

HAURAKI DISTRICT COUNCIL MEETING

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE HAURAKI DISTRICT COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, WILLIAM STREET, PAEROA ON 16,17,21 MAY 2018

WEDNESDAY 16 MAY 2018, 1.00pm

PRESENT

J P Tregidga (His Worship the Mayor – in the chair), Cr D A Adams (Deputy Mayor), Cr P D Buckthought, Cr C Daley, Cr R Harris, Cr G R Leonard, Cr M McLean, Cr P A Milner, Cr A Rattray, Cr A M Spicer, and Cr D H Swales

IN ATTENDANCE

L D Cavers (Chief Executive), A de Laborde (Group Manager - Engineering Services), D Peddie (Group Manager - Corporate Services), P Thom (Group Manager - Planning & Environmental Services), S B Fabish (Group Manager - Community Services and Development), K Quinn (Senior Strategic Planner), S Holmes (Strategic Policy Planner), T Casey (Strategic Planner), C Black (Council Secretary), M Coleman (Executive Officer).

APOLOGIES

RESOLVED

THAT the apologies of Councillors J Thorp and D Smeaton be received and sustained.

C18/152

Milner/Leonard

CARRIED

INFORMAL HEARING OF FEEDBACK ON 'WE NEED TO TALK – ME KŌRERO NGĀTAHI TĀTOU' (2018-28 LONG TERM PLAN AND OTHER PROPOSALS) (2385483)

Speaker(s)	Respondent number (where feedback was made prior to the hearing ¹)	Topics raised
WEDNESDAY, 16 MAY 2018, COMMENCING AT 1PM		
Claire Crickett and Stu Husband (Waikato Regional Council)	180	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Waikato Regional Council and Hauraki District Council are working well collaboratively - flood protection cannot function successful unless in sync with land drainage network. Would be great to have a shared drainage plan.

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Most interested in the drainage budgets and how they are spent. • Does not support the drainage scheme to be measured by complaints based measures. • Agrees that central government needs to be brought into the discussion on the land drainage as the costs are becoming too high.
Sara-Ann Howell and Kerry Single (Go Waihi)	238	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Go Waihi does not support the Council reducing its funding. Go Waihi benefits the whole district and it is a good value service. • Unclear on where information on HDC website is, and wording suggests the change has occurred rather than a proposed change. • Go Waihi has money available to give back to community groups for their assistance with the town promotion events. Go Waihi raises its own money which it spends to make events happen. • Funding agencies don't work in line with projects that Go Waihi is trying to do, therefore applying for funding is difficult. • The number of submissions received on this matter is quite high and these are majorly from the business community. • If the funding is reduced, then some things the coordinator is currently doing will have to be stopped. • Detailed reporting to the Council is not necessary and takes up time that the coordinator could be doing something else. • Questioned why privately owned information centres are getting funding. • Positive Paeroa and Go Waihi are doing similar things, yet Positive Paeroa are given more funding. • The population of Waihi is rising quite considerably and we consider that this is in part due to Go Waihi. Go Waihi should

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		<p>be recognised as contributing to this increase in population.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Accumulated funds are held as holiday pay as the coordinator is unable to take holidays. They must also have funds available to fund certain events. Development of a budget for 18/19 is in progress, however it is dependent the Council's funding commitment. Noted that Go Waihi would support the promotion of the business awards through their contacts. The town coordinator is contracted for 37.5 hours a week. No applications for other funding have been made in the last year.
<p>Luke van Vliet and Grace Ngataua (Hauraki Plains College)</p>	<p>118</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A new library facility would be well utilised by the whole community, in particular youth. Students would have supervised access, and there would need to be protocols around student use particularly during school hours. Students would have supervised access, and there would need to be protocols around student use particularly during school hours. Within a decade or two 40% of jobs will disappear. A community space will provide for education for all. Most of the young people enjoy being with younger children and the older people, for example there is strong participation with ANZAC day services and coaching younger students. Students need more contact with diverse age groups. The community may need more information on what a multipurpose hub would look like, rather than just books. "Communities grow great when old men plant trees whose shade they will never sit under."

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Derek Aisable and Neil Gray (Haurakian Trust)	202	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Haurakian Trust was formed in 2004 to support financial and social wellbeing of Hauraki Plains College and the local community. • Supports a partnership for the following reasons: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Enables additional funding to be raised by grants e.g. Lotteries ○ Pooling of resources to increase value for money ○ Quality facility for range of purposes at a single location ○ Potential to service a broader range of community needs ○ Strong social and community engagement through a multi-purpose facility • Support a joint community space: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Based on extensive community survey ○ Defining need for a flexible, multi-purpose community space ○ A hub for the Plains community ○ Maximise resources available for the best facility. ○ Future proofing beyond the next decade ○ Support a new 'look' for the main street • The Charitable Trust supports due diligence in a process to consider funding, ownership and management • Reiterate the importance of strategy and motivation. • 7 trustees in total that sit around the table. They represent the 'old boys' network of the HPC (school leavers wanting to support the school).
Trevor Benns	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ngatea library - support of the joint community space • Defining the need for a joint community space – including community hub, internet facilities, exhibition space for

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		<p>local art and craft work, citizen’s advice bureau.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> As part of their research into the facilities they visited the successful Te Kauwhata facility and it really struck them as being what was needed. Elderly look forward to seeing the young people. Discussion has been had with NZTA regarding the traffic management for the new site and they showed general support, and considered that some cost efficiencies could be made with the main street upgrade.
Dianne Drummond (Hauraki Rail Trail Trust)	203	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Thank you for the massive support offered by the Council. Need a clear strategy in place to ensure projects like landscaping and signage is firmed up and then funding requests can be targeted. Wanting to leverage some projects that the Council needs to do anyway which could be funded from outside funding, e.g. Crown Hill carpark. Signage strategy being done for story boards along the trail. Wharf Street development – bed boat and bike package is a great idea and the Trust fully supports that. Looking at development of a trail into Waihi onward (could be central government funding available with the right business case). Wants to highlight great work by HDC economic development team to assist people starting business.
John Budge	283	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Concerns regarding rate increases. Hand out circulated with calculations. We spend a lot per head of population. Debt forecast to go down over ten years (65%). Rates being charged to reduce debt, and concerned that rates are only being charged to reduce debt.

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Suggests looking at other options to source revenue other than rates, and stop just upping the rates. • Mayor outlined drivers for debt, and our optimism in reducing that debt. • Neighbouring councils forecasting rates increases of about 3%.
Dallas Fisher (Waikato Regional Economic Development Agency)	20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chair of establishment board of almost formed Waikato Regional Economic Development Agency. • Seeking \$20,000 for the agency from the Hauraki District Council – have also sought funding from other Councils and the business community. • Staff of 10 people.
Keith Austen	140	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rates are paid by each area of commercial activity. There are 6 shops that he needs to pay. \$958.82 x 6 shops. • Concerns with code 75 (Paeroa Community Comm/Ind Town). Concern that have to pay the rate for this code for every individual shop owned. • Unfortunately, the rent levels are forced upon the speaker, as there aren't enough businesses in Paeroa. Some rent prices are lower now than in 1986.
Jason Davis	71	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Invest in the future, as it will be small change in the future. It's worth investing in our communities, therefore support is given to all of the projects.
Ian McIndoe	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Would like to see a cultural museum representing the artwork of Rei Hamon. Maori carving and cultural art. On the corner as you come over the bridge into Paeroa. Would need a wealthy donor. • The Mayor noted it would need someone in the community to drive such a project. Suggests getting in touch with Creative NZ. • Would like flax or cabbage trees planted against the stormwater drain (H stream).

The meeting adjourned at 4:55pm.

THURSDAY, 17 MAY 2018

The meeting reconvened at 9.00am on 17 May 2018.

PRESENT

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APOLOGIES

RESOLVED

THAT the apologies of Councillor J Thorp be received and sustained.

