# **STANDING COMMITTEES**

## **THURSDAY 10 OCTOBER 2024**

commencing at 1.30 pm

at the Council Chambers

**1** Rosebank Terrace

**BALCLUTHA** 

## **CLUTHA DISTRICT COUNCIL**

Notice is hereby given that a Meeting of the Regulatory and Community Committee will be held in the Council Chambers, 1 Rosebank Terrace, Balclutha on Thursday 10 October 2024 at 1.30pm.

Steve Hill

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

## **Committee Members**

Councillor Gaynor Finch (Chair)
Councillor Kevin Barron
Councillor Wayne Felts
Councillor John Herbert
Councillor Alison Ludemann
Councillor Brent Mackie
Councillor Dean McCrostie
Councillor Bruce Vollweiler

Mayor Bryan Cadogan Councillor Dane Catherwood Councillor Bruce Graham Councillor Michele Kennedy Councillor Simon McAtamney Councillor Jock Martin Councillor Ken Payne

# REGULATORY & COMMUNITY COMMITTEE 10 October 2024

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His Worship the Mayor – Bryan Cadogan

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No declaration of interest at the time of printing this agenda

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# **Regulatory & Community Committee**

## **Item for DECISION**

**Report** District Plan Review Discussion Document Report

Meeting Date 10 October 2024

Item Number 1

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File Reference 886644

#### REPORT SUMMARY

This report identifies options for the Council and whether to recommence its review of the operative Clutha District Plan. The report canvasses process options, indicative costs and timing, resourcing, and key national direction that is likely to influence the review.

The report identifies three options associated with the review of the District Plan and resourcing over the next 12-18 months. These options are:

- 1. Do nothing; or
- 2. Recommence a rolling review of District Plan; or
- 3. Prepare a full replacement district plan.

The report provides a suggested work programme over the next 12-18 months and identifies that irrespective of any review of existing parts of the District Plan changes to the format and structure are required to be implemented as directed in the National Planning Standards.

The report has been externally written but contains necessary elements to meet the requirements of decision-making within the Local Government Act 2002.

## **RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 1. That the Regulatory and Community Committee receives the 'District Plan Review Discussion Document Report', dated 10 October 2024.
- 2. That the Regulatory and Community Committee confirms one of the following options:
  - a. Do nothing; or
  - b. Recommence a rolling review of the Clutha District Plan; or
  - c. Prepare a full replacement district plan
- 3. That the Regulatory and Community Committee confirms, if option b is adopted, to commence a review of topics as identified in Table 1 in the body of this report.
- 4. That if the Regulatory and Community Committee confirms option c, then that decision be referred to Council because there are budget implications.

Note: that irrespective of any decision made on options a, b, or c that the format and structure of the District Plan will be amended as required by the National Planning Standards.

# Clutha District Plan Review Discussion Document

## **Introduction**

This report identifies options for the Council and whether to recommence its review of the operative Clutha District Plan (**CDP**). The report canvasses process options, indicative costs and timing, resourcing, and key national direction that is likely to influence the review.

The RMA 1991 requires a provision of a district plan to be reviewed no later than ten years. The existing CDP was notified in 1995 and made operative in 1998.

Councils have the option of reviewing and notifying for replacement a district plan incrementally as separate topics, zones or chapters are reviewed and then a revised version is notified for submissions. This is often referred to as a rolling review.

Another option is to notify a full proposed district plan at once, referred to as a proposed district plan. While distinguished in the RMA, the process steps are more or less the same.

Doing nothing is also an option and is discussed in this report. A reason for doing nothing is due to the uncertainty of Government replacing the RMA.

The most recent plan change to the CDP comprised a series of plan changes that were notified in 2017 and completed in 2020/2021, and were on urban zoning around the main centres and an industrial land rezoning at Milton. No plan changes have been initiated since that time.

Moreover, since the District Plan was made operative in 1998, there have been substantial changes in national and regional direction which the District Plan is required to give effect to. A more fulsome review of the strategic aspirations of the District Plan is due, alongside National direction on standardising the format and structure of the District Plan.

There are also projects commenced by the Council as far back as 2015 such as the identification of outstanding natural features and landscapes and outstanding natural character in the coastal environment which have been completed but require additional tasks such as digitising the landscape boundaries and completion of planning tasks to be included in the District Plan.

## **Summary and Recommendations**

It is recommended that a rolling review process is used. A rolling review is considered the most appropriate option for the Council to manage resourcing (including both internal resourcing and external costs), and to navigate around topics which are subject to considerable uncertainty as a result of changes to National direction in the form of new or amended national environmental standards or national policy statements, the resolution of appeals on the proposed Otago Regional Policy Statement 2021, and also any potential duplication of rules through the pending notification of the Otago Regional Council Land and Water Plan (which will replace the existing Regional Plan Water).

A rolling review also enables the Council to efficiently implement the mandatory National direction requirements to implement the National Planning Standards which are required to have been completed already. The National Planning Standards were introduced in 2019 and require (within this year) that

district plans are amended to a consistent format and structure. These changes are able to be made without the need for submissions and hearings usually required for changes to district plans.

The alternative to a rolling review is preparing a full replacement proposed district plan. Notifying a proposed district plan has advantages in terms of providing the entire plan for consideration and submissions, reduces the potential for oversights in the integration of the plan and can reduce the overall timing of the project. However, the costs are that a significant amount of resourcing is required in the short term to prepare the full replacement district plan for notification, and a significant amount of resourcing is required to prepare and hold hearings on submissions.

The option of doing nothing is not recommended. The District Plan has sections that are out of date and do not manage the District's resources in the most appropriate way. While the Government has recently announced that it will repeal the RMA, any changes will still be likely to take some yeas to implement after the replacement acts are introduced. This is because any changes to local district plans, despite how quickly the legislation is changed, will still take time to implement.

It is recommended that the Council:

- 1. Recommence its rolling review of the District Plan; and
- 2. Prioritise amending the format and structure of the District Plan as required by the National Planning Standards; and
- 3. Prioritise completing existing projects which are already for the most part completed, being the Outstanding Natural Landscapes review (2015); and
- 4. Prioritise the review of topics as identified in **Table 1** in the body of this report.

As part of the review programme, the Council may choose to initiate a workshop programme with elected officials and establish a consultation or collaborative process with community groups or interested sectors. A public consultation strategy is recommended to be prepared and undertaken, but the nature of this will depend on the significance of each topic.

#### **Reviewing the District Plan**

It is a requirement of the RMA for a provision of a Plan to be reviewed every ten years. As noted in the Introduction to this report, the existing CDP was notified in 1995 and made operative in 1998. It is now over 25 years old and overdue for review and renewal. There have been a considerable number of plan changes however, the overall district wide resource text and introductory provisions do not appear to have changed and contain outdated references, including references to demographic information which was relevant in the mid 1990s and that a project on completing mapping of Outstanding Natural Features was intended to be completed in 1997.

The review is an opportunity to influence how the Council controls land use and subdivision in the District and to respond to the community's aspirations for how the District's resources are managed, and how these aspirations may have changed since 1995-1998 to what is relevant today and into the future.

The review will also ensure the District Plan gives effect to national and regional direction which has evolved since the time it was made operative. A review of the District Plan can address strategic growth and resource management aspirations for the District and also refresh finer grained operational parts of the District Plan such as the schedule of heritage items and trees.

When reviewing a district plan the requirement to give effect to statutory direction, consultation and proper statutory process steps need to be observed while undertaking the programme of work within the available budget and timing.

#### **Consultation**

Statutory consultation requirements are set out in the RMA, and an important component is engagement with iwi on all aspects, as well as the preparation of the District Plan Tangata Whenua provisions, and any cultural overlays or special zones.

The Otago Regional Council would also be likely to engage with the Council on certain topics, in particular natural hazards and input into natural hazard provisions. The ORC should be already doing this now in terms of the proposed Land and Water Plan which is may notify this year.

How the Council chooses to go about consultation with the wider community is at its discretion, as guided by section 82 of the Local Government Act, and as directed by elected officials.

A consultation / community engagement plan would likely be required to be prepared as part of any substantive review, with endorsement from elected officials.

## <u>Do nothing, Rolling Review or a Proposed District Plan</u> *Do nothing*

There is the option of not reviewing any parts of the Plan. The key reason for doing this would most likely be due to the uncertainty from Government associated with reforms of the RMA 1991. The Government has recently announced<sup>1</sup> that it will replace the RMA 1991 with two new separate acts, one focused on urban development and infrastructure, the other focusing on environmental protection and managing the environmental effects that flow from the activities natural resources are used for.

The indication on timing from the Government is that the legislation will be introduced to Parliament in 2025 and passed into law by mid-2026.

There are likely to be transitional savings/provisions<sup>2</sup> to the new legislation, and the earliest changes would occur in some time away, and there is no indication that local authority district plans would be repealed. What is signalled are that more National Environmental Standards and better alignment and use of National Policy Statements would be used. These standards override local authority plans and provide a set of standardised rules (such as the NES for commercial forestry, and contaminated land).

While there is uncertainty in relation to the status of the Proposed Otago Regional Policy Statement 2021 being subject to Environment Court appeals, there is an operative Regional Policy Statement 2019, and many of the parts of the District Plan which would benefit from review, and are well overdue, do not depend on the outcome of appeals.

Doing nothing also results in an out of date and unhelpful District Plan for the Council to administer where sections that have not been reviewed can result in unnecessary requirements for resource consents, and uncertainty associated with items which are not up to date, such as the register of heritage buildings and protected trees being out of date.

If a do nothing approach is taken, the District Plan would still need to be updated to comply with the directions in the National Planning Standards to update the format and structure of the District Plan.

## Rolling / Staged Review

With rolling reviews, benefits are that this represents the opportunity for Council to work within budgeting resources available to it. It breaks down a potentially large project into a series of more achievable goals and allows the issues that may be considered as priorities to be advanced ahead of other work that would otherwise be necessary to be completed.

There is also the advantage of selectively deferring topics where there is significant uncertainty in terms of the national or regional direction in relation to those topics. Examples subject to uncertainty at present include:

 Commercial forestry which is subject to further changes from the Government to the National Environmental Standard to ensure the rules are standardised and that District Plans are not able to be more stringent than the National Environmental Standard.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> RMA Reform Phase Three fact sheet.pdf (beehive.govt.nz)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> For instance the former replacement legislation the Natural and Built Environment Act allowed for approximately 8 years for regional councils to prepare joint district plans, which would have replaced the Clutha District Plan.

- National Policy Statement Highly Productive Land, where the Government has signalled that it will remove 'Class 3' as deemed to be highly productive.
- Appeals on the Otago Regional Policy Statement 2021, where the changes sought by appellants are a substantial departure from the operative Regional Policy Statement and the current proposed Regional Policy Statement.
- The Government have identified that a National Policy Statement and National Environmental Standards (regulations) relating to natural hazards will be introduced by mid 2025. Therefore, there is potentially limited benefit in promulgating a natural hazards chapter.

Deferring topics where there is significant uncertainty reduces costs to the Council associated with being required to amend its position in relation to how to most appropriately manage those resources, and even whether the topic is viable as a matter for inclusion in the District Plan.

Negative aspects of a rolling review are that there is a risk that the district plan is not looked at as a whole, and the overall strategic direction of the district plan and the interrelationship between the various parts of the district plan are not as integrated as they could be. However, these issues can be avoided with considered management or topics. In addition, a long-winded process has the potential for criticism from the community and submitters becoming disengaged with consultation fatigue and being obliged to engage in the process on multiple occasions.

A rolling review also requires the community, in particular groups with an active interest such as infrastructure operators, community and advocacy groups and iwi to engage on issues multiple times. In the long run, a rolling review may result in an overly long and drawn-out process, greater costs for Council in the longer term, criticism from submitters that an ad-hoc approach has been taken and a need to undertake variations to topics that have previously been reviewed.

There is also the practical issue that if the plan is reviewed and notified in tranches, when the hearings start for those topics, it pulls resources away from working on the review of other parts of the district plan, potentially lengthening the overall review process.

These issues can also be alleviated through careful management and scheduling of the work programme. These issues can also be alleviated through engagement with interest groups early on in the process to understand what topics are of particular interest to them, and to obtain a common understand of the relationship between different parts of the plan where they are not notified simultaneously. This could assist with the work programme and prioritising topics and reduce negative impacts of a rolling review.

### **Proposed District Plan**

The other option is reviewing the entire district plan and notifying for submissions a replacement district plan all at once. This requires a larger amount of work up front which means greater resourcing but also means that parties need only be engaged once and the entire district plan can be put to the community for feedback via formal submissions as a cohesive document.

This approach has greater costs initially, but will ultimately be likely to result in a more efficient hearings process, reduces consultation fatigue by the community, and results in less time elapsed between notification and decisions on submissions.

Rough order costs are that the preparation, notification and hearing on submissions of a proposed district plan for the Clutha District could be in the order of a minimum of \$900,000 to \$1.3M over a 2.5 to 3-year timeframe, broken down as follows:

- Pre notification technical work: \$450,000 and 12-18 months
- Hearings and issue of decisions on submissions: \$500,000 and 12 months

## **Preferred Option**

Doing nothing is not recommended for the reasons set out above.

A rolling review is preferred over a proposed district plan (full replacement at once) for the following reasons:

- Priority topics can be commenced immediately and notified for submission without waiting for the entire replacement plan to be prepared;
- The review can be accommodated within available resourcing, including the cost of holding hearings and internal resourcing for administrative support;
- Topics subject to significant uncertainty from National or Regional direction can be placed as a lower priority until those aspects are settled.

The costs / risks such as duplicity and inefficiency of processes can be alleviated through careful management.

## **Rolling Review: Topic Approach/Prioritisation**

The following table identifies the first tranche of topics recommended for review, with a summary of the reasons, costs and benefits and indicative costs.

These topics are able to completed for notification this financial year, with the hearings and work on subsequent topics commencing in the next financial year.

The District Plan review budget available is \$63K-\$75K per annum over 10 years, without any increase to rates.

The first tranche of topics are likely to be take up all available resourcing for this financial year. The costs and benefits refer to key uncertainties which are also mentioned above, national and regional direction, and a summary of these matters are provided in **Appendix A**.

**Appendix B** provides breakdown of the CDP in sequential order and a very brief summary of the tasks required to review the chapter/topic.

Table 1. Recommended Topics for Review in 2024-2025.

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<u>Topic</u>	Reasons for reviewing, Benefits, Costs, timing	Indicative Financial Cost
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Strategic Direction and urban form and development chapter	Reasons The National Planning Standards require a Strategic Direction Heading, and while the content is discretionary, the exceptions is that an 'Urban Form and Development' Chapter is a mandatory requirement, noting that existing District Plan Section 2.3 Urban Environment provisions may be included as a starting point under Topic 1. It would be practical and logical to review and evaluate whether it is appropriate to prepare and notify a strategic directions chapter that includes objectives, policies or other provisions; whether a strategic directions chapter is the most appropriate (with the exception of the urban form and development chapter which is mandatory); or if it is appropriate to have a Strategic Directions Chapter, the whether any objectives or policies are prepared alongside the more detailed district wide chapters. Preparation of a new 'strategic directions' chapter will be expected to include working in with Councillors and opportunities for informal consultation to inform any new strategic direction provisions.  Benefits Identification of strategic provisions is appropriate to set the scene for the district wide and area specific provisions.  Costs Preparing strategic directions objectives and policies in isolation from the more detailed district wide or	\$5000 initial review and recommendations.
	zone chapter may not be appropriate. Further evaluation is required through the review process prior to making any further recommendations.  Financial costs associated the review and research, however these costs are budgeted for.	
Outstanding Natural Landscapes mapping. Outstanding Natural Features mapping. Identification of areas of high natural character in the coastal environment.	Reasons The project was initiated and is substantially completed. The reports and draft mapping has been on the Council's website since 2015 LINK Further work is required from the key author to ensure it is up to date in terms of current best practice. A peer review by a landscape specialist is recommended prior to notification. The District Plan contains references to completing the inclusion Outstanding Natural Landscapes in the District Plan by the end of 1997. This has not occurred to date is delivering this project is well overdue.	\$35,000 - \$50,000 to notify Comprising: Completion of landscape findings into schedules, digitising landscape boundaries. Landscape peer review. Planning evaluation report as required

<u>Topic</u>	Reasons for reviewing, Benefits, Costs, timing	Indicative Financial Cost
	The management of ONF/ONL and areas of high coastal natural character and ONF/ONL in the coastal environment are matters of national importance and require appropriate management.  The landscape boundaries would be identified on the Plan Maps, and schedules of these areas added to the District Plan (as directed by the Operative and proposed Regional Policy Statements and best practice). However, the introduction of the mapping and schedules could be undertaken without any amendments to existing rules.  Planning work is required to prepare the evaluation report, and to determine the extent of changes to any existing provisions of the District Plan, such as objectives, policies or rules in the Rural Resource Area and Coastal Resource Area, and whether there should be further amendments to rules as a consequence of the new mapping overlays.  Consultation with iwi, Department of Conservation (particularly for any coastal mapping) and interested groups, and landowners would be required.  The new schedules would replace the parts of the operative District Plan section 3.5 Heritage which relate to ONF and ONLs, including Tables 13.3A  Potentially Outstanding Natural Landscapes and Table 13.3B Outstanding Natural Features.	by Section 32 of the RMA. Review of provisions in the District Plan relating to landscapes. Consultation. \$50,000 indicative hearing cost (this could be undertaken in the following financial year)
	Benefits Completes a gap in the District Plan associated with managing resources in the District which are of national importance. Finishes a significant body of work already substantially completed and costs spent. Gives effect to a matter of national importance.  Costs Financial costs to complete the works, however the costs can be undertaken within existing budgets over the next two financial years. The topic may attract a relatively large number of submissions which require hearings.	
Tangata Whenua/Manawhe nua Chapter	Reasons Engagement with iwi is essential as part of the review of the District Plan, both in general terms and for topics which are of particular interest to iwi such as the review of the existing Manawhenua provisions in the District Plan, and whether new provisions such as cultural overlays (such as sites of significance to Manawhenua) or specific development areas on Maori Land are relevant.	To be discussed with iwi representative agencies and agreed by the Council as part of the work programme.

