



UNCONFIRMED Minutes
of the
Infrastructure Committee
Ordinary Meeting

Date 11 November 2015
Venue Council Chamber
515 Mackay Street
Thames

Present

PA Brljevich (Chairperson)

LA Fox
JT Wells

SA Goudie
Board Chair Renton

In attendance

Name

Bruce Hinson, Matt Busch, Steve Bremner, Sam Edlin, Drew Mehrtens, Ariana Wickliffe

Meeting commenced 09:00

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1 Meeting Conduct

1.1 Apologies

Resolved

That the Infrastructure Committee receives the apology from Deputy Mayor French for the 11 November 2015 Infrastructure Committee meeting.

Moved/seconded by: Wells/Goudie

1.2 Public forum

There were no speakers at the public forum.

1.3 Items not on the agenda

No further items were added to the agenda.

1.4 Conflict of interest

No conflicts of interests were declared.

1.5 30 September 2015 - Infrastructure Committee minutes for confirmation

Resolved

That the Infrastructure Committee confirms the minutes of the Infrastructure Committee meeting held on 30 September 2015 as a correct record of proceedings.

Moved/seconded by: Brljevich/Fox

3.3 Victoria Court Stormwater outlet funding

The Victoria Court Stormwater outlet funding report was taken at this time to enable Board Chair Renton to convey comments on the options included in the project.

Staff asked the Infrastructure Committee to consider whether to fund, from the district stormwater activity, the additional costs required to extend the Victoria Court/Vista Paku stormwater system and to comply with Council's comprehensive stormwater discharge consent.

Board Chair Renton noted that the Community Board had tried several attempts to resolve the issues raised property owners of the affected area and concerned ratepayers of the Pauanui community. Board Chair Renton commented that the Board favoured the option of extending the outlet pipe to the edge of the reserve, approximately 20 metres in length. He noted that the consent's standards were based on heavy traffic volumes and a higher threshold aimed more specifically at urban density areas.

Board Chair Renton tabled photos of the current state of the stormwater system and the benefits of the enviropod treatment device. Board Chair Renton advised the Committee that the preferred option suggested in the report could be achieved for a much lower cost. He explained that he had investigated and performed his own cost analysis of the project and provided a much lower price than what was quoted in the report. He noted that the Board was not convinced that the staff had considered all options available to them.

Chair Brljevich asked where staff sourced the quotes for the options described in the report. Staff responded that they were figures supplied from contractors used in the past.

Resolved

That the Infrastructure Committee:

1. Receives the 'Victoria Court Stormwater Outlet' report, dated 2 November 2015.
2. Recommends to Council to extend the pipe using option two - extend existing pipe to edge of reserve (approximately length = 25m) and install enviropods (catchpit filters) in catchpits to remove contaminants.
3. Instructs staff to refine the budget for Council approval at the February Council meeting.

Moved/seconded by: Goudie/Brljevich

2 Rooding

2.1 Budget request - Longreach Development access road

Staff sought a recommendation from the Infrastructure Committee to Council for a new budget line for the 'Longreach Development Access Road' of \$95,000 in the 2015/16 rooding operation expenditure budgets.

Resolved

That the Infrastructure Committee:

1. Receives the 'Budget request - Longreach Development access road' report, dated 27 October 2015.
2. Recommends Council approve a new budget for the 'Longreach Development access road' of \$95,000 in the 2015/16 Rooding operational expenditure budgets.

Moved/seconded by: Brljevich/Fox

2.2 Karaka Mountain bike track bridge structures

Staff sought to obtain an endorsement from the Infrastructure Committee of a proposed bridge structure design and approval to undertake the works on legal (paper) road vested in Council. Chair Brljevich noted that under the terms of reference the Committee did not have a delegation to accept the gifting of the structure.

Resolved

That the Infrastructure Committee:

1. Receives the 'Karaka Mountain Bike Track Bridge Structures' report, dated 4

- November 2015.
2. Grants approval to undertake the structure associated with the Karaka Mountain track on legal road.
 3. Recommends that Council accepts the gifting of the structures upon completion.

Moved/seconded by: Goudie/Fox

3 Water Services

3.1 2015-2016 Water Supply renewals budget

Staff informed the Committee of additional capital works requiring a review of the water renewal budget in the current financial year and sought approval for additional funding.

