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OPEN MINUTES

RESERVE MANAGEMENT PLAN SUBCOMMITTEE

Meeting Date: **Monday, 9 December 2013**

**Minutes of a Meeting of the Reserve Management Plan Subcommittee held on
9 December 2013 at 9.00am**

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HASTINGS DISTRICT COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE RESERVE MANAGEMENT PLAN SUBCOMMITTEE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, GROUND FLOOR, CIVIC ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, LYNDON ROAD EAST, HASTINGS ON MONDAY, 9 DECEMBER 2013 AT 9.00AM

PRESENT: Chair: Councillor Bradshaw
Councillors Hazlehurst, Heaps, Lester, Poulain and
Watkins

ALSO PRESENT: Parks and Property Services Manager (Mr C Hosford)
Parks Planning & Development Manager (Mrs R Stuart)
Parks Policy Planner (Mr C Freeman)
Committee Secretary (Mrs C Hunt)

IN ATTENDANCE: **Submitters:** Derek Brownrigg, Paddy Maloney and Jay
Tyler
Members of the public were also present in the gallery.

1. APOLOGIES

Councillor Lester/Councillor Hazlehurst

That apologies for absence from Councillor Kerr and apologies for lateness
from Councillor Watkins be accepted.

CARRIED RMP/1

2. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of conflicts of interest.

3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

There were no minutes to confirm.

4. WAIMARAMA RESERVE MANAGEMENT PLAN - HEARING OF SUBMISSIONS

The Parks Policy Planner, Mr Freeman displayed a powerpoint presentation
highlighting the following points:

- Waimarama Consultation
- Consultation Summary
- Waimarama Domain Development Summary
- Submissions received
- Remedy 1-8
- Proposed Action Plan

VERBAL SUBMISSIONS ON WAIMARAMA RESERVES MANAGEMENT PLAN

Submission No. 2 Derek Brownrigg, NZ Caravan Association circulated and read his evidence in support of his submission on the Waimarama Reserves Management Plan.

The main concerns highlighted were:

- The plan should not prohibit overnight camping.
- Include overnight camping on Waimarama Domain (southern section), Waingongoro Reserve (southern and proposed northern section) and Paparewa Reserve.

Councillor Watkins joined the meeting at 9.25am

- These three reserves be available for Freedom Camping to go out for full consultation.
- If vehicles and camper vans can legally park there during the day what is the harm in letting them stay short term overnight in self contained vehicles.
- The Subcommittee go on a site visit before any recommendations on Freedom Camping are passed.

Submission No. 3 Paddy Maloney tabled and spoke to his submission and highlighted the following:

- Commended aspects of the plan on recognition of Maori history of Waimarama.
- Commend the protection and restoration of the environment which is the theme that runs through the whole plan.
- Trees planted on the embankment to provide shade.
- Trees on embankment part of the problem for erosion on the bank and disagree with submitter who wants them reinstated.
- Important that embankment be protected.
- Ensure water diversion job is done as well as possible.
- If the cost of water diversion is greater than \$25,000 then funding should be provided from elsewhere.
- The plan addresses the excess water by seeking to channel part of the flow along the rear of the houses to the Paparewa Stream.
- Install additional public signs of reserves map and displayed at shop noticeboard and camping ground as well as the Reserve.
- Recommend that "No Fire" or "Fire Ban" signs be posted on the beach and reserves to discourage people from lighting fires.
- Water diversions be done properly to reduce the flow on the beach.
- Additional funding be diverted from other aspects from plan.

The Parks and Property Services Manager, Mr C Hosford advised that when specific projects were decided upon consultation would be undertaken with those directly affected.

Submission No. 7 Jay Tyler spoke to his submission and raised the following concerns:

- Surf Club beach access ramp encroaches on his property.

- Relocation not urgent but there is the opportunity to move it 10 metres to the south to avoid his land.
- Request any new storage sheds, buildings and surf watch tower avoid encroaching on views.
- Remove the proposed extension to the shingle car park in the playground as current carpark not used.
- Suggested not to use the clay bund for a walking route as could possibly damage the sand binding plants on the bund.
- In years to come the Waimarama Hall could be shifted to the Surf Club Domain, but supported leaving it in its current position.
- Questioned the necessity for elevated walkways on the bund.
- Outflow very rusty and flows out at any time of the day. Future outflows would have to be submerged.
- Supported removal of concrete seawall and blocks.
- Concrete blocks which are OK covered by sand but a lot of the time are ugly and do nothing to preserve the sand on the beach.
- Extend dogs on lead restrictions to 8.00am in the morning.

That concluded the verbal presentations by submitters and the Subcommittee proceeded to address each of the written submissions.

Written Submission No. 1 – Edward Rowan Taylor submitted that Council clean up the silver poplar trees, take the deer fence down and make a new road.

Mr Freeman advised that Council was in the process of undertaking this work at the present time.

Written Submission No. 4 – Civil Defence and Emergency Management submitted that the plan needed to provide for emergency exits across reserves in the event of a near source tsunami event.

Written Submission No. 6 - Diane Bolton submitted the following concerns:

- That the use of speed bumps in the Domain and Harper Road could be used to control speeding vehicles.
- Look at alternative stormwater discharge to the beach.
- No infill housing.
- Limit two storey buildings.
- Reserve signs hidden amongst HB Regional Council signs and difficult to see. Erect signs at entranceways and before go down to the beach.

Written Submission No. 7 – Susan Pedler submitted the following points:

- Retain the Memorial Hall in current location.
- Create a new entrance to Domain from Gilray Place.
- Control flooding to the Domain.
- Enhance the quality of streams, especially in the lagoon area.
- Plant for great amenity and shade.
- Create barriers and speed bumps to prevent using the Domain as a race track.

Written Submission No. 8 – Earl Hartstonge submitted the following points:

- Create new entrance from Gilray Place.
- Retain the Waimarama Hall in its present location.

- Ensure there is adequate water supply.

Written Submission No. 9 – Hastings District Council submitted that further consideration be given to the provision of a permanent built shade structure over the junior playground.

At this point the meeting agreed to address Recommendation L – Remedy 8: Section 1.7 Motorhomes and Camping while members of the NZ Motor Caravan Association Incorporation were present at the meeting.

Councillor Lester/Councillor Hazlehurst

L) REMEDY 8: SECTION 1.7 MOTORHOMES AND CAMPING

- A) That the submission of the NZ Motor Caravan Association Inc. (Submission 9/2) be allowed in part insofar as Council will publicly notify its intention to allow self-contained camping on the Waingongoro Reserve (northern and southern section), Waimarama Domain (southern section) and Paparewa Reserve.
- B) That it be recommended to Council that the extension of freedom camping at Waimarama go out for consultation.
- C) That consideration be given to the creation of a Freedom Camping Bylaw.

CARRIED RMP/2

*The meeting adjourned for morning tea at 10.30am
and reconvened at 10.45am*

4. WAIMARAMA RESERVE MANAGEMENT PLAN - HEARING OF SUBMISSIONS (contd.)

Councillor Lester/Councillor Hazlehurst

- A. That the report of the Parks Policy Planner titled “Waimarama Reserve Management Plan - Hearing of Submissions” dated 9/12/2013 be received.
- B. That the allocation of funds required to complete the unprogrammed capital works programme identified in the Action Plan, form part of the 2015/25 Long Term Plan priority considerations.
- C. That the submissions in general support of the Waimarama Reserve Management Plan received from P Maloney (Submission 9/3), S Pedler (Submissions 9/7) and E Hartstonge (Submission 9/8) and Hastings District Council (Submission 9/9) is acknowledged and allowed.
- D. That the submissions in support of the policies of the Plan, from the E Taylor (Submission 9/1), P Maloney (Submission 9/3), J Tyler (Submission 9/5) D Bolton (Submission 9/6), S Pedler (Submission 9/7), E Hartstonge (Submission 9/8) and Hastings District Council

(Submission 9/9) be allowed as no amendments to the Plan are recommended that would affect the policies they support.

E. REMEDY 1: SECTION 2.11 ACCESS

That the submission of Hastings District Council EMO (Submission 9/2) be allowed and that Section 3.6 (Natural Hazards) and Section 6 (Actions and Responsibilities) be amended to make provision for the installation of a marked walking route through the Domain to Gilray Place and Harper Road and sign posted to guide people to high ground in the event of a tsunami.

F. REMEDY 2: SECTION 5.10 ENCROACHMENTS

That the submission of J Tyler (Submission 9/5) be allowed and that Section 2.11 (Access) and Section 5.10 (Encroachments), be amended to identify Council's intention to work with the Surf Club to remedy this encroachment and retain beach access in the future.

G. REMEDY 3: SECTION 2.2 BUILDINGS AND STRUCTURES

That the submission of J Tyler (Submission 9/5) be allowed in part as Section 2.2.6 of the District Wide Reserve Management Plan already requires consideration of the impacts of visual or physical effects of new buildings on neighbouring properties.

H. REMEDY 4:SECTION WAIMARAMA DOMAIN LANDSCAPE PLAN A

That the submission of J Tyler (Submission 9/5) be allowed and the Landscape Concept Plan be amended to remove the proposed sealed car park.

I. REMEDY 5:SECTION 1.3 WALKING

That the submission of J Tyler (Submission 9/5) be allowed in part insofar as Policy 1.3.3 and Appendix 1 be amended to limit the section of proposed elevated walkway on the clay bund.

J. REMEDY 6: SECTION 2.11 (ACCESS)

That the submission of S Pedler (Submission 9/7) and D Bolton (Submission 9/6) be allowed in part insofar as the Landscape Concept Plan be amended to include traffic calming/pedestrian thresholds.

K. REMEDY 7: SECTION 2.5 PLAYGROUND

That the submission of the Hastings District Council (Submission 9/10) is allowed and that Section 2.5 (Playgrounds) and Section 6 (Actions and Responsibilities) be amended to make provision in the 2015-25 LTP for a built shade structure over the junior playground at a cost of \$30,000.

Recommendation L was addressed earlier in the meeting.

M. That, in addition to the reserve map, proposed reserve maps be displayed at the shop and camping ground (Gilray Place entrance) and that fire ban signs be placed at the entrance of No. 3 Reserve and be erected prior to Christmas 2013.

CARRIED RMP/3

5. ADDITIONAL BUSINESS ITEMS

There were no additional business items.

6. EXTRAORDINARY BUSINESS ITEMS

There were no extraordinary business items.

The meeting closed at 11.15am

Confirmed:

Chairman:

Date: