

WHANGAMATA COMMUNITY BOARD AREA

Whangamata - Parks and Reserves

159. Moana Anu Anu Walkway

Submitter # 41 Terry Walker requests that that Council re-instate the Moana Anu Anu walkway (\$112,000) for stages 2 and 3 in a phased work program over two years. The submitter gives the following reasons:

- Re-introduction of the Moana Anua Anu west side walkway into Council's work program will clearly demonstrate to the WRC the Whangamata Community Board's mandate for the removal of mangroves and its desire to clean up its harbour and estuaries, which is paramount to its vision of free flowing estuaries and environmental friendly walkways for residents and visitors to enjoy.
- The project has had considerable monies and consultation attached to the report and residents have expectations that these projects will be completed not shelved.

The matter for the Council to consider is...

Re-instatement of the Moanau Anu Anu walkway (\$112,000).

Staff recommendation

That Council note the submission and suggest the request be referred to the Whangamata Community Board for further consideration.

Staff reason for recommendations

The Moana Anu Anu Walkway project was halted in 2012/ 2013 due to the escalation in projected construction costs. The Whangamata Community Board considered the project to be a risk should it continue due to construction costs and consenting difficulties with Waikato Regional Council and Iwi.

Indicative rating impact of \$2.20 (Inc GST) per property for Whangamata Board Area.

Community Board recommendation

That Council consider the Moana Anu Anu walkway as part of the 2015-2025 Long Term Plan.

Whangamata - Parks and Reserves

160. Beach Road Reserve

The Chief Executive of TCDC requests through submission that the wording in what's changed from the 2012-2022 Ten Year Plan (page 44) for the Beach Road Reserve Development to remove the word 'redevelopment' in the second line of the project description of this paragraph and change to 'replacement of the children's playground'.

The matter for the Council to consider is...

Wording for Beach Road Reserve project deferral.

Staff recommendation

That Council note the submission and amend the wording in the Annual Plan.

Staff reason for recommendations

To clarify the scope of the project.

Community Board recommendation

Agrees with the staff recommendations.

Whangamata - Parks and Reserves

161. Wentworth Valley Seal Extension

The Chief Executive of TCDC requests through a submission that Council changes from the Ten Year Plan end of first paragraph page 44 add sentence:

"To include a footpath. ... \$10,000 has been included in the 2014/2015 activity budget for investigation of options to extend the walkway cycleway to the end of Wentworth Valley Road."

The matter for the Council to consider is...

Wording for Wentworth Valley Seal Extension.

Staff recommendation

That Council notes the submission and that the Annual Plan is amended as per the submission.

Staff reason for recommendations

To clarify the scope of the project.

Community Board recommendation

Agrees with the staff recommendations.

Whangamata - Parks and Reserves

162. Esplanade Car Park Lighting

The Chief Executive of TCDC requests through submission that Council changes to paragraph 'Esplanade Car Park Improvements' (page 44) to read:

Replace Esplanade Car Park Lighting (\$30,214) existing lights have reached the end of their life cycle.

The matter for the Council to consider is...

Wording for Esplanade Car Park Improvements.

Staff recommendation

That Council

- notes the submission
- defers the Esplanade Car park Improvements project (\$30,214) to the 2015/2016 year
- includes a new project in 2014/2015 called Esplanade Car Park Lighting replacement subject to approval of a project definition and budget.

Staff reason for recommendations

Council's Roading Manager states that the car park improvement project was included in the Ten Year Plan/draft Annual Plan following public consultation. Feedback from Council's street lighting contractor has confirmed that the Streetlights along the beach side of The Esplanade are in good running order with maintenance work being recently carried out on them and also in previous years to ensure that these streetlight lanterns will be running for a while longer. There are also streetlights along the house side of the road which are maintained by out street lighting contractor and are in good running order.

The lighting on the beach side of the road are an old style and if the Community Board want to upgrade these this should be requested and considered as a new project and the car parking project could be deferred to offset the additional rating impact should the new lighting project be approved.

Community Board recommendation

That Council approves the Esplanade Car Park improvement Project as budgeted in the draft 2014/2015 Annual Plan.

