

---

Supplementary agenda for a meeting of the Infrastructure Committee to be held in the Council Chambers, District Office, 15 Galileo Street, Ngaruawahia on **WEDNESDAY, 1 MARCH 2023** commencing at **9.30am**.

*Supplementary agenda for late Item 5.11 which was not available when the agenda was circulated and must be considered prior to the next scheduled Infrastructure meeting on Wednesday, 12 April 2023 as per Section 46a (7)(ii) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987.*

## **5. REPORTS**

5.11 Motor Sport Events – Use of Waikato District Roding Network

4

Gj Ion  
**CHIEF EXECUTIVE**

# Infrastructure Committee

<b>Reports to:</b>	The Council
<b>Chairperson:</b>	Cr Eugene Patterson
<b>Deputy Chairperson:</b>	Cr David Whyte
<b>Membership:</b>	The Mayor and all Councillors
<b>Meeting frequency:</b>	Six-weekly
<b>Quorum:</b>	Majority of the members (including vacancies)

## Purpose

The Infrastructure Committee is responsible for:

1. Guiding sustainable, physical development and growth of the Council's infrastructure to meet current and future needs.
2. Oversight and monitoring of efficient, safe and sustainable roading and transport, and waste management.
3. Governance of District's parks, reserves, community facilities and cemeteries.

***In addition to the common delegations on page 10, the Infrastructure Committee is delegated the following Terms of Reference and powers:***

### Terms of Reference:

1. To provide direction on strategic priorities for core infrastructure aligned to the District's development, and oversight of strategic projects associated with those activities.
2. To guide the development and implementation of the 30 Year Infrastructure Plan.
3. To support and provide direction regarding Council's involvement in regional alliances, plans, initiatives and forums for regional infrastructure and shared services (for example, Regional Transport Committee).
4. To monitor and make decisions in relation to Council-owned community centres, facilities and halls.

### The Committee is delegated the following powers to act:

- Approval of acquisition (including lease) of property, or disposal (including lease) of property owned by the Council, (where such acquisition or disposal falls within the Long Term Plan and exceeds the Chief Executive's delegation).
- Approval of easements, rights of way and other interests over property on behalf of Council.
- Approval of all matters under the Public Works Act 1981, unless such delegation is prohibited by legislation or is otherwise expressly reserved by Council or delegated to the Chief Executive or staff.
- Approval of road names in the Waikato District in accordance with Council policy.
- Approval of any proposal to stop any road.
- Hearing any written objections on a proposal to stop any road, and to recommend to Council its decision in relation to such objections.

- Approval of alterations and transfers within the provisional programme of capital works as prepared for the Long Term Plan and Annual Plan, subject to the overall scope of the programme remaining unchanged and the programme remaining within overall budget.
- Approval of tender procedures adopted from time to time within the guidelines as set down by Waka Kotahi New Zealand Transport Agency for competitive pricing procedures (CPP), or other authorities where funding or subsidies are subject to their approval.
- Approval of traffic regulatory measures defined as:
  - a. Compulsory Stop Signs
  - b. Give Way Signs
  - c. No Passing Areas
  - d. No Stopping/Parking Provisions
  - e. Speed Restrictions
  - f. Turning Bays
  - g. Weight Restrictions on Bridges (Posting of Bridges).
- For all Council-owned land that is either open space under the District Plan, or reserve under the Reserves Act 1977, the power to:
  - a. Approve leases, subleases, licences, and easements (in relation to land and/or buildings).
  - b. Approve amendments to management plans.
  - c. Adopt or change names of reserves.
  - d. Make any decision under a management plan which provides that it may not be made by a Council officer (for example, agree a concession), provided that any decision that has a significant impact under the management plan is recommended to Council for approval.
  - e. Recommend to Council for approval anything that would change the ownership of such land.

For clarity, the committee is delegated all powers of the Council as administering body under the Reserves Act 1977, unless such delegation is prohibited by legislation or is otherwise expressly reserved by Council or delegated to the Chief Executive or staff.
- Enquire into and dispose of any objection to a notice issued pursuant to Section 335 (1) of the Local Government Act 1974 requiring payment of a sum of money for the construction of a vehicle crossing by the Council (section 335(3) Local Government Act 1974). Should a decision be made to reject the objection and reaffirm the requirements in the notice, to authorise that an application be made to the District Court, (section 335(4) Local Government Act 1974) Act, for an order confirming the notice.
- Consider and approve subsidies for the installation of stock underpasses in extraordinary circumstances in accordance with Council policy and bylaws.

---

<b>To</b>	<b>Infrastructure Committee</b>
<b>Report title</b>	<b>Motor Sport Events – Use of Waikato District Roding Network</b>
Date:	28 February 2023
Report Author:	Attinder Singh, Roding Contracts Manager
Authorised by:	Roger MacCulloch, General Manager Service Delivery

## **1. Purpose of the report**

### **Te Take moo te puurongo**

---

To inform the Infrastructure Committee of the applications received from Club Targa for the Targa Bambina Rally and Pukekohe Car Club for Bothwell Loop Sprint for the use of Waikato District Council's roding network to conduct a motorsports events requiring road closures.

#### **AND**

To seek approval for the event as detailed in the report.

## **2. Executive summary**

### **Whakaraapopototanga matua**

---

#### **Targa Bambina Rally**

On 15 December 2022 Club Targa Incorporated (Club Targa) applied for Temporary Road Closure to hold a Motorsport Event – the Targa Bambina 2023 Rally (the Rally).

The Rally is scheduled to take place on Saturday 18 March 2023 and Sunday 19 March 2023 on sealed roads.

Roads proposed to be closed for the rally:

#### **Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> March 2023**

#### **08:15am to 01:15pm (Waiuku Forest area)**

- Honey Rd
  - Smith Road (upto Codlin Rd intersection)
  - Holmes Rd (upto Whiriwhiri Rd intersection)
  - Whiriwhiri Rd
  - Robertson Rd
  - Thomason Rd
  - Perry Rd
  - Forestry Rd
-

**12:30 pm to 05:30pm (Onewhero area)**

- Kohanga Rd
- Wairamarama – Onewhero Rd (upto Kauri Rd intersection)
- Kauri Rd
- Hunt Rd

**01:05pm to 06:05pm (Mercer area)**

- Kellyville Rd (Full length)
- Koheora Rd (from Kellyville Rd to Mangatawhiri Rd)

**Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> March 2023****7:55am to 12:55pm (Glenn Murray/Rotongaro area)**

- Glen Murray Rd (from Highway 22 to Rotongaro Rd)
- Rotongaro Rd (from Glen Murray to Hetherington Rd)

**08:25am to 1:25pm (Huntly area)**

- Waikokowhai Rd (from Hetherington Rd to Rotowaro Rd)

**12:35pm to 4:35pm (Te Kauwhata area)**

- Waikare Rd (from Waeranga Rd to Waiterimu Rd)
- Waiterimu Rd (from Waikare Rd to Taniwha Rd)

**1:30pm – 05:30pm (Meremere area)**

- Kopuku Rd (from Okaeria Rd to Coalfields Rd)
- Coalfields Rd (from Kopuku Rd to Island block Rd)
- Island Block Rd (from Coalfields Rd to Te Puea Ave)

**Bothwell Loop Sprint**

This is a regular annual event that historically never attracted any response from the local community in favour or oppose. This is a small event on a single road Bothwell Loop in Waikaretu Area.

### **3. Staff recommendations**

#### **Tuutohu-aa-kaimahi**

---

**That the Infrastructure Committee:**

- a. approve the application to close the roading network for the Targa Bambina Rally sport event for two days on 18 and 19 March 2023.**
  - b. approve the application to close the roading network for the Bothwell Loop Rally Sprint event for one day on 19 March 2023.**
-

## 4. Background

### Koorero whaimaarama

---

On 15 December 2022 Club Targa Incorporated (Club Targa) applied for Temporary Road Closure to hold a Motorsport Event – the Targa Bambina 2023 Rally (the Rally).

Club Targa requires the temporary closure of Waikato District Council (WDC) roads for the Rally as listed in Attachment 1 (the Roads).

The Rally is scheduled to take place on Saturday 18 March 2023 and Sunday 19 March 2023 on sealed roads.

The WDC Communications team have advised that Club Targa have already sent one notice directly to potentially affected property owners in 2022 with little objection mainly because the Rally is on tarmac roads, so damage is minimal. They have further advised that there were a lot of comments on social media about the proposed closure, the vast majority of which were supportive of the event going ahead. On a facebook post for the Rally there were 303 likes, 35 shares and 121 comments which is high engagement for a facebook post and only about 10 per cent of comments were against the rally taking place.

Proposed road closures for the Rally were publicly notified by WDC on 9 January 2023, and 20 January 2023 on WDC's website. Any person wishing to object to or support the proposal was required to lodge their feedback to [communications@waic.govt.nz](mailto:communications@waic.govt.nz) by 5pm 31 January 2023 or in writing to: Targa New Zealand Proposed Road Closures, Waikato District Council, Private Bag 544, Ngaruawahia, 3742.

Eighteen (18) responses were received, fifteen (15) in support and two (2) in opposition.

## 5. Discussion and analysis

### Taataritanga me ngaa tohutohu

---

#### **Targa Bambina Rally**

In accordance with WDC Motor Sport Event Policy, Club Targa applied for the Road Closures on 15 December 2022. Since then, they have supplied a fully compliant Traffic Management Plan with maps of roads affected, a copy of their insurance policy, evidence of resident consultation, and are in the process of providing a bond of \$10,000 (maximum amount for a sealed road event).

A copy of their event Safety Plan is still to be provided for our review.

Following Council approval, WDA will organise a pre-rally drive over inspection with video capture of each road to be used and arrange for a post-rally drive over noting any subsequent damage done to the roads due to the rally. If necessary, WDA will then organise the immediate repair of these roads to return them to pre-rally condition.

---

There is one section of the rally route that has been affected by Cyclone Gabrielle where the road has been reduced to one lane due to some major subsidence. This is at #67 Wairamarama-Onewhero Rd on special stages 5 & 7. Targa have decided to continue to use this section for their special stage but, at our request will implement a speed restriction of 50kmh for their participants while traversing around the damage.

In accordance with WDC Motor Sport Event Policy, Club Targa applied for the Road Closures on 15 December 2022. Since then, they have supplied a fully compliant Traffic Management Plan with maps of roads affected, a copy of their insurance policy, evidence of resident consultation, and are in the process of providing a bond of \$10,000 (maximum amount for a sealed road event).

### **Bothwell Loop Sprint**

In accordance with WDC Motor Sport Event Policy, the Pukekohe Car Club applied for the Road Closures on 10 November 2022. Since then, they have supplied a fully compliant Traffic Management Plan with a map of the roads affected, a copy of their insurance policy, evidence of resident consultation, a promissory bond note of \$12,000, a copy of their event Safety Plan and a copy of their event regulations.

Following Council approval, WDA will organise a pre-rally drive over inspection with video capture of the roads to be used and arrange for a post-rally drive over noting any subsequent damage done to the roads due to the rally. If necessary, WDA will then organise the immediate repair of these roads to return them to pre-rally condition.

There are a couple of minor shoulder washouts along Waikaretu-Wairamarama Rd due to Cyclone Gabrielle damage, but these have been bunded and marked by cones and do not pose any issue for the rally event. However, they have been noted for the rally drivers to be aware of.

## **5.1 Options**

### **Ngaa koowhiringa**

There are two options available to the Committee:

Option 1: Decline the application to close the proposed roads. This will result in the rally being unable to progress.

Option 2: Approve the closure of proposed roads.

## **5.2 Financial considerations**

### **Whaiwhakaaro puutea**

There is no material financial cost associated with the recommendations of this report.

---

### 5.3 Legal considerations Whaiwhakaaro-aa-ture

#### Legislative Framework

Section 342 Local Government Act 1974

Section 342 of the Local Government Act 1974 (LGA 74) allows WDC to close any road on a temporary basis in accordance with the requirements in Schedule 10 of the LGA 74 (Schedule 10).

