

**REPORT OF THE KAIKOURA DISTRICT COUNCIL
WORKS & SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD AT
9.00AM ON THURSDAY 20 APRIL 2006 IN THE
MEMORIAL HALL SUPPER ROOM, ESPLANADE,
KAIKOURA.**

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

IN ATTENDANCE: S Grant (Chief Executive Officer), L Copping (Executive Officer), G Saily (Asset Manager), M Roberts-Saily (Asset Manager), M Fletcher (Connell Wagner).

1. MATTERS TO BE RAISED AS URGENT BUSINESS

1. Regional Land Transport Committee Meeting (Councillor Seddon)
2. Davidson Terrace Walkway (Councillor McChesney)

2. MINUTES ACTION UPDATE LIST

Pursue Funding Avenues for Lyell Creek Bridge

The Asset Manager was asked if he had been successful in seeking funding for Lyell Creek Bridge.

The Asset Manager advised while he was fully involved with implementation and construction of the bridge, he was not involved in seeking funding for the bridge.

Condition of Jimmy Armers Toilet Facility

The Asset Manager advised she was looking into upgrading the inside of this facility following an inspection which had shown some upgrading was required.

Re-sow Grass Berms

The Asset Manager advised flowers had been planted at Bayview Street with bark expected to be placed shortly.

Councillor Woods advised Innovative Waste Kaikoura had reasonable quality topsoil and suggested contractors be encouraged to use this topsoil. The Chief Executive Officer advise Innovative Waste Kaikoura would need to let contractors know they had topsoil available and for sale.

Middle Creek Bridge

The Asset Manager advised more investigations would be carried out following a recent inspection of Middle Creek Bridge.

West End Intersection

The Asset Manager advised he had spoken with B Stratton who had advised the redevelopment of the intersection was being implemented as per the plans approved by Council earlier in the year. Transit had advised they would be painting over the existing car park markings as no waterblaster had been available at the time the upgrade took place.

Councillor Woods advised she believed the newly developed intersection appeared to be working well with the existing parking spaces not removed and suggested the parks be retained.

Councillor Diver felt there was not a problem at the intersection.

Councillor Macphail advised he was happy for the intersection to remain as it was to date with the existing parking spaces retained.

Councillor Thomas advised he had spoken to local taxi drivers who felt the intersection was flowing smoothly, however he felt the carparks on the Lyell Creek side of the West End should be removed as a safety issue rather than for traffic flow. He further noted the U-turn sign had not been replaced.

Councillor McChesney advised she believed the intersection was working well however the big test would be when the next rush of tourists arrived.

Councillor Seddon felt there was no difference between the old and new intersection however he felt the carparks near Lyell Creek were an issue as they were too tight and needed to be removed.

Mayor Heays advised Council had originally agreed on the island being moved to create two lanes out of the West end including the removal of carparks, for a trial period. He believed the intersection should have been redeveloped the way Council had agreed on and that Council should stick to the design it had decided on as a Council two months earlier, on a trial basis, as agreed at that time.

The Chief Executive Officer advised Council had agreed on a particular course of action when approving Transit's plans. If Council wished to reverse that action then it would need to be placed on the agenda in order for Council to make any changes.

Moved by Councillor Diver, seconded by Councillor Macphail and resolved that a motion be included in the May 2006 Works & Services agenda to rescind the resolution of 21 December 2005 wherein Council approve Transit New Zealand's State Highway 1/West End Intersection concept for a trial period.

Against:

***Mayor Heays
Councillor Seddon
Councillor McChesney***

The Asset Manager advised in the meantime he would inform Transit to stop any further works.

Closed Circuit Cameras

The Asset Manager advised a closed circuit camera was expected to be installed by 1st May 2006.

Mayor Heays asked if it would be movable from site to site and was advised it would not be removable. Mayor Heays advised he did not believe that was what Council had requested.

The Chief Executive Officer advised Council had earlier discussed obtaining removable cameras however there had been issues with wiring and cords.

Meeting with Works Infrastructure South Island Manager

It was noted a meeting to be arranged by M Fletcher between Works Infrastructure South Island Manager and Councillors Pablecheque and Seddon was still to be held.

3. REPORTS

a) Works & Services

The Asset Manager presented the report.

Kincaid Water Supply

The Asset Manager advised a joint public meeting and Annual General Meeting had been held on 6th April. A report, along with a presentation of the water model was given at the meeting by Council's Asset Manager.

Public Toilets

The Asset Manager advised she had been in contact with Council's contractor to resolve the issue of running out of toilet tissue during the busy Easter period at the West End facility

The new toilet facility situated to the north of the town was still awaiting final approval from Transit in terms of parking. The Asset Manager suggested the toilet be connected if no response was received by Transit by the end of April, along with appropriate signage.

Lyell Creek Bridge

The Asset Manager advised four contractors had been invited to tender for the fabrication of the bridge however only 1 tender had been received back, from Works Infrastructure. He expected the tender to be awarded.

