



Otorohanga District Council

MINUTES

3 April 2007

OTOROHANGA DISTRICT COUNCIL

3 April 2007

Minutes of an ordinary meeting of the Otorohanga District Council held in the Council Chambers, Maniapoto St, Otorohanga on Tuesday 3 April 2007 commencing at 10.02am.

MINUTES

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PRESENT

Mr DF Williams (Mayor), Crs S Blackler, D de Haan, CE Jeffries, DM Pilkington and GA Wilshier.

IN ATTENDANCE

Messrs JL Pevreal (Chief Executive), DC Clibbery (Engineering Manager), GD Bunn (Finance & Administration Manager), Mrs J Meade Rose (Environmental Services Manager) and Mr CA Tutty (Customer Services Team Leader).

OPENING PRAYER

Cr Pilkington read the Opening Prayer.

APOLOGIES

Resolved that the apologies received from Deputy-Mayor Mr WH Earwaker and Cr AL Gower be sustained.

Cr de Haan / Cr Blackler

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting of the Otorohanga District Council held on 13 March 2007, as previously circulated, be approved as a true and correct record of that meeting.

Cr Pilkington / Cr Jeffries

MATTERS ARISING

ITEM-349 - SUBMISSIONS ON REVIEW OF CLASS 4 GAMBLING VENUE POLICY

Cr Pilkington referred to the first sentence in the third paragraph and requested the following advice be inserted 'The Environmental Services Manager advised that the proposed policy did cover all the requirements of the Gambling Act'.

REPORTS

Item-354 OTOROHANGA COMMUNITY BOARD MINUTES - 8 MARCH 2007

Discussion

MATTERS ARISING

NEW FOOTPATH – MAIR STREET

Cr de Haan referred to the comment that the Principal of the Otorohanga South School had advised it was not practical to expect children to go down the street to use the existing pedestrian crossing and queried why this was not practical. Cr Wilshier replied that the pedestrian crossing in question was some 150m down Te Kanawa Street.

VISIONARY WORKSHOP

Cr de Haan referred to Mrs Sonya Hetet's attendance at a Community Development Conference in Melbourne, Australia and queried whether Council contributed to her costs. Cr Wilshier replied

Council did not contribute however, the Otorohanga District Development Board may have given her a grant towards attending the Conference.

Resolved

That the minutes of the meeting of the Otorohanga Community Board held on 8 March 2007 be received and the recommendations contained therein adopted.

Cr Wilshier / Cr Jeffries

Item-355 LOAN RAISING 2006/07

Discussion

The Finance & Administration Manager presented a report on the requirement for Council to pass a resolution authorising loan raising for the current financial year.

Resolved

That

1. Pursuant to the Local Government Act 2002, Council resolves to authorise the Chief Executive to borrow up to \$2,500,000 for a term not exceeding ten years, secured against the rates revenue of the District, and separate rates as provided for in any Deed of Charge.
2. The purpose of the loan shall be to refinance existing debt and to allow the works contained in Council's Annual Plan for 2006/2007 and other works to be carried out.
3. Council delegates to the Chief Executive the authority to determine:
 - the coupon rate;
 - the period of interest payments;
 - the maturity date;
 - any other terms and conditions necessary for the issuing of security and for compliance with the Local Government Act, any other applicable Act, the security, and the Register and Paying Agency Agreement, and to issue such debenture stock with a face value sufficient to yield the sum \$2,500,000 and execute such; and
4. To give one or more certificates in respect thereof for the purposes of the Local Government Act.
5. In authorising this borrowing, Council has considered the risks and benefits associated with the proposal and is satisfied that the proposed borrowing complies with Council's Borrowing Management Policy.

Cr Jeffries / Cr Wilshier

Item-356 BUILDING CONTROL OFFICERS REPORT TO 23 MARCH 2007

Discussion

The District Building Control Officer attended the meeting and presented a report from 1 January to 23 March 2007.

In reply to Cr Jeffries, the Officer replied that there were currently three staff members in the building team.

With regard to the deadline for Territorial Authorities to be accredited for processing Consents and administration system by 30 November 2007, the Officer informed Members that

accreditation needs to be achieved as Council would be unable to process Consents and these would be placed elsewhere for processing.

