



AGENDA



National Park
Community Board



5:30PM, Tuesday 9
August 2022

Owhango Hall, 2157
State Highway 4,
Owhango





NATIONAL PARK COMMUNITY BOARD

NOTICE OF MEETING

A MEETING OF THE NATIONAL PARK COMMUNITY BOARD WILL BE HELD
AT OWHANGO HALL, 2157 STATE HIGHWAY 4, OWHANGO
ON TUESDAY 9 AUGUST 2022, AT 5:30PM

Members	
Chairperson	Peter Zimmer
Board Members	Mark Bolten Clark McCarthy Simon O'Neill
Councillors	Murray Wilson
Mayor (Non-voting)	Don Cameron

Clive Manley
CHIEF EXECUTIVE

Quorum (3)

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Roles and Responsibilities of Community Boards

Community Boards are recognised as taking local leadership, whilst Council takes leadership of District-wide matters.

Role of Community Boards

As per [Section 52 Local Government Act 2002](#) [LGA], the role of a Community Board is to:

- (a) Represent, and act as an advocate for the interests of the community; and
- (b) consider and report on all matters referred to it by the territorial authority, or any other matter of interest or concern to the community board; and
- (c) maintain an overview of services provided by the territorial authority within the community; and
- (d) prepare an annual submission to the territorial authority for expenditure within the community; and
- (e) communicate with community organisations and special interest groups within the community; and
- (f) undertake any other responsibilities that are delegated to it by the territorial authority.

Responsibilities Delegated to the Community Board by Council: June 2022

- Co-ordinating rural reserves and hall committees;
- Input into the development of Council's Long Term Plan;
- Approved budget for the following activities in the area:
 - (a) Footpaths programme;
 - (b) Parks and Reserves discretionary spend; and
 - (c) Public information signage.
- To approve:
 - (a) Temporary road closures for events (subject to administrative imperatives);
 - (b) Street names;
 - (c) Parades, collections and special uses of the roads;
 - (d) Changes to speed restrictions on local roads (subject to NZTA rules); and
 - (e) Road closures.

Leadership and Decision Making:

- (a) That Community Boards should be the natural first place for the Community to turn to.
- (b) Community Boards will be recognised as taking local leadership whilst Council takes leadership of District-wide matters;
- (c) That Community Boards are set up for success to assume leadership within their communities;
- (d) That Bylaws have the correct level of local input and (without conflict) are able to reflect local needs and wishes;
- (e) That disposals of assets have the correct level of local input, and are able to reflect local needs and wishes;
- (f) That community funding outside of policy criteria (unless legislation requires otherwise) sit with the Community Boards;
- (g) That new plantings – parks and reserves - (and not just removals) be approved by Community Boards in conjunction with council officers;
- (h) That Community Boards be informed of new liquor and gambling licences;
- (i) That Community Boards are fully informed on events in their area, and event organisers are encouraged to engage with the Community Board at the earliest opportunity;
- (j) That Community Board Chairs have a great role in the local community and are officially involved in important events in their Community Board area;
- (k) That the Chair (or representative) of Community Boards may be present at Council meetings, and have speaking rights during deputations, for items that have an affect or an importance for that Community Board area; and
- (l) That Community Board Members be invited to all Council workshops. Note: the only exception to this is where the Workshop Chair considers the topic should exclude them.

Relationships:

- (a) That the model going forward will be one of collaboration in decision-making in conjunction with Council officers and Council;
- (b) That Community Boards will work collaboratively with the community, council officers and Councillors, to build strong relationship and partnerships, and make decisions in conjunction with staff expertise;
- (c) That the Chair of Community Boards may be present at Council meetings, and have speaking rights during deputations, for items that have an affect or an importance for that Community Board area;
- (d) That Community Boards have a strong role in representing and advocating for their communities on current issues;
- (e) That the Mayor consults with Community Boards on the Councillor appointed to the Community Board; and
- (f) That the key principle for Community Boards is to respond locally and cooperatively with Iwi, Council officers, Council, and community groups to find solutions.