C18/153

Adams/Milner

CARRIED

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

- Councillor Leonard declared conflict of interest regarding the Ngatea library and Haurakian Trust submissions and discussions.
- Councillor Milner was noted to have an interest in Positive Paeroa as a member of the committee.
- Councillor Rattray was noted to have an interest in Go Waihi as a member of the committee.

INFORMAL HEARING OF FEEDBACK CONTINUED

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THURSDAY, 17 MAY 2018 COMMENCING AT 9AM		
Christine Maddern	28	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Disappointed that the swimming pool is closed for the winter – would like it available year round. • Need more signage showing where the swimming pools are. • Highlighted the benefits of low impact swimming.

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • People staying over the weekend after cycling the Rail Trail aren't aware of the pool being there for use. • A pool in Thames is too far away, Paeroa pool would be used by Ngatea and Waihi people. • Would be prepared to foot \$50 per month extra on rates bill, however acknowledges that she does use the pool. • Suggests solar heating and asks what the cost of that would be. • Would prefer the swimming pool to be open rather than Wharf Street upgraded.
Stephanie Rowe	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There is a very loyal group of swimmers that come to swim in Paeroa. In support of Christine Maddern's submission. • Urges solar heating to be investigated. • Can this be incorporated into Rail Trail marketing? Acknowledges the benefit of the community of the Rail Trail. • If the public organised a give a little page for the cost of the pool cover, would the Council be open to that? • Include a spa pool for those Rail Trail users. • Mayor / Adams outlined extensive costs associated with upgrading to a year round facility.
Sara Chapman and Teresa Fitzgerald (Citizens Advice Bureau – Hauraki)	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Council has offered a room for a satellite service in Paeroa, however head office is concerned about the privacy of using a single room at the Council (if someone is distressed and there is a client in the room, it is not appropriate for them to wait in the public waiting area of the Council)

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Volunteers need to do 6-week training course. All staff are volunteers. • If the Council provided a suitable space (other than what has been offered) there would still be some issues due to funding and suitable trained volunteers. • There is a need for a satellite as people in Paeroa may not be able to travel. Deprivation index shows there is a need for this kind of service. • The Mayor would like to have a continued discussion in a less formal setting.
Norma Redshaw	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Most of the country is ageing. • Elderly find it harder to mow the verge. • If we have to mow our berms then does the berm become ours, and can we plant potatoes on it? • The berm is hard to mow now due to the Council changing the type of grass – respondent currently mows the berm herself. • Privet tree berries are the main source of food for our native birds currently. The native bush takes a long time to grow. Will this be taken into consideration when the privet is going to be eradicated? • The Mayor noted that privet was not a pest.
Myrtle Johnson	261	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Speaker would like more maintenance and improvements to the Pukerimu cemetery. • Speaker would like to know what the maintenance and improvement programme is for 2018/19. • Maritime Park is not accessible for people like the submitter, would like this to be improved.

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supports the Council providing a grant to Maritime Park for improvements.
Dave Utting	246	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Concerned that the \$300,000 for the forestation for wastewater has been lost. The Council has trialled the standard redwoods, and the gum will be replaced with redwood. • Solid waste – refuse bags. Suggests putting in a plastic bin opposed to plastic bag (which the Council mustn't make money from) which is a one off charge, and the cost for pickup and dumping is the same. • The Mayor confirmed that this service is contracted out, and is user pays. • Assuming that there is still some council responsibility for the maintenance of the tennis courts. • Mayor questioned if as an incorporated society, as they can apply for funding as a trust. • Councillor Spicer to work with the tennis club to come up with a plan.
Sarah Nathan (Creative Waikato)	115	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Suggest adopting the Waikato Arts Navigator (this is a strategy in essence but it's more than a strategy) • If you adopt this for your arts decision making framework, Creative Waikato will come and work with staff and include things that are already happening in the District. • This would not require additional funding at this stage. • The Mayor gives his support in principle.

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Richard Bonham	245	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Would like to ensure that there are enough resources for stormwater. • Frequent flooding at his location – whether we believe in climate change or not we need to plan for the increase in sea levels and extraordinary events. • You can't run the stormwater system properly unless you can manage it. • Need for long term planning which takes into account future increase in weather events as a result of climate change. • Would like to have a plan on how to divert water and manage the flow of stormwater. • Main reason for coming is to urge the resources to be coordinated, rather than so many organisations managing it – WRC, HDC, NZTA etc.
Matthew Cooper and Julie Stephenson (Sport Waikato)	153	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify the following opportunities – continued support for sports coordinator role. • Would like to have proportional funding contribution to the Regional Sports Facilities Plan (\$??) • Seeking eventual adoption of the projects in the sports plan around mid-year. • Aquatic facilities – agree with upgrades, renewals etc of the main swimming pools, and support the council keeping an eye on the developments in the potential for the facility in Thames.
Valda Laurich	247	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 'We need to talk' promoted quite a lot of discussion and compliments the Council on an easily readable document. • Ngatea library – does not believe there is enthusiasm in the community for the new library. Seems to be apparent satisfaction with current facility by the Ngatea community.

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Building can be renovated and extended to promote the existing facilities (option 2) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The current library is part of a large recreational facility and quite a nice ambience to see that whole complex with the library, service centre, and community facilities in one area. ○ Families incorporate a visit to the library when they use sports facilities in Hugh Hayward Domain. ○ Walkway around Hugh Hayward Domain would also be another stopping point. ○ Safe roomy and accessible site. ○ Lots of parking at front and rear, and disabled carpark. ○ SH2 congestion is a problem and believes this will not go away and it will accelerate. ○ Safe journey for pupils after school. ○ Appears well used from young children to older people. ○ Disappointing that service centre maintenance seems to be lacking in the past few years. Damage from months ago is still there. Automatic doors would be great, and you could use the upstairs of the building if it was developed. • Option 5 thoughts – three main issues are the site, the shared ownership, and the cost. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Access to the proposed site – vehicle access would be very difficult and could be unsafe. ○ Parking around that area seems to be at capacity, on the main street parking is mostly full. The new site is suggested to provide 10-12 carparks on site. When the college has an activity then

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		<p>parking in the area is at a premium.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Shared ownership – concerns on how this will work and whether it will cause issues.
Conall Buchanan	282	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The financial projections forecast in the LTP are significantly and materially different from those presented to ratepayers a year ago. ● Concerns about the funding changes proposed, does not believe moving from uniform charge to capital value is an equitable approach. ● Higher value does not correlate with higher demand in services. Why does the benefit of services apply more to those with higher value properties? ● Would like to see the data that backs up a statement like this - "Property value is the best tool available to reflect the ability to pay" ● Greater proportion of younger people coming through into the Hauraki Plains, innovative people are becoming more common. The funding change is a disincentive for people to bring knowledge and skills to our district. ● Suggest the number of high value properties would be no more than around 200. Individual cost to these property owners would result in \$172,000 extra coming into the Council. In terms of the budget, this is not material in relation to expenses. This is spread out amongst all other ratepayers then this wouldn't make much difference to other ratepayers. ● Supports the Federated Farmers submission –Council is not in a position to assess who is ablest to afford the rates.

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Suggest that council efforts would be better focussed on somehow increasing income rather than reducing expenses for those lower income households.
Brett Otto and Jo Tilsley (Positive Paeroa)	278	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thanks to the Council for previous funding contributions. • Promoting is about relationships and Positive Paeroa does this in many different ways, example given of the trade motor show in Auckland. • Applying for other funding is difficult as you have to be specific about what you are applying for and the money can only be used for that project. • Thames has struggled and are trying to get a town promoter. • If funds are reduced there will only be funds for wages, and a lot of time will be spent to find that extra money. • Positive Paeroa has tried to be as transparent as possible. They understand there will be cuts however ask that the council does not reduce the funding – believe it’s too much of a reduction. • There is more focus on promotion now rather than events. Understanding that things have changed and things will change. • Funds retained for projects - \$81,000 • 18/19 budget has not been completed. • No external funding applications have been done in the last 12 months. • Town promoter is contracted for 40 hours per week.
Gill Leonard	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Has previously declared an interest in Ngatea Library and will not be making a decision. Would like to give personal submission on the Ngatea Library project and supports option 5.

