# Baylys Beach and Kaipara District Council Working in Partnership



# **Action Plan**

**December 2015** 





### 1 Introduction

An open public meeting was held at the Northern Wairoa Golf Club at Baylys Beach on Tuesday 24 November at 5.30pm. This meeting consisted of community members voicing both their likes and concerns for their area, as well as discussing potential projects that could be initiated by the community. This Action Plan is a record of that meeting.

Moving forward, this Action Plan will be updated and circulated to the community in three month's time as actions are worked through, allowing the community to continue to feedback and be informed on progress. Unsure if this is how you want to do it, in terms of projects?

## 2 What makes Baylys Beach special?

- The community
- It's remoteness
- Wild West Coast
- Fresh air
- Gold Cliffs
- Sunsets
- Length of the beach
- Freedom of the beach
- The beach is a playground
- Can drive on the beach
- Swimming

- Shellfish
- Fishing
- Surfing and boogie boarding
- Land yachting
- Hang gliding and para gliding
- Walks
- Birds
- Golf
- History
- Not much traffic

### 3 What concerns were raised?

- Rubbish on the beach and road sides
- Speeds on the beach
- Entrance to the beach could be improved
- Signage
- Need a bus shelter
- Stormwater
- Weeds



Concern	Project/Action
Rubbish:  Road side rubbish – particularly on the road from Baylys to Dargaville.  Need rubbish bins handy to the beach or have an approach where people take their rubbish away with them.  Could have a rubbish bin and a recycling bin on the beach which Council could empty.  Is the rubbish drum being reinstated for summer?  How can other Council's fund rubbish clean up?  The grader driver seems to only shift rubbish, flax and timber around the beach, instead of actually removing it from the beach.  Clear the rubbish from under the bridge to Chases Gorge Camp, so that water can flow under. Logs, vegetation and rubbish collect under here.	Could have a community clean up or working bee. Could get community groups like Baylys Beach Society, and beach goers or other locals involved.  Council could sponsor the rubbish and recycling bags.  Education around waste.
Beach entrance:  Beach entrance could be improved as it is cluttered, has a lack of parking and directions and could look more attractive. The access onto the beach could also have improved access.  Campervans on the beach are an issue. Need better signage stating none past a certain point.  Parking spaces could be increased and the surface sealed, so it looks tidier.  Tidy up the garden in this area and remove weeds. It could be developed to look more like a park or green space.	Potential community project:  Move the rubbish cage or modernise it.  Move the notice board or upgrade it. Is there still a community need for this? It could be removed.  Paint art on the power transformer.  Signage could be improved to show;  - Parking - Directions - Risks for campervans on the beach - Local history
Bus shelter:  A bus shelter is needed for school kids. The best location needs to be determined.	Community identified that two bus shelters could be installed. Potential locations include;  - Kelly's Road alley way  - Sharkies



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	- Opposite Funky Fish
The Kelly Street and Baylys intersection needs either improved signage or to be redesigned. This is where kids gather to catch the bus.	
Lack of surf lifesaving facilities:	This could be a community funded project: Clubhouse would increase the amount of lifesavers and would be easier for training, rather than travelling to Ruakaka Council could sell its vacant land and use the money to go back to projects at Baylys Beach. The vacant land near the public toilets is a good location.
Kids Playground or a community hub and public space. Could be on the section by the beach at the top of Chases Terrace.	This could also be used as a community hub.
Toilet:	
Could have a shower on the toilet block  Accessible toilet access  Weeds around toilets could be addressed	
Steps from subdivision need maintenance as they have graffiti and are slippery.	
Erosion on dunes and gorge area that needs planting and sand bagging.	
Education or a weed care group to deal with unruly weeds and creepers.	
At the top of Seaview Crescent, there is poor visibility near the monument. Vegetation could be cleated and signage to inform that it is narrow.	



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Arrows on the road outside the campground and Sharkies to remind	
Ripiro Drive has tall trees encroaching onto the road which need clearance. General vegetation clearance is also needed.	
Stormwater outlet seems dangerous and is a hazard for pedestrians.	
Enforcement of the 30km zone of the beach is needed, as there are safety concerns. A community policeman could help?	
Motorbikes and trailers should be kept out of the main entranceway onto the beach in Baylys Gorge, as it gets congested and noisy.	