

REPORT OF THE KAIKOURA DISTRICT COUNCIL WORKS & SERVICES MEETING HELD AT 9.00AM ON WEDNESDAY 16 AUGUST 2006 IN THE MEMORIAL HALL SUPPER ROOM, ESPLANADE, KAIKOURA.

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

IN ATTENDANCE: S Grant (Chief Executive Officer), J Woodgate (Committee Secretary), G Saily (Asset Manager), M Roberts-Saily (Asset Manager), J Doggett (Works Infrastructure)

LEAVE OF ABSENCE: Councillor B Woods

1. MATTERS ARISING FROM REPORT OF 20/07/2006

Councillor Seddon enquired as to the progress with rural water supply funding in which the Asset Manager responded that Council had made a submission to the Ministry.

2. REPORTS

a) Works & Services

The Asset Manager reported that there had been no major problems with the water supply system. There had been a slight increase in usage from the previous month at which point the alternate bore was used.

New Water Source

The Asset Manager advised work had now recommenced on the new water source with contractors back on site. A final decision from Environment Canterbury on consent conditions was now awaited.

Public Toilet Facilities

Councillor Thomas enquired as to whether there had been any vandalism since the security cameras were installed at the public toilets located in the West End. The Asset Manager assured Councillors the cameras appeared to be working extremely well as a deterrent and there had been no vandalism since their installation.

Mayor Heays commented he had received a complaint regarding the state of the public toilets in the West End. He followed up this complaint by personally visiting the facility and believed they were in a clean and tidy state; the only outstanding problem being a couple of latches broken. In response to this the Asset Manager said that most of the mess around this facility was caused by the general public with food wrappers being dropped. She advised the contracted cleaner took care of the toilets and was expected to report back on a weekly basis.

Lyell Creek Footbridge

It was reported by the Asset Manager that the footbridge located in the West End was completed subject to lighting installation to be completed.

Davidson Terrace Walkway

The Asset Manager advised work on the underpass was continue and it was expected to be completed by the end of August 2006.

b) Roding

Council Engineers received a report from Connell Wagner stating there were three bridges around the township requiring replacement as follows:

- Middle Creek on Old Beach Road
- McInness Bridge on Puhī Puhī Road
- Jordan Bridge on Puhī Puhī Road

This work should be carried out in the 2007 financial year.

Mayor Heays enquired whether Council had budgeted for the bridge replacement programme. The Chief Executive Officer responded that at this stage he was unable to comment, however in light of what Land Transport had said recently Council was not eligible for the replacement subsidy and as a result Connell Wagner had re-priced the contract as a maintenance project.

The Chief Executive Officer responded to a query from Councillor Thomas stating that bridge replacement was purely an economic issue, not a safety concern for which Council could be liable for.

Traffic Counting Programme

The traffic count was received for the month of July for Scarborough Street and the Mt Fyffe end of Red Swamp Rd.

Red Swamp Rd recorded an increase of 5.3% since the last count. This was considered a steady increase but still on the smaller scale while Scarborough Street noted an increase of 24%.

Mayor Heays asked Councils Engineer if the increase in traffic for Scarborough St would justify upgrading of the road. The Asset Manager advised increased vehicle usage did not qualify for upgrading.

Councillor Macphail expressed concern regarding pedestrians using Scarborough Street and questioned if it would be possible to link up a walking track for Scarborough Street for safety reasons. The Asset Manager suggested extending a footpath from Toms Track to the Scarborough Street junction.

A decision would be made by Council in October 2006 as to which roads it wished to gravel as part of its gravel maintenance programme.

Stock Effluent on Council Roads

The Chief Executive Officer advised Council Engineers had been investigating a product called Cows Tacks. He believed it was a very light, durable product used to spread across the road and seemed to work well in other areas. Council would look into it further to see if it could be implemented in Kaikoura.

3. WEST END UPGRADE

The Chief Executive Officer asked for opinions from around the table as to whether to push for more beautification work in the West End.. He advised Council had around \$300,000.00 to spend on this project if there was an interest in it.

Received were three Council votes to push on with upgrading work in the West End. Councillor Seddon preferred that the rural roads be fixed in combination with this.

Moved by Councillor Macphail, seconded by Councillor Diver and resolved that a West End working party be formed to continue on with the beautification work.

The Chief Executive Officer asked Councillors if they wished to approach community members to be on this working party.

Moved by Councillor Diver, seconded by Councillor McChesney and resolved that the working party be given authority to appoint new members as they see fit.

Councillor Pablecheque reported that Councillor Seddon, the Chief Executive Officer, Council Engineers and himself had been involved in a very positive meeting with Works Infrastructure the previous day. Many issues were discussed to help both parties move forward with the districts roads and as a result consideration was now being given to perhaps make up an official register for complaints.

Councillor Seddon advised he believed Works Infrastructure needed to prove that they were capable of carrying on the contract for the districts roads as at this stage he did not believe they were up to scratch.

There was an enquiry from Councillor McChesney as to whether M Fletcher from Connell Wager was still involved in the districts roading. The Chief Executive Officer responded that Councils Asset Manager G Saidy had taken over the majority of the roading contract however Connell Wagner would still be involved in any

major design projects. From now on G Saïdy would be the first port of call for any enquiries.

Moved by Mayor Heays, seconded by Councilor McChesney and resolved that the Works & Services reports be received.

4. COUNCIL PUBLIC EXCLUDED SESSION

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

- a) Tender Evaluation – South Bay Footpath Extension
- b) Ludstone Road Wastewater Pumpstation & Rising Main

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
Tender Evaluation – South Bay Footpath Extension.	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)
Ludstone Road Wastewater Pumpstation & Rising Main.	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 9.47am