

Agenda for a meeting of the Huntly Community Board to be held in the Huntly West Community Hub, Harris Street, Huntly on **Tuesday, 8 June 2021** commencing at **6.00pm**.

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CHIEF EXECUTIVE

Open Meeting

To	Huntly Community Board
From	Gavin Ion Chief Executive
Date	8 June 2021
Prepared by	Lynette Wainwright Committee Secretary
Chief Executive Approved	Y
Reference #	GOV0303
Report Title	Register of Interests

1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

A copy of the Register of Interests is attached for the Board's information. The register will be updated following receipt of information during the year.

2. RECOMMENDATION

THAT the report from the Chief Executive be received.

3. ATTACHMENTS

Register of Interests – Huntly Community Board

Register of Elected Members Interests - Community Boards

		Financial Interests <i>Please refer to Statement Reference here.</i>		Non - Financial Interests								
Name	Community Board	1 to 6	With the exception of	Companies		Employment	Other Organisations		Property	Gifts (received since 21 October 2019)	Payments for activities and services (since 21 October 2019)	Debts
				Director/Manager	Financial Interests		Trustee/Beneficiary	Governing Body				
David Whyte	Huntly	No	N/A	•Whyte Professional Properties Ltd	• Zestos (Boutique citrus production, writing on environmental/tree issues, rental property management)	N/A	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> New Zealand Tree Crops Association (President moving to Past President in 2022) Waikato Tree Crops (Committee Member) 	2x Ohinewai (Owner) 2x Huntly (Owner) 2x Ngaruawahia (Owner)	N/A	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Westpac (bank loan) -BNZ (bank loan)
Red Wootton	Huntly											
Rewi Cork	Huntly											
Greg McCutchan	Huntly	No	N/A	N/A	N/A	Declined to answer	N/A	N/A	Declined to answer	N/A	N/A	N/A
Kim Bredenbeck	Huntly	No		N/A	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Waikato Enterprise Agency Trust Inc. (Education and Tourism services) 	• Friendship House Inc (Treasurer)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Huntly War Memorial Hall Committee (Secretary) (Currently negotiating funds to continue the refurbishment of the hall as outlined by Chairperson who is the project manager aligned to plan) Huntly Residency and Ratepayers Association (Secretary) Lets Get Together Huntly (Committee member - delivers Wearable Arts Competition every second year- will apply to the culture fund and community board for this event in July) 	1x Huntly (owner)	N/A	N/A	N/A
Eden Watawai	Huntly	No	N/A	N/A	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Waikato District Council (Employee-Customer Service) 	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Huntly RSA (Committee Member) Harty Sistaz Huntly Girls Youth Group (Co-Facilitator) <p>Anzac Day funding for Huntly RSA Access to Council resources as Huntly Youth Action Group Contributors (Harty Sistaz)</p>	1x Huntly (Tenant)	N/A	N/A	N/A

YELLOW INDICATES THAT THE ELECTED MEMBER DID NOT SUBMIT A COMPLETED FORM

Open Meeting

To	Huntly Community Board
From	Gavin Ion Chief Executive
Date	3 June 2021
Prepared by	Lynette Wainwright Committee Secretary
Chief Executive Approved	Y
Reference #	GOV0505
Report Title	Confirmation of Minutes

1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

To confirm the minutes for the meeting of the Huntly Community Board held on Tuesday, 11 May 2021.

2. RECOMMENDATION

THAT the minutes for the meeting of the Huntly Community Board held on Tuesday, 11 May 2021 be confirmed.

3. ATTACHMENTS

HCB Minutes – Tuesday, 11 May 2021

MINUTES for a meeting of the Huntly Community Board held in the Riverside Room, Civic Centre, Main Street, Huntly on **TUESDAY, 11 MAY 2021** commencing at **6.00pm**.

Present:

Mr D Whyte (Chairperson)
Cr S Lynch
Cr F McNally [*until 7.46pm*]
Ms K Bredenbeck
Mr DRM Cork
Mr GB McCutchan
Ms E Wawatai
Mr LR Wootton

Attending:

Constable J MacFarlane (NZ Police)
Ms J Beverland (Let's Get Together Huntly)

Mrs V Jenkins (People & Capability Manager)
Ms K Wood (Open Spaces Officer)
Mrs LM Wainwright (Committee Secretary)

9 members of the public

APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

All members were present.

CONFIRMATION OF STATUS OF AGENDA ITEMS

Resolved: (Mr Whyte/Ms Wawatai)

THAT the agenda for the meeting of the Huntly Community Board held on Tuesday, 11 May 2021 be confirmed;

AND THAT all reports be received.

CARRIED

HCB2105/01

DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

Ms Bredenbeck advised members of the Board that she would declare a non-financial conflict of interest in item 6.3 [*Let's Get Together Huntly – Huntly Wearable Arts Show – July 2021*].

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Resolved: (Mr Whyte/Mr Wootton)

THAT the minutes of the meeting for the Huntly Community Board held on Tuesday, 30 March 2021 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

CARRIED

HCB2105/02

PUBLIC FORUM

Agenda Item 5

The following items were discussed at the public forum:

- Tabled Item – Memorandum, Canadian Geese at Lake Hakanoa.

The Open Spaces Officer summarised the memorandum. The Board supported baiting the geese as a one-off event with other programmes being put in place to control the ongoing population.

- Concern was raised regarding the perceived breaches of the consent conditions for Gleeson & Cox.

REPORTS

NZ Police Update

Agenda Item 6.1

The report was received [*HCB2105/01 refers*] and the following points were highlighted by Constable MacFarlane.

- There had been a recent influx in burglaries in the Huntly area over last month.
- Motorbike offending had decreased.
- 60 Main Street, Huntly - Police had sent an email to the owner and no further issues had occurred.
- Family harm in Huntly had increased. Agencies had been invited to attend a hui to discuss assistance for families/whanau.
- Herds of goats on Great South Road and the railway tracks were a health and safety issue.
- Beggars on Huntly's main street were intimidating members of the public.

Discretionary Fund Report to 28 April 2021

Agenda Item 6.2

The report was received [*HCB2105/01 refers*]. No discussion was held.

Let's Get Together Huntly – Huntly Wearable Arts Show – July 2021

Agenda Item 6.3

Ms Bredenbeck declared a conflict of interest and did not take part in discussion or voting.

The report was received [*HCB2105/01 refers*]. Ms Beverland summarised the application and noted that the \$941.85 for the tiered seating was no longer required.

Resolved: (Cr Lynch/Mr Whyte)

THAT an allocation of \$4,956.36 is made to Let's Get Together Huntly towards the cost of the Huntly Wearable Arts Show July 2021 from the Huntly Community Board Discretionary Fund.

CARRIED**HCB2105/03**Huntly Works & Issues Report: Status of Items May 2021

Agenda Item 6.4

The report was received [*HCB2105/01 refers*].

Promotional signage for Huntly

Competition voting closed Sunday, 30 May 2021.

Shop Verandas

Waikato District Council had sent an enforcement letter to a shop owner in Huntly.

60 Main Street, Huntly

This item to be closed and removed from the report.

Fitness Trail in Tumata Mahuta Drive Park

This item to remain on the report.

Footpaths in Huntly

The chairperson would meet with Council's Senior Transportation Engineer and Open Spaces Team Leader and report back to the Board's June meeting.

Daycare, Cnr Tumate Mahuta Drive and Main Street

This item to be closed and removed from the report.

Gleeson & Cox

This item to remain on the report.

Street Lights Service Requests

This item to remain on the report.

Te Huia Official Launch Event

This item to remain on the report.

Rugby Park Grandstand Murals

This item to remain on the report.

Town Clock – incorrect time

This item to be added to the report.

ACTION: Staff to check if the changing of the time on the town clock is part of the Cushman and Wakefield contract.

Davies Park

This item to be added to the report. Weed spraying was required.

Third Quarter Service Request Report

Agenda Item 6.5

The report was received [HCB2105/01 refers] and discussion was held on the following matters:

- 100% completion figure for street lighting was incorrect as a CRM which had been submitted on Thursday, 25 February 2021 had not been completed. Non functioning street lights were a health & safety issue.
- Non functioning lights on Tainui Bridge – a CRM would be lodged.

Chairperson's Report

Agenda Item 6.6

Tabled Item: Chairperson's Report

The chairperson summarised his report.

Councillors' and Board Members' Reports

Agenda Item 6.7

Verbal reports were received on the following items:

- Eastmine Road – trees overhanging the road reserve required trimming.

ACTION: The chairperson to submit a CRM for the trimming of the trees.

- Huntly Rugby Club – charging for the use of the grounds. A meeting had been held between Council and the rugby club to discuss charging and usage.
- Cleaning of Huntly's main street pavers.

ACTION: The chairperson to meet with the Roding Engineer and contractor.

- Cushman & Wakefield were responsible for the removal of graffiti.
- Waste Minimisation submissions close Friday, 21 May 2021.
- An article on Huntly had been placed in the Seasons magazine.
- LTP roadshow – poor communication advising the dates and locations for the roadshow.

