



HDC NEWS



GRAFFITI MANAGEMENT PLAN



Following the adoption of the Graffiti Management Plan in September, the 'Clean up' Week to launch the Plan was arranged last week. A concentrated effort was made during that week and in the week prior (17 - 21 November), to clean up and protect a number of key Council assets.

Council has formed a 'Graffiti Response Team' of key outside staff, who have been trained to remove graffiti from a range of surfaces, using specialized equipment and products. Some of this work is minor (water blasting, touch up protection work, application of protective coatings - paint/wax - on small assets) and some of it major (detailed preparation, application of protective coatings - paint, wax, etc).

To keep costs to a minimum and to minimise future maintenance costs, as well as making it easier to recognise 'Council' assets, standard colours have been chosen for the protective coatings. These are olive green for building exteriors, cream for interiors, and dark green for roofs.

There will be some disruption to services while this work is being undertaken - i.e. some assets will be temporarily out of use, in particular, the following:

- Wolloughby St Toilets, Paeroa - closed for 4 days, customers directed to Belmont St
- Pohutukawa Reserve Toilets/Changing Sheds - closed for 3 days, customers directed to the Surf Club
- Morgan Park Toilets, Waihi - closed for 7 days, customers directed to Gilmour Lake
- Ngatea Toilets, Orchard Rd - closed for 4 days, Portaloos on site.
- Victoria Park Toilets, closed for 3 days, Portaloos on site

Signs are up in advance on all these assets advising customers of the proposed closures.

Finally, members of the public are being encouraged to call in and report any graffiti they see in the district, using the 0800 834 734 number. Council's Customer Call centre will be receiving those calls and coordinating the response to them, to ensure speedy removal of any graffiti.

Paeroa Domain Lighting

The Paeroa Ward Committee has budgeted \$15,000 for this year to install lighting around the eastern side of the Paeroa Domain, the money coming from the Paeroa Community Recreational Facilities Development Fund. On receiving quotes, the smallest of which was around \$40,000, the Committee had to decide whether the project should be modified, abandoned, or deferred. The light system proposed is the "Westminster", which has an old world look and it was considered it would fit in well with the area around the croquet greens.

The option favoured by the committee was to defer the project to next year, to roll over this year's funding and add to it next year. The committee asked that staff investigate the funding options further. The Community Recreational Facilities Development Fund gets its money from developers when they do subdivisions. Use of these funds does not affect rates except in the application of depreciation once the asset has been built.

Whiritoa Beach Care

In a storm, earlier this year, a large quantity of sand was lost from Whiritoa Beach and many of the access ways were left unusable including the one at the Surf Club. At Labour weekend a working bee planted new grasses and prepared the damaged walkways for Council's staff to re-grade the paths and re-erect fences. At its last meeting the Planning and Finance Committee received a letter of thanks from the Whiritoa Lifeguard Service for its reinstating the access ways. The work cost in the vicinity of \$2800 and has put the Beach Care account over budget. There is concern that future storms may cause the same thing to happen again. If this happens, councillors will have to assess the situation and decide what is to be done.

Elected Members Diary

Monday 1st December 2003: Ward Committees.
Tuesday 2nd December: Many councillors will be away at a seminar on developing LTCCPs.
Thursday 4th December: Hearing (if required).

District Healthboard Elections

Council's Planning and Finance Committee was presented with a consultation document on the conduct of the District Health Board Elections at its last meeting. In the election that will be held in October next year, the DHB election will use the STV system of voting.

The Committee was told that STV does not really work when there is a small number of vacancies. The constituency based system that the DHB has worked on in the past has only very few vacancies in each constituency e.g. 1 or 2. The paper then suggested that it may, therefore, be better for the Board to go to an "election at large" method of voting as STV is prescribed by law for District Health Boards.

Councillors were not in favour of dispensing with the constituencies as it was felt that the board would then only get people elected that lived in the main population centre of Hamilton and that the difficulties of providing health care to people in the extremities of the region would not be fully appreciated. The committee recommended to Council that it expresses its concern by advising that it does not support an election at large and would prefer a constituency system as it would better represent local needs.

PUBLIC NOTICE

PROPOSAL TO CLOSE ROAD TO VEHICULAR TRAFFIC

Pursuant to the Transport (Vehicular Traffic Road Closure) Regulations 1965, notice is hereby given that the Hauraki District Council, for the purpose of an event organised by Positively Promoting the Plains Group, proposes to close the following road to ordinary vehicular traffic for the period indicated hereunder.

During the proposed period of closure the following provision will be made for ordinary vehicular traffic, which would otherwise use the road: **divert to Darlington Street, Hayward Road and Orchard East Road.**

Any person objecting to the proposal is called upon to lodge notice of his objection and grounds thereof in writing before **9 December 2003** at the office of the Hauraki District Council at William Street, P.O. Box 17, PAEROA.

Road proposed to be closed to ordinary vehicular traffic:

River Road (from Factory Lane to Orchard West Road), Orchard West Road (from River Road through to Darlington Street).

Period of proposed closure:
Thursday 18 December 2003 from 6:30pm to 7:00pm

L.D. Cavers
 CHIEF EXECUTIVE

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DECLARE LAND ABANDONED

The Hauraki District Council pursuant to the provisions of section 77 (2) (a) of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 and any subsequent amendments hereby gives notice that in no less than one month from the date of this notice, the Hauraki District Council will seek from the District Court firstly, a declaration that the land situated at 7A Washington Square, Paeroa being an undivided one half share in Lot 7, being all the land comprised and contained in all that parcel of land in residue Certificate of Title 35C/959 (South Auckland Registry) is abandoned land and secondly, an order authorising it to sell said land.

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TONY RICHARDS TOYOTA PAEROA PUBLIC SWIMMING POOL HOURS 2003/2004

School Holidays (8 December 2003 to 27 January 2004 inclusive)

Mon to Fri:
 7.00am - 8.30am Lane swimming (Adults Only)
 12 noon - 1.00pm Lane Swimming (Adults Only)
 1.00pm - 5.00pm Public Session
 5.00pm - 6.30pm Lane swimming (Adults Only)

Sat, Sun & Statutory Holidays
 12 noon - 6.00pm Public and Lane Swimming (1 lane available)

School Term (28 January 2004 - 7 March 2004 inclusive)

Mon to Fri:
 7.00am - 8.30am Lane swimming (Adults/Clubs)
 12 noon - 1.30pm Lane Swimming (Adults Only)
 3.00pm - 5.00pm Public Session
 5.00pm - 6.30pm Lane swimming (All ages)

Sat, Sun & Statutory Holidays
 12 noon - 6.00pm Public and Lane Swimming (1 lane available)

THE PAEROA POOL WILL BE CLOSED ON THE FOLLOWING DAYS:

CHRISTMAS DAY THURSDAY 25TH December 2003
 NEW YEARS DAY THURSDAY 1st January 2004
 MOTORCYCLE RACING SUNDAY 22 February 2004
 SWIMMING CLUB CARNIVAL TO BE ADVISED

Admission Charges: ● \$2.00 per person per visit
 ● \$18.00 10 swim concession
 ● \$90.00 individual season pass
 ● Children under 5 - Free if supervised by a responsible person over the age of 16 years

NGATEA PUBLIC SWIMMING POOL HOURS 2003/2004

School Holidays (8 December 2003 to 27 January 2004 inclusive)

Mon - Fri:
 12 noon - 1.00pm Lane Swimming
 1.00pm - 5.00pm Public Session
 5.00pm - 6.00pm Adults Only & Swimming Club

Sat, Sun & Statutory Holidays:
 12.30pm - 5pm Public & Lane Swimming (1 lane available)
 School Term (28 January 2004 to 29 February 2004 inclusive)

Mon - Friday:
 12 noon - 1.30pm Adults Only Lane Swimming
 3.30pm - 5.00pm Public Session
 5.00pm - 6.00pm Adults Only & Swimming Club

Sat, Sun & Statutory Holidays:
 1.00pm to 5.00pm Public & Lane swimming (1 lane available)

THE NGATEA POOL WILL BE CLOSED ON THE FOLLOWING DAYS:

CHRISTMAS DAY THURSDAY 25TH December 2003
 NEW YEARS DAY THURSDAY 1st January 2004
 SWIMMING CLUB DAYS (TO BE ADVISED)
 SECONDARY & PRIMARY SCHOOL COMPETITION DAY (TO BE ADVISED)

Admission Charges: ● \$1.50 per person per visit
 ● \$13.50 10 Swim Concession
 ● \$70.00 Individual Season Pass
 ● Children under 5 - Free if supervised by a responsible person over the age of 16 years

NO CHILD UNDER THE AGE OF 8 YEARS SHALL ENTER EITHER POOL UNLESS IN THE CHARGE OF A PERSON OVER THE AGE OF 16 YEARS. SUPERVISING PERSONS MAY ENTER THE GROUNDS FREE OF CHARGE