



Te Kaunihera-ā-Rohe o Ngāmotu

NEW PLYMOUTH DISTRICT COUNCIL

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AGENDA

CLIFTON COMMUNITY BOARD

**Thursday 20 April 2017
at 4pm**

**Urenui Community Centre,
Urenui**

Members:	Mr	Ken	Bedford (Chair)
	Mr	John	McLean
	Mr	Warren	Petersen
	Ms	Pamela	Street
	Cr	Craig	McFarlane

Community Boards

Role of community boards (s52 Local Government Act 2002)

- a) represent, and act as an advocate for, the interests of its community; and
- b) consider and report on matters referred by the council and other matters of interest
- c) maintain an overview of services provided by the council within the community; and
- d) prepare an annual submission to the council for expenditure within the community;
- e) communicate with community organisations and special interest groups within the community; and
- f) undertake any other responsibilities that are delegated to it by the territorial authority.

Addressing the community board

Members of the public have an opportunity to address a community board during the public forum section or as a deputation.

A public forum section of up to 30 minutes precedes all community board meetings. Each speaker during the public forum section of a meeting may speak for up to 10 minutes. In the case of a group a maximum of 20 minutes will be allowed.

A request to make a *deputation* should be made to the secretariat within two working days before the meeting. The chairperson will decide whether your deputation is accepted. The chairperson may approve a shorter notice period. No more than four members of a deputation may address a meeting. A limit of 10 minutes is placed on a speaker making a presentation. In the case of a group a maximum of 20 minutes will be allowed.

Purpose of Local Government

The reports contained in this agenda address the requirements of the Local Government Act 2002 in relation to decision making. Unless otherwise stated, the recommended option outlined in each report meets the purpose of local government and:

Will help meet the current and future needs of communities for good-quality local infrastructure, local public services, and performance of regulatory functions in a way that is most cost-effective for households and businesses;

Would not alter significantly the intended level of service provision for any significant activity undertaken by or on behalf of the Council, or transfer the ownership or control of a strategic asset to or from the Council.

END

HEALTH & SAFETY

APOLOGIES

Cr Craig McFarlane

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

PUBLIC COMMENT

DEPUTATIONS

None advised

COMMUNITY BOARD MINUTES

Recommendation

That the minutes of the Clifton Community Board (9 March 2017, ECM: 7366265), and the proceedings of the said meeting, as previously circulated, be taken as read and confirmed as a true and correct record.

REPORTS

ITEMS FOR DECISION BY CLIFTON COMMUNITY BOARD

- 1 Members Activity Report – Ken Bedford
- 2 Members Activity Report – Pam Street
- 3 Members Activity Report – John McLean

ITEMS FOR RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL

- 3 Significant Natural Areas (SNAs) Update Report
- 4 Emissions Database and Climate Change Planning / Monitoring

END

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MEMBERS ACTIVITY REPORT – KEN BEDFORD

PURPOSE

This report advises of the community board activities of Ken Bedford in the period to 3 April 2017.

RECOMMENDATION

That, having considered all matters raised in the report, the report be noted.

ACTIVITIES

Community Board Plan

Most of the month has been taken up with community engagement to develop the Community Board Plan. The meeting at Tikorangi was well attended with several new points arising.

Following the meeting, arrangements were made with Roding to meet with Bob Mahy regarding the condition of Otaraoa Road.

Following the Tongaporutu meeting an inspection was held of the parking area and toilet facilities at the end of Clifton Road. It was universally agreed by Board members that these were not up to standard and needed urgent attention. This was again brought up at the recent chairs meeting. The Board will ensure that this matter is in the Community Board Plan to ensure much needed improvements to infrastructure are planned for.

The survey is now available and closes on 23 April. Copies can be found online at: www.newplymouthnz.com/Clifton Hard copies are available by phoning the Council on 06-759 6060.

Service Requests

There appears to have been some frustration in the past over the progress of service requests. A monthly report is now being produced for us to keep an eye on any service requests submitted by Board members.

Anyone can submit a Service Request by phoning the Contact Centre at the Council on 06-759 6060. If anyone requires a follow-up call from staff on the matter of concern, this must be requested at time of lodging the service request.

