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TITLE: DATE: TIME: VENUE:	Engineering Services Committee Thursday 18 August 2005 9.30 am Council Chambers, 189 Queen Street, Richmond
PRESENT:	Mayor J C Hurley, Crs T E Norriss (Chair), S G Bryant,
	T B King, R G Currie, R G Kempthorne, J C Inglis
IN ATTENDANCE:	Cr E M O'Regan, P K O'Shea, M J Higgins, Community Board Members B Dowler and A C Fry, Chief Executive (R G Dickinson), Engineering Manager (P W Thomson), Transportation Manager (R Ashworth), Utilities Asset Manager (J Cuthbertson), Road Asset Engineer (S Elkington), Development Engineer (D Ley), Administration Officer (B D Moore)

Apologies

Moved Crs Bryant/Kempthorne WK05/08/01

THAT apologies from Mayor Hurley for lateness and Cr Borlase for absence be sustained. CARRIED

1 PUBLIC FORUM

1.1 A C Fry

Mr A C Fry spoke about problems with speeding traffic in River Road, Riwaka and that Council could expect to receive a petition about this. He asked if the installation of speed humps was an option to consider.

1.2 C Robinson

Mr Robinson spoke about traffic and parking concerns in Talbot Street and the sale of vehicles on Salisbury Road.

1.3 R Hellyer

Mr Hellyer of Harakeke spoke of the maintenance of the swing bridge and ford near his property at Drummond Road. He said that Council should be careful when considering the potential for noise controls in rural areas. He said the potential for subdivision of pipfruit orchards could create future cross boundary problems and a fragmentation of productive land. He supported changes to the Tudor Street intersection in Motueka, proposed by the Motueka Community Board. He suggested that traffic could be diverted from the town centre by a route via Wilkinson, Greenwood and Saxon Street.

2 MOTUEKA COMMUNITY BOARD SPEAKING RIGHTS

Cr Norriss invited the Motueka Community Board Members to join the meeting.

Moved Crs Bryant/Currie WK05/08/02

THAT Motueka Community Board Members B Dowler and A Fry have speaking rights at the August 2005 Engineering Services Committee meeting. CARRIED

3 ENGINEERING SERVICES COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN'S REPORT – 11 AUGUST 2005

The report referred to the removal of bulk bins for recyclables in Golden Bay and Motueka and the need for people to take recyclables to the transfer stations.

Concern was expressed about the maintenance of gravel roads and Mr Ashworth advised that he was working with the contractors to improve this.

Cr Inglis reported on the construction of a secondary stopbank associated with the Waimakariri River and that the work was being done with compacted and grassed silt and gravel.

4 ASSET MANAGEMENT REPORT – 11 AUGUST 2005

Transportation Manager, Mr R Ashworth, spoke to his report contained within the agenda.

4.1 Tasman District Council and Transit NZ Collaboration Feasibility Study

Mr Ashworth said that a meeting would be held on 6 September 2005 to review the feasibility study report recommendations, before formally reporting back to the Council and the Transit NZ Board.

4.2 Road Oiling

A report on the oiling of roads will be presented to this Committee on 29 September 2005.

4.3 River Rating Boundary Review

This review is currently underway and outcomes will be reported back in due course. Mr Thomson advised that the Waimakariri secondary stopbanks of 1.5 km are being constructed for \$600,000.

4.4 Tenders Awarded

The agenda showed that the Salisbury Road Cycle Underpass contract had been awarded and Mr Ashworth advised that a full report on this project had been forwarded to full Council.

5 STATE HIGHWAY 60 INTERSECTION PROPOSALS, HIGH STREET, MOTUEKA

Mr Ashworth spoke to his report of 9 August 2005 contained within the agenda which considered the recommendations and proposals of the Motueka Community Board, however recommended no further action be taken on the Wallace/High Street intersection or the Tudor/High Street intersection at this time.

Mayor Hurley agreed that there needs to be an overall review of the planning of the Motueka roading network.

Mr Dowler said that the intersection modification proposals were a reaction to the Transit NZ 28 year deferment of the proposed Motueka Bypass. He referred to the lack of service lane access behind shops in Motueka and that trucks are parking on High Street for loading purposes.

Cr O'Shea said that further research and traffic count information is required and that the proposed work is not a top priority in Motueka. She said that High Street is a shopping area where people walk.

Mr Fry said that Council could consider allowing parking on one side of High Street only.

Mr Ashworth tabled copies of a letter dated 16 August 2005 from Transit NZ which advised that Transit NZ did not favour the proposed changes to these intersections and would not fund that work. Mr Ashworth said that Council presently has no funding for the Tudor Street intersection changes.

Moved Crs Kempthorne/King WK05/08/03

THAT no further action be taken on the Wallace/High Street intersection, or the Tudor/High Street intersection at Motueka, until such time as the future planning and growth needs of the roading network are properly considered. CARRIED

Cr O'Shea left the meeting at this time.

6 COUNCIL ROADING POLICY AND PROCEDURES MANUAL

Road Asset Engineer, Mr Elkington, was present to speak to his report of 10 August 2005 and reminded the Committee that copies of the draft Roading Policy and Procedures Manual were distributed to members in July 2005. The Committee was advised of some minor amendments required to the draft manual.