Whangamata - Confirmation of Budgets

163. Whangamata Community Board Confirmation of Budgets

Submitter # 41 the Whangamata Community Board request that Council confirm the following Budgets into the 2014/2015 Annual Plan:

Local Transportation:

- Confirm that Footpath Rehabilitation and Construction budget (\$7,672, \$158,608)
- Confirm the streetlight improvements and renewals budge (\$18,133, \$11,350)
- Confirm the Street Furniture Renewals budget(\$2,951)
- Confirm the Esplanade Car Park Improvements budget (\$30,214)

Harbour Facilities

- Con firms the re-piling of the Whangamata Wharf (\$50,000) budget

Community Centres and Halls

- That Council confirm a new budget of \$5,000 toward the maintenance of the Opoutere Community Hall.

Parks and Reserves

- Confirm the Parks Renewals of \$14000 and Minor Reserves Projects \$46,000 budget.

Waste Water

That Council confirms that budgets for the following:

- Wastewater: Onemana Renewals (\$10,000).
- Whangamata Wastewater Renewals (\$123,277)
- Onemana Pumpstation (\$11,510)
- Whangamata Pumpstation Upgrade (\$34,531)

Water

That Council confirms that budgets for the following

- Water Supply: Whangamata and Onemana Renewals (\$15,07, \$120,00))
- Whangamata Consent Renewals (\$60,000)

Stormwater

That Council confirms the budgets for the following:

- Onemana Renewals (\$34,877)
- Whangamata Renewals (\$25,000)

The matter for the Council to consider is...

The draft Annual Plan budgets are confirmed and that a new budget it provided of \$5,000 for toward the maintenance of the Opoutere Community Hall.

Staff recommendation

That Council

- Confirm all budgets included in the submission, with the exception of the Esplanade Car Park Improvements budget (\$30,214) as this was dealt with in the previous decision,
- As submitted, amends the Annual Plan to include \$5,000 for maintenance of the Opoutere Community Hall.

Staff reason for recommendations

Budgets were determined during activity planning through the 2012-2022 Ten Year Plan and have subsequently been reviewed as part of the Annual Plan budget preparation process.

Community Board recommendation

Agrees with the staff recommendations

Whangamata- Economic Development

164. WiFi hotspots

Submitter #65 Whangamata Youth Forum would also like to advocate for more WIFI hotspots around town.

The matter for the Council to consider is...

Wifi hotspots

Staff recommendation

That Council note the submission and make no changes to the Annual Plan.

Staff reason for recommendations

The Enterprise Whangamata Business Association is currently investigating the benefits of WIFI.

Community Board recommendation

Agrees with the staff recommendations and requests that Staff draft a response to the Whangamata Youth Forum.

Whangamata General

165. Safety

Submitter #65 Whangamata Youth Forum would like to advocate that Council consider all of the activities it undertakes to make this community safer for its residents e.g. more streetlights in unlit areas and installing more security cameras.

The matter for the Council to consider is...

Options for safer communities including streetlights and security cameras

Staff recommendation

That Council note the submission and make no changes to the Annual Plan.

Staff reason for recommendations

Community Safety is already a consideration for the Whangamata Community Board.

Additionally, Council's Youth Strategy (within the justice and crime section) acknowledges that Thames Coromandel experiences low levels of crime (particularly around violent crime) than most other Council's in New Zealand, however it also acknowledges that at peak periods and in certain locations there are higher incidence levels. One of the responses to this has been the introduction of liquor bans. The strategy also acknowledges that only 30% of crime is reported to police. Therefore there may be a greater issue than is reflected officially. Therefore one option is for the youth forum to escalate their experiences through the Peninsular Wide youth network to see if young people in other parts of the Coromandel have similar experiences. Each theme of the youth strategy will develop an action plan to address issues raised by young people - the implementation of this action plan will be likely requiring a multi-agency response.

Community Board recommendation

Agrees with the staff recommendations and the Board will notify the Whangamata youth forum to input into the Street lighting program for Whangamata when it is next considered.