Road Closures

There appears to have been some confusing over the Urenui School, closing off portion of Takiroa St without public notification. This has been taken up with the Transportation team at Council. The Board will be notified of any future road closures in our area.

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Land Transport

I met with representatives of Land Transport at the Public Day held at Waitara on 30 March. I discussed the problems with the Beach Road corner plus the speed of vehicles through the Urenui township. Whilst it was a little out of their realm for the public consultation meeting, they were most receptive to my comments plus have given me a contact person to pursue this matters with.

Report Details

Prepared By: Ken Bedford
Team: Clifton Community Board
Ward/Community: North Ward (Clifton)
Date: 3 April 2017
File Reference: ECM7386331

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MEMBERS ACTIVITY REPORT – PAM STREET

PURPOSE

This report advises of the community board activities of Pam Street in the period to 3 April 2017.

RECOMMENDATION

That, having considered all matters raised in the report, the report be noted.

ACTIVITIES

- February 28 Met at Ken Bedford's house with Jayne Beer to talk about how the Community Plan was coming along and what could be done to ensure we cover the whole Clifton ward. We agreed to go to the public first and to have a meeting in Tikorangi and Tongaporutu.
- March 9 Community Board meeting at Tikorangi, followed by a Focus group meeting with some of the local people. Even though the group was small some good ideas came out of this meeting.
- March 10 The Urenui School delivered a notice to Takiroa St residents that the Street would be closed the following Thursday from 7.30 am until 1.00pm to allow the school children to safely paint some sea creatures near the storm water drains. This was the first time the Community Board was made aware of this event. I contacted the Principal, who said she had been working with the council and it was all ok. On further investigation with council officers we discovered it was correct, however the road was not to be closed as there was a traffic management system being put in place.
- A suggestion was that the school send out another notice saying the street wasn't closed, but would be safely managed. This they did and all was well.
- March 14 The Board were made aware that the Community Board Plan flier had not gone to the PO Box holders in Urenui, so with some quick work from Jayne Beer and a meet up with her, fliers were delivered to the boxes on that day. The local garage kindly did this at no cost for the community.
- March 16 Public meeting in Urenui for the Community Plan. Whilst only one person turned up, she was well prepared for a robust discussion which was extremely helpful.
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- March 17 Public meeting at Tongaporutu. A small group attended but a good conversation came out of that meeting. Afterwards the Board went to the carpark at the river mouth to look at some of the issues that had been raised.
- March 20 Urenui School sent out another notice to say Takiroa Street was being used for the annual triathlon and could residents please keep their dogs away and no cars were to park on the road side between 9.30 and 11.30.
- The police would be present to make it safe. Parents were stopping all cars for periods of 5 minutes or more. Take note that this was rubbish day and the library and Medical Centre were open.
- March 22 Focus group Meeting Urenui. At this meeting we finalised the survey to go out to the public.

General

I am concerned about the Urenui School using the road for school activities and unfortunately surprised that the Community Board did not have notice of these activities. I am also concerned that the school is confused with the appropriate measures to follow for these events. This needs to be better managed by Council and the Board should be advised when these events are being held in the Clifton area to ensure there are "no surprises".

The Board now has a Facebook page set up and over time it is hoped we will be able to use this to get information out in a more efficient manner.

Report Details

Prepared By:	Pam Street
Team:	Clifton Community Board
Ward/Community:	North Ward (Clifton)
Date:	3 April 2017
File Reference:	ECM7386469

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MEMBERS ACTIVITY REPORT – JOHN MCLEAN

PURPOSE

This report advises of the community board activities of John McLean in the period to 3 April 2017.

RECOMMENDATION

That, having considered all matters raised in the report, the report be noted.

ACTIVITIES

Okoki Bridge

In response to Okoki residents concern over eroding bridge approach, I photographed and submitted a service request, including perceived dangers and surface water damage. When obvious temporary measures ensued I followed up by contacting person in charge of the project to gain some indication of time frame for more permanent repair. Subsequent further subsidence has resulted in road closure and full repair work has been undertaken.

Otaraoa Road

Following Tikorangi Community Board meeting, I travelled to Bob and Sue Mahy's property for personal inspection of the pot-holing they had reported on Otaraoa Rd and further pursued Community Board Plan issues. Roading repairs in train and temporary maintenance measures they reported are likely an interim measure prior to full reconstruction.

Yandle Park

A service request for larger rubbish capacity for Yandle Park to cope with overflow has been placed. Yandle Park a rest place for walkers from beach into village and snacks apparently often consumed there, with food wrappings and debris etc. resulting from insufficient disposal capacity.

Onaero

I submitted a service request to draw attention to Onaero Recycle container not being emptied regularly enough to prevent overflow from the fully stuffed container.

Urenui Domain Lighting

Service request also passed to Jayne Beer in course of meeting drawing attention to lights reportedly not functioning along route from Village, over Swing Bridge.

Also mention of service request for widening of the narrow passages on Beach Road to allow for safe pedestrian access to and from Beach Camp area. Full development would desirably include designated cycle or pedestrian/cycle lane.

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Prepared By:	John McLean
Team:	Clifton Community Board
Ward/Community:	North Ward (Clifton)
Date:	3 April 2017
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SIGNIFICANT NATURAL AREAS (SNAs) UPDATE REPORT

PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to provide an update on the progress on identification of Significant Natural Areas (SNAs) in the district and related projects relating to biodiversity.

RECOMMENDATION

That, having considered all matters raised in the report, the report be noted.

SIGNIFICANCE AND ENGAGEMENT

This report is provided for information purposes only, and has been assessed as being of some importance.

DISCUSSION

IDENTIFICATION AND PROTECTION OF SNAS

The Council has a legal obligation to protect our native bush. Farmers and lifestyle block owners are doing a great job caring for the remaining native bush in the District. It is important, through the review of the District Plan, that the Council strikes a balance between protecting livelihoods and looking after native bush.

The Council has been taken to the Environment Court in 2005 and 2015 about the level of protection for native bush through the District Plan. The current district plan identifies 32 SNAs and there are rules which require a resource consents to clear vegetation in those identified areas. Through a desktop exercise carried out from 2007 to 2012 an additional 361 Likely Significant Natural Areas (LSNAs), which cover approximately 1,600 properties throughout the district, were identified. The Council has developed an online viewer, available on the Council website, for landowners to view their properties and their surrounds <https://maps.npdc.govt.nz/LSNA/>.

All landowners with a LSNA identified on their property will be sent a letter, map, factsheet and offered a free ecological fieldcheck. Ecological assessments are landowner initiated and offer an opportunity for the area to be field checked. If an area is found not to meet the criteria for significance listed in the Draft District Plan then the area will be removed from the list of LSNAs or the boundaries of the area will be adjusted so that only significant areas are included. The outcome of the site assessments will be provided to individual landowners.

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Due to the large number of landowners effected, letters are being sent out and open days are organised via Community Board areas. Table 1 below summarises the progress to date.

Table 1: Progress on SNA identification and field checks, as at 6 April 2017

Clifton Community Board	Inglewood Community Board	Kaitake, Waitara and New Plymouth wards
30 Nov 2016 - 264 letters sent	24 th Feb 2017 - 199 letters	Letters will be sent out later in April 2017 for Kaitake. All other letters will be sent out in May
19 th Dec 2016 - 50 attended open day	8 th March - 38 attended open day	Open Day for Kaitake, Waitara and New Plymouth will be held in May.
Field checks completed for 58 landowners (76 properties)	Field checks completed for 21 landowners (22 properties) 18 to be completed	tbc
22% of all landowners	Approximately 20% of landowners	tbc

The next stage of the SNA project is to work with landowners and other stakeholders, including Federated Farmers, QEII, the Department of Conservation, the Taranaki Regional Council and Forest and Bird to draft the SNA provisions, including rules to regulate vegetation clearance, for the inclusion in the notified District Plan in late 2017. This work is progressing and will inform the engagement with landowners in the next round landowners and will also inform future conversations.

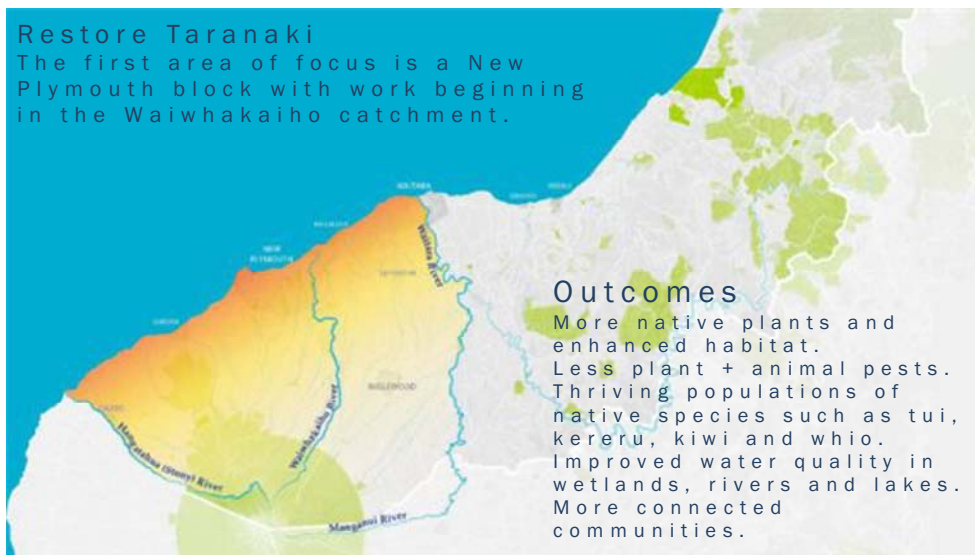
LANDOWNER LIAISON

The objective of the landowner liaison project is to provide landowners with information on the values of indigenous biodiversity with a face to face approach. The project involves Neil Phillips who also works for QEII to undertake field visits to landowners of SNA's. During the visit a sense of pride in indigenous biodiversity protection is promoted and voluntary protection options are discussed. The project is used to gather information and encourage proactive land management to address the main threats to indigenous biodiversity which is stock browsing and pest plants and animals. The recent court decision found that this is an important option to sit alongside the rules approach of the District Plan. The landowner liaison project contributes to the implementation of the Taranaki Biodiversity Accord to which the Council is a signatory. The project involves reporting; over time trends in landowner attitudes and condition of the areas is helping to build a picture of the Districts indigenous biodiversity. This allows the Council's approach to be tailored to best suit the needs of the community and environment.

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WILD FOR TARANAKI

The Council is a signatory of the Taranaki Biodiversity Accord, 2012. Since forming the accord partners have formed a trust and launched the brand of 'Wild for Taranaki'. Councillor Weaver represents the Council on the Trust board. Four projects are in the early stages of development with operational, funding and community engagement plans due in April. One of the key projects 'Restore Taranaki' is based on habitat protection, predator control, plant pest removal and community engagement. The first area of focus is within this district from Hangatahua (Stony) River to Manganui/Waitara. The Waiwhakaiho catchment is targeted for increased predator control activities.



FINANCIAL AND RESOURCING IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial or resourcing implications arising from this information report.

IMPLICATIONS ASSESSMENT

This report confirms that the matter concerned has no particular implications and has been dealt with in accordance with the Local Government Act 2002. Specifically:

- Council staff have delegated authority for any decisions made;
- Council staff have identified and assessed all reasonably practicable options for addressing the matter and considered the views and preferences of any interested or affected persons (including Māori), in proportion to the significance of the matter;
- Any decisions made will help meet the current and future needs of communities for good-quality local infrastructure, local public services, and performance of

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regulatory functions in a way that is most cost-effective for households and businesses;

- Unless stated above, any decisions made can be addressed through current funding under the Long-Term Plan and Annual Plan;
 - Any decisions made are consistent with the Council's plans and policies; and
 - No decisions have been made that would alter significantly the intended level of service provision for any significant activity undertaken by or on behalf of the Council, or would transfer the ownership or control of a strategic asset to or from the Council.
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Report Details

Prepared By:	Juliet Johnson (District Planning Lead)
Team:	District Planning Team
Approved by:	Liam Hodgetts (General Manager Strategy)
Ward/Community:	District wide
Date:	4 April 2017
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EMISSIONS DATABASE AND CLIMATE CHANGE PLANNING /MONITORING

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MATTER

The Council is currently participating in the Carbon Disclosure Programme (CDP) which is a climate change emissions and adaptation reporting portal.

The Mayor has been invited by the International Council for Local Environmental Initiatives (ICLEI) to participate in the Compact of Mayors. This initiative establishes a common platform to capture the impact of cities’ collective actions through standardised measurement of emissions and climate risk, and consistent, public reporting of their efforts.