Cr McNally retired from the meeting at 7.46am during discussion on the above item.

There being no further business the meeting was declared closed at 7.59pm.

Minutes approved and confirmed this day of 2021.

D Whyte
CHAIRPERSON

Open Meeting

To	Huntly Community Board
From	Gavin Ion Chief Executive
Date	14 June 2021
Prepared by	Lynette Wainwright Committee Secretary
Chief Executive Approved	Y
Reference #	GOV0505
Report Title	NZ Police Update

1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

To advise members that a representative from the New Zealand Police will be in attendance at the Community Board meeting.

2. RECOMMENDATION

THAT the verbal report from the NZ Police be received.

Open Meeting

To	Huntly Community Board
From	Gavin Ion Chief Executive
Date	14 June 2021
Prepared by	Lynette Wainwright Committee Secretary
Chief Executive Approved	Y
Reference #	GOV0505
Report Title	Solid Waste Review Presentation

1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

To advise members that Mr Phil Ellis, Solid Waste Team Leader, will be in attendance at the Community Board meeting.

2. RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Solid Waste Review presentation be received.

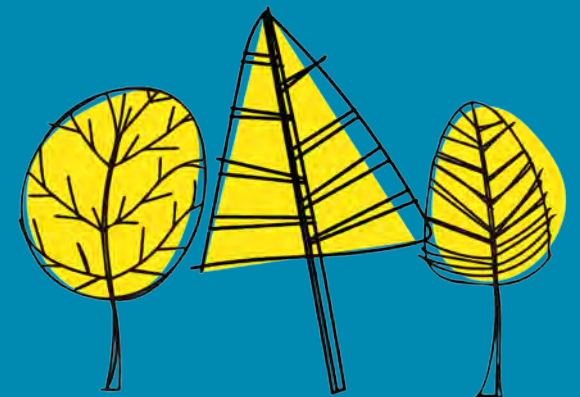
Solid Waste Review

What's it all about?

Chamber Chat April 2021

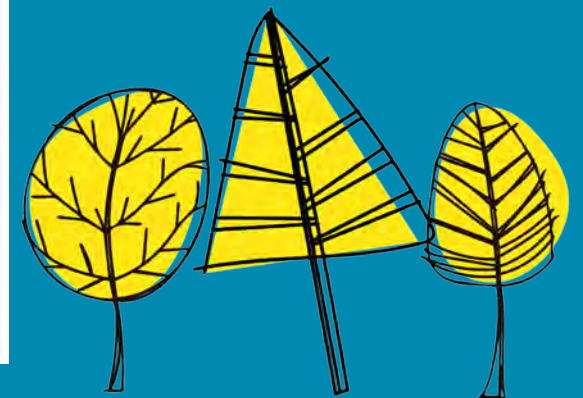
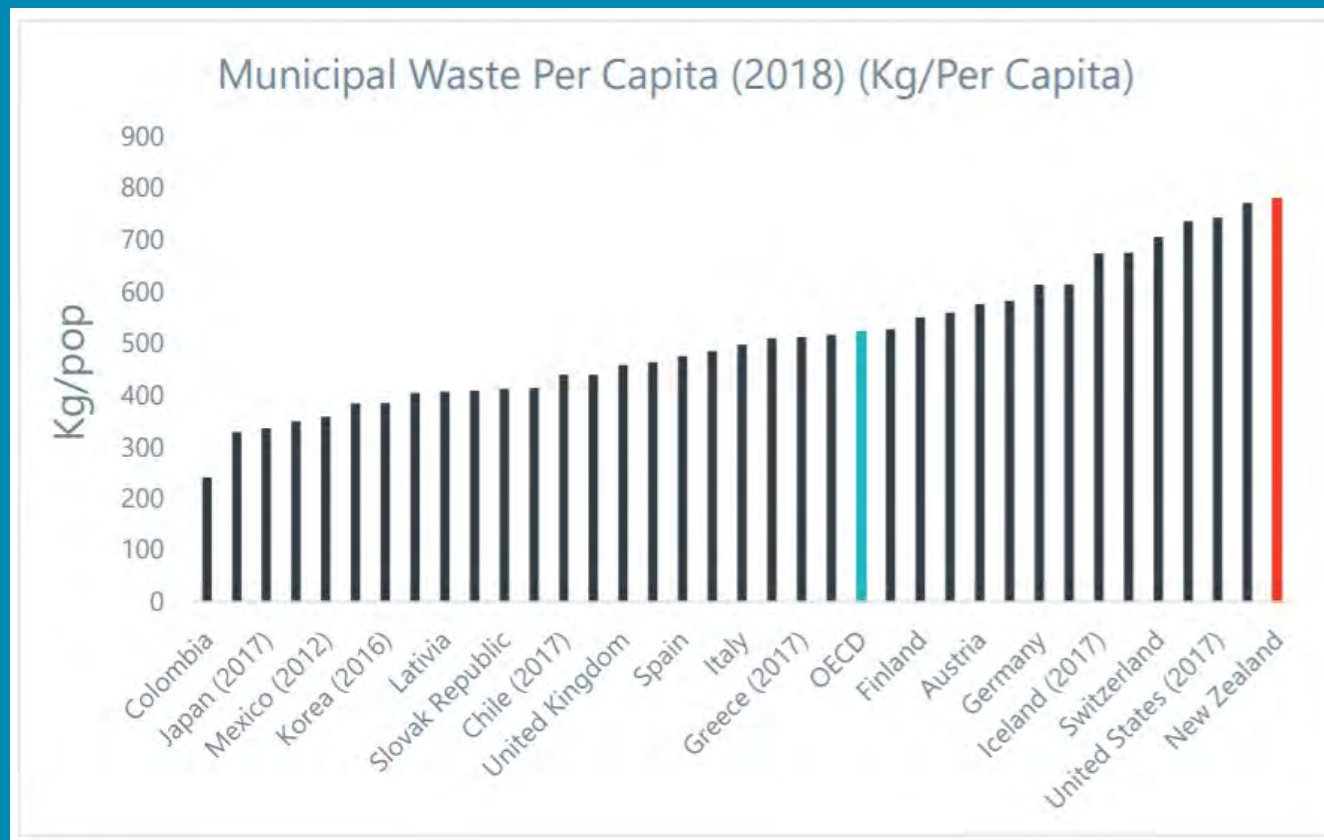
What is the Solid Waste Review?

- We're looking at how we can manage solid waste better in our district
- Not just talking about kerbside collection of rubbish and recycling here:
 - There's industrial waste, agricultural waste, construction waste
 - There's solid waste infrastructure
 - There's solid waste data management
 - There's solid waste regulation
 - And there's raising awareness about solid waste in our community



Why are we doing it?

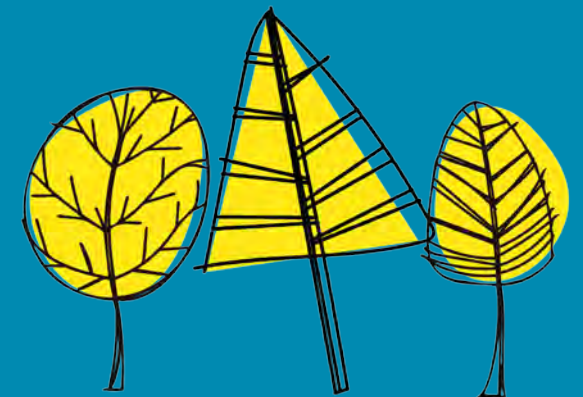
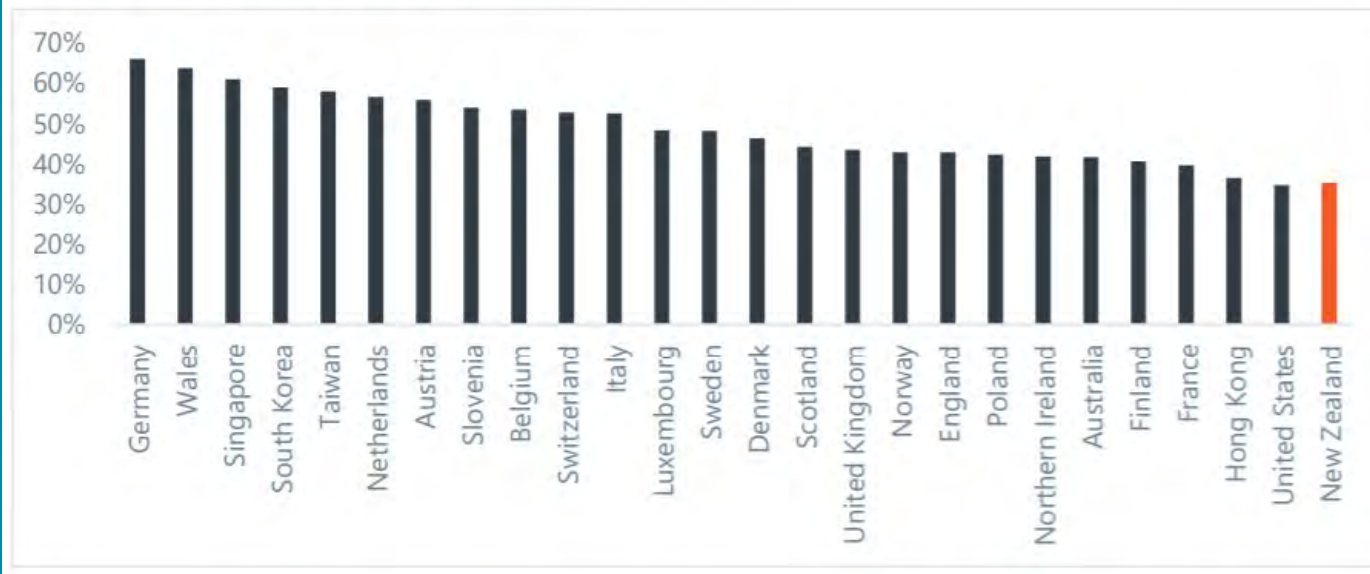
➤ New Zealand is pretty rubbish when it comes to.....rubbish!



