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**REPORT 5**  
*(1215/12/IM)*

## **DIRECTOR POLICY REPORT BACK**

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### **1. Purpose of Report**

This report provides the Board with information about matters of interest to the Tawa Community, including a recommendation to appoint a Board member as a primary contact to liaise with Friends of Tawa Bush in the development of a walkway to run alongside Porirua Stream.

### **2. Recommendations**

It is recommended that the Board:

- 1. Receive the information.*
- 2. Agree to nominate one Board Member to be the primary liaison with Friends of Tawa Bush in the development of a walkway to run alongside Porirua Stream.*

### **3. Summary**

The monthly report on general matters is attached as Appendix 1.

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## Appendix One

### **Tawa Discretionary Fund**

For the Board's information, the Director confirms that the Tawa Discretionary Fund 06/07 was allocated as follows:

1	Rubbish Bin at Grasslees Rose Garden	\$800
2	Grant for Kereru Sculpture	\$7,400
3	Tawa Community Newsletters & Mail out	\$1,200
4	Notice Board	\$600

The Kereru Sculpture (*see also separate item beneath*) will also receive significant funding from the Public Art Fund and will be completed in 2007/08. With respect to the notice board, we are currently finalizing a concept and will then seek a quote from Sign & Display. Additional budget will be required to be identified and it is hoped that the notice board will be ready in the next few months.

### **Plunket Driveway, Linden**

Following an on-site meeting between Council officers and Plunket a preferred access route into the Plunket site has been identified. This will result in one car park space being lost from the Tawa Bridge Club car park, but this will be offset by gaining the space used by the Plunket vehicle.

Parks and Gardens, as landowners of the Bridge Club land parcel (Lot 1 DP 14719), have approved the work. Several contractors have been approached to provide a cost estimate for the work required. Council's Property Unit has identified some options to fund the work.

Following negotiation with contractors the Property Unit will be able to advise start and completion dates.

### **Porirua Stream Walkway**

The recommendations of this Director's report seek a nomination for a Board member to be a primary contact to work with the Friends of Tawa Bush in the ongoing work on this project.

### **Shopping Mall Lane**

A Board member has enquired about cleaning and graffiti in the walkway from the Main Road (between Lotto and Video Shop) through to Woolworths Car Park (past the Community Constables office). While this lane is actually private property, Council does have responsibility for cleaning the area. Council officers worked with a local church group last month to ensure graffiti was removed, and last week worked again on the lane to ensure the latest tagging was cleaned.

### **The Council's Welcome to Tawa Signs**

While there was a slight delay in the re-installation of the *Welcome to Tawa* signs, they have now been in place since 15 June.

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### **Footpath outside motor mower shop, Tawa**

Council Officers have been and inspected the site. We acknowledge that is marginally below our standard and it will be added to our 07/08 works programme.

### **Bing Lucas Drive Intersection**

Concern was raised at the last meeting about safety at the intersection of Bing Lucas Drive and Takapu Road. Council officers have investigated safety issues at this junction and are satisfied with the current standards. There are no plans for further work on the junction at this stage.

### **Shopping Centre bollards**

Design and manufacture of the bollards has now been completed. The contractors are currently finishing another piece of work before they can install these bollards at the shopping centre. Installation is expected in early August 2007.

### **Kereru Sculpture update**

At their June meeting, the Public Art Panel agreed to grant \$110,000 towards completion of the Kereru sculpture, provided the artist - Kingsley Baird - refines the budget, for example considers resource and building consents, and builds in site preparation costs. The artist will begin work on the details of the budget when he arrives back in the country in August.

As stated above, the Tawa Community Board has also agreed to grant funding from their discretionary fund 2006/07 towards the completion of this sculpture.

### **Resource Consent Update**

18 Pembroke Street (SR 162000). At this stage the consent is for a boundary adjustment to align the boundaries better with the existing easements.

### **Citywide Consents Electronic Newsletter**

This newsletter was circulated to Board members last week and future editions will be forwarded to Board members.

### **Northern Growth Management Framework**

Council has let the contract for Mark Ave. Works should be on site within a month and will take around 12 months to complete.

Council has purchased the land required for Westchester Drive (connecting the Drive to Middleton Road / SH1). We will now seek the necessary consents and undertake detailed design work - this will take approximately 6 months and will be followed by 24 months of earthworks and road building.

Bing Lucas to Woodman Drive is nearing completion with the base course now in. This should therefore be open within the next month.

# Appendix One

## **Police Act Review**

A discussion document entitled "Policing Directions in New Zealand for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century" has been released for public consultation with responses due by 31 July 2007. The intention is that feedback from this discussion document will inform a draft bill to be introduced to Parliament in 2008. Wellington City Council will be preparing a submission on the discussion document.

## **Duncan Street Playground**

Council has now acquired a range of photos and brochures etc showing the play equipment selected by the community. These are to be put in a format that can be loaded onto a web site or news letter and will be circulated to Board members. This will be done by 13 July.

## **The BMX Track**

Council is currently waiting for a time frame from the contractors to make a start on the site. There are mixed thoughts on the need for earthworks consent due to the relative nature of the project and the small changes being made to an existing facility. Either way the project should be starting in the next month or so. (The weather may play a part in this also). This will be a regular item in future Director's reports.