Moved Crs Bryant/Currie WK05/08/04

THAT the Engineering Services Committee adopts the Tasman District Council Roading Policy and Procedures Manual, August 2005, as amended. CARRIED

7 SPEED LIMIT REVIEW, GOLDEN BAY

Road Asset Engineer, Mr Elkington, spoke to his report of 10 August 2005, following a review undertaken of roads in Golden Bay for the purposes of lowering existing and putting in place new speed limits.

Cr Norriss read a letter from Mr J Bell, Golden Bay Community Board Chairman, seeking that the Board have an opportunity for further review of the proposed new speed limits.

Mr Elkington said that he had spoken to Mr Bell about the new speed limits.

Mr Elkington said that approval of the new limits would allow signs to be installed before the summer tourist season.

Cr Norriss asked Mr Elkington to report back to the Golden Bay Community Board on the decision of this Committee.

Moved Crs Bryant/Kempthorne WK05/08/05

THAT the Engineering Services Committee supports the following recommended changes to the Council's Speed Limit Bylaw for speed limits in the Golden Bay area, subject to these changes going to public consultation.

Location or Road	Existing	Proposed	Recommendation
Name	Speed	Speed	
	Limit kph	Limit kph	
Rototai Road	100	70	From end of existing 50kph speed
			limit to just north of Arapeta Place
Meihana Street	70	50	From end of existing 50kph speed
			limit near Rototai Road to Motupipi
			Street/Abel Tasman Drive
			Roundabout, currently 70kph
Motupipi Street	70	50	From end of existing 50kph speed
			limit to Meihana Street/Abel
			Tasman Drive Roundabout,
			currently 70kph
Sunbelt Crescent	70	50	Create an Urban Traffic Area for
			full length of road
Pohara Township	70	50	Create an Urban Traffic Area and
Following Roads			relinquish 50kph Holiday Speed
			Limit

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Selwyn St			Full length
 Tennyson St 			Full length
Richmond Rd			Full length
Bay Vista Dr			Full length
Pohara Valley			Full length
Haille Ln			Full length
Faulkner Rd			Short length over existing 70kph section
 Abel Tasman Dr 			From existing 70kph speed limit sign near Richmond Rd to 70kph speed limit sign north of Pohara Valley Rd.
Paton's Rock Township	50	50	No change to status quo
Para Para Village	70	100	 To relinquish existing 70kph speed limit and instead install speed limiting devices such as speed humps also, put in place a 50kph Holiday Speed Limit.
Pakawau Township			
 Collingwood Puponga Main Rd 	100	70	Extend from the southern entrance into the town at approximate displacement 10750m in a northerly direction to a point just past the last house on the seaward side displacement 11850m
Collingwood Puponga Main Rd	70	50	Extent of existing 50kph Holiday Speed limit to remain (See attached map)
Abel Tasman Dr			
0m - 1126	70	70	From Meihana St Roundabout to just north of Sunbelt Cres, existing speed limit to remain unchanged
1126m – 2126m	80	80	Existing speed limit to remain unchanged and, undertake speed survey to ascertain level of compliance.
2126m – 3681m	100	100	Existing speed limit to remain unchanged
3681m – 4674m	70	70	Existing speed limit to remain unchanged
4674m – 7195m	100	100	Existing speed limit to remain unchanged
Pohara Township 7195m – 8747m	70	50	Create an Urban Traffic Area
8747m – 10800m	100	100	Existing speed limit to remain unchanged

Ligar Bay 10800m -11700m (Approximately)	100	70	Put in place a 70kph Speed Limit to apply all year except during period of Holiday Speed Limit
Ligar Bay 10800m -11700m (Approximately)	50	50	Create a 50kph Holiday Speed Limit over this length
11700m – 19730m	100	100	Existing speed limit to remain unchanged
Collingwood	50	50	Existing speed limits to remain
Township	70	70	unchanged
Central Takaka Rd	70	70	Existing speed limit to remain unchanged
Park Avenue	100	50 or 70	Yet to be rated, either 50 or 70kph
Rangihaeata	100		50kph Holiday Speed Limit to be investigated

CARRIED

8 **RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC**

Moved Crs Norriss/Bryant WK05/08/6

That the public be excluded from the following part of the proceedings of this meeting, namely:

Wensley Road Reconstruction Motueka Storm Water Improvements

The general subject of the matters to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to the matter, and the specific grounds under Section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for passing this resolution are as follows:

Subject	Reasons	Grounds
Wensley Road Reconstruction	Consideration of report	To enable the Committee to carry out discussions without prejudice or disadvantage
Motueka Stormwater Improvements	Consideration of report	To enable the Committee to carry out discussions without prejudice or disadvantage

CARRIED

(Refer to Confidential Minute Book, resolutions numbered WK05/08/7 and WK05/08/08).

Moved Cr Kempthorne/Mayor Hurley WK05/08/09

THAT the public meeting be resumed and the business transacted during the time the public was excluded be adopted. CARRIED

9 STORMWATER IMPROVEMENTS BRIGHTWATER AREA

Utilities Asset Manager, J Cuthbertson, spoke to his report of 10 August 2005 contained within the agenda. He spoke about the Council project to reduce the potential of flooding to residential properties of Lord Rutherford Road area (south of Brightwater) and the Rintoul Place area within Brightwater.

The agenda contained a report of August 2005 from MWH NZ Ltd about the issues and potential solutions.

Mr Cuthbertson said that the intended work will involve widening some waterways, the installation of increased sized roading culverts, removal of obstructions from the waterways, such as trees, connecting culverts under the roads that have been isolated due to farming practices, the retention of water and the installation of some bunding to direct and contain flood water. He said that there will still be no guarantee that the subject properties will be flood-free. He said depending upon the ability of obtaining the required resource consent and landowner approvals, it is hoped that work will be well underway by late December 2005.

Moved Crs Bryant/Inglis WK05/08/10

THAT the stormwater improvements south Brightwater area report of 10 August 2005 be received. CARRIED

10 RICHMOND TRUNK SEWER

Utilities Asset Manager, J Cuthbertson, spoke to a report of 9 August 2005 contained within the agenda to provide information on the status of the Richmond trunk sewer project. The report advised that Council staff are about to seek tenders for this project and it was explained that the project will be broken down into five sections as described within the report and illustrated on the plan attached.

Mr Cuthbertson advised of the increased cost of high density polyethylene pipe and that contractors may submit prices based on four pipe materials.

Moved Crs Kempthorne/Inglis WK05/08/11

THAT the Richmond trunk sewer report of 9 August 2005 be received as information.

CARRIED

11 UTILITIES MANAGEMENT REPORT

The Engineering Manager's report of 11 August 2005 was contained within the agenda and Mr Thomson led the Committee through discussion of this report concerning the subjects of water, stormwater, wastewater, refuse and recycling and tenders.

12 SEWERAGE CONNECTIONS POLICY

The Utilities Asset Manager, Mr Cuthbertson, sought the Committee's approval to consider including a policy on sewerage connections in the next LTCCP. He said that this is to assist in developing a policy on connection fees to the reticulated sewer system. The proposed policy wording was outlined within the Sewerage Connections Policy staff report of 9 August 2005, reference S302, and the Committee noted that the wording required to be fine-tuned.

Moved Crs Norriss/Bryant WK05/08/12

THAT the Engineering Services Committee endorses in principle the proposed Sewerage Connections Policy, to be fine-tuned and included in the draft LTCCP for consultation by the public. CARRIED

13 TRADE WASTE BYLAW 2005

Utilities Asset Manager, Mr Cuthbertson, spoke to the proposed Trade Waste Bylaw report of 10 August 2005 contained within the agenda and copies of the draft Trade Waste Bylaw, being Chapter 9 of the Tasman District Council Consolidated Bylaw and an addendum to the report of 10 August 2005 to provide some attached amendments. Public submissions were sought during the period to 19 September 2005 and it was proposed that the Bylaw come into effect on 1 July 2006. Mr Cuthbertson said that the extra six months before the Bylaw comes into force, will allow better consultation.

Moved Crs King/Inglis WK05/08/13

THAT the draft Tasman District Council Trade Waste Bylaw 2005, be adopted for public consultation. CARRIED

13.1 Trade Waste Bylaw Subcommittee

Moved Crs Norriss/Bryant WK05/08/14

THAT Crs King, Kempthorne and Currie be the panel to hear public submissions to the Draft Trade Waste Bylaw 2005, following the consultation period. CARRIED

14 SUMMARY OF DEVELOPMENT IN REGION AND CUSTOMER SERVICES FOR FINANCIAL YEAR 2004/2005

Development Engineer, D Ley, spoke to his report of 9 August 2005 contained within the agenda and referred particularly to subdivision and development work and the extent and type of customer service requests.

Cr Norriss sought that similar reports be available on a quarterly basis.

Cr Bryant left the meeting at this time.

Moved Crs Kempthorne/Currie WK05/08/15

THAT the Summary of District Development and Customer Services for Financial Year 2004/2005 be received. CARRIED

15 KAHURANGI EMPLOYMENT TRUST – RECYCLE SHOP AT BEACH ROAD TRANSFER STATION

The Engineering Manager, Mr Thomson, advised that in June 2005, the Kahurangi Employment Trust stopped the use of the recycle shop and requested that the lease be terminated. Mr Thomson said that the refuse station contractor, Streetsmart, is wanting to use that part of the site. Mr Thomson said that Council presently has no budget available to fund the continuing recycle shop operation.

Cr Kempthorne advised that the Trustees of the Kahurangi Employment Trust had resolved to wind up Kahurangi Employment Trust. He questioned what management structure would be available to keep the recycle shop operation running properly. He said if Nelson City Council has a willingness to keep the reuse operation going in Richmond, then Council needs further information on how this would occur.

Mr Thomson said that the cost to keep the current operation going is estimated to be about \$1,200 per month.

The meeting closed at 3.10 pm.

Confirmed:

Date: