

# **Tangiteroria and Kaipara District Council Working in Partnership**



## **Action Plan Update 2**

**July 2016**



Kaipara te Orangaui

**KAIPARA  
DISTRICT**

Two Oceans Two Harbours

Matters Raised	Action
<b>Quality of Roads:</b>	
<p>A private landowner offered his land on Piritaha Road to be used as a metal dump years ago, but this road has not been maintained or looked after.</p>	<p><b>Complete</b></p> <p>Piritaha Road has recently been inspected, and since maintained, re-metalled, and vegetation mown. In the future if you have concerns about this road, you can log them as a Service Request with Council's Customer Service Staff on 0800 727 059.</p>
<p>Roading foundations and camber are not done correctly right from the start.</p>	<p><b>Complete</b></p> <p>Kaipara's roading network consists of a mixture of older sealed roads with no design and newer sections with proper design. When each sealed road comes up for renewal an appropriate design is done to correct deficiencies. New sealed roads are designed to ensure foundations and camber are correct. Unsealed roads often weren't designed when they were originally established, but are maintained and metalled in their current state.</p>
<p>The shift from rail to trucking has destroyed the roads.</p>	<p><b>Complete</b></p> <p>Council's Roding Engineer agrees that the shift from rail to trucking has placed extra pressure on the roading infrastructure. Community are encouraged to take this issue up with their local central government MP if they feel strongly.</p>
<p>The material used to maintain Paradise Road is not suitable – there are large boulders and lots of dirt. Trucks and tractors then create dust issues. A small section near the cluster of houses could be sealed.</p>	<p><b>Complete</b></p> <p>Council has determined that using the nearest available quarry to maintain roads is often not the best solution. Council is currently testing to use a blend of material from nearby quarries to determine the best mix of aggregate to provide the best surface for ratepayers.</p> <p>The New Zealand Transport Agency does not provide subsidies for seal extensions.</p>

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	<p>Any increase in the level of service would mean that Council would need to increase rates to pay for this, and even then roads would be sealed based on priority. Council is currently developing a policy for ratepayers who wish to pay for seal extensions on unsealed roads themselves.</p>
<p>Need better auditing of roading work, as the quality of work from Contractors is not good enough. Particularly on Kirikopuni Road.</p>	<p><b>Complete</b></p> <p>Auditing of contracted works is undertaken throughout each month.</p> <p>If you know of an exact location of where a standard of work is lacking, please report it to Council through the service request system on 0800 727 059, 09 439 3123, or <a href="mailto:council@kaipara.govt.nz">council@kaipara.govt.nz</a> This is a good way to request work as the request has to be acknowledged and responded to. Ensure you leave your name and telephone number so we can call you if we need further details of the problem.</p>
<p>Why can't local people be employed instead of contractors, or at least employ local contractors?</p>	<p><b>Complete</b></p> <p>Both Council's parks and roading maintenance contractors employ predominantly local workers from the Kaipara District. Roding work is commonly open to public tender and any contractor is able to apply. Broadspectrum hold the current maintenance contract, however there is often sub-contracting opportunities for local contractors.</p>
<p>Issues with access into the school from the State Highway</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Could have lights for 'school zone'</li> <li>- Trucks and traffic often go faster than 70km.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Complete</b></p> <p>As Tangiteroria School is located on State Highway 14, this road is managed by The New Zealand Transport Agency.</p> <p>Council has raised these concerns with them and they have provided the following information.</p>

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	<p>Pavement rehabilitation was carried out in 2015 which saw the State Highway widened outside and adjacent to the School. This is to allow for more space for cars to turn into and out of the school, and for others on the road to use the shoulder to carefully pass.</p> <p>Furthermore, advanced warning signs of the speed limit were installed to show a 70km in 400 metres message.</p> <p>NZTA are currently assessing all schools in the Northland region in terms of improvements on the road they are located on. They will then prioritise works and they will be implemented based on available budget.</p> <p>Speed enforcement is a Police matter and Council have informed Dargaville Police.</p> <p>In the future, you are encouraged to log your concerns relating to the State Highway at NZTA's hotline on 0800 44 44 49 or <a href="mailto:info@nzta.govt.nz">info@nzta.govt.nz</a></p>
<p>Drainage issues and flooding on Childs Road, sometimes makes land unusable and inaccessible.</p>	<p><b>Complete</b></p> <p>Childs Road is not within a Council specified Drainage District. Roadside drains are maintained and addressed if they have an impact on the road, but drainage issues on private land need to be addressed by the landowner. If you have a specific details about this, please contact Council on 0800 727 059 to log them with Customer Services Staff.</p>
<b>Rubbish</b>	
<p>The rubbish cage on Paradise Road is too small and people dump their rubbish there too early before collection day.</p>	<p><b>On-going</b></p>

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At the Whangarei end of Paradise Road there are mattresses and other house hold items dumped on the side of the road.	Council staff and contractors are currently reviewing rubbish cages across the District and where possible extending collection routes. Paradise Road will be taken into account.
Some farmers dump animals in the creek on Childs Road.	<p>It is against the Rubbish Act to leave rubbish at the collection site outside of 24 hours of the collection date. Those that do so are liable for fines if caught. If you see instances of this you are encouraged to report it to Council on 0800 727 059.</p> <p>Council's Contractors have investigated the area where rubbish is said to be dumped on Paradise Road, and were unable to see any rubbish. If you know of the specific locations or details of where rubbish or household items have been illegally dumped, please contact Council so it can be further investigated.</p> <p>This instance of animals being dumped in the creek on Childs Road has been logged with Northland Regional Council's Environmental Hotline. In the future, if you know of any instances of this please log this with them straight away to ensure it can be investigated quickly. The Environmental Hotline number is 0800 504 639</p>
<b>Vegetation</b>	
Weed spraying is not up to standard, pampas grass is often missed on Paradise Road.	<b>Complete</b> Pampas Grass is not usually targeted in Council's regular roadside vegetation spray round. However, Council contractors have inspected and agreed that this area is particularly bad and will be included on the list for this year's separate noxious weed spray round. Areas on this list are prioritised and carried out depending on available budget.
Concerns about the chemicals, could things be mown instead of sprayed?	

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	<p>Council uses chemicals as it is more cost effective. The two metre spray round occurs every four months on country roads. If you are concerned about chemicals used to control vegetation in front of your property, you can contact Council on 0800 727 059 and register your details on Council's 'No Spray Register', so your property boundary will not be included.</p>
<b>Community Facilities &amp; Identity:</b>	
<p>The Church is falling down and nothing is being done about it.</p>	<p><b>Complete</b></p> <p>The Church is not Council's responsibility to address. The Tangiteroria community could work to together and seek funding to re-establish this building.</p>
<p>There is a lack of Council support for the Tangiteroria Sports Complex. What support is available?</p>	<p><b>Complete</b></p> <p>Council's Community Facilitator has provided meeting attendees with information regarding Council's Community Assistance Grants. You can find information regarding these on the Grants and Funds page <a href="#">HERE</a> on Council's website.</p>
<p>Cell phone and broadband coverage is slow and inconsistent.</p>	<p><b>Complete</b></p> <p>Council has little control over the access to broadband or internet services, this is the internet provider's responsibility. The Tangiteroria community could show that there is a demand and need for faster internet in Tangiteroria by lobbying internet providers. Council is part of a joint Northland bid to Central Government to improve mobile black spot coverage, and State Highway 14 between Tangiteroria and Wheki Valley has been identified as a priority area where mobile signal needs to be strengthened. Central Government will now determine whether this goes ahead.</p>

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<p>Community want to be heard and have more input with Council. There seems to be a lack of local identity as a result of this not happening. What channels are there to have more input?</p>	<p><b>Complete</b></p> <p>Community is encouraged to contact Council if they have any requests or questions, via our Customer Service Centre on 0800 727 059. Council's yearly Annual Plan process sets out Council's plans and finances for the year ahead and provides an opportunity for the public to provide feedback. Furthermore, the purpose of this Community Planning exercise is to re-establish a relationship between community and Council and encourage the community to provide input.</p>
<p>Omana Road is the District boundary and they receive very little information from either District Council in regards to what is happening.</p>	<p><b>Complete</b></p> <p>Residents within the Kaipara District are encouraged to keep up to date with information via Council's website, or local newspapers. Furthermore, residents are welcomed to contact Council's Customer Services Centre on 0800 727 059 if they would like be updated on a specific activity.</p>
<p>Need to elect a decent Council.</p>	<p><b>Complete</b></p> <p>Kaipara District Council is returning to democracy in October 2016; re-aligning Kaipara's elections with the rest of New Zealand. The public is encouraged to take interest when electing a new Council.</p>