

Application for a Temporary Road Closure - Kai Iwi Lakes and NSSSA groups and Team Triathlon

Meeting: Kaipara District Council
Date of meeting: January 2020
Reporting officer: Wendy Campbell, Corridor Access Coordinator

Purpose/Ngā whāinga

To seek approval from the council for the application of a temporary road closure for the purpose of the Northland Secondary School Sports Association (NSSSA) individual & team Triathlon and the FIRECO Kai Iwi Lakes Triathlon.

Executive summary/Whakarāpopototanga

Approve the application for a temporary road closure to allow the Northland Secondary School Sports Association (NSSSA) individual & team Triathlon and the FIRECO Kai Iwi Lakes Triathlon event to take place in a safe manner. The proposed closure is to be held on Friday 21 February 2020 at 10:45am to 14:00pm and on Saturday 22 February 2020 at 08:00am to 01:00pm.

Recommendation/Ngā tūtohunga

That Kaipara District Council:

- a) Approves the application for the temporary road closure which includes Domain Road, Omamari as shown on the proposed Traffic Management Diagram (attachment A of this report) on Friday 21 February 2020 at 10:45am to 14:00pm and on Saturday 22 February 2020 at 08:00am to 01:00pm. A condition of approval being the event organiser to do a letter drop to all businesses/residents located within the road closure.

Context/Horopaki

In terms of the Transport (Vehicular Traffic Road Closure) Regulation 1965, Council is required to advertise any road closures at least 42 days in advance of an event. The decision to close the road is to be approved by Council under the Local Government Act 1974, s319.

The Northland Secondary School Sports Association (NSSSA) individual & team Triathlon and the FIRECO Kai Iwi Lakes Triathlon will be held on Friday 21 February 2020 at 10:45am to 14:00pm and on Saturday 22 February 2020 at 08:00am to 01:00pm and will be the eleventh year that Sports Northland are running the triathlons successfully. To carry out the challenge challenge in a safe manner the applicants have applied to temporarily close Domain Road, Omamari.

Discussion/Ngā kōrerorero

The proposed Traffic Management Plan requires the road to be closed for three and a quarter hour on a Saturday between the hours of 10:45am to 14:00pm and again for five hours on the following day between the hours of 08:00am to 01:00pm, for the purpose of holding the triathlons in a safe manner. This event has been publicly notified in the Dargaville Lifestyler issue dated 10 December 2019 and no objections have been received during the notification period. There is no history found of any issues raised by past events.

Options

Option A: Approve the application for temporary road closure.

By choosing Option A Council can allow a safe event for the community, event participants and road users during the event. The closure will have a minimum impact on traffic and pedestrians

Option B: Decline the application for temporary road closure:

Declining this application would not allow for a safe event. The event organisers are committed to continuing the said leg of the event without the temporary road closures in place. Sports Northland along with Council's Roding Team would prefer to enforce the temporary road closure due to improved safety for the community, event participants and road users.

Policy and planning implications

Local Government Act 1974, s319 – General powers of Council in respect of roads.

Section 319(1)(h) includes "to stop or close any road or part thereof in the manner and upon the conditions set out in s342 and Schedule 10"

Financial implications

The applicant will bear all costs of temporarily closing the road.

Risks and mitigations

There are no major risks associated with the decisions or matters outlined in this report.

Significance and engagement/Hirahira me ngā whakapāpā

The public have been informed of the application.

Next steps/E whaiake nei

Advise the applicant of the council's decision. If approved, give public notice and advise stakeholders of the decision to close part of the road under Clause 11a of Schedule 10 of the Local Government Act 1974. Applicant to undertake letter drop to all residence/businesses located within the closure.

Attachments/Ngā tapiritanga

Number	Title
A	Traffic Management Plan

Wendy Campbell, 18 December 2019