In reply to Cr Blackler regarding the Environmental Health Officer's illness impacting on the Department, the Officer advised the Health Officer is now working four hours per day and that Members of the Department are working as a team. The Chief Executive informed Members that focus has to be given to obtaining accreditation therefore there may be delays in processing Consent applications.

His Worship expressed his thanks to the team for their input and attention to the work as required.

Resolved

That the Building Control Officers Report for the period from 1 January to 23 March 2007 be received.

Cr Wilshier / Cr Pilkington

Item-358 STATEMENT OF PROPOSAL - WATER SERVICES BYLAW

Discussion

The Engineering Manager presented a report on a Statement of Proposal in respect of the proposed new Otorohanga District Council Water Services Bylaw 2007. He confirmed that Council will be undertaking public consultation on the Statement of Proposal.

Cr Jeffries queried whether Council consults with Environment Waikato on this matter. The Engineering Manager replied EW will be sent the Statement of Proposal for their comments. Cr Jeffries pointed out that the Water Services Bylaw only refers to the Otorohanga and Kawhia Communities and queried whether Aotea should be included. The Engineering Manager replied he would prefer not to include Aotea as there is no Council owned reticulation system there. He would prefer to amend the Bylaw at a later date should this be required. Cr Jeffries then queried which department deals with discharges in the rural areas. He was informed this would be EW. The Engineering Manager advised that should a discharge from a septic tank be into a stream then Council's Environmental Health Officer would look into the matter. If there was a large issue then this would be dealt with by EW.

Resolved

That

1. The report be received;
2. The Statement of Proposal (including a Summary of Information) be approved as follows

Statement of Proposal:

Introduction of Otorohanga District Council Water Services Bylaw 2007

The above bylaw is proposed for the following reasons:

- a. *To provide additional controls on discharges to the public stormwater and wastewater (sewerage) systems within the Otorohanga and Kawhia communities with the intention of reducing the potential for adverse environmental effects or ineffective operation of those systems.*

- b. *To clarify and formalise existing Council practices and policies in respect of public water services (water supply, wastewater and stormwater) and connections to those services within the Otorohanga and Kawhia communities.*

These reasons are proposed to be given effect through the introduction of Otorohanga District Council's Water Services Bylaw 2007, and that document forms part of this Statement of Proposal.

The summary of Information in respect of this Statement of Proposal is as follows:

Summary of Information

Introduction of Otorohanga District Council Water Services Bylaw 2007

In accordance with sections 83 and 156 of the Local Government Act 2002, Otorohanga District Council hereby gives notice of its intention to introduce the Otorohanga District Council Water Services Bylaw 2007. This bylaw is intended to:

- a. *Provide additional controls on discharges to the public stormwater and wastewater (sewerage) systems within the Otorohanga and Kawhia communities with the intention of reducing the potential for adverse environmental effects or ineffective operation of those systems.*
- b. *Clarify and formalise existing Council practices and policies in respect of public water services (water supply, wastewater and stormwater) and connections to those services within the Otorohanga and Kawhia communities.*

The main provisions of the proposed bylaw can be summarised as follows:

- *Control of discharges to the public storm water system.*
- *Control of discharges to the public sewer system (in conjunction with existing Trade Wastes Bylaw) including restrictions on the discharge of storm water to sewer.*
- *Definition of boundaries between public and private water services.*
- *Establishment of conditions relating to private water services reticulation (addressing potential shared ownership issues).*
- *Establishment of conditions for connections to public water services.*
- *Definition of extraordinary (metered) water users.*
- *Protection of public water services from damage or interference.*
- *Definition of maintenance responsibilities for privately owned water services.*

The bylaw is generally expected to have little effect on existing normal usage of water services within the Otorohanga and Kawhia communities. It is instead focussed on providing a clearer set of rules, and better addressing a small range of unusual circumstances.

Copies of the proposed bylaw may be inspected at the offices of Council at 11 Maniapoto Street, Otorohanga or at Council's Public Libraries in Otorohanga and Kawhia.

Written submissions on this proposal are invited, and should be addressed to:

*The Chief Executive
Otorohanga District Council
PO Box 11
Otorohanga*

Submissions must be received by Council by not later than 4.00pm 11 May 2007.

Cr Pilkington / Cr de Haan

Item-359 STATEMENT OF PROPOSAL - REVIEW OF TRADE WASTE BYLAW

Discussion

The Engineering Manager summarised a report on the Statement of Proposal in respect of a review of Council's Trade Waste Bylaw.

In reply to Cr Jeffries, the Engineering Manager advised it is a requirement of the Local Government Act that any Bylaw does not conflict with the NZ Bill of Rights Act 1990.

Resolved

That

1. The report be received;
2. The Statement of Proposal (including a Summary of Information) be approved as follows -
Statement of Proposal:

Review of Otorohanga District Council Trade Waste Bylaw 2000

Based upon its consideration at the Council meeting of 20 February 2007 in accordance with section 159 of the Local Government Act 2002, the Otorohanga District Council is satisfied that Council's existing Trade Waste Bylaw 2000 is appropriate and beneficial to the District, and does not give rise to any implications under the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990. It is therefore proposed that the existing bylaw should remain in place, subject to the one minor change, this being that the existing '20m³/day' in section 4.1 of the bylaw is replaced with '5 m³/day'. This change is made in the interests of clarity only, and is not considered to have any significant effect on the implications of the bylaw.

The summary of Information in respect of this Statement of Proposal is as follows:

Summary of Information

Review of Otorohanga District Council Trade Waste Bylaw 2000

In accordance with section 158 of the Local Government Act 2002, Otorohanga District Council is required to conduct a review of its Trade Waste Bylaw 2000.

Council first implemented a Trade Waste Bylaw in 1998, and the Trade Waste Bylaw 2000 very closely follows the original bylaw.

The purpose of the bylaw is to enable Council to control the nature of discharges into the public Otorohanga wastewater (sewerage) system from activities of a 'Trade' nature.

The main provisions of the current bylaw are:

- *Definition of discharges that are considered to be Trade Waste*
- *Definition of wastes that will not be accepted into the wastewater system*
- *Imposition of a consenting system for acceptable Trade Wastes, with an associated charging structure*

Having conducted the necessary determinations required by section 155 of the Local Government Act 2002, Council believes that the existing bylaw is appropriate, and that it usefully contributes towards the effective and fair operation of the Otorohanga wastewater system, and the minimisation of adverse environmental effects associated with the wastewater treatment activity.

As such it is proposed that the bylaw is retained without any significant change.

Copies of the bylaw may be inspected at the offices of Council at 11 Maniapoto Street, Otorohanga or at Council's Public Libraries in Otorohanga and Kawhia.

Submissions on this proposal are invited, and should be addressed to:

*The Chief Executive
Otorohanga District Council
PO Box 11
Otorohanga*

Submissions must be in writing, and must be received by Council by not later than 4.00pm 11 May 2007.

Cr Jeffries / Cr Pilkington

Item-357 OTOROHANGA DISTRICT SPORTS COORDINATORS REPORT FOR DECEMBER 2006 - FEBRUARY 2007

Discussion

The District Sports Coordinator, Ms Robbie Matthews, and Project Energise Coordinator Mr Greg Pilcher attended the meeting.

SPONSORSHIP SEMINAR

The Coordinator circulated registration forms in respect of a Sponsorship Seminar to be held at the Otorohanga Sports Club on 10 April 2007 commencing at 6.00pm.

ST JOHNS AMBULANCE

The Coordinator reported she had received an approach from representatives of the Otorohanga St John's regarding funding for their new building. She said they would be interested in holding an event and that she will be meeting with them towards the end of this week to discuss the matter further.

The Coordinator advised her main focus for this year is with the local schools and Clubs and her attempts to establish coaching groups, in particular to support new parent coaches. She referred to 'active families' and said it was their intention to hold a family day in the park.

PROJECT ENERGISE

Mr Pilcher advised the aim of Project Energise is to increase the amount and quality of physical activity and to improve nutritional status of school aged Waikato children. He said now that the research project has been completed, four local schools will take part in the programme. He said these are – Otorohanga Primary, Otewa, Hauturu and Maihihi Schools. Mr Pilcher asked Council if it would look at ways of supporting the initiative by placing any promotional material in its newsletters, etc. In reply to Cr Pilkington regarding outcomes of the research, Mr Pilcher reported, within the first year, the data had indicated the obesity rate in five year olds had been halved. His Worship said the initiative gets children motivated and appears to be fun.

