

**REPORT OF THE KAIKOURA DISTRICT COUNCIL
WORKS & SERVICES MEETING HELD AT 9.00AM ON
WEDNESDAY 20th APRIL 2005 IN MEMORIAL HALL
SUPPER ROOM, ESPLANADE, KAIKOURA.**

PRESENT: Councillor Pablecheque (Chair), Mayor K Heays, Councillors B Seddon, M McChesney, J Diver, J Macphail, S Thomas, B Woods.

IN ATTENDANCE: S Grant (Chief Executive Officer), L Copping (Executive Officer), M Dasler (Connell Wagner), D Wyeth, J Doggett (Works Infrastructure).

1. MINUTES ACTION LIST UPDATE

Walkway Access – 20 Beach Road

The Chief Executive Officer advised Councils surveyors had been instructed to survey the site and proceed with the boundary adjustment.

2. WORKS & SERVICES REPORTS

a) Works & Services Report

The report was presented by M Dasler.

Urban Water Supply

M Dasler advised water demand over March had been affected by the amount of rainfall, and limited by the amount of water available from the alternative bore. He advised for a few days toward the end of March when levels were extremely low, Works Infrastructure were instructed to manually open and close the valves to the reservoirs to avoid water shutdowns.

M Dasler advised there had been a fault with a flapper valve at the Mill Road pump station since the agenda went to print, however this had now been fixed.

Kaikoura Water Supply Renewal

M Dasler advised the tender period for the water renewal contract closed on 1 April 2005 and of the three contractors invited to tender, Works Infrastructure were the sole contractors to submit a final tender. It was noted that the water renewal work planned for Bayview Street would be tendered as part of the overall Bayview Upgrade contract.

The contract was therefore awarded to Works Infrastructure with construction expected to be well under way within the coming month.

Sewage Treatment

M Dasler advised works undertaken in February to extend the overflow basin had been seen to have had a positive effect on both pond level and dissolved oxygen levels.

Sewage Treatment Upgrades

M Dasler advised contractors were on site and hoped to complete the project within the allocated schedule.

Operation & Maintenance Contracts

Councillor Diver declared an interest in the Operation & Maintenance Contracts.

Water, Stormwater and Sewer Contract

Tenders for the five-year contract for the operation and maintenance of the water, stormwater and sewer schemes in the district closed on 6 April. Fulton Hogan had the highest overall grade and in accordance with the Weighted Attribute Method, the contract was awarded to Fulton Hogan for \$1,256,000.20 including provisional sums and estimated dayworks schedule.

It was noted the contract sum for the existing contract had been \$973,912.64, however total expenditure on the contract to date including all variations and additional works had been approximately \$1,500,000.

Councillor Seddon expressed concern at the increase in spending on the contract over the past five year period.

M Dasler advised a lot more work had been undertaken than had been allowed for in the old contract. He advised there were times when Connell Wagner instructed Works Infrastructure to undertake jobs outside of their contract.

The Chief Executive Officer advised the contract was purely a day to day maintenance operations contract, and not for ongoing upgrade works.

Parks & Reserves Contract

M Dasler advised the five-year contract for the operation and maintenance of parks and reserves within the district had been tendered. He advised as the contract was less complex than the water/stormwater and sewer contract, the lowest price was accepted. Tender prices ranged from \$504,495.00 to \$1,500,000 and the contract was awarded to Roche Contracting Ltd for \$504,495.00 (including provisional sums).

Councillor Woods asked if Council had a procedure should a contractors work become unsatisfactory.

The Chief Executive Officer advised contracts were standard based. He advised if there was non-performance there were remedies within the contract for resolving such issues. He further advised if performance was very poor the contract could be terminated. If the contractor went out of business during the contract, the contract could be retendered, however the contract would need to be looked at closely as to penalties.

It was noted the new contract differed from the current contract and did not include tasks associated with litter control, playground, tree and garden maintenance. The Chief Executive Officer advised they would either be contracted out or undertaken in-house.

Public Convenience Contract

The five-year contract for the operation and maintenance of public conveniences within the district closed on 6 April and was awarded to Metallic Sweeping Ltd for \$249,405.40 (including provisional sums).

M Dasler advised Metallic Sweeping Ltd were an experienced company and were responsible for all public convenience cleaning on Banks Peninsula and bus stops and shelters within Christchurch.

Councillor Diver asked if the new contract provided a 7 day per week service and asked M Dasler to outline the summer/winter cleaning regime to the Committee.

M Dasler advised the town centre was cleaned twice a day in the summer period and once a day in winter.

Councillor Diver asked if the new contractors would be required to spiderproof toilet blocks as he had received a lot of complaints regarding spiders. M Dasler advised the new contract included the cleaning of ceilings, whereas in the previous contract, ceilings were not specified.

Councillor Diver asked if there was a timeframe for cleaning graffiti and further advised he had been advised new graffiti had appeared at the town toilets. M Dasler advised vandalism, including graffiti fell outside of the cleaning contract and advised he would check the town toilets following the meeting.

b) Roothing

The roading report was presented by M Dasler.

Councillor McChesney asked who paid for roading repairs where bitumen was ruined by cows belonging to dairy farmers. The Chief Executive Officer advised Council was currently liaising with local dairy farmers. A letter had recently been sent out to

farmers M Fletcher was due to meet with them to work through the issues.

Footpath Upgrades

M Dasler advised work on footpath upgrades was progressing well with work in both Kiwi and Hastings Streets substantially complete and work on Torquay Street progressing well.

West End Upgrade

Councillor Woods enquired what was happening with the walkway under the new bridge. The Chief Executive Officer advised options were currently being looked at.

Councillor Seddon advised he felt it was essential that the second bridge be placed and believed it would not be until it was placed that the West End Upgrade could be considered completed.

Councilor Woods asked if a recycling station would be erected as part of the upgrade, and if so, when. The Chief Executive Officer advised Council's Environmental Development Officer was currently getting prices for aesthetically appealing recycling stations, further advising rubbish bins would also be included. He advised approximately 7 sites had been identified and were as follows:

- Lyell Creek Carpark
- New Walkway (town side of the new bridge)
- Amphitheatre
- Information Centre
- Point Keen Seal Colony
- 2 other sites yet to be advised

Davidson Terrace Walkway

M Dasler advised pedestrian counts had been carried out between early April and as expected the main concentration of pedestrians had occurred between 3-3.30pm.

Councillor McChesney suggested the count would have more weight if there was a figure for it to be compared by.

The Chief Executive Officer advised once the Adelphi Terrace Walkway was completed a further survey may be undertaken.

Moa Point Seawall

M Dasler advised he had been instructed to complete all documentation for the Moa Point Seawall and lodge it with Environment Canterbury. He advised the process required an environmental assessment by an environmental and coastal scientist and as a result Derek Todd Environmental and Coastal Consulting had been engaged. A report was expected to be completed by mid-May 2005. M Dasler advised Derek Todd

Environmental and Coastal Consulting had been engaged for other seawalls recently constructed around The Esplanade.

Railway Crossing – Hapuku

Mayor Heays asked M Dasler if he could chase up the rail crossing on Old Beach Road, Hapuku as it was still in a very poor state. He advised the railway crossing at the north end of the settlement had been fully upgraded, however it was the south end that required upgrading as this was the end used mostly by residents.

Moved by Councillor Seddon, seconded by Councillor McChesney and resolved that the Works & Services Reports be received.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 10.15am.