Planning:

- (a) That the primary role will be place-making and the wellbeing of communities;
- (b) That the purpose of the future Community Boards will be to deliver on prioritised Community Plans (in what ever form they take); and
- (c) That Community Boards will work on local plans (that input into Annual / Long Term Plan budgets and District Plans) with communities to agree and prioritise needs and future actions.

Support:

- (a) That Council has a continuous process for improvements in the delivery of reports and provision of information to Community Boards, and that the process is supported with the right resources, including IT resources;
- (b) That budgets align with the responsibilities. Budgets and funding for delegations, aspirations, priorities, and plans would remain within the current structure of long-term planning. Council budgets at a District-wide level include allocations for Town Revitalisation (Community Plans etc.) and are reviewed each Long-Term Plan, thus allowing for a dynamic response to community plans, and prioritisation of those plans by Community Boards;
- (c) That by using the budget setting process of Council, Community Boards can prioritise their aspirations, actions and projects from their community plans, and other plans as developed. These will feed into the overall budgeting processes of Council allowing Council to make the final budget allocations within the Community Board areas for projects in each Long Term Plan year, and in Annual Plan years as necessary; and
- (d) That structures will be worked through in the next triennium.

NATIONAL PARK COMMUNITY BOARD

ORDER PAPER

A MEETING OF THE NATIONAL PARK COMMUNITY BOARD WILL BE HELD
AT OWHANGO HALL, 2157 STATE HIGHWAY 4, OWHANGO
ON TUESDAY 9 AUGUST 2022, AT 5:30PM

PUBLIC BUSINESS

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2 Declarations of Interest: Notification from Elected Members of: 2.1 Any interests that may create a conflict with their role as an elected member relating to the items of business for this meeting; 2.2 Any interests in items in which they have a direct or indirect pecuniary interest as provided for in the Local Authorities (Members' Interests) Act 1968	
3 Notification of Additional Items: Pursuant to Sections 46A(7) and 46A(7A) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987, to receive the Chairperson's explanation that specified item(s), which do not appear on the Agenda of this meeting and/or the meeting to be held with the public excluded, will be discussed. Any additions in accordance with Section 46A(7) must be approved by resolution with an explanation as to why they cannot be delayed until a future meeting. Any additions in accordance with Section 46A(7A) may be received or referred to a subsequent meeting for further discussion. No resolution, decision, or recommendation can be made in respect of a minor item.	
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Please Note: The Reports attached to this Order Paper set out suggested resolutions only. The suggested resolutions do not represent Council policy until such time as they might be adopted by Council resolution. This Order Paper may be subject to amendment.

Report to: National Park Community Board

Meeting Date: 9 August 2022

Subject: Public Forum: Temporary Suspension and Reinstatement of Standing Orders



Purpose of Report

- 1.1 The purpose of this Report is to enable the Board to temporarily suspend Standing Orders in their entirety to allow Members and the Public to address the Board.

Significance and Engagement, Social Impact

- 2.1 There is nothing in this Report that triggers the Significance and Engagement Policy.

Public Forum Guidelines

- 3.1 The Community Board has adopted the following Public Forum Guidelines:
- (a) Five minutes speaking time will apply to each speaker or group.
 - (b) Members of the public wishing to speak must advise the Community Board of the reasons and subject he/she wishes to address the Board a minimum of two clear working days prior to the meeting.
 - (c) The Chair may refuse applications which are repetitious or offensive and may terminate a speaker in progress where the subject matter is disrespectful or offensive.
 - (d) There are not to be criticisms of individual Board members or individual staff members.
 - (e) The Public Forums are designed for people to speak about matters of interest to them to the Community Board. It is not intended that people should be questioning Board members on these occasions. However, Board members may ask questions of speakers to clarify their statements.

Suggested Resolution(s)

That the National Park Community Board:

- 1 Receives the Report **Public Forum: Temporary Suspension and Reinstatement of Standing Orders**; and
- 2 Temporarily suspends Standing Orders in their entirety to allow Members and the public to address the Board, pursuant to Section 27(4) Schedule 7 of the Local Government Act 2002.

The Board received addresses as follows:

RESOLVED

That the National Park Community Board:

- 1 Reinstates Standing Orders in their entirety for consideration of the Agenda, pursuant to Section 27(4) Schedule 7 of the Local Government Act 2002.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Tasha Paladin".

Tasha Paladin
GOVERNANCE MANAGER

NATIONAL PARK COMMUNITY BOARD

MINUTES

A MEETING OF THE NATIONAL PARK COMMUNITY BOARD HELD AT,
THE PARK HOTEL, MILLAR STREET, NATIONAL PARK
ON TUESDAY 14 JUNE 2022, AT 5:39PM

PUBLIC BUSINESS

Present

Board Members	Peter Zimmer (Chair)
(via Zoom)	Clark McCarthy
	Mark Bolten
Councillor	Murray Wilson
Mayor (Non-voting)	Don Cameron (via Zoom) 6:05PM Item 5
Staff	Clive Manley Chief Executive
	Warren Furner Executive Manager Infrastructure
	Andrea Nicol Manager Land Transport
(via Zoom)	Pauline Welch Executive Manager Community & Economic Development
	Tasha Paladin Governance Manager

1 Apologies

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr Wilson

Seconded: Member McCarthy

That the Apologies from Member O'Neill and Mayor Cameron (lateness) be accepted.

2 Declarations of Interest

No conflicts of interest were declared.

3 Notification of Additional Items

No additional Items were notified.

4 Confirmation of Order of Meeting

The order of the meeting was confirmed.

5 Public Forum: Temporary Suspension and Reinstatement of Standing Orders

Note: Mayor Cameron joined the meeting at 6:05PM

The Board temporarily suspended Standing Orders in their entirety.

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr Wilson

Seconded: Member Zimmer

That the National Park Community Board:

- 1 *Receives the Report **Public Forum: Temporary Suspension and Reinstatement of Standing Orders**; and*
- 2 *Temporarily suspends Standing Orders in their entirety to allow Members and the public to address the Board, pursuant to Section 27(4) Schedule 7 of the Local Government Act 2002*

The Community Board received addresses as follows:

- Councillor Wilson gave a verbal update on recent events, meetings and issues including:
 - The Department of Conservation (DOC) has been consulting on capping the numbers of visitors to the Tongariro Alpine Crossing. DOC has announced it will hold a meeting in early July to deliberate the submissions, suggesting the trial to cap the numbers for the summer season may be delayed;
 - Local presenters at the recent Tongariro Taupō Conservation Board meeting voiced their concerns at the cap being instituted this summer, in addition the ongoing challenges within the tourism sector;
 - Ruapehu Alpine Lifts (RAL) held its Annual Shareholder Meeting, where shareholders voted to approve all resolutions proposed by the Board, including the transfer all the Company's business assets, debts and obligations into a new entity to be established at a date to be determined by the Board on or following 1 December 2022. It was shared that RAL has had an extension on its agreement approved by the ANZ Bank to allow upgrades of the Turoa lifts to be undertaken in advance of the 2022 Winter season;
 - Waka Kotahi New Zealand Transport Agency hosted a meeting in National Park with local transport concessionaires, DOC, and other stakeholders on the topic of safety of public transport on the mountain roads. Outcomes included the strong advocacy to the Minister of Transport of the need for more local sites to inspect commercial vehicles;
 - Conservation 2050 meeting hosted by Penny Nelson, Director General of The Department of Conservation (DOC) on the outcomes of the Budget and its implications on the Department of Conservation. A key takeaway was the change of approach to predators, in particular Sika Deer. Going forward, a predator management strategy will be implemented.
- Member Zimmer gave a verbal update on recent events, meetings and issues including:
 - The Annual Plan Community Hui at Owango was well attended, Key topics raised focused on local roads, water, the 1080 Drop within the water catchment area and the associated consultation from the Department of Conservation;
 - Continued issues with parking on Millar Street, National Park, during peak weekends and event days.
 - Council's Manager Land Transport spoke to the matter noting there are two distinct parking issues; when Events are on and there is a need for overflow parking, and peak mountain visitor days when the Park & Ride is full. Council plans to liaise to local businesses to explore capacity for overflow assistance before assessing how to manage peak day parking. Peak day parking could involve marshals or volunteers to assist with parking and this would be considered a low cost, short-term response. Spatial plan development could include changing roads, and introducing parking bays, however this would be a higher cost, long-term response requiring consultation.

