

I hereby give notice that an ordinary meeting of the Golden Bay Community Board will be held on:

**Date:** Tuesday 9 July 2019  
**Time:** 9.30am  
**Meeting Room:** Takaka Office, 78 Commercial Street,  
**Venue:** Takaka

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## Golden Bay Community Board Correspondence

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**Invoice Date**  
 23 May 2019

**Invoice Number**  
 INV-0091

**Reference**  
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 Recreation Facility Inc.  
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		Subtotal	15.00
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**Emma Gee**

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**From:** Laurie Healy <laurie.healy@xtra.co.nz>  
**Sent:** Thursday, 30 May 2019 9:36 p.m.  
**To:** Golden Bay Community Board  
**Subject:** Proposed Golden Bay Local Board

Ms Abbie Langford  
Chair  
Golden Bay Community Board

Dear Abbie

Proposed Golden Bay Local Board

The Local Government Commission recently placed newspaper advertisements throughout the Tasman District calling for alternative applications to that we have lodged with the Commission for a local board for the Golden Bay ward. Notice also appeared in Tasman District Council's 17 May 2019 Newsline magazine.

The basis of our application is simple:

**Local Decisions**

by

**Local People**

for

**More efficient delivery of local services.**

Our aim is to move the decision making process for matters peculiar to Golden Bay from Richmond to Golden Bay. We believe such a move can have no effect, financial or otherwise, on other wards. Whilst a local board will obviously incur additional expense in Golden Bay, this should be more than offset by administrative savings in Richmond.

Rather than being anti council, a local board will enable a much closer relationship to develop between council and our community, allowing more services to be delivered from funds allocated to the board. We have many examples of actions taken under the current system that could have been better handled if there had been a local decision making process available. By "better handled" we mean both faster and considerably more cost effectively.

A local board in Golden Bay can have no impact on matters applicable to Tasman District as a whole. Nor can it have any effect on issues such as the abolition of the District, its amalgamation with any other district, or alteration of its boundaries.

Our full application is available for viewing on our web site ([www.glocalboard.co.nz](http://www.glocalboard.co.nz)). Should you have any concerns about, or questions on our application or its consequences, I urge you to contact me. We appreciate that we may not have thought of everything in relation to establishing a local board, so we welcome constructive criticism or other ideas.

Yours sincerely,

Averill Grant

Chair

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**From:** Red Stag <deerslayer7@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, 7 June 2019 8:59 p.m.  
**To:** Golden Bay Community Board  
**Subject:** Takaka playground fence

Hello there

I would like to suggest that the new fence is child proof with slam shut gates for keeping preschoolers safe perhaps pool style would be best.

I have personally seen children on balance bikes go straight out on to the road from the playground path.

I have seen cars doing huge speeds past this area with intoxicated drivers visiting the river tribe

The area is also used by commercial contractors so trucks are passing by often

It would be ideal to use a pool fence style as it would allow visibility and safety for the very vulnerable preschoolers it might also discourage people from using the playground for consuming drugs and alcohol and other disorderly behavior

Regards

Chileab Gray

Takaka







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10 June 2019

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Dear Donald

**Golden Bay Local Board Proposal**

Tasman District Council thanks the Local Government Commission for the opportunity to submit an alternative proposal to the Golden Bay Local Board application. Council has decided not to put in an alternative proposal. However, Council wishes to highlight to the Commission some key matters it is important for the Commission to consider during its assessment of the 'Working Group for a Golden Bay local board' application and any alternative governance arrangements for Tasman District. To come to this view, and to inform us of the implications of a local board within the Tasman governance arrangements, we have invested time and thought in working with Auckland Council to see the opportunities and challenges that we would face should you decide to advance the local board proposal.

We have attached a submission outlining the key matters Council thinks are essential for the Commission to consider when assessing the range of governance options for the Tasman District. We would be happy to provide the Commission with any further information you may require in relation to these matters.

Yours sincerely

Mayor Kempthorne  
Mayor, Tasman District

Janine Dowding  
Chief Executive Officer, Tasman District Council

P:\Leadership Team\Letter to LGC on Key matters to consider for Local Board proposal

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**Tasman District Council submission on the Golden Bay Local Board Proposal**

1. Tasman District Council (Council) thanks the Local Government Commission for the opportunity to submit an alternative proposal to the Golden Bay Local Board application submitted by the 'Working Group for a Golden Bay local board'.
2. Council has decided not to put in an alternative proposal. However, Council wishes to highlight to the Commission some key matters it is important that the Commission considers during its assessment of the application and any alternative governance arrangements for Tasman District. To come to this view, and to inform us of the implications of a local board within the Tasman governance arrangements, we have invested time and thought in working with Auckland Council to see the opportunities and challenges that we would face should you decide to advance the local board proposal.
3. Council makes this submission on behalf of itself and the community of Tasman District that it represents comprising over 52,100 residents (based on Statistics NZ population estimates as at June 2018).

**Tasman District Council is a high rates and high debt Council supported by a low wage economy**

4. Given that Tasman is a relatively high rates and high debt Council, and that our ratepayers have the lowest mean annual earnings of any region in New Zealand, we request that the Commission gives strong consideration to the financial impact of any proposal for local boards on our residents and ratepayers. The figures in the table below are from the Taxpayers Union website (ratepayers and average rates) and the published 2018 annual reports (average debt). Please note that we have amended our Council's figures to align with the figures in our Annual Report 2018.

Council	Ratepayers	Average Rates per Ratepayer \$	Average Debt per Ratepayer \$
Gisborne	22,214	3,096	1,981
Marlborough	26,154	2,224	2,883
NCC	21,511	2,883	4,137
TDC	24,052	2,968	5,821

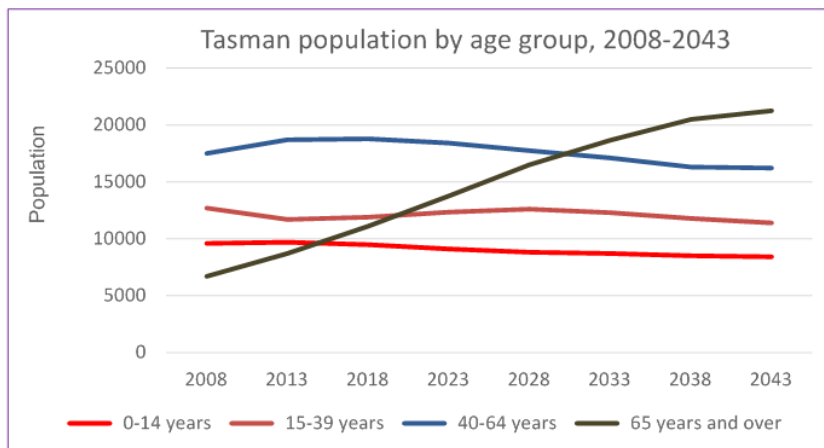
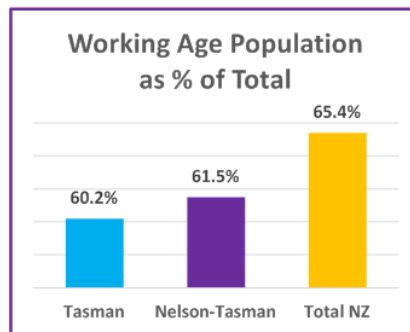
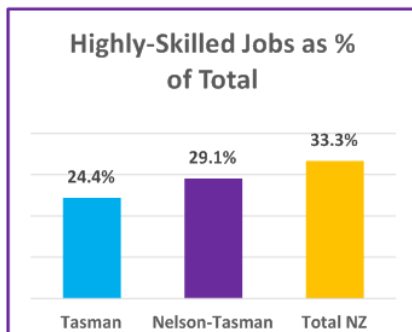
5. Tasman's lower-than average wages remain a key challenge for the region. The average annual earnings in Tasman District of \$50,768<sup>1</sup> is 17% lower than the national average of \$60,891.