Cr Pilkington expressed her thanks to Mr Pilcher for his input and congratulated him on his approach in promoting the project.

Resolved

That the Otorohanga District Sports Coordinator's report for the period December 2006 to February 2007 be received.

Cr Pilkington / Cr de Haan

Item-360 APPLICATION FOR TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE - TARGA ROTORUA 2007

Discussion

The Engineering Manager summarised the Engineering Support Officer's report on an application received from Club Targa Inc for various road closures within the Otorohanga District, to enable the Targa Rotorua 2007 event and associated activities to proceed. Cr Pilkington queried whether Council should see evidence that the Applicant has actually consulted with property owners on the roads concerned as this has been enforced in the past. The Engineering Manager replied it was a relatively small, straight forward application and such confirmation was not considered necessary in this case.

Resolved

That approval be granted for the following road closures, including 100 metres of each adjoining road, from where it intersects with the road being applied for:

Purpose: Targa Rotorua 2007

Date: Sunday, 10 June 2007

Details of Closure: **Stage No. 14**

AOTEAROA ROAD – from the District Boundary to its intersection with Kahorekau Road.

Includes the intersection with Aotearoa Pa, no exit.

KAHOREKAU ROAD – starting from its intersection with Aotearoa Road, to its intersection with Waipapa Road.

Period of Closure: 1.00pm to 4.00pm

Stage No. 15

PUKEWHAU ROAD – starting from its intersection with Waipapa Road to its intersection with Mangare & Huirimu Roads.

MANGARE ROAD – starting from its intersection with Pukewhau Road and Huirimu Road to finish at the District Boundary

Period of Closure: 1.15pm to 4.15pm

With the following conditions imposed:

1. Persons will be allowed through in the event of an emergency.
2. Club Targa Inc is to pay an application fee of \$400.00 towards administration of the road closure to Otorohanga District Council.
3. Club Targa Inc is to pay for all advertising costs in appropriate newspapers. Public notice advertisements are to be published in the Waitomo News and Te Awamutu Courier.
4. Club Targa Inc is responsible for obtaining public liability insurance (and paying the cost thereof) to a minimum value of \$2,000,000. This is required to indemnify Council against any damage to property or persons as a result of rally activities during the road closure period.
5. Club Targa Inc is to comply with the objection provisions contained in the Transport (Vehicular Traffic Road Closure) Regulations 1965.
6. Club Targa Inc is to liaise, and provide evidence of liaison with all operators and businesses that may be affected by the road closures.

7. Club Targa Inc is to consult with all residents of all properties on the roads intended to be closed and also residents on roads connecting with the roads intending to be closed, including any no exit roads. Mail drops to residents are also to be carried out. All mail drops to residents are to be approved by Council staff before distribution to residents commences and must include the date that objections close with Council. The subsequent mail drop to be completed no later than ten full days before the proposed closures.
8. Club Targa Inc is solely responsible for signposting and policing of the roads to be closed, to ensure that only vehicles connected with the Rally have access to the road closure areas. This includes arranging the delivery, erection and staffing of all road closure barriers and the removal thereof after closures. All gates and entranceways are to be taped and tape is to be removed thereafter.
9. Signs advising of the road closures are to be erected at the start and end of the closed portions of roads and on each intersecting road two weeks prior to the road closure. All signs are to be removed immediately after the closure. A Club Targa representative is to meet with Council Engineering Staff regarding the required signs format, size, location and quantity of signs for approval before they are manufactured and erected.

Cr Jeffries / Cr Wilshier

Item-361 ROAD LEGALISATION OF PART OF PEKANUI ROAD SO 369119

Discussion

The Finance & Administration Manager referred Members to his report advising that Council has documents requiring consent to the legalisation of the first 1.5km of Pekanui Road.