The matter for consideration by the Council is whether the Council goes beyond the information gathering Carbon Disclosure Programme and joins the more formal, aspirational and publically engaging Compact of Mayors.

RECOMMENDATION FOR CONSIDERATION

That having considered all matters raised in the report the Council continues to participate in the Carbon Disclosure Programme as the first step towards participating in the more formal Compact of Mayors.

COMPLIANCE	
Significance	This matter is assessed as being of some importance.
Options	<p>This report identifies and assesses the following reasonably practicable options for addressing the matter:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Council considers participating in the Compact of Mayors once we have more data and a better understanding of the Council’s risks and opportunities. 2. The Council participates in the Compact of Mayors immediately.
Affected persons	The persons who are affected by or interested in this matter are the New Plymouth district community.
Recommendation	This report recommends option one (1) for addressing the matter.
Long-Term Plan / Annual Plan Implications	No

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COMPLIANCE	
Significant Policy and Plan Inconsistencies	No

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Mayor has been invited by the International Council for Local Environmental Initiatives (ICLEI) to participate in the Compact of Mayors. Refer to appendix 1 for more information.

It is recommended that the Council continues to participate in the Carbon Disclosure Programme (CDP) in the short term. This initiative will assist the Council in being well positioned for more work in this area with the community in the future. Data gathering and 'getting our house in order' under CDP is considered a more appropriate and essential first step towards moving towards the Compact of Mayors, which has higher levels of commitment and engagement. Refer to appendix 2 for more information about CDP.

Both initiatives contribute to the Council being a leader in local government, deliver on our Key Directions, implement our Energy Management Policy and meet our Local Government Act obligations in terms of 'sustainable development'. However it must be noted that the Compact of Mayors, as a longer term goal, is more robust and more likely to engage the community. Participating in the Compact of Mayors at this time will require re-prioritisation of existing work programmes or require additional resourcing ahead of the Long Term Plan.

Refer to appendix 3 for a table comparing the two initiatives.

BACKGROUND

In 2010 Mayor Peter Tennent signed up to the Communities for Climate Change Protection programme. This programme was administered by ICLEI and has now evolved into the Compact of Mayors. Around this time the Council was also a member of the Australasian Mayors Council for Climate Protection.

The Council is currently in the process of expanding its database in order to participate in CDP which is used by local governments around the world to gather information about their emissions, risks, opportunities and resilience strategies.

Many participants within the Compact of Mayors use the Carbon Disclosure Programme to manage their database. Therefore the two initiatives complement each other, with CDP feeding into the more comprehensive Compact of Mayors.

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In accordance with the Council's Significance and Engagement Policy, this matter has been assessed as being of some importance because while climate change has the potential to greatly impact the district, progress is already being made to address the potential risks and the Council can increase its commitment of resources in this space at any time.

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OPTIONS

Option 1 The Council considers participating in the Compact of Mayors once we have more data and a better understanding of the Council's risks and opportunities.

Option 2 The Council participates in the Compact of Mayors immediately.

Both options are assessed simultaneously below for ease of comparison.

- a) Financial and Resourcing Implications
There is a fee of \$3000 USD to participate in the Compact of Mayors. It is estimated that the staff time required to participate in the Compact of Mayors would exceed 400 hours in order to comply with the community wide emissions inventory, Hazards Report, Vulnerability Assessment, Climate Action Plan and Adaptation Plan standards. Participating in the Compact of Mayors at this time will require re-prioritisation of existing work programmes or require additional resourcing ahead of the Long Term Plan. The time commitment required in order to successfully participate in the Carbon Disclosure Project is provided for within existing budgets given its smaller scope.
- b) Risk Analysis
The risks of not participating in the Compact of Mayors immediately are:
 - 1) The Council remains at risk of being under prepared for climate change implications given the Compact of Mayors requires a greater degree of resilience planning when compared with the Carbon Disclosure Programme which the Council is currently participating in as the first step.
 - 2) There is potential reputational risk around the perceived lack of Council commitment to this issue should the Council decide not to publically disclose the data gathered through the already under way Carbon Disclosure Programme. However this can be mitigated by full public disclosure of the data gathered through the Carbon Disclosure Programme.