Resolved

That the Infrastructure Committee:

1. Receives the '2015-2016 Water Supply renewals budget' report, 2 November 2015.
2. Recommends to Council to approve the following additional funding in 2015/16:

	Description	Justification	Estimate (excl GST)
1	Whitianga WTP Chlorine Controller/PACL Pump Renewal	Critical. Water quality compliance issue if not renewed.	\$5,000
2	Richmond Street Re-lining	Critical main offline and there is a likelihood that levels of service will not be able to be maintained if there is an interruption elsewhere in the network.	\$40,000
3	Whitianga Filter Media Replacement	Critical. Currently operating with reduced volume of filter media with labour intensive recovery process. May be able to operate under these conditions until July 2016 but there is a risk of non-compliance if conditions worsen.	\$80,000
4	Replacement of Timber Tank Reservoir Lining	Annual inspection with supplier has identified maintenance requirements (Report Pending). Included is an initial evaluation that two liners need replacement.	\$10,000
5	Matarangi WTP Additional VSD for process pumps	Could be delayed. One VSD is currently serving two pumps which is considered a significant risk.	\$5,000
6	Tairua WTP Installation of backwash tank	Critical. Council audit has determined this work to be unsafe for WTP operators and is required for compliance.	\$5,000
7	Tairua WTP Air Compressor	Critical. The air compressor is nearing failure and has failed a Council audit. This critical to continue the WTP operating and backwashing.	\$4,000
8	Reservoir roof access safety ladders at Insha Alah, Onemana WTP, Moewai A	The Occupational Health and Safety requirements have been identified during a recent reservoir and integrity audit conducted by Veolia and Timbertanks Ltd.	\$10,000

	Description	Justification	Estimate (excl GST)
		Total	\$159,000

Moved/seconded by: Goudie/Fox

3.2 Biosolids Composter Update

Staff provided the Committee with the quarterly update on the operation of the Whitianga Biosolids composting plant operating on a fixed trial basis.

Darren Teulon, Water Service Engineer noted that since the last update, Veolia had been appointed as the contractor. Councillor Goudie asked how much would the top-soil cost for a trailer load. Mr Teulon responded that the costing would not be considered until after the independent audit was completed by Waikato Regional Council (WRC). He explained if the audit was approved by WRC, Council would be in a better position to produce top-soil from the compost and utilise the product for other uses.

Resolved

That the Infrastructure Committee receives the 'Biosolids Composter update report', dated 27 October 2015.

Moved/seconded by: Goudie/Fox

4 Solid Waste

4.1 Whangapoua moloks drop-off facility

The Infrastructure Committee was presented with the Mercury Bay Community Board recommendation to remove the existing Whangapoua moloks. Staff asked the Committee to endorse the Mercury Bay Community Board decision to Council on the future of the facility. Staff noted that the moloks would not be removed this summer as a strong communication plan was required to inform the community prior to ending the operation. As the season was fast approaching the Committee agreed that this would be the most appropriate course of action.

Resolved

That the Infrastructure Committee:

1. Receives the 'Whangapoua Molok Drop-off Facility' report, dated 27 October 2015.
2. Recommends to Council that the existing Moloks facility located on the reserve are removed, as recommended by the Mercury Bay Community Board.
3. Recommends to Council that the reserve is reinstated and signage is installed to confirm the removal of the facility, state the collection days and the solid waste facilities available for both peak and non-peak periods.

Moved/seconded by: Goudie /Wells

5 Reports

5.1 September 2015 - Infrastructure Committee Action Schedule

The Infrastructure Committee was provided with the updated action schedule. The Committee noted that the stormwater issues in Sarah Avenue could be removed from the schedule.

Councillor Goudie requested the existing use rights be more explicit to say existing use rights for Council Infrastructure. She also noted issues with coastal erosion at Otatahu Bay commonly occurring due to digging of the sand dunes. Staff noted they would investigate the area.

Resolved

That the Infrastructure Committee receives the September 2015 - Infrastructure Committee Action Schedule' report dated 3 November 2015.

Moved/seconded by: Goudie/Wells

5.2 November 2015 - Infrastructure Group Manager

Infrastructure Group Manager, Bruce Hinson provided the Committee on progress of key activities across the group. He took the opportunity to introduce the new Solid Waste Manager, David Lindsay.

Resolved

That the Infrastructure Committee receives the November 2015 - Infrastructure Group Manager Monthly' report, dated 30 October 2015.

Moved/seconded by: Brljevich/Wells

5.3 Contractor monthly reports - September 2015

The Infrastructure Committee was provided monthly reports from Council's roading, solid waste and water services contractors.

Resolved

That the Infrastructure Committee receive the 'Contractor Monthly Reports - September 2015' report, dated 2 November 2015.

Moved/seconded by: Goudie /Fox

5.4 Members' reports

The Chairperson invites members to provide a brief verbal report on activities undertaken and meetings attended in the period since the last meeting.

Resolved

That the Infrastructure Committee receives the Members' reports.

Moved/seconded by: Goudie/Brijevich

Meeting closed at 10:53

The foregoing minutes were certified as being a true and correct record of the meeting of the Infrastructure Committee held on 11 November 2015.

Chairperson _____ **Date** _____