Resolved

That

1. The Otorohanga District Council hereby consents to the Minister for Land Information declaring:
 - (a) pursuant to Section 114 of the Public Works Act 1981, the land described in the **First Schedule** below to be road vested in the Otorohanga District Council.
 - (b) pursuant to Sections 116 and 117 of the Public Works Act 1981, the road described in the **Second Schedule** below being stopped and vested by way of exchange in the Crown as owner of the adjoining land, by way of amalgamation with the land in *New Zealand Gazette* 1930 page 1547 (Proclamation 7528).
 - (c) pursuant to Sections 116 and 117 of the Public Works Act 1981, the road described in the **Third Schedule** below being stopped and vested by way of exchange in Colin Andrew MURRAY, Olwyn Agnes MURRAY, Bryce McCheyne MURRAY, Karen Lee MURRAY and Cheryl Olwyn GRAHAM as owners of the adjoining land, by way of amalgamation with the land in Computer Freehold Register SA6C/1400.
 - (d) pursuant to Sections 116 and 117 of the Public Works Act 1981, the road described in the **Fourth Schedule** below being stopped and vested by way of exchange in Keith Paiariki ORMSBY, Margaret Alison ORMSBY and Brett Randall ORMSBY as owners of the adjoining land, by way of amalgamation with the land in Computer Freehold Register 255226.
 - (e) pursuant to Sections 116 and 117 of the Public Works Act 1981, the road described in the **Fifth Schedule** below being stopped and vested by way of

exchange in Keith Paiariki ORMSBY, Margaret Alison ORMSBY and Bret Randal ORMSBY as owners of the adjoining land, by way of amalgamation with the land in computer Freehold Register 238686 subject to mortgage 6471248.5.

- (f) pursuant to Sections 116 and 117 of the Public Works Act 1981, the road described in the **Sixth Schedule** below being stopped and vested by way of exchange in Keith Paiariki ORMSBY, Margaret Alison ORMSBY and Brett Randall ORMSBY as owners of the adjoining land, by way of amalgamation with the land in Computer Freehold Register 238688 subject to mortgage 6471248.5.

South Auckland Land District – Otorohanga District

First Schedule - Land for Road

Area	Description	
63 m ²	Part Waiwhakaata 3E No.2 Section 1 Block; Shown as Section 4 on SO 369119 (Part Proclamation 7528).	Ngutunui School
3295 m ²	Parts Waiwhakaata 3E4E2B Block; Shown as Sections 2, 6, 10 and 13 on SO 369119 (parts computer Freehold Register SA6C/1400).	Murray Family
1857 m ²	Parts Lot 2, DP 362550; Shown as Sections 7, 11 and 16 on SO 369119 (parts Computer Freehold Register 255226).	Ormsby Family
1223 m ²	Parts Waiwhakaata A3 Block; Shown as Sections 17, 20 and 25 on SO 369119 (parts Computer Freehold Register 238686).	Ormsby Family
1090 m ²	Part Lot 4, DP 358618; Shown as Section 23 on SO 369119 (Part Computer Freehold Register 238688).	Ormsby Family

Second Schedule – Road to be Stopped and Amalgamated

429 m ²	Section 1, SO 369119.	Ngutunui School
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Third Schedule – Road to be Stopped and Amalgamated

2165 m ²	Sections 3, 8, 12 and 15, SO 369119.	Murray Family
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Fourth Schedule – Road to be Stopped and Amalgamated

3085 m ²	Sections 5, 9 and 14, SO 369119.	Ormsby Family
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Fifth Schedule – Road to be Stopped and Amalgamated

2860 m ²	Sections 19 and 22, SO 369119.	Ormsby Family
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Sixth Schedule – Road to be Stopped and Amalgamated

955 m ²	Sections 21 and 24, SO 369119.	Ormsby Family
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2. The Otorohanga District Council hereby consents to the Minister for Land Information declaring pursuant to Section 116 and 117 of the Public Works Act 1981, the road described in the schedule below being stopped and vested by way of an agreement in Michael John LINCOLN and Melissa Ann LINCOLN as owners of the adjoining land by way of amalgamation with the land in Computer Freehold Register 238687.

It is agreed between the parties:

1. Road Stopping

Under the provisions of Sections 116 and 117 of the Act the Council will stop the road described in the Schedule and amalgamate the stopped road with the owner's title.

