MINUTES

TITLE: DATE: TIME: VENUE:	Engineering Services Committee Thursday 20 March 2008 9.30 am Tasman Council Chambers, 189 Queen Street, Richmond		
PRESENT:	Cr B F Dowler (Acting Chair), Mayor R G Kempthorne, Crs S J Borlase, S G Bryant, R G Currie, J L Edgar, B W Ensor, G A Glover, M J Higgins, J L Inglis, T B King, E J Wilkins, N Riley		
IN ATTENDANCE:	Engineering Manager (P W Thomson), Utilities Manager (J Cuthbertson), Transportation Manager (R Ashworth), Development Engineer (D Ley), Asset Engineer Roads (S Elkington), Executive Assistant (V M Gribble)		

APOLOGIES

Moved Crs Bryant/Edgar WK08/03/01

THAT apologies for absence from Cr T E Norriss be received and sustained. CARRIED

- 1 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES
- 1.1 Engineering Services Committee 7 February 2008

Moved Crs Inglis/Edgar WK08/03/02

THAT the minutes of the Engineering Services Committee meeting held on 7 February 2008, containing resolutions numbered WK08/02/01 to WK08/02/12 be confirmed as a true and complete record. CARRIED

2 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Moved Crs Edgar/Glover WK08/03/03

THAT the Chairman's report dated 10 March 2008 be received. CARRIED

3 TRANSPORTATION REPORT

Mr Ashworth was in attendance to present his report contained in the agenda.

Cr King expressed concern about spraying that has been carried out on roadsides in rural areas during the dry summer period. He said the work should be carried out in the winter.

Cr Currie said the Police had requested that yellow no parking lines be put in around the Waimea West / Eves Valley Road intersection.

Mr Ashworth said a low barrier fence has just been installed which should help to alleviate the problem with boy racers.

Cr Inglis expressed concern about a stopbank that has been built across the Takaka River, by the Poringa River.

Mr Thomson said flood potential to Takaka is well documented, and there is a much greater flood risk in the Takaka Valley than in Motueka.

Cr Glover was concerned about the high costs and the ability of ratepayers to pay and suggested the Motueka stopbank project be delayed and maintenance work only be carried out.

Mr Thomson said the workshop on the stopbanks was a high level look at issues to get guidance on work currently being undertaken. There were no binding decisions made at the workshop and options for capital projects, consultation with public etc are still open.

Cr Riley requested a "no camping" sign be erected at the Golden Bay information centre car park.

Moved Crs Bryant/Borlase WK08/03/04

THAT the Transportation Report dated 11 March 2008 be received. CARRIED

4 MURCHISON STOCK EFFLUENT FACILITY REPORT

Mr Ashworth spoke to the report on the Murchison stock effluent facility's usage and operational issues.

Moved Crs Bryant/King WK08/03/05

THAT the Murchison Stock Effluent Facility Report be received. CARRIED

Mr Ashworth left the meeting at 10.15 am.

5 UPDATE OF THE NEW ZEALAND TRANSPORT STRATEGY

Mr Thomson spoke to the report which provided information regarding the government's proposed update to the New Zealand Land Transport Strategy.

Moved Crs King/Riley WK08/03/06

THAT the Update of the New Zealand Transport Strategy report, contained in the agenda, be received. CARRIED

CARRIED

6 UTILITIES MANAGEMENT REPORT

Mr K Arnold presented the Utilities Management report contained in the agenda.

Moved Crs Borlase/Riley WK08/03/07

THAT the Utilities Management Report dated 10 March 2008 be received. CARRIED

7 DEVELOPMENT/CUSTOMER SERVICE – THREE MONTHLY REPORT – OCTOBER-DECEMBER 2008

Mr D Ley was in attendance to present the report contained in the agenda.

Moved Mayor Kempthorne/Cr Riley WK08/03/08

THAT the Development/Customer Services – Three Monthly Update October to December 2007 be received. CARRIED

8 ENGINEERING STANDARDS AND POLICIES 2008

The agenda contained a report that summarised and presented the Engineering Standards and Policies 2008 as an approved document for public release. The 2008 document supersedes the 2004 Standards.

Moved Crs King/Borlase WK08/03/09

THAT the Engineering Services Committee formally approves the introduction of the new Tasman District Council Engineering Standards and Policies 2008 and that the document becomes effective on 1 June 2008. CARRIED

9 WASTE EDUCATION SERVICES – PRESENTATION

Keryn Squires, Sarah Langhi and Karen Driver were in attendance and gave a powerpoint presentation to the Committee on services provided by Waste Education Services.

Crs Inglis and Currie left the meeting at 12.30 pm.

10 CULTURAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT OF RUBY BAY – PRESENTATION BY TIAKINA TE TAIAO

Mr Stephenson spoke to the report contained in the agenda.

Dean Walker (advisor to Tiakina Te Taiao), John Morgan (Board member Tiakina Te Taiao), Justin Kere (CIA working party), Fred Te Miha (Board member, Tiakina Te Taiao), Pat Park (CIA working party) and Daren Horne (CIA working party) were in attendance to present the Cultural Impact Assessment of Ruby Bay.

Mr Walker gave a powerpoint presentation on the effects on the values of tangata whenua and recommendations for a way forward.

Mr Thomson said Council has never indicated that rock wall protection on its own would be a long term solution. It is not an indefinite solution for the whole of Ruby Bay. He said longer term solutions for the whole of Ruby Bay have been put before Council at significantly greater costs.

Cr Ensor said there has been ongoing erosion at Ruby Bay but in a period of 28 days there were two big storms coinciding with high tides. He asked if iwi had any views on the two events coming close together and whether they thought it was unique or they could increase.

Mr Park said iwi don't think it is unique and storms like that will keep happening more and more. A rock wall will stop land erosion but won't stop the fetch pounding into the rocks.

Mayor Kempthorne said iwi is interested in the long term preservation of the foreshore and they would like to be part of the process ongoing.

Mr Verstappen endorsed what Mr Park said.

Crs Inglis and Currie returned to the meeting at 2.17 pm.

Mr Park said iwi are not against rock walls, but would like to see them uniform to enhance the land side and the foreshore side. Iwi also want to hear what residents of Ruby Bay want to see and would like.

Moved Crs King/Borlase WK08/03/10

THAT:

- a) the Cultural Impact Assessment of Coastal Erosion at Mapua-Ruby Bay be received,
- b) Mayor Kempthorne and Cr Ensor be appointed, together with staff, to consider a formal response to the CIA, and iwi be thanked for their presentation and attendance at the meeting.
- c) recommendation 4 be accepted and a meeting be co-ordinated with Mapua Ruby Bay Community Association.

CARRIED

Iwi representatives and Mr Stephenson left the meeting at 2.30 pm.

11 RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC

Moved Mayor Kempthorne/Cr Higgins WK08/03/11

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

Pohara Pumping Station Upgrade

The general subject of the matter 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 the passing of this resolution, are as follows:

Item No.	General subject of each matter to be considered	Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Grounds under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution
11.1	Pohara Pumping Station Upgrade	Good reason to withhold exists under Section 7	Section 48(1)(a)

CARRIED

(Refer to Confidential Minute book resolution number WK08/03/12)

Moved Crs King/Edgar WK08/03/13

THAT public meeting be resumed and the resolution be confirmed in open meeting. CARRIED

The meeting concluded at 2.43 pm.

Chair:

Date: