

Minutes of the Long Term Plan Hearings
Kaipara District Council

Date: Day One of Two, Wednesday, 21 April 2021
Time: 9:30 am – 12.07 pm
Location: Mangawhai Club
219 Molesworth Drive
Mangawhai Heads

Date: Day Two of Two, Thursday, 22 April 2021
Time: 9:30 am – 2.51 pm
Location: Northern Wairoa Memorial Hall
37 Hokianga Road
Dargaville

Members Present: Deputy Mayor Anna Curnow **(Chair)**
Cr Jonathan Larsen
Cr Karen Joyce-Paki
Cr Victoria del la Varis-Woodcock
Cr Mark Vincent
Cr Peter Wethey
Cr David Wills
Cr Eryn Wilson-Collins

1. Opening, Day One, 21 April 2021, at 9.30 am, Mangawhai

1.1 Karakia

Deputy Mayor Curnow opened the meeting with a karakia.

1.2 Apologies

Moved: Deputy Mayor Curnow

Seconded: Cr Wilson-Collins

That the Kaipara District Council:

- a) Accepts the apologies of Mayor Smith.

Carried

1.3 Confirmation of agenda

Moved: Deputy Mayor Curnow
Seconded: Cr Vincent

That the Kaipara District Council:

- a) Confirms the agenda for the meeting held 21 and 22 April 2021.

Carried

1.4 Conflict of interest declaration

Nil

2. Submissions for the Long Term Plan 2021-2031

Moved: Deputy Mayor Curnow
Seconded: Cr Wethey

That the Kaipara District Council:

- a) Receives the submissions for the Long Term Plan 2021 – 2031 and hears the 64 submitters who want to be heard, and
- b) Accept the written submission of Geoffrey Jackson.
- c) Accept and hear the late submissions of Brad Johnson for Chases Gorge Camp Club and Maryjane Francis for Trustees of Wild Horses.

Carried

Day One, Submitters heard in Mangawhai	Page
Gordon Hosking for Mangawhai Tracks Charitable Trust / 17	391
Anne Russell/ 67	571
Bryan Clark for Tern Point Recreation and Conservation Society Inc / 115, Bryan Clark/70, Dave Hurley/22, Howard & Lyn Johnston/ 122	629, 112, 293, 327
Mike Howard/ 75	290
Pablo Garcia McEntire and David Wright for Kaiwaka Can /88	331
Aaron McConchie/ 166	403
Doug Lloyd and Roydon Berger for Mangawhai Matters Inc/ 185	382
Stephanie Gibson and Sarah Gray for Sustainable Kaipara/ 210	616
Murray Reade and Codie McIntyre for Northland Inc/ 186	467
Clive Boonham/ 239	71
John Dickie/ 242	156
Colin Gallagher for Mangawhai Activity Zone/ 123	349
Melanie Scott/ 127	574
Maryjane Francis (Late submission Attachment A)	Tabled

The Meeting adjourned for morning tea at 10.51 am.

The Meeting reconvened at 11.05 am.

The Meeting (day one of two) adjourned for the day at 12.07pm

Karakia

Deputy Mayor Curnow closed day one with a karakia.

The meeting reconvened for Day Two 22 April 2021, at 9.30 am, in Dargaville

Karakia

Deputy Mayor Curnow opened the meeting with a karakia.

Day Two, Submitters heard in Dargaville	Page
Sue Curtis for The Dargaville Community Development Board Inc/ 87	630
Lance Warmington for Silver Fern Farms/ 203	580
Ms Darryl Quirk for Citizens Advice Bureau/ 97	107
Violet Hutchinson for Te Kopuru Community Development Group Inc/ 111	624
Charles Barclay/ 214	42
Frank Grover/ 153	247
Frank Grover for Lance Bullock/ 82	93
James Nyssen and Nicola Puharich for Dargaville Bridge Club/ 200	147
Glenn Pollington/ 19	530
Ray Paxton/ 205	504
Nicola Puharich/ 226	537
Andrew Widdowson for Northland Wood Council/ 179	489
Brian Boakes/ 204	66
Geoffrey Jackson/ 194 (Attachment B)	320 Tabled
Marissa Palmer, Graeme Ramsey for Chases Gorge Camp Club (Late submission Attachment C)	Tabled
Penny Smart for Northland Regional Council/ 215	470
Hinurewa te Hau for Creative Northland/ 245	131
Graeme Ramsey for Baylys Beach Community Centre Trust/ 152	48
Karen Jones and Graeme Ramsey for Dargaville Community Cinema/ 93	150
Kenneth Righton/ 143	554
Eileen Puharich/ 235	533
Gary Treadgold/ 114	639
Martin Robinson for GE Free Tai Tokerau/ 243	203

Martin Robinson for Claire Bleakley GE Free NZ/ 208	199
Chris Fife for Northern Wairoa Rugby Union/ 52	463
Richard Gardner and John Blackwell for Federated Farmers/ 237	177
Martin Robinson for Jon Carapiet of Auckland GE Free Coalition/ 121	34
Martin Robinson for Linda Grammer/ 244	228

The Meeting adjourned for morning tea at 10.43 am.

The Meeting reconvened at 11.00 am.

The Meeting adjourned for lunch at 12.57 pm.

[Secretarial note: Cr Larsen left the meeting during the adjournment.]

The Meeting reconvened at 1.33 pm.

3. Closure

3.1 Deputy Mayor Curnow closed the meeting with a karakia.

The meeting closed at 2.51 pm.

Attachments as per Resolutions 2b and 2c:

A	Maryjane Francis
B	Geoffrey Jackson/ 194
C	Chases Gorge Camp Club



Maryjane Francis <peakroadstud@gmail.com>

Kaipara Long Term Plan late submission- Maryjane Francis

1 message

Maryjane Francis <peakroadstud@gmail.com>

20 April 2021 at 23:17

~~To: peakroadstud@gmail.com~~**Submission Point 1- Recycling**

Having used recycling bins I think that there is a tendency to overfill them and our windy weather will work against their success.

Rural roads and collection points could become untidy with either the contents or the empty bins being blown around onto the roads or into paddocks and ditches.

Fenced collection areas might resolve the problem but also could invite other rubbish dumping.

I support the objective to achieve improved recycling but not sure bins alone will encourage residents to recycle better.

Cost considerations which should be made plain to ratepayers are-

-extra labour cost of sorting bin contents by the truck? Any reported physical or health hazards likely to curtail the service or increase the cost?

-what are the extra costs associated with cleaning up scattered debris and ultimately increased contractor costs.

If the problem is insufficient recycling or recycling the wrong items, more consistent education is required.

Businesses could be canvassed about using larger bins to encourage better recycling .

Point 6 Demolish leaky annexe, repair War Memorial Hall/Municipal Chambers**Point 7 New Building adjacent to War Memorial Hall****Point 8 Whether to demolish 42 Hokianga Road**

I believe Kaipara Council needs to ensure all projects are completed on budget so I submit that if there is support to proceed with Council's preferred options, it's imperative that Council releases clear budget details, provides regular expenditure updates and timely warnings of problems with projects. No more half information and dissembling at a cost to ratepayers.

No 'glory' projects which become white elephants or end up costing ratepayers.

Point 9 Mangawhai Library

Same approach applies as the previous points.

I see value in libraries. However KDC proposals have a definite 'glory' project smell about them.

Site the library near the museum or on other Council owned land.

Investigate carefully the most suitable internal design so there is no wasted or unused space.

Despite bullish population projections for the next 30 years Mangawhai should plan a staged project in case of changes in library use or technology or a lower population growth.

Council should also clearly define the development contributions to be applied to this project so ratepayers can understand the base figures.

Point 14 Anything Else?

Roads. Specifically, the extreme dust and the poor road surfaces and lack of maintenance on the busy roads.

I speak also on behalf of my neighbours in Lawrence and Devich Roads

In particular the several families close by with young children and newborns who can't let their children play outside because of the dust.

Young families who came here for the lifestyle over 5 years ago. A demographic which Kaipara Council might wish to attract perhaps?

For the past 15 months we have attempted to get some movement from Council, we have made submissions to the Speed Limit Review.

We have spoken with Councillors. No one wants to deal with these hazards, which increase as the District is developed.

With increasing through car and truck traffic our roads are two of a number in Kaipara which become dangerously unhealthy on any day the surface is dry.

The dust comes off the roads in clouds.

Our roads deteriorate into potholes and watercourses within a month of what appears to be a 15 month maintenance cycle.

4/21/2021

Gmail - Kaipara Long Term Plan late submission- Maryjane Francis

It beggars belief that KDC, NTA both acknowledge the effect of dust on residents' health yet refuse to engage on this problem.

Northland Regional Council specifies limits and has Dust Monitoring equipment, which is not easy to access.

Not one of these 3 entities has a workable policy or plan to reduce dust from Kaipara Roads. Noone wants to deal with it.

If the next ten years is about moving Kaipara forward, then let's start with a plan- and budget- to bring us into the 21st Century.

In addition, Development Contributions , or part of, should be applied to roading to progress improvements on our busy roads.

Dust and very poor road surfaces are not a joke. With increasing traffic, they are health and safety hazards which Kaipara Council has a responsibility to mitigate

Maryjane Francis

Kaipara District Council – Long-Term Plan Fluoridation Submission – Thursday 22 April 2021

Good morning ladies and gentlemen,

Thank you for listening to me about the fluoridation of the town water supply. I thought all councils added fluoride, like chlorine, as part of general water treatment. Like some people who I have been talking with, I am surprised that local water is not fluoridated; like the lady on the front desk for example. When I inquired there, she didn't know. Another lady there pointed out that water is not fluoridated. Subsequent inquiries led to being informed that water management is handled by the Northern Regional Council. Through the regional council I discovered that the District Medical Officer (DMO) with the Northern District Health Board (NDHB) is the person I should be talking with. The DMO said that they are responsible for public health including oral but, as the law currently stands, drinking-water fluoridation is in the jurisdiction of the District Council. I have lodged a Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act (LGOIMA) request asking for details about what the council has done regarding fluoridation. So far I have heard nothing.

In the meantime, your long-term planning came up and so I thought I may as well ask it here. So, as a formal request, can you please include water fluoridation?

From what I gather it isn't that expensive. I understand that capital funds are available from central government and it's just a matter of applying for a subsidy. Operating costs will have to come from recurrent revenue. Perhaps the council should have its grant increased because of cost savings by the Ministry of Health but with a time-lag of three to five years or so. I understand the government has crunched the numbers and is looking at a \$1.4 billion net saving nation-wide over 20 years, not to mention the benefit of better oral health; particularly for those with higher levels of tooth decay. I have spoken with a district council elsewhere in New Zealand about their fluoridation equipment. They spoke very highly of its ease of use and surprisingly low cost for smaller units; in the order of a few hundred thousand dollars.

All the medicos I have spoken with here in Dargaville are in favour of fluoridation. I guess they look at the science. To my surprise, however, I have spoken with quite a few people who are very much against fluoridation. I put this down to a very active antifuoridation group operating here in New Zealand. They have been spreading a lot of propaganda for a long time and there is a small group of very vocal anti-fluoridation people following them.

Seeing there does not appear to be any effective pro-fluoridation organisation in place here in New Zealand I have decided to start a new one called Fluoride.Org.NZ. I intend for this organisation to be funded by an associated business called Fluoride.Co.NZ. This will perform water fluoride testing and, at the same time, start collecting good and valuable data as fluoridation rolls out. Creating a more level playing field will be my contribution to society.

Looking for affiliates led me to the British Fluoridation Society (BFS). They are an auspicious group formed in 1969 to provide scientific evidence for fluoridation policy. The situation in England back then is not dissimilar to what is currently in place here in New Zealand today; with about half the country being covered.

I understand that Jacinda is currently working towards changing the laws to shift the decision-making powers from the local councils to the Director-General of Health so that, if necessary, the local councils can be ordered to fluoridate drinking water. Changes in the law may or may not happen. I am not particularly concerned here and now as part of my submission. However, I do think that I can refer you to the health experts who commented in favour of the Bill seeing that their strong support pivoted on the sound benefits of water fluoridation.

I imagine including fluoridation in your long-term plan will start with something like: "to implement water fluoridation in a cost-efficient manner in a time-frame to be advised" will do.

As for the people who are against water fluoridation, I refer them to the science.

Thank you for your time ladies and gentlemen.

Geoffrey Jackson

Chases Gorge Camp Club

Baylys Beach

26 March 2021

The Chief Executive

Kaipara District Council

Dargaville

Dear Ms Miller

Submission to the Long Term Plan

This submission is made on behalf of the Chases Gorge Camp Club which comprises the 17 owners of the land closest to the road entrance to the beach at Baylys.

The Camp Club will be celebrating its 100 years anniversary in the coming year. During this time we have had a long relationship with Council and regard ourselves as having a special guardianship relationship to this special place and community.

We wish to submit that the Club:

1. Is concerned that roading and parking issues are not addressed in the plan, despite the priority that the community has given these over recent years. We cannot understand why the Opus report from 2019, prepared specifically for inclusion in this plan, has been excluded. This report needs to be the basis of funding in the plan and community examination and discussion. The exclusion of this report, for reasons unknown, is symptomatic of the lack of engagement roading have been having with this community.
2. Continues to ask that Council fulfil its responsibility for stormwater impacts on the Camp property. The Council has over a long period of time increased the stream flow through the gorge through its Consents and stormwater works. The stream undercuts the Northern side of the bank leading to erosion of our land. The sandbags installed under a Council consent have been very effective, but Council has now advised that they will not maintain this. Nor does council appear to be grading the stream access to control the stream flow. The Club is keen to work with Council but it does not seem that this is reciprocated.
3. Is pleased with the board walk and grateful that Council took note of its suggestions at our on-site meeting with officers. The true test of the impact on the seaward side will be this winter and changed wave movements may have an impact on the northern bank.
4. Asks Council to complete additional footpath work from the boardwalk to separate pedestrians and traffic and consider the traffic turning at the Club Bridge. These are ongoing hazards as pedestrians continue to use the road and vehicles turn using the Club bridge to avoid the sand. This needs addressing through signage and design, including greater turning areas.
5. Support Council addressing the issues of traffic on the beach and ask it to advocate for enforcement of the current road rules. We have become a 4wd destination and "hooning" destination creating a safety and environmental risk and having a definite impact on the enjoyment of other beach users.

6. Support the submission made by the Community Centre Trust and encourage Council to assist the Trust with this major new asset for the community.

We wish to be heard.

Brad Johnson

Chair