
Open Meeting

To	Raglan Community Board
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1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

To update the Board on issues arising from the previous meeting.

2. RECOMMENDATION

THAT the report from the **General Manager Strategy & Support** be received.

3. ATTACHMENTS

1. Raglan Works & Issues Report: Status of Items September 2017

Issue	Area	Action	Comments
Berms and Verges	Service Delivery	<p>DECEMBER: The Board would like the appropriate staff member to come and explain how the policy now works, who is eligible for an exemption, and where Council gets the berms mowed and how regularly, in those community profile areas that look untidy.</p> <p>MARCH: General Manager, Service Delivery to provide an update.</p>	<p>DECEMBER: The General Manager Service Delivery can attend meeting, if required.</p> <p>MARCH: General Manager, Service Delivery will be in attendance. Agreed that RCB will encourage Service Requests and that GM, Service Delivery will follow up.</p>
	Service Delivery	<p>JUNE: Still grass verge concerns – Corner of James & John Streets, corner Main Road and Cross Street.</p> <p>An exemption request for 12 Main Road was initiated in September 2016 and no reply has been received from Council for this exemption request.</p> <p>Council staff to liaise with Cr Thomson to organise a roadside meeting.</p>	<p>AUGUST: Staff have met with Councillor Thomson and the Community Board Chair Bob MacLeod regarding grass verges.</p> <p>Council will review the verge outside 12 Main Road due to the slope and issues created with the road realignment.</p> <p>A district-wide review of grass verges will be undertaken between September and October 2017.</p>
	Parks & Reserves	<p>AUGUST: Two meetings were arranged with the Open Spaces Team Leader but were cancelled and he is on leave now. Council staff are requested to liaise with Cr Thompson to organise a roadside meeting. The Chair and Mr Haworth will investigate the issues and present the areas of concern to Council staff.</p>	<p>SEPTEMBER: Staff continue to manage the issue of grass verges in line with the Council policy adopted on 01 October last year. As part of the adoption of the policy, Council requested that staff update the status/issues relating to grass verges 12 months after implementation. The update report will be presented to the Infrastructure Committee in November. Staff note that a meeting to discuss grass verges was held in July but are happy to organise a follow up if required.</p>
Karioi Cycling Track	Parks & Facilities	<p>JULY: A report was produced, but was not provided to the Community Board. The Chair has requested a report for the next agenda regarding money earmarked for track.</p> <p>AUGUST: The Community Board was expecting a feasibility study report from Opus at this meeting and expected a staff member to present the findings in a paper and explain the rationale and a way forward. A commitment of \$70k had been previously made but removed with no discussion with the Community Board. Comments noted.</p>	<p>AUGUST: A feasibility study was completed in 2016 which identified that the Cycling Track would require access over five privately owned properties. Council staff were advised that three out of the five landowners did not wish to proceed and as such there were no viable alternatives for the completion of the cycle track. Further investigation has highlighted that staff at the time requested that the funding allocated for the project be returned to savings.</p> <p>SEPTEMBER: Unfortunately, due to the time staff became aware of this request, it has not been possible to prepare a report. Staff will commence work on a further update for the next Community Board meeting.</p>

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Soccer Fields	Strategy & Support	<p>FEBRUARY: Cr Thomson to organise a meeting with Mr Mooar and staff re: Resurfacing of existing domains and improving drainage for developing fields at the rugby ground area.</p> <p>JUNE: Meeting date to be advised.</p> <p>AUGUST: For discussion in September</p>	<p>FEBRUARY: Meeting is currently being arranged.</p> <p>AUGUST: A initial meeting was held with staff where it was agreed that a Feasibility study to address drainage issues be costed. A costing of \$5,000 has been confirmed and the Te Kopua Board has agreed to fund the work. A further meeting between Cr Thompson and staff has been planned for Monday, 07 August.</p>
Kopua Camp edge of pathways and banks	<p>Service Delivery</p> <p>Service Delivery</p>	<p>MARCH: Need a solution to eroding banks where public are sliding down the banks and causing damage. Limestone rockwork has worked in other locations.</p> <p>JUNE: The Board want to understand that the erosion is going to be backfilled prior to planting.</p> <p>AUGUST: For discussion in September.</p>	<p>MARCH: Parks and Facilities will investigate issues and report back to the next meeting.</p> <p>JUNE: Planting banks in areas of erosion will occur over the winter planting season.</p> <p>AUGUST: Following initial investigations of this issue, the planting of banks in the erosion area was planned for the winter season. Further discussions highlighted a desire to backfill the erosion area which will include the construction of a small retaining wall. The change in scope of the work has meant that further investigation is required (including any possible regulatory requirements). The initial scope of works will be concluded by 11 August.</p>