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The risks of participating in the Compact of Mayors immediately:

- 1) An accelerated launch into this space may result in less integrated and therefore less robust outcomes. It is important that a comprehensive database is created to inform decision making and adaptation strategies.
 - 2) Considerable pressure would be applied to Council officers unless additional resources provided ahead of the Long Term Plan. However this can be mitigated through a re-prioritisation of existing work programmes.
- c) **Promotion or Achievement of Community Outcomes**
The Carbon Disclosure Project and the Compact of Mayors will deliver on the three Community Outcomes in similar ways. The Carbon Disclosure Programme, is a first step in the process towards committing to the Compact to Mayors, which will have higher levels of community engagement and more robust outcomes over the longer term.
- d) **Statutory Responsibilities**
Both the Carbon Disclosure Programme and Compact of Mayors will assist the Council in meeting its obligations under section 14(1)(h) of the Local Government Act 2002 relating to "taking a sustainable development approach". Please refer to appendix 4 to view this section.
- e) **Consistency with Policies and Plans**
Both the Carbon Disclosure Programme and Compact of Mayors provide an opportunity for the Council to deliver on the Blueprint Key Directions and deliver on our commitments to reduce our impact on the environment as pledged in documents such as our Long Term Plan, Energy Management Policy, Procurement Manual and Asset Management Plans i.e. walk the talk.
- More discussion around how these initiatives contribute to the Key Directions can be found in appendix 5.
- f) **Participation by Māori**
Participating in the Compact of Mayors will require more community involvement and therefore greater participation from Māori is likely. However the Council has the opportunity to involve Māori in the Carbon Disclosure Programme which the Council is already participating in. The extent of Māori participation in the Carbon Disclosure Programme is yet to be scoped.

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- g) **Community Views and Preferences**
 The persons who are affected by or interested in this matter are the New Plymouth district community. Under the current Carbon Disclosure Programme the Council has the option to engage the community and publicly disclose information.

As the next step, participating in the Compact of Mayors will require public commitments to reduce emissions and address climate change risks. Therefore the Compact of Mayors demands more community involvement than the Carbon Disclosure Programme.

The public disclosure required under the future targeted Compact of Mayors may better provide for the Council to meet the growing community expectations around sustainable cities and climate action. The Colmar Brunton Better Future Report 2016 indicates that 69% of kiwis rate 'sustainable cities and communities' as very important and 64% of kiwis also see 'climate action' as very important. This perspective was reflected locally through the Shaping Our Future Together community conversations in 2014. In response to the question "Where would you like us to be in 20 years" the most common response from the community was "sustainable".

- h) **Advantages and Disadvantages of participating in the Carbon Disclosure Programme in the immediate term and building up to the Compact of Mayors versus participating in the Compact of Mayors immediately.**

	Advantages	Disadvantages
Participating in the Carbon Disclosure Programme (CDP) now and working towards the Compact for Mayors over time	Allows Council to build internal capability and content for our database over time.	Does not engage the community to the same extent as the Compact of Mayors.
	Allows Council to choose whether to engage the community during the process and decide whether to publically disclose information on the CDP website.	Is not as thorough or robust as the Compact of Mayors.
	No fee to participate.	
Participating in the Compact of Mayors immediately	Requires Council to increase capability and develop emissions database rapidly.	Places a considerable unplanned workload on exiting staff unless additional resourcing provided or re-prioritisation of existing work programmes occurs.

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	Advantages	Disadvantages
	Likely to result in greater engagement with community throughout the process and information disclosed on the Compact of Mayor’s website increasing transparency.	Includes a \$3000 USD fee to participate.
	Requires a community wide emissions inventory, Hazards Report, Vulnerability Assessment, Climate Action Plan and Adaptation Plan that meet their standards. These are likely to add robustness to the process and therefore achieve a better result.	

Recommended Option
 This report recommends option 1. The Council considers participating in the Compact of Mayors once we have more data and a better understanding of the Council’s risks and opportunities, for addressing the matter.