Councillor Diver asked if a starting date for the bridge was available. The Chief Executive Officer advised the bridge could be subject to possible resource consent issues. He advised discussions had been held with Environment Canterbury as to the necessity of a consent. Before the old bridge was removed there was the potential for Council to repair

it rather than remove it which did not require a consent. The bridge was subsequently removed at the request of Environment Canterbury to enable them to undertake flood protection works, however Environment Canterbury were now saying that Council no longer had the rights to erect a new bridge because the old bridge had been removed so long ago. He advised Council's Planning Officer considered the bridge could be covered under the West End upgrade resource consent. The Chief Executive Officer advised he may need to speak with Environment Canterbury's Chief Executive Officer to clarify matters.

The Asset Manager advised he had recently met with the Lions who had come up with proposals for enhancing the sea side of the bridge.

Councillor Seddon advised he believed it was a good offer as the Lions were prepared to put in some bench seats and a plaque.

b) Roding

The Roding report was presented by M Dasler.

Scarborough Street

Mayor Heays advised road markings appeared to have been omitted following the resealing of Scarborough Street. M Dasler advised he was aware there was various options to realign the markings and suggested the matter be followed up with M Fletcher.

Councillor Macphail noted there was a real need for the road markings to be reinstated on Scarborough Street following the reseal as it was an extremely busy Street.

The Chief Executive Officer advised he believed Council's Environmental Development Officer was presently working with landowners and looking into potential walkways up Scarborough Street being developed by volunteer group British Trust Conservation Volunteers on their next volunteer assignment to Kaikoura.

Condition of Shingle Roads

Councillor Diver expressed concern at the condition of roading at the top end of Mt Fyffe Road, Topline Road, and Brunnels Road from the end of the tarseal on Mt Fyffe Road to the chlorine shed. He asked how much shingle each road should have as the problem never appeared to be fixed, further noting it appeared there did not seem to be enough guts in the road to be graded. Councillor Diver requested a report from M Fletcher on gravelling and rutting in this area be provided at the next meeting.

Moa Point Seawall

The Chief Executive Officer advised a list of affected parties had finally been provided by Environment Canterbury and Council was now working through dealing with each party.

Councillor Woods asked how active the South Bay Ratepayers Association was. The Asset Manager advised it appeared they were not

happy with the height of the wall and they were of the belief that the height of the wall was going to block their views. He advised the height of the wall had been pegged out in order for them to clearly see it would not affect their views. The Asset Manager advised himself and M Dasler were scheduled to meet with them later in the day to answer any concerns or questions. M Dasler advised he believed the Ratepayer Association had recently reinvented itself however there were also others outside of the group that were expressing concerns.

The Asset Manager provided a copy of the Seawall plans advising it was a cross section example showing the water level and how much the wall would go above the existing ground level. M Dasler advised it was a wall designed to do nothing other than protect the existing bank line.

Councillor Diver noted it was the same plan that was shown to fishermen some three years earlier so should not be a surprise to them.

Streetlighting

Councillor Woods asked for a breakdown of what stage 4 of the Streetlight ungrading included. The Chief Executive Officer advised it was primarily the replacement of old light fittings.

Report on Capital Projects

A report on Councils capital projects outlining the following was included in the agenda and presented by M Dasler:

- Oxidation Pond Desludging
- Oxidation Pond Inlet Screen
- Trunk Sewer Construction
- Upgrade to New Water Source
- Annual Watermain Renewals and Upgrades

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

4. URGENT BUSINESS

1. Regional Land Transport Committee Meeting

Councillor Seddon advised at a recent meeting he had attended he had raised the issue that many districts had problems where funding was insufficient to have subsidies on it and noted Old Beach Road as an example for the Kaikoura district.

He advised the outcome from a recent Mayoral Forum had shown a joint approach from Councils with many outlining their main problems in terms of subsidies to see if there was a common thread.

Councillor Seddon advised it had been one of the most interesting meetings he had attended and suggested after the present triennial term Council's Mayor should perhaps attend future meetings.

2. Davidson Terrace

Councillor McChesney advised she wished to raise this matter in light of the recent accident where a young man was hit by a train while crossing the track at Davidson Terrace and noted pedestrian use of Davidson Terrace had been discussed for the past three years. She advised the railway line by Davidson Terrace was used every day by pedestrians and noted the fence had been removed.

The Chief Executive Officer advised in other areas there were signs warning people they would be fined for walking on tracks. He suggested if fencing was required discussions would need to take place with On Track.

Councillor McChesney requested Davidson Terrace walkway be placed on the May agenda and asked Council to reconsider this matter and re-look at an earlier \$40,000 option produced by Connell Wagner.

The Chief Executive Officer advised this matter would be revisited and included in the May agenda where Council could decide whether it wished to take the matter forward or not.

5. PUBLIC EXCLUDED SESSION

Moved by Councillor Woods, seconded by Councillor Macphail that the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting, namely

a. Desludging of Oxidation Ponds- Tender Report

The general subject matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter, and the specific grounds under Section 48(1) and 7(2)(i) of the Local Government Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution are as follows:

General subject of each to be considered	Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Grounds of the Act under which this resolution is made
Desludging of Oxidation Ponds – Tender Report	The exclusion of the public from the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting is necessary to enable the Local Authority to deliberate in private on its decision or recommendation.	Section 48(1)(a) and 7(2)(b)

There being no further business the meeting closed at 10.58am.