- Mayor Cameron gave a verbal update on recent events, meetings and issues including:
 - A meeting has been called by the Department of Conservation for all Tongariro Alpine Crossing operators to discuss the potential cap on numbers;
 - As part of the Budget announcement, \$18 million has been made available for upgrades to infrastructure within Whakapapa including water, wastewater and stormwater upgrades.

RESOLVED

Moved: Member Zimmer

Seconded: Member McCarthy

That the National Park Community Board:

- 1 *Reinstates Standing Orders in their entirety for consideration of the Agenda, pursuant to Section 27(4) Schedule 7 of the Local Government Act 2002.*

6 Confirmation of Minutes: 3 May 2022
RESOLVED

Moved: Cr Wilson

Seconded: Member Bolten

That the National Park Community Board:

- 1 *Confirms the Public Business Minutes of the National Park Community Board meeting held 3 May 2022 as a true and correct record.*

7 Future of Community Boards - Recommendations

Members received a report presenting the outcomes of the National Park Community Board workshop to formalise the recommendations for Council from the National Park Community Board on the Future of Community Boards. Council's Executive Manager Community and Economic Development spoke to the report and answered Members' questions.

It was noted the recommendation for the Chair of the Community Board to have speaking rights at Council was not included in the report; instead, speaking rights during deputations to Council, for items that have an affect or an importance for that Community Board area was included.

It was also noted that the responsibility and final decision to appoint Councillors to the Community Board sat with the Mayor.

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr Wilson

Seconded: Member McCarthy

That the National Park Community Board:

- 1 *Receives the Report **Future of community Boards – Recommendations**; and*
- 2 *Agrees the recommendations in 4.1.1 (a - k) be included in the report to the June Meeting of Council on the Future of Community Boards.*

8 National Park Village Park and Ride Facility Progress Report

Members received a report presenting an update of operational costs, quarterly revenue and user statistics for the National Park Village Park and Ride. Council's Executive Manager Infrastructure spoke to the report and answered Members' questions.

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr Wilson

Seconded: Member Bolten

That the National Park Community Board:

- 1 *Receives the Report **National Park Village Park and Ride Facility Progress Report.***

9 Capital Works and Other Items of Interest 2021/22 List

Members were provided with an update on planned Capital Works and other Items of interest in the National Park Ward in the 2021/22 Financial Year. Relevant officers spoke to this report and answered Members' questions.

Key Items discussed:

- E3 Owango Water Supply Resource Consent: the Chair confirmed he had received the WGA investigative report and undertook to distribute it to Members. Officers noted that Veolia was continuing its assessment to determine practicable recommendations to achieve the benchmark set by Taumata Arowai, the new water regulator.

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr Wilson

Seconded: Member Bolten

That the National Park Community Board:

- 1 *Receives the report **Capital Works and Other Items of Interest***

10 National Park Community Board Action List

Members worked through the Action List for the Financial Year 2021/22.

Member Zimmer advised the Department of Conservation does not have all the required information to determine the outcome of the Ohinetonga Loop track business case.

11 Resolution to Exclude the Public for Consideration of Committee Business

Section 48 of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 gives the Community Board the right by resolution to exclude the public from the whole or any part of the proceedings of any meeting only on one or more of the grounds contained within that Section.

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr Wilson

Seconded: Member McCarthy

That the National Park Community Board:

- 1 *Receives the Report **Resolution to Exclude the Public for Consideration of Board Business**; and*
- 2 *Excludes the public from the following part of the proceedings of the meeting.*
- 3 *Notes the general subject of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason for passing the resolution in relation to each 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:*

General Subject of each matter to be considered	Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Ground(s) under S48(1) for passing this resolution
C1: Confirmation of Public-Excluded Minutes: 3 May 2022	The reason(s) for excluding the public is/are recorded in the Public Business Minutes of the meeting	48(1)(a)
C2: Confidential Briefing	To protect the privacy of natural persons. To maintain the effective conduct of public affairs through the free and frank expressions of opinions by, or between, or to members of or officers or employees of any local authority, or any persons to whom Section 2(5) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 applies, in the course of their duty.	s7(2)(a), s7(2)(c), s7(2)(f)

This resolution is made in reliance on Section 48(1)(a) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 and the particular interest or interests protected by Section 6 or Section 7 of that Act or Section 6 or Section 7 or Section 9 of the Official Information Act 1982 as the case may require which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public as stated in the above table.