<u>Topic</u>	Reasons for reviewing, Benefits, Costs, timing	Indicative Financial Cost
	Benefits Engagement with Manawhenua is an essential component of the District Plan review.  Costs Financial costs would be worked into the budget available. Any costs associated with planning provisions, such as the regulatory impact of the introduction of sites of significance to Manawhenua would be worked through as part of the evaluation process at that time.	

# **Appendix A**

# **Summary of National and Regional Direction**

## **Key Uncertainties affecting the CDP review**

Ideally, the review and replacement of a district plan is undertaken in a vacuum where higher order documents are static. Changes to these documents during the preparation of a district plan move the goal posts for what the district plan is required to give effect to.

Until December last year, a new resource management framework was set to be phased in to replace the RMA. With the change in Government, the resource management framework is now reverting to the RMA for the time being, with Government identifying recently that it will replace the RMA in 2026.

There is a level of uncertainty concerning the future of the RMA with the current Government signalling that the RMA will be repealed with limited detail on what this means specifically for reviewing district plan topics. However, the Government are at the moment seemingly more focussed on fast track processes for projects and resource consent pathways such as the Fast Track bespoke legislation.

## **National Direction**

The potential priorities identified in terms of national direction and the CDP are summarised as follows: **National Planning Standards** 

The RMA requires district plans to adhere to a National Planning Standard. The first set of standards came into force in May 2019 and provide a consistent structure and form for district plans (e.g., chapter headings, arrangement of chapters and existing provisions, zone names, spatial layers, planning map colour palette and symbology) and definitions of commonly referenced terms.

The National Planning Standards enable changes to the District Plan without using the traditional process of inviting submissions and hearings on submissions. Therefore, the District Plan can be updated into this format relatively quickly and efficiently.

The new standards do not determine local policy matters or the substantive content of plans, except that a standardised set of definitions must be used.

The Clutha District Plan was required to be updated to comply with the National Planning Standard format by May 2024, the definitions by 2026 and an online interactive district plan (eplan) by 2029.

A priority will be updating the District Plan into the required format and structure.

#### New Zealand Coastal Policy Statement 2010 (NZCPS)

The existing provisions of the CDP refers to the NZCPS and any review and revised chapter could be similar in direction to what currently exists in the CDP, taking into account monitoring of the Coastal Resource Area Zone's effectiveness.

## **National Policy Statement Highly Productive Land 2022 (NPSHPL)**

The NPSHPL requires the Otago Regional Council to amend its Regional Policy Statement to map land which is highly productive land. Following this, all district plans must do the same. Until this is completed, the NPSHPL identifies that certain land (referred to as LUC 1, 2 or 3) is deemed to be highly productive land. The Clutha District contains some large areas of LUC 1 and 2 land.

The ORC have not yet initiated a variation to the proposed Regional Policy Statement 2021 to give effect to the NPSHPL. In addition, the current Government have indicated that it will remove Class 3 land as 'high productive land' from the NPSHPL<sup>3</sup>.

While further evaluation would be required, it is considered that the review and preparation of the Rural Zones in the CDP would not need to be substantially altered because of the NPSHPL, or for the Clutha

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Going for Housing Growth.pdf (nationbuilder.com). at [5].

District Council to undertake mapping of highly productive land. This is the role of the Otago Regional Council and will be lead through changes to the Regional Policy Statement.

#### National Policy Statement Renewable Electricity Transmission 2011 (NPSREG)

This NPS is considered to be given effect through the existing CDP Energy Chapter, it is noted that the NPSREG is proposed to be amended with consultation closing in June 2023. The revised NPSREG has not yet been published.

#### National Policy Statement Indigenous Biodiversity 2023 (NPSIB)

The NPSIB included a requirement for local authorities to identify and include 'significant natural areas' in its district plans, and also includes a framework that these areas are identified through the resource consent process.

The Government has recently announced that it will suspend the requirement for Council's to comply with the significant natural area provisions for three years.

Notwithstanding this, submitters may request that SNAs are identified through the plan review process, relying on the existing provisions in the RMA to protect areas with high indigenous vegetation values. However, the changes appear that the Council will not need to undertake this work as part of the review and notification of the district plan. The existing indigenous vegetation rules in the district plan would need to be revised.

### **National Environmental Standards and Forestry**

National Environmental Standards provide a standardised set of regulations for specified topics which are intended to generally prevail over any rules in a district plan. There are several National Environmental Standards and include telecommunications, electricity transmission contaminated land.

The most relevant NES to the Clutha District appears to be the NES for Commercial Forestry and the issue affecting the Clutha District of large scale conversion of pastoral farming land for forestry. An update on potential amendments to forestry are in a separate report.

## **Regional Direction**

The Otago Regional Policy Statement (**RPS**) 2019 has been made operative however, a replacement RPS was notified in 2021, with decisions on submissions released earlier this year. Appeals have been made to that document and subject to the outcome of those appeals, can influence the direction the CDP will be required to take.

A district plan is required to 'give effect' to the RPS, so an RPS in a state of flux does not assist with the efficient review of the Clutha District Plan and ensuring that new provisions of the District Plan give effect to the RPS. However, the direction of travel can be ascertained from the decision and understanding of appeals and the district plan can be prepared without a fully operative regional policy statement, both in a technical sense and from a practical perspective.

Despite the appeals to the 2021 RPS, for a district plan to give effect to an RPS, it does not need to mimic that document word for word, and there is sufficient guidance available in terms of what changes the appeals seek, and the relative differences between the RPS 2019 to provide reasonable certainty with the review of most topics.

## **Appendix B**

# Summary of the Clutha District Plan and inputs required for a review

The following summarises each component of the CDP and the extent that it would need to be modified to give effect to national direction, and the aspects raised above. Included in this is whether there are incomplete projects which require completion.

## Section 1 Statutory Background and Section 2 Resources of the District

- These sections would be reviewed and relevant parts able to be used in the Introduction and General Provisions section under the National Planning Standard for District Plan Structure.
- o Input would be planning.

#### Section 3 General Section

## Section 3.1 Resource consent applications

 This section would be reviewed and if relevant included in the Introduction and General Provisions section.

## Section 3.2 Manawhenua

- The review and development of this chapter would be required to be undertaken closely with Manawhenua, and also with the potential for development of sites of significance to Māori to be identified, and a special purpose Māori Zone to provide for activities on Māori land.
- Manawhenua may seek their resources or costs associated with work on the review to be recovered.
- If the District has more than one Runanga exercising manawhenua, it may be more
  efficient if the role of engagement and working on the text with the Council is
  delegated to one iwi representative.
- o Inputs would be planning, potentially with cultural expertise and iwi.

#### Section 3.3 Transportation

- The Transportation chapter is out of date and needs to reflect the current New Zealand code of practice and access related standards. The Chapter can be simplified.
- Inputs would be planning and review from a traffic engineer and internal engineering/roading to ensure the standards reflect current practice.

## Section 3.4 Energy

- The Energy Chapter, provides a complete code for the establishment of renewable energy and resembles closely (despite its age) the Otago Regional Policy Statement 2021 and the intentions of the proposed revised NPS Renewable Energy Generation. The chapter in its current form would likely find favour with infrastructure operators. It is not likely to require substantial changes as part of its review.
- Inputs are limited to planning, with consultation from infrastructure and energy operators recommended.

#### Section 3.5 Heritage

- The heritage chapter deals with three types of heritage; natural, built and cultural.
   The National Planning Standards would require the allocation of these topics into separate sections.
- Outstanding Natural Features and Outstanding Natural Landscapes
  - These areas are identified as potential areas in the District Plan, and are not well defined, nor considered very useful from a statutory perspective. The RPS requires that these areas are identified and scheduled. The Council has

- previously commissioned Landscape Architect Mike Moore to identify the outstanding landscapes of the District. This body of work can be completed as part of the review process.
- Inputs are planning, landscape, geological and potentially iwi input into the schedules. GIS Mapping support would be required.
- o Registered Heritage Buildings and Archaeological Sites
  - The provisions would need to be reviewed and an audit undertaken of the existing schedule of heritage buildings. Consideration of any buildings nominated to be included. Consultation would be required with Heritage New Zealand.
  - Inputs are planning, heritage specialist and GIS Mapping
- Registered Protected Trees
  - The provisions would need to be reviewed and an audit undertaken of the existing schedule and consideration of any trees nominated to be included in the district plan as protected.
  - Inputs are planning, arborist and GIS Mapping
- o Areas of Significant indigenous Vegetation
  - There are no schedules in the CDP, however Method HER.4 refers to a study to be completed in 1996 to identify SNA areas. The NPSIB has been identified by the Government as being amended so that Council's need not identify SNAs for three years.
  - The rules for indigenous vegetation clearance will need to be reviewed and revised to give effect to the RPS and NPSIB
  - Inputs are planning and technical support from an ecologist. it is unlikely that field work or a programme to identify additional SNAs is required.
- o Areas of Significant Habitat of Indigenous Fauna
  - The existing schedule would need to be audited and retained, noting that no new SNAs are required to be undertaken under the NPSIB for 3 years.
- Significant Wetlands
  - While a review is required, these areas may not need to be included because the Otago Regional Plan has a schedule of significantly wetlands.
  - Inputs are limited to planning, subject to whether these are retained.
  - Waahi Tapu and Waahi Taoka and Mahika Kai
  - Subject to consultation with iwi, these features may be incorporated into the sites of significance to Māori.

# • Sections 3.6 Water, 3.7 Subdivision, 3.10 Waste, 3.11 Other Environmental Issues 3.12 Signs, 3.14 Infrastructure

- These sections would require review and integration with the Planning Standards.
- o Input likely limited to planning, targeted consultation for infrastructure.

## • Section 3.8 Financial and Reserve Requirements

- Review and consideration of the retention of financial contributions or change to a development contribution system under the Local Government Act.
- o Inputs, planning internal Council financial and potentially legal.

#### Section 3.9 Natural Hazards

- o Review with inputs from planning and also Otago Regional Council
- Assume retention of existing hazards as mapped in the CDP
- Potential for Otago Regional Council input in the form of new hazard areas if these are supported by technical information/reporting.
- o Inputs planning and potentially specialist knowledge in hazards.
- The need for a Natural Hazards chapter and rules may be replaced a new National Environmental Standard and National Policy Statement.

Section 3.13 Noise

Inputs from planning and advice from acoustic specialist to ensure provisions are current with best practice and standardised assessment methods.

#### **Section 4 Resource Areas**

#### **Section 4.1 Rural Resource Area**

- Review and consideration of the existing framework is appropriate.
- The Rural Resource Area is the key zone that would justify a monitoring report to help inform a review of matters such as:
- Retain status quo for minimum subdivision lot size and residential activity rules
- Forestry issues
- Whether to retain flexible approach for consenting of industrial activity
- Whether to retain flexible approach for rural lifestyle development
- Identification of rural lifestyle zones?
- Inputs are planning, economic assistance with forestry issues

#### **Section 4.2 Coastal Resource Area**

- Review of zone provisions in light of effectiveness at giving effect to the NZ Coastal **Policy Statement**
- Planning, landscape and natural character issues identified as part of the landscape and natural heritage topic
- Review spatial extent of the zone and extent of the zone in light of the findings of the Landscapes Study completed in 2015 and the relationship of this zone to those findings.
- Inputs are planning

#### **Section 4.3 Urban Resource Area**

- Review of the zone and review whether there ought to be commercial zones and local shopping zones as provided for in the National Planning Standards
- Identification of new urban zoned land (noting that a spatial plan is not likely to be undertaken)
- Research growth and population projections with available information

#### **Section 4.4 Industrial Resource Area**

- Review zone
- Inputs planning

## **Section 4.5 Transitional Resource Area**

- Review retention of the zone and whether servicing constraints to these areas have been rectified.
- Consider the utility of the zone.
- Consider alternative methods.
- o Inputs planning.

## **Section 4.6 Rural Settlements Resource Area**

- Review zone
- Inputs planning

#### **Section 5 Definitions**

- Review and update to be consistent with National Planning Standards
- Inputs planning

#### **Section 6 Schedules**

- Update as informed by preceding chapters
- Designations
- o Invite requiring authorities to give notice of their intentions to roll over designations
- Audit of existing designations
- Inputs planning and Council as requiring authority

#### Mapping

GIS Mapping input to update district plan maps as required by the National Planning Standards

Topic based matters such as earthworks, temporary activities, lighting and public access would if included would be required to be included as separate chapters, as required by the National Planning Standard format.

Craig Barr

**Consultant Planner** 

27 September 2024

# **Regulatory & Community Committee**

## **Item for INFORMATION**

**Report** Planning Update Report

Meeting Date 10 October 2024

Item Number 2

Prepared By Olivia Restieaux – Manager Planning

File Reference 915493

## **REPORT SUMMARY**

This report provides updates in the Planning area on various matters of interest to the Committee not dealt with elsewhere in this agenda and provides up-to-date stats for the Customer Service Reporting (CSR) for Planning & Compliance activities.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

1. That the Regulatory and Community Committee receives the 'Planning Update Report', dated 30 September 2024.

## **REPORT**

## 1. Key Planning Matters

## **District Plan Review**

Investigations have been undertaken to identify three options for a District Plan review for Council; this is a separate item for decision. The Planning Team's consultant Craig Barr, who previously undertook the NES- Commercial Forestry work has led on drafting the report.

## **NES – Commercial Forestry**

Council officers have been researching a potential plan change to the District Plan the introduction of rules and other provisions to manage the social and economic effects of large-scale forestry conversions. The last report to Council was in November 2023. A summary of previous work undertaken on commercial forestry and update on the Government's further potential reforms to National Environmental Standards is attached to this report.

## **Catlins Integrated Catchment Group**

The Otago Regional Council led, Catlins Integrated Catchment Group (CICG) is finalising the draft of the Catlins Catchment Action Plan. This Plan is for the management and conservation of an entire catchment and builds on the work that communities and local government are already doing to protect and manage their place and serves as a focus for new actions and projects. The Plan is not prescribed by regulation, nor makes any rules. The Planning Manager has been attending the CICG meetings, inputting into the Plan, and will advise Council once the Plan is formalised and able to be shared.

## 2. Legislation

The Planning Team continues to monitor legislative changes as they are released by Central Government, particularly regarding RMA reforms. The Planning Manager also attends a monthly meeting with other Otago councils to discuss legislation changes.

## 3. Planning Team

- The Planning Team have submitted their Clutha Stars documentation and are awaiting Bronze Star Certification.
- The Planning Team have been undertaking various continuous improvement projects – currently we are working on preparing a Compliance Strategy for RMA matters including noise.
- The Planning Team continues to meet 100% of its statutory timeframes for resource consent processing.

## 4. Planning/Resource Consents Data

Consent activity since the last Regulatory and Policy Committee to 30 September 2024 has involved the following:

Resource consents received from the 15/08/2024 to 30/09/2024 below:

- Land Use Consents 3
- Subdivision Consents 6
- Combined Land Use/Subdivision 1
- Other (87BB, Right of Way, Cert of compliance) 2
- s226s (title separation) 0
- Outline Plan Waivers 0

## 5. Service Requests Completed from last meeting to 15 August 2024

Service Request Type	Number of Service requests	KPI completed within timeframe Percentage
Planning Enquiries	38	100%
Fire Hazards	0	-
After Hours (Noise Control)	3	100%
General (Noise Control)	6	100%
Other	0	-

## 6. Resource Consents – YTD 24/25

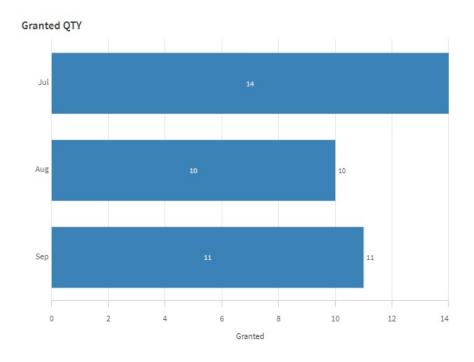
## **New Active Resource Consent Applications:**

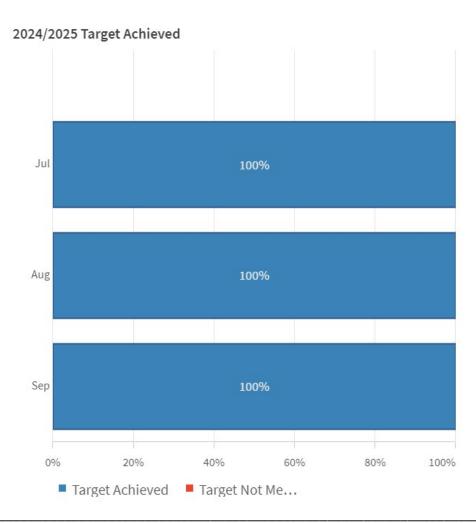
RM ID	Туре	Details
2893*01	SUBDIVISION	To undertake a boundary adjustment and vary conditions for RM3993 at Coombe Hay Land, in the Coastal Resource Area
3107*	COMBINED	To undertake a two staged 5-lot subdivision at 265 and 299 Akatore Road in the Rural and Coastal Resource Area
3112*	SUBDIVISION	To undertake a 2-lot subdivision at 7 Koromiko Street, Kaka Point in the Urban Resource Area
3116*	SUBDIVISION	To undertake a 5-lot subdivision which will result in 3 rural allotments and 2 lots vested as road at 207 Circle Hill Road in the Rural Resource Area
3117*	OTHER	Section 139 Certificate of Compliance for Exotic afforestation at Waipori Station
3118*	OTHER	Section 139 Certificate of Compliance for Exotic afforestation at Thornicroft Station
3119*	SUBDIVISION	To undertake a 2-lot subdivision at 2 Ayr Street, in the Urban Resource Area
3120*	SUBDIVISION	To undertake a 3-lot subdivision at 14 Tsukigawa Terrace in the Transitional and Urban Resource Area

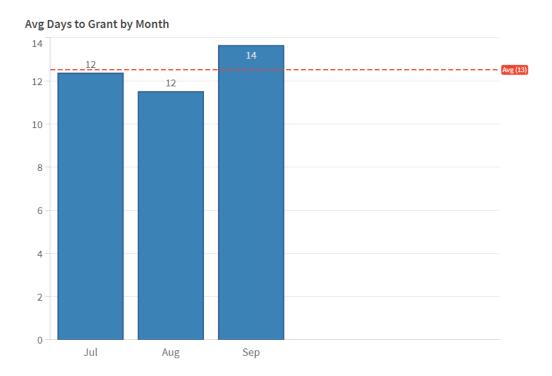
## **Granted Consents Since last meeting:**

RC ID	RC Type	RC Details
2279*01	LAND USE	To increase the site of the building platform
2698*01	SUBDIVISION	Application under S125 for an extension of time of RM2698
3047*01	SUBDIVISION	Section 127 Variation of consent condition for RM3047 subdivision at 495 Cockleshell Road in the Rural Resource Area
3086*	COMBINED	Consent to undertake a 3-lot subdivision with a new house on each site in the Urban Resource Area
3088*	COMBINED	To undertake a 6-lot subdivision and establish building platforms on these lots in the Rural Resource Area
3096*	SUBDIVISION	To undertake a 2-lot subdivision in the Urban Resource Area
3097*	SUBDIVISION	To undertake a 4-lot subdivision in the Transitional Resource Area of Waihola
3103*	SUBDIVISION	Boundary adjustment consent to shift the legal boundaries between Record of Titles OT73/264 & OT1D/786 at 8-10 Station Road in the Urban Resource Area
3106*	LAND USE	Resource consent to store hazardous material at 198 Clyde Street in the Urban Resource Area
3108*	SUBDIVISION	Undertake a 5 lots subdivision and amalgamation in the Rural Resource Area
3109*	OTHER	Cancellation of amalgamation condition at 91 Finch Road, Lot 1 DP 596255 and Sections 31-32 Block IV Tokomairiro SD in the Rural Resource Area
3111*	LAND USE	To build visitor accommodation for 2 guests in the Rural Resource Area at 1296 Coast Road, Toko Mouth
3114*	SUBDIVISION	To undertake a boundary adjustment at 5 and 7 Stirling Road, Balclutha in the Rural Resource Area

All resource consents for the 24/25 period have been within statutory timeframes.







## 7. Clutha District Plan - Commercial Forestry

## **Introduction**

National Environmental Standards (**NES**) provide a standardised set of regulations for specified topics which are intended to generally prevail over any rules in a district plan. There are several National Environmental Standards and include telecommunications, electricity transmission and contaminated land.

An NES relevant to the Clutha District is the NES for Commercial Forestry and the issue affecting the Clutha District of large-scale conversion of pastoral farming land for forestry.

Council officers have previously prepared reports on the status of Forestry to the Clutha District Plan, in January 2023 on:

- 1) The statutory framework for afforestation (new forestry and/or carbon plantation) activities;
- 2) The actual and potential changes to the statutory framework including to the NES-Plantation Forestry and Resource Management Act 1991 and how this might affect afforestation activities; and,
- 3) Potential options (if any) are available to Council to consider and potentially implement change that enable more local regulatory controls and/or restrictions over where afforestation activities might be established.

Outputs of this meeting were that Council made a submission to the Ministry for Primary Industries on potential amendments to the NES.

The National Environmental Standards for Plantation Forestry were amended in November 2023 so that a district plan rule is able to be more strict or lenient than the NES. Previously, only in the case of identified unique or sensitive environments were there able to be rules in district plans which were more strict or lenient<sup>1</sup>. Other changes to the NES are that it also applies to deliberately established 'continuous cover' (carbon forests) as well as plantation forest (intended to be harvested).

As part of the change to manage continuous cover forests, the NES was renamed to the NES-Commercial Forestry (**NES-CF**).

The changes to the NES in November 2023, reaffirmed that the Council could apply its rules in the District Plan to commercial forestry (both plantation forestry and continuous cover). Councillors confirmed in a meeting in November 2023 that the matter is still relevant and the work programme continue to be advanced.

In early 2024 Council staff undertook enquiries with economists with spatial planning expertise to assist on the evidential foundation required to underpin a plan change focusing on managing the social and economic effects of forestry, particularly where this results in the conversion of arable farming land. Initial research and advice received is that imposing rules to manage social and economic effects may be difficult to justify, particularly when forestry is regarded as a primary production and also recognised in the Government's National Policy Statement Highly Productive and primary production.

An offer of service has been received and was not actioned by the Council's planning manager at the time.

## **Update on Potential Amendments to Forestry Regulations**

The Government issued a press release on 5 September 2024 that it intends to repeal Regulation 6(1)(A) of the NES-CF which allows a rule in a district plan to be more stringent than the National Standards. The Government's rationale is for the purpose of 'restoring confidence and certainty across the sector by removing unworkable regulatory burden'.

The provisions that have been signalled for review clearly indicate an intention to make the rules for commercial forestry standardised and that Council district plans are not more stringent than the NES-CF.

In addition, several forestry operators have lodged an appeal against the proposed Otago Regional Policy Statement 2021 on the basis that no analysis has been undertaken by the Regional Council to justify rules relating to forestry that are more stringent than the NES-CF.

It is not known whether the Governments further changes to the NES-CF would not only restrict rules in the District Plan associated with biophysical effects, but also any rules relating to social and economic effects.

Regulatory & Community Committee – 10 October 2024 Report There is considerable uncertainty in the space of forestry with another round of amendments to the NES-CF and appeals by forestry companies of the Otago Regional Policy Statement. Council officers consider that it would be more efficient to include any changes in the District Plan to commercial forestry as part of the rolling review (discussed in another report tabled at this meeting), but that first the changes to the NES-CF and appeals on the Regional Policy Statement are resolved.

The proposed changes to the NES-CF will undergo consultation, this will take time but it also gives the Council the opportunity to make a submission if it wishes to do so.

As noted in the report on the review of the District Plan, completing the work on landscape boundaries will reinforce commercial forestry management within areas of Outstanding Natural Landscapes and Outstanding Natural Features, where the NES-CF provides a requirement for a resource consent in these areas. Currently, the District Plan does not have a complete rule framework for managing these areas in relation to commercial forestry. This is in part due to the incomplete mapping of landscape areas on the District Plan maps, and the ambiguity of District Plan Rule RRA.15 (IV) requires that as permitted activity condition, woodlots, shelter belts and plantations:

- link to existing plantings including native and riparian vegetation
- avoid planting that will obscure or screen important views

These rules are considered to be too subjective and would fall short of current practice. For example, a simpler rule is to require a resource consent for all commercial forestry in areas of Outstanding Natural Landscapes and Outstanding Natural Features.

As a related matter, but not one that directly affects the District Plan or NES-CF in terms of rules, the Government has signalled as a policy priority that it intends to change investment screening rules to prevent foreign investors buying farms for the purpose of carbon farming. The ban applies to foreign investment in existing farms which will be converted to forestry to earn ETS carbon credits<sup>2</sup>. If this change is brought in, it may alleviate pressure for pastoral farming to be converted to large scale forestry, however this is a policy change likely to be implemented through foreign investment regulation and is highly unlikely to be implemented through an RMA instrument such as the NES-CF.

It is recommended that the research into a potential plan change to the District Plan to manage the social and economic effects of Forestry waits for the outcome of intended changes by the Government to the NES-CF.

Craig Barr

**Consultant Planner** 

27 September 2024

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Getting back to Farming.pdf (nationbuilder.com) at [1], [2] and[7]. URL: National's plan to get our country back on track downloaded 23 September 2024.

# **Regulatory & Community Committee**

## **Item for INFORMATION**

**Report** Community & Facilities Update

Meeting Date 10 October 2024

**Item Number** 3

**Prepared By** Kelly Gay – Head of Community & Facilities Operations

File Reference 913890

### REPORT SUMMARY

Items of note.

- 1. Milton pool start-up process will occur in early October with a new timetable attached.
- 2. The Long-Term Plan funded Bike Recycling Project is now underway.
- 3. Road safety activity is under review due to a reduction in funding by 42%. A paper is being prepared to be brought before Council for a funding decision.
- 4. Taylor Park. 4 Cabins sold; detail included in report.
- 5. Taylor Park Camping Ground; systems upgrade to grow revenues underway.
- 6. Our Place 'Thank you' event next Wednesday at 4.30PM TPOMA.

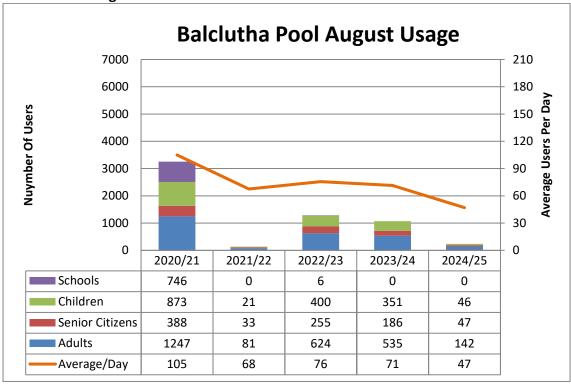
#### RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That the Regulatory & Community Committee receives the 'Community & Facilities Update' report dated 10 October 2024

Aquatic Services	Community Services	Community Support and Development	Waste Education Officer	Road Safety Coordinator	Community Facilities Administrato
Visitor numbers	Occupancy 100%	Youth Development	Enviro- schools	Managed Waka Kotahi	TLCC Community
Balclutha 47 averaged/day	Waiting list	Activity 27 youth	Ahead of target	contract Under review	Fund Will close 2
impacted by	28 people	interventions		due to	September
planned shutdown Safety	Disruption to 'quiet enjoyment'	16 new youth referred	Zero waste schools	funding cuts	and presente to LTCB on the 13 November
Balclutha 1 Water quality assessment	1 Tenancy tribunal action (in	Bike recycling project  Phase 1	Ahead of target 80% target achieved		Telford Bursary
Balclutha 92%	process)	complete			Closed with
Unplanned closure	Resolution KPI YTD	Community connection	Community education		awards
0%	100%	and	Waste		Grant and
Staffing  No unqualified lifeguards	Response KPI This Period 97%	coordination 11 engaged groups, 8 in a regular	minimisation education underway – excellent		Schemes Creative Communitie
Pool safe audit (2024 results)	Planned maintenance	support mode	feedback		Scheme closed 7 application
Full compliance	Healthy homes inspections underway				
BHAG:	BHAG: Taylor	BHAG: The	BHAG: Phase	Under review	
establish a new reference group to align to needs	Park improvement resulting in increased reviews.	best Christmas parade ever	2 - save board (tera pack board)	due to funding cuts	

## 2. AQUATIC SERVICES

## 2.1 Pool Usage



Pool was open 5 days in August. Was not scheduled to open until the 2 September, so all swimmers this month were a bonus.

## 2.2 Health and Safety



## 2.3 Water Quality



Water quality remains at 'excellent' levels in Balclutha.

## 2.4 Staffing

Staffing Levels	Balclutha
Filled Positions	12
Unfilled Positions	2
Partially Qualified Lifeguards	0
Fully Qualified Lifeguards	19

New cleaners Aaron Vivas and Greta Campbell started at the beginning of September to help cover our cleaning requirements 7 days a week.

## 2.5 Balclutha Pool Annual Maintenance

We successfully completed our maintenance period and reopened on Tuesday, 27 August 2024. The reopening of the confidence pools, however, was delayed by two weeks as we awaited the delivery of custom-made water nozzles. Work is continuing on the plant room capital upgrades that don't require the facility to be closed and include a new vacuum backwash system and pH dosing upgrade.

#### 2.6 Milton Pool

We have started preparing Milton pool for its summer season. The pools have been drained and cleaned and are currently refilling with the plan to restart the plant and heating in early October. There is risk associated with the filtration system failing and this will be monitored on startup.

Recruitment is currently underway which is looking to be a combination of new and returning lifeguards. The aim is to have the pool open early November through to mid-April. Having looked at operational hours and previous usage we are looking to try and utilise operational hours, matching usage and staffing availability better this season. With different hours in the school term and Christmas school holidays. Depending on recruitment the proposed hours are:

## **During the School Term**

Monday – Friday 7:00am to 10:00am and 3:00pm to 7:00pm as well as during the day when we have schools booked in.

Weekends 10:00am to 12:00pm and 1:00pm to 4:30pm

## In The Christmas School Holidays

Monday - Friday 7:00am to 7:00pm

Weekends 10:00am to 12:00pm and 1:00pm to 4:30pm.

## **3 COMMUNITY FACILITIES**

## 3.1 Community Housing

Community Housing Annual Surveys have started to come in, these are to be completed by 30 September, the results will be in the next report.

Healthy Homes Assessments have started and will be spread over the next three years. There are some windows that will need to be replaced at Naish Court, due to wearing out and no longer meeting compliance standards. We will be replacing them with double-glazed windows.

The Lawrence Community Housing Carpark is currently being scoped and decisions will be made to provide the best option within the budget that we have, including drainage of the carpark through an existing storm water drain.

We are currently providing a list of maintenance issues to be considered for our capital works budget, mainly in three locations: Naish Court, Owaka and Waihola.

A Tenancy Tribunal hearing is scheduled at the end of September for issues around an assault at the Clinton Community Housing.

Minor maintenance has been completed throughout all locations, mainly plumbing and electrical work. With Brian fixing broken window catches and door handles.

Area	Waitlist Numbers
Toshvale (Balclutha)	13
Naish Court (Balclutha)	8
Argyle (Balclutha)	6
Clinton	2
Kaitangata	4
Lawrence	1
Spenser St (Milton)	12
Elderlee St (Milton)	13
Owaka	1
Tapanui	1
Waihola	1
Total application by site (some people apply for multiple location)	62
Total (actual people)	28

The waitlist for community housing remains largely unchanged.

## 4.2 Taylor Park Camping Ground

#### **Cabin sales**

The Council took the decision to sell 4 cabins at Taylor Park. To deliver this instruction, CDC sought tender proposals from various real estate agents within the district.

1. Ray White in Balclutha won that process and therefore undertook a public marketing and tender process. \*Figure 1 Marketing reach indicates the total interest generated by this campaign.

Fig 1 Marketing reach - trademe

#### Views 3247 Watchers 152 **Enquiries** 12

trademe.co.nz statistics

realestate.co.nz statistics			
Views			
Total views	5056		
Search views	4077		
Listing views	979		
Total Enquiries			
Enquiries	2		
Click to contact	0		
Total Engagements			
Social shares	2		
Added to saved properties	9		
Open home calendar adds	0		
Media Interaction			
Photos	548		
Video	0		
Floorplan	0		
3D Walkthrough	0		

19 tenders were received through this process, including 1 non-complaint tender. The full tender details will be released once the sale process for all of the cabins has been completed.

CDC has some offers on remaining partially built cabins. This will be subject to a future paper on the use of cabins.

## **Reinstatement at Taylor Park**

Fences surrounding the cabins at Taylor Park have been removed. The first cabin is being moved on the day of writing this report (26 September 2024). The remaining cabins are expected to be moved over the next 2 weeks. To make the site safe the metaled area will be levelled, service terminated at ground level and holes filled.

To avoid any unnecessary cost for soil reinstatement, we are investigating if grass can be sown directly onto the gravel. This has been used in civil projects and in some residential applications. This would also prevent the ground from being cut up by the movement of caravans and campervans around the camping ground. This may require watering etc. and it avoids additional costs at this stage.

Negotiations are underway with the Milton Volunteer Fire Brigade to ensure they are fully informed of changes being made at Taylor Park and to reinstate the park where their events are held.

## **Taylor Park Camping Ground**

As previously indicated, work has begun to make improvements to the camping ground at Taylor Park. Camping grounds have a generally fixed cost business. As such, camping ground utilisation is directly corelated to profitability. Equally, maximising peak period (such as Xmas/New Year, or major events) is also critical to profitability.

The focus of the current work has been to increase the public awareness and attractiveness of the camping ground, to connect to existing camp user marketing networks, and to reduce barriers to campers engaging with the camping ground.

It is intended that these measures will increase the park utilisation rates and thereby increased profitability.

Two key pieces of work are underway.

- (1) Digitisation and marketing
  - a. Online booking and payment systems are being switched on
  - b. National marketing is being purchased, which access existing camper marketing networks for available campgrounds
  - c. A new digital gate will be installed to limit unpaid access and track users
  - d. User information will also be captured to inform future decisions (see appendix1)
- (2) Campground layout and space utilisation.
  - a. A review of camping sites has been undertaken.
    - i. Premium spaces will be made available to travelling campervans and caravans by co-locating long-term camper towards the rear of the site.
    - ii. Limited caravan storage be made available and hidden from road view.
    - iii. Existing tent sites will be re-established

- iv. Individual site identification with better delineation of the campground will be established.
- v. Over time, more spaces will be made available.

At the end of summer, a report will be provided to Council to review the impact of this work and consider future options for the campground.

#### 5 WASTE MINIMISATION - Waste Education Officer

The Zero Waste Education programme has been delivered to eight schools in the Clutha District for 2024 (80% of annual target). Blue Mountain College is next to receive the programme in Term 4 and are in their third year of the programme. Tapanui Primary School does not have the capacity to have the programme delivered in Term 4 but are keen to continue to have the programme in their school and are looking at early Term 1 2025. KidzWay Early Learning Centre in Tapanui have reached out and would like the programme delivered there in Term 4 of this year.

Term 3 has been a busy term with engagement of Clutha's Enviroschools with our facilitator. Many school visits and interactions with classes and students has resulted from attending staff planning meetings at the beginning of the term, seeing where we could incorporate the Enviroschools Kaupapa and environmental action into the lessons and enquiry topics that the schools were looking at focusing on.

There has been great uptake and use of the Enviroscape resource this term, which is a 3-D model of a catchment area where students can practically see how different pollutants and their sources can enter out waterways and then to determine ways to mitigate this.

The term ended with an amazing celebration at Warepa School, who reflected at the bronze stage of their Enviroschool journey. Staff, students, families and community members came together to celebrate, acknowledge and reflect on all the amazing initiatives, community engagement and environmental awareness the school has done over the years as an Enviroschool.



Enviroscape in use at The Catlins Area School. Rain in coming!



Students at Warepa School have decided they are at the bronze stage of their Enviroschools journey.

Delivery of information on rubbish and recycling is continuing to be delivered by our Waste Education Officer to CDC staff. All libraries and some community residents have attended the informative presentation with positive feedback being received. Staff and the public have said they have learnt something new and have since changed their recycling behaviour at home, reducing contamination in their kerbside recycling wheelie bins.

We are continuing to aim to roll out this education to all CDC staff and elected members to make sure we all have the same fact-based, clear, concise and consistent information when it comes to how our rubbish and recycling is processed and dealt with in our district. It is important we can deliver the same factual information to the public and ratepayers when asked questions on our processes and systems of waste management.

The first round of trees offsetting the CDC's printing consumption of paper were delivered out to school who expressed interest in planting these trees at their schools. From beginning of February to end of August the business has consumed the equivalent of 38 trees through printing. It is important to note that most of our paper is also purchased as Carbon Neutral Paper, but we will continue to also off-set our paper use by offering trees back to the community as well. The aim is to bring awareness of our impact of what we consume as a company and to eventually see a reduction in paper use where possible in the business.





Students as Rosebank Primary School diligently planting their new Kowhai trees and subsequently proud of their efforts.

## **6 FUNDING SCHEMES**

## **TLCC Community Fund**

The TLCC community fund opened on the 22 August and will close on the 27 September 2024. The applications will be heard at the next Lawrence/Tuapeka Community Board meeting on the 13 November 2024;

## **Telford Bursary**

Applications for the Telford Bursary closed on Friday 24 May 2024. Interviews took place on the 9 August 2024; the following recipients were presented at the Council meeting held on the 12 September and received the following amounts;

- Drue Thomas \$2,000.00
- Ashleigh Coull \$1,000.00

## **Creative Communities Scheme**

The new funding round for the Creative Communities Scheme opened on the 1 August and closed on the 6 September 2024, 7 applications were received. The assessment committee will meet on the 1 October 2024 to decide the recipients of this scheme.

Alex Anderson	Music!exists 2025
Alice Blake	Tamariki Cup Painting Event
Maggie Tarver and Ruth Go	Art & Soul
Milton Area Promotions Inc.	Milton Dog Park Magnificent Mural
Rachel Isobela Taylor	Vision Box
The Project Bruce Charitable Trust	Milton Street Art Trail
Youth United	Youth Group

## 7 COMMUNITY SUPPORT & DEVELOPMENT

The Community Support & Development Advisor has been busy working with various groups and individuals since the last standing committee meeting, this report includes a status sheet with all groups currently engaged. Included is a report from Southern Youth Development, Youth Worker.

## 7.1 Community Support Status Sheet

Group	Project	Support being	Current	Project
		provided	Issues/Barriers	Status
Clutha Agility Dog Training Society	Acquiring a training ground/container	Assisting the group with applying to external funders for a storage container, as well as acquiring the ground to do trainings on. Supported the group in submitting to the LTP.	Will start a 3-month trial on the ground directly in front of the Recreation Centre, starting 18 <sup>th</sup> August.  Had to push this back as having issues securing storage.	In progress
Taieri Mouth Amenities Society	Constitution	Updating of constitution in alignment with the Incorporated Societies Act 2022. Workshopped potential changes with the group.	N/A	In progress/ near completio n
YourCorps	Wanting to bring the YourCorps multiplayer video game programme back to Clutha and Milton	Assisting the group with applying to external funders	N/A	In progress
Puaka Matariki Iwikatea	First annual Matariki event in Balclutha at Te Pou Ō Matau Au	Supporting the group with becoming an incorporated society so they can start getting funding for next year's event.  Update – group is happy with	N/A	In progress

		constitution and will be making the application to incorporate		
Kaka Point Playground Committee	Upgrading the playground in Kaka Point	Assisting the group with applying to external funders, as well as supporting the group to get their own legal status.	Funding/fundraising	In progress
Balclutha Golf Club	Extending clubhouse deck	Assisting the club with applying to external funders.	Did not submit to the LTP due to early stage of this project the club was at – had not yet got quotes, plans etc	In progress
2024 Christmas Parade	Parade	Planning has begun for the 2024 Clutha District Christmas Parade to make it the biggest and best yet!	Funding – looking at applying to The Trusts Community Foundation, as well as obtaining larger corporate sponsors.	In progress
Samoan Society	Cultural Event as a follow on from the Christmas parade	Supporting the group to put on a cultural evening, with performance from different cultural groups in the district. Planning to have this the evening of the Christmas Parade	N/A	In progress
2025 Health Expo	Coordinating the 2025 health expo	Supporting and facilitating the organising group to put on the second annual health expo at Te Pou O Mata-Au in 2025 with a rural focus.	Securing an umbrella organisation to apply and holding funding for and on behalf of the group.	In progress
Catlins Senior Citizens	Constitution	Updating of constitution in alignment with the Incorporated Societies Act 2022. Workshopped potential changes with the group.	N/A	In progress/ near completio n

Clutha Budget Advisory Service	Trust Deed	Updating of trust deed to better fit what their purpose.	N/A	In progress
Long Term Plan Community Funding support	Letters/agree ments/invoice templates	Support with various groups on LTP submissions.  Writing reports based on submissions for the decisions meeting on the 12/13 June.  Now working on sending out letters/agreements based off the results of the decision meetings – all complete	N/A	Complete

## On-going support and/or regularly attending meetings:

- Samoan Society
- Clutha District Settlement Support
- South Otago Mountain Bike Group
- Clutha District Combined Museums Group
- South Otago Interagency
- Milton Interagency
- Grey Power
- Clutha District Youth Council

## 7.2 Bike Refurbishment Programme



An update on the progress made with the bike's refurbishment programme, initiated by Southern Youth Development (SYD), as requested for in their submission to the Long-Term Plan and supported by CDC officers.

Phase one of the project has been completed. Volunteers were trained onsite by SYD at Mt Cooee on Friday 17 September on how to scrap bikes and what parts can be recycled. Trailer with recyclable parts was then





transported to the Milton Scout Hall to set up a workshop space for phase two.

## 7.3 Youth Council

Our Youth Council (CDYC) have had a busy August/September. Below is a short overview of some of the key workshops/projects at the forefront.

**Six60** – CDYC were a food vendor at the Six60 concerts at the end of August, cooking a BBQ where all proceeds were donated to KidsCan. The CDYC was lucky enough to meet and have the band cook the BBQ with them in between shows.



**Culture of Alcohol Project** – CDYC have been working hard on ways to tackle issues like peer pressure and the young drinking age for youth in our district. They have worked with Wayne from FYI media to create an educational video on the affects. As well as this they have been working on a district-wide formal for year 11, 12 and 13 students and Telford students as a no alcohol event for our youth. This event will take place on Friday 11 October at Te Pou O Mata-Au.





**Team Building Evenings** — a new initiative that the Community Support & Development Advisor has implemented this year are team building evenings for the CDYC. The purpose of these evenings is to develop the CDYC skills, whether that's with leadership, speaking, confidence so forth. The most recent evening was held on Monday 26 August, facilitated by Southern Youth Development on Responsibility, Ownership and Accountability.







Youth Council's last meeting for 2024 is Monday 4 November. Please diarise this date as the CDYC would love to have all the elected members there. Despite this being the last meeting date the CDYC still have plenty of workshops planned to complete other projects, such as a Christmas Parade Float and the CACTUS Programme.

## 7.3. Youth Worker Update - Southern Youth Development

The Clutha Youth Worker is on leave, and the wider Southern Youth Development tima are providing cover.

A Pathways to Success youth programme commenced at South Otago High School with six Rangatahi on Thursday, 12 September 2024. This will continue into Term 4 2024. Alongside this, a one-to-one mentoring programme is also being delivered.

Southern Youth Development attended the Milton Interagency hui on 2 September 2024. This provided valuable information and connections to other organisations working with Rangatahi in the Milton community. YOUTH United mentioned that their fortnightly Saturday

youth programme has significantly grown, and they now required the use of another van. Southern Youth Development's Board has approved the use of their van as it aligns with our purposes:

- To work with youth in Otago to develop their full potential; and
- To facilitate opportunities to assist young people to transition to meaningful and balanced lives; and
- To support and develop best practice in youth development in our communities;
- To co-operate and collaborate with others as appropriate to advance these objectives; and

To take any other actions necessary to further these objectives.

This collaboration is beneficial to both organisations as it enhances YOUTH United's ability to

provide Rangatahi the opportunity to gain valuable new experiences, and will highlight and provide visibility of Southern Youth Development's profile in the Milton community.

Southern Youth Development visited Te Pou Ō Mata-Au to view the new spaces and gain a perspective from the tīma of their encounters with Rangatahi in Clutha.

A connection was established with Silver Fern Farms during one of their recruitment days. Over 250 applications have been received from all ages for the new season. A brief overview of Southern Youth Development's sydGPS Workplace Supervision and Training programmes were provided. A meeting will be arranged post-recruitment to open discussion around Southern Youth Development's offerings for providing workplace supervision and training for their Rangatahi.

Programme, mode of delivery and connection	Location, date, numbers – follow on notes	Objective description and progress  – met/not met.
Youth Programmes: Leadership Programme	Weekly Programme 6 attending Jethro & Garth – split into 2 groups of 3	Objective One - Mentoring and Role Modelling
Bike Recycling partnership with Project Bruce	Meetings, trainings and publicity for Project Bruce	Objective Two - Community Involvement Programme for Youth  Objective Three – Encourage strong, positive, and enterprising communities
Planning and development work underway	Interagency meetings attend	e various schools in the district led in Balclutha and Milton , corrections and the libraries.
Total number of youth interactions year to date (from 1 July 2024)	27	
Total number of new Rangatahi this year	16	

## 8.0 ROAD SAFETY COORDINATOR

Road Safety - Rachel Harrison

Project/Activity	Focus Area	Description
Ripple effect Project	Focus area 1: Increase the Safety of Young Drivers	Rachel Harrison has been selected to present the project on behalf of Clutha District Council, CDC Road Safety and Youth Council at Australasian College of Road Safety Conference in October 2024. Due to funding cuts this can no longer happen so Rachel has had to withdraw sadly.
Southern Coordinators Quarterly Meeting	All Focus areas	Quarterly meeting postponed until we have an idea of funding moving forward.
Drive My Life – Vulnerable Drivers GLS	Focus area 6 The Community/Focus area 1 Increase the Safety of Young Drivers	Drive My life – next learners' course is October. We are extremely pleased to share the news that the Drive My Life Funding for 2025 has been approved by the Community Road Safety Fund at NZTA.  Rachel Harrison will be promoting this course on 10 <sup>th</sup> October at the Employer Expo for Ministry of Social Development, as well as our community and school-based programs.
Safer Seniors	Focus area 3 – Older Drivers	Coming up we have a mobility scooter course on 9 <sup>th</sup> October in the township of Milton and are getting the course sorted to hold the safer senior courses in our smaller communities, Lawrence, Tapanui, Owaka and Clinton. Rachel is awaiting course materials from Age Concern. Times for these will be rolled out before the end of October
Driver Licensing -Schools	Focus area 1 - Increase the Safety of Young Drivers	Mobile Unit dates have been set for next year in Lawrence, Tapanui and Owaka and Milton.
Driver Licensing - Communities	Focus area 6 The Community/Focus area 1 Increase	This will be offered to ALL who need help with licensing and will be accessed through our community libraries. We will be using a variation on the in-school

	the Safety of	learning and are hoping to get this underway soon.						
	Young Drivers	Packs are made up and ready to make a start						
Motorcycle	Focus area –	MAM (Motorcycle Awareness Month) is here for						
awareness	Motorcyclists	September. CDC Road Safety will be focusing on						
Month	, motor cyclicus	promoting Ride Forever courses and bike health for						
		safe riding on social media						
		sale fluing off social friedla						
RYDA	Focus area 1 -	RYDA was held at Telford on 10 August. A fantastic day						
programme	Increase the	with 113 students from South Otago High School,						
	Safety of Young	Tokomairiro High School, Growing Future Farmers and						
	Drivers	Catlins Area School. (see below)						
Drive Coach	All Focus areas	Drive Coach – a course for parents/caregivers to						
		enable them to teach their children to drive safely – we						
		had 30 parents attend a successful evening.						
The Dielet Tool	FOCUS ADEA 4	Course 4 fourth average starts 4 Oth College at Start						
The Right Track	FOCUS AREA 4 –	Course 4 for the year starts 10 <sup>th</sup> October. Please see						
<ul><li>For recidivist offenders</li></ul>	Alcohol and Drugs	attached for a story of one of our learners, Cam, to see						
offenders	Focus area 1 -	how he is, over a year out from the course that he was						
		a part of.						
	Increase the							
	Safety of Young							
	Drivers							

Hi Right Track Team,

Yesterday was the 1yr anniversary of Cameron graduating the Right Track Programme in Dunedin, I am so proud to write to you and advise that Cameron has reached this milestone without reoffending!

Interestingly, the Right Track Programme has been popping up in many of our recent conversations and a



few weeks ago Cam said he wished he knew where the USB stick went to as he would like to watch it (we hadn't watched) I dug it out of safe keeping, and we thoroughly enjoyed watching it together last night over dinner.

During one of our recent conversations about the programme I asked Cam to list 2 things that had the most impact on him, he replied, without a doubt Duncan's story and the session the night of the Waihola fatality, in particular Doug and the obvious effect attending that accident had on him.

We are forever grateful for the opportunity for our son to attend this programme and all of you that dedicated your time to reaching our son and setting him on the right track!!

Thank you to each and every one of you legends!

I have attached a picture of Cam at the beginning of the course (looking like he is carrying the weight of the world on his shoulders) and one from our Father's Day family ride last week- what a contrast.

Kind regards Shannan



## **RYDA 2024**



Below are some notable comments by Balclutha students attending RYDA in 2024:

"We got to learn about the safety parts of the car like crumple zone. And got to guess where the car would stop when it travelled at different speeds"

"The most useful strategy I learned from RYDA was to keep calm when you're driving and always be ready for anything"

"I learned that there are big impacts of not paying attention on the road"

"Attending RYDA was a good refresher on safe road skills, and I learnt some new tips as well."

# **Regulatory & Community Committee**

## **Item for INFORMATION**

**Report** Community Projects Update Report

Meeting Date 10 October 2024

Item Number 4

Mike Goldsmith – Project Manager, Community Plan

Prepared By Implementation

File Reference 912601

#### REPORT SUMMARY

This report provides a high-level overview of progress on the community projects which are included in the ten *Our Place* community plans. An example of the leverage (or impact) that can be achieved through the implementation of community plan projects is shown in section 3 below.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

1. That the Regulatory & Community Committee receives the 'Community Projects Update' report dated 10 October 2024.

#### **REPORT**

## 1 Activities since last meeting

Date	Person / Group	Reason
28 Aug	Owaka Going Forward	Progress on Catlins Trail – Owaka to Pounawea
28 Aug	Veros	Project management of Kaka Point SLSC rebuild
29 Aug	Bruce Ward Councillors	Proposed Dog Park at Taylor Park, Milton
4 Sept	Clinton Community	Kaitangata site visit: House and land package, other
4 зері	Committee	community-led projects.
4 Sept	Kaitangata Promotions	Regular meeting - update on community plan projects
9 Sept	Otago Community Trust	Funding clinic with approx. 25 people.
11 Sept	Clutha Development	Regular meeting on projects
11 Sept	Playground Centre	Meeting with equipment supplier
11 Sept	Milton Area Promotions	Proposed Dog Park at Taylor Park, Milton
17 Sept	Milton Area Promotions	Proposed Dog Park at Taylor Park, Milton
17 Sept	Waihola Looking Forward	Potential community plan projects in Waihola
17 Sept	Davey Water	Proposal to trial rainwater harvesting on public toilets
24 Sept	Clinton Community	Footpath / kerb & channel options for Clinton
24 Jept	Committee	Tootpatify kerb & chaimer options for chilton
25 Sept	Community Boards	West Otago and Lawrence-Tuapeka Community
23 Sept	Community Boards	Board meetings
1 Oct	Taieri Mouth Social Club	Proposed Livingstonia Park projects
2 Oct	Various	Our Place community plan celebration
9 Oct	Clutha Development	Regular meeting on projects

## 2 Progress on community plan projects

This report provides a summary of recent progress and any current barriers for the projects listed in the ten *Our Place* community plans. The tables below provide detail on funds allocated by Council, how much of this has been spent, and whether projects are complete, inactive, or still in progress.

To date, Council has allocated \$59.1M towards projects which align with community ambitions identified through the *Our Place* community plans. Of this, approximately \$24.5M has been spent so far. Projects where funding has been allocated but work has yet to commence include:

- A combined community facility, and main street upgrades in Milton
- Wastewater treatment plant upgrade in Waihola, and
- Various community facility projects across the district.

Council is aware of an additional \$29.5M of external funding that has been raised from other sources including central government, lotteries and trust funding, and local fundraising. This information is still being collated, and it is likely that the amount of external funding is higher than this. This figure does not include volunteer hours spent on projects, or donated materials etc.

The tables below show the number of projects completed, with a summary shown in Figure 1. The percent complete will change over time, as community plan project are completed, or new activities are identified and added to the list.

It is noted that large infrastructure projects are reported on separately and some community plan projects were completed several years ago. However, the intent of this report is to bring together summary information about all the projects identified in each plan, so that overall progress towards community ambitions can be gauged.

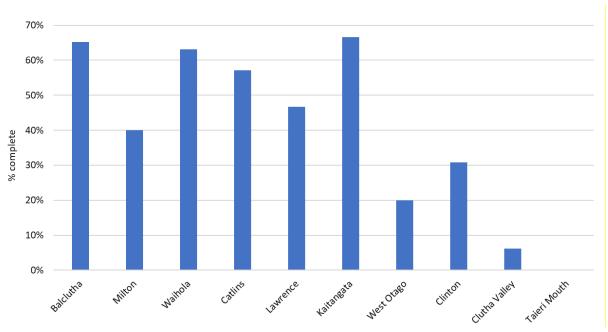


Figure 1 The percentage of community plan projects completed to date

## 3 Kaka Point playground funding

Through the 2021/31 Long Term Plan, Council allocated \$20,000 as a 50% share of new play equipment at the Tarata Street playground, funded from Kaka Point Parks and Reserves (10-year loan). The Kaka Point Community Group has requested that Council transfer this funding to the Esplanade playground development, to enable this project to get underway (see attached).

Council has previously allocated a total of \$100,000 towards the Esplanade playground project, and the Kaka Point Community Group have raised \$62,000 to date with more funding applications underway. The group has had discussions with the Otago Community Trust but will hold off applying for funds until they have at least half the total cost of the project in the bank.

KAKA POINT COMMUNITY GROUP

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AUGUST 19, 2024

CLUTHA DISTRICT COUNCIL

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BALCLUTHA

TO Mike Goldsmith,

The Kākā Point Playground Working Group would like to request that council funds allocated to the Tarata Street Playground be transferred to the Esplanade Playground Redevelopment.

The funding allocated was in the 2022/2023 annual budget.

The Kākā Point Community Group fully support this request and look forward to seeing the Esplanade Playground Redevelopment project come to fruition.

Kind Regards,

Claudia Faighney

Chairperson, Kākā Point Community Group

## Acronyms used in the tables below:

BME – Blue Mountain Express

BOF- Better Off Fund (Government)

CBS - Clutha Beautification Society

CCC – Clinton Community Committee

C.Dev – Clutha Development

CF - Clutha Foundation

MAPS – Milton Area Promotions

MBIE – Ministry of Business Innovation and

**Employment** 

OCT – Otago Community Trust

OGF - Owaka Going Forward

OP - Our Place

ORC - Otago Regional Council

SCP – Special Consultative Procedure

SLS NZ – Surf Life Saving NZ

TBC - To Be Confirmed

TIF - Tourism Infrastructure Fund

TNOT - Te Nohoaka o Tukiauau / Sinclair

Wetlands

TTCF – The Trust Community Foundation

TWO – Tapanui West Otago Promotions

WLF – Waihola Looking Forward

WOCB – West Otago Community Board

## Project status table 1 – Balclutha (2017)

Balciuria Memorial Hall:   Clusta Community Halb   Charles Friest   To be completed   To be completed   Sista,000,000   Sista,000,000   Govd   Sista,000,000   Ves   No   No   No   No   No   No   No   N				O Progress made	(	ouncil fundin	g	External	funding		
Selicidis Memorial Hall:   To Pour Nata Au	Project	Lead organisation	Current issues or barriers	O Direction required	Previous			_		Scope	Project completed
- To Pour Mata Au				o General comments	funding	2024-34 LTP	Spent to date	Source	Amount	confirmed	
- Te Poe O Mats Au	Balclutha Memorial Hall:										
Streetscape works	Te Pou o Mata Au			Opened Aug. 2023	\$10,000,000		\$10,000,000	Govt	\$11,300,000	Yes	Yes - 2023
Down hill MTB trail	Streetscape works	Charitable Trust				\$394,000		Other	\$3,023,000	Yes	No
Down hill MTB trail	Walking and Cycling					, , , , ,			, , , , , , , ,		
Pears of the LTP (2029)   Inactive	Down hill MTB trail	Clutha MTB Club			\$27,000		\$ 27,000	Various	\$25,800	Yes	Yes - 2023
Council   Additional 0.6 FTE from May 2023   \$30,000   \$30,000   \$N/A   N/A   Yes   Yes - 2023   \$1.000   \$1.	Floodbank trail	ORC	_					ORC	TBC	Yes	No
Extend operational hours   Upgrade equipment with   Upgrade equipment   Upgrade equipment   Upgrade equipment with   Upgrade equipment   Up	Balclutha Bridge & entrances	Council		Inactive							Unconfirmed
Upgrade equipment   Council   Infilitable equipment etc. purchased	Centennial Pool & surrounds										
• Upgrade equipment   Confirm plans, obtain costs   Confirm pla	Extend operational hours	Council		Additional 0.6 FTE from May 2023	\$30,000		\$30,000	N/A	N/A	Yes	Yes - 2023
Central retail area toilets	Upgrade equipment	Council		Inflatable equipment etc. purchased						Yes	Yes - 2023
Destination tollets landscaping   S143,000   S143,000   No   Yes - 201	<ul> <li>Upgrade/extend outside area</li> </ul>		Confirm plans, obtain costs								Unconfirmed
Naish and Centennial Parks:	Central retail area toilets	Council			\$ 473,000		\$ 473,000	TIF	\$ 234,250	Yes	Yes - 2023
Naish and Centennial Parks:   Playground Phase 2	Destination toilets landscaping					\$143,000					No
Playground Phase 2	Reserve Management Plan	Council									Yes - 2017
Playground Phase 1	Naish and Centennial Parks:										
Bike Park   Dog Park   Clutha Parks Trust   Clutha Vets installed new signs   S 495,000   F 5 300,000   Yes 2022	Playground Phase 2					\$300,000		TTCF	\$ 125,000		Yes - 2022
Dog Park BBQ Pump Track Basketball half court Naish landscaping Corrections built access path Council Built access path Council Pass Council Pass path Council Pass path Council Pass path	<ul> <li>Playground Phase 1</li> </ul>							Clutha Vets	\$ 35,000		No
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Naish landscaping     SOAC building maintenance     Dog Park car park     Duck Pond     Seal SOAC car park	Pump Track							Rotary	\$ 4,000		No
SOAC building maintenance     Dog Park car park     Duck Pond    Council     Seal SOAC car park     Soac car pa	Basketball half court						†	Blue Light	\$ 500		Unconfirmed
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Dog Park car park     Duck Pond     Council     Seal SOAC car park     Soal SOAC car p	SOAC building maintenance										Unconfirmed
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• Seal SOAC car park  Balclutha Bridge Playground:  • Flying Fox  • Fort  • Fort  • Fence • Water system  Arthur Strang Reserve  Clyde Street Reserve  Council  Cherry Lane Playground   MoU prepared with community representative  MoU prepared with community representative  S11,938,063  S11,048,869  S15,075,577  Completed  Total		Council			\$17.063		\$23,869				Unconfirmed
Balclutha Bridge Playground:  Flying Fox  Agreement signed with Rotary for upgrade of flying fox and fort  Fort  Water system  Arthur Strang Reserve  Council  Cherry Lane Playground †  Community  MoU prepared with community representative  S11,938,063  S11,048,869  S15,075,577  Completed  Total Strong Reserve  S15,000  S11,048,869  S15,075,577  Completed  S15,075,	Seal SOAC car park				,		, ,				No
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• Fort  • Fence • Water system  Arthur Strang Reserve  Council  Clyde Street Reserve  Community  Cherry Lane Playground ↑  Community  Cherry Lane Playground ↑  Community  Cherry Lane Playground ↑  Community				Agreement signed with Rotary for				Rotary	\$10,000	Yes	No
• Fence • Water system  Arthur Strang Reserve Council Inactive Inactive Clyde Street Reserve Council Inactive Cherry Lane Playground ↑ Community											
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projects 65% complete										1	65%

## Project status table 2 – Milton (2017)

			o Progress made		Council fo	unding		Extern	al funding		
Project	Lead organisation	Current issues or barriers	o Direction required o General comments	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	Spent to date	Source	Amount	Scope confirmed	Project completed
1. Main street upgrades:											
Infrastructure renewals	Council		Undergrounding powerlines underway	\$6,000,000			\$3,928,000			Yes	No
Upgrade Memorial Park	Council				To be updated						No
Upgrade Stewart Reserve	Council		To be developed as a central plaza, work planned for 2024/25		progress and	LTP decision				Yes	No
Public toilets	Council			\$425,750			\$425,750	TIF	\$ 234,250	Yes	Yes - 2023
Pedestrian crossings	Council									Yes	No
Southern entrance	Council		Working with MAPS re: proposal for hanging baskets								No
2. Milton pool	Joint	SCP underway on future of Bruce			\$14,000,000			BOF	\$ 1,900,000	Yes	No
3. Community facility (Library)	Joint	Community Facility								Yes	No
4. Walking & cycling:											
Links within Milton	Joint		Inactive								No
Clutha Gold cycle trail	Community			\$333,333			\$333,333	PGF	\$2,833,333	Yes	Yes - 2023
5. Enable development											
Plan Change 41 - Industrial	Council									Yes	Yes
Milton 2060 - Flood Risk	CDC/ORC		District Plan Change							Yes	Yes
6. Parks and reserves:				\$184,000							
Reserve Management Plan	Council									Yes	Yes - 2024
Taylor Park - fence	Council		Rotary to lead Stage 2 fence repairs				\$ 7,676			Yes	No
Taylor Park - dog park	Community		MAPS proposal confirmed - separate item								
Moore Park - basketball court	Community	Court re-seal funding declined	Contractor engaged to improve drainage from basketball court to Spencer St				\$ 50,000				Unconfirmed
Moore Park - playground wall	Council		Playground retaining wall upgraded				\$ 5,000				Yes
Moore Park - pump track	Project Bruce		Project Bruce proposal to create pump track							No	Unconfirmed
Fairfax Cemetery	Council	No new initiatives currently planned									Unconfirmed
♣ = projects not specificly listed in (	Community Plan				\$20,943,083		\$4,749,759		\$4,967,583	Completed	
Updates since last meeting					Total allocated	Г	Total spent		Total	Total	
										% confirmed	
										projects complete	
		l		l		<u> </u>				complete	

# Project status table 3 – Waihola (2018)

			o Progress made	Council fur	nding	Extern	al funding	
Project	organisation	Current issues or barriers	o Direction required o General comments	Budget	Spent to date	Source	Amount	Scope confirmed
1. Infrastructure upgrades:								
Milton-Waihola pipeline	Council		Expected to be completed March 2024	\$5,976,882	\$5,025,452			Yes
Sewerage network	Council		1. WWTP consent obtained, work due to start 2026/27	\$3,645,347	\$0			
	Council		2. WWTP upgrade (incl. new aerator) Reduce Total Nitrogen & BOD	\$1,083,450	\$920,696			
	Council		3. Reticulated network extended, various improvements					
	Council		4. WWTP upgrade planned for 2025/26 & 2026/27	\$9,800,000				
Stormwater infrastructure	Council		Network renewal work planned for 2025/26	\$134,000				
• Footpaths	Council		Chatham St improvements					
Seal extensions	Council	Council   1. Kilgour - George St sealed 2019/20     Council   2. Dust suppression Chatham - Sheerness St 2023/24   \$600,000			Yes			
	Lead organisation   Current issues or barriers   O Direction required   O General comments   Source   Source							
Greenwaste management	Community		Currently inactive					
2. Walking & cycling:								
Clutha Gold cycle trail	Community			\$333,333	\$333,333	PGF	\$2,833,333	Yes
• Links in Waihola	Community							
3. Landscape & environment								
Reserve Management Plan	Council							Yes
Waihola playground	Community			\$200,000	\$200,000	ОСТ	\$120,000	Yes
Waihola toilets mural	Community		Murals have been painted on public toilets, funded by Project Bruce			Project Bruce	\$3,500	Yes
Waihola lakefront	Community		Natives planted on shoreline for beautification / mitigate erosion	\$500	\$500	TNOT	\$14,000	Yes
4. Urban development:								
Enabling development	Joint		Subdivisions and new residential development occurring					
Community, visitor facilities	Joint		Dog Park proposal being developed by WLF					
Reduced SH1 speed limit	Waka Kotahi		Speed limit reduced from 70 to 50 km/hr			Waka Kotahi	TBC	Yes
Main street improvements	Joint		SH1 footpath closest to the lake widened (joint walk/cycleway)	\$160,000		Waka Kotahi	\$270,000	Yes
				\$21,933,512	\$6,479,981		\$3,240,833	Completed
Updates since last meeting				Total allocated	Total spent		Total	Tota
								% confirmed
								projects complete
	l	I		I				Complete

## Project status table 4 – Catlins (2020)

			o Progress made	(	Council fundin	g	Externa	al funding		
Project	Lead organisation	Current issues or barriers	O Direction required General comments	Previous funding	2024-34 LTP	Spent to date	Source	Amount	Scope confirmed	Project completed
Community facilities & Infrastructure:										
Hall renewals	Council		Cladding, asbestos removal, electrical upgrade				PGF	\$138,000	Yes	Yes - 2022
<ul> <li>KP Surf Life Saving Club</li> </ul>	Community		Council grant funding confirmed in 2024/34 LTP		\$310,000		SLS NZ	TBC	Yes	No
<ul> <li>Kaka Point toilets</li> </ul>	Council		Replacement toilets confirmed in 2024/34 LTP	\$20,000	\$440,000	\$4,174				No
Owaka Service Centre	Council		Increased LOS and opening hours						Yes	Yes - 2022
<ul> <li>Bury Owaka power lines</li> </ul>	Council		No longer a priority? Could be removed from plan?							Unconfirmed
Community development	Council		Various programs							Unconfirmed
Economic development	C. Dev		Various programs						Yes	Unconfirmed
Waste management	Council									No
Walking & cycling [Pounawea to Owaka]	OGF		Landowner approval gained. Plans confirmed. Construction underway. External funding confirmed.	\$30,000	\$45,000	\$33,407	ОСТ	\$26,000	Yes	No
Protect natural resources	Various		Vehicles on Beaches Bylaw 2023						Yes	Yes
Strategic direction:										
<ul> <li>Clutha Destination Strategy</li> </ul>	C. Dev		Strategy adopted 2020						Yes	Yes
Nugget Point/KP Master Plan	C. Dev		Addresses visitor experience, environmental impacts, transport.				C. Dev	\$67,000		Yes
National Park status	Community		No longer a priority? Could be removed from plan?							Unconfirmed
Signage Strategy	Council		Draft district signage strategy adopted				C.Dev	TBC		Yes
Parks and reserves:										
Reserve Mgmt. Plan	Council		Plan adopted 2020	\$20,000		\$20,000			Yes	Yes
KP Esplanade playground	Community		Community Group completing design work.	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$10,000	Various	\$33,000		No
KP Tarata St playground	Community	Lower priority	Funding reallocated to Esplanade PG project.	\$20,000						No
Pounawea playground	Community		Working with community to confirm scope & budget	\$20,000						No
Papatowai Picnic Area	Community		Working with community to confirm scope & budget	\$20,000						No
Roading:										
Traffic safety measures	Council		Kaka Point, Jacks Bay						Yes	Yes
Urban seal extensions	Council		Pounawea, Kaka Point, Papatowai						Yes	Yes
Seal high-use roads	Council		Inactive							Unconfirmed
Park n ride to Nuggets	C. Dev		Included in Nugget Point/KP Master Plan							No
Bridge replacements	Council		Hina Hina Bridge	\$1,200,000		\$1,200,000	Waka Kotahi	\$2,340,000	Yes	Yes - 2021
Freedom camping	Council		FC Bylaw 2022, FC Ranger(s)						Yes	Yes
Climate Change Planning	Council		Climate Change Strategy confirmed in 2024/34 LTP							Yes
				\$2,2	25,000	\$1,267,581		\$2,604,000	Completed	12
Updates since last meeting		·		Total a	llocated	Total spent		Total	Total	21
									% confirmed	
									projects	l
									complete	

## Project status table 5 – Lawrence-Tuapeka (2021)

				o Recent progress	Council funding E		External	funding			
	Project number and name	Lead organisation	Current issues or barriers	O Direction required	Previous funding	2024-34 LTP	Spent to date	Source	Amount	Scope confirmed	Project completed
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ects	1. Residential Development	Community		Leadership team identified to lead house & land package.	\$6,000		\$6,000				No
Priority projects	2. Lawrence heritage			Council approved 2024/25 funding of \$65,000 for Goldfields Museum and \$19,000 for curator salary.		\$84,000					No
ioi	7. Gabriel's Gully Reserve										
<u>-</u>	Amenities & activities	Clutha Devit									No
	3. Whitehaven St playground:	Community		Fundraising complete, aiming to complete project soon.	\$113,150		\$133,150	Various	\$250,000	Yes	No
Active projects	4. Reducing flood risk	Council		LTP funding for kerb & channel, mudpits, and a new stormwater main into Hospital Creek from Colonsay St.	\$60,000	\$136,000	\$55,000	Various	\$250,000	Yes	No
- E	5. MTB trail network	Community		LTP funding for trail development confirmed.		\$40,000		Various	\$105,000	Yes	No
. ţ	General facility / reserve projects:	Community		eri randing for dan development committee.		\$10,000		Various	\$205,000	103	110
ď	Market Reserve	Council		Toilet to be relocated to Market Reserve in 2024/25.		\$150,000					No
				, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,		\$150,000					
	6. The entrance to Gabriel's Gully:										
	Car park, road reserve	Joint			\$50,000					No	No
	8. Support community facilities:										
용	Simpson Park	Community									Unconfirmed
projects	Chinese Camp	Community		Council will waive any building consent fees in 2024/25							Unconfirmed
9 G	Rodeo & Gymkhana Grounds	Community		Moto-X Mgmt Plan Trial							Unconfirmed
Inactive	Wetherstons Brewery etc	Community									Unconfirmed
=	Tuapeka Goldfields Museum	Community		See Heritage above							Unconfirmed
	Glass recycling	Council									Unconfirmed
	9. Beaumont & Waitahuna										
	Community facilities renewals	Community	Suitable projects	to be identified, and council/external funding sourced							Unconfirmed
	1. Lawrence heritage										
į	Regulatory Bylaw review	Council		Bylaw adopted 2022						Yes	Yes
	7. Gabriel's Gully Reserve			Storymapp project launched - self guided tour, audio and 360°							
72	Amenities & activities			historical recreations.				C. Dev	\$15,000	Yes	Yes
ege	10. Support community facilities:										
	Lawrence Skate Park	Community						Various	\$200,000	Yes	Yes
8	Clutha Gold Trail	Community			\$333,333		\$333,333	PGF	\$2,833,333	Yes	Yes
	Playground	Community		Installed fence in 2022, equipment (x2) in 2023	\$5,000		\$26,645			Yes	Yes
	• Tuapeka Aquatic Centre 🕇	Community		Council approved \$16.2K in 2024/25 for employee salary		\$16,250				Yes	Yes
	Reserve Management Plan 🕇	Council		Adopted 2021	\$33,000		\$52,210			Yes	Yes
<b>1</b> = p	rojects not specificly listed in Communi	ty Plan									
	Updates since last meeting				\$1,02	_	\$606,338		\$3,403,333	Completed	7
					Total all	ocated	Total spent		Total	Total	15
$\vdash$										% confirmed	47%
										projects complete	4/70
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## Project status table 6 – Kaitangata (2021)

			Recent progress		Coun	cil funding			External	funding		
Project	Lead organisation	Current issues or barriers	Direction required     General comments	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	Spen	t to date	Source	Amount	Scope confirmed	Project completed
1. River access:												
Boat ramp, carpark, reserve	Community		Construction complete. CDC to confirm consent conditions met and project finished.	\$ 10,000			\$	14,831	Kai Promotions	\$15,000	Yes	Yes
Riverbank improvements	Community		Funding & contractor for riverside walkway confirmed. Issues with grazing resolved.						Kai Promotions	\$7,000	Yes	No
2. Walking & cycling:												
Links within Kaitangata	Council		Exmouth St footpath completed								Yes	Yes
Wider connections	Community		Currently inactive									No
3. Kaitangata pool												
Transfer ownership	Kai Pool Inc.		Formal handover of pool completed								Yes	Yes - 2024
Upgrades	Community		Roof replaced using CDC (reserves) and Otago Community Trust funding	\$ 15,000	\$ 50,000		\$	91,246	ост	\$30,000	Yes	Yes - ongoing
4. Victoria Park Reserve												
Reserve improvements	Community		Currently inactive									Unconfirmed
Tree removal	Council		Trees removed	\$ 35,000			\$	13,800			Yes	Yes - 2023
5. War Memorial Reserve												
Memorial Garden	Community		Formal opening ceremony, 24 Feb 2024	\$ 50,000			\$	50,938	ост	\$15,000	Yes	Yes - 2024
• Map / kiosk 🕆	Joint		Completed						C. Dev	\$1,000	Yes	Yes - 2024
• Footpath entrance concrete 🕆	Council		Funded from footpaths budget		\$ 9,885		\$	9,885			Yes	Yes - 2024
6. Public toilets	Council		Completed and now open to the public	\$50,000		\$10,600	\$	60,600	Kai Promotions	\$14,120	Yes	Yes - 2024
7. Roading	Council		A trial of Otta Seal (bitumen) has been confirmed for appprox. 150m of Water Street in 2024/25. To be funded from existing budgets.			ТВС						No
8. Wangaloa Domain Reserve	Council											No
9. Reserve Management Plan 🕇	Council			\$20,000			\$	20,000			Yes	Yes - 2022
10. CCTV <b>†</b>	Community		A proposal for CCTV cameras is being developed by Kaitangata Promotions.								Yes	No
🕆 = projects not specificly listed in Co	mmunity Plan				\$250,485		\$20	61,300		\$82,120	Completed	10
Updates since last meeting				T	otal allocat	ed	To	otal spent		Total	Total	15
	4						1				% confirmed	
	+						$\vdash$				projects complete	67%
		l	1		l						complete	

## Project status table 7 – West Otago (2022)

				O Recent progress	Key contact	C	ouncil fundir	ıg	Extern	al funding		
Project	Status	Lead organisation	Current issues or barriers	Direction required     General comments	(delegated CB member)	Previous funding	2024-34 LTP	Spent to date	Source	Amount	Scope confirmed	Project completed
1. Residential development	Active	Community	Need to identify local people to lead this project	Preferred approach (house & land package) confirmed by WOCB	Mike Goldsmith (Barbara Hanna)	\$30,000						No
2. Community facilities:												
Bushyhill St playground	Active	Community	Fundraising ongoing for stages 2 & 3.	WOCB approved funding of \$16,331 towards 2 x swing sets. Advert in BME.	Sarah Murray (Barbara Hanna)	\$40,000		\$16,331	TWO	\$10,000		No
New recreational facilities:						\$50,000						
O Heriot tennis court project	Active	Community		WOCB approved funding of \$12,765 towards sporting facilities.	(John Herbert)			\$12,765	WO Lions	TBC		No
Halls & community centres:												
o WO Community Centre	Active	Community		Council to consider inclusion of the library into the Community Centre			\$60,000		Various	TBC	Yes	Unconfirmed
O Other halls	Inactive	Community										Unconfirmed
• West Otago Vintage Club 🕆	Active	Community		Council approved \$200k funding as a grant to help extend the clubs facility			\$200,000					
West Otago Health	Active	Community			Hans Van Der Linden				Various	TBC	Yes	Yes
Freedom Camping	Inactive	Joint										No
Waste Management	Inactive	Joint			Laura Gourley							No
3. Parks & Reserves:												
• Reserve Management Plan 🕈	Active	Council			Mike Goldsmith	\$20,000					Yes	Yes - 2023
Whiskey Gully Reserve	Active	Joint	Working on measures to prevent vandalism.	Remaining funds (\$28,150) to be used for other community plan projects	David Edgar (Linda Roulston)	\$30,000		\$1,850			Yes	Yes - 2024
Black Gully Reserve	Active	Joint			Cherise McPherson (Mark Diamond)	\$10,000						No
• Hancox Park 🕆	Active	Community	No specific funding	Work underway to clear site, mowing added to greenspace contract	Community Board (Barbara Hanna)							No
Triangle Reserve	Active	Joint			Barbara Hanna	\$20,000						No
Pound Reserve	Active	Community		Proposal received - see separate item	Craig Simpson							No
4. Walking & cycling:												
Create connections	Inactive	Community		Opportunities/pre-feasibility review	Linda Moore (Sonia				C. Dev	\$20,000		No
Trails around Tapanui	Active	Joint		completed.	Richardson)	\$20,000						No
5. Main street improvements	Active	Council		Street furniture upgrades, funded by WOCB up to \$10k and OP up to \$11,103	Mike Goldsmith (John Herbert)	\$20,000			WOCB	\$10,000		No
6. Work and train	Active	Council		Jobbortunities program	CDC; Clutha Dev.						Yes	Unconfirmed
						\$500,000		\$30,946		\$40,000	Completed	3
1 = projects not specificly listed in Con	nmunity Pla	n				Total counci	l funding	Total spent		Total	Total	15
Updates since last meeting											% confirmed	200/
											projects complete	20%
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# Project status table 8 – Clinton (2023)

			Recent progress		Council	funding		External	funding		
Project	Lead organisation	Current issues or barriers	Direction required     General comments	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	Spent to date	Source	Amount	Scope confirmed	Project completed
1. Walking & cycling:				\$10,000							
<ul> <li>Assess route options</li> </ul>	Council										No
<ul> <li>Funding, land access, trail construction</li> </ul>	Community										No
2. Sustainable communities:											
Residential development:	Community		Assessment of vacant land	\$20,000							Yes
Residential development.	Community		Working towards a house and land package	\$20,000							No
Infrastructure upgrades:	Council		Preferred footpath and kerb & channel upgrades identified by community. Options and indicative costs discussed at community meeting on 15 March.								No
Community initiatives:	Community										
o Community Garden improve	ments		Built raised beds to improve usability				\$ 504		\$ 262		Yes
3. Main street improvements				\$25,000	\$10,000						
Improve/develop reserves	Joint		Unsafe trees removed from Triangle Reserve								Yes
Improve SH entrances	Joint										No
Provide parking for trucks	Joint		Lions leading development of Truck Park.					Community	\$38,000		No
Reserve Management Plan	Council										No
• CCTV ⊕			Proposal for CCTV cameras developed by CCC								
4. Community facilities				\$25,000	\$10,000						
Clinton tennis courts	Community		Courts re-painted, other improvements underway.				\$ 7,671	Community	\$14,000	Yes	No
Triangle Reserve	Joint		Three items of playground equipment to be installed, major working bee planned 19 Oct.				\$ 30,000	Community	\$25,000	Yes	No
Clinton public toilets	Council		Mural (Lions). Graphic design on doors (CDC). New latches (CDC)				\$4,056			Yes	Yes
Updates since last meeting					\$100,000		\$42,231		\$77,262	Completed	4
🕆 = projects not specificly listed in (	Community Plan			Total	council fun	ding	Total spent		Total	Total	13
										confirmed projects complete	31%

## Project status table 9 – Clutha Valley (2023)

			Recent progress		Counci	l funding		Externa	funding		
Project	Lead organisation	Current issues or barriers	Direction required     General comments	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	Spent to date	Source	Amount	Scope confirmed	Project completed
1. Community facilities:											
Existing facilities maintain/upgrade	Joint		Discussions with pool committee	\$25,000							No
New recreational facilities	Community										No
2. Parks and reserves:											
Tuapeka Mouth Domain			Toilets relocated, other work underway								No
Other key reserves				\$25,000							Unconfirmed
Reserve Management Plan											No
3. Sustainable communities											
Residential development											No
Roading, bridges, safety											No
Footpath upgrades	Joint										No
Water supply	Council										No
4. River access											
Clydevale Boat Ramp	Community	Stage 2 is to develop a picnic shelter; would require CDC approval	Boat ramp replaced, culverts & cattle stop installed, earthworks to improve parking & access.	\$10,000			\$ 6,748	Community	\$ 16,500	Yes	Yes - 2023 (stage 1)
Tuapeka Mouth Punt	Council			\$10,000							No
5. Heritage											
Heritage-based trail											No
Promote heritage attractions				\$10,000							No
Signage, information, website											No
6. Walking & cycling:											
Assess route options				\$10,000							No
Funding, land access, trail construction											No
Upgrade Allangrange Rd footpath			To be funded from existing budgets	\$10,000							No
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Updates since last meeting	-			Tota	\$100,000 I council fun	ding	\$6,748 Total spent		\$16,500 Total	Completed Total	1 16
opulates since last meeting				1014	- council lui	unig	Total spelit		Iotai	% confirmed	10
										projects complete	6%

# Project status table 10 – Taieri Mouth (2024)

			O Recent progress	Council fun	ding	Externa	I funding	_	
Project	Lead organisation	Current issues or barriers	Direction required     General comments	2024-25	Spent to date	Source	Amount	Scope confirmed	Project completed
1. Community facilities:									
Improved maintenance of existing facilities				\$10,000					No
Knarston Park projects incl. erosion			Staff met with community reps to determine scope of work.	\$30,000					No
Livingstonia Park projects			Community Group developing a proposal.	<i>\$20,000</i>					No
New community facilities				\$5,000					No
2. Landscape and environment:									
Collate water quality information									No
Support environmental projects									No
3. Taieri River acces									
Improvements to boat ramp area									No
Water safety awareness & education									No
4. Roading									
General road safety initiatives	Community								No
Riverside Road improvements	Council								No
5. Walking & Cycling									
Extend/improve existing footpaths				\$20,000					No
Establish trail through the village									No
				\$65,000	\$0		\$0	Completed	0
					Total spent		Total	Total % confirmed	12
								% confirmed projects	0%
								complete	

# **Regulatory & Community Committee**

## **Item for INFORMATION**

Report Community Libraries and Visitor Information Update

Report

Meeting Date 10 October 2024

**Item Number** 5

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#### REPORT SUMMARY

This report provides an overview of the Community Libraries and Visitor Information for the month ended 10 October 2024.