APPENDICES

Appendix 1 Compact of Mayors – Further Information

Report Details

Prepared By: Dion Cowley (Senior Infrastructure Planner)
 Team: Infrastructure Planning, Strategy
 Approved By: Liam Hodgetts (Group Manager Strategy)
 Ward/Community: District wide
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The Compact of Mayors is a global coalition of mayors and city officials committing to reduce local greenhouse gas emissions, enhance resilience to climate change and track their progress publicly. It is an agreement by city networks – and then by their members – to fight climate change in a consistent and complimentary manner to national efforts.

- The Compact collects the significant climate action data that cities are already reporting in a consistent, transparent manner and makes that data available in a single place.
- The Compact builds on existing cooperative efforts, partnering with other initiatives to better measure and communicate the impact of city action.
- The Compact represents the greatest opportunity to bring attention to, and quantify, city action, both in the lead-up to Paris and beyond.



Compact of Mayors benefits:

- New and widespread recognition of innovative and impactful city action already underway for years
- Platform to demonstrate commitment to be part of the global solution
- Consistent, standardized and reliable assessment of city impact and progress toward meeting commitments
- Evidence of the greenhouse gas impact of city action
- Increased investor confidence and capital flows into cities
- Mechanism for national governments to recognize and resource local commitments



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BUILDS ON INITIATIVES FOR GREATER IMPACT AND RECOGNITION: The Compact is the broadest coalition to unite cities, networks and other global partners with a common aim—to support more climate action in cities, and share the impact of city action with the international community.

STANDARDIZES MEASUREMENT AND REPORTING: For the first time, the Compact will standardize the way city climate data is reported, establishing a universal approach to data collection. The data can be aggregated to highlight the collective impact of city actions, which will increase global and investor confidence.

MAKES DATA AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC: Cities primarily report their climate data/actions through two major platforms—CDP (www.cdp.net) and carbonn Climate Registry (carbonn.org)—both of which are partners to the Compact. The Compact will make this data centrally and publicly available through the carbonn Climate Registry to highlight commitments and allow for easy searchability.



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HOW TO PARTICIPATE IN THE COMPACT OF MAYORS

Any city or town in the world may commit to the Compact of Mayors—regardless of size or location. A city has up to three years to meet a series of requirements and fully comply, culminating in the creation of a full climate action and adaptation plan, and it will be recognized as each step is met. Many cities have already completed some of the activities and can be compliant in fewer than three years.

To commit to the Compact, a city must:



REGISTER COMMITMENT. A mayor may register on either of the Compact's standard reporting platforms—carbonn Climate Registry or CDP—or email a letter of intent to info@compactofmayors.org. Following its submission, a city will be contacted by the Compact support team.



TAKE INVENTORY. Within one year, a mayor must assess the current impacts of climate change in his/her city. To do so, the city must 1) Build and complete a community-wide GHG inventory with a breakdown of emissions for buildings and transport sectors, using the GPC standard; (2) Identify climate hazards; and (3) Report on both via the CDP or carbonn Climate Registry questionnaires.



CREATE REDUCTION TARGETS AND ESTABLISH A SYSTEM OF MEASUREMENT. Within two years, the registered city must update its GHG inventory to also include a breakdown of emissions from waste sector; set a target to reduce its GHG emissions; conduct a climate change vulnerability assessment consistent with Compact guidance; and report in its chosen platform.



ESTABLISH AN ACTION PLAN. Within three years, a city's strategic action plan must show how it will deliver on its commitment to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and adapt to climate change.



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Appendix 2

Carbon Disclosure Programme (CDP) – Further Information

Benefits of disclosing climate actions to CDP cities

Leadership
Commit to the Compact of Mayors through CDP to showcase your leadership and innovation, using international standards.
GLOBAL COVENANT of MAYORS for CLIMATE & ENERGY
Climate action data reported to CDP is showcased on the UN's Non-State Actor Zone for Climate Action (NAZCA) website.

Use CDP cities as a tool to...
Engage other city departments
Track your city's progress annually
Compile all your environmental data in one place

Access to a global network
Join an ambitious global group who are setting bold commitments to act on climate change.
Over 500 cities, Over 100 states & regions, Over 5,800 companies report to CDP.