The Public Business part of the meeting concluded at 6.53 PM.

Confirmed this 9th Day of August 2022.

Peter Zimmer
CHAIRPERSON

Report to: National Park Community Board

Meeting Date: 9 August 2022

Subject: Capital Works and Other Items of Interest



Purpose of Report

- 1.1 The purpose of this Report is to provide an update on the planned capital works and other items of interest in the National Park Community Board area in the 2022/23 Financial Year.

Significance and Engagement, Social Impact

- 2.1 **Significance and Engagement**
This report does not trigger the Significance and Engagement Policy 2018.
- 2.2 **Social Impact**
This report does not trigger the Social Policy 2018.

Discussion

- 3.1 **WORKS**
The list is a combination of contracted items and other items that Members have displayed an interest in. Other items can be added to the list on request. Updates since the last report are highlighted.
- 3.2 **Key to Status:**
RED: Significant concerns regarding project progress to time and/or budget targets
AMBER: Visibility of issues that might impact project time or budget targets
GREEN: Project being managed within time and budget targets

Suggested Resolution(s)

That the National Park Community Board:

- 1 Receives the report **Capital Works and Other Items of Interest**

Clive Manley
CHIEF EXECUTIVE

Email address for point of contact: clive.manley@ruapehudc.govt.nz

Attachment(s)

- 1 National Park Community Board Capital Works and Other Items of Interest

National Park Community Board Capital Works and Other Items of Interest: 9 August 2022

3.3 ROADING				Updated by: A. Nicol
Item	Activity	Key Date(s)	Status	Commentary
R1	Minor Improvement Sites	June 2022	Green	Minor Improvement works - Programmed <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Oio Road at 28.4km (Malcolms) Oio Road between 30 and 31km - remove sight bench & form small pull over area at three locations Pukeatua Road develop turning area at 4.3km Pukeatua Road widen bridge approach Oct 2021: The approved budget for this work was 81% lower than that requested, giving Council \$208K for the District this year. This will severely restrict the amount of works that can be done to address minor improvements.
R2	Raurimu Railway Crossing	Not programmed in this financial year	Amber	Jan 2022: Kiwirail has responded. Advised it is a Council cost to upgrade the crossing, estimate approx. \$150K. Low volume road, unsubsidised and unbudgeted means this is not cost efficient to seal. Kiwirail only respond to faults reported, they don't inspect, programme then maintain on a cycle. Going forward, complaints will be passed to Kiwirail as they come in to guarantee a response. Maintenance, renewal and upgrade are currently all paid by Council. This will change if a nationwide 50/50 cost share arrangement is adopted. This is being worked through at a national level.
R3	Millar Street Parking & Peak Winter Parking		Green	Aug 2022: Officers are working to liaise with event organisers and accommodation providers to develop solutions, including providing clear guidance on parking to event attendees. Report to be tabled at a later meeting.

3.4 ENVIRONMENTAL				Updated by: S. Watson
Item	Activity	Key Date(s)	Status	Commentary
E1	National Park Wastewater Treatment Plant	July 2022	Amber	Aquanet and Traverse Environmental have lodged a section 92 resource consent. Waveband needs to be replaced. Discussions to be held with relevant Iwi in relation to outstanding resource consents. Iwi are required to determine which resource consents are considered priority for progression. July 2022 Iwi are interested in a site visit to understand all the issues involved in the plant.
E2	National Park Water Treatment Plant	July 2022	Red	Jan 2022: Following the visit from the new water regulator Taumata Arowai National Park was identified by them as a priority for upgrade. July 2022 Veolia is currently looking at options to deliver an acceptable solution taking into consideration the feedback from Taumata Arowai and our obligations under Te Mana o Te Wai
E3	Owhango Water Supply Resource Consent	July 2022	Red	Traverse Environmental has applied under present scheme. Investigative report to identify an alternative groundwater source for Owhango was completed in October 2020 by WGA Wallbridge Gilbert Aztec consultancy firm. The report has identified 3 potential sites for consideration of exploratory drilling. Jan 2022: Following the visit from the new water regulator this plant being brought up to drinking water NZ standards is a priority. Veolia are looking at solutions that can be installed as soon as possible. July 2022 the current resource consent status of the scheme is waiting legal review of the existing consent

				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Follow up actions since the water loss report - Veolia designing upgrades required Follow up actions on the alternative water source and drilling report - Awaiting Iwi feedback Turbidity in the water, follow up actions. Update on RDC efforts to install screen and filtration unit as a temporary measure until upgrade of the plant. Originally planned for FY 2021 / 22 - In discussions with Taumata Arowai about the best solution to meet the new drinking water standards Status of Nga Tangata Tiaki o Whanganui relationship agreement with relevance to Owango drinking water past, present and future - On going discussion. with Nga Tanga Tiaki Uenuku as Tangata Whenua of Tongariro Forest is involved
E4	National Park Stormwater	July 2022	Green	<p>Jan 2022: Council stormwater engineer is doing an evaluation of the stormwater requirements at National Park and will produce a report on the state of the current assets and any requirements for upgrades. July 2022 Due to COVID impact and flooding issues in Taumarunui this work has been delayed</p>

3.5 COMMUNITY PROPERTY				Updated by:
Item	Activity	Key Date(s)	Status	Commentary
C1	Pride of Place Application	December 2021 National Park Village Business Association managing timing of project	Amber	National Park Village Business Association Application included: Shelter, tables and chairs, gas BBQ, storyboards and framing. National Park School BOT have provided written approval for use of land. A picnic table and chairs have been donated and awaiting installation; storyboards & framing has funding available but is still to be actioned; funding secured for BBQ and shelter. Shelter & concrete foundations have been installed, with the next focus to be on installing donated seating. Seating being built by local builder. Researching power BBQ. Committee meeting scheduled beginning June 2021 to confirm next steps.
C2	National Park Village Plan	Ongoing	Green	NPVPSG (National Park Village Plan Steering Group) has had two meetings, Dec 2021 and 16 February 2022. The group's role is to direct actions on the NPVP. Currently progress is being made on the National Park Hall, the Spatial Plan and updating the stormwater plan for the village. Some discussion on promoting National Park as a Dark Sky area, and perhaps targeting an event around that. At a District level, will be looking at the Dark Sky Strategy. Will need to replace Jane Welburn on the Steering Group due to her leaving the area. Verbal update will be given if necessary. Members requested ball-park budgets for each item be included in the Capital Works Report. Detailed Report to May 2022 Meeting.

3.6 OTHER ITEMS				Updated by:
Item	Activity	Key Date(s)	Status	Commentary
O1	Rural Wi-Fi and Blackspots	December 2022 Rural Connectivity Group contracted to complete works	Amber	Crown Fibre Holding Mobile Black Spot project. MBSF is targeting three sites in Ruapehu, Raurimu, Timber Trail and Owango. https://www.crowninfrastructure.govt.nz/ Whakahoro was scheduled for 2020, and Whanganui National Park scheduled for 2022. Jun 2022 these have been rescheduled for a 2023 target completion, Owango and Raurimu works complete.

O2	National Park Wi-Fi	June 2022	Red	<p>The first Public Wifi site has been installed and running at the National Park Hall. The second site at the Park and Ride was established at the end of 2019. The third site at the park is awaiting confirmation of the location of a shelter in the park and power to the site. Still awaiting confirmation of location. Aug 2021: Members requested an update on the matter. Officers undertook to investigate the options and advise what has been incorporated into the Long Term Plan. Officers advised the proposed Shared Emergency Management Facility to be built in National Park may present a potential alternative location for public Wi-Fi.</p>
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National Park Community Board Action List FY2022/23: August 2022

Date:	Topic	Action/Query:	Notes:
18 Feb. 20	Ohinetonga Loop Track	Send letter to Damian Coutts (Department of Conservation) regarding the Ohinetonga Loop Track. RDC to provide updates on interactions with DoC.	<p>05/03/20: Letter sent</p> <p>20/03/20: Letter received from Connie Norgate</p> <p>22/06/21: Members expressed their disappointment with the lack of progress. Council's Chief Executive advised of his meeting with Damian Coutts (Whanganui Conservator, Department of Conservation Te Papa Atawhai) and undertook to raise the concern.</p>
23 Aug. 21		Letter sent to D. Coutts (DoC), and CC'd to I. McKelvie MP, Hon K. Allan (MP), K. Rainbow and L. Sanson (Doc), M. Britton (Tongariro Taupō Conservation Board) seeking a collaborative resolution to the Ohinetonga Reserve Northern Loop Track <i>[Appendix 1]</i>	<p>07/09/21: Response from DOC received <i>[Appendix 2]</i> proposing a community meeting and co-funded solution</p>
14 Sep. 21		Board responded to Damian Coutts and Drew Divehall with proposed dates for a community meeting with ORRIS, Owango Alive and setting out Owango Alive's proposed solution	<p>02/11/21: The Chair shared details of the high-level budget estimate for the slip remediation provided by the Department of Conservation. Discussions are progressing between DOC and Owango Alive to further the project. A positive funding lead has been established and potential pro bono work is being explored.</p> <p>08/02/22: The Chair advised the Department of Conservation has revised the estimate for remedial works and will be submitting an urgent internal business case. A response is anticipated by the end of February.</p> <p>01/03/22: Advised by Acting Operations Manager – Tongariro District (DOC) the reactive business Case with the aim to seek funds to address the slip works is expected to be submitted to the Capital investment team in Wellington by the end of next week. Feedback or approval can be often be a few weeks after the submission date.</p> <p>03/05/22: No further information to report.</p>

National Park Community Board Action List FY2022/23: August 2022

Date:	Topic	Action/Query:	Notes:
11 May. 21	1080 Drop	Tongariro Forest Pest Control: A 1080 drop within the Tongariro Forest, Owango, is planned for winter and includes the water catchment area.	<p>22/06/2021: Cr Wilson attended the meeting held 24 May 2021 in Owango Hall. A date for the drop had not been confirmed at the time of the meeting and was anticipated to be July or August. Cr Wilson and Council's Environmental Manager confirmed to the Community Board that well-formed plans were in place, including provision for an exclusion zone around the Owango water supply.</p> <p>03/08/21: Drop took place 30 July. Members expressed their concerns and disappointment with the 1080 drop clear up process.</p>
			<p>29/11/21: Board advised of postponement of intention to apply vertebrate toxic agents. The Tongariro Kiwi predator control operation will not go ahead as initially scheduled; delivery is now likely to be between May to August 2022.</p>
			<p>03/05/22: Intended aerial 1080 pest control operation in Tongariro Forest was advertised in the Ruapehu Bulletin and, subject to weather conditions, will commence on or after 9 May 2022.</p>



13 August 2021

Damian Coutts
Central North Island Operations Director
Department of Conservation
27 Motutaiko Street
TAUPO

Dear Damian,

Ohinetonga Reserve Northern Loop Track

On behalf of the Owango Community, I am following up with you to express our increasing concerns about an ongoing lack of engagement from the Department of Conservation to meaningful interact and work with the local community on a mutually acceptable solution of the slip on the Ohinetonga Reserve Northern Loop Track.

The slip happened in May 2018 and the impact of the slip on the local community was stated in earlier correspondence to you.

An engineering visit and an indicative costing for repairs was obtained in 2019.

DOC commissioned a Geotech report in 2020.

Ever since the slip happened a willing community workforce has been on standby.

DOC as the land manager needs to be involved so a win-win solution can be achieved.

The major concern that the National Park Community Board keeps hearing about is the lack of meaningful engagement, timely follow up actions and no meaningful progress.

I like to reiterate to you that RDC has repeatedly offered support to you and the department to work with the community towards a solution.

It is obvious to the National Park Community Board that DoC's lack of interaction and engagement with the local Owango community won't make the issue go away.

The Ruapehu District ... where adventure begins!



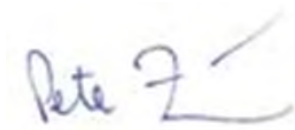
APPENDIX 1

May I respectfully suggest that DOC step up to show leadership and start a meaningful collaborative partnership with the local community to work towards a solution for the community and the conservation effort in the area.

It is time now to enter into a mutually beneficial partnership to achieve the best possible outcome for conservation and community well-being.

Support (time, expertise and network) and engagement from DOC are required and both are non-negotiable necessary ingredients to achieve a win-win solution.

Yours sincerely,

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Peter Zimmer

NATIONAL PARK COMMUNITY BOARD CHAIR

CC: RDC Mayor, RDC CE, MP Ian Mc Kelvie, Tongariro Taupo Conservation Board, DOC Director General, Minister of Conservation

APPENDIX 2



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07 September 2021

Peter Zimmer, Chair
National Park Community Board

Tasha.Paladin@ruapehudc.govt.nz

Tēnā koe Peter

Thank you for the email of 23 August 2021 regarding the Ohinetonga Reserve Northern Loop Track.

I acknowledge the issues you have raised and appreciate the value of Ohinetonga Scenic Reserve Track (the track) to the local community. The Department of Conservation (the Department) is committed to engaging with the community to work towards a positive outcome for the track.

Along side the actions you have highlighted, the Department has sought internal advice on the likelihood of a business case for the slip repair being approved through our national funding processes and installed a track counter to collect data to support this. We have also engaged a number of times with members of the community and Ruapehu District Council to update them on the situation and explore different options, particularly around funding.

As you know, the advice we received is that the business case would be unlikely to meet criteria for approval given the high cost of work and low visitor numbers, but if external funding of approximately 50% could be found, it would increase the likelihood.

The Department is willing to work with community to achieve a positive outcome for the track and we propose the following actions at the nearest available opportunity:

- 1) The Department will facilitate a meeting with Ruapehu District Council, members of the Ōwhango community keen to support this work and relevant DOC staff, to discuss options for funding and next steps.
- 2) The Department will submit an internal business case to test the national funding criteria and put forward the option of a co-funding arrangement.

When COVID-19 alert levels allow for a face-to-face meeting our team will be in touch to arrange a meeting to progress these actions.

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If you have any further queries, please contact Drew Divehall from the Tongariro Office on ddivehall@doc.govt.nz.

Nāku noa, nā

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Damian Coutts
Director Operations – Central North Island

Report to: National Park Community Board

Meeting Date: 9 August 2022

Subject: Resolution to Exclude the Public for Consideration for Board Business



Purpose of Report

- 1.1 Section 48 of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 gives the Board the right by resolution to exclude the public from the whole or any part of the proceedings of any meeting on one or more of the grounds contained within that Section.

Significance and Engagement, Social Impact

- 2.1 Nothing in this report triggers the Significance and Engagement Policy 2018.

Suggested Resolution(s)

That the National Park Community Board:

- 1 Receives the Report **Resolution to Exclude the Public for Consideration of Board Business**; and
- 2 Excludes the public from the following part of the proceedings of the meeting.
- 3 Notes the general subject of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason for passing the resolution in relation to each 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:

General Subject of each matter to be considered	Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Ground(s) under S48(1) for passing this resolution
C1: Confirmation of Public Excluded Minutes: 14 June 2022	The reason(s) for excluding the public is/are recorded in the Public Business Minutes of the meeting.	48(1)(a)
C2: Confidential Briefing	To protect the privacy of natural persons. To maintain the effective conduct of public affairs through the free and frank expressions of opinions by, or between, or to members of or officers or employees of any local authority, or any persons to whom Section 2(5) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 applies, in the course of their duty.	s7(2)(a), s7(2)(c), s7(2)(f)

This resolution is made in reliance on Section 48(1)(a) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 and the particular interest or interests protected by Section 6 or Section 7 of that Act or Section 6 or Section 7 or Section 9 of the Official Information Act 1982 as the case may require which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public as stated in the above table.

Tasha Paladin
GOVERNANCE MANAGER