2. Purchase of Stopped Road

- 2.1 The owners shall pay the sum of \$4,572.44 (plus Goods and Services Tax, if any).
- 2.2 Settlement shall take place seven working days after the date on which the Council advises the owners or the owners' nominated solicitor in writing that the necessary *New Zealand Gazette* notice is approved for publication. Default interest shall be payable at 12.5 per cent per annum.
- 2.3 Except in so far as they are inconsistent the provisions of the General Conditions of Sale [Seventh Edition (2)] as approved by the Real Estate Institute of New Zealand and the Auckland District Law Society shall apply to the sale however General Condition of Sale 5.1 as printed shall not apply to this agreement and shall be replaced by the condition:

The vendor shall not be bound to point out the boundaries of the property.

- 2.4 The owners acknowledge they have inspected the parcel to be amalgamated with their title and do not rely on any representation which may have been made by the Council or its agents as to:
 - i) The extent of that parcel or the location of boundaries.
 - ii) The state of any improvements on the parcel.
 - iii) The uses to which the parcel may be put pursuant to the Resource Management Act 1991.
 - iv) The existence of or ability to connect to any source of gas, electricity; telecommunications or water supply or to any outlet for stormwater or sewage.

3. Survey and Legalisation

3.1 The Council will at its own expense carry out all survey and legalisation requirements for the implementation of this agreement.

3.2 Each party will meet its own legal costs.

4. Certification

Pursuant to Section 117(3)(b) of the Act the Council hereby certifies that it considers it equitable to amalgamate the stopped road described in the Schedule with the owners' land in computer Freehold Register 238687.

South Auckland Land District – Otorohanga District

Schedule – Road to be Stopped and Amalgamated

Area	Description	
4256 m ²	Section 18 on SO 369119	<i>Lincoln Family</i>

3. The Mayor and Chief Executive of Otorohanga District Council be authorised to sign and seal any documentation necessary to legalise Plan SO 369119.

Cr Jeffries / Cr Blackler

Item-363 LIFE EDUCATION TRUST REQUESTING ASSISTANCE

Discussion

His Worship reported an application has been received from the Life Education Trust for financial assistance towards the operation of their mobile classroom which delivers the Life Education

Trust programme to children throughout the Waipa/King Country area. He advised that local school and children speak highly of the programme. In reply to Cr Pilkington His Worship said most Local Authorities do contribute to the project however those organisations highlighted on their letterhead are major sponsors.

Cr Blackler expressed the opinion that this programme was not part of Council's core business. She questioned the value of the project and advised that the school children are charged to go through the mobile classroom. She queried where this sits within the LTCCP. Cr Pilkington felt that Members required more information to consider the request.

Resolved

That an invitation be extended to representatives of the Life Education Trust Waipa/King Country to attend the next meeting of Council to be held 24 April 2007.

Cr Wilshier / Cr de Haan

Item-362 ENVIRONMENT WAIKATO DRAFT ANNUAL PLAN ROADSHOW PRESENTATION

Discussion

Representatives of Environment Waikato, Mr J Fisher (Cr Waipa Constituency), Ms J Becker and Mr K Collins attended the meeting. Mr Fisher submitted an apology on behalf of Cr A Neeley. Mr Fisher reported it was proposed to merge the King Country and Waipa wards into one with two EW representatives. He advised the main purposes of EW are –

1. Sustainability of the regions economic base
2. Maintain water quality and availability
3. Transportation funding needs
4. Flood and hazard risks
5. Integration of Regional and District Planning
6. Loss of natural possum control funding
7. Growing public expectations.

Ms Becker informed Members the proposed rate increase for the 2007/08 year would equate to approximately 12 percent. She said the main reasons for the proposed increase relate to –

1. Hamilton City Council city bus services
2. Policy work to address critical emerging issues and increasing regulatory costs of protecting the environment and additional environmental protection activities.

Mr Collins said there were moves to shift the incidence of rating to public good rather than the direct link approach. He said there was preference for a single regional pool of funds raised from a capital value based rate.

His Worship thanked the Representatives for their presentation and requested they take away, and give consideration to the level of rates increase, overruns and the level of service. These issues must be of major concern to them. He said Members would also have liked to be given the opportunity to read the Draft Annual Plan prior to their presentation.

Cr Wilshier expressed the opinion that the information provided to Council today should be presented to the people who pay the rates. He said the message needs to be taken out to these people.

Item-364 SUBMISSION TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT RATES ENQUIRY

Discussion

The Chief Executive referred Members to the Draft Submission to the Local Government Funding Inquiry. His Worship extended his congratulations to the Chief Executive on the preparation of the submission. Cr Jeffries went through several points of the Draft Submission which were noted by the Chief Executive.

