

**ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING  
HELD FOLLOWING THE WORKS & SERVICES MEETING  
ON WEDNESDAY 22 JUNE 2005 IN THE MEMORIAL  
HALL SUPPER ROOM, ESPLANADE, KAIKOURA.**

**AGENDA**

1. *Apologies*

2. *Matters of Importance to be raised as Urgent Business*

3. *Matters Arising from the Report of 18/05/05* *page*

4. *Minutes Action & Issues List Update*

<i>18 MAY 2005</i>			
Environment Services	Litter control – Churchill Street	Gallo/Marlene	In Progress

5. *Environmental Services Reports* *page*

- *Building*
- *Resource Planning*
- *Monitoring*
- *District Planning*
- *Environmental Development*
- *Environmental Health*
- *Environmental Services Budget Report*

6. *Resource Consent Update* *page*

7. *Innovative Waste Kaikoura*

- **10.15am - An organics collection (ZORG) presentation will be provided by J Ransley, J Uren and G Nolan.**

8. *Urgent Business*

## Environmental Services Reports

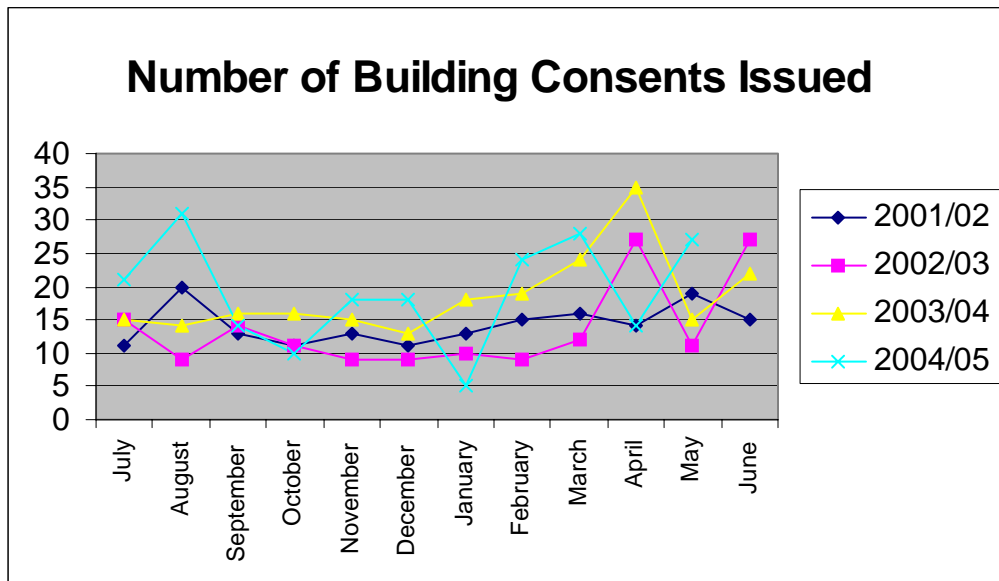
### • Building

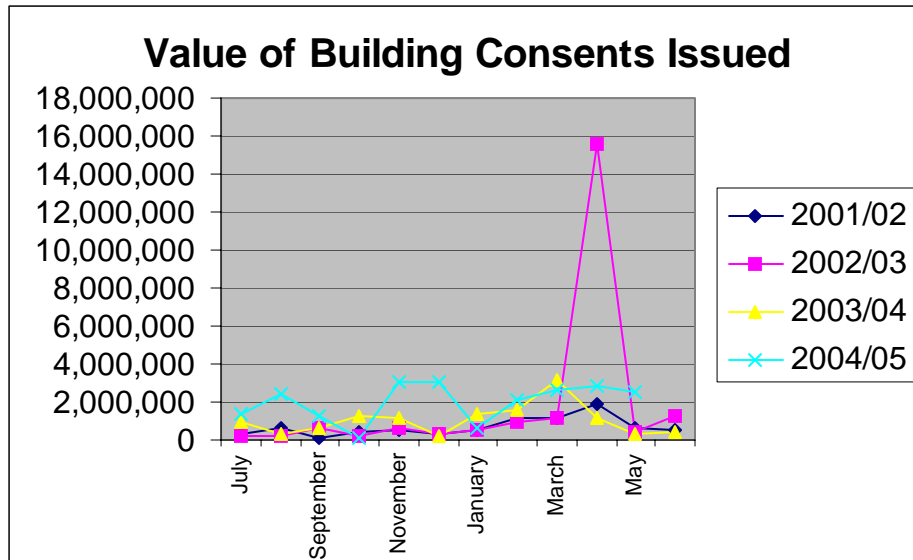
There were 27 building consents issued for the month of May with a combined construction value of \$2,536,980.

