

REPORT

TO: Motueka Community Board Members
FROM: David Ogilvie, Chair
DATE: 9 June 2010
SUBJECT: **Chair's Recommendations – RMCB10-06-08**

1 High Street Cycle Lane : Woodland Avenue to Monahan Street

- a) That the Motueka Community Board request the Engineering Services Department of Tasman District Council to mark a cycle lane from the Woodland Avenue corner south to Monahan Street.
- b) The eastern footpath (4m width) be adapted as a marked, shared pathway. The cycle lane to be 1.5m from the carriageway kerb and the remainder be the footpath (2.5m) from the residential boundary lines.
- c) That this project be completed by 30 September 2010.

Note: The existing footpath is very wide along this part of SH 60/High Street and it could become a shared pathway effectively. Moreover, the High Street carriageway along this section is narrow and cycling becomes hazardous, particularly if there are parked cars.

The cost would be minimal (\$5,000 approximately) but the safety factors considerable. It involves a white line, some stencil markings and appropriate signs.

2 Peach Island Channel

That the Motueka Community Board request the Engineering Services Department of Tasman District Council, as part of the 2010 – 2011 annual operations and maintenance programme for the Lower Motueka River, to “open up” the Peach Island western channel.

Note: At the various meetings for the Lower Motueka River Flood Control, both local residents and engineers acknowledged that the existing stop bank was weakest and under most pressure between Woodman's Corner and Whakarewa Street, during the river's “highs”.

It was also acknowledged that opening up the western channel of Peach Island would reduce this pressure significantly and consequently lessen considerably the threat of flooding in Motueka.

This work could be funded from the Lower Motueka River's annual operating and maintenance programme, ie from the river rates collected from Motueka ratepayers.

(Note that \$1 million approximately is collected within the ward, but 60% only is being allocated to ward rivers. The extra \$400,000 is now required to lessen considerably the threat to the existing stop banks).

3 Mobile Scooter (“Pram”) Ramps

That the Motueka Community Board requests the Engineering Services Department of Tasman District Council to construct a minimum of six mobile scooter (“pram”) ramps during 2010 – 2011, and a that a further six ramps be constructed during 2010 – 2011 (if funding allows) but no later than 2011 – 2012.

Note: The Motueka Community Board provided a list of 12 intersections in March/April 2010 for mobile scooter ramps. These were shown in order of priority, and the Motueka Community Board is requesting that those 12 intersection ramps be constructed – six during 2010 – 2011 and the balance in 2011 – 2012, if not earlier.

4 Pedestrian Crossing from New World to The Warehouse in High Street

That the Motueka Community Board request the NZ Transport Agency to construct a pedestrian crossing in High Street, Motueka from New World to The Warehouse, and that it be completed by 30 November 2010, prior to the Christmas holiday period 2010 – 2011.

Note: This pedestrian crossing was one of the recommendations by NZTA/Tasman District Council in the Motueka Transportation Study. It acknowledged the increasing number of pedestrians who cross High Street at this location. Currently, local residents (and visitors) put themselves in danger by jay-walking here.

Moreover, a pedestrian crossing at that mid-block point would also reduce the dangers of people, especially High School students, crossing at the Woodland Avenue/Whakarewa Street intersection.

The cost would be minimal compared with the safety benefits.

5 Local Government Act 2002 Amendment Bill

That the Motueka Community Board makes a submission to the Local Government 2002 Amendment Bill and requests to be heard.

David Ogilvie
Chair