Clause 11(e) of Schedule 10 stipulates that WDC may, subject to conditions it thinks fit (including the imposition of a reasonable bond) and after consultation with the Police and NZTA close any road or part of road for a period or periods not exceeding in the aggregate 31 days in any year for any race or other sporting event, provided that no road may be closed for any race or other sporting event if that closure would, in the opinion of the council be likely to impede traffic unreasonably.

Clause 11A of Schedule 10 requires WDC to give public notice of its intention to consider closing any road or part of a road under clause 11(e) and to give public notice of any decision to close any road under that provision.

Clause 12 of Schedule 10 provides that the powers conferred on WDC by clause 11(except 11(e) can be made by the Chairman or any officer authorised by the council.

#### Application of section 342 LGA 1974

WDC requires the temporary closure of the Roads for the Rally subject to adherence to the WDC Road Closure for Motor Sport Events Policy (which includes the requirement for a bond) and Club Targa entering into an agreement with WDC for the use of the Roads for the Rally.

**Targa Bambina Rally** is for two days (18 and 19 March 2023), within the last year WDC has approved temporary road closures for other rallies totalling days so the temporary closure of the roads for the Rally will not exceed the aggregate of 31 days in any year.

Proposed road closures for the Rally were publicly notified by WDC via its website on 9 January 2023 and 20 January 2023.

**Pukekohe Car Club Rally Sprint - Rally** is for one day (19 March 2023), this is small level event.

### 5.4 Maaori and cultural considerations Whaiwhakaaro Maaori me oona tikanga

As there was no significant decision involving land or water merely use of an existing road, no consultation was undertaken with Maaori stakeholders.

---



## 5.5 Climate response and resilience considerations

### Whaiwhakaaro-aa-taiao

The matters in this report have no known impact on climate change or resilience for the Council.

## 5.6 Risks

### Tuuraru

In the past the Targa Bambina has been approved as it is held entirely on sealed network so roading damage tends to be minimal and there is general support from the community.

There is a reputational risk that the event is scheduled to be held relatively soon after Cyclone Gabrielle however the roading team has reinstated these parts of the network where the event is being held to pre storm damage levels of service.

According to the policy in the event of application been declined, the organisers have right of appeal, for which Sub-committee needs to be formed rapidly to address their appeal.

## 6. Significance and engagement assessment

### Aromatawai paahekoheko

---

### 6.1 Significance

#### Te Hiranga

The decisions and matters of this report are assessed as of low significance, in accordance with the Council's [Significance and Engagement Policy](#).

### 6.2 Engagement

#### Te Whakatuutakitaki

Consultation with the local communities has been carried out to clarify the level of support or opposition as described above.

The public engagement will be completed following the approval from Council.

## 7. Next steps

### Ahu whakamua

---

If approved, staff will complete the Memorandum of Understanding and work with Club Targa organisers to complete all processes required for the running of the event.

These include:

- Review and approval of the Temporary Traffic Management Plans.
  - Joint inspections of the network prior to the event.
  - Further engagement with affected parties where required.
-

## 8. Confirmation of statutory compliance Te Whakatuuturutanga aa-ture

As required by the Local Government Act 2002, staff confirm the following:

The report fits with Council's role and Terms of Reference and Delegations.	Confirmed
The report contains sufficient information about all reasonably practicable options identified and assessed in terms of their advantages and disadvantages ( <i>Section 5.1</i> ).	Confirmed
Staff assessment of the level of significance of the issues in the report after consideration of the Council's Significance and Engagement Policy ( <i>Section 6.1</i> ).	Low
The report contains adequate consideration of the views and preferences of affected and interested persons taking account of any proposed or previous community engagement and assessed level of significance ( <i>Section 6.2</i> ).	Confirmed
The report considers impact on Māori ( <i>Section 5.5</i> )	Confirmed
The report and recommendations are consistent with Council's plans and policies ( <i>Section 5.4</i> ).	Confirmed
The report and recommendations comply with Council's legal duties and responsibilities ( <i>Section 5.3</i> ).	Confirmed

## 9. Attachments Ngaa taapirihanga

Attachment 1: Targa Bambina Responses

## **Attachment 1: Targa Bambina Responses**

### **FOR**

We are in support of the Rally coming in March. We live on Island Block Rd.  
Thanks. Kind Regards, - Calvin and Linda Andrew

I would just like to email my support of the closures and the event. It's great for the community and awesome to get out and watch all the cars with the kids.

Cheers

Dan Mickelson

This will be a fantastic event for the community and the minor inconvenience will be offset by the huge benefits to locals and the local economy it brings.

I support the proposal.

Regards

Jonathan Kubiak

Teena koutou,

I support, wholeheartedly, all proposed road closures for the March 18 - 19 Car Rally.

Mauri ora

Cr Raumati

Good day,

We support Club Targa Inc to hold the Targa Bambina 2023 tarmac rally on the proposed dates. We stay on Waikare road and enjoyed the previous Targa Rallies we saw coming past over the years!

So good for the businesses and communities.

Thank you

Anél Lessing

Just a quick email to give full support to road closures for the rally.

It is always a great event that we watch from our house on Waikare Rd with friends and family.

Thanks

Karen Silk

No problem

Will be good to watch

Leonie Andrews

We live on Glen Murray Road. Fully support and love it.  
Sara Naea

We live on Island Block Road, Meremere, and are more than happy for the Targa to pass through on 19/3/23.  
Kind regards  
Nick Ploeg

I just wanted to give my support to the road closures for the 2023 Targa Bambina. It's a great event that supports the communities it visits. Te Kauwhata is lucky to have it so close.  
Many thanks  
Nicky Patterson.

I think it's a great idea for the community and awesome to have more local events like this following after the WRC.  
Great for something different  
Chris

As a resident of Meremere Village – I fully support the road closures for the rally. What a great thing to come to our rural area.  
Myself and family will definitely be out supporting the drivers if this goes ahead.  
Regards  
Tracy Gimblett

Live in Te Kauwhata and looking forward to this event.  
Russell Watson

Emailing to let you know we fully support the targa rally.  
Glen Murray road resident.  
Kind regards  
Emily Brown

A Huge Nga Mihi to all those that made this event get up and off the ground so great to see after a break it's back..look forward to the action  
Kind regards  
Karl Adams

## **AGAINST**

Re proposed closure of Wairamarama-Onewhero Rd –

Hi, the time period notified for this closure is excessively long and causes at least a 1 hour detour each direction for anyone living south of kauri road. Not acceptable. – Chris North

I understand that Targa Bambina have put through a road closure request for the weekend of 18 March 2023 from between Honey Road and Forestry Road, Waiuku.

I am a resident of the area.

In my opinion, the proposed racing area is unsuitable, with several other areas better suited for it.

The roading as you may be aware has in many places sharp bends, with a significant number of pot holes which can only worsen with high-speed car racing and corner braking.

The roading and infrastructure has also been severely damaged/ weakened with new pot holes / slips emerging since the flooding of 27 January 2023, car racing could potentially damage the roads further and delay the much-needed maintenance that is required.

The proposed track is also within a relatively high housing/ lifestyle density thus if the race is approved by Council, it would significantly inconvenience the weekend movements of a greater number of residents / rate payers say for example when compared with other proposed routes: [Proposed road closures for Targa Bambina rally \(waikatodistrict.govt.nz\)](http://waikatodistrict.govt.nz),

Surely it would be in the Council's/ public, and Targa's interest to hold the event in a more suitable area with wider/ safer / better maintained roads with less housing density and residents living nearby?

I look forward to hearing from you.

Regards,

Tom Chambers

Is there going to be a notification or communications directly to local residents which will be effected by the road closures? Is there a map with timings where we can see this? Last year we were effectively locked out of exiting our house when we had to go to work and we had not been pre-warned, no communications or even signs up letting us know this would happen.

Many thanks,

Zoe

*FYI – Contacted Zoe and informed her that a letter from organisers is on its way, and received.*

*-JB*