

Whakapirau and Kaipara District Council Working in Partnership



Action Plan Update 4



August 2015

Priority	Action
<p>Roading:</p> <p>Main road leading into Whakapirau.</p>	<p>COMPLETED</p> <p>Rehabilitation work has been carried out on this road recently to ensure a more permanent fix. This is now complete.</p>
<p>Wharf Repairs: Handrail uprights are badly corroded.</p> <p>Handrail cable needs replacing or tightening in areas. Timber stairs and landing have rot evident in several locations and tread plate has been removed by the tide as the screws have worked loose or rotted out.</p>	<p>COMPLETED</p> <p>Recreational Services have carried out this work to ensure the wharf is safe. The structure is sound.</p>
<p>Foreshore erosion:</p> <p>A small rock breakwater was removed years ago and due to this there is a gradual and natural movement of beach sand from along the beach. With this migration of sand every time there are rough swells at high tide a little bit of the foreshore is washed away.</p>	<p>RECOMMENDATION</p> <p>Movement of sand along the beach is a natural coastal process. Unfortunately, Council is not in a financial position to help alleviate this. However, this could be a community led project if considered a priority to locals. If the community wish to reinstate the rock wall they would need Resource Consent from Northland Regional Council.</p>
<p>Boat Ramp:</p> <p>The boat launching area needs to be dug out, graded/levelled off and have a concreted slipway to ensure a boat trailer can be backed down at all tides. The boat ramp needs to be scraped out with a digger to deepen it and make it more suitable for all tide use by removing rogue rocks and silt build-up.</p>	<p>RECOMMENDATION</p> <p>As for the boat ramp, Council is also not in a financial position to help. However, this could be a community led project if considered a priority to locals. If the community wish to carry out this work they would need Resource Consent from Northland Regional Council.</p>

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<p>Freedom Camping:</p> <p>The Community would like more consultation on this.</p>	<p>RECOMMENDATION</p> <p>Freedom Camping means to camp temporarily in a public place, other than in a Reserve or camping ground. This could be using a tent, caravan, car, campervan or other motor vehicle. Council was investigating putting a bylaw in place to help manage freedom camping within the Kaipara District. However, in order to establish a bylaw Council needs evidence to show that there are issues happening. To date, there is insufficient evidence to warrant establishing a Bylaw. Therefore, no freedom camping Bylaw is proposed at this time. If you are experiencing any issues with freedom campers, please contact Council as soon as possible on 0800 727 059 to ensure we have a record of any concerns. If Council is unaware of anything happening, it is less able to act. If Council decides it is warranted to establish a freedom camping bylaw in the future, then it will go through a full public process including submissions and hearings. We will ensure that the Whakapirau community is kept informed of any progress on this.</p>
<p>Rubbish bins:</p> <p>On beachfront and at wharf.</p> <p>The Community would like proper rubbish bins installed along the foreshore and, in particular, one by the wharf.</p>	<p>COMPLETED</p> <p>Council has previously put rubbish bins at wharves and they get filled with fish offal which creates a public nuisance. Due to this Council is reluctant to put a bin at the wharf.</p> <p>Two wheelie bins have instead been placed along the foreshore.</p>
<p>Old Dairy Factory:</p> <p>The Community wants to ensure the preservation of this historical building.</p> <p>Council, like the Community, wants to ensure the preservation of this building and is working with</p>	<p>COMPLETED</p> <p>Brett Taylor and Council have reached an agreement and a 30 year lease arrangement has been agreed to. Mr Taylor owns the building but leases the land from Council. This arrangement requires the building to be upgraded.</p>

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Brett Taylor with regards to the future of the building.	
<p>Drainage:</p> <p>Clear and spray drains.</p> <p>Investigate putting pipes in.</p>	<p>COMPLETED</p> <p>Drains were sprayed 7 March 2014, and are done as needed. If you think the drains need spraying please log this in Council's Service Request System on 0800 727 059.</p> <p>The cost of piping drains is approximately \$320,000 per 1km of road. Currently Council cannot afford to pipe any more drains.</p>
<p>Markers on seabed rocks:</p> <p>Investigate having markers put on the seabed rocks.</p>	<p>COMPLETED</p> <p>A community member is working with the Northland Regional Council on this.</p>
<p>Karaka Green Reserve:</p> <p>Investigate options to mow this reserve.</p>	<p>COMPLETED</p> <p>Council arranged for the Reserve to be cut back in March 2014. Recreational Services will there after mow the Reserve on a monthly basis. The Community can do additional mowing as required.</p>
<p>Signage:</p> <p>Speed signs, warning signs for tight corners and children in area.</p>	<p>COMPLETED</p> <p>The gated 50km signs have been erected at the entrance to the township. No further signage options are being considered at this stage as these are sufficient for current level of property development and road environment.</p>
<p>Seating on waterfront:</p> <p>Investigate the options of more seating on the waterfront.</p>	<p>COMPLETED</p> <p>There are currently five picnic tables with attached seats placed equal distance along the beach. In addition there are two newly installed park benches and there is a bench seat at the tennis court which could seat fifteen. No more seating is considered needed.</p>
<p>Community Shed:</p>	<p>COMPLETED</p> <p>Not identified as a priority by the Community.</p>

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To put community items in and for the community to share.	
Macrocarpa Tree: Get the tree trimmed.	COMPLETED Tree has been trimmed.
Street lighting: Half of the streetlights are not working. Put in a service request for these lights to be repaired.	COMPLETED Northpower has repaired the lights.
Historic Signage: Investigate what the signs could say and how much they will cost.	COMPLETED The Community Facilitator sent the Community possible funding options. The sign has been progressed by the Residents Associations.
Pest Control: There are a lot of rabbits in the whole area and they need poisoning or trapping. There is also problem with wild cats.	COMPLETED The Community Facilitator has been in contact with Paul Ralph at the Northland Regional Council in Dargaville and he is happy to work with the community on their pest problems. Paul can be contacted on 09 439 3300.

Issues raised and voting on importance:

Issue	Votes
Wharf repair	51
Old Dairy Factory	44
Drainage	43
Markers on seabed rocks	38
Pests and weeds	35
Karaka Green Reserve	34
Freedom camping	32
Roading	31
Foreshore erosion	23
Boat ramp	20
Rubbish bins	19
Signage	16
Seating on waterfront	4
Community shed	1