These consents were for:

- 7 new dwellings
- 1 x 12 Motel Units
- 1 Hotel/Bar/Restaurant extension
- 1 major first floor addition to Backpackers
- 3 new Farm Sheds
- 3 dwelling additions and alterations
- 6 Log Fire installations
- 1 residential garage
- 1 Gymnasium and takeaway food fit-out
- 1 x 5 Tree-House type accommodation units
- 1 retaining wall
- 1 x 2 Motor Camp cabins

There were nine Land Information Memorandums issued for property purchases and 21 Code Compliance Certificates issued for completed building projects.





## • Resource Planning

### Resource Consent Update: 11 May to 10 June 2005

Thirteen new resource consents have been received in this period. These consist of land use, sign consent and subdivision. No decision regarding notification has been made on two applications, which are currently on hold pending further information. It is unlikely that the rest of the applications will generate public interest.

Progress of publicly notified resource consents is following:

- **Midway Fleet Leasing** – Hearing was held on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> June, in which 3 submitters appeared, Transit NZ, Environment Canterbury and Cedric Wallace. The committee is currently adjourned for deliberation.
- **MJ & GG Morrissey** – Decision appealed by Environment Canterbury mediation being discussed.
- **McInnes & Atkins** - Submissions closed and waiting confirmation of hearing date from applicant, currently on hold by applicants.
- **Kaikoura Developments Limited – (Scenic Circle)** Letter received regarding varying consent conditions, no formal application yet received.
- **Seaview (Marlborough) Limited** – Committee has deliberated, awaiting release of decision.
- **Kaikoura Adventure Safaris** – Application for 4x4 motorbike tours. Applicant working with Transit New Zealand to resolve traffic issues, a follow up letter has been sent.
- **Global Property Investment** – Application on hold at applicants request.
- **Cedar Properties Kaikoura Limited** – Further information now supplied by applicant, information currently being worked through.
- **Neumann Real Estate Limited** – Application on hold requesting detail on café and possibility of a bar. Selective notification considered given zoning.

Consent numbers have increased since the last period. Notified consents remain on track, with a number of applications requiring some follow up. The large Seaview application has progressed to a decision being made by the committee.

The only other consents likely to take a significant amount of officer time are Cedar Properties Ltd, and Neumann Real Estate. No major development applications have been received in terms of land use activities however interest in the Kaikoura District still remains strong. Several telephone enquiries have been made regarding large developments.

## • **Biodiversity / Monitoring**

As a brief summary of what's been going on over the May/June period:

- **Monitoring of consents**
- Follow up to previous non-compliances is on going.
  
- **Monitoring of subdivision S223 and S224's** – currently two S224 requests are in the process.
  
- **Significant Natural Areas Project & the SNA Landcare Group** - A meeting was held on 16<sup>th</sup> May.

Currently working on appointing a 'Liaison' person for the group, who would be the person to make first contact with potential landowners, work with them to build a relationship if they want to be involved, telephone calls, meetings if necessary, summarizing of discussions held, etc.

Formatting of information newsletters for general public awareness.

### **Other:**

- Signs enquiries have been steady, however no new applications have been received.
- Material for the Council website is being worked on in terms of Biodiversity & Monitoring.
- A final progress report is being worked for the Department Of Conservation – this is for the Advise Fund money that Council received two years ago, to partly fund the 'Biodiversity Officers' role and for the initiation of the SNA Project.

## • **District Planning**

Planning Committee deliberations on the Ocean Ridge variation are now completed. Drafting of preliminary decisions made by the Planning Committee on the Proposed Plan as well as the two variations is in progress. At the time of writing this report draft decisions on the first two sections of the Proposed Plan have been completed and the Proposed Plan amended accordingly. The creation of a "changes-highlighted" version of the Proposed Plan simultaneously with the drafting of decisions is considered a useful exercise to ensure decisions are consistent.

## • **Environmental Development**

**June 2005**

### **International Real Nappy Week**

Between the 20<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> of June 2005 it is international Real Nappy week. The Real Nappy week was started in the UK to highlight the issue surrounding disposable nappies and to promote the alternatives that exist and thus reduce waste to landfill and save parents money in the process.

The issue of disposable nappies being disposed of in landfills is a significant one both in Kaikoura and throughout the world. Wellington City Council estimates that 6% of volumes to landfill are disposable nappies. It is estimated in Kaikoura that 353,000 nappies are sent to landfill each year, while in Australia 2.2 million disposable nappies are sent to landfill each day!

The problem with disposing of nappies to landfill is the time they take to break down, 500 years to decompose. Prior to breaking down they produce leachate and are a health hazard harbouring up to 100 different viruses and if the child has recently been vaccinated can include live polio vaccine, which can survive for up to 2 weeks. Equivalent waste from hospitals is treated as clinical waste and is not deemed safe to be dumped in landfills sites.

Parts of the nappy do breakdown (including the urine and faeces) which gives off gases including methane. Methane is a major greenhouse gas thus disposable nappies also contribute to global warming. In addition to end of life issues, disposable nappies use 3.5 times more energy, 8 times more non-renewable raw materials and 90 times more renewable materials than reusable nappies and to produce one disposable nappy uses as much energy as washing a cloth nappy 200 times.

There are a number of alternatives available in New Zealand, made of cloth materials that are washable and thereby reusable as follows:

- *Flat whites*, made of cotton or flannelette squares, these are the traditional cloth nappies and can also come in the form of “prefolds” which are a rectangular shaped nappy with an absorbent panel sewn down the middle. Flat whites can be folded to fit most babies and fastened with safety pins, over these is a nappy cover.

While still an affordable option, they are not very convenient requiring soaking and they are not very practical for taking a baby out as they become uncomfortable for the baby extremely quickly.

- *Fitted nappies*, these are shaped to suit the baby perfectly ensuring no leaks and a comfortable fit. They have elastic in the legs and waist and have poppers or Velcro. They come in a range of sizes or one size fits all and can be boosted with additional absorbent pads for night-time or heavy wetters, they also need an external cover.
- *All in one*, a shaped absorbent nappy with a waterproof cover built in, the all in one is fastened with either Velcro or snaps. Like the fitted nappy they come in various sizes from birth to toddler with some being size adjustable so they grow with the baby.
- *Pocket nappies*, these are similar to the all in one and have a cover sewn together to form a pocket as the name suggests. The pocket is stuffed with an absorbent material such as flat white nappies or a pre-sewn stuffer, which gives the versatility of the all in one nappy with variable absorbency and a short drying time.

Unlike the flat white nappies, the newer style of nappy (fitted, all in one and pocket nappies) do not need to be soaked and can instead be “dry pailed” in a lidded bucket before the nappies are pre rinsed and then washed at 60° in a washing machine. Meaning the nappies are as convenient as disposable nappies and beginning to remove a major problem from Kaikoura’s landfill.

The other major benefit of the washable nappy is a cost saving. On average a child is in nappies for 2 and a half years and in that time uses 6840 nappies, if a parent uses only disposable nappies this will cost \$4055 per child plus wipes (59 cents per nappy).

With Cloth nappies there is a one off cost of around \$960 (14 cents per nappy) and as they can be reused for each new child their cost decreases with each new child. There is also a cost to launder cloth nappies however even if the nappies are 100% machine dried that only adds an additional 6.8 cents per nappy. Also when there are no more nappy wearing children in the house, washable nappies can be sold through trademe.co.nz, recouping some of the upfront cost.

As a community aiming to be zero waste, both Council and Innovative Waste Kaikoura need to be promoting the use of reusable nappies to reduce the numbers being sent to landfill and the Environmental Development Officer has promoted this issue on his monthly radio show.

An additional measure that council could become involved in is to provide an incentive to mothers to at least try a cloth nappy. An example of such an incentive would be for council to provide a coupon to parents, which they could redeem with any of the real nappy companies to purchase one nappy and the Environmental Development Officer is currently discussing with The Nappy Network how to take this initiative forward.

### **Communities for Climate Protection**

As the committee is aware, in September 2004 Kaikoura District Council joined the Communities for Climate Protection programme. CCP is a government initiative to measure and improve a community's CO<sup>2</sup> emissions, by providing a strategic milestone framework, based on achieving 5 milestones:

1. Establishing an inventory and forecast for key sources of greenhouse emissions in council and the community.
2. Setting an emissions reduction goal
3. Developing an adopting a local greenhouse gas emissions action plan to achieve those reductions
4. implementing the local action plan
5. Monitoring and reporting on greenhouse gas emissions and implementing actions and measures.

