

REPORT FOR THE KAIKOHE/HOKIANGA COMMUNITY BOARD FOR MARCH 6th 2019

When driving around the District it is appalling to see the state of the roadsides. The amount of litter, mostly drink containers is an indictment of the slovenly habits of road users and on the local roads it can't be all due to visitors or out of towners. There has to be a way where this pernicious lazy custom can be stopped. Perhaps a publicity campaign may bring results, particularly if this can be accompanied by stiff financial penalties for identifiable offenders.

There is an urgent need for toilet facilities at the point where the cycle trail crosses SH12 where the Railway underpass was. I have had an offer to build such a utility if the Board, or Council, can provide the materials. This is an offer the Board should consider and fund it from the Placemaker funds.

Some people have commented on the graffiti that is defacing the Library Lane murals. Can the Board commission Chris Wilkie to paint over this or get someone to have it removed?

I am a regular attender of the Hauauru Takiwa meetings and at the last Meeting held at the Parihaka Marae the matter of dust nuisance was raised in respect of the dwellings on Te Iringa Road. There are a number of houses right alongside the road which are greatly affected by the dust raised by the logging trucks and milk tankers. This is considered a health issue in other parts of the District, could the stretch between the bridge and the Marae be urgently considered for sealing or as a temporary measure, dust suppression treatment?

The team installing the Broadband network around Kaikohe are to be commended on the diligence of their work ethic. They are carrying out a major task with the minimum of disruption to the public and road users. According to their foreman, this is their biggest job in the thirteen years they have been doing this type of work. Congratulations.

Reccomendations:-

- (a) That the costs of sealing part of Te Iringa Road be investigated.*
- (b) That the Library Lane Murals be retouched ASAP.*
- (c) That a safe crossing point be created for the Cycle Trail on SH12.*
- (d) Institute a heavy penalty regime for litter makers.*

S Reilly
22.2.2019

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With reference to the water issues raised in the Report submitted for the February Board Meeting. Water is a finite commodity and we neglect its quality at our peril and future cost. The four streams, Papahawaiiki, Waitaka, Wairoro, and Mangamutu, all rise in and around Kaikohe and all leave town dirty. It behoves the community to do something to address this unsatisfactory state of affairs.

The size of the task is not to be underestimated and it is proposed that remedial work be done on just one stream's catchment area in order to gauge the potential costs of any attempt to rectify the wider problems. This community is not alone with issues such as this as other towns have possibly even worse problems, but we can make a start.

The Papahawaiiki Stream is suggested as being an appropriate one to start with as it has by far the biggest catchment area in the town, therefore will give the best result from a properly carried out replenishing plan.

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