Region	Mean Annual Earnings
Wellington	\$ 67,580
Auckland	\$ 66,205
Taranaki	\$ 59,783
Canterbury	\$ 58,487
Waikato	\$ 56,944
Bay of Plenty	\$ 54,573
Otago	\$ 54,490
Northland	\$ 54,110

<sup>1</sup> Source: Infometrics Regional Economic Profile, as at March 2018.  
<https://www.nelsontasman.nz/do-business/insights/>

West Coast	\$ 53,967
Nelson	\$ 53,965
Marlborough	\$ 53,897
Southland	\$ 53,278
Manawatu-Wanganui	\$ 53,020
Hawkes Bay	\$ 52,825
Gisborne	\$ 51,251
Tasman	\$ 50,768

- Tasman has a relatively low proportion of highly-skilled jobs which contributes to our low wage earnings.
- Moreover, Tasman’s ageing population means the proportion of ‘working-age’ population is notably lower than the New Zealand average, and is projected to decrease at an accelerated level over the next decade. Please refer to the graphs below, which provide further information on these matters.



**Impact of a local board and changes to rating and financial policies on the Council's District-wide "Club" approach for utility and community infrastructure**

8. Tasman District Council operates a 'Club' approach for the provision of utility and community infrastructure across the District.
9. With respect to utility infrastructure, Council has three clubs – one for each of the water supply, wastewater and stormwater activities. How the clubs operate is that most of the urban areas where Council provides specific water supply, wastewater and stormwater services all pay the same amount of rates per household or business for those services. Clubs only apply to the urban areas which receive these services. The rural areas, which do not get these services, do not pay.
10. Over time, Council spends money maintaining, renewing and upgrading the three waters services in each urban area and the funding for this work comes out of the Club funding pool. By taking this approach, it reduces the fluctuations in rates incurred by ratepayers due to lumpy infrastructure demands. It also tends to mean that the smaller communities are provided with infrastructure that they may not otherwise be able to afford without some cross-subsidisation from the larger urban communities. A local board proposal in Golden Bay, or in other areas of the District, has the potential to unwind the Club approach, reinforce "user-pays", and therefore make it harder for smaller communities across the District to:
  - a. upgrade their water supplies to meet the ongoing increase in the Government's drinking water standards;
  - b. meet increasing environmental standards for wastewater treatment; and
  - c. meet the increasing need for stormwater management due to climate change and other factors.
11. With respect to community infrastructure, Council has taken a Club approach to the provision of new multi-purpose community facilities. Council recently constructed a new \$4.2 million community recreation facility in Takaka for the Golden Bay community. Over \$1 million of this funding was raised by community fundraising, but the balance came from funding spread across the District. Smaller communities in our District may not be able to afford such facilities without District-wide funding through the Club approach.
12. District-wide funding through the Club approach enables Council to deliver similar levels of service to all the urban areas within our District, with everyone paying the same amount of rates for that service no matter where they live. The question arises as to how funding one local board might impact on this arrangement, or how it can be ring fenced to ensure it doesn't.

**Potential implications on Golden Bay representation around the Council chamber if a local board was to result in a reduction in Councillors**

13. As you will be aware, the Commission has treated the Golden Bay Ward as an isolated community and allowed it to depart from complying with section 19V(2) of the Local Electoral Act 2001.
14. The population (using population estimates from Statistics NZ as at 30 June 2017, based on the 2013 census) that each member will represent is as follows:

Ward	Population	Number of Councillors	Population per Councillor	% deviation from District average population per Councillor
Golden Bay	5,320	2	2,660	-32.44*

Motueka	12,300	3	4,100	4.14
Moutere/Waimea	13,500	3	4,500	14.30*
Lakes/Murchison	3,660	1	3,660	-7.03
Richmond	16,400	4	4,100	4.14
	51,180	13	3,937	

*\*Non-compliance with s.19V(2) Local Electoral Act 2001 (LEA) ( +/- 10% rule )*

15. If Golden Bay was to get a local board, it will receive a higher level of governance service than other areas of the District. Therefore, it would be difficult to justify a second Councillor for Golden Bay on the Council. As many matters of importance to Golden Bay (along with the rest of the Tasman District) will still be considered by the Council, it may disadvantage the Golden Bay community if their representation on Council was reduced to one Councillor.

**The administrative complexity of the options, for example if Council has a local board in Golden Bay, a community board in Motueka and no boards in other wards**

16. There will be increased complexity for Council and staff if it has a local board in Golden Bay, a community board in Motueka, no boards in other wards, and a governing body. Any local board(s) will have functions allocated to it and other functions delegated to it. A community board(s) will have a range of delegated functions, which may or may not be similar to the allocated and delegated functions given to a local board.
17. There is a cost to Council of having a variety of governance arrangements across the District, and a greater cost to having local or community boards across the entire District.

**Fairness and equity in who pays for local boards – targeted rate on Golden Bay v general rate for a higher level of governance service**

18. As a general principle, Tasman District Council's rating policies support an approach of ratepayers paying for higher levels of service through targeted rates. Our ratepayers have been consulted on the development and implementation of this rating principle through our Long Term Plan processes.
19. We are not aware of any proposals for local boards in wards or areas in the District outside of Golden Bay.
20. Therefore, if Golden Bay (and any other ward in the District) was to receive a higher level of governance service than other areas, Council would favour that increased level of service being paid for by a targeted rate, rather than being paid for by all of Tasman District's ratepayers.
21. Also, Golden Bay currently has lower population growth than many other areas in our District. Therefore, over time the proportion Golden Bay ratepayers contribute to the general rate take in the District will be decreasing. In 2015/16 14.5% of the general rates were collected in Golden Bay by 2018/19 this had dropped to 12.7%. In the latest district wide valuation the movement in regards to the residential sector was that average Capital value changes for the Golden Bay ward (residential) were up 18.3%, well below the bulk of the District such as Richmond, Wakefield, and Tapawera that were all up at least 30%. Governance costs (excluding some community board direct costs, which are target rated) are met from general rates. If a decision was that the increased local board costs should be met from general rates that would see an increasing rates burden on the rest of the District. Note that both the Golden Bay and Motueka Wards currently have a targeted rate in place that offset only some of the community boards' costs and also allow for some modest spending on local projects.