Resolved

That the Draft Submission to the Local Government Funding Inquiry be approved.

Cr Wilshier / Cr Pilkington

Item-365 MATTERS REFERRED - 13 MARCH 2007

Discussion

OTOROHANGA DISTRICT DEVELOPMENT BOARD

His Worship reported the Otorohanga District Development Board have agreed to contribute towards the Otorohanga/Waitomo Road Safety Coordinator's request to be involved in the initiative of 'Drive to Conditions Tourist Map'.

RESERVE AREA – LAKE WAIPAPA

The Chief Executive advised this matter will be investigated by Council's Consultant, Mr Peter Cotter, next week.

CONTROL OF HORSES

Members were informed investigations are still to be carried out on the suggestion to introduce a Bylaw to control horses in urban areas.

GENERAL

CR JEFFRIES APOLOGY

Cr Jeffries advised he would be required to leave today's meeting/workshop by 1.30pm to attend a meeting in Hamilton.

SHORE FUTURES

Cr Pilkington reported the Shore Futures workshops are all but over with a final one being held in Hamilton tomorrow evening. She advised she had attended all the workshops held in her area. Cr Pilkington reported on the Kawhia Community Board Estimates workshop and meeting held 29 March 2007.

ROAD MAINTENANCE AND SERVICE CONTRACTS

The Engineering Manager advised he will be reporting on the Road Maintenance and Service Contracts at the next meeting of Council however, in the meantime he advised that the Water Services Contract has been awarded to Excell Corporation.

TELECOM

His Worship informed Members advice has been received from Telecom NZ informing Council that Telecom has introduced new prices for its Favourite Place Products that will greatly reduce the costs of making toll calls to neighbouring calling areas, regardless of whether they are in the phone book region or not.

OTOROHANGA FLOODING

His Worship referred to a report prepared by the Engineering Manager on the assessment guidelines on Otorohanga flooding and asked for this to be circulated for Members information. He congratulated the Engineering Manager on the content of the report.

RALLY NZ

His Worship referred to the recent Rally NZ event held through Hauturu and said he had received advice of the positive impact of holding such an event throughout the District. He said \$18,000 of outside funding had been raised by local organisations.

MAYORAL GRADUATION CEREMONY

His Worship invited Members to attend the Mayoral Graduation Ceremony to be held this evening.

WAKA HOUSE OPENING

His Worship reminded Members of the Waka House Opening to be held Tuesday 17 April 2007.

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES MANAGER

A presentation was made to Council's Environmental Services Manager who resigns from Council's employment this Thursday. His Worship, on behalf of Council, Staff and residents and ratepayers, extended his thanks to Mrs Julie Meade Rose for her contribution to Council affairs and wished her all the best for the future. Mrs Julie Meade Rose made the appropriate reply and said Otorohanga was the top rural Council in NZ, and she has been privileged to be a part of it.

LUNCHEON ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 12.30pm for luncheon and reconvened at 1.30pm.

Item-366 MEMBERS REMUNERATION

Discussion

All of the Members of the Otorohanga Community Board attended the meeting and discussed the Members Remuneration to apply from 1 July 2007.

It was agreed that the Mayor, Deputy-Mayor, Chairman of the Otorohanga Community Board and the Chief Executive will consider a formula for Community Board/Councillors salary differential and if that group is unable to come up with a satisfactory solution consideration be given to obtaining an independent assessment.

Resolved

That the following rates of Members Remuneration take effect from 1 July 2007 -

Mayor	\$52,748
Deputy Mayor	\$24,464
OCB Appt	\$11,147

OCB Appt	\$11,147
KCB Appt	\$11,147
Councillor	\$11,147
Councillor	\$11,147
Councillor	\$11,147
OCB Chair	\$8,710
OCB Appt	\$7,710
Board Member	\$7,710
Board Member	\$7,710
Board Member	\$7,710
Board Member	\$7,710
KCB Chair	\$3,092
KCB Appt	\$1,853
Board Member	\$1,853
Board Member	\$1,853
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TOTAL	\$201,856

His Worship / Cr Wilshier

MEETING CLOSED

The meeting concluded at 1.45pm.

MAYOR:

DATE:

