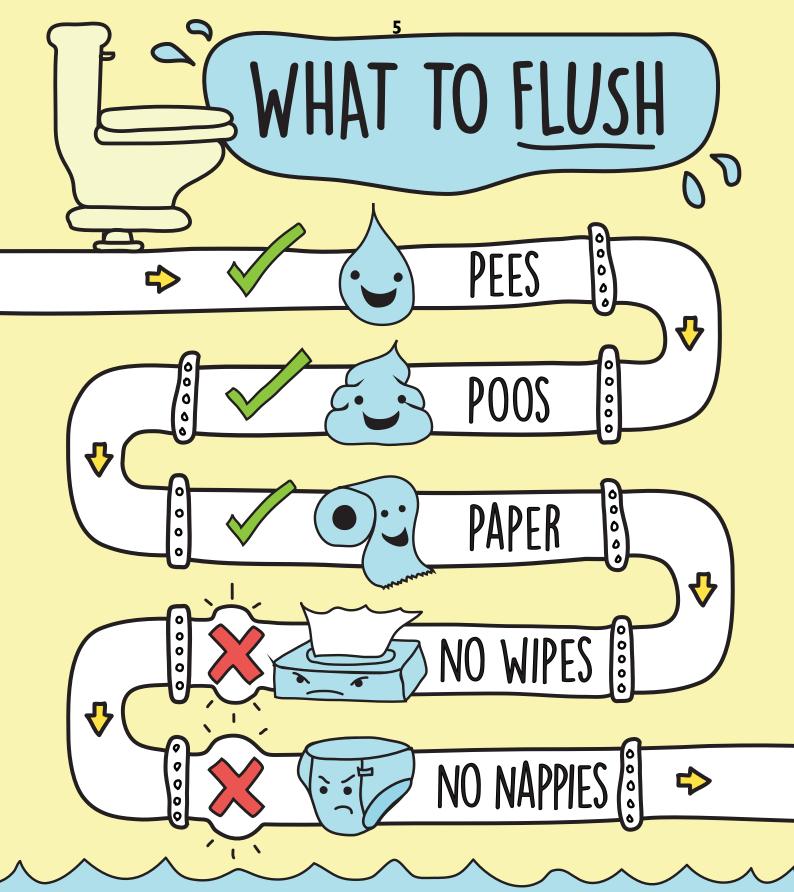












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