**Additional costs of local boards (e.g. servicing, staff reporting and policy/plan preparation, impact on accommodating additional staff needed, additional governance costs etc)**

22. A local board will inevitably lead to additional costs on the community. These costs will come in the form of servicing the local board, and preparing local board plans, local board funding policies, local board agreements, additional staff reporting to local boards, etc. Council will require additional staff to undertake this extra work. These additional costs will have an impact on rates, and as noted earlier, we are already a high rates and debt Council.
23. All the Council's service centres in Richmond, Motueka and Takaka are already nearing capacity in terms of staff numbers. As a growing Region we will need additional office space. In the absence of a local board, we would not have prioritised Golden Bay. Additional staff to support a Golden Bay local board would either be based in Takaka, creating challenges around management and accommodation, or based in Richmond resulting in significant downtime for travel.

**Would having a local board model make the relationship between the Golden Bay community and Council any better than a community board model?**

24. The applicants for the Golden Bay local board note that there is a difficult relationship between Tasman District Council and the Golden Bay community, due in part to the distinctness and isolation of Golden Bay. This situation appears to be driving some dissatisfaction with the current governance of Golden Bay and a desire for more local decision making.
25. Council is aware of the relationship difficulties it has with the Golden Bay community and has researched causes for this dissatisfaction. In late 2017, we had an independent consultant prepare a report on the reasons for the current state of the relationship between the Council and the Golden Bay community. We have been bearing in mind the outcomes of this report in our ongoing engagement with the Golden Bay community. We are happy to make a copy of the report available to the Commission, should you wish to review it.
26. We invest a substantial amount of time and resources into managing projects and activities within Golden Bay and working with local people on these projects.
27. In the current environment, we consider that a local board could well face similar challenges and may not bring the benefits the applicants envisage.
28. While local boards prepare their local board plans, the prioritising of the funding for implementing them is undertaken by the governing body. Therefore, it is still likely that there will be tensions between any local board(s) and the Council, and in the Golden Bay case, the community is likely to continue to believe that it is not receiving its fair share of the funding it generates.
29. Finance staff have prepared information on the make-up of rates in the Golden Bay Ward.

2018/19 Rates Strike	2018/19 \$000s
General rate including UAGC	5,748
Wastewater	1,192
Hamama Rural Water Supply	24
Waimea Community Dam	47
Takaka firefighting	143
Mapua rehabilitation	21

Museums facilities	201
District facilities	164
Facilities operations	177
GB Community Board	63
Urban Water Supply- Service Charge	94
Refuse-Recycling	298
Regional Rivers Works	380
Stormwater	468
Shared facilities	233
Warm Tasman	3
Water supply- rural water extensions	1
<b>Total Rates Charged</b>	<b>\$9,259</b>

30. Finance staff have also prepared the table below illustrating Council expenditure in Golden Bay over the past five years. These figures are estimates and provide an “in the order of” estimate of expenditure across Council activities. Council does not account for income or costs on a ward by ward basis. Such an approach would incur significant additional administration costs along with the need to allocate all costs including overheads across the District. For instance costs incurred in Environment and Planning are often expended on a district wide basis and population may not be the most applicable proxy for cost allocation. Expenditure on the likes of the Takaka Freshwater and Land Advisory Group process or Outstanding Natural Landscapes has been high in recent years beyond what an apportionment on population would deliver but for most activities costs will fluctuate over time.

<b>Expenditure by Activity</b>	<b>Estimated Actual 2014 \$000s</b>	<b>Estimated Actual 2015 \$000s</b>	<b>Estimated Actual 2016 \$000s</b>	<b>Estimated Actual 2017 \$000s</b>	<b>Estimated Actual 2018 \$000s</b>
Access and Transport	2,244	1,625	1,553	1,768	4,084*
Coastal Structures	33	54	8	38	48
Community Facilities & Parks	1,240	1,254	1,182	1,252	1,392
Governance	345	302	232	251	248
Council Enterprises	389	509	679	849	970
Environmental Management	627	633	836	600	682
Overheads	2,769	3,188	3,228	3,492	3,962
Public Health & Safety	309	332	387	418	461
Rivers & Flood Protection	363	306	246	407	908
Solid Waste	748	790	797	791	1,109
Stormwater	164	63	116	109	135
Wastewater	666	604	1,235	1,279	1,062
Water Supply	195	218	331	317	370
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$10,092</b>	<b>\$9,880</b>	<b>\$10,831</b>	<b>\$11,570</b>	<b>\$15,432</b>

\*The reason 2017/2018 is particularly high is because of the impacts of cyclone Gita/Fehi.

31. In order to allocate the expenditure finance staff (in consultation with activity managers) have used 11 different factors for cost allocations based on 'best fit' with the activity type. The method and a brief description are provided below.

Basis	Factor
Population	Based on Population
Road	Based on Kilometer of Road
Direct	All costs attributable to GB e.g. GB RFC
Exclude	No costs attributable to GB e.g. Richmond RFC
Waste	Asset value
Parks	Nelmac Contract
Water	Asset value
Rivers	Asset value
Refuse	Asset value
Coastal	Asset value
Overhead	Based on Direct Costs in Golden Bay as a % of Total

32. The reason we have provided this information is to give the Commission some context of activity level and income collected in Golden Bay.
33. The cost of the current community boards is partly met from the community boards' rate. We do not recover the full cost of supporting the boards. This results in a level of cross subsidy from wards without community boards.
34. If the Commission decides to proceed with any local boards in the District, Council notes that it will be critical for the Commission, in its decision making, to ensure that any community to be covered by a local board clearly understands what that local board will and will not deliver. If it is not clear to the community what a local board will and will not deliver, it is possible that tensions between Council and the local boards and their communities will increase.

**Effectiveness and efficiency of decision making e.g. decisions delegated to staff should remain**

35. Council has made a number of delegations to staff to enable efficient processing of activities and services. If the Commission was to allocate to any local board(s) the delegations currently held by staff, it is likely to lead to additional costs and time delays. The efficiency and effectiveness of the current delegations are likely to be negatively affected. Therefore, should the Commission decide to implement a local board we recommend that the Commission does not allocate any functions to the board that are currently undertaken by staff. We understand regulatory delegations are already out of scope despite the fact that the applicants have talked about building and other development consents, regulatory bylaws, and other issues that have local expressions but which are district wide in nature (e.g. freedom camping).