#### RECOMMENDATION

1. That the Regulatory & Community Committee receives the 'Community Libraries and Visitor Information Update Report' dated 10 October 2024.

#### 1 LIBRARIES and VISITOR INFORMATION

#### 1.1 VISITORS

Visitor numbers continue to reflect recent trends; with the increases largely due to the success of the i-Site's new location, the addition of an extra door counter for the side entrance at Milton and the ongoing public demand for the Balclutha Library's programmes.

AUGUST VISITORS								
	Aug	Aug	+/-	%	FYTD	FYTD	+/-	%
	2023	2024		Variation	23-24	24-25		Variation
Balclutha	4,102	4,744	642	16%	8,271	10,331	2,060	25%
iSite	1,598	3,169	1,571	98%	3,042	6,511	3,469	114%
Lawrence	894	887	-7	-1%	1,761	2,022	261	15%
Milton	1,544	2,272	728	47%	2,896	4,368	1,472	51%
Owaka	863	955	92	11%	2,158	1,888	-270	-13%
Tapanui	1,294	1,295	1	0%	2,673	2,866	193	7%
Total	10,295	13,322	3,027	29%	20,801	27,986	7,185	35%

Our staff take great pride in pride in providing facilities that are safe and welcoming to all visitors. Unfortunately, in common with many other public facilities nationwide, we're experiencing increasing levels of unacceptable behaviour from customers. In most cases, this is behaviour that is not respectful to the needs of other visitors and/or is verbally aggressive towards staff.

Libraries have always been bastions of information, defending the right for people to have access to information. Our library service, along with all others in New Zealand actively supports the Library and Information Association of New Zealand /Aotearoa (LIANZA) Statement on Freedom of Information 2020.

This document endorses the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (1948) Article 19 which states: "Everyone has the right to freedom of opinion and expression; this right includes freedom to hold opinions without interference and to seek, receive and impart information and ideas through any media and regardless of frontiers". <a href="www.lianza.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/2020/11/LIANZA-Statement-on-Freedom-of-Information-2020.pdf">www.lianza.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/2020/11/LIANZA-Statement-on-Freedom-of-Information-2020.pdf</a>

Unfortunately, we're experiencing increasing instances of customers voicing their opinions in ways others perceive to be threatening or aggressive. Debate and diverse opinions have always been welcomed within libraries, however as with all interactions, it is expected that all users of our facilities act in a respectful manner towards other visitors and staff alike. Any people behaving in a confrontational manner or using any form of abusive language are requested to either stop or leave the facility.

#### 1.2 PROGRAMMES

All of the community libraries continue to deliver a wide range of programmes, with many targeted towards our more vulnerable members of our communities, especially our young and senior sectors.

The programmes not only support literacy, digital inclusion and access to information, but many of them also provide an essential lifeline for people to make connection with others. These connections do not only address social isolation, but they're frequently the catalyst for people to access many other essential services e.g. health, immigration etc.

Programme frequency and size varies according to the intended audience and nature of the session.

AUGUST PROGRAMMES								
	Δυσ	Δα	+/-	%	FYTD	FYTD	+/-	%
	Aug 2023	Aug 2024	+/-	70 Variation	23-24	24-25	+/-	70 Variation
Balclutha Programmes	106	96	-10	-9%	177	214	37	21%
Balclutha Participants	377	493	116	31%	889	1,131	242	27%
Lawrence Programmes	35	51	16	46%	64	88	24	38%
Lawrence Participants	57	51	-6	-11%	107	147	40	37%
Milton Programmes	17	21	4	24%	27	39	12	44%
Milton Participants	75	181	106	141%	127	334	207	163%
Owaka Programmes	5	6	1	20%	15	12	-3	-20%
Owaka Participants	10	39	29	290%	174	64	-110	-63%
Tapanui Programmes	32	25	-7	-22%	88	51	-37	-42%
Tapanui Participants	148	133	-15	-10%	290	352	62	21%
Total Programmes	195	199	4	2%	371	404	33	9%
Total Participants	667	897	230	34%	1,587	2,028	441	28%

### 1.3 CONTENT

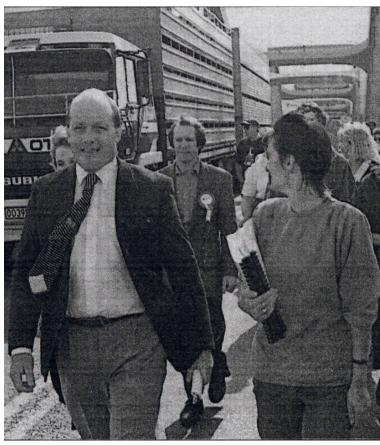
Use of the libraries digital books and audiobooks continues to climb, although numbers still pale in comparison to those of physical books.

AUGUST BOOK ISSUES								
	Aug	Aug	+/-	%	FYTD	FYTD	+/-	%
	2023	2024		Variation	23-24	24-25		Variation
eBook & eAudiobook	1,419	1,767	348	25%	2,856	3,640	784	27%
Balclutha	4,138	3,863	-275	-7%	8,692	8,543	-149	-2%
Lawrence	773	761	-12	-2%	1,620	1,693	73	5%
Milton	1,529	1,328	-201	-13%	2,974	2,938	-36	-1%
Owaka	611	565	-46	-8%	1,077	1,104	27	3%
Tapanui	1,115	1,062	-53	-5%	2,086	2,093	7	0%
Total	9,585	9,346	-239	-2%	19,305	20,011	706	4%

#### 1.3.1 CLUTHA HERITAGE

The Community Heritage Coordinator has been sorting through the vertical files of local history material held in the backroom of the Balclutha Library. This material, collected by our staff over many decades (before the widespread use of computers), covers significant events, local businesses, and local people. This work has been undertaken in preparation for digitisation to make the material more accessible to the public.

These examples reflect the history of advocacy work that our local councillors have done for our community. Pictured to the right is Bryan Cadogan leading a protest march over the Balclutha bridge in 2002 when the Central Government looked to axe the funding for the North Balclutha school bus. The



second picture is Ken Payne with his family in 1995 advocating for the importance of local medical care during the closure of the former Balclutha Hospital.



### 1.5 COMMUNITY LIBRARIES

#### 1.5.1 BALCLUTHA COMMUNITY LIBRARY

The number of people who are requiring digital assistance help remains constant, and the library is now known 'the place to go if you need digital help'. This can range from a quick five minutes through to longer sessions that require quite a lot of problem solving. Staff all agree that it's wonderful to see customers leave the library happy, and de-stressed because they know that their issue has been resolved.

### Recycling

Over the past year, the library's recycling initiatives have resulted in 131 cell phones and tablets (collectively weighing over 16kg's) have not gone to landfill, and were instead sent for recycling to RE:MOBILE (<a href="https://remobile.org.nz/">https://remobile.org.nz/</a>).

A further 18kgs of can tabs were also passed onto the Balclutha Lions Club for their New Zealand Kidney Kids Support Group Project.

#### **Book Club**

The Balclutha Community Library Book Club is still going strong, with a number of participants attending since its establishment in 2015. Numerous friendships have developed within the group; and whether it is talking about the books they have read or sharing recommendations, the Book Club continues to be a regular highlight for many.



Photographer: Nick Brooke, The Clutha Leader

## Shaky Trailer – Civil Defence-Clutha

On the afternoon of Friday 5<sup>th</sup> August Jason Michie, Emergency Management Advisor - Clutha, setup the Shaky Trailer outside the Balclutha Community Library, along with a display of promotional material on preparing for and staying safe in an emergency. The Shaky Trailer simulated an earthquake, and children and adults took the opportunity to test it out. This was a learning opportunity, not only for using the "Drop, Cover, Hold" technique but also to find out more about Civil Defence and how to stay safe.

### **Sticks & Stems**

The Balclutha Community Library hosted a workshop by the local Flora Art Club titled 'Stick & Stems'. The workshop used recycled metal cans and sticks to create not only an amazing vase, but also an innovative grid to hold the flowers up while in the container. Everyone who attended talked about how much fun they had learning a new skill and creating a useful item to take home, reuse and enjoy.



#### Children

The after-school programmes continue to be a big draw for children, with *Crafternoon* being the most popular - with over 70 children participating in the sessions during August. Crafts ranged from creating their own animal egg cartoon portraits, reusing old egg cartons, through to an art challenge where they only had a few minutes to create a piece of art using a specific colour or with their eyes closed. Crafts and challenges like this help the children with their hand/eye coordination but also give kids an opportunity to be creative creative in their own ways.



Game On has also been popular, with children battling each other to be the winner of a quiz or see who can buy the most properties and have the most money in Monopoly. The children also love trying to beat the librarians in games of Uno. These games help children to develop their social skills and create new friendships.

The *Chill Out Club* has seen an uptake in children attending with at least 15 kids each week. At these sessions the children can relax and unwind after school, with their friends and socialise. They really enjoy choosing from a wide range of activities such as colouring-in, playing traditional games, using the library technology or having time on the chromebooks.



A number of preschool groups such as Parents Centre and Kindergartens, as well as local schools visited the library during August. With story times and fun activities such as colouringin and science experiments including a fan favourite - *Magic Flowers*. The children colour-in and cut a flower out, fold the petals in and place it gently on the water to see the magic unravelling of it. This is a great activity for all ages and is always very popular.

These visits are great for introducing children and parents to the library's extensive range of services and programmes. Over the winter period, the Balclutha Community Library ran a Winter Reading Challenge, for both children and adults. It proved to be a hit, with 79 people completing the challenges. A number of participants completed multiple cards.

Reading challenges are a great way to encourage independent reading, reading for fun, and allowing readers to discover something new or outside their comfort zone.

Recreational reading has so many benefits, including improving literacy, social skills, empathy, knowledge and psychological wellbeing!



### 1.5.2 LAWRENCE COMMUNITY LIBRARY

It has been a pretty cold and extremely wet winter in Lawrence. Compared to previous years' statistics our visitor and lending numbers have remained steady, although usage of the free APNK wi-fi has continued to increase.

Staff have been kept busy throughout the month, with many of our communities' ratepayers visiting the library to pay their first instalment of rates in person.

Digital Help on Tuesdays has been popular in August, with visitors bringing in devices for help with basic tasks, such as organising photos on a hard drive and learning how to share them with family members and friends. Staff have been pro-active promoting this with our lineadvertisements in the Tuapeka Times, and we have seen a bit of an uptick in attendance.

We have had one regular visitor come to the library this month to learn how to use our heritage hub scanning equipment to scan some photographs. This customer has a number of images of the area from around the 1980s which have some heritage value. They seemed to grasp the technology quite quickly, and we hope that they will return and continue with the digitising. Staff have suggested that they contribute some of their images to our Clutha Heritage website in the future, so they can be widely accessed.

The Wise Owls group (Age Concern) this month featured Scott Martin, Waste Education Officer from CDC. Scott delivered his engaging talk to a number of local seniors who were all quite receptive to the do's and don'ts of recycling in wheelie bins in our district. This is the second talk Scott has delivered at the library in Lawrence, and feedback has been entirely positive.

Finally, we have had a small exhibition hanging in our library. Local artist Jan Harper ran some 'collage art' lessons during July, where collage artworks were created with the theme of playing cards. Ms Harper arranged with us to display the completed artworks in August. We have had many visitors remark on the display, and we hope to display more local artists work in the future.



#### 1.5.3 MILTON COMMUNITY LIBRARY

The door count statistics continue to be considerably higher than similar times in previous years, justifying having had a door counter added to our side door. It gives us a far more accurate picture of visitor numbers.

August has very much been a 'business as usual' month, with a good consistency of attendance at regular programmes. *Crafternoons* has been moved to a Monday after school, and we now have a *Kids Challenge* on Tuesday afternoons. The challenges have proved very popular, and the number attending is growing. Staff have come up with some very engaging activities, evidenced by the number of excited children participating. It is also great to see a several children who usually spend a lot of time on the library's computers, taking part in these activities.

A group of teenage boys who attend a nearby training centre, are regularly coming into the library during their lunchbreak and playing board games. They know they are welcome here and enjoy the variety of games we have available. They were initially a little rowdy, but as staff engaged with them, they have become friendly and respectful. Again, it is great to see our youth enjoying activities away from digital devices!

Staff have been visiting the local resthome once a month, taking with them a variety of books for the residents to peruse. The residents are usually eagerly awaiting this visit and enjoy some friendly book chat.

## **Monthly Storytime**

Our guest reader for August was Tiffany Jenks, our very own Community Heritage Coordinator.

Tiffany read books with local history content to a group of pre-schoolers and their carers.

### **Crochet Group**

A regular group of crocheters meet on a Friday morning at the library. The more experienced crafters share techniques, patterns and encouragement with those wanting to learn, and it is an enjoyable socialising time as well.



### 1.5.4 ŌWAKA COMMUNITY LIBRARY

August has been a steady month at the library.

#### **Catlins Club**

Museum and Library staff have collaborated to introduce a new afterschool club for kids. *Catlins Club* is aimed at children from Year 1 to Year 8, with the programme offering a different theme each term, this term is shipwrecks. Each fortnightly hour-long session has time spent in both the library and museum. The time flew by at the first session with the children wanting to know what was on next time!

#### Wise Owls

The Wise Owls group met with Josh from Resonate Hearing. These sessions with speakers and discussions are popular with locals and occasionally the Seniors bus from Clinton attend as well.

#### **Clutha Home School visit**

On Friday 9<sup>th</sup> August 16 children and 5 adults from the Clutha Home School group visited the library and museum to see just what it is that we have to offer. It was great to chat about the libraries amazing online opportunities as well as show them around the museum. They were impressed to learn that the library has free movies online, a sewing machine and an overlocker that can used in the facility. When they learnt just what their library card can give them access to, we had those who didn't already have a library card lining up to get one!

Ōwaka Community Library also holds each month:

**Book Group** 

Device drop-in sessions

Free WIFI and computers for use in each branch

JUMP modems, an affordable wifi internet option available for home users through the district libraries partnership with Digital Equity Coalition Aotearoa (DECA).

As well as welcoming external stakeholders:
Jobbortunities
Heartland Services
Age Concern Otago – our Wise Owls group

The age old of saying that libraries are just about books, has flown out the door. Our facility is about engaging with our community and offering so much more than books on the shelf.

#### 1.5.5 TAPANUI COMMUNITY LIBRARY

### Rubbish & Recycling Workshop with Scott Martin – CDC Waste Education Officer.

Scott Martin, CDC Waste Education Officer, spoke at two presentations at the Tapanui Community on 7 August. The first session, aimed at adults had 11 attendees and the second session after school, saw 5 children attend, one of whom recognised Scott from his work with the local primary school.

Scott spoke about what can and can't go into our wheelie bins, using props as examples, and showed a video taken at the Dunedin recycling depot with real people sorting out the

rubbish. His presentation was friendly, informative and educational.

One adult attendee enjoyed Scott's presentation much she booked Scott to return to talk at a future meeting of the West Otago RSA Ladies Committee in September after hearing him speak.

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## Working from home and home-schooling

We have noticed an increase of people using our small front "office" for meetings or to "work from home". One person has been basing herself here on Monday mornings while her child attends daycare. More recently, a tutor and teenager have been working together for an hour in the afternoon, twice a week. Both groups appreciate a quiet space, with some element of privacy, away from the distractions of home. They like that they can access our free wifi via the public APNK network.

We also have a mother and child team here most mornings in the children's area working together through their homeschooling schedule. Library books are playing a huge part in the child's "school" day, and we often get to interact with him and his mum about what he is learning.