The programme is divided into the corporate (or council) and the community and to date Council has successfully measured the emissions for the corporate area and received recognition to this effect in March of this year. At this stage we have been unable to complete the community measurement due to holds ups from the Communities for Climate Protection office.

A summary of the CO<sup>2</sup> emissions by Kaikoura District Council in 2001, 2004 and a projection to 2011 if we continue with "business as usual" is as follows:

<b>Sector</b>	<b>2001</b>		<b>2004</b>		<b>2011</b>	
	<b>Tonnes CO<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>% CO<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>Tonnes CO<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>% CO<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>Tonnes CO<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>% CO<sup>2</sup></b>
Buildings	28	13.2	31	10.7	38	8.8
Streetlights	78	37.3	71	25	96	22.5
Water/sewage	82	38.9	154	53.8	231	53.9

*Calculation derived from electricity used in services*

Employee commute	6	2.6	7	2.4	n/a	n/a
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*Calculation derived from staff surveys*

Vehicle Fleet	13	6.2	22	7.5	59	13.8
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*Calculation derived from fuel usage*

Waste	4	2	2	0.7	4	1
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*Calculation derived from waste generated by Council staff*

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<b>Total</b>	<b>210</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>286</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>428</b>	<b>100</b>
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As the committee can see there is projected to be a large increase in CO<sup>2</sup> emissions by council by 2011 unless action is taken now to prevent this. However this does not take into account the construction of council's new energy efficient building nor other planned actions.

The next step is to complete the inventory for the community sector and to then consider a goal that council may wish to reduce CO<sup>2</sup> by in Kaikoura, a full report will be presented to council at this time.

## • **Environmental Health**

### **1.0 General Environmental Health Issues:**

1.1 A number of enquiries were received during the period. All have been investigated and satisfactorily completed. These ranged from infectious disease notifications, food safety and food premises, nuisance conditions, and public health issues.

### **2.0 Liquor Act & Gaming Act:**

2.1 General Manager Licences received and processed – 7  
General Manager Renewals received and processed – 1

Special Licence - Creative Arts Council  
Kaikoura Boardriders

2.2 In line with recent changes to the Sale of Liquor Act, every person wishing to renew their general managers certificate must hold the LCQ (licensed controller qualification) unit standards qualification. Renewals received before 1<sup>st</sup> April 2006 will only be renewed for a period of two years (instead of three). Applications received after this time will not be renewed until the LCQ has been obtained. Advice and information on LCQ is given to applicants at the time of interview.

### **3.0 Infectious Diseases:**

3.1 There was one notifiable infectious disease reported in Kaikoura during May 2005.

- One case of Salmonellosis

A full assessment and interview was held with the affected person, in an attempt to determine the causal route. The completed questionnaire has been forwarded to the Medical Officer of Health.

#### **4.0 Registered Premises:**

4.1 An enquiry was received concerning requirements for mobile food deliveries from an existing food premises.

4.2 No registered premises were assessed during May, however a review of food premises, standards and general performance has been undertaken.

#### **5.0 Environmental Noise:**

5.1 No environmental noise complaints were received during May.

#### **6.0 Nuisances & General:**

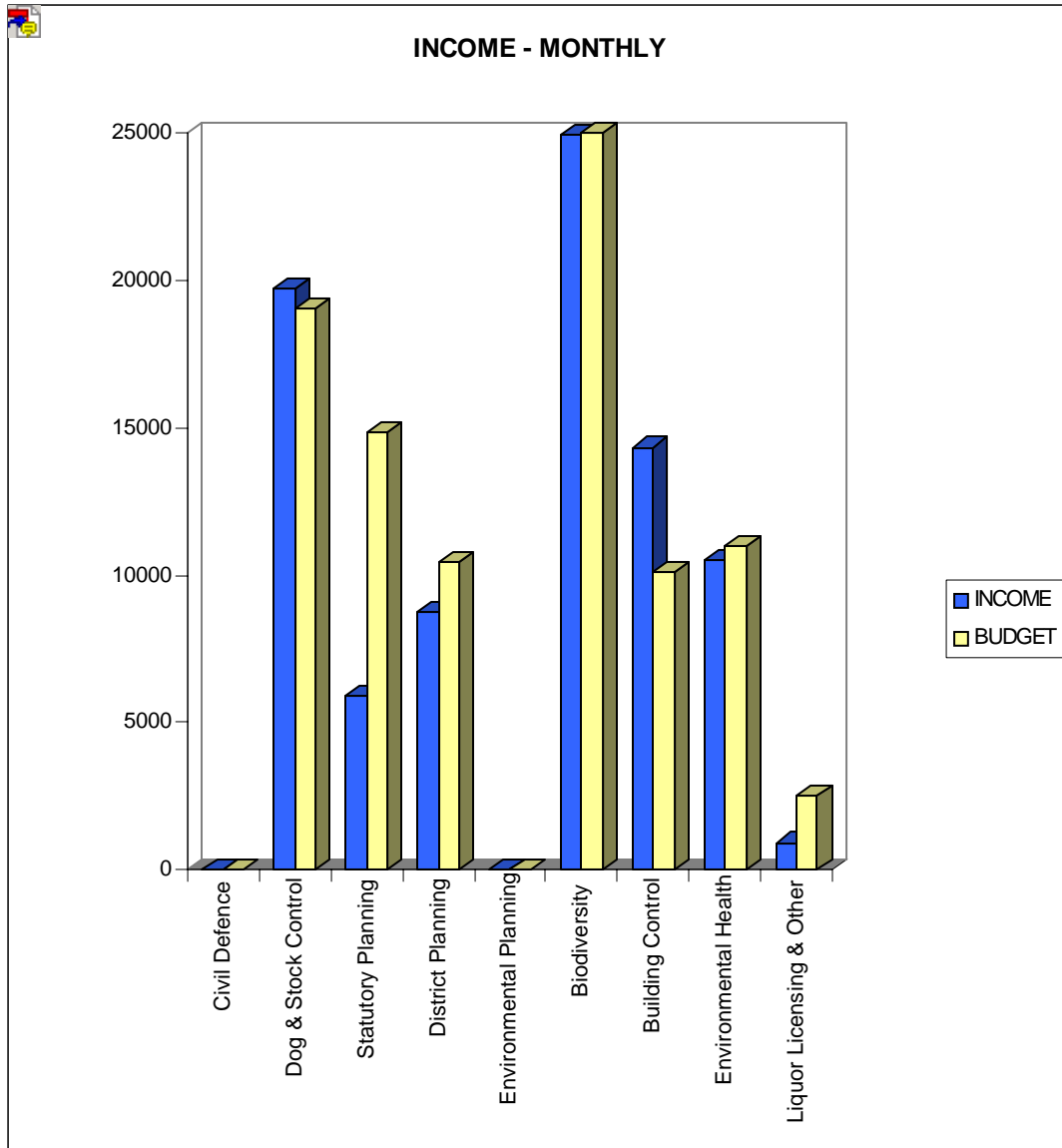
6.1 No nuisance complaints were received during May.

#### **7.0 Water Quality Monitoring:**

7.1 Please refer to the schedule for monitoring for May 2005.

7.2 In line with Council's requirements, a full Public Health Risk Management Programme (PHRMP) is currently being undertaken on all Council and Community drinking water supplies by David Shovel. In short a risk assessment approach is being adopted from source to tap. It is anticipated that the PHRMP will be completed by early June and submitted to the Ministry of Health for sign off and acceptance.

- **Environmental Services Budget Report**





• **Resource Consent Update List**

**RESOURCE CONSENT UPDATE LIST FOR THE PERIOD OF 11 MAY TO 10 JUNE 2005**

Resource consents decisions issued:

Type of Consent	Applicant	Address of Activity	New Lots Guest No.
Subdivision, create one additional allotment	Muir	231 Beach Road	1
Subdivision – three lots and	Jones	Puhi Puhi Valley	2

amalgamation		Road	
Land Use – erect 2 <sup>nd</sup> dwelling on 4ha block	Walford, D & D	Bay Paddock Road	-
Land Use – build dwelling with self contained unit	Rose, BD	50 Kotare Place	-
Land Use – visitor accommodation and signage	Kirk, RJ & R	49 Avoca Street	4
Land use consent – extend garage into road setback.	Going	6 Austin Street	-
Land Use - signs	Travis, D & R	7 Old Beach Road	

Active consent applications currently in process:

Type of Consent	Applicant	Address of Activity
Subdivision - Create 3 lots from 2 lots	Jackson WB & SM	42 Churchill Street
Subdivision & Land use- Create two lots are retain existing dwelling.	Midway Fleet Leasing Limited	State Highway 1, 19 Athelney Road and Mill Road
Subdivision & Land Use – 168 Lots and land use for allotments which are less than 1000m <sup>2</sup>	Seaview (Marlborough) Ltd	Main access Hasting Street
Subdivision & Land use- Create two lots and allow for additional dwelling.	Homewood Hill Limited	State Highway 1
Land Use – 18 Unit motel & signage	Fourmacs (Kaikoura) Ltd	45-47 Churchill Street
Subdivide into 2 lots	Taylor, AM & C	Grange Road
Land use consent – erect a workshop	D Jones	61 Beach Road
Land use consent – operate a pizza shop	Pizza Perfection	17 Beach Road
Land use consent – second dwelling on site.	M J Butler	41 Avoca Street
Subdivision consent: 2 Lots	Wilson	Station Road
Subdivision – to create 3 lots	TSL Properties	Cnr Beach Rd & Edmund Ave

Consent applications awaiting receipt of further information requested from applicant or on hold:

Type of Consent	Applicant	Address of Activity
Subdivision – Create 4 lots for 2 existing lots.	Print & Mansbridge	Inland Road
Land Use – Visitors Accommodation 12 Chalets	Mac Farlane	Kekerengu
Sign Consent	The Joiners Shop*	Beach Road
Signs Consent	Wilson*	State Highway 1, Hapuku
Land use: Additions to sleep out	Case	Peketa Road

within a flood hazard area.		
Subdivision- Separation of existing title	Matariki Farms	State Highway 1 Clarence
Subdivision – create two lots	E McLeod	79 South Bay Parade
Subdivision and Land Use - Subdivide into 2 lots, build dwelling.	Graham	Skevingtons Rd
Land use – Backpackers accommodation in Clarence	Tim Hawkins Family Trust	State Highway 1, Clarence Bridge
Subdivision & Land use consent – subdivide into 2 lots, build dwelling	BP & RA Hails	State Highway 1 , Hapuku
Land Use – Four wheel motor bike tours	Kaikoura Adventure Safaris	State Highway 1 Goose Bay
Subdivision and Land Use – Create 3 lots and erect dwellings.	Harnett Estate A.M	205 Bay Paddock Road
Subdivision – to create two allotments	Baxter	102-104 Beach Road
Subdivision and Land Use – Create 2 Lots and erection of dwelling	Kulnine Holdings Ltd.	Corner State Highway 1 and Kekerengu Road
Subdivision and Land Use – create allotments for each dwelling Lot size 4700m <sup>2</sup> .	Petersen TW & BM	Mill Road
Land Use – Retail	Pyne Gould Guinness	Cnr Beach Rd & Edmund Ave
Subdivision, create one additional allotment	Reader	State Highway 1, Meriburn
Sign Consent	Diesel Engineering	Beach Road
Signs Consent	Tutis Restaurant & Café Ltd	Westend
Sign Consent	The Woolshed - Davidson	Beach Road
Land Use – Holiday house in archaeological area	Hitchon	Paia Point
Subdivision, two lot in the business zone	Smith & Otahuna Investments Ltd	10-20 West End
Subdivision by way of boundary adjustment	KF & KF Rush	Mt Fyffe Road
Subdivide into 2 lots, build dwelling for visitor accommodation	JB Mc Innes & GA Atkins	35 State Highway 1
Subdivision and Land Use – 27 Lots	Cedar Properties Kaikoura Ltd	State Highway 1, Mangamaunu
Subdivision & Land use – Rural subdivision in Hapuku	Global property Investments Ltd	State Highway 1, Hapuku
Land Use – recession plane and relocate garage	Valkhoff & James	166A Beach Road
Land use consent – Visitors accommodation for 10 additional bed	PH & E Smith	37 Adelphi

Subdivision and land use consent, development of 24 unit hotel and unit titles – 44 visitor beds	Neumann Real Estate Ltd	72 Beach Road
Land use consent – second dwelling	MW BK Ensor	109 Torquay
Land use consent – retail fresh fish shop	D Jones	81 Beach Road

Consent applications subject to appeal under sections 120 and 358 of the Resource Management Act:

Type of Consent	Applicant	Address of Activity
Land Use Consent – Relocate Dwelling	Broadhurst	240 Beach Road
Subdivision Consent – Create an additional allotment	Morrissey	Grays Lane
Subdivision and Land Use – Consent	Kaikoura Residential Development	Mt Fyffe Road

Consent applications subject to objections under section 357 of the Resource Management Act: Nil

Consent applications subject to application for declaration under section 311 of the Resource Management Act: Nil

\* Denotes Retrospective Consent

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