Why are we doing it?

- And here in New Zealand, we're not very good at diverting waste from landfill either....

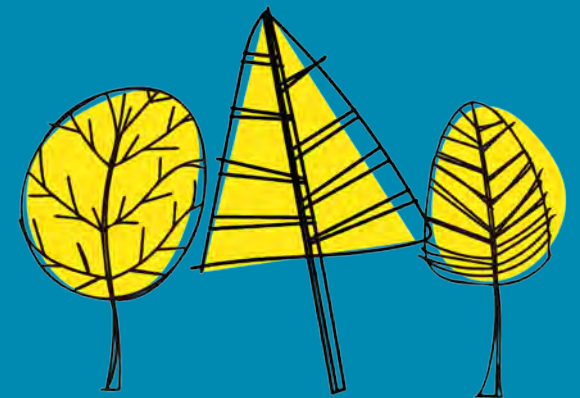
Figure 5: Total recovery rate by country¹¹⁰



Why are we doing it?

- As our Council's values make it clear, we are here to serve and we're here to do it right.
- To provide the best service to our residents and ratepayers we possibly can
- While looking after the environment in the best way that we can....

- ...and education plays a key part of that



Why are we doing it?

- Container deposit scheme
- Product stewardship scheme
- National standardization of how kerbside rubbish and recycling is picked up
- Government has signed up to the Basel Convention, which basically makes it harder to export plastic waste
- Climate change action. Reducing waste emissions is an important part of the achieving the aims of the Government's Zero Carbon Act.



How are we doing it?

- The Solid Waste Review is a complex process, so we've split it into two phases.
- Phase 1 is a refresh of our contracts with our service providers: Xtreme Zero Waste, MetroWaste and Smart Environmental.
- Thanks to the hard work of Jackie and Jo in the Contracts and Partnering Team, this is pretty much complete.



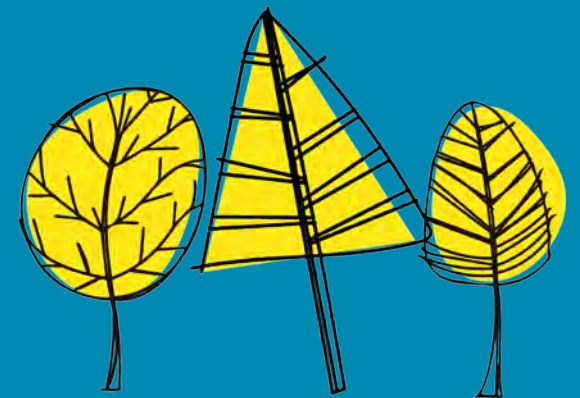
How are we doing it? – Phase 1

- Extensive contract renegotiations since the end of last year with all our contractors.
- Contracts have been refreshed with increased emphasis on
 - health and safety;
 - standard of service;
 - better data coming back from our contractors and
 - increase monitoring/measurement of their performance.

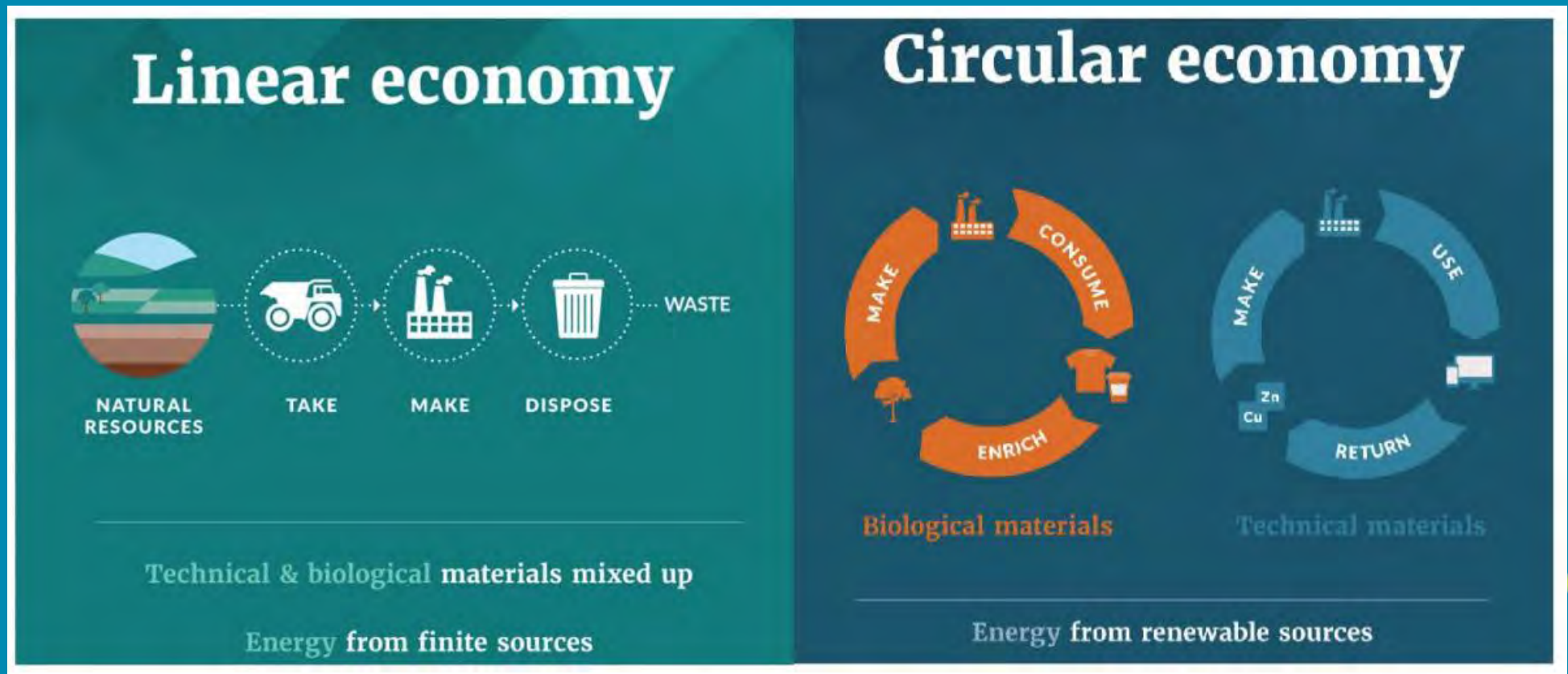


How are we doing it? – Phase 2

- The aspirational goal for this phase is to reach the **“Ultimate Service State”** for our community.
- There are a number of activities happening now and may planned for the next few years.
- Setting a vision for circular economy



Linear vs Circular economy



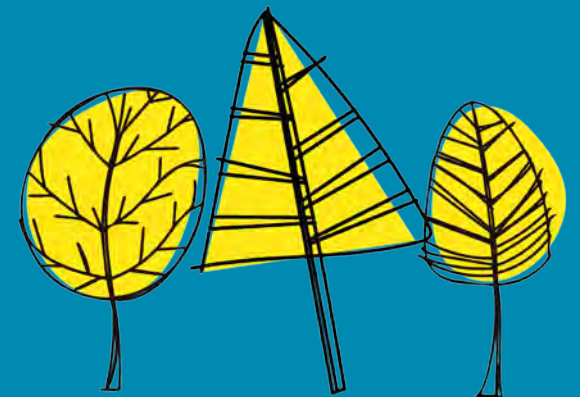
How are we doing it? – Phase 2

Infrastructure:

- developing the transfer station in Huntly into a resource recovery centre
- Land in the Tuakau area with a view of creating a resource recovery centre in the north of our district

Regulation:

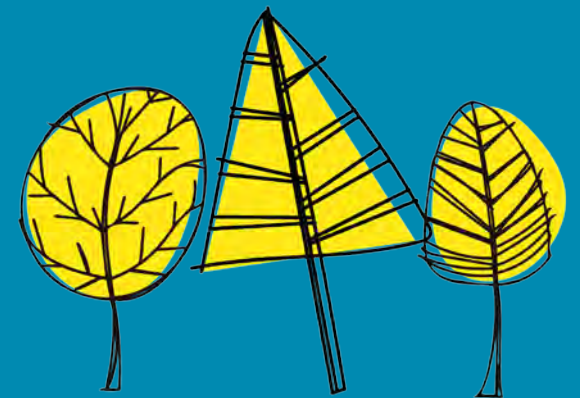
- Solid Waste Bylaw



How are we doing it? – Phase 2

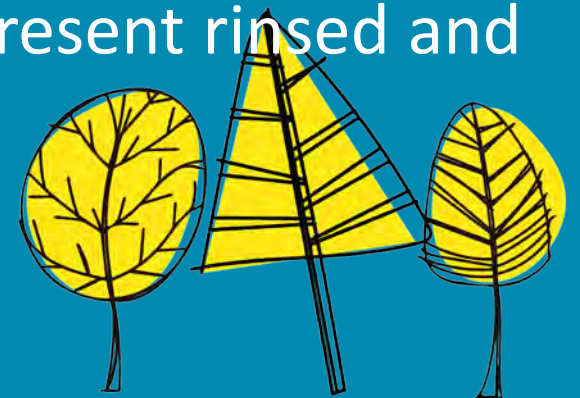
Kerbside collection: Rubbish and recycling

- Our renegotiated contracts run for five years so the same service will be running for a while.
- But it will be reviewed at some stage
- How it looks will be shaped on government initiatives previously mentioned.



How are we doing it – Phase 2

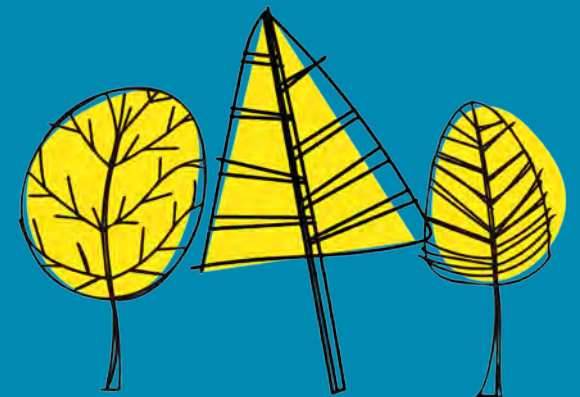
- **Community engagement and education:**
- This will be ramped up over the next few years
- The more the community understands how the waste sector works and the extent of the problems of the recycling industry the better they will understand the service being offered.
- For example – understanding the need to present rinsed and separate recycling to the kerb for collection is key for compliance.



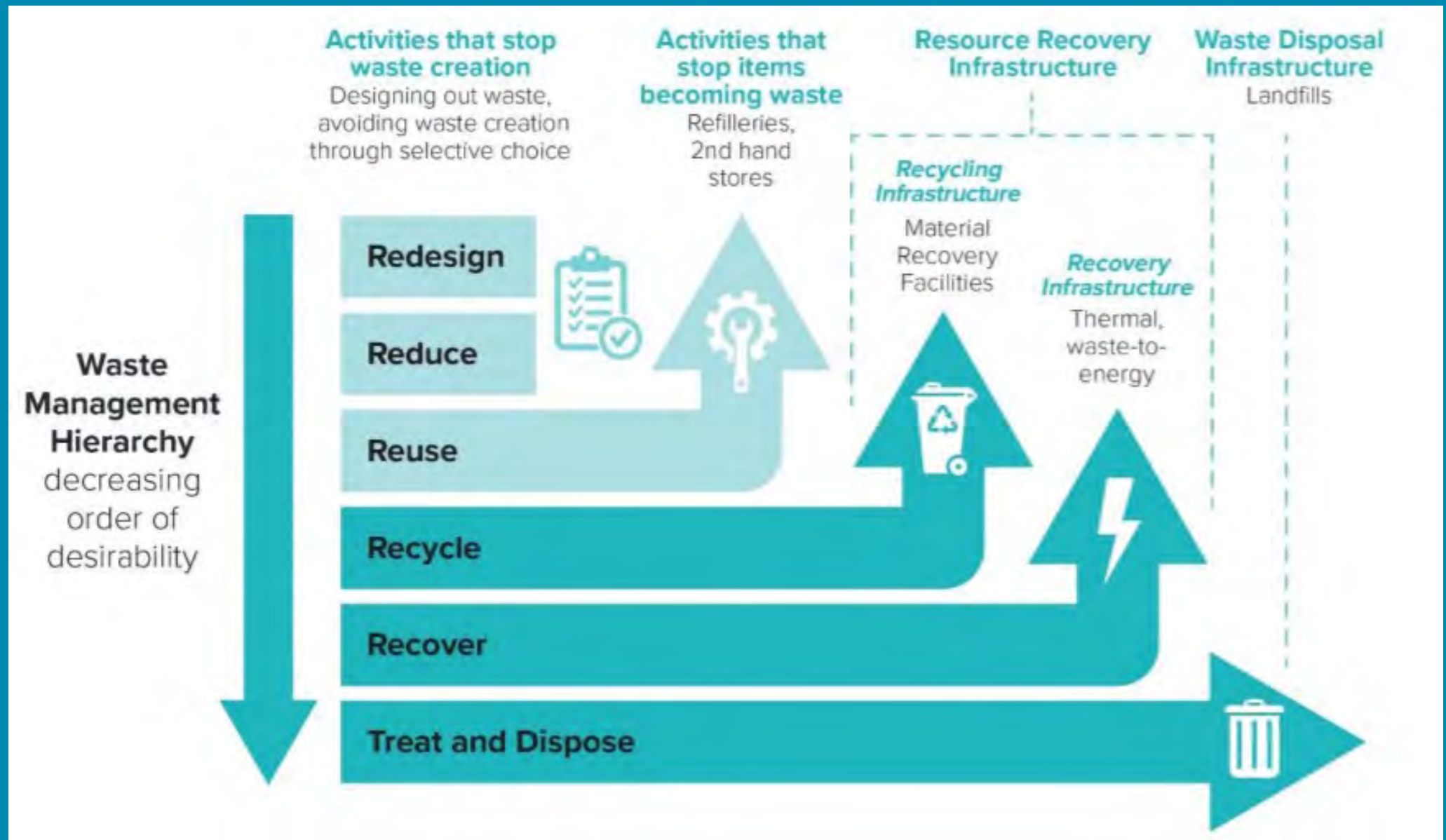
How are we doing it?– Phase 2

Other activities planned include:

- Exploring partnerships with community groups and business to create circular economies within the waste sector.
- Working with other agencies e.g. Ag-recovery to provide disposal options for farm chemicals/silage wrap etc.
- Working with neighbouring Councils to rationalize services and infrastructure



To finish off... aligning vision with best practice



Open Meeting

To	Huntly Community Board
From	Alison Diaz Chief Financial Officer
Date	09 June 2021
Prepared by	Julie Kelly Support Accountant
Chief Executive Approved	Y
Reference/Doc Set #	GOV0505
Report Title	Discretionary Fund Report to 09 June 2021

1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

To update the Board on the Discretionary Fund Report to 09 June 2021.

2. RECOMMENDATION

THAT the report from the **Chief Financial Officer** be received.

3. ATTACHMENTS

Discretionary Fund Report to 09 June 2021

HUNTLY COMMUNITY BOARD DISCRETIONARY FUND REPORT 2020/21 (July 2020 - June 2021)
As at Date: 09-Jun-2021

			GL 1.204.1704
2020/21 Annual Plan			24,026.00
Carry forward from 2019/20			41,384.00
Total Funding			65,410.00
Income			
Total Income			
			-
Expenditure			
		Resolution No.	
16/07/2020	Waikato District Alliance (Downer) C14/314 for Huntly Community CCTV variation	HCB1908/06	3,475.93
30/09/2020	Waikato District Alliance (Downer) C14/314 for Huntly Community CCTV variation	HCB1908/06	2,984.67
30/10/2020	Waikato District Alliance (Downer) C 14/314 PP 64 Work to 30/10/20	HCB1908/06	2,700.01
10/11/2020	Friendship House - Christmas on Main 2020	HCB2010/04	5,000.00
10/11/2020	Friendship House - Community Dinner Project 2020	HCB2010/03	5,000.00
8/12/2020	Huntly Volunteer - Donation - Secret Garden Project	HCB1909/04	250.00
	HCB approves reimbursement to Ms Wawatai for \$100 for a koha at the tangi of Mr Bob	HCB2102/04	
28/04/2021	Tukiri.		100.00
Total Expenditure			19,510.61
Net Funding Remaining (Excluding commitments)			45,899.39
Commitments			
21/06/2016	Commitment for placemaking projects (HCB1606/03/1)		15,000.00
17/09/2019	Huntly Menz Shed - towards the Secret Garden Project	HCB1909/04	250.00
18/02/2020	Funding to Justin Twomie Mahon, for Painting and Decorating, for the amount of \$1,000.00. Murals to address graffiti in the Huntly Main Street and Bridge Street shops.	HCB2002/07	1,000.00
	<i>Less: Other Expenses</i>		<u>(2,874.61)</u>
			13,375.39
20/08/2019	Allocation of \$10,000 is made to Waikato District Crime Prevention Technology Trust towards the cost of their Huntly CCTV Project	HCB1908/06	10,000.00
	<i>Less spent to date</i>		<u>(9,160.61)</u>
			839.39
21/02/2017	Huntly Christmas related activities - recurring	HCB1702/04	to be confirmed
21/05/2019	Revitalise 2 Huntly entrance sites	HCB1905/06	5,000.00
27/10/2020	Funds committed to Mr Whyte for the amount of \$180.00 (incl GST) for the purchase of	HCB2010/10	156.52
21/05/2021	Allocation of \$4956.36 to Lets Get Together Huntly towards the cost of the Huntly Wearable Arts Show July 2021	HCB2005/03	4,956.36
Total Commitments			24,327.66
Net Funding Remaining (Including commitments)			21,571.73

Note: All amounts reflected are excluding GST

Open Meeting

To	Huntly Community Board
From	Vanessa Jenkins People & Capability Manager
Date	10 June 2021
Prepared by	Sharlene Jenkins Executive Assistant
Chief Executive Approved	Y
Reference/Doc Set #	GOV0505 / 3083199
Report Title	Works & Issues Report: Status of Items June 2021

1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to update the Huntly Community Board on issues arising from the previous meeting and works underway in Huntly.

2. RECOMMENDATION

THAT the report from the People & Capability Manager be received.

3. ATTACHMENTS

- Huntly Community Board Issues Register – June 2021
- Huntly Works as at 09 June 2021

HUNTLY COMMUNITY BOARD ISSUES REGISTER – June 2021

Issue	Area	Action	Comments
Promotional Signage for Huntly	Communications, Engagement & Marketing / Community Board	<p>DECEMBER 2019: Concept to be presented to the February 2020 meeting for approval.</p> <p>FEBRUARY 2020: Ms Bredenbeck to prepare proposal for March meeting.</p>	<p>FEBRUARY 2020: Staff would like to work with the Board on their concept, and discuss ideas of how to engage the community in the look and feel of signage. Communications Advisor to contact Kim Bredenbeck to discuss before bringing to the whole Board for support.</p> <p>MAY 2021: Competition voting closed, Sunday, 30 May 2021.</p>
Shop Verandas	Community Board Chair	<p>JUNE 2020: Chair to contact the Building Quality Manager to discuss health & safety issues in relation to shop verandas.</p>	<p>AUGUST 2020: The Chair and Building Quality Manager have not connected yet.</p> <p>MAY 2021: Waikato District Council had sent an enforcement letter to a shop owner in Huntly.</p>
Fitness Trail in Tumate Mahuta Drive Park	Community Board Chair	<p>DECEMBER 2020: The Chairperson to meet with the Funding and Partnership Manager to discuss funding and report back to the next meeting.</p>	<p>MARCH 2021: The Chair to discuss onsite. Mr Cork to complete plan.</p>
Footpaths in Huntly	Community Board Chair	<p>DECEMBER 2020: Footpath renewals and maintenance. Uneven paths were a health & safety issue.</p> <p>The Chairperson to meet with the Roding Manager to discuss the process for footpath renewals and maintenance.</p> <p>Staff to advise the Board the landowner's name for the land on the corner of Russell Road and E Mine Road.</p>	<p>JANUARY 2021: Council can give out details that are publicly available (i.e. on a record of title) or on the Rating Information Database. Council cannot give out personal information such as contact phone numbers and email addresses etc.</p> <p>Staff have contacted the Chair via email on 28 January 2021 with the details the parcel of land on the corner of Russell Road and E Mine Road which are available on the Council Rating Information Database.</p> <p>MARCH 2021: The Chair to meet with Council's Senior Transportation Engineer and Open Spaces Team Leader to get plan for footpath renewals and discuss strategic connections.</p> <p>MAY 2021: The Chairperson would meet with Council's Senior Transportation Engineer and Open Spaces Team Leader and report back to the Community Board's June meeting.</p>

Issue	Area	Action	Comments
Gleeson Cox	Community Safety, Customer Support	<p>FEBRUARY 2021: Concerns re: operations on site e.g. coal stockpiling.</p> <p>MARCH 2021: Members of the Community Board to form a group and meet with the Regulatory manager to discuss the Gleeson & Cox site.</p> <p>MAY 2021: The Chairperson to write a letter to the Hon. David Parker, Minister for the Environment re: monitoring of the Gleeson & Cox consent conditions.</p>	<p>MARCH 2021: The stockpiling issue was investigated and the consent holder was made aware that the activity was non-compliant. The stockpile was removed shortly thereafter. Further enforcement action is being considered.</p> <p>MAY 2021: Council's Regulatory Manager and General Manager Customer Support are scheduled to meet with the Community Board Chair on 11 May.</p>
Street Lights Service Requests	Roading, Service Delivery	<p>MARCH 2021: Letter tabled from Greg McCutchan – contactor has not responded.</p> <p>MAY 2021: Update please.</p>	<p>MAY 2021: Staff met on site with Greg McCutchan on Friday, 23 April and discussed the street lights issue. A formal letter will be sent to Greg McCutchan re: official LGOIMA request.</p> <p>JUNE 2021: Waikato District Alliance engaged an independent contractor, Joe Coombes Electrical, to investigate the issues with the lights on Main Street Huntly. A contractor supply fault on the north-western side of the Main Street has been detected. Joe is working with WEL Networks, who are going to carry out an investigation by 11 June 2021. Staff have asked Joe to contact Greg McCutchan who has a lot of knowledge and experience in this field. Staff will provide a verbal update at the Community Board 22 June 2021 meeting if further information is received.</p>
Te Huia Official Launch Event	Operations Group	<p>MARCH 2021: The Community Board is disappointed no one was invited to the Te Huia official launch event from Raahui Pookeka Huntly Station on 25 March – why?</p>	<p>MAY 2021: Emailed to Board Chair 31 March 2021.</p>
Rugby Park Grandstand Murals	Community Board Chair	<p>MARCH 2021: The Chairperson to investigate Murals on the back of the Rugby Park grandstand and report back to the Board.</p>	
Town Clock – incorrect time	Community Connections, Service Delivery	<p>MAY 2021: Staff to check if the changing of the clock time is part of the Cushman and Wakefield contract.</p>	<p>JUNE 2021: The clock was changed from daylight savings time to back to standard time by Cushman Wakefield on 22 April 2021. The clock is showing the correct time. A variation is in place with Cushman Wakefield to have clocks scheduled in October and April respectively to correlate with day light saving time changes.</p>
Davies Park	Community Connections, Service Delivery	<p>MAY 2021: Weed spraying required.</p>	<p>JUNE 2021: PRK 1798/21 – Staff are meeting with the contractor on site on Friday, 11 June 2021. Staff will provide a verbal update at the Community Board 22 June 2021 meeting.</p>

Issue	Area	Action	Comments
Eastmine Road – Overhanging Trees	Community Board Chair	MAY 2021: Trees overhanging the road reserve require trimming. The Chairperson to submit a service request for the trimming of the trees.	
Cleaning of Huntly Main Street pavers	Community Board Chair	MAY 2021: The Chairperson to meet with the Roading Engineer and contractor.	

HUNTLY WORKS – As at 09 June 2021

Community Projects Update

Huntly Grandstand Roof Replacement

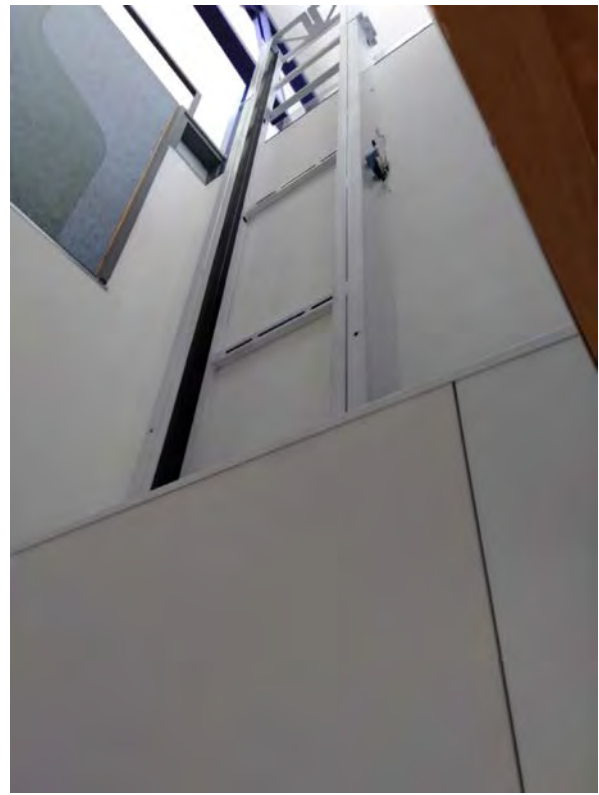
All steel fabrication work has been completed and protective coatings applied. Installation of the new roof is currently underway, and all works are expected to be completed by the end of June.

Huntly Library Lift

The replacement of the lift in Huntly library started on 28 May with the library closed for two days for the key installation works. The library work is now complete, and the lift is operational.



Huntly Library Lift



View of Lift Shaft

Raahui Pookeka | Huntly Railway Station – Historic Station Building Relocation

Design optioneering is underway for the relocation of the historic railway station building from Lake Puketirini to the new railway platform at the end of Glasgow Street.

Geotech testing has been carried out to advance the foundation design, and options for several foundation types are being developed to allow for the different soil characteristics at the new railway platform site. Services are also being designed to connect to power, sewer, water and stormwater systems on the new site.

Tenders have been requested including price and methodology from building relocation specialists. The successful tenderer will be able to provide valuable input into the foundation decisions to ensure the most efficient design.

The relocation is expected to happen this year between October and the Christmas break to enable time to complete the necessary design, and obtain the consents required for the building works, and the transport of the building on the district and NZTA highway network to across the river to the new site.

Open Meeting

To	Huntly Community Board
From	David Whyte Chairperson
Date	14 June 2021
DWS Document Set #	GOV0505
Report Title	Chairperson's Report May-June 2021

I. SUMMARY

Arts, done some arts stuff with Friendship House. Including the following:

- Meet with council building folk about progressing the old vacant, not used changing shed close to the bridge club building, into a pottery facility. Arts co-ordinator at friendship house has put in a lot of hard work to source a kiln, equipment, as well as working with council on use of this facility. A roadblock had appeared around earthquake assessment / issues, and project had stalled for some time. The meeting was successful in figuring out a way forward and hopefully this project will come to fruition.
- Funding for the murals that I and Friendship House was working on has been granted after interviews / face to face discussions. Now I actually have to get things done.
- Been asked to go on oversight committee to oversee a Friendship House project to undertake a thorough arts strategy for Huntly, building on what has been done before. Put together a bio which I am happy to circulate if people want to read it.

Meetings:

- Funding / community development, to stay in loop about what changes might be coming
- Road safety manager about footpaths, from the document I put together last year. A very productive meeting, and the outcome is the missing bits of footpath in Huntly should be worked on in the upcoming financial year (2021-22). Also compiled a list / report of the issues around Hartis Ave, where cobbles were used instead of concrete for the footpaths. This has turned out to be an unwise choice, and a number of problems are in the area. This report is attached.
- Strategy walking – I can't remember the outcome of this meeting so need to follow this up. !!!
- WRC. Meet with customer service agent, and wetlands planner regarding the proposed improvements to the Tumate Mahuta reserve. Draft consent request attached. Key point is that WDC did not get consents for the earthworks as they were miss informed by WRC. So this consent is tricky, and if HCB pays for it (~\$5k) then we will own the consent and liabilities. Where as if WDC pays and applies for it then they will own it.

- Tennis court renewal. Various courts around the district are going to be renewed with 'astroturff'. Huntly's court in Hakanoa Domain is on the list. Met with relevant staff member to discuss things. Looks like it will be tennis court, basketball court (as is now) and the addition of a patterned court for kids to ride bikes around. Also upgrades of fencing may occur depending on if this is required. Lighting is likely to be removed, although would be better if replaced with LEDs. Also leads to the question who would pay for the lighting as there is no tennis club.

Service requests

- Trees over hanging East Mine road. No money left, but will be done next year
- Fencing issues on East Mine road. The 5 wire farm fence is very loose and clearly a hazard for drivers or walkers as it is right on the boundary of the road. No go as council does not do fencing. Therefore we should ask locals to fix the fence. Lions?
- Cleaning of the moss under pedestrian overbridge
- Beech tree trim mainstreet. These dwarf columnar trees are large enough that someone can stand behind them and not be visible to oncoming traffic. Some have already had their skirts raised, but not all.
- Chased bark mainstreet gardens. Coming once traffic management plan approved.

Raised with Lions footings of poppet head that are rust blistering and appear to be leaking

Raised, again, the issue of the dead vegetation and weeds adjacent to the rail line south end Huntly with kiwirail. This time I got a response saying a manager is coming down to look at the site in a few weeks and would like to meet me onsite. A few weeks has passed, and have followed up but no response.

The area at the North end of the mainstreet, just before the last pedestrian crossing, where there was a channel cut into the road, and the fill was not compacted properly. This has led to a dip right across the road which has more mix periodically shovelled in. In my walk through in December 2019 with roading manager, this was raised, and subsequently raised as a service request. It was scheduled in for May 2020. I checked in May to make sure it was being done. However the budget had run out of money for the year (runs 1st July to 31st June, I think). So was not going to be done. Have asked it be given priority in the 2021 financial year. We will see.

Cleaning of the mainstreet. This is currently in progress. While in town I did notice it was clear what side of the town had been cleaned and which side had not. Also noticed they had done a good job of the bits I observed. This is great to see. After the job has been completed it will be inspected by a group which will include myself.

The letter from the council to the landlord with the broken panel in the shop veranda has had the desired effect. This panel has been replaced. Have sent a thank you note to the councils staff.



Have raised the issue of falling slates with the council. The verandah above #127 and #139 (don't ask me how the numbering system works) has a step pitch and has large slate slabs covering it. Approximately 20 slabs are missing, and public have reported seeing the smashed remains on the road next to the verandah. Given the mass of each slate slab this would cause a lot of damage to anyone or anything caught in its path.

Received an invite to comment on the Sleepyhead fast-tracked foam factory application through the EPA (Environmental Protection Agency). Choose to respond with my HCB hat on. Response attached.

Practical stuff – actually got out and finally got to spraying some wet and forget about. Did 2.5l of concentrate, which did the area outside BNZ. Sprayed four seat units, 6 footings, one small vertical wall, one gutter edge along BNZ and round bike stand. There is 7.5l of concentrate left, and will apply once I have observed how things turn out ie figure out if need to apply more or less etc.

Verbal submission to the LTP. Attached is the print out of this submission. I focused on the KPI's as this is the area that other submitters were unlikely to focus on. Couple of points:

- Some councillors were surprised to hear that jobs reported as completed, were not actually completed but just assigned to a contractors
- The lowering of deaths on the road as a KPI, has come from central government, not internally. Hence the disconnect between what the council can actually control and what the KPI is.

- Seat was fixed that week. In my own personal submission I used the seat outside the Huntly West Hub as indicative of systemic issues. The seat is now fixed and painted.



There was a public notice about the long term lease at 43 Harris street, calling for support or objections to this going to the Huntly West Hub. I hope that there are no objections, but to counter any concerns raised, I submitted the following letter:

Re: Community (Concessional) Ground Lease at 43 Harris Street

To whom it may concern

One of the axioms of quality systems is that talking to the person who does the job, is the most important thing to do if one wants to improve outcomes. This is because they know what really goes on, what actually happens and how things truly work.

What we have observed is that the Huntly West Hub is at the coal face of making a difference in Huntly. Others may wax lyrically about making a difference, or saying what should or should not happen, while the folks at Huntly West Hub are out there doing it.

Therefore we should listen to the team at the hub, and if they think a change will improve service then we should do all we can to make this change.

Hence the Huntly Community Board is very pleased that the council has listened to the Hub and taken the opportunity to allocate a long term lease to the Hub and thus allowing the donation of a new building, that is far better suited to the Hub's goals and aims to occur.

So it is no surprise that the Huntly Community Board fully supports this lease at Harris Street going to Friendship house / Huntly West Hub.

2. RECOMMENDATION

THAT the report from the Chairperson be received.

Footpath issues with Hartis ave and surrounded streets

David Whyte, Chair Huntly Community Board

May 2020

I raised many of these issues approximately two years ago [#1B8D9G]. Footpaths are apparently monitored yearly. And I would have thought that at least some of these issues, would have been picked up and fixed. However they have not.

It does bring up the issue of inspection, since I had to raise RDG00135/21 to get a 5 – 10cm vertical displacement, caused by roots along a footpath that receives significant use as it is connected to the bridge. A displacement of this magnitude (ankle height) takes years and years to produce as roots slowly displace the concrete. So it should have been picked up and fixed.

For the record once the CRM was raised the contractor did a great job of a temporary fix with seal so at least the footpath was actually useable to bikes, prams etc, and then did a supreme job of not only fixing the concrete, but also removing trees which was the root cause of the issues. And they also spread grass on the bare dirt left under the trees, which I thought was above the call of duty.

Anyway back to the issues at hand. The fundamental issue is that the footpath was constructed from cobblestones. The issues can be grouped into the following categories:

- Concrete driveways being straight not interfacing into the zig-zag of the cobblestones
- Sinkage of the cobbles, in some parts associated with water meters
- Missing sections

To help this process I inspected the Hartis and surrounding streets which had cobbles for issues. These are mapped out and discussed below. The numbering system is based upon map location, so in the text the numbers are not always sequential. Look forward to the parents of this area being able to go for a walk with a push chair or pram, and kids being able to skate board and bike along these footpaths without having to struggle with unsealed sections, large jumps in height and other obstacles.



Hartis Ave

1) 22 Hartis – driveway interface both sides.



Possible issues with missing cobble and minor movement



42

2) 24 Hartis subsidence outside of pedestrian access, causing ponding, mud build up, etc.



6) 31 Hartis no footpath at all.



7) Significant caving in of footpath associated with water meter. Outside #32 Hartis



8) A number of meters of footpath just missing / gravel next to water meter outside of #34



Totara Terrace – No issues

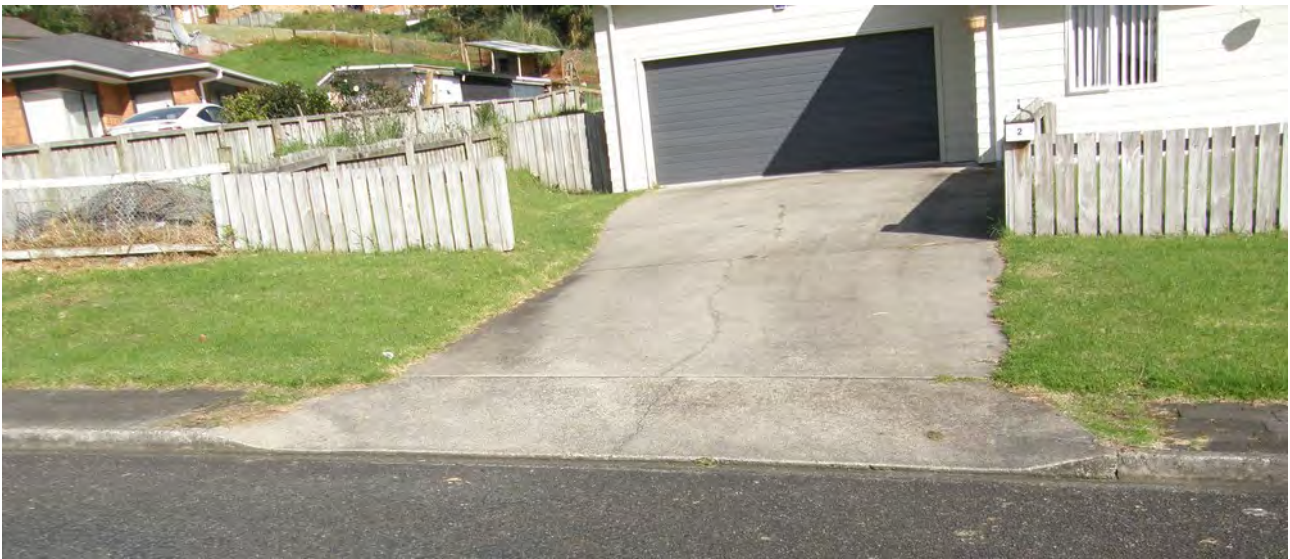
Matai Place

3) Possible missing section on south side of 4 & 6 shared driveway.



Rimu Drive

4) Missing footpath connection with driveway at #2 Rimu



5) Footpath degraded / moving cobbles / uneven surface at #5 Rimu, where footpath is being driven over.



Lower part of Hartis



15) Cobble – driveway interface outside #35



9) Section missing next to #36 driveway



Rata Ave



10) Outside #2 drop in level associated with water meter



11) Missing between concrete driveway and cobblestones outside #4

Both sides of driveway and also subsidence associated with the water meter



12) Cobble driveway interface bothsides for #1



13) Missing section driveway interface at # 14. Only one side of the driveway



14) Footpath stops a meter of two before driveway at #5.



15) Additional



There is another additional missing section that clearly needs repairs. Based upon the photographic sequence is it likely between #35 Hartis and #1 Rata. However I could not location on google maps to confirm location.

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Consent request from Huntly Community Board for improvement to reserve wetland in the Tumate Mahuta drive Reserve.

Introduction

The Tumate Mahuta drive reserve has a pond-wetland area that was constructed in <date> by the Waikato District Council. There are two current issues with this site.

1. The culverts connected the inflow channel to the ponds, are too high, thus in drier months flow through the system stops
2. Over time the channel allowing water to flow into the ponds has silted up and is not deep enough. And there has also been some silting up of the pond area.

This situation is further complicated by a miscommunication between Waikato Regional Council and Waikato District Council resulting in the original earthworks being uncontested.

Thus this application seeks to obtain consent so that the paperwork is in appropriate order going forward.

The image to the right shows the site as it currently is.

The channel and pond system is clearly visible on the right, with Tainui bridge crossing the river.



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Significant Natural Area

It is our understanding that the area which is now channel and ponding was once (still is?) classed as a Significant Natural Area (SNA). The following working definitions of SNA are found online, and are quoted below

A Significant Natural Area (SNA) is an area that has significant indigenous vegetation or habitat of indigenous fauna. A SNA may include remnant native bush or native forests, wetlands, frost flats, lakes and rivers, or geothermal vegetation. SNAs may also have other values such as a landscape area of particular scenic interest¹.

Significant Natural Areas (SNAs) are sites that have been identified as having natural ecosystem values that are representative, rare, diverse, and provide important corridor connections or habitats for rare indigenous species².

The area before it was modified was like that of what is currently south of the bridge. This is the wooded area around the in let channel in the image on the previous page. Taking photographs for this area shows that it is nearly exclusively weeds. Willows dominate the top story, and where there is enough light for other vegetation, it is a mixture of pampas grass, gorse and privet.



Vegetation on Waikato river South of Tainui Bridge

1 Taupo District Council <https://www.taupodc.govt.nz/property-and-rates/significant-natural-areas>

2 Nelson City Council <http://www.nelson.govt.nz/environment/nelson-nature/significant-natural-areas>

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Historic photographs also support the similarity between vegetation North and South of the bridge. The photograph below taken in 1991, looks south and shows the Tainui bridge and the area that will become <> reserve is on the left between the two bridges. Showing the vegetation state is identical. What is also interesting is that there appears to be a river channel, where the inflow channel now sits. Enlarging the reserve area to maximum resolution also indicates there was some type of ephemeral channel or water in the area that now ponds.



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Aerial photograph of Tainui Bridge in 1991³



There is also evidence of significant human modification in the historic past, likely to transport across the river before the bridges were installed. There is a very thick steel cable that runs approximately parallel to the river next to the pond area. This is still tensioned and visible before disappearing into the dirt and vegetation.



Image showing the size of the steel cable

³ Phillip Capper https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:Huntly_and_Waikato_River_in_1991.jpg

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Image showing the cable visible in the grass as it is holding it up. Willows and river in the background.



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Thus there is clear evidence that this reserve area has been highly modified from the original vegetation and was completely dominated by weeds before the original earthworks was completed.

The problem

Photographs were taken on the morning of 14th of May. At this time the river was at low height, being 6.79m close to the all time low of 6.58m recorded in 2014. The photographs below show the fundamental challenge.

The inlet channel, was either installed to shallow, or over time sand and silt have filled up the channel. Thus it requires to be cleaned out to allow water to flow year round.



Inlet channel at low river height shows no flow

Further along is a bank that allows vehicle access for servicing the underside of the bridge and the bridge abutments. This bank has two concrete 900mm diameter culverts that should allow water to flow through the pond system. As the image over the page clearly shows, these have been installed too high in the bank. Thus are significantly higher than the channel and prevent water flow. The exact height that these should be installed at has yet to be determined.

This is because the ideal for fish passage is that the bottom quarter is sunk below ground level. Thus allowing surface stream material to enter the culvert and thus facilitate easy fish and aquatic animal passage. However in this situation the pond and channel both connect to the main water flow, so there is also safe fish passage through this area. And secondly given the sand, silt and wood that flows in the river in flood, the culverts need to be at a height that allows water flow all year around, but minimize clogging due to sand and debris. There could be an argument for having

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different heights for the culverts, to allow higher flow when water levels are high, but still have flow when water levels are low.



Culverts high above the water level. This is the inlet side.

Unsurprisingly the pond system has in filled with sand and silt over time. Thus there were large areas of very shallow water on the 14th of May and areas of mud and grass where it should have been pond. And areas where the water had been cut off from other patches of water. Thus leading to water temperatures rising and no doubt all the issues of shallow stagnate water.



Looking south at 'ponds' showing large areas of mud/grass instead of water

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Pond of has become disconnected from other ponds, thus cutting off wild life movement and resulting in high temperature water

This site also has significant height fluctuations with the highest river level recorded in 1998 of 11.24 meters. Thus any work in this area is going to have water levels of approximately 5 meters taller than what the site had on the 14th of May.

Consent request

1)

2)

3) Future cleaning

Due to the nature of the site, it is highly likely that the inlet channel and ponds will need regular maintenance to remove sand and silt that comes in with winter flows. And also the culverts will need regular cleaning for example one is currently mostly blocked with wooden debris. Thus any consent, should have part of its conditions the ability to maintain this wetland.

Jan Caunter
Chairperson
Ohinewai Foam Factory Expert Consenting Panel

9th June 2021

David Whyte
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Jan

Thank you for the opportunity to give input into the fast tracked application for the sleepyhead foam factory. I am involved in many voluntary organisations, and have a range of roles that I undertaken. The 'hat' that I am choosing to wear to respond to this application is that of the chairperson of the Huntly Community Board.

As you are likely aware Huntly has long term poverty issues. These are complex, multi-generational and have resulted in much human suffering and misery. One of the key issues is the lack of local employment. Huntly used to be a thriving working class town, with multiple coal mines and power station to drive high employment rates. However over the decades automation, mine closure and social change has resulted in the removal of these employment options.

Thus one of the key issues that would help address the social ills is employment opportunities. There are very few to no local employment options for locals. For those seeking employment are forced to commute to Auckland or Hamilton which is very time consuming and expensive.

Therefore the Huntly Community Board is very keen for employment options to come to the wider Huntly area. The foam factory is part of a wider plan for significant development of land into light industrial which is projected to give approximately 2 000 jobs. This will give amazing opportunities for locals to have access to much needed employment. Hence Huntly Community Board fully supports this application and are grateful that Sleepyhead are moving to the edge of Huntly at Ohinewai. Sleepyhead are already engaged with the local Huntly folk for employment options. They have also shown their commitment to the communities they work with in Auckland, offering skill development to those who missed learning critical skills while as school. Thus sleepyhead have shown they wish to benefit those who have challenging circumstances. Again adding to the blessing that Sleepyhead can be to the local community of Huntly.

We are also aware that having 2000 employees on Huntly's doorstep will also inject cash into the local economy. Thus the flow on effects into local business should be significant and will attract new business to Huntly and support the current business. This again is a win for Huntly.

Huntly Community Board would not support industrial development that could have long term environmental impacts. For example it would be highly unlikely we would support a lead recovery and recycling facility due to the high probability that serious environmental contamination would occur, and lead being a neurotoxin and a long term environmental hazard would result in further degradation of our local environment. Thus we do not blindly support all industry, but only those who environmental impact and ethics align with local values.

It would appear from the application that there is low risk of long term environmental damage, and we trust that the appropriate systems will be put in place to protect both the environment and more

importantly the people working on-site and living close by from the chemicals used on site and products produced.

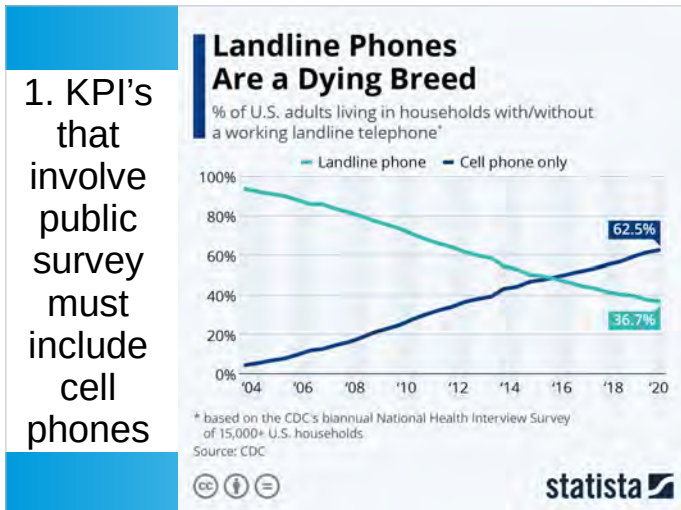
Once again would like to reiterate our support for this project. If there is to be a hearing, or verbal submissions I would like to present in support.

Sincerely

David Whyte
Chair Huntly Community Board
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- Take submission as read
- Happy to answer questions from any part of submission
- Oral submission focus on KPI's



2. Focus on areas of risk

High Risk CRM's
KPI's not tied to job completion
Less regular

Hard surfaces cleaning
Lighting
Footpath maintenance
Footpath vegetation

Low Risk CRM's
Wise KPI's
Regular occurrence

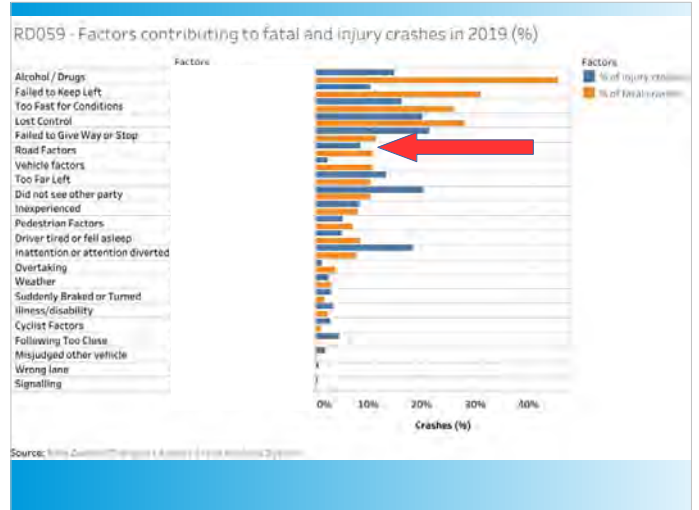
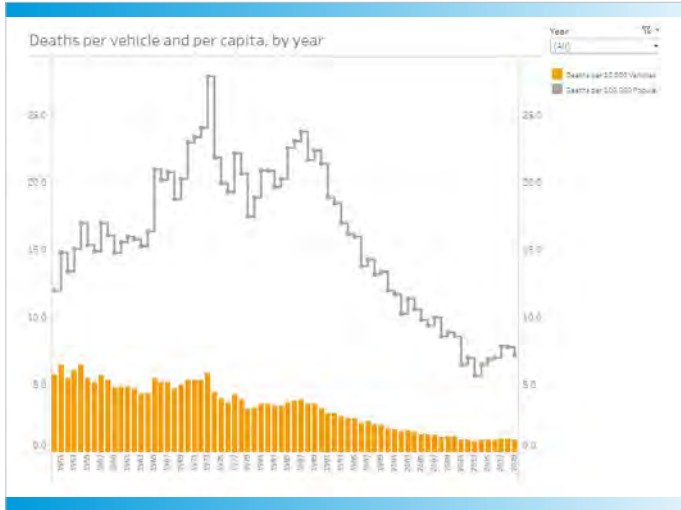
Animal control
Noise control
Consents
Dumped rubbish

Inspectors

- KPI for high risk jobs:
 - Inspection for **communication**
 - Inspection for **completion**
 - Inspection for completion to **high standard** & within **timeframe** given to customer

3. Safe travel



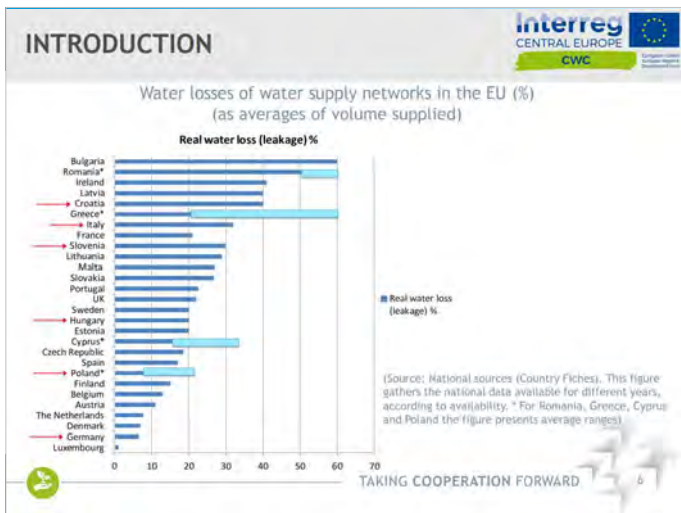


Safe Journey continued

- High risk drivers
- KPI has to be tied to something council can control
 - Can't control the first 5 factors
 - Can't control high risk drivers
- So has to tied back to road factors
- Suggest: Five year average of serious injury due to roading factors in Waikato is <x> and thus KPI should be reduction of <y%> per year

4. Water Loss

- Meters sold to the public on idea that metering each connection enabled leak minimization

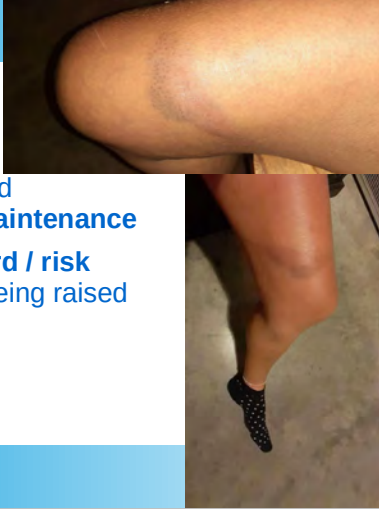


Water loss continued

- UNESCO-IHE
 - < 10% Acceptable water loss
 - 10-25% Intermediate, could be reduced
 - > 25% Matter of concern, reduction needed
- KPI should be aiming for a reduction every year
 - Aim to hit < 25% loss

5. Public injury

- No tracking of **public injury** caused by **councils lack maintenance**
- No tracking of **hazard / risk impacts** with jobs being raised



Public Injury Continued

- KPI
 - The number of total recordable injuries (TRI) caused by unaddressed hazards from Waikato District Council assets be >x