We've been approached by another family who are also looking to base themselves here for home schooling sessions twice a week, so we look forward to accommodating them as well from next month.

## **PTO Generator test at West Otago Community Centre**

On 5 August the Tapanui team held the annual test of the PTO generator at the West Otago Community Centre in Tapanui. The test went well with 4 people in attendance. Everything worked well and

#### 2. VISITOR INFORMATION

August Visit	or Statistics								
	Origin	Aug	Aug	+/-	%	FYTD	FYTD	+/-	%
		2023	2024		Variation	23-24	24-25		Variation
Balclutha	Domestic	513	581	68	13%	1,365	1,726	361	26%
	International	54	123	69	128%	149	338	189	127%
Lawrence IC	Domestic	415	241	-174	-42%	767	458	-309	-40%
	International	18	39	21	117%	44	59	15	34%
Milton IC	Domestic	127	88	88	69%	210	201	-9	-4%
	International	4	5	5	125%	6	9	3	50%
Owaka	Domestic	830	914	84	10%	2,088	1,791	-297	-14%
	International	33	41		0%	70	97	27	39%
Tapanui	Domestic	2	11	9	450%	2	11	9	450%
	International	2	11	9	450%	2	11	9	450%
Total	Domestic	1,887	1,835	-52	-3%	4,438	4,187	-251	-6%
	International	111	219	108	97%	273	514	241	88%
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#### 2.1 CLUTHA i-SITE

The isite was fortunate to have a visit from the America's Cup team who were visiting TPOMA as they travelled around the country on a promotional tour. The photo at the end of this Visitor Information section is of isite and TPOMA facility staff with *Auld Mug*.

The increase in international visitors is in line with nationwide trends. For Clutha, this is reflected in the increasing number of tourists buses visiting the isite and TPOMA. These are generally smaller buses carrying approx. 25 - 30 international visitors from predominantly Asian countries, at least several times a week.

The isite teams, welcomed third-year Otago Medical School students visiting Balclutha (they also visited the Balclutha Library) as part of their annual visit to rural areas to understand more about the health needs of our community.

The students immerse themselves in our community for the week, learning about the social determinants of health, i.e., the circumstances in people's environments that affect their health, well-being, and quality of life. The week they spent in our community allowed them to learn about the overall health needs of our community, the health needs of specific population groups, to identify the strengths of our community and the challenges they face. Students visited the isite and were hugely impressed with the newly built TPOMA facility.

Staff welcomed visitors to TPOMA on the day of the Six60 concerts

The isite team have been working with the Tuapeka Goldfields Museum, and now thrilled that the Gabriels Gully Storymapp is now also available for purchase from the Clutha isite. This will broaden the reach of this great resource to visitors who may not have considered visiting Lawrence.

#### 2.2 CATLINS INFORMATION CENTRE

This month, we welcomed numerous international visitors who thoroughly enjoyed exploring our local history. The warm atmosphere of our building and the availability of free wifi, contributed to a positive experience.

Being a combined facility, with library, visitor information and museum services, means that council staff and the Catlins Historical Society volunteers deal with many different questions daily. We are proud to showcase our facility to everyone that comes in and with many wanting to know more about the history of the facility.

August 2024 saw a 10% increase in visitors through the doors than the previous year.

The library team have thoroughly enjoyed providing assistance to the Catlins Historical Society on the development of the new Lockerbie exhibition room which will be opened, along with a book launch *Remembering Les Lockerbie* on 2 November.

This collection of archaeological items was collected throughout he Catlins from 1930's through to the 1970's by local resident and long-serving ex Otago Museum Education Officer, Les Lockerbie.

The significance of this new collection and its launch can be evidenced by Ruth Baldwin, Waikoau Runanga Kaumatua who will be providing welcome, alongside performances by the Catlins Area School.

#### 2.3 LAWRENCE INFORMATION CENTRE

The Gabriels Gully Storymapp continues to draw visitors into the district. Recent visitors have been finding out about Storymapp via word of mouth from friends that have already experienced Storymapp. We are excited about seeing how Storymapp will grow throughout the Spring and Summer seasons.

A car club visited from Balclutha/Milton bringing a number of visitors to town to enjoy all Lawrence has to offer.

New residents continue to flock to Lawrence. Over the past month we had two families introduce themselves to our staff. One is a couple that migrated from the UK and originally settled in the North Island, after three visits to Lawrence they decided they loved it here so much that they have moved.

Another new resident called in to the Visitor Centre as he was told this was the place to come with all your questions. He and his wife had been on the road for a wee while and decided to settle in Lawrence.

We have observed over the last week that Ross Place is busier, and we are looking forward to the new season.

One of our Information Officers has been trained to post to the Lawrence, Otago, NZ Facebook and Instagram pages. Previously this was solely maintained by the Museum Manager. These

pages are a valuable tool to showcase Tuapeka and the wider district as a great place to live, work and play. Having another staff member trained in this area ensures that we can increase the frequency of posts and engagement with prospective tourists.

## 2.4 MILTON INFORMATION CENTRE

Street upgrade is still disrupting access. Excellent feedback from those who do call in.



Isite and Te Pou Ō Mata-Au staff

# **Regulatory & Community Committee**

## **Item for INFORMATION**

Report Building & Regulatory Update Report

Meeting Date 10 October 2024

Item Number 6

Prepared By Malcolm Sinclair - Building & Regulatory Manager

File Reference 915491

#### REPORT SUMMARY

This report provides updates in the Building and Regulatory area on various matters of interest to the Committee that are not dealt with elsewhere in this agenda.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

1. That the Regulatory and Community Committee receives the 'Building and Regulatory Update Report', dated 10 October 2024.

#### **REPORT**

## 1. Building Control

## Reporting on quality processes

The next IANZ visit will be in January 2025 which aligns with our normal cycle for accreditation.

At time of writing report, we are days out from changing to our processing and inspection recording system to Objective Build which is an end-to-end building consent processing systems. A go-live date has been set for 1/10/2024. Public notifications have commenced.

Introduction of Objective Build will see a new range of reporting tools to help track KPI and team performance requirements. Applicants will be able to log on and see the various stages of their consent progress. We are also working across various council departments to include reasons for decisions on outcomes that affect the property for the consented work, with in the program.

#### **Conflicts of interest**

We currently have two conflicts of interest registered.

#### **Work Volumes & Service Levels**

- Consents issued, we had one building consent application exceeding the 20-day statutory clock, with 95% (19) of consents issued within statutory timeframes for September 2024.
- Average processing days are 13 days for the month of September.
- Inspections bookings are being obtained within 4-working days.

- Applications are holding steady in numbers, with 20 awaiting processing, with 37 building consents awaiting further information for assessments to be completed.
- Land Information Memoranda processed for September to date is 32, this is high number for a month time frame.
- Code Compliance Certificates issued, 12 issued for July, statutory timeframes met 100%.

## **Compliments and Complaints**

- No recorded BCA compliments for this period, one verbal compliment for the whole team was received.
- No recorded complaints received for this period.

## **Projects**

• Receiving consents in an electronic format for processing electronically, advancements by way of commitment to changing to Objective Build system.

## **Health & Safety**

There have been no H&S issues raised. Staff are reminded to look out for each other and be mindful of individual's wellbeing.

## **Continuous Improvements**

Our continuous improvements register has been expanded to identify urgency of items and review of effectiveness of outcomes for items addressed through this process, the register has access available to all department staff and staff being encouraged to submit ideas for improvement.

Any new projects or process changes are recorded.

#### **External Contractors**

No building consents have been processed by contractors for this period.

#### **Internal Audits**

- Sample of consents are being reviewed for our next round of audits.
- Technical staff competency assessments are up to date.
- MBIE have now extended staff competency reviews from 12 months to 24 months
- Refresher training courses are now being undertaken, this is to ensure staff competency and knowledge growth is retained.
- Preparation is beginning for our next IANZ visit.

## 2. Animal Control Report

14 August 2024 - 27 September 2024

## Dogs (Known)

Total Dogs	6545
Total Dogs Registered	6005
Total Dogs Owned & Not Registered	540

## Owners of Dogs (Known)

Total Owners who have dogs	3280
Total Owners who have registered their dogs	2974
Total Owners who have not registered their dogs	306

## Dog 14 August – 27 September 2024

These were made up of the following categories of dog ownership and revenue:

	From 01/07/24	From 17/08/24	
Rural non-working	\$70.00	\$105.00	
Rural Working	\$50.00	\$75.00	
Urban (Non-Working and	\$99.00	\$148.50	
Working)			
Urban Responsible Owner	\$70.00	\$105.00	
Dangerous Dog \$148.50* \$222.75			
*We have 2 dangerous dogs in the Clutha District, all dogs registered			

- 0 infringements have been issued for failing to register their dogs between 01/07/2024 27/09/2024
- 0 infringements have been issued for other incidents between 1/07/24 –13/09/2024
- 475 dog registrations have been paid using the online portal from 1/07/24 13/09/2024

## Infringements

Infringement payments via the court July 2024 - \$1113.63, August 2024 - \$610

#### **Impound**

17 dogs impounded 14 dogs were claimed, 2 dog was rehomed, 1 was euthanized.

## Animal control activity for the last 5 weeks has included the following:

August 2024 – 7 dogs were discovered by the ACO's that were not on our records and unregistered

September 2024 – 20 dogs were discovered by the ACO's that were not on our records and unregistered

#### **Customer Service Requests**

89 Customer Service requests of which 61 Customer Service requests were dogs that were dealt with (including out of hours requests)

4	Dog welfare
1	Dog aggression
10	Barking dogs
1	Fouling dogs
12	Lost dog notification
3	Dogs biting livestock
1	Dog biting domestic animals
0	Dog biting a human
29	Wandering dogs

18	Wandering stocks
5	Stock welfare
5	Animal nuisances
0	Other

## 3. District Licensing Committee

Licensing activity since the last Regulatory and Policy Committee meeting has resulted in the issuing of the following:

## 17 August 2024 – 30 September 2024

22	Special Licences	
8	Manager's Certificates	
8	On/Off/Club Licences	

## 4. Staffing

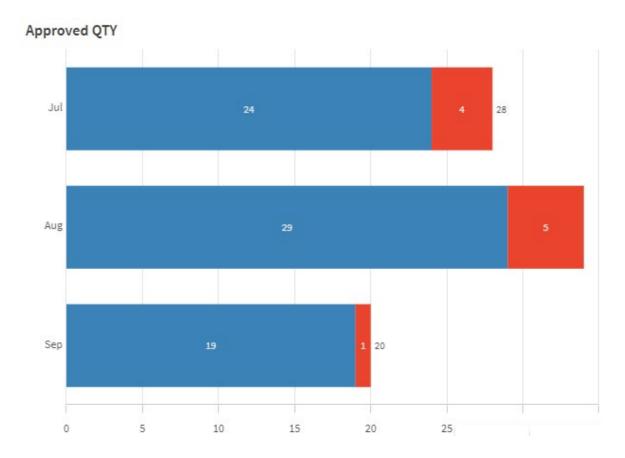
No Changes for this period.

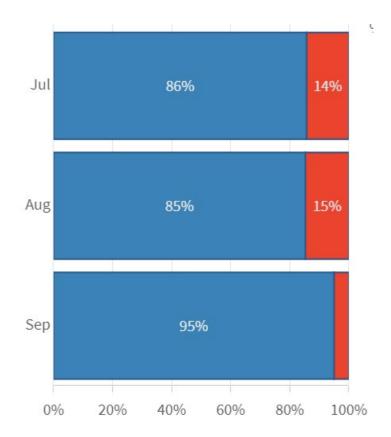
### 5. Clutha Stars

Clutha Stars is an important and innovative improvement programme, this requires the team to work together focusing on four areas: Leadership & People, Customer, Nuts & Bolts and Strategic. Our activity area is showing substantial increase in tasks actioned. With Objective Build coming online will see a surge in tasks completed under the Clutha Stars program.

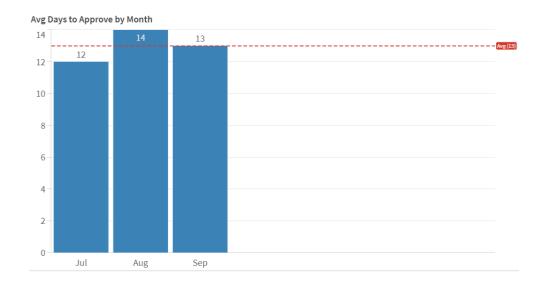
## 6. Building Stats

Building Consents Approved July 24 – September 24





Building Consents Average Days To process – July 24 – September 24



# **Building Consents Issued for August 2024**

Balclutha Ward			
Туре	Number	Value	
Accessory Buildings	3	123,400	
Additions & Alterations	2	22,500	
Commercial/Industrial	1	7,000	
Farm Buildings	0	0	
Heating Units	1	4,500	
New Dwellings	1	585,000	
Other	0	0	
Plumbing & Drainage	2	8,500	
Resited Buildings	0	0	
Total	10	750,900	

Bruce Ward		
Туре	Number	Value
Accessory Buildings	0	0
Additions & Alterations	3	257,000
Commercial/Industrial	0	0
Farm Buildings	0	0
Heating Units	0	0
New Dwellings	1	300,000
Other	0	0
Plumbing & Drainage	1	5,000
Resited Buildings	0	0
Total	5	562,000

Catlins Ward		
Туре	Number	Value
Accessory Buildings	0	0
Additions & Alterations	2	132,000
Commercial/Industrial	0	0
Farm Buildings	0	0
Heating Units	3	13,000
New Dwellings	1	800,000
Other	0	0
Plumbing & Drainage	5	37,800
Resited Buildings	0	0
Total	11	982,800

Clinton Ward		
Туре	Number	Value
Accessory Buildings	0	0
Additions & Alterations	0	0
Commercial/Industrial	0	0
Farm Buildings	0	0
Heating Units	0	0
New Dwellings	0	0
Other	0	0
Plumbing & Drainage	0	0
Resited Buildings	0	0
Total	0	0

Clutha Valley Ward		
Туре	Number	Value
Accessory Buildings	0	0
Additions & Alterations	0	0
Commercial/Industrial	0	0
Farm Buildings	1	95,000
Heating Units	0	0
New Dwellings	0	0
Other	0	0
Plumbing & Drainage	0	0
Resited Buildings	0	0
Total	1	95,000

Kai/Matau Ward		
Туре	Number	Value
Accessory Buildings	0	0
Additions & Alterations	0	0
Commercial/Industrial	0	0
Farm Buildings	0	0
Heating Units	1	4,500
New Dwellings	0	0
Other	0	0
Plumbing & Drainage	0	0
Resited Buildings	0	0
	1	4,500

Lawrence/Tuapeka Ward					
Туре	Number	Value			
Accessory Buildings	0	0			
Additions & Alterations	2	20,000			
Commercial/Industrial	0	0			
Farm Buildings	0	0			
Heating Units	1	6,389			
New Dwellings	0	0			
Other	0	0			
Plumbing & Drainage	0	0			
Resited Buildings	0	0			
Total	3	26,389			

West Otago Ward				
Туре	Number	Value		
Accessory Buildings	1	30,000		
Additions & Alterations	0	0		
Commercial/Industrial	1	550,000		
Farm Buildings	1	90,000		
Heating Units	1	6,000		
New Dwellings	0	0		
Other	0	0		
Plumbing & Drainage	1	4,000		
Resited Buildings	0	0		
Total	5	680,000		

## Comparison with August 2023

	August 2023		Augu	st 2024
	No. ۱	<i>V</i> alue	No.	Value
Accessory Buildings	2	64,000	4	153,400
Additions & Alterations	4	70,000	9	431,500
Commercial/Industrial	2	322,000	2	557,000
Farm Buildings	2	1,239,031	2	185,000
Heating Units	15	111,786	7	34,389
New Dwellings	5	2,147,400	3	1,685,000
Other	0	0	0	0
Plumbing & Drainage	4	63,200	9	55,300
Resited Buildings	0	0	0	0
<u>Total</u>	34	4,017,417	36	3,101,589

## Comparison Year to Date with 2023 - 24

July 2023 – August 2023 July 2024 - August 2024 No. Value Value No. 452,400 **Accessory Buildings** 416,000 9 6 Additions & Alterations 461,500 6 325,000 11 Commercial/Industrial 2,678,556 6 548,000 5 Farm Buildings 2 1,239,031 3 245,000 **Heating Units** 28 194,102 21 124,071 9 1,955,000 **New Dwellings** 4,352,400 5 Other 1 5,000 0 Plumbing & Drainage 86,800 9 84,890 12 50,000 **Resited Buildings** 0 1 6,053,327 **Total 67** 7,164,423 67

Land Information Memoranda processed for August 2024 was 17.

Land Information Memoranda processed 1/7/23 to 30/6/24 totalled 221.