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Designated park for electric charging station	Customer Support	<p>SEPTEMBER: Parking in the CBD are at a premium. Suggest that only one carpark is designated for an electric charging station, and that it be the first carpark on the left after the Bankart Street roundabout, rather than the carpark outside of Plunket.</p> <p>NOVEMBER: The Board's preferred location is adjacent to the RSA. Craig Birkett to propose the Board's preferred location to WEL Networks. If the Board's preferred site is unsuitable, then the Board is comfortable with the Plunket site.</p> <p>DECEMBER: Could car parking lines be painted in the Plunket carpark? Aaron to provide a map of the current parking configuration.</p>	<p>SEPTEMBER: Please refer to agenda item 7.6 Designation of Parks for Electric Vehicles.</p> <p>NOVEMBER: Met with WEL Energy on 14 September 2016. Identified that there was another site at Raglan Club that the Board would like to be considered as an alternative. This site is on private property and would need to be negotiated with the land owner. This location was not considered suitable and WEL are wanting to proceed with the site that has been proposed.</p> <p>DECEMBER: To allow for the best utilisation of this area it is proposed that no markings are put in except for the one to identify the electric parking area. This has been discussed with Aaron and he has been provided with a schematic of the proposed parking bay.</p>
	Service Delivery	<p>JUNE: Painting for the Electric parking area not done.</p> <p>AUGUST: For discussion in November.</p>	<p>AUGUST: This is programmed for the next district-wide marking operation which is due to commence in November 2017.</p>
Decorative Bow Street	Lights,	<p>DECEMBER: Some are dangling down and not working.</p>	<p>DECEMBER: Work completed to date was to connect them safely into the lighting column, however the light fittings are not suited to the environment and are subsequently failing. No replacement funding is available within the roading budget.</p>
	Service Delivery	<p>JUNE: Decorative lights still dangling, not completed. Still dangerous – edge chipped off, three in total not right. Bob to email photos to Tony. WEL networks job. Connect or remove? Remove.</p> <p>AUGUST: For discussion in November.</p>	<p>AUGUST: There is no unsubsidised funding available to replace these decorative lights. The Waikato District Alliance can however remove them at no cost, during the forthcoming LED streetlight upgrade project (unable at this stage to provide a timeframe).</p>

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PRK0184/17 Kopua Domain Park newly installed lights concrete bases lodged by Kelly Murphy	Service Delivery	DECEMBER: Completed by Contractor 25/08/16, however the concrete needs to be lowered as it is a safety risk.	DECEMBER: The concrete surround has been programmed to be removed before the end of November.
	Service Delivery	JUNE: This has still not been done and is dangerous. AUGUST: COMPLETED	AUGUST: A contractor has been engaged to lower the bases so they are no longer a hazard. The work will take place by 11 August.
Cliff Street Boardwalk	Parks & Reserves	JUNE: PRK1725/17 Cliff Street Boardwalk is overgrown and is a hazard. Service Request agreed to be completed.	JUNE: Service Request raised on behalf of RCB. Allocated to Duncan MacDougall, Open Spaces Team Leaders for resolution.
	Parks & Reserves	JULY: Update please. AUGUST: COMPLETED	AUGUST: Contractors have cut the vegetation back from the boardwalk.

SERVICE DELIVERY

Seismic Assessments and Earthquake Prone Buildings – Update For Community Boards and Committees

Under the Building Act 2004 Council is required to assess the earthquake risk of certain buildings within our District. In general, the provisions only apply to non-residential and some larger residential buildings. Buildings that are determined to be earthquake prone are required to be strengthened or demolished within specific timeframes set by the legislation (12–25 years depending on use of the building). Recent amendments to the legislation have provided more specific guidance to the way earthquake prone buildings are identified and managed.

The Ministry of Business, Innovation & Employment released a methodology which provides the recommended approach to identifying earthquake prone buildings. Council staff are currently working through this process to take stock of which Council owned buildings are earthquake prone. Council’s Building Quality team are concurrently reviewing all other buildings in the District to do the same.

Work is ongoing with initial high level assessments complete on approximately half of Council’s building stock. More detailed assessments are being completed as needed. An initial list of potential earthquake prone buildings in your ward is being compiled and will be provided at the meeting. This list is subject to change as further investigations are completed, but provided for your information.

Council staff are developing a page for Councils web site, dedicated to this issue. This will be available to our communities and will be continually updated as we move through the assessment process. It will also be enable Council to link our community with other web sites of interest in this matter to provide the legislative framework and compliance information that directs Council to do this work.

Staff have started working on this concept and are targeting 15 September for the page to go live, in the meantime we will develop media messages on the matter.

Any questions or queries on this matter, please contact Donna Rawlings (donna.rawlings@waidc.govt.nz) in the first instance.

FORWARD WORKS PROGRAMME

For the Community Board's information the forward works programme can be found at:

Programme Delivery Projects

<https://www.google.com/maps/d/viewer?mid=17xLvEAYHNRIi6vhkxKejLc5z6JE&ll=-37.533917736799545%2C175.09939685000006&z=10>

Roading Projects

https://www.google.com/maps/d/viewer?mid=1_Z3x2rVXNQzUqxQVxlnDvsfXep8&ll=-37.51860014399512%2C175.10095550000005&z=9

Please note that the web link is updated as projects progress.