**Whether there are sufficient local assets in Golden Bay to make decision making and the additional costs of a local board meaningful**

36. An important consideration for the Commission will be whether Golden Bay or any other area within Tasman District proposed for a local board, has the critical mass of assets and people to justify a local board structure.
37. Local boards will add an additional layer of governance costs on the communities they cover, to the current community boards and Council governance structure. We ask that the Commission gives due consideration to the value for money associated with any changes to the governance structure, particularly given the low wage economy in Tasman District.



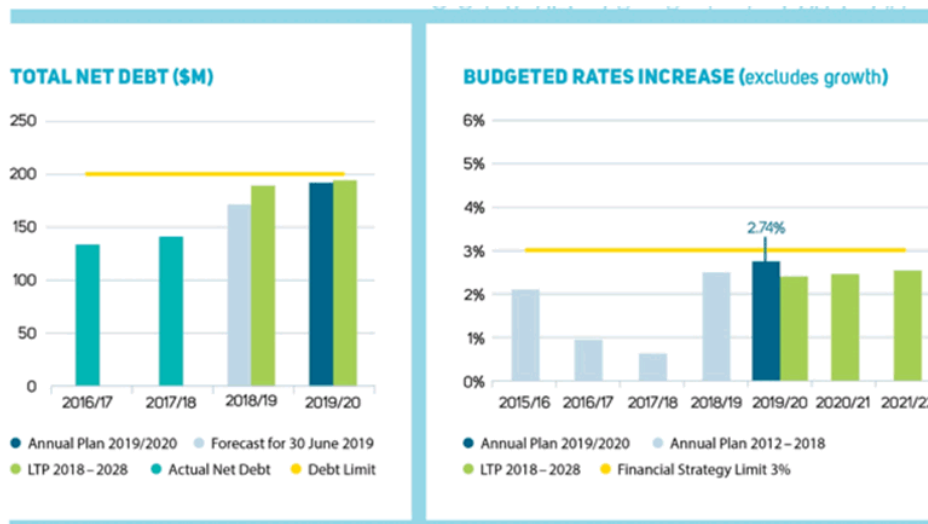
**Extra workloads for staff across Council and the extra costs associated with meeting that workload**

38. We estimate that at a minimum the following additional staff will be required to help service each local board and that these staff would be located in the local board area:
- a. a local board meeting support team leader;
  - b. a customer support officer;
  - c. a senior advisor;
  - d. a part-time advisor (to also carry out engagement work with the community); and
  - e. a PA/community liaison officer.
39. If the Commission's decision is that there will be several local boards across the District, Council will also need a local board relationship manager and an assistant to help manage the local board relationship and interaction.
40. In addition to the above roles, Council is likely to need to provide organisational support to undertake the following additional work:
- a. finance support to develop budgets, and input into the Long Term Plans and Annual Plans;
  - b. communications support for consultation and informing the public of local activities being undertaken by the local board(s);
  - c. support from the activity groups in Council which have functions allocated or delegated to the local boards, preparing reports to enable local decisions and preparing annual work programmes;
  - d. support from policy staff on input into regional policies and strategies, to help prepare local board plans and the agreements between the board and Council;
  - e. support from commercial staff and advisors if the commercial portfolio is disaggregated; and
  - f. manage demands for local decision-making support through budgeted work programmes,.
41. The Council currently does not have sufficient capacity to add this extra work onto our already busy workload. We would need to employ extra staff and accommodate them. Our current service centres and our main Richmond Offices are largely at capacity, so additional space would be required.
42. The extra staff and the accommodation of them will add additional costs, which as noted above, our ratepayers will struggle to afford given our low wage economy and current rates and debt levels.

**Implications on Council's rating and debt limits and Council's Revenue and Financing Policy**

43. Our Council has made a concerted effort over recent years to keep rates increases to a minimum to help affordability for our communities. We have kept our rates increases below 3% per annum for several years now and are planning to continue keeping rates increases below this level for the remaining eight years of our Long Term Plan 2018-2028. Our Long Term Plan rates increase limit is 3%. As noted above, we are the lowest wage economy of any region in New Zealand, so keeping our rates affordable is important for the well-being of our communities.

44. We are also working hard to keep our debt within our \$200 million net debt limit in our Long Term Plan. We are a high growth Council which means we are under pressure to deliver services and infrastructure in our growth communities to meet the demands of our population increases. The Government’s National Policy Statement on Urban Development Capacity places requirements on us to ensure there are sufficient areas of serviced land available for development.
45. Please refer to the following graphs on our debt and rates.



46. We ask the Commission to consider Council’s financial position and its strategy to keep within its rates and debt limits when it makes its decision on the governance structure for the Tasman District.

**Any governance arrangements should enable alignment with District wide regional priorities and plans**

47. Currently community boards are already engaged and invited to be involved in district wide plans and strategies, especially as they may impact on local communities. Future involvement depends very much on the allocation and delegation of functions to a local board and whether the transaction costs are kept separate.

**Consideration should be given as to whether additional delegations to the Community Board are a more effective and efficient way of delivering decisions and activities and services**

48. Council would like the Commission to consider whether increasing the delegations to the existing community boards in Motueka and Golden Bay is a more effective and efficient way of enabling increased local decision making in order to deliver local activities and services. Council is happy to work with the Commission on ways to enhance the current delegations to the two community boards, should the Commission decide that this is the preferred option for governance of the Tasman District.
49. The Council has recently increased the delegations to the Motueka and Golden Bay community boards. As a result of having reviewed the Auckland local boards allocations and delegations, Council is aware that there are further opportunities to increase the delegations to the existing community boards.

50. The Golden Bay community has expressed concerns about the risk of Council having the ability to remove delegations, whereas allocation of functions to a local board are more difficult to change. Council has a history of adding delegations to the community boards and never removing any delegations. That said, we acknowledge that a future Council could decide to remove delegations to the community boards, if it so wished.

**Any decision will need to take account of iwi relationships and the associated workload**

51. Over the last year, Council has been working to improve its relationship with Te Tau Ihu iwi. The Council has recently decided to employ a Kaihautū to further assist our ongoing relationships with iwi.
52. We ask the Commission to consider the impact on iwi of establishing local boards and the need for iwi to engage with those boards, as well as with Council. We understand that the Commission is consulting with iwi over the governance options for the Tasman District and are pleased that the consultation is occurring. Some Golden Bay iwi work through Manawhenua ki Mohua based at Onetahua Marae and we recommend that you speak with them in addition to the parent iwi bodies.

**Should the Commission decide on a local board, it is recommended that the allocations and delegations are specific and clear as to what functions are delegated and the implications for the governing body (similar to Auckland Council, but in a Tasman District Council context)**

53. As noted earlier in this submission, it is critical that any allocations and delegations to local boards are very specific and clear, and that the role of the local board and the governing body (the Council) are explicit. This clarity will be important to ensure that there is a common understanding of roles, particularly within the Golden Bay community and any other communities with local boards.
54. Without this clarity, there is a risk that tensions between the local boards, the community and Council will increase across all ratepayers.

**When making allocation decisions to a local board, the Commission gives consideration to the impact of disaggregating the commercial portfolio managed by Council**

55. Council manages a range of commercial and semi-commercial assets within one portfolio. This portfolio includes Port Tarahoke, the Takaka aerodrome, and the Collingwood and Pohara camping grounds in Golden Bay, along with a range of other assets across the Tasman District. Council manages the portfolio as a whole to provide a return to ratepayers across the Tasman District. The commercial assets help off-set the need for Council to increase rates.
56. Council asks that the Commission gives consideration to the impact on the District's ratepayers of separating any assets from the Council's commercial portfolio if it was to propose this.

**Should the Commission decide on a local board, Tasman District Council's least preferred option is five local boards across the District due to increased cost, increased inconsistency of policy and service levels across the community, and cuts across communities of interest**

57. Tasman District Council has not yet decided what governance structure it considers is in the best interest of the Tasman ratepayers. Council awaits further information on the options prior to forming a view.

58. Council does, however, have a view that local boards across the whole District are not in the best interests of the wider District due to the cost of them, concerns about inconsistency of policy and service levels across our communities, and that local boards may cut across local communities of interest.

**Any preferred option released for consultation should include the mechanism by which it will be funded**

59. It is our view that the preference for a local board in Golden Bay is strongly linked to a perception that they do not receive their proportionate value from the rates spend. Our assessment indicates quite the opposite where Golden Bay ward benefits significantly from the district wide funding of many services (as do other smaller communities). We also believe it to be highly likely that the community would object to any increase in rates specifically to fund a local board. It is therefore important that any option outlines the funding mechanism so that the Golden Bay community can consider the trade-offs if it is a targeted rate to them, or the wider community can consider the impact on them of a general rate.

**Conclusion**

60. Tasman District Council does not currently have a preference for the governance structure for the wider District. We are interested in hearing community views expressed during the Commission's consultation and on hearing the outcomes of the Commission's research prior to forming a view.
61. The purpose of this submission is to outline some key matters which Council considers the Commission should consider as part of its investigations and decision-making processes on the governance structure for the Tasman District.
62. We hope that the information provided in this submission is helpful to the Commission. We are happy to provide you with further information on any of the matters contained in this submission, should the Commission require it.
63. Thank you for taking the time to consider this submission.

**Date:** 10 June 2019 (for presentation at Public Forum, 11 June)  
**To:** Golden Bay Community Board  
**From:** Penny Griffith  
**Subject:** **Public Access to Beach (COBA subdivision, Excellent Street, Collingwood, 2010; Resource Consent RM090764)**

## **1 Background**

- 1.1 In May 2010 a Commissioner hearing granted Resource Consent for a subdivision of coastal land midway between Collingwood and Milnethorpe. Primary access to the land is via either Excellent Street (off SH60) or Orion Street, Collingwood.
- 1.2 This submission focuses on one aspect of the 2010 Resource Consent decision: i.e. providing public access to/from the beach via Lot 9 on the subdivision plan as per Conditions 12-13 of the authorisation (see Appendixes A & B attached). The attraction of this access is that it creates a varied and attractive walking circuit from/to Collingwood.
- 1.3 The need for improved coastal access in the Collingwood area has been raised by others.

## **2 Current Situation**

- 2.1 For the brave-hearted and brave-footed, it is possible to make one's way on the originally-planned route, which is much easier to find from the inland (Excellent Street) end. Finding the access point at the beach end is more difficult. The track itself is in two parts separated by approx 25m of right-of-way road. Appendix C photos indicate:
  - Inappropriate signage--unwelcoming to pedestrians and/or difficult to find.
  - Challenging track conditions and stiles.
- 2.2 Little progress on the public walking access provision as set out in the Resource Consent seems to have been made over the intervening 9 years:
  - Nothing done to improve the access apart from some clearance of foliage. The first part is an informal track; the second part is very steep, with slumped steps and wobbly stiles.
  - No record of the Public Access Easement on the Walking Access Commission (WAC) website.

## **3 Request**

- 3.1 **Ask the Golden Bay Community Board to request**
  - **A progress report for the years 2010 to 2019 on meeting Conditions 12-13 of RM090764, noting the matters raised above.**
  - **Details of plans (and timeframes) for future development of the public access, including recording access on the WAC website.**

Thank you for your consideration.

**Penny Griffith**

## APPENDIX A

An esplanade strip 20 metres wide shall be created over Lots 5, 4, 6 and 7 adjoining mean high water springs. The purpose of this strip is to enable public access to and along the coast and to enable public recreational use of the strip and the coast. All the prohibitions of Clause 2 of the Tenth Schedule apply to the strip, with the exception of subsection (e); Clause 3 shall apply to allow the esplanade strip to be fenced with any existing fencing relocated or removed; Clauses 4 and 7 shall not apply, however Clauses 5 and 6 shall apply.

No structures shall be erected within the esplanade strip without the written approval of Council's Reserves Manager. Approval may be granted subject to conditions.

The owner of the underlying land shall not carry out any landscaping or planting within the esplanade strip without the written approval of the Council's Reserves Manager.

**Lot 9 and Public Access**

12. The Reserve to vest shown as Lot 9 on Appendix B dated 22 April 2010 (attached) shall be a minimum of 5.0 metres in width and up to a maximum width of 10.0 metres to allow for track construction on the steeper gradients. The location of the boundary shall be subject to agreement and survey prior to section 223 approval.
13. The consent holder shall register a public access easement over Lots 1 and 2 to enable the public to gain legal and practical pedestrian access to Lot 9 (described in Condition 12).

**Advice Notes:**

1. This condition is required as immediate practicable access is required as a result of this subdivision. Access via the unformed part of Excellent Street and Trafalgar Street is not considered practicable.
2. An alternative solution to the creation of an easement over Lot 1 would be the upgrade and vesting of the road as described in Sections 7(e) and 11 of the decision accompanying this consent document. Vesting would require the agreement of both the consent holder and the Council's Transportation Manager. It is recommended that these parties and Ms Wendy Drummond (174 and 176 Beach Road) discuss the options and advantages for upgrading the road. We consider it a far more preferable option than Ms Drummond resorting to forming Trafalgar Road to gain legal access to her property. Officers checking the applicant's compliance with the above condition should be accepting of an alternative solution that achieves the same public access outcome but may involve the vesting of road.

**Access Formation, Right-of-Way A**

13. The access shown as Right-of-Way A and formation on Mars Street between Right-of-Ways A and B shown on Appendix B dated 22 April 2010 (attached) shall, as a minimum, be formed as follows:
  - i) A minimum lane width of 4.5 metres;
  - ii) A two coat chip sealed surface if the gradient is greater than 1:6;



APPENDIX C

		
<p>Sign on roadside close to Excellent/Orion St intersection</p>	<p>Signage at top of hill: "Private Property, No beach access..."</p>	<p>Signage 100m further on: "Beach Track"</p>
		
<p>Looking back up the track (first part)</p>	<p>Looking down the track (second part)</p>	<p>"Stile" of loose tree stumps</p>
		
<p>Signage: "Walkway", written in blue on top board. Stile of loose stump/rock.</p>	<p>View from approx 10 metres inland from beach.</p>	



Golden Bay Community Board 11 June 2019, Collingwood Fire StationJill Pearson

Last month Baerbel Hack spoke about trying to get a more fair relationship between camping site owners and the provision of services for freedom campers. I agree with these ideas because I think it is very important to support local businesses and it is very unfair to undermine them by providing similar cheap (or free) alternatives using ratepayer money. I keep on thinking about how the showers in the info centre car park will have impacted on the sale of cash showers by the Takaka Campground in Motupipi Street.

I'd like to talk about making decisions now, that people in 30 years, 130 years, and 300 years will thank us for. It is probably easier to spend a bit of effort now to look ahead and think things through, rather than try and "fix" stuff later.

The redevelopment of Collingwood Area School and Golden Bay High School are an example.

Other matters that could be addressed are:

1. Light pollution – not necessarily an issue now but do we want to preserve the blackness of the night that we have had? Would future generations appreciate it?
2. Aircraft/noise pollution – for example the increase in air traffic over Pupu Springs has been exponential over the last few years. Would future generations appreciate just a reasonable level of noise?
3. Tourism – Wanaka is asking how much is too much possibly having got to too much already. Tekapo is the same. I'm not suggesting we shut down current tourism operators but we do need to think very carefully about how far we go. Another example is the island of Boracay in the Philippines.
4. Population – it may be useful to agree a maximum population size at which we can still live in the manner to which we have become accustomed. And formulate a plan that takes this into account. We can probably safely say that none of us would be happy with 26million people living here. I think it's important to remember that Shanghai was once a town the size of Takaka. The population question relates not only to Golden Bay, but to Tasman District, New Zealand, and the whole planet.
5. Fast food outlets – if we have a choice would we like to keep the Bay a McDonald's free place?

We are the current custodians of this once beautiful place. Often changes are insidious in that they occur over generations and so "normal" changes without us necessarily realising. To be encouraging and promoting "Growth" seemingly at any cost is not responsible stewardship.

At times it feels like we are in a boat looking backwards at the churning wake when really we need to be looking forward so we can deal with what is coming.

Are we able to get an idea of what we need to plan now for the future? Can we use referendums or other comprehensive methods of data collection to determine a course of action?

I ask that the Community Board please look into this.





11 June 2019

Abbie Langford  
Golden Bay Community Board  
C/o Tasman District Council  
PO Box 74  
Takaka 7142

### **Improving whitebait management**

Kia ora Abbie,

I am writing in response to your correspondence with the Minister of Conservation regarding whitebait.

In 2018 we ran an online survey and held 12 drop-in sessions throughout the country to ask New Zealanders what they thought about whitebait management. About 2,800 responded to the survey and 400 attended a drop-in session.

A summary of this engagement and the findings of a whitebait working group is available in a report called 'New Zealanders' views on whitebait management: Summary of findings from a public engagement process'. This report and all the supporting documents can be found on our webpage: Improving whitebait management, [www.doc.govt.nz/whitebait-management](http://www.doc.govt.nz/whitebait-management).

Based on the high level of support (almost 90% of respondents said they thought that changes were needed to make New Zealand's whitebait fishery sustainable), the Minister of Conservation has decided to progress to public consultation on improving whitebait management.

We will be requesting public submissions later in the year once the discussion document is available for comment.

Ngā mihi

Natasha Grainger  
Freshwater Manager  
Department of Conservation  
[whitebait@doc.govt.nz](mailto:whitebait@doc.govt.nz)

**Department of Conservation Te Papa Atawhai**  
Whare Kaupapa Atawhai/Conservation House  
PO Box 10420  
Wellington 6143



**Emma Gee**

**From:** Emma Gee  
**Sent:** Monday, 17 June 2019 9:19 a.m.  
**To:** Golden Bay Community Board; 'kurawaka1@xtra.co.nz'; Dennis Bush-King; '16williams@gbh.school.nz'; '16struck@gbh.school.nz'  
**Subject:** FW: Scandinavian sailor plaque  
**Attachments:** Scandinavian sailors v 7.pdf

Good morning all

Please see below emails received from the Golden Bay Genealogy Group and Francie Wafer, I have advised Francie that I would pass this information onto the Board and include in Correspondence for discussion at the next meeting.

Francie has advised the group that there is no possibility of a DNA test but that Council will clear the site and help with installation of the plaque.

Thanks  
 Emma

**Emma Gee**

Team Leader Customer Services - Takaka  
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**From:** Francie Wafer  
**Sent:** Monday, 17 June 2019 8:44 a.m.  
**To:** Emma Gee <[Emma.Gee@tasman.govt.nz](mailto:Emma.Gee@tasman.govt.nz)>  
**Subject:** FW: Scandinavian sailor plaque

Hi Emma

How do we go about letting the Community Board know for their information that the GB Genealogy Group are installing this plaque in the Rototai Cemetery?.

Regards  
 Francie

**Francie Wafer** | Community Development  
 Reserves & Facilities Administrator  
 Extension 868 | DDI 03 543 8468

**From:** Sally Gaffney <[sally@gaffneys.co.nz](mailto:sally@gaffneys.co.nz)>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 29 May 2019 2:45 PM

**To:** Francie Wafer <[Francie.Wafer@tasman.govt.nz](mailto:Francie.Wafer@tasman.govt.nz)>

**Subject:** Scandinavian sailor plaque

Hello Francie

Do you remember that some months ago I talked to you about the possibility of the Golden Bay Genealogy Group making a plaque for the grave site in Rototai where the remains of the bodies found at Pohara in July 1976 lie. I told you then that at present there is an agapanthus plant where the grave is and no one would know that anyone is buried there. You said that you thought the TDC could possibly remove the plant and give us permission to erect a plaque of some kind.

After deliberation with various bodies (no pun intended) we have come up with a plaque that everyone this end is happy with. Could you please have a look and see if you think the TDC would let us put this up and whether or not they are still willing to clear the agapanthus.

The plaque has been done in the same style as Heritage Golden Bay have used for the town plaques in Takaka. This one however is landscape and is 294mm by 446mm and then has a grey powder coated frame around the outside. It would be mounted on some sort of support so that it sits just above ground height. We have managed to secure funding for the plaque at this end, all we need now is permission from TDC and help from them to achieve our goal.

The thought occurred to several people at this end that the story of the bodies and whether or not they are actually Scandinavian sailors or Maori in European dress has never been solved. Any chance of a DNA test? I have no doubt the answer is no but if you don't ask you don't get!!

Cheers

Sally

In 1976 a number of bodies were found during building works along the coast at Pohara. One was in the uniform of a sailor (possibly an officer) with brass buttons. Another was a woman in European dress with mother-of-pearl buttons. Both were in zinc-lined caskets. There were other bodies found alongside.

Some of the bodies were re-interred here in July 1976, others are believed to have been buried elsewhere in undisclosed locations. Are they perhaps connected to the story of the drowned Scandinavian flax traders of 1825?



Plaque erected by

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**Emma Gee**

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**From:** Anna Gerraty  
**Sent:** Monday, 17 June 2019 5:04 p.m.  
**To:** Golden Bay Community Board; Motueka Community Board  
**Cc:** Sandra Hartley  
**Subject:** Local elections 2019 update  
**Attachments:** 17155 TDC Elections Info Poster Jun19 Proof 1.pdf

Kia ora Community Board members

Sandra and I thought we should forward on the elections information we included in this week's Councillor Update newsletter fyi:

**Local Elections Update****Candidate Information Sessions**

Three information sessions for prospective candidates are booked for the week starting 24 June (each session will run from 5.30-7pm):

- Monday 24 June, Golden Bay Recreation Park Centre
- Tuesday 25 June, Motueka Service Centre
- Thursday 27 June, Council Chambers in Richmond

Janine Dowding, Sandra Hartley/Anna Gerraty and outgoing NCC Councillor Stuart Walker will speak to attendees about how to stand for Council/Community Boards and what to expect if elected. Another LT staff member will also attend each session.

We're promoting these events via social media, Newsline, our website, posters (see attached) and in local papers. Our Facebook events include the following details:

*Are you considering standing for election to the Tasman District Council this year?*

*Anyone keen to learn more about what is involved in representing the community as the Mayor, a Councillor or community board member, is invited to one of three information sessions this month.*

*The sessions will outline the role and business of the Council and what the Mayor, Councillors and community board members do. They will also provide an overview of the election process, including important information about nominations and campaigning.*

*An outgoing Councillor will be available to answer your questions and offer a first-hand perspective.*

**New for 2019 elections – Video Candidate Profiles**

We want to encourage greater voter participation in the 2019 elections – historically we struggle to achieve a 50% voting rate.

This year, all candidates for Tasman District Council and the two Community Boards will be given the opportunity to have their profile statements filmed. We are offering to video your candidate statement and then post a link alongside your written profile statement on our website. The process is very simple and just a matter of reading your 150-word election statement from an autocue. We will be in contact once nominations close and give you booking details for the filming days of 22nd and 23rd August (all filming will be undertaken at the Motueka Service Centre). Each candidate will be able to book a 20-minute slot to have their profile statement filmed.

This method has already been trialled for the Banks Peninsula Community Board – Lyttelton Ward By-election in 2018. We encourage you to view the video profiles from this by-election: <https://www.bpcbcandidates2018.nz/>

Cheers  
 Anna  
 Deputy Electoral Officer



**Emma Gee**

**From:** New Zealand Biosecurity Awards 2019  
<Biosecurity.awards@mpi.govt.nz> on behalf of New Zealand Biosecurity Awards 2019 <Biosecurity.awards@mpi.govt.nz>

**Sent:** Tuesday, 18 June 2019 2:00 p.m.

**To:** Golden Bay Community Board

**Subject:** Calling all biosecurity champions!

Calling biosecurity champions!

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Much of what we do to protect our biodiversity in New Zealand is through biosecurity activity – from trapping rats in backyards to washing and disinfecting footwear when visiting our kauri forests.

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2018 Emerging Leader Award Winner – Dr Amanda Black, Te Kawerau ā Maki

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- DOC Community Kahiwi Award
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- GIA Industry Award
- Eagle Technology Local and Central Government Award
- Bio-Protection Research Centre Science Award
- Mondiale Innovation Award
- AsureQuality Emerging Leader Award (open to nominations)
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2018 Community Award Winner – Pirongia Te Aroaro o Kahu Restoration Society

### This year we have two Community Awards – Pihinga and Kahiwi

We had so many entries to the Community Awards last year that we've now established two categories – one for established programmes (Kahiwi, heart of a tree trunk) longer than 18 months and for new programmes (Pihinga, begin to grow) started in the past 18 months. Each winner receives a \$2,500 prize.



2018 Māori Award Winner – Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Te Rangi Iwi Trust

### Te Puni Kōkiri Māori Award – protecting our taonga

This Award recognises the whanau, hapū, iwi and Māori organisations who are working hard to protect Aotearoa from pests and diseases, and celebrates those who are demonstrating a relationship with the taonga and their takiwā while supporting Māori capability and capacity in the biosecurity system.



2018 Local and Central Government and Supreme Award Winner – Environment Southland

### Local and central government working hard

Local, regional and central government agencies can play a big part in safeguarding our Kiwi way of life through pest eradication and monitoring,



2018 Industry Award Winner – Kiwifruit Vine Health

### Supporting our industry to succeed

New Zealanders depend on a robust biosecurity system for our social and economic survival. The Industry Award recognises those organisations or

education and working alongside industry, business and community.

individuals that have helped to protect our primary industry from pests and disease.

Enter now



2018 Innovation Award Winner – Jacson3, Rusty Knutson and Hon Damien O'Connor

### Spread the word

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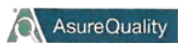
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**Item**

**Attachment 13**





## Fonterra Takaka Annual Community Meeting

We would like to invite you to our annual community meeting which will be held as follows:

- Fonterra Takaka on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> July, 5:30pm

A map showing the meeting location and parking is attached to this invite.

At the meeting we will:

- Introduce you to our team;
- Provide you with an update on the activities and operations in Takaka and the surrounding area; and
- Give you an overview of the site's environmental performance over the last year.

If you would like to attend the community meeting, please RSVP to Emily Macdonald by calling or texting 027 836 2538 or by email: [emily.macdonald@fonterra.com](mailto:emily.macdonald@fonterra.com).

Please also let us know if there are any specific questions you have about the Takaka site, or Fonterra, that you would like to be answered at the meeting.

We very much look forward to seeing you at the meeting.

Kind Regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Carl Shrimpton'.

**Carl Shrimpton**  
Upper South Operations Manager  
Fonterra Co-operative Group Limited

Fonterra Co-operative Group

Location of Community Meeting at Fonterra Takaka



Confidential to Fonterra Co-operative Group

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**Emma Gee**

**From:** Abbie Langford <[abbie.langford22@gmail.com](mailto:abbie.langford22@gmail.com)>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 19 June 2019 9:38 a.m.  
**To:** Emma Gee  
**Subject:** Fwd: Complaint

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**From:** Abbie Langford <[abbie.langford22@gmail.com](mailto:abbie.langford22@gmail.com)>  
**Date:** Wed, 19 Jun 2019, 9:37 AM  
**Subject:** Re: Complaint  
**To:** Cynthia McConville <[cynthia.mcconwillenz@gmail.com](mailto:cynthia.mcconwillenz@gmail.com)>  
**Cc:** Richard Kempthorne <[richard.kempthorne@tasman.govt.nz](mailto:richard.kempthorne@tasman.govt.nz)>

Good morning

Thank you for your email, you have raised some good points which will be addressed at the next Community Board meeting.

Kind Regards  
 Abbie

On Tue, 18 Jun 2019, 9:19 PM Cynthia McConville, <[cynthia.mcconwillenz@gmail.com](mailto:cynthia.mcconwillenz@gmail.com)> wrote:  
 Hello Abbie (copy to Mayor Kempthorne)

For the last four months I have sat in attendance at meetings of the Golden Bay Community Board. I have observed many instances at these meetings where TDC's Standing Orders are not applied. Standing Orders are there to contribute to public confidence in the quality of local government. All members of a Community Board are required to abide by the Standing Orders.

From the point of view of this community member Community Board meetings are a "free for all" with insufficient guidance from yourself as Chair. Board members frequently interrupt each other and talk over one another. I was particularly concerned about a comment made by Community Board member David Gowland at the meeting last week on 11 June. He asked Grant Knowles "Are you a sheep?" This was in response to Grant's suggestion that the GBCB declare a climate emergency. This should have been addressed by you immediately as Chair. Section 19.2 of Standing Orders states "no member may speak or act in a manner which is disrespectful to other members."

I am asking here that at your next GBCB meeting you call for a public apology from Dave Gowland to Grant Knowles.

Cynthia McConville  
 144 Rangihaeata Road  
 RD2 Takaka 7182.



**Emma Gee**

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**From:** Abbie Langford <abbie.langford22@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, 28 June 2019 5:55 p.m.  
**To:** Lynne Hall  
**Cc:** Golden Bay Community Board  
**Subject:** Re: FW: request to remove acacia from collingwood reserve.

Hi Lynne

I will get this included as late correspondence for discussion at the July meeting

Kind regards  
Abbie

On Fri, 28 Jun 2019, 5:01 PM Lynne Hall, <[Lynne.Hall@tasman.govt.nz](mailto:Lynne.Hall@tasman.govt.nz)> wrote:

Good afternoon everyone

I am seeking feedback from the Community Board with a request we have had from neighbours to remove trees from a small reserve that we have recently acquired in Collingwood. The location is shown on an aerial further below.

The reserve is the Excellent Street walkway and is adjacent to 162 Excellent Street. We have plans to start construction of the walkway in the very near future.

The neighbours are developing their section and I have included their request below. It seems there is some urgency to this request and I understand the contractor will be getting underway in mid-July. I will be meeting the neighbours together with Beryl Wilkes next week to get a better understanding of what they are wanting to do.

Due to the number of trees being asked to be removed, this is an issue for the Community Board, however, time is not on our side with this. The question is, if after meeting with the neighbours - Parks and Reserves think this is a reasonable and sensible way to proceed, would the Community Board back this decision or do you wish for this to be discussed at a board meeting?

Kind regards

Lynne

**Description:**

Approx 100 Acacia exist on the recently vested upper portion of Lot 9, TDC reserve, (RM 090764). Lot 9 adjoins a large Eucalyptus grove on Lot 1 of proposed subdivision RM 140727 and RM 140728, presently DP 515574 owned by Sally Dawson & Grant Williams. We intend to remove the Eucalyptus trees from Lot 1 in preparation for a TDC consented dwelling site and subdivision. These works are imminent.

**Reasons:**

1/ These 15m high small diameter acacia present a wind throw risk once the large sheltering Eucalyptus woodlot is removed from Lot 1.

2/ The trees will be within striking distance of the TDC approved dwelling site and surrounds.

3/ Considering the steep narrow easement corridor it would be practical to remove these trees while the area is open and heavy machinery can access them.

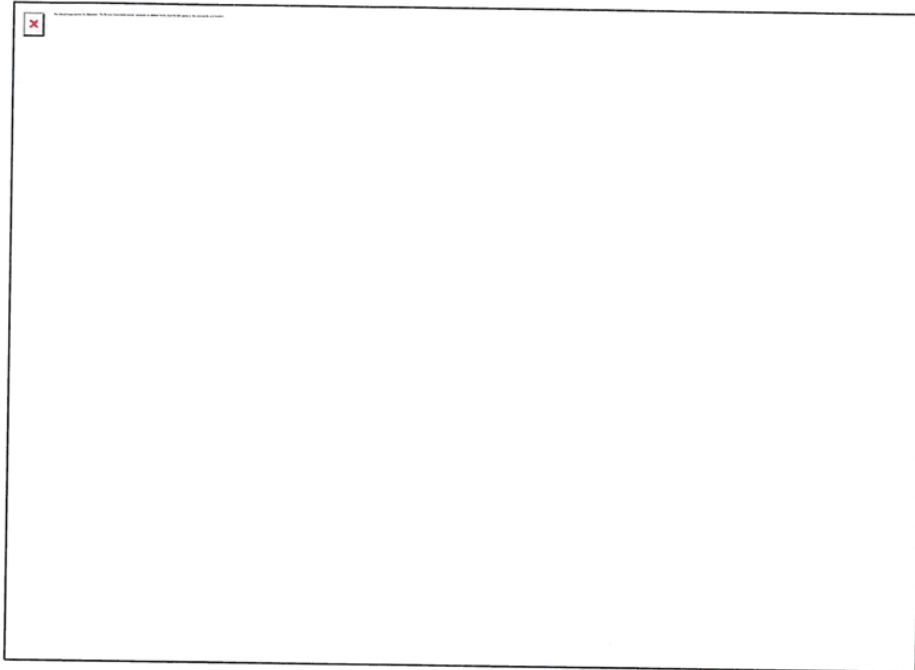
4/ They are a noxious plant species and can be replaced with endemic native trees and shrubs, as will be the entire area cleared of Eucalyptus on Lot 1.

**Proposal:**

To remove all Acacia Melanoxylon and Eucalyptus from the TDC reserve described and replant in locally endemic trees and shrubs. The removal would be carried out by approved contractors Sollys. The restoration would require spray treatment of emergent acacia seedlings in summer and native planting in May /June 2020.

Costs: Sally & I will cover costs of Acacia removal including cut & paste of stumps and spray of acacia regeneration. We offer to re-plant this margin in coastal endemic species. Notably kanuka, kohuhu and other fast growing tree species to sync with adjoining kanuka forest and compete with acacia and ornamental cherry regrowth.

Public walkway: The above works may cause minor damage to the existing single track walkway. We will reinstate as required.



**Lynne Hall** | Community Development  
Horticultural Officer – Motueka & Golden Bay  
Mobile 027 499 6798 | DDI 03 543 8492

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