

TAWA COMMUNITY BOARD 8 JUNE 2006

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DIRECTOR INFRASTRUCTURE REPORT BACK

1. Purpose of Report

This report provides the Board with information about matters of interest to the Tawa Community.

2. Recommendations

It is recommended that the Board:

1. Receive the information.

3. Summary

The monthly report on general matters is attached as Appendix 1. Appendix 2 is additional information requested by the Board outlining sports field charges in Tawa. The Council's planned roading and footpath projects and programmes for Tawa, Grenada North and Takapu Valley in 2005-06 has been completed this year, with the 2006-07 programme to be finalised by the end of July.

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Grenada to Petone Roading Link Update

The "Proposed Western Corridor Plan" reported on by the Regional Land Transport Hearings Subcommittee released in March 2006 recommended the implementation of the 'Transmission Gully' motorway option. This included a link between Grenada and Gracefield in the Hutt Valley as part of a potential package of works. The study rejected previous proposed alignments with alternative alignments to be investigated. The key issue now remains of when and how this would be funded. This decision will be made by Transit and released in their 10 year funding plan, expected by July 2006.

A Structure Plan for Lincolnshire Farm

Transit is continuing work on collating the various potential alignments to investigate whether there is a common section of the route between the Belmont Stream land bridge and Horokiwi Road. Such alignments and the potential to construct part of the road will be considered as part of a structure planning exercise which is currently underway for the area of land called 'Lincolnshire Farm' (roughly the area between Woodridge and Grenada North). This structure plan builds upon previous consultation and the principles of the Northern Growth Management Framework. Consultation on the principles of the structure plan has now closed with over 100 submissions received. It will now be reviewed and then reported to Strategy and Policy Committee in August for approval for public notification. Following public notification, formal submissions may be made and if necessary, a hearing will be held. The Council will then make a final decision on the proposed plan change / structure plan.

Parks and Gardens Update

Parks and Gardens have assessed the sites proposed by the Tawa Progressive and Ratepayer Association to beautify the suburb. We will be working closely with them over the next few months to identify priority areas for work.

A junior rugby field has been marked out in Kowhai Park. A number of Board members took the time to email through their support for this initiative.

Several new developments have taken place at Grasslees Reserve including installation of new picnic tables and signs, and a new retaining wall with seats.

Tawa Centre Upgrade

The Tawa Centre upgrade is underway. The area on the western side of Main Road is near completion with some minor work still to do outside Books & More.

The area outside the Library is underway at present.

The Linden (shopping) Centre upgrade is now planned to start on the 19 June with completion due before the end of June.

Fulton Hogan will be undertaking the work on the Tawa Centre upgrade, including the Linden (shopping) Centre between 7 am and 6 pm. Enquiries contact Dale Hardgrave at Fulton Hogan Ph: 387 4850.

Location of Seat between Redwood Village & Tawa Town Centre

The Community Board have agreed to have a seat installed in front of the BP Station. Officers are now in discussion with the owners.

Lions Pergola

The Tawa Lions Club has started putting up the new panels on the Pergola. The completion of this has been delayed due to poor weather on Saturday 27 May 2006.

Tawa Heritage Walk

The plaques for the Tawa Heritage walk are being made at present and will be installed in the next couple of months. The route has been agreed to by the Tawa Historical Society and starts at Gee Street in the north and runs to Boscobel Lane in the south.

Tawa Community Civic Awards Update

The award ceremony was held on Thursday 18 May in the Tawa Community Facility. The night was a great success with all nominees receiving a certificate and the winners of each category receiving a framed certificate and a Tawa tree in recognition of their dedication and time given to the Tawa community.

Tawa Speed Limits

During April 2006 the Tawa community were asked to submit on the proposal to lower the speed limit. Approximately 850 submissions were received during the four week consultation period.

The Tawa Community Board is a key stakeholder in this consultation process and will make a submission. The proposed submission will be tabled at the Board's Thursday 8 June meeting. As a submitter to the process, the Community Board will have an opportunity to present their submission to the Strategy and Policy Committee when they meet to hear the oral submissions. It is unlikely that Committee will hear the submissions before August 2006.

The submissions are currently being analysed and 91 people have indicated that they would like to make an oral submission. Officers will begin the process of contacting the submitters to secure a timeslot with them soon and organise when and where the meeting will be held.

Sports Field Charges

The Board requested information about Wellington City Council's sports field charges. These are outlined in Appendix 2 and show each team and the charges they pay.