Engage with businesses
US\$26 bn the total cost of 720 climate-related projects seeking private sector involvement
64% of cities are collaborating with businesses on climate action
1,000+ economic opportunities identified by cities
299 cities identified opportunities to develop new business industries

Insights and Analysis
Provides you with all public data
Receive an evaluation of your response
Benchmark your performance against peers
Find areas of opportunity

Climate finance
Understand how major investors are engaging with environmental issues.
Connect to **827 private investors** worth more than **\$100 trillion in assets**

Easy to report
Free and voluntary to report
No methodology prescribed
Public or private disclosure

Improve your climate strategy
By reporting to CDP we are able to identify areas where we are need to implement strategies and ensure that adequate plans and actions are developed.
Pietermaritzburg, South Africa

CDP DRIVING SUSTAINABLE ECONOMIES
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Appendix 3

Comparison between Carbon Disclosure Programme and Compact of Mayors

Carbon Disclosure Programme (CDP)	Compact of Mayors
'Helps cities gather and understand the data'.	'Demonstrating commitment through meeting international standards'.
500+ global cities participating.	633 global cities committed.
Wellington, Auckland, Kapiti and Napier participated in 2016 (Hutt City and Palmerston North in process of joining).	Wellington, Auckland, Dunedin committed.
Data reporting portal that can be used internally or disclosed externally and feeds into the Compact of Mayors.	Global carbon disclosure system with public commitments tracked in relation to meeting international climate conventions.
Involves the following steps: 1. Officer(s) attend informational webinars. 2. Annually complete questionnaire requiring the following information: 2.1. Stocktake of internal management systems. 2.2. Stocktake of risk analysis and adaptation planning. 2.3. Identification of opportunities. 2.4. Stocktake of annual emissions across Council operations. 2.5. Stocktake of community emissions (optional). 2.6. Stocktake of strategy around emissions reduction targets and actions. 3. Questionnaire results retained and progress towards targets tracked over time via 'Cities Analytics' reporting portal (confidentially or publically).	Involves the following steps: 1. Mayor registers and makes public commitment to reduce emissions and address climate change risks. 2. Build and complete a community wide emissions inventory and identify climate hazards. 3. Report via CDP or other data platform (within 1 year). 4. Set specific reduction targets and create system of measurement (within 2 years). 5. Produce a Hazards Report and Vulnerability Assessment (within 2 years). 6. Establish an Adaptation Plan and Action Plan to deliver on commitments (within 3 years). 7. Progress towards targets is publically tracked and displayed on Compact of Mayors website.
No fee to participate. Staff time approximately 50 - 150 hours (extent of Council participation and community engagement dictated by the Council).	Fee of \$3000 USD to participate. Staff time of at least 400 hours (requires community wide scope and various assessments and plans that meet their standards).
<i>CDP provides the global platform for cities to measure, manage and disclose their environmental data (we are given a choice as to whether our information is made public).</i>	<i>The Compact establishes a common platform to capture the impact of cities' collective actions through standardized measurement of emissions and climate risk, and consistent, public reporting of their efforts.</i>

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Appendix 4

Relevant section of the Local Government Act 2002

Section 14 Principles relating to local authorities

(1) In performing its role, a local authority must act in accordance with the following principles:

(h) in taking a sustainable development approach, a local authority should take into account —

- (i) the social, economic, and cultural interests of people and communities; and
- (ii) the need to maintain and enhance the quality of the environment; and
- (iii) the reasonably foreseeable needs of future generations.

Item for Recommendation

Appendix 5

How the Carbon Disclosure Programme and Compact of Mayors contribute to the delivery of the Blueprint's Key Directions

	<p>Allows Council to better understand its emission profile across all work streams and its exposure to climate change related risk, placing the Council as a contemporary local government. Increases community and asset resilience and adaptation planning e.g. water supply, sewer overflows and erosion. Brings awareness to potential impacts on Taranaki's indigenous biodiversity.</p>
	<p>The Council has an opportunity to engage with our community in relation to climate change resilience and empower community driven solutions. The Council may also become more relevant to younger generations who tend to place a high value on climate change related matters.</p>
	<p>As New Plymouth grows so too will our emissions footprint. It is likely that the community's expectations on the Council to be active in this space will increase over time. The Colmar Brunton Better Future Report 2016 indicates that 69% of kiwis rate 'sustainable cities and communities' as very important and 64% of kiwis also see 'climate action' as very important.</p>
	<p>Provides a local case study for other local businesses to learn from, potentially resulting in a more informed and competitive local economy.</p>