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Haurakian Trust has a tax free status to support school and the community, members are: principal, Plains ward representative, three elected from the community. This is set up on a term rotation. • The Trust owns 11 Orchard Road. It purchased the Masonic Lodge which is now used as an arts centre for the college. The trust contributes funds to the College and all things that the Ministry of Education will not fund. • In the past the college formed a working party (Trevor Benns leading) to put together a plan for the library. They identified the college is at capacity and the Ministry of Education will not contribute to extension. • Drafted a plan that they thought the Council would be interested in. A survey on this got 678 replies. • This design will not suit the Council, however does have 26 car parks in the initial plan. • There is some perception that isn't quite true. It has been stated that the future of the existing building is a hindrance to the community – yet not much research has been done in this. Respondent believes there is a huge future for this building – it has potential. • Access is a concern for the respondent and this has been discussed with NZTA initially and will be worked through if this project is chosen as an upgrade. • With the main street upgrade this area is where the focus will be (lends itself to being done together – this would need to be worked through).

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ownership and management – the trust is separate to the school and will be able to manage changes at the college. The college does not own the property and the trust needs to promote itself properly. • The nature of the Ngatea community is not just about older people, it has been promoted as a place for young people to come and live/work so the facilities need to cater for that.

RESOLVED

That the report be received, and

That the verbal feedback given on the ‘We need to talk – Me kōrero ngātahi tātou’ consultation document, Revenue and Financing Policy, Resource Management and Cemeteries Fees and Charges and the Rates Remission and Postponement Policies consultation processes at this Council hearing be received.

C18/155

Adams / Milner

CARRIED

CONSIDERATION OF FEEDBACK ON ‘WE NEED TO TALK – ME KŌRERO NGĀTAHI TĀTOU’ (2018-28 LONG TERM PLAN AND OTHER PROPOSALS) (2370962 with:

- Appendix A: Summary of feedback received and staff recommendations (2360477) Appendix B: Summary of responses to key consultation questions (2383787)
- Appendix C: Staff submission (2346636)
- Appendix D: Written feedback (circulated under separate cover))

The Council received the summary of the feedback received prepared by staff.

It was noted that the number of people submitting in support of or opposition to a proposal is one but not the only factor that needs to be considered. The reasons provided by people are also important, including if new perspectives and considerations are raised.

On balance, elected members noted that respondents were largely happy with the overall approach proposed in the consultation document and statement of proposals. Support was received for most of the individual proposals but not all. In considering this the Council noted that major changes to the plan was not appropriate. The Council worked through the various topics that feedback was received on with this in mind and considered whether projects and plans be removed, added or changed.

In considering the feedback received, the Council decided whether it would make changes to the proposals contained in the 'We need to talk' consultation document and other concurrent statement of proposals. These decisions were made by proposal topics and subtopics. Where the resolution is that no changes be made, this means that the Council has decided that it will retain the plan and budget as proposed in the 'We need to talk – Me kōrero ngātahi tātou' consultation document and supporting information.

The minutes should be read in conjunction with the Council agenda reports, including Appendix A: Summary of Feedback, and the consideration of feedback report. Some of the resolutions in these minutes make reference to the staff comments including reason for recommendation provided in that report.

1. Berm mowing

1.1. Berm mowing in Waihi

RESOLVED

- That the Council notes the feedback received and no changes be made, and
- That the communication of the decision gives clear information that all Waihi ward ratepayers were paying for the berms to be mowed, and that WINZ assistance may be available for low income earners unable to mow their own berm for health or disability reasons.

C18/196

Adams / Milner

CARRIED

1.2. Berm mowing in Paeroa

RESOLVED

- That Council continues to mow the existing berms as identified by the Paeroa Ward.
- That the Council notes the feedback received and no changes be made.

C18/197

Adams / Milner

CARRIED

2. Community growth

2.1. Economic development

RESOLVED

That the Council notes the feedback received and no changes be made.

C18/213

Harris / Smeaton

CARRIED

2.2. Town promotion – general

The Council discussed town promotional organisations, which include Positive Paeroa, Go Waihi and Positively Promoting the Plains.

The Council noted that it has a responsibility to ensure ratepayer money is invested wisely and that there is value for money in what is achieved from the funding provided. Organisations the Council

contributes significant funding to, including Destination Coromandel and the Hauraki Rail Trail Charitable Trust, are expected to meet agreed performance standards and it would be irresponsible of the Council to overlook how the funding it provides is being managed.

The Council noted that no budget has been provided by the organisations in recent years, and funding has simply rolled over. The Council will reduce funding to all these organisations by 25% to lessen the load on ratepayers and encourage the exploration of other avenues of funding. The majority of Council funding will continue, and support will also be offered in other ways, such as providing independent advice around governance and alternative fundraising if this is needed.

The Council will monitor the performance of all of its Town Promotional Organisations over a six-month period to ensure that appropriate financial management, accountability and governance oversight is being exercised with the communities' funds. Full funding may be continued after six months, following the results of this assessment. Performance needs to be fairly measured using the same criteria applied to other organisations the Council provides funding to.

The Council noted feedback received in regard to a district-wide coordinator and discussed that the employment of a district-wide coordinator is something else that could be considered.

RESOLVED

THAT the Council reduces funding by 25% for town promotional organisations initially for a six-month contract term. At the end of this term, the Council will consider continuing funding following review of performance. The Council will also consider the employment of a district coordinator.

C18/214

Harris / Smeaton

CARRIED

Councillor McLean voted against the motion.

Councillor Rattray abstained from discussion and voting.

2.3. Town promotion – Ngatea / Plains

Note: This matter was considered within the 'town promotion - general' subtopic. Decision made once for all matters relating to town promotions.

2.4. Town promotion – Paeroa

Note: This matter was considered within the 'town promotion - general' subtopic. Decision made once for all matters relating to town promotions.

2.5. Town promotion – Waihi

Note: This matter was considered within the 'town promotion - general' subtopic. Decision made once for all matters relating to town promotions.

3. Libraries

3.1. Projects in your patch: Ngatea library and community space

It was identified that there could have been more information provided on the issue and proposal that would have resolved some of the public's concerns raised through the feedback process. It identified that this information should be provided and discussed further with the public before making a decision on which option to pursue. In the interim, option five should be retained as the council's preferred option until this further investigation is carried out.

RESOLVED

- That the Council notes the feedback received.
- That the Council further investigate option 5, in particular the concerns regarding the governance structure, access/parking issues, and protection of Council's investment in the project. Further community consultation will also be undertaken. If option 5 is not feasible, then option 2 would be further investigated. The future of the present building will also be taken into consideration.

C18/166

Tregidga / Spicer

CARRIED

Councillor Swales voted against the motion.

4. Streetscapes

4.1. Ngatea main street development

RESOLVED

- THAT the Council notes the feedback received and pursues option 2.
- THAT the Council notes that it will communicate and consult on the Ngatea main street plan before the project commences.

C18/167

Harris / Buckthought

CARRIED

4.2. Ngatea Main Street funding (staff submission)

Refer to the staff submission on this sub topic (2346636).

RESOLVED

THAT the Council ensures the final LTP documentation reflects the correct funding allocation.

C18/168

Adams / Milner

CARRIED

4.3. Wharf Street development

RESOLVED

That the Council notes the feedback received and no changes be made.

C18/169

Milner / McLean

CARRIED

Noted: Councillor Swales voted against the motion.

4.4. Other streetscapes matters

RESOLVED

- That the Council notes the feedback received and no changes be made.
- That the Paeroa, Waihi and Plains Ward Councillors will consider the suggestions made when planning for the upgrading of facilities in the towns and villages in their Ward.
- That Council continue to maintain the gardens on the main street and the regular pathway and curb sweeping and cleaning.

C18/170

Tregidga / Buckthought

CARRIED

5. Rates, expenditure and spending priorities

RESOLVED

THAT the Council notes the feedback received and no changes be made, and

THAT the Group Manager Corporate Services contacts Lynton Campbell of the Kaiaua Citizens and Ratepayers Association to respond to his feedback.

C18/162

Harris / Smeaton

CARRIED

6. Overall strategy

6.1. Direction

RESOLVED

That the Council notes the feedback received and no changes be made.

C18/157

Adams / Harris

CARRIED

6.2. Borrowing and debt strategy

RESOLVED

That the Council notes the feedback received and no changes be made.

C18/158

Milner / Rattray

CARRIED

6.3. Infrastructure strategy

RESOLVED

That the Council notes the feedback received and no changes be made.

C18/159

Tregidga / McLean

CARRIED

6.4. Operational efficiency

RESOLVED

- That the Council notes the feedback received and no changes be made.
- That the Council notes that it will continue its periodic reviews of the cost effectiveness of its activities.

C18/160 Smeaton / Daley **CARRIED**

6.5. Asset lives and depreciation assumptions (staff submission)

RESOLVED

THAT staff incorporate the depreciation assumptions in the asset management plans.

C18/161 Adams / Milner **CARRIED**

7. Funding policy approach

7.1. Key issue #3: affordability of rates

RESOLVED

- THAT the Council notes the feedback received and no changes be made to the proposal (option 2).
- THAT LGNZ be approached to discuss rates affordability issues.

A vote was taken by a show of hands.

Councillors Swales and Buckthought voted **against the motion**.

Councillors Adams, Leonard, Spicer, Harris, Smeaton, Rattray, Daley, McLean, Milner, and Tregidga voted **in support of the motion**.

C18/163 Spicer / Milner **CARRIED**

7.2. User pays approach

RESOLVED

That the Council notes the feedback received and no changes be made.

C18/164 Leonard / Rattray **CARRIED**

7.3. Other funding arrangements

RESOLVED

That the Council notes the feedback received and no changes be made.

C18/165 Milner / Harris **CARRIED**

8. Sports fields and recreational reserves

8.1. Paeroa Domain Entrance and Gardens (Paeroa Ward)

RESOLVED

That the Council notes the feedback received and no changes be made.

C18/171

Harris / Tregidga

CARRIED

Noted: Councillor Adams voted against the motion.

8.2. Marshall Street campervan carparks (Paeroa Ward)

RESOLVED

That the Council notes the feedback received and no changes be made.

C18/172

Milner/Smeaton

CARRIED

8.3. Hutchinson Reserve (Paeroa Ward)

Due to the current amount of use of the area, it is not considered a priority at this time. Given the Council's current funding pressures, the Council does not consider this a good use of funding at this time.

RESOLVED

That the Council notes the feedback received and that the Council removes the funding for this development.

C18/173

Tregidga / Swales

CARRIED

8.4. Karangahake Reserves (Paeroa Ward)

RESOLVED

- That the Council notes the feedback received and no changes be made.
- That the Paeroa Ward councillors continue working on providing additional parking and public toilets for the rail trail users, close to the Karangahake Hall. Funding for these projects is already provided for in the 2017/18 year.

C18/174

Adams / Leonard

CARRIED

8.5. Other reserves in the Paeroa Ward

RESOLVED

- That the Council notes the feedback received and no changes be made.
- That the Council notes it will be considering future plans for the district reserves through the review of the Hauraki Reserve Management Plan in 2018.

C18/175

Leonard / Milner

CARRIED

8.6. Other reserve matters in the Waihi Ward

RESOLVED

- That the Council will review the signage at Gilmour Park, to ensure visitors are made aware of all the facilities including the new petanque area.
- That the Council notes it is reviewing its Hauraki Reserve Management Plan in 2018 which will identify future plans for each of its reserves. This will include reserves suitable for community fruit tree planting.
- That the Council notes it is planning on replacing a number of beach access ladders in 2018.
- That the Council notes the feedback received and no changes be made.

C18/176

Adams / Spicer

CARRIED

8.7. Hugh Hayward Domain walk/cycleway (staff submission)

RESOLVED

That the Hugh Hayward Domain walk/cycleway budget of \$20,000 in 2018/19 be added to the capital works schedule and that the operating budgets be revised as needed, to align with the proposal contained in the consultation document.

C18/177

Adams / Milner

CARRIED

8.8. Dudding Reserve developments (staff submission)

Refer to the staff submission on this sub topic (2346636).

RESOLVED

That the Dudding Reserve development budget of \$20,000 in 2018/19 be added to the capital works schedule to align with the consultation document proposal.

C18/178

Adams / Milner

CARRIED

8.9. Other sports fields matters

RESOLVED

- That the Council notes the feedback received.
- That staff work with the Whiritoa Tennis Club to clarify ownership of the facility, inspection frequency and plans for the future resurfacing of the courts.
- That the Council allocate \$25,000 in 2019/20 towards Whiritoa tennis court resurfacing.

C18/179

McLean / Spicer

CARRIED

8.10. Other reserve matters

RESOLVED

- That the Council notes the feedback received.

- That the Council provides the Whiritoa Voluntary Rural Fire Force with 3x 25,000 litre water tanks and a grant of \$5,000 in 2018/19 towards the purchase and delivery of 1 further 25,000 litre water tanks and fittings for 4 tanks (from the district water account).
- That the Whiritoa Voluntary Rural Fire Force are to install and commission the 4 tanks on sites agreed with by the Council.
- That the Council continue to work with community groups which are planting native vegetation alongside streams and rivers in the District to improve the water quality.
- That the Council notes it wishes to see the completion of the Miranda to Kaiaua cycleway before undertaking and funding any new cycleway.
- That the Paeroa Ward councillors consider the use of Mackaytown Domain as a site for campervans and HRT parking.
- That the Whiritoa Tennis Club be thanked for the feedback provided and be informed that the Council will work with the Whiritoa Tennis Club to look at options for the playing surface, costs and funding and present this back to the Council for consideration in the 2019/20 Annual Plan.
- That the Council seek further clarification on what 4WD clubs are requiring with regards to opening and maintaining 4WD tracks.

C18/180

Adams / Leonard

CARRIED

8.11. Waihi campervan dump station upgrade (staff submission)

RESOLVED

That the Waihi campervan dump station upgrade budget of \$30,000 in 2018/19 be removed from the capital works schedule to align to the proposal in the consultation document.

C18/181

Adams / Milner

CARRIED

8.12. Travellers reserves

RESOLVED

- That the Council notes it will be considering future plans for the District reserves through the review of the Hauraki Reserve Management Plan, in 2018.
- That the Council notes the feedback received and no changes be made.

C18/182

Tregidga / Rattray

CARRIED

9. Playgrounds and skateparks

9.1. Railway Reserve skatepark (Paeroa Ward)

RESOLVED

- That the Council notes the feedback received.
- That the Council reallocate the funding from the skate park to Railway Reserve improvements, which may include basketball court and parking, and reconsider the timing of the project in the 2019/20 Annual Plan process.

C18/183

Tregidga / Daley

CARRIED

9.2. Victoria Park Playground (Waihi Ward)

RESOLVED

That the Council notes the feedback received and no changes be made.

C18/184 Spicer / McLean CARRIED

9.3. Gilmore Park Playground (Waihi Ward)

RESOLVED

That the Council notes the feedback received and no changes be made.

C18/185 Rattray / Adams CARRIED

10. Walkways

10.1. Turua walkway (Plains Ward)

RESOLVED

That the Council notes the feedback received and no changes be made.

C18/186 Milner / Buckthought CARRIED

10.2. Turua walkway (staff submission)

RESOLVED

That the Turua walkway capital works budget be amended to \$40,000 in 2018/19 to align with the proposal contained in the consultation document.

C18/187 Leonard / Harris CARRIED

10.3. Olga Street walkway (Paeroa Ward)

RESOLVED

That the Council notes the feedback received and no changes be made.

C18/188 Milner / McLean CARRIED

11. Swimming pools

11.1. Ngatea swimming pool

RESOLVED

- That the respondents be thanked for the feedback provided and they be informed that the Council considered installing an access ramp into the Ngatea pool, but the cost of this was too expensive. This will be addressed at the time of a major upgrade of the pool. In the mean time

staff will investigate alternative methods of entering the pool for patrons with accessible problems.

- That the Council notes the feedback received and no changes be made.

C18/189

Milner / McLean

CARRIED

11.2. Ngatea Pool upgrades (staff submission)

Refer to the staff submission on this sub topic (2346636).

RESOLVED

That an operating budget of \$7,500 be included in the long term plan for the various works to be additional for year 1 only at the Ngatea Pool.

C18/190

Buckthought / McLean

CARRIED

11.3. Ngatea Pool Cover system and Dive blocks relocation (staff submission)

Refer to the staff submission on this sub topic (2346636).

RESOLVED

That a capital budget of \$55,000 be included in the long term plan for the relocation of the Ngatea pool covers and dive blocks.

C18/191

Tregidga / Spicer

CARRIED

11.4. Paeroa Pool upgrades (staff submission)

Refer to the staff submission on this sub topic (2346636).

RESOLVED

That an operating budget of \$9,000 be included in the long term plan for the various works to be additional for year 1 only at the Paeroa Pool.

C18/193

Adams / Milner

CARRIED

11.5. Waihi Pool upgrades (staff submission)

Refer to the staff submission on this sub topic (2346636).

RESOLVED

That the Council allocates \$11,000 in the long term plan for the various works to be additional for year 1 only at the Waihi Pool.

C18/195

Adams / Milner

CARRIED

11.6. Other swimming pool matters

RESOLVED

- That the Council continue to be supportive of Thames-Coromandel District Council's plan to create a sub-regional aquatic facility.
- That staff continue to look for opportunities to promote the Council's heated pools.
- That the respondent 77.3 be informed that Paeroa pool has an accessibility ramp.
- That the respondents be thanked for the feedback provided, and be informed that at the time of upgrading the pool heating system, staff look at all forms of heating options available to look for efficiency and costs. At the time of upgrading the Ngatea pool heating system, electrical system proved to be the best.
- That the Council notes the feedback received and no (other) changes be made.

C18/194

Adams / Milner

CARRIED

12. Weed control

The Council noted that no suitable alternative to glyphosate is available at this time. A spray register exists for those who do not want sprays near their property.

RESOLVED

That the Council notes the feedback received and that the Council continue with the use of glyphosate based herbicides, but usage is monitored to ensure it is applied in an efficient manner to reduce spray drift onto areas other than what is being targeted. Staff will continue to look for alternatives.

C18/198

Adams / Milner

CARRIED

13. Public toilets

13.1. Kaiaua toilets

RESOLVED

- That when developing the Kaiaua community plan, the Council will consider the relevant feedback received on the 'we need to talk' proposals.
- That the Council retain its long term plan proposal to work with the Kaiaua community area to develop a community plan in 2018-19.
- That the Council notes the feedback received and no changes be made.

C18/199

Swales / Milner

CARRIED

Note

Freedom camping matters are addressed under the 'freedom camping' subtopic.

13.2. Other

RESOLVED

- That the Council notes the feedback received and no changes be made.

- That respondents be thanked for the feedback provided and be informed that the Council undertook a public toilet study three years ago to look at where public toilets are best positioned and to which standard. Since then the Council has opened up new public toilets in the Paeroa library, toilets on the Kopu to Kaiawa section of the rail trail and are investigating new toilets in the Karangahake Gorge area. Staff are also looking at increasing the level of service in two of the district toilets by installing better lighting systems.
- That staff continue to ensure that Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design audits are undertaken to look for improvements to prevent vandalism.

C18/200

Ratray/Milner

CARRIED

Councillor Smeaton voted against the motion.

14. Freedom camping

14.1. Freedom camping services

RESOLVED

- That the Council notes the feedback received and no changes be made.
- That the Council notes it will continue to maintain existing and construct new public dump station facilities to NZS 5465:2001 specifications and Council agrees to partner with NZMCA to provide free/ low cost refuse facilities, and will work towards being a motorhome friendly district.

C18/201

Adams / Milner

CARRIED

14.2. Freedom camping funding

The Council has no statutory ability to require a charge for freedom campers. The Council considers that freedom campers add economic value to the district through their spend in the area.

RESOLVED

That the Council notes the feedback received and no changes be made.

C18/202

Milner / Adams

CARRIED

15.Halls

15.1. Karangahake Hall

RESOLVED

- That the Council notes the feedback received and no changes to funding be made at this time.
- That the respondent be informed that the Paeroa Ward councillors are currently working on providing additional parking and public toilets for the rail trail users, close to the Karangahake Hall.

C18/203

Milner / Adams

CARRIED

15.2. Whiritoa Hall

RESOLVED

- That the Council notes the feedback received and that staff look at what options are available to improve the acoustics of the Whiritoa Emergency Centre.

C18/204

Milner / Adams

CARRIED

15.3. Fees and charges

The Council notes that an increase in fees often results in the halls not being used and for that reason do not wish to increase hall fees.

RESOLVED

That the Council notes the feedback received and no changes be made.

C18/205

Adams / Milner

CARRIED

16. Events centres

16.1. Waihi Events Centre

RESOLVED

That the Council notes the feedback received and no changes be made.

C18/206

Milner / Adams

CARRIE

16.2. Paeroa events centres

Refer to the staff comments on this sub topic (2360477). The Waikato Regional Sports Facilities Plan identifies Te Aroha, Morrinsville and Thames as having a two court indoors multi use facility close to Paeroa. External funding providers tend to not support a funding application for a facility such as this unless supported within the Waikato Regional Sports Facilities Plan.

RESOLVED

- That the submitter be informed that the Waikato Regional Sports Facilities Plan has not identified Paeroa as requiring a covered indoor sports facility.
- That the Council notes the feedback received and no changes be made.

C18/207

Adams / Milner

CARRIED

16.3. Events centre – other

Refer to the staff comments on this sub topic (2360477). A new sports and events centre would come at a high cost which the Council does not currently consider to be affordable.

RESOLVED

That the Council notes the feedback received and no changes be made.

C18/208

Adams / Milner

CARRIED

17. Cemeteries

17.1. Paeroa Cemetery

RESOLVED

- That the Council notes the feedback received and no changes be made.
- That the respondents be advised of the improvements being made to the cemetery in the near future.
- That a sign be provided which communicates that an extension will be undertaken in future.
- That the Council will consult with the ratepayers and residents of Paeroa and the wider district in regards to the concept plans for expansion of the Paeroa Pukerimu Cemetery.
- That respondent #261 be provided with a written schedule containing more information on the work to be undertaken at Pukerimu Cemetery in 2018/19.

C18/209

Adams / Milner

CARRIED

18. Pensioner housing

The Council is waiting for further Government direction on its approach to partnering with local government on the provision of pensioner housing.

RESOLVED

- That the Council notes the feedback received and no changes be made.

C18/210

Adams / Milner

CARRIED

19. Sports coordination

19.1. Sports plan

RESOLVED

- That the Council notes that Sport Waikato and Council staff are currently working on the Hauraki Sport Plan with a planned completion date about mid-2018. Priority projects are yet to be identified and approved by the Council.
- That the Council notes the feedback received and no changes be made.

C18/211

Adams / Milner

CARRIED

19.2. District coordinator

RESOLVED

- That the Council thanks the submitter for their feedback and wish to acknowledge the great work that our district sport coordinator does in our sporting communities.
- That the Council notes the feedback received and no changes be made.

C18/212

McLean / Daley

CARRIED

20. CCTV

Originally this CCTV was intended to be a preventative measure. Councillors Rattray and Spicer are looking into this issue and what can be done. The Waihi community fund could potentially be used to fund camera upgrades.

RESOLVED

- That the Council notes the feedback received.
- That no funding be added to the long term plan for this matter but that Waihi Ward Councillors follow up on the state of the cameras and appropriate action.

C18/215

Adams / Milner

CARRIED

21. Fire services

Note: This matter was considered within the 'other reserves matters' subtopic.

22. Funding requests

RESOLVED

That the Council notes the feedback received and no changes be made.

C18/216

McLean / Rattray

CARRIED

23. Hauraki Rail Trail

RESOLVED

- That the Council continue to work closely with the Hauraki Rail Trail Charitable Trust to identify leverage funding of projects to benefit both residents and rail trail users. Staff will also work with the Trust to identify a safe and cost effective route from the Waihi Railway station to Seddon Street.
- That the Council notes the feedback received and no changes be made.

C18/217

Rattray / McLean

CARRIED

24. Maritime Park Funding

RESOLVED

That the Council notes the feedback received and that no changes be made.

C18/218

Leonard / Harris

CARRIED

25. Positive ageing

RESOLVED

That the Council continues to grant \$5,000 per annum from the District Discretionary Social Fund to Age Concern Thames for services within the Hauraki District and that no change be made to the draft long term plan budget.

C18/219

Adams / Milner

CARRIED

26. Sister cities

Note: This is a matter regarding expenditure priorities and was considered with the rates, expenditure and priorities sub topic.

27. Other Council property

RESOLVED

- That the Council notes that maintaining the Paeroa/Kerepehi intersection by the industrial subdivision is the responsibility of the New Zealand Transport Agency, but the Council will organise a tidy up.
- That the respondent #234 be advised that the emergency exit in the Ngatea Council building is not permanently locked from the inside, only the outside.
- That the Council notes the feedback on contracting out subdivisions and that no changes are made.

C18/220

Adams / Milner

CARRIED

28. Resource management implementation

RESOLVED

- That regarding the provision of camping grounds in the District Plan, the Council notes that there is law and regulations on what a camping ground is and dispensation process which allows people to open camp grounds on their rural properties.
- That the Council notes that it will continue to have regard to the National Policy Statement on Freshwater Management.
- That the Council notes that it will continue to provide assistance to building and subdivision applicants as much as the law allows, and that no change be made.

C18/252

Adams / Milner

CARRIED

28.1. Resource implementation fees

RESOLVED

That the Council notes the feedback received and no changes be made.

C18/253

Adams / Milner

CARRIED

29. Building control

29.1. Building control fees

RESOLVED

That the Council notes the feedback received and no changes be made.

C18/254

Milner / Adams

CARRIED

29.2. Building consent fees and charges (staff submission)

RESOLVED

That the Council changes the 2018/19 fees to those set out in the staff submission.

C18/255

Milner/Adams

CARRIED

30. Policy development

30.1. Climate change adaptation

Refer to the staff comments on this sub topic (2360477). The feedback received is consistent with the Council's plans to complete a climate change adaptation work programme and to work with the Kaiaua community area to develop a community plan in 2018/19.

RESOLVED

That the Council notes the feedback received and no changes be made.

C18/262

Adams / Milner

CARRIED**General****RESOLVED**

- That the report be received, and
- That all verbal and written feedback on the following 'We need to talk – Me kōrero ngātahi tātou' proposals be received:
 - The 2018-28 long term plan consultation document.
 - The Revenue and Financing Policy statement of proposal.
 - The Rates Remission and Postponement Policies statement of proposal.
 - The cemeteries and resource management fees and charges changes statement of proposal, and
- That the six feedback items received after the consultation closing date be received, and
- That the Council receive the submission made by staff, and
- That respondents and participants are thanked for their feedback in due course, and
- That the meeting be reconvened on Monday, 21 May 2018 at 9.00am.

C18/156

Adams / Milner

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 4:38pm.

MONDAY, 21 MAY 2018

The meeting reconvened at 9.00am.

Present: J P Tregidga (His Worship the Mayor – in the chair), Cr D A Adams (Deputy Mayor – for item 9 only), Cr P D Buckthought, Cr C Daley, Cr R Harris, Cr G R Leonard, Cr M McLean, Cr P A Milner, Cr A Rattray, Cr D Smeaton, Cr A M Spicer, Cr D H Swales, Cr J H Thorp.

In attendance: L D Cavers (Chief Executive), A de Laborde (Group Manager - Engineering Services), D Peddie (Group Manager - Corporate Services), P Thom (Group Manager - Planning & Environmental Services), S B Fabish (Group Manager - Community Services and Development), K Quinn (Senior Strategic Planner), T Casey (Strategic Planner), C Black (Council Secretary).

Apologies

RESOLVED

THAT the apology of Councillor Adams be received and sustained.

C18/154

Tregidga / Milner

CARRIED

31. Land transport

31.1. Key issue #1: Maintaining our roads

The results to the question on increasing investment on maintaining local roads showed clear support for the Council's proposal.

The Group Manager Engineering Services noted that he had discussed the feedback concerning the two bridges at Waitakaruru with NZTA and will update the Council in his next monthly report.

RESOLVED

- That the submissions be noted and that option 2 be adopted (that the Council increases its operating budget for reseals and rebuilds by \$625,000 every year).
- That the Council notes the feedback received and no changes be made.

C18/221

Rattray / Smeaton

CARRIED

31.2. Land transport - coastal inundation and climate change

The coastal inundation of roads and the simultaneous consideration of climate change and sea level rise will be considered by the Council as a broader long term issue in the future.

RESOLVED

THAT the Council notes the feedback received and no changes be made.

C18/222

Buckthought / Harris

CARRIED

31.3. Footpaths (general)

The Council supports the widening of some footpaths to enable the use of mobility scooters and kids on bikes as it is provided for in the Council's Social Strategy. The Council is already making progress in identifying and installing wider footpaths where appropriate.

RESOLVED

- That the feedback from Dr Wall be supported.
- That the feedback (222.2) be noted.
- That the Council bring forward its proposed programme for widening footpaths.
- That the Council notes the feedback received and no other changes be made.

C18/223

Spicer / Daley

CARRIED

31.4. Speed limits

The Council will be reviewing the suggestions received when reviewing its speed limits. Council staff have already started investigating where speed limits should be reduced.

The Council discussed concerns regarding the volume of traffic in areas including on Hauraki Road, Turua.

RESOLVED

- That the feedback be noted and that staff investigate further and work with NZTA to address areas where further restrictions are identified as necessary.

C18/224

McLean / Spicer

CARRIED

31.5. Ngatea roading

Providing a bypass in Ngatea is a matter for the New Zealand Transport Agency to consider. It is beyond the scope of the Council's long term plan and is considered to be unaffordable for the Council.

RESOLVED

That the Council notes the feedback received and no changes be made.

C18/225

Leonard / Harris

CARRIED

31.6. Ngatea mainstreet footpaths

The Council will consider what it can do to improve footpaths when developing the main street upgrade plan. It notes however that options are constrained as the road is a state highway and managed by the New Zealand Transport Agency.

RESOLVED

That the Council notes the feedback received and no changes be made.

C18/226

Harris / Buckthought

CARRIED

31.7. Turua roading

Council staff are investigating the area wide treatment of roads within Turua. It was noted that feedback #157.4 has been forwarded to staff as a request for service and will be followed up on.

RESOLVED

- That the feedback be noted and form part of the planning for an area wide treatment for the balance of Hauraki Road within the 50 km area.
- That the Council notes the feedback received and no changes be made.

C18/227

Buckthought / Leonard

CARRIED

31.8. Other Plains Ward roading

- Regarding feedback #143.10, there is a drainage issue at the location (Kaikahu Road) and staff will look at remediation works.
- Regarding feedback #143.2, there are minor works required at the location (McGowan Ave) and these will be programmed as there are also hazards for children.
- Regarding feedback #155.13, #157.2, #193.8 and #210.7, these are matters for the New Zealand Transport Agency to address and staff have forwarded these concerns.
- Regarding feedback #157.3 and #157.5, these traffic calming measures are already part of works planned for safety improvement.
- Regarding feedback #158.4, the request for a pedestrian crossing on Front Miranda Road outside the toilet will be investigated further and an appropriate measure implemented.
- Regarding feedback #199.1, staff advise that if roadside drains pose a risk to the road or pavement layers then they are cleaned. Not all roadside drains are cleaned.
- Regarding feedback #231.5 requesting the sealing of Hopai East Road, there is no plan to extend the seal in this area and the Council doesn't have a programme to extend road sealing.
- Regarding feedback #82.1, there is a speed reduction recommendation sign at the big corner at Bush Road near Kerepehi, however staff will investigate and make improvements if required.
- Regarding feedback #268.14, staff will investigate the issue of cars speeding through the main street in Kerepehi and if needed will install the appropriate road safety measures.

RESOLVED

- That matters raised in feedback #143.10, 143.2, 157.3, 157.5, 158.4 and 82.1 be included in the Council's improvement plan.
- That Council staff investigate the request in feedback #268.14 and programme road safety works if required.
- That the Council notes the feedback received and no changes be made.

C18/228

Swales / Leonard

CARRIED

31.9. Paeroa Ward roading

- Regarding feedback #140.2, the concerns about the condition of Rahu Road will be addressed through the programme on maintaining unsealed roads.

- Regarding feedback #145.16 and #232.10 on delays at intersection of Station Road and State Highway 2, staff will look into this further.
- Regarding feedback #167.14 on sealing De Castro Street, all homes currently have access to a sealed road and it is not considered necessary to seal this section.
- Regarding feedback #60.11 on Rotokohu Road, staff note that it may require an area-wide roading treatment in future but this has not been programmed. The Council has not received an application for the wind farm.
- Regarding feedback #251.10 on Junction Road and Dearle Street footpaths (Paeroa), their upgrade will be considered when the Council prepares its footpath programmes.
- Regarding feedback #237.14, the Council will look at whether there is a shortage when it next reviews car parking availability.

An error in the summary of feedback document was noted. #232.10 should be corrected from Thomas Road to Thames Road.

RESOLVED

- That staff investigate the matters raised in feedback #140.2, 145.16, 232.10 and 251.10.
- That the Council notes the feedback received and no other changes be made.

C18/229

Milner / Daley

CARRIED

31.10. Waihi Ward roading

The Council discussed the feasibility of a bypass road option in Waihi. It is a decision for the New Zealand Transport Agency, and would likely require funding by the Council.

RESOLVED

- That staff notify the relevant respondents of the current forwards works programme (if any) for Thorn Road.
- That staff investigate the matters raised in feedback points 195.2 (adding a footpath and wheelchair ramp on Swordfish Road), 26.5 (more kerb and channelling in Waihi East) and 75.3 (maintenance of footpaths) and place the works on forward works programmes if required.
- That the Council notes that the Seddon Street streetscape is part of a larger plan that must be considered for the top end of Seddon Street.
- That the Council notes the feedback received and no other changes be made.

C18/230

Spicer / Smeaton

CARRIED

31.11. State highways

The feedback relates to state highways and are matters for the New Zealand Transport Agency.

RESOLVED

- That the New Zealand Transport Agency (NZTA) are notified of the feedback received.
- That the Council notes the feedback received and no changes be made.

C18/231

Leonard / Milner

CARRIED

31.12. Land transport – other matters

RESOLVED

That the Council notes the feedback received and no changes be made.

C18/232

Tregidga / Smeaton

CARRIED

32. Water supply

32.1. Quality, taste and odour

RESOLVED

That the Council notes the feedback received and no changes be made.

C18/234

Milner / Leonard

CARRIED

32.2. Other water supply matters

RESOLVED

That the Council notes the feedback received and no changes be made.

C18/235

Leonard / Buckthought

CARRIED

33. Wastewater

33.1. Wastewater capacity

RESOLVED

That the Council notes the feedback received and no changes be made.

C18/236

Harris / Smeaton

CARRIED

33.2. Wastewater – other

RESOLVED

That the Council notes the feedback received and no changes be made.

C18/237

Harris / Buckthought

CARRIED

34. Stormwater

34.1. Stormwater in Paeroa

RESOLVED

That the Council notes the feedback received and no changes be made.

C18/238

Milner / McLean

CARRIED

34.2. Stormwater in Turua

RESOLVED

That the Council notes the feedback received and no changes be made.

C18/239

Harris / Smeaton

CARRIED**34.3. Stormwater – other areas of the Hauraki Plains****RESOLVED**

That the Council notes the feedback received and no changes be made.

C18/240

Leonard / Buckthought

CARRIED**34.4. Stormwater in Waihi****RESOLVED**

THAT the Council notes the feedback received and no changes be made.

C18/241

Spicer / Thorp

CARRIED**34.5. Other stormwater****RESOLVED**

That the Council notes the feedback received and no changes be made.

C18/242

Buckthought / Smeaton

CARRIED**35. Land drainage****35.1. Land drainage in Kaiaua****RESOLVED**

That the Council notes the feedback received and no changes be made.

C18/244

Leonard / Swales

CARRIED**36. Solid waste****36.1. Refuse and recycling collection****RESOLVED**

- That Council supports the recommendation and that a change to biodegradable bags be considered as part of a wider review of the plastic waste disposal options.
- That the Council improve its communication regarding who is paying and receiving the refuse collection services.
- That the Council allocate \$10,000 to investigate the cost of providing a recycling station in Ngatea, and District wide education and initiatives options for the reduction and reuse of waste.

- That the Council notes the feedback received and no other changes be made.

C18/247

Tregidga / Smeaton

CARRIED

36.2. Transfer stations

RESOLVED

- That the feedback is noted and that staff investigate the options for amending refuse transfer station hours.
- That the feedback is noted, and regarding the feedback on a seagull-type centre, the Council notes its support for the concept and will further investigate.
- That the Council notes the feedback received and no other changes be made.

C18/248

Spicer / McLean

CARRIED

36.3. Waste minimisation education

RESOLVED

- That the Council supports Keep New Zealand Beautiful to increase waste reduction education.
- That the Council notes the feedback received and no other changes be made.

C18/249

Spicer / Harris

CARRIED

36.4. Solid waste signage

RESOLVED

That the Council notes the feedback received and no changes be made.

C18/250

Rattray / Smeaton

CARRIED

36.5. Solid waste funding

RESOLVED

That the Council notes the feedback received and no changes be made.

C18/251

Milner / Smeaton

CARRIED

37. Community protection

37.1. Civil defence / emergency management

RESOLVED

- THAT the Council installs generator points in the Whiritoa Community Centre and the Whiritoa Surf Life Saving Club buildings, and that it be funded from Council's operations budget.
- THAT this project may need to be timed for completion over two financial years depending on funding availability.
- THAT the Council notes the feedback received and no other changes be made.

C18/256 McLean / Buckthought **CARRIED**

37.2. Noise control

RESOLVED

That the Council notes the feedback received and no changes be made.

C18/257 Milner / McLean **CARRIED**

37.3. Parking enforcement

RESOLVED

That the Council notes the feedback received and no changes be made.

C18/258 Milner / McLean **CARRIED**

37.4. Animal control

RESOLVED

That the Council notes the feedback received and no changes be made.

C18/259 Milner / Smeaton **CARRIED**

38. Democracy

38.1. District Planning

It was noted that what the respondent refers to is the responsibility of the Environment Protection Authority (EPA) and the Regional Council.

RESOLVED

That the Council notes the feedback received and no changes be made.

C18/263 Smeaton / Buckthought **CARRIED**

38.2. Natural hazard management (excl. climate change)

Natural hazards are factored into the risk assessments for future works.

RESOLVED

That the Council notes the feedback received and no changes be made.

C18/264 Milner / McLean **CARRIED**

38.3. Policy development – other

This is the responsibility of the Environmental Protection Authority (EPA) and the Regional Council.

RESOLVED

That the Council notes the feedback received and no changes be made.

C18/265

Tregidga/Leonard

CARRIED

39. Other services

39.1. Arts and culture

RESOLVED

- That the Council fund \$2,000 (from the district social discretionary fund) towards the Waikato arts navigator, and work with Creative Waikato to develop an arts plan.
- That the Council notes the feedback received and no other changes be made.

C18/266

Spicer / Milner

CARRIED

39.2. Menz Shed

RESOLVED

THAT the Waihi Ward Councillors work with Grey Power Waihi to look at options for the provision of a Menz Shed in Waihi. There is currently no funding allocated for this initiative.

C18/267

Tregidga / Buckthought

CARRIED

39.3. Use of electric/lower emission vehicles

RESOLVED

That the Council notes the feedback received and no changes be made.

C18/268

Spicer / Leonard

CARRIED

39.4. Use of Te Reo Māori

RESOLVED

That the Council notes the feedback received and will use Te Reo Māori language where appropriate.

C18/269

Spicer / Milner

CARRIED

39.5. Rubbish bins

RESOLVED

- That the respondents be informed that the Council undertook a bin study three years ago to look at where bins are best placed and reduced where possible. The single open type bins were replaced with the compacting bins which hold the equivalent of 3-5 bins worth of rubbish before needing to be emptied. This has resulted in a saving to the district.
- That the respondent #237 be informed that the Council install doggy doo bins in the official dog exercise areas, and that other Council rubbish bins for doggy doo can be used as long as it is wrapped in a plastic bag.

- That the Council notes the feedback received and no changes be made.

C18/270

Smeaton / Harris

CARRIED

40. Other financial matters

40.1. Staff remuneration and benefits

RESOLVED

That the Council notes the feedback received and no changes be made.

C18/271

Harris / McLean

CARRIED

40.2. 'What rates will fund' information and water supply

RESOLVED

That the Council notes the feedback received and replies to the respondent's query.

C18/272

Leonard / Smeaton

CARRIED

41. Rates remission and postponement

RESOLVED

- That the Council makes a submission regarding the level of rates rebates, to the central government review of local government funding.
- That staff contact Kerepehi Brass Band about applying for a rates remission under the Council's Community, Sporting and Other Organisations Remission Policy.
- That the Council notes the feedback received and no changes be made.

C18/273

Harris / Buckthought

CARRIED

42. Rates rebates

RESOLVED

- That the Council makes a submission to the current central government review of local government funding.
- That the Council notes the feedback received and no changes be made.

C18/274

Spicer / Smeaton

CARRIED

43. Consultation process

43.1. Complaints regarding mail out

RESOLVED

- That the Council thanks respondents for bringing this to our attention and apologises for the mistake.
- That the Council notes the feedback received and no changes be made.

C18/275

Spicer / McLean

CARRIED

43.2. Consultation events

RESOLVED

- That the Council consider this feedback when wanting to engage with people in future.
- That no changes be made.

C18/276

Tregidga / McLean

CARRIED

43.3. Consultation process – other

RESOLVED

- That the Council considers the feedback in preparing future consultation information.
- That no changes be made.

C18/277

Buckthought / Daley

CARRIED

44. Outside scope matters

44.1. Bylaw matters

The feedback is outside the scope of a long term plan and is a bylaw matter.

RESOLVED

THAT the Council notes the feedback received and no changes be made.

C18/278

Tregidga / Harris

CARRIED

44.2. Customer service feedback

RESOLVED

THAT the Council notes the feedback received and no changes be made.

C18/279

Swales / Leonard

CARRIED

44.3. Financial operations

RESOLVED

THAT the Council notes the feedback received and no changes be made.

C18/280

Smeaton / Harris

CARRIED

44.4. Paeroa Racecourse

The Council is limited as to its influence on what the Paeroa Racecourse property can be used for as it is privately owned. Any change of use will need to comply with the RMA.

RESOLVED

THAT the Council notes the feedback received and no changes be made.

C18/281

Leonard / Harris

CARRIED

44.5. Request for information

RESOLVED

- That the information requests be forwarded to the relevant staff member to follow up.
- That the Council notes the feedback received and no changes be made.

C18/282

Tregidga / McLean

CARRIED

44.6. Request for service

The various service requests have been entered into Council's system to be addressed.

RESOLVED

That Council staff follow up these various service requests.

44.7. Resource management matter

RESOLVED

That the Council notes the feedback received and no changes be made.

C18/284

Harris / McLean

CARRIED

44.8. Town appearance

RESOLVED

- That staff look to where improvements can be made within existing budgets.
- That the Council notes the feedback received and no other changes be made.

C18/285

Milner / Spicer

CARRIED

44.9. Trans Pacific Partnership (now CPTPP)

RESOLVED

That the Council is not in a position to support or otherwise the requested submission recommendation, and that no changes be made.

C18/286

Milner / Tregidga

CARRIED

45. Other land drainage

The Council considered the request for funding towards the research for the fish passage improvement programme and while Council supports the project, has decided not to provide funding. Refer to the staff comments on this sub topic (2360477).

RESOLVED

That the Council notes the feedback received and no changes be made.

C18/245

Buckthought / Swales

CARRIED

46. Paeroa swimming pool

The Council supports the sub-regional approach to providing access to a year-round pool and notes that the Thames-Coromandel District Council currently provides for this through its Thames swimming pool. The Council considers that it is not affordable to provide year-round access to a pool within the district, however sees merit in extending the existing season of one pool by, for example, one month. A recent trial of an extended season showed that this could be achieved with an additional budget of \$35,000. More work will need to be done on determining where the season will be extended and for how long.

RESOLVED

- That the Council improve the signage and promotion of the pools.
- That the Council notes the feedback received.
- That the Council do not cover its existing pools, due to design and cost.
- That the Council allocate an additional \$35,000 to the swimming pool budget towards further work to extend the swimming season.

C18/192

Milner/Adams

CARRIED

47. Staff submission

47.1. Various grammatical and typing errors

RESOLVED

- That minor grammatical errors be corrected by staff, and
- That it be noted that the Victoria Park playground development will be completed in 2018/19 rather than 2019/20 as incorrectly stated in the consultation document.

C18/287

Adams / Milner

CARRIED

47.2. Running of Election 2019 (staff submission)

RESOLVED

That an additional operating budget of \$15,000 be included in year one of the long term plan, to cover the potential extra cost for the tendered contractors.

C18/261

Adams / Milner

CARRIED

47.3. Dog registration fees and charges (staff submission)

RESOLVED

THAT the penalty fee for dogs in excess of three be changed from \$13.50 to \$17.50.

C18/260

Adams / Milner

CARRIED

47.4. Land drainage depreciation / renewals graph (staff submission)

RESOLVED

That staff investigate and make necessary changes to land drainage depreciation and renewals graph.

C18/246

Adams / Milner

CARRIED

47.5. Storm water catchment management plan (staff submission)

RESOLVED

That the stormwater catchment management plan budget of \$107,794 in 2021/22 be removed from the capital works schedule and retained as an operating expenditure item.

C18/243

Adams / Milner

CARRIED

47.6. NZTA subsidy (staff submission)

RESOLVED

- That the values shown for subsidy income in the final long term plan financial forecasts be corrected.
- That the forecasting assumptions in the final long term plan and land transport asset management plan be amended.

C18/233

Adams / Milner

CARRIED

RESOLVED

THAT the report be received, and

THAT all verbal and written feedback on the following 'We need to talk – Me kōrero ngātahi tātou' proposals be received:

1. The 2018-28 long term plan consultation document.
2. The Revenue and Financing Policy statement of proposal.
3. The Rates Remission and Postponement Policies statement of proposal.
4. The cemeteries and resource management fees and charges changes statement of proposal, and

THAT the six feedback items received after the consultation closing date be received, and

THAT the Council receive the submission made by staff, and

THAT respondents and participants are thanked for their feedback in due course.

THAT the meeting be reconvened on Monday, 21 May 2018 at 9.00am.

C